

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 24, 2018**

**STATE OF TENNESSEE**            )            Regular Meeting

**COUNTY OF HAMILTON**        )            January 24, 2018

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018, a Regular Meeting of the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners was begun and held at the Courthouse, in the City of Chattanooga, in the County Commission Room, when the following proceedings were held, to wit:--

:12            Present and presiding was the Honorable Randy Fairbanks, Chairman. County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Bankston, Commissioner Beck, Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Fields, Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Mackey, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Smedley, and Chairman Fairbanks. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0.

Also in attendance were County Mayor Jim Coppinger, members of his administrative staff, County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, and County Auditor Jenneth Randall.

Attached hereto is a copy of the Public Notice of this meeting, which was published in a local newspaper and made a matter of record of this meeting.

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:33 Commissioner Fields introduced County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Fields led in the pledge to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

2:19 **ON MOTION** of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Fields, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of December 13, 2017, the Agenda Preparation Session of December 13, 2017, the Regular Meeting of December 20, 2017, the Recessed Meeting of December 27, 2017, and the Recessed Meeting of January 3, 2018 be approved, treat same as read, made a matter of record and filed. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

**ORDER OF REAPPOINTMENT**

An Order reappointing Frank Groves, Jr. to the Walden's Ridge Utility District Board of Commissioners, for a four-year term beginning December 17, 2017 and expiring December 17, 2021 was entered into the record.

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**ORDER OF REAPPOINTMENT**

An Order reappointing Phyllis Marr, Jeff Templeton, and Jim Farmer to the North West Utility District Board of Commissioners, for four-year terms beginning December 31, 2017 and expiring December 31, 2021 was entered into the record.

**ORDER OF DESIGNATION**

An Order was recorded designating Todd Leamon to sit as the County Mayor's representative on the Planning Commission for the meeting of January 8, 2018.

2:50

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-3 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT  
APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, THE BONDS AND OATHS OF  
NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED, AND THE OATH OF DEPUTY COUNTY  
CLERK.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 118-3. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley,

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“Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

3:50

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-4 A RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT ONE (1) MEMBER TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 17, 2018 AND ENDING JANUARY 17, 2023.**

This Resolution reappoints Joseph G. DeGaetano.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 118-4. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye” Commissioner Fields, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

4:10

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-5 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) HIRING PROGRAM GRANT AT A MINIMUM OF \$250,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WHICH**

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**WOULD DESIGNATE TWO (2) ADDITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR  
CRIME AND INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 118-5. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

5:01

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-6 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 BY INCREASING THE EXPENDITURE BUDGET  
BY \$405,192 AND APPROPRIATING \$405,192 FROM THE FUND BALANCE OF  
THE GENERAL FUND.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 118-6. The foregoing Resolution was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner

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Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

5:43

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-7 A RESOLUTION ADDING FORESTRY MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO THE LIST OF PROFESSIONAL, TECHNICAL, AND CONSULTANT SERVICES THAT MAY BE OBTAINED SUBJECT TO SECTION 3.3.10 OF THE PROCUREMENT RULES FOR HAMILTON COUNTY.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 118-7 The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye” Commissioner Fields, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

6:19

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-8 A RESOLUTION (1) ESTABLISHING THE MINIMUM BID AMOUNT FOR CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY HAMILTON COUNTY THROUGH PREVIOUS DELINQUENT TAX SALES. (2) AUTHORIZING THE OFFER OF SAID PARCELS FOR SALE AT THAT MINIMUM BID AMOUNT, AND (3)**

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**AUTHORIZING CERTAIN SAID PARCELS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE FOR AN AMOUNT LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAXES, PENALTY, COST AND INTEREST ACCUMULATED AGAINST THE PROPERTY.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 118-8. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

7:10

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-15 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENTERING INTO OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT EXTEND THE LEASE AGREEMENT AMONG HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, AND THE STADIUM CORPORATION.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 118-15. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present

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and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Fairbanks asked that Resolution Nos. 118-9 through 118-11 be heard at this time.

7:55

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-9 A RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A BED AND BREAKFAST FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7222 LASATA LANE.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-10 A RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A CELL TOWER FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 16225 MAY ROAD.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-11 A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF A MANDATORY REFERRAL FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF THE 10000 BLOCK OF THE EAST BRAINERD ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY.**

Commissioner Bankston Chairman of the Zoning Committee asked if there was any opposition present for any of the zoning items on today's agenda. There was none. He asked that each of the three aforementioned Resolutions be considered separately.



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He stated the Zoning Committee reviewed Resolution No. 118-9 and recommended denial.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to deny Resolution No. 118-9. The foregoing motion to deny was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

9:25

He stated the Zoning Committee reviewed Resolution No.118-10 and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 118-10. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley,

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“Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

10:47

He stated the Zoning Committee reviewed Resolution No. 118-11 and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 118-11. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye” Commissioner Fields, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

Chairman Fairbanks asked that Resolution Nos. 118-12 through 118-14 be heard at this time.

11:14

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-12 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF JCL EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC. FOR ONE (1) TRUCK EQUIPPED WITH PRESSURIZED ROAD STRIPING SYSTEM FOR WATER BASED PAINT AMOUNTING TO \$297,637.00 FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND**

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**AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-13 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTINUATION CONTRACT BETWEEN HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY COALITION FOR SERVICES TO PREVENT THE INITIATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT USE AND ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEM (ENDS) USE AMONG YOUTH USING ALREADY BUDGETED FUNDS FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S TOBACCO SETTLEMENT GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000.00 FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018, ENDING JUNE 30, 2018.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 118-14 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,445.00 ANNUALLY WITH CHATTANOOGA CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC. D.B.A., CHATTANOOGA COMMUNITY KITCHEN FOR SPACE FOR USE BY HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S HOMELESS HEALTH CARE CENTER, FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018.**

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Commissioner Smedley, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 118-12 through 118-14, and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval of each Resolution.

12:59

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 118-12. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

13:36

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 118-13.

14:30

In response to Commissioner Mackey's question, Health Department Director Becky Barnes reported for several years tobacco settlement funds were appropriated for uses other than tobacco prevention. She noted in the last few years a portion of the funds have been used for tobacco campaigns and any assistance would be beneficial to help reduce or stop tobacco use among youth.

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The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows:

Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

16:36

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 118-14. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye" Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Fairbanks asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

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17:32

Commissioner Martin thanked Mayor Coppinger for speaking at this morning's Friends of Hixson meeting and giving an update on positive things happening in Hamilton County.

Commissioner Martin congratulated the Hixson High School Wrestling Team for winning regionals and going to the state tournament. He also congratulated the Hixson High School JROTC teams for placing 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in last weekend's drill competition.

Commissioner Martin announced that a Hixson High student showed interest in government and may be an intern for District 3.

19:04

Commissioner Smedley thanked Commissioners for attending her campaign kick-off Monday evening. She also thanked Mayor Coppinger and City Councilman Darrin Ledford for their kind words.

19:40

Commissioner Beck referenced a shooting that occurred six months ago in which a young man driving a vehicle was shot and killed. He stated the two shooters were not charged. He stated the young man's car remains impounded and payments are due. He noted he will continue to investigate the situation and work to ensure that perpetrators of crime are punished.

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24:51 Attorney Taylor called for a brief legal meeting in the Commission Conference Room immediately following today's Commission Meeting.

25:03 Mayor Coppinger expressed appreciation in being involved with events throughout Hamilton County and congratulated Commissioners on their success. He also thanked them for their support in creating the Veterans Service Officer position and complimented Mr. Charles Alsobrook for what he's accomplishing in that role.

26:29 Chairman Fairbanks thanked Mayor Coppinger and his wife for attending a fundraiser held in Soddy Daisy last night for Vietnam Veterans. He reported the event raised approximately \$11,800.

27:37 Chairman Fairbanks also announced he will serve the first term on the Chattanooga Visitors Bureau Executive Committee to fulfill their request to have a rotating member of the Commission appointed to that board.

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**DELEGATIONS**

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

There being no further business, Chairman Fairbanks declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



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William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

02-07-18

WFK

Date

Clerk's Initials