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Chairman Henry called for a brief recess in order to hold a legal meeting with Attorney Taylor in the adjacent conference room.

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Chairman Henry called the meeting back to order at this time.

0:56 **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Chairman Henry indicated the upcoming agenda items would be considered as follows:

- Resolution No. 1011-15 was the usual County Clerk item regarding notaries, etc. This required no committee assignment.
- An Order of Designation to the Planning Commission would be submitted as a matter of record.
- A Juvenile Court Clerk Report would be submitted as a matter of record.
- Resolutions No. 1011-16 and 1011-17 were board appointments, requiring no committee assignment.
- Resolutions No. 1011-18 through 1011-26 were assigned to the Finance Committee, chaired by Commissioner Skillern.
- Resolution No. 1011-27 was assigned to a Committee of the Whole.

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - RESOLUTION NO. 1011-27**

Chairman Henry spoke regarding this Resolution, which would appoint four Judicial Commissioners for one year terms and designate a Chief Judicial Commissioner. He stated that applicants would be interviewed by the Security and Corrections Committee and any other Commissioners able to attend. These interviews would take place on Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in the Commission conference room.

Chairman Henry provided details regarding the protocol for voting for Judicial Commissioners at next week's meeting. Each Commissioner would be polled to provide the names of four individuals they wished to select. An applicant will be required to receive 5 votes to win appointment. After four Judicial Commissioners are selected, another vote is to be conducted for the purpose of designating one of the Magistrates as Chief Judicial Commissioner.

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3:57            Upon request by Chairman Henry and for the benefit of the media in attendance, Attorney Taylor stated that at his request, the legal meeting was held in the Commission

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conference room for the purpose of discussing threatened litigation. This meeting had been attended by members of the Commission, Mayor Coppinger, and appropriate staff.

4:24 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Henry asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

4:31 Commissioner Mackey addressed rumors that the City of Chattanooga planned to close four recreational facilities and create one large recreational center. These facilities included East Chattanooga, Carver, Avondale, and Glenwood. He reported that on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the Avondale Recreational Center, he would be hosting a community forum to hear the consensus of those who would be affected by this. From feedback he had already received, it appeared that they would be opposed to the closing of these four facilities.

6:47 Commissioner Fields reported that he and his wife had attended the "Great Date Night", held at the Chattanooga Convention Center on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. This event was hosted by First Things First and sponsored by Chick-Fil-A. He expressed his appreciation to these entities.

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7:22 Commissioner Fields also thanked Clerk Knowles and his office for their assistance in renewing his automobile tag earlier that morning. He noted the courteous and efficient nature of those who assisted him.

Mayor Coppinger reminded the Commission that an employee appreciation luncheon would be held at 11:30 AM today and invited Commissioners to attend.

7:38 Mayor Coppinger announced that the County had just completed its interviews and assessment by its bond raters. All three agencies once again rated Hamilton County with a AAA bond rating. He pointed out that the County today was in an even better financial standing than when it originally received the rating several years ago. He thanked members of the Finance Department staff and others for their hard work during this process.

9:00 **DELEGATIONS**

Chairman Henry asked for delegations on matters other than zoning. There were none.

Being no further business, Chairman Henry declared the meeting adjourned.

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Respectfully submitted:



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William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

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