



# Blount County Government

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

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Monday, May 2, 2022

9:00 AM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

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Live stream via <https://zoom.us/join>

Zoom Meeting ID: 844 1608 0797

## ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Blount County Board of Commissioners met in special called session on Monday, May 2, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Commission Chairman Ron French called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 16 members present and 5 absent. The Chairman declared that a quorum did exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

**Present:** 16 - Commissioner Mike Akard, Commissioner Jared Anderson, Commissioner Robbie Bennett, Commissioner Brad Bowers, Commissioner Nick Bright, Commissioner Richard Carver, Commissioner Mike Caylor, Commissioner Dodd Crowe, Chairperson Ron French, Commissioner Jackie Hill, Commissioner Jeff Jopling, Commissioner Staci Lawhorn, Commissioner Steve Mikels, Commissioner Dawn Reagan, Vice Chair Tom Stinnett, and Commissioner Linda Webb

**Absent:** 5 - Commissioner James Hammontree, Commissioner Tom Hood, Commissioner Scott King, Commissioner Joe McCulley, and Commissioner Brian Robbins

- A. In accordance with the authority vested in me by Tennessee Code Annotated § 5-5-105, notice is hereby given that the County Legislative Body of Blount County will meet in Special Called Session on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 9:00 AM in Room 430 of the Blount County Courthouse in Maryville, TN to reconsider a Highway grant application request of \$2,500,000.00 for a Federal Lands Access Program grant for greenway continuation to Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

**Attachments:** [PN Special Called Meeting 2022-May-03](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that the vote taken on April 21, 2022, regarding a Highway grant application request of \$2,500,000.00 for a Federal Lands Access Program grant for greenway continuation to Great Smoky Mountains National Park be reconsidered. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 16 - Akard, Anderson, Bennett, Bowers, Bright, Carver, Caylor, Crowe, French, Hill, Jopling, Lawhorn, Mikels, Reagan, Stinnett, and Webb

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 5 - Hammontree, Hood, King, McCulley, and Robbins

**Abstain:** 0

1. Highway Grant Application - \$2,500,000.00 (To apply for Federal Lands Access Program grant for greenway continuation to Great Smoky Mountains National Park) (No match required). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation (5-0).

**Attachments:** [Federal Lands Access Program Grant Worksheet](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jopling, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, that the grant application request be approved. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 16 - Akard, Anderson, Bennett, Bowers, Bright, Carver, Caylor, Crowe, French, Hill, Jopling, Lawhorn, Mikels, Reagan, Stinnett, and Webb

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 5 - Hammontree, Hood, King, McCulley, and Robbins

**Abstain:** 0

## B. ADJOURNMENT.

The Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned. The Blount County Board of Commissioners meeting in special called session adjourned on Monday, May 2, 2022, at 9:11 a.m.