

COUNTY OF HAMILTON) March 16, 2016

0:30

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

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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.

0:48 Chairman Bankston introduced Reverend Andy Cornett, Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Bankston led in the pledge to the flag.

4:22 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of February 24, 2016, the Agenda Preparation Session of February 24, 2016, and the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2016, be approved, treat same as read, made a matter of record and filed. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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ORDER OF DESIGNATION

An order was submitted for the record designating Todd Leamon to sit as the County Mayor's representative on the Planning Commission for the meeting March 14, 2016.

5:08

**RESOLUTION NO. 316-17 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT
APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, THE BONDS AND OATHS OF
NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED, THE OATH OF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK,
AND THE OATHS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 316-17. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Bankston reported that Resolution Nos. 316-18 through 316-23 were heard by a Committee of the Whole.

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Chairman Bankston asked that Resolution Nos. 316-19 and 316-20 be considered together at this time.

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RESOLUTION NO. 316-19 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO CHATTANOOGA ROOM IN THE INN, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) FROM GENERAL FUND DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT FOUR.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-20 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO CHURCHVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) FROM GENERAL FUND DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT FOUR.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolution Nos. 316-19 and 316-20. The foregoing Resolutions were adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 7. Total "Nay" votes – 0. Commissioner Graham announced that he was present.

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7:00 **RESOLUTION NO. 316-18 A RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT ONE (1) MEMBER TO
THE PHASE II STORM WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR A FOUR (4)
YEAR TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2016 AND ENDING APRIL 1, 2020.**

This Resolution reappoints County Engineer Todd Leamon for a four year term beginning April 1, 2016 and ending April 1, 2020.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 316-18. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

7:39 **RESOLUTION NO. 316-21 A RESOLUTION ADDING ELEVATOR CONSULTING
SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY CONSULTING SERVICES TO THE LIST OF
PROFESSIONAL, TECHNICAL, AND CONSULTANT SERVICES THAT MAY BE
OBTAINED SUBJECT TO SECTION 4.2.4.K OF THE PURCHASING RULES FOR
HAMILTON COUNTY.**

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolution No. 316-21. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

8:20

RESOLUTION NO. 316-22 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A FUNDING POLICY FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN, THE HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PENSION PLAN, AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 316-22. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 316-23 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HAMILTON COUNTY TO MAKE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER TO THE STATE OF TENNESSEE'S TENNCARE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO SECURE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE'S PUBLIC HOSPITAL SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT POOL ("PHSPP") FOR THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY ("ERLANGER").

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 316-23. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

10:04

Chairman Bankston asked that Resolution Nos. 316-24 through 316-27 be considered together at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-24 A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A CELL TOWER ON A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 3375 CAMP ROAD.

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RESOLUTION NO. 316-25 A RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A SHORT TERM VACATION RENTAL ON PROPERTY AT 719 SOUTH SCENIC HIGHWAY.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-26 A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM A-1 AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT AND R-2 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3015 OOLTEWAH-RINGGOLD ROAD.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-27 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE HAMILTON COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS, ARTICLE VI, EXCEPTIONS, SECTION 400 SPECIAL PERMITS BY HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION, SUBSECTION 401.7, APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT BY DELETING ITEM "F(1)" THAT REFERENCES A SIXTY (60) MONTH EXPIRATION PERIOD AND CORRECT MINOR WORDING WITHIN REMAINING ITEMS B(2), E(1) AND F(3).

Commissioner Haynes, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 316-24 through 316-27 and stated that the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval. It was noted that no opposition was present at today's meeting.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Haynes, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution Nos. 316-24 through 316-27. The foregoing Resolutions were adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Bankston asked that Resolution Nos. 316-28 through 316-38 be considered together at this time.

12:10

RESOLUTION NO. 316-28 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF PRATER FORD, INC. FOR ONE (1) CARGO VAN AMOUNTING TO \$29,826.00 FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-29 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF KIESLER POLICE SUPPLY, INC. FOR TWENTY-THREE (23) BALLISTIC HELMETS AMOUNTING TO \$20,244.14 FOR SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

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RESOLUTION NO. 316-30 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 1, 2016, THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2016, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-31 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND THE TENNESSEE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR A 2015 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT WITH A PERIOD OF 09/01/2015 THROUGH 04/30/2018 AND AMENDING THE BUDGET OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT BY ADDING \$170,836.20 TO REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-32 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HAMILTON COUNTY MAYOR JIM M. COPPINGER TO APPLY TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ACCEPT A LITTER PREVENTION AND TRASH COLLECTION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$108,900 WITH A CONTRACT PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-33 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION AS THE CHATTANOOGA HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTINUATION CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT

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OF HEALTH FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$230,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE COORDINATION OF FETAL INFANT MORTALITY REVIEW AND COMMUNITY INFANT MORTALITY REDUCTION SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S GUIDELINES.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-34 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTRACT AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,490.00 WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY DENTAL CARE FOR UNINSURED ADULTS AGES 19 - 64 YEARS FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016 AND TO INCREASE THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE BUDGETS BY \$23,490.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-35 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE FOR THE PROVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AT OUR HOMELESS HEALTH CARE CENTER TO PRODUCT MEMBERS EFFECTIVE 3/16/2016.

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RESOLUTION NO. 316-36 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF SWARCO INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR ONE (1) YEAR CONTRACT PRICING, BEGINNING MARCH 16, 2016, THROUGH MARCH 15, 2017, FOR GLASS SPHERE REFLECTIVE BEADS FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-37 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF 84 LUMBER COMPANY FOR SIX (6) MONTHS CONTRACT PRICING, BEGINNING MARCH 16, 2016, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15, 2016, FOR BAGGED PORTLAND CEMENT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 316-38 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF YSI INCORPORATED FOR TWO (2) WATER QUALITY SONDES AMOUNTING TO \$26,107.25 FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY WATER QUALITY PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 316-28 through 316-38, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, to adopt Resolution Nos. 316-28 through 316-38.

23:33 Commissioner Haynes noted that due to a conflict of interest he wished to abstain from voting on Resolution No. 316-36.

Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Mackey complimented Purchasing Director Gail Roppo and the staff in the Finance Department on their work in sending out notices and obtaining competitive bids.

The foregoing Resolutions were adopted on a Roll Call vote. Members of the Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye" Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Beck was absent. Total "Aye" votes – 8 recorded on each Resolution; with the exception of an abstention by Commissioner Haynes relating to Resolution 316-36. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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LATE ITEM

23:46 **RESOLUTION NO. 316-39 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$70,000.00) IN SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM AGAINST HAMILTON COUNTY AS BROUGHT BY LINDA K. PORTER FOR PHYSICAL INJURIES RECEIVED AS A RESULT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT WITH A HAMILTON COUNTY VEHICLE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 316-39. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Commissioner Beck was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

24:30 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Bankston asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

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Commissioner Haynes invited everyone to attend a District 3 community meeting that will take place on March 22nd at 6:00 pm at Hixson High School regarding the future of education in Hamilton County. The meeting will be hosted by District 3 School Board Member Dr. Greg Martin and the 8 PTA presidents from the schools in District 3.

Commissioner Haynes congratulated Bob McKamey, Owner and President of Capital Toyota, on his 50th anniversary as a Toyota dealer.

31:52 Commissioner Graham encouraged everyone to participate and volunteer at local ball fields in consideration of the approaching baseball season.

Commissioner Boyd invited everyone to attend a community meeting on March 31st at 6:30 pm at the Red Bank Community Center regarding the Hamilton County Waste and Wastewater Treatment Authority (WWTA). He noted that the previous two meetings were well attended.

30:38 Commissioner Boyd spoke about a letter he received on March 16, 2016 from Attorney Taylor. The letter is in response to Commissioner Boyd's request for an explanation of the Hamilton County's Read 20 Program, and County general funds being appropriated to said program. Attached to the letter is the Attorney General for the State of Tennessee's Opinion No. 92-03 accompanied by the Comptroller's Findings. He noted that the letter explains why Read 20 does not conflict with the attorney general's opinion. He asked the Commission to review the letter and follow up with any

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questions they may have. At the request of Clerk Knowles a copy of the handout was provided to the Clerk's office.

Commissioner Fairbanks congratulated the Soddy Daisy High School cheerleaders for winning the National Championship in Texas for the second year in a row. He also recognized his youngest daughter, Lauren, in the audience who was visiting from St. Louis. He thanked his daughter and his wife for being at today's meeting.

29:35 Mayor Coppinger announced that on March 30th from 4-6 pm, the Hamilton County gym facility, the Well, will be hosting an open house to celebrate their 5th anniversary. He encouraged everyone to attend and participate in the classes that will be taking place. It was noted that the Well is open 24 hours a day for County employees and their families.

Commissioner Boyd noted that there has been a large return on investments made to promote wellness within Hamilton County. He added that last year's budget had over \$1 million in health insurance savings.

Chairman Bankston noted that in light of his recent health issues and at the urging of family members, he will be attending the open house at the Well.

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DELEGATIONS

Chairman Bankston asked for delegations on matters other than zoning.

32:38 Monty Bell, a homeless resident of Hamilton County for 17 years, addressed the Commission regarding the lack of educational opportunities and the criminal justice system. Chairman Bankston reminded Mr. Bell that per Resolution No. 315-13, he has three minutes to make his presentation, and that he is not to publicly call out the name of any Commissioner. Mr. Bell spoke for the allotted time, after which he was informed by Chairman Bankston that concerns pertaining to the educational system should be addressed at a Board of Education meeting.

There being no further business, Chairman Bankston declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

04-06-16
Date

WJK
Clerk's Initials