



# Blount County Government

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## Meeting Minutes

### Commission Workshop

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Tuesday, January 7, 2020

6:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

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### ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a Commission Workshop meeting was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. The Blount County Commission Workshop Chairman Tom Stinnett called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 19 present and 2 absent. The Chairman declared there to be a quorum. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

**Present:** 19 - Mike Akard, Jared Anderson, Robbie Bennett, Brad Bowers, Nick Bright, Richard Carver, Mike Caylor, Ron French, James Hammontree, Jackie Hill, Tom Hood, Jeff Jopling, Scott King, Staci Lawhorn, Joe McCulley, Steve Mikels, Dawn Reagan, Brian Robbins and Tom Stinnett

**Absent:** 2 - Dodd Crowe and Linda Webb

### A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner French, to set the agenda. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

## **B. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

## **C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

### **1. [Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes for December 10, 2019.](#)**

**Attachments:** [Commission Workshop Minutes 2019-Dec-10](#)

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

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

## **D. CONSENT CALENDAR.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Hood, that the consent calendar be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

1. [Approval of Bonds and Oaths.](#)

**Attachments:** [OATHS AND BONDS RESOLUTION 2020-Jan-16](#)  
[Oaths of Deputy Sheriffs 2020-Jan-16](#)  
[Notary Public Bonds Oaths 2020-Jan-16](#)

2. [Notaries to be Elected.](#)

**Attachments:** [Notaries to be Elected 2020-Jan-16](#)

3. [Receiving of Reports \(INFORMATION ONLY\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Minutes of CARES Committee 2019-Nov-19](#)  
[Perishables Report -December 2019](#)

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

**F. NEW BUSINESS.**

**1. Budget Transfers, Increases and/or Decreases.**

**2. Other Budget Items.**

**3. Appointments by County Mayor:**

**a. [Budget Committee \(1-Year Term\) Reappointment of Sharon Hannum, and Commissioners Jared Anderson, Mike Caylor and Tom Stinnett.](#)**

**Attachments:** [Budget Comm 2020](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hood, seconded by Commissioner Hill, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 16 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan and Commissioner Robbins

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 3 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Caylor and Commissioner Stinnett

b. [Solid Waste Authority \(6-Year Term\) Reappointment of Sue Dawson, J.C. Franklin and Carl Walker; and Appointment of Mike Lewis.](#)

**Attachments:** [Solid Waste 2020](#)

[Mike Lewis - bio for Solid Waste Authority Board](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner McCulley, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

**4. Appointments by County Commission:**

a. [Agriculture Extension Committee \(2- Year Term\) Reappointment of Dr. Andy Daugherty as Farm Men Representative, and the Appointment of 2 Commissioners Nick Bright, Ron French and/or Steve Mikels.](#)

**Attachments:** [Ag Committee appointments Jan 2020 \(1\) Redacted](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Robbins, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Jopling, seconded by Commissioner Akard, that Steve Mikels' name be added to the appointments, and with unanimous consent, forward the four names to the full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 17 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 2 - Commissioner Bright and Commissioner French

b. [Industrial Development Board and Health & Educational Facilities Board \(6-Year Term\) Reappointment of Joe Dawson.](#)

**Attachments:** [Blount County Commission - Board Member Re-Appointment 2019](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner French, that the appointment be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

c. [Jail Inspection Committee \(1-Year Term\) Reappointment of Keith Brock, James Ferguson and Sharon Hannum.](#)

**Attachments:** [Blount County Government Mail - Jail Inspection Committee](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Bright, seconded by Commissioner Carver, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

- d. [Smoky Mountain Tourism Development Authority Board \(6 Year Term\) Reappointment of Bryan Cable with Hilton Knoxville Airport, and Jewell Overton with ProNova Solutions.](#)

**Attachments:** [Blount County Commission Request - 2019 Redacted](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

5. [Resolution No. 20-01-012, Resolution Naming the Blount County, Tennessee Portion of Highway 129 From Mile Marker 11 to the Tennessee/North Carolina Line the Captain Johnny Leon Bryant Memorial Highway.](#)

**Attachments:** [20-01-012 Resolution Capt. Johnny Leon Bryant Memorial Hwy](#)

[Map - Capt Johnny Leon Bryant Memorial Highway](#)

[Capt Johnny Leon Bryant](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Robbins, seconded by Commissioner French, that the resolution be forwarded to full commission with all the commissioners' names added as sponsors on the resolution. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

6. [Resolution No. 20-01-013, A Resolution Honoring Melaine Beaty Hickman for Her Dedicated Service to the Veterans of Blount County, Tennessee.](#)

**Attachments:** [20-01-013 Proclamation Honoring Melaine Hickman VA Counselor](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Robbins, seconded by Commissioner McCulley, that the resolution be forwarded to full commission with all the commissioners' names added as sponsors on the resolution. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Commissioner Stinnett

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Crowe and Commissioner Webb

**Abstain:** 0

**G. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS.**

**H. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.**

**I. ADJOURNMENT.**

At 7:03 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, the Chairman declared that the Commission Workshop meeting to be adjourned.