



Blount County

359 Court Street
Maryville, TN 37804-5906

Meeting Minutes

Board of Commissioners

Thursday, September 21, 2017

7:00 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Blount County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, September 21, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Blount County Courthouse in Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Commission Chairman Jerome Moon called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Gaye Hasty, Blount County Clerk. There were 19 present and 2 absent. Chairman Moon declared a quorum to exist. The following proceedings were held, to-wit:

Present: 19 - Commissioner Mike Akard, Commissioner Andy Allen, Commissioner Archie Archer, Commissioner Brad Bowers, Commissioner Shawn Carter Sr., Commissioner Richard Carver, Commissioner Grady Caskey, Commissioner Mike Caylor, Commissioner Thomas Cole, Commissioner Dodd Crowe, Commissioner Jamie Daly, Commissioner Gary Farmer, Commissioner Ron French, Commissioner Kenneth Melton, Commissioner Karen Miller, Commissioner Tona Monroe, Chairperson Jerome Moon, Commissioner Scott King, and Commissioner Tom Stinnett

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Dave Bennett, and Commissioner Mike Lewis

ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIRMAN.

Commissioner Caskey nominated Jerome Moon as Chairman of the Blount County Board of Commissioners. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner French. Chairman Moon asked if there were any further nominations. There were none. Commissioner Caylor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Melton, to cease nominations. A voice vote was taken with Chairman Moon declaring the motion passed and nominations closed. An electronic vote was taken on the election of Jerome Moon as Chairman of the Blount County Board of Commissioners. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 17 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Monroe, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 1 - Moon

Did Not Vote: 1 - Miller

ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

Commissioner Bowers nominated Grady Caskey as Chairman Pro Tempore. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner French, to elect Grady Caskey as Chairman Pro Tempore of the Blount County Board of Commissioners. Chairman Moon asked if there were any further nominations. There were none. Commissioner French made a motion to close nominations. Commissioner Carver seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with Chairman Moon declaring the motion passed and nominations closed. An electronic vote was taken on the election of Grady Caskey as Chairman Pro Tempore of the Blount County Board of Commissioners. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 17 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 1 - Miller

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 1 - Caskey

A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

Commissioner French asked for unanimous consent to remove from the agenda Item F.5. (Resolution Number 17-09-013, A Resolution Approving the Compensation for the Members of the Blount County Legislative Body). There were no objections. Chairman Moon declared Item F.5. removed from the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Farmer, to set the agenda. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

B. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Carter, that the Consent Calendar be approved. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 18 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 1 - Monroe

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

1. MINUTES:

- a. [August 17, 2017, Regular Commission Meeting Minutes.](#)

Attachments: [Commission Meeting Minutes Aug-17-2017\(1\).pdf](#)

The minutes were approved.

b. [August 29, 2017, Special Called Commission Meeting Minutes.](#)

Attachments: [Commission Special Called Meeting Minutes Aug-29-2017.pdf](#)

The minutes were approved.

c. [September 12, 2017, Special Called Commission Meeting Minutes.](#)

Attachments: [Commission Meeting Special Called Minutes Sep-12-2017.pdf](#)

The minutes were approved.

2. [Approval of Deputy Sheriff, Notary Public, and Public Officials Bonds and Oaths.](#)

Attachments: [Oaths and Bonds Resolution September 21 2017.pdf](#)

[Oaths and Bonds.pdf](#)

This resolution was adopted.

3. [Election of Notaries.](#)

Attachments: [Notaries\(Page 1\).pdf](#)

[Notaries \(Page 2\).pdf](#)

This Report was approved.

4. [Resolution Number 17-09-014, A Resolution Honoring Steve Samples For His Exemplary Service to Blount County.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Honoring Steve Samples\(3\).pdf](#)

This Resolution was adopted.

5. [Receiving Reports for Information Only.](#)

Attachments: [Agenda Committee Meeting Minutes Aug-8-2017.pdf](#)

[August 8 2017 Budget Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[Planning - min72717.pdf](#)

[Paym Auth 17-08-31.pdf](#)

[Travel 17-08-31.pdf](#)

[Trustees Report.pdf](#)

The reports were received and filed.

6. [Information Only - Grant Application Request - BCSO - \\$20,153 JAG Interoperable Radio Equipment Enhancement \(no match/recurring\)](#)

Attachments: [2017 JAG Local.pdf](#)
[BCSO JAG Local 2017-18 Final.pdf](#)

This report was received and filed.

7. [Information Only - Grant Application Request - Library - \\$6,000 LSTA Technology Grant \(no match/recurring\)](#)

Attachments: [Library LSTA grant.pdf](#)

This Report was received and filed.

8. [AUGUST FINANCIAL REPORTS](#)

Attachments: [reports cover.pdf](#)
[Capital Assets.pdf](#)
[Atty Billing 17-08-31.pdf](#)
[E-Commerce Card Report - August 2017.pdf](#)
[Salary %s.pdf](#)
[Utilities.PDF](#)
[Increases-Decreases.PDF](#)
[Expenditures.PDF](#)
[Revenues.PDF](#)
[Transfers.pdf](#)
[PBA.pdf](#)

The Reports were received and filed.

C. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

D. ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, AND CONFIRMATIONS.

1. Confirmations (County Mayor Recommendations):

A motion was made by Commissioner Farmer, seconded by Commissioner King, to confirm the County Mayor's appointments to the Animal Center Advisory Board. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 15 - Allen, Bowers, Carter, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 4 - Akard, Archer, Carver, and Melton

a. [Animal Center Advisory Board - Mike Akard, Archie Archer, Rick Carver, Kenneth](#)

Melton.

Attachments: [Animal Center Advisory Board Recommendations.pdf](#)

The appointments were confirmed.

b. Human Resources Committee - Phyllis Crisp.

Attachments: [HR Committee Mayor's Recommendation.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Carver, to confirm the County Mayor's appointment to the Human Resources Committee. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

c. Information Technology - Jimmy Cox (Highway), Scott Graves (Trustee) Gaye Hasty (County Clerk).

Attachments: [IT Committee Mayor's Recommendations.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Caskey, to confirm the County Mayor's appointments to the Information Technology Committee. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

2. Appointments (County Commission):

a. Audit Committee - Susanne Davis, Lee Gowan, and Amy Paganelli.

Attachments: [ResumeSusanneDavis\(2\).pdf](#)

[Resume Lee Gowan.pdf](#)

[Resume Amy Paganelli.pdf](#)

[Audit Committee Resolution August 2015.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the appointments and reappointments for Items D.2.a.,b.,c.,d.,e.,f.,g.,h., and i. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman

declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 18 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 1 - Monroe

- b. [Beer Board - Reappointments of Archie Archer, Dave Bennett, Shawn Carter, Richard Carver, Grady Caskey, Jamie Daly, Ron French, Kenneth Melton, and Scott King.](#)

The appointments were approved.

- c. [Blount County Corrections Partnership - Reappointments of John Adams, Jeff French, Rick Carver, Mike Caylor, Dave Bennett, Tona Monroe, and Judge Michael Gallegos - Ex-Officio Non-Voting, Judge Tammy Harrington - Ex-Officio Non-Voting.](#)

The appointments were approved.

- d. [Board of Zoning Appeals Associate Member - John Rush.](#)

Attachments: [BZA Associate Member Resume - John Rush.pdf](#)

This appointment was approved.

- e. [Cable Television Authority - Ron French.](#)

This appointment was approved.

- f. [Education Committee - Reappointments of Mike Akard, Brad Bowers, Shawn Carter, Grady Caskey, Dodd Crowe, Jamie Daly, Ron French, Karen Miller, Tom Stinnett.](#)

The appointments were approved.

- g. [Human Resources Committee - Reappointments of Ed Mitchell, James Berrong, Scott Graves, Jeff Headrick, Mike Caylor, Rick Carver, Grady Caskey, Mike Lewis, Tom Stinnett, Rob Britt, David Murrell.](#)

The appointments were approved.

- h. [Information Technology - Reappointments of Ed Mitchell, Mike Cain, Rick Carver, Mike Lewis, Tona Monroe, John Herron, Keith Hackney.](#)

The appointments were approved.

- i. [Insurance Committee - Reappointments of Mike Caylor, Rick Carver, Grady Caskey, Mike Lewis, Tom Stinnett.](#)

The appointments were approved.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**F. NEW BUSINESS.**

1. [Resolution 17-09-001 GPSF - \\$144,249.94 \(Establish CTE Equipment State Grant to purchase equipment that mirrors that found in business/industry today\)](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 17-09-001 GPSF Vocational.docx](#)
[Schools - Vocational.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Caskey, that this Resolution be adopted. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 18 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 1 - Miller

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

2. [Resolution 17-09-002 GPSF - \\$10,000 \(Establish mini-grant for early literacy - Read to Be Ready\)](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 17-09-002 GPSF Read to Be Ready.docx](#)
[Schools - Read to be Ready.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Stinnett, that this Resolution be adopted. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

3. [Resolution 17-09-003 GPSF - \\$417,657 \(Summary judgment on BC Education Assoc. vs. BC BOE - Chancery Court No. 2010-140 & 2012-036\)](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 17-09-003 GPSF Summary Judgment.docx](#)
[Schools - Summary Judgment.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Stinnett, that this Resolution be adopted. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caylor, Cole, Daly, French, Melton, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 3 - Caskey, Crowe, and Farmer

4. [Resolution Number 17-09-012, Resolution Recognizing Area Utilities for their Tremendous Efforts Working Overtime for Expedited Repairs Necessitated by Weather Events this Spring, and the City Of Maryville, City of Rockford, Fort Loudon Utilities, and Others for Their Excellent Service Regarding Adoption of "Opt-Out" Policy For Digital "Smart-Meters".](#)

Attachments: [RESOLUTION Utilities \(3\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Daly, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, that this Resolution be adopted. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Akard, Allen, Archer, Bowers, Carter, Carver, Caskey, Caylor, Cole, Crowe, Daly, Farmer, French, Melton, Miller, Monroe, Moon, King, and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Bennett, and Lewis

Abstain: 0

5. [Resolution Number 17-09-013, A Resolution Approving the Compensation for the Members of the Blount County Legislative Body.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Compensation Commission\(2\).pdf](#)

This Resolution was withdrawn.

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS.

H. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

I. ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman Moon stated without objection, the meeting would be adjourned. There were no objections. Chairman Moon declared the meeting adjourned. The Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned on September 21, 2017, at 7:49 p.m.