

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 19, 2014**

STATE OF TENNESSEE) Regular Meeting
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) March 19, 2014

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19th day of March, 2014, 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:--

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Present and presiding was the Honorable Fred Skillern, 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 Haynes, Commissioner Henry, Commissioner Mackey, and Chairman Skillern. 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 Bill McGriff.

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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Pastor Bruce Sloan, Ridgeview Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Commissioner Mackey led in the pledge to the flag.

PRESENTATION – CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS – CHARLOTTE VLASIS

Commissioner Boyd presented a Certificate of Congratulations to Chattanooga School for the Liberal Arts (CSLA) librarian Charlotte Vlasis. Ms. Vlasis was recently recognized as one of ten 2013 “I Love My Librarian” award recipients. Commissioner Boyd stated that 1,100 applications had been submitted for this prestigious national citation.

Ms. Vlasis expressed her appreciation to the Commission for receiving today’s recognition. She encouraged the Commission to continue to strongly support library programs through the Hamilton County school system. She was personally congratulated and shook hands with members of the Commission and Mayor Coppinger at this time.

Commissioner Boyd informed the Commission that all Hamilton County students took an Explorer test last fall, which is an 8th grade practice ACT test. He stated that CSLA Explorer test scores were the fastest growing in the county.

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School Principal Krystal Scarborough welcomed a group of 8th grade CSLA students in attendance. This group of students gave a brief overview of the Explorer tests, noting that CSLA's test scores were well above the national average and continued to increase for the second year in a row.

Commissioner Boyd presented each student in attendance with a commemorative bookmark.

16:22

PRESENTATION – SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Sheriff Jim Hammond distributed a copy of the fourth Annual Sheriff's Department Report to members of the Commission, Mayor Coppinger, and the Clerk's office. He noted that this was the first report to have been delivered since receiving the CALEA accreditation (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies). He pointed out that Hamilton County was one of only five Sheriff's Offices in the State to have received this accreditation.

Sheriff Hammond also emphasized it was because of the CALEA accreditation that the Sheriff's Office was awarded a grant by the Department of Justice for eight additional School Resource Officers (SROs).

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He also requested that the Commission give future consideration to the age of the County Jail as highlighted by various Grand Jury reports. He agreed that the age of the current facility would be an issue the County would have to deal with in the future. He provided additional details regarding the annual report.

Chairman Skillern responded that the County had provided more than the matching funds from the grant for SROs. He stated that this \$1,400,000 in funding had been used to provide cars, other needed equipment, and salaries.

Commissioner Mackey welcomed the Reverend Mitch McClure, former Commissioner, who was in attendance for today's meeting.

21:46

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Commissioner Henry, seconded by Commissioner Fields, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of February 26, 2014, the Agenda Preparation Session of February 26, 2014, and the Regular Meeting of March 5, 2014, 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 Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner Henry,

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“Aye”; Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”; and Chairman Skillern, “Aye”. Total present – 9.
Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

22:54

**RESOLUTION NO. 314-15 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT
APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS AND OATH OF DEPUTY
SHERIFF.**

Chairman Skillern asked for a motion.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 314-15. 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 Haynes, “Aye”; Commissioner Henry, “Aye”; Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”; and Chairman Skillern, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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 of March 10, 2014.

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JUVENILE COURT CLERK REPORT

The Juvenile Court Clerk reports for the months of December 2013 and January 2014 were submitted and made a matter of record.

REPORT ON DEBT OBLIGATION

The Report on Debt Obligation was submitted and made a matter of record of this meeting.

Chairman Skillern asked that Resolutions No. 314-16 and 314-17 be considered together at this time.

23:56 **RESOLUTION NO. 314-16 A RESOLUTION FOR THE MOWBRAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SELL A 1986 FORD ECONOLINE 250 VAN WHICH IS CO-TITLED WITH THE HAMILTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

RESOLUTION NO. 314-17 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF SOUTHEAST FLOORS, LLC FOR CARPET AND INSTALLATION AMOUNTING TO \$26,821.00

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**FOR THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY
MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS
RESOLUTION.**

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolutions No. 314-16 and 314-17 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolutions No. 314-16 and 314-17. The foregoing Resolutions were 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 Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner Henry, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; and Chairman Skillern, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Skillern asked that Resolutions No. 314-18 through 314-21 be considered together at this time.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 314-18 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR
ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES
DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH**

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DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTINUATION CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$278,600 TO PROVIDE CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION SERVICES IN HAMILTON COUNTY, FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 314-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, TO ADJUST CHARGES FOR CLINICAL VISITS, PROCEDURES, PHARMACEUTICALS, TESTS AND LABORATORY SERVICES UP TO THE PREVAILING MAXIMUM REIMBURSABLE INSURANCE RATE.

RESOLUTION NO. 314-20 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 AN AMENDMENT CONTRACT FOR \$542,900 WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE PROVISION OF BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES FOR THE 12 MONTH TIME PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013 - JUNE 30, 2014 AND AMENDING THE 2013/2014 BUDGET BY INCREASING REVENUES BY \$26,600 AND EXPENSES BY \$12,681.

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RESOLUTION NO. 314-21 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 DENTAQUEST USA INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF DENTAL SERVICES TO COVERKIDS MEMBERS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2014.

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolutions No. 314-18 through 314-21 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolutions No. 314-18 through 314-21. The foregoing Resolutions were 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 Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner Henry, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; and Chairman Skillern, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 314-22 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH TERRACON FOR

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**GEOENVIRONMENTAL TESTING AND INSPECTION SERVICES NECESSARY FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW EAST BRAINERD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00 OF PREVIOUSLY BUDGETED FUNDS.**

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolution No. 314-22 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

Chairman Skillern pointed out that the funding source for this Resolution and others related to East Brainerd Elementary was the County's line of credit, rather than through a bond issue. He stated that the bonds had not yet been sold for this school.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolution No. 314-22. 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 Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner Henry, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; and Chairman Skillern, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 314-23 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF
FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$48,000.00) IN SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM**

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**AGAINST HAMILTON COUNTY AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE
AS BROUGHT BY THE HEIR-OF-LAW OF JASON MATTHEW LOGAN FOR HIS
DEATH WHILE IN CUSTODY AT THE HAMILTON COUNTY JAIL.**

Chairman Skillern reported that this Resolution had been heard by a Committee of the Whole.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 314-23. 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 Haynes, “Aye”; Commissioner Henry, “Aye”; Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”; and Chairman Skillern, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

Chairman Skillern asked that Resolutions No. 314-24 and 314-25 be considered together at this time.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 314-24 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PERMIT
AGREEMENT FOR THE OCCUPANCY AND USE OF PREMISES FOR BLIND**

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OPERATED VENDING FACILITIES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 314-25 A RESOLUTION TO MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATING TO THE COCA COLA BOTTLING COMPANY UNITED, INC. PROJECT, TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES.

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolutions No. 314-24 and 314-25. He stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval of Resolution No. 314-24. He noted that Resolution No. 314-25 had been considered by a Committee of the Whole at last week's meeting, and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolutions No. 314-24 and 314-25. The foregoing Resolutions were 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 Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner Henry,

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“Aye”; Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”; and Chairman Skillern, “Aye”. Total present – 9.

Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

35:04

**RESOLUTION NO. 314-26 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
HAMILTON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.**

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolution No. 314-26 and stated that the Health and Human Services Committee reviewed and recommended approval. This Resolution would amend the Employee Handbook Section 512 regarding smoking, tobacco, non-tobacco, and e-cigarettes.

Human Resources Director Alecia Poe provided additional information concerning this Resolution.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 314-26. 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 Haynes, “Aye”; Commissioner Henry, “Aye”; Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”; and Chairman Skillern, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 314-27 A RESOLUTION TO FORMALIZE THE ALLOCATION OF THE INCREASE IN PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,180,695 YEARLY RECEIVED FROM THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY (TVA) CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF THEIR PROPERTY IN CHATTANOOGA.

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolution No. 314-27 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 314-27. 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 Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner Henry, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; and Chairman Skillern, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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DISCUSSION RE: SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS

Chairman Skillern reported that to his knowledge, each Commissioner had received a list of the County Mayor's recommendations for funding of school building

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projects. He stated that the Board of Education had originally submitted a list to the Commission of recommendations for school facility replacements or additions. He recognized School Superintendent Rick Smith, Assistant Superintendent Gary Waters, various members of the School Board, and a large group from the community who were in attendance for today's discussion.

Chairman Skillern stated that he was prepared to vote today on the list of projects recommended by the Mayor. He felt the information obtained through hours of conversation with the Mayor and Superintendent Smith was adequate for him to feel comfortable making a decision. However, he voiced agreement with requests from several Commissioners to defer a vote for one week in order to provide additional time to study the recommendation. He announced that action on the Resolution would be considered in a recessed meeting Wednesday, March 26.

Mayor Coppinger provided details regarding the process for how his list of recommendations had been collected, including School Board meetings, public discussion, and input from the County Finance Department. He stated that of the six projects recommended by the School Board, it was his recommendation that four of the projects be done. These included a replacement school for Ganns Middle Valley Elementary and Falling Water Elementary, an addition at Nolan Elementary, an addition at Sale Creek Middle/High, and an addition at Wolftever Elementary. He stated that the estimated total of these four projects would be \$48,000,000.

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Upon request by Commissioner Mackey, Mayor Coppinger provided details regarding the method used to fund these projects.

The Mayor stated to fund the four school projects the County's line of credit would be utilized without increasing property tax. He emphasized that county fund balance would not be used, and stressed the importance of the County maintaining their triple AAA bond rating by keeping a healthy reserve. He stated the reserve enabled county government to realize millions of dollars in interest savings to the point of allowing these four projects to become possible.

Commissioner Haynes stated that after several public meetings and conversations with Superintendent Smith and School Board member Greg Martin, he felt prepared to make a motion to move forward with the Mayor's recommendations, in the form of a Resolution which had been distributed to members of the Commission.

Clerk Knowles stated that the Resolution will be assigned Number 314-28, and suggested the Resolution caption be read into the record. Chairman Skillern directed it be read at this time.

**RESOLUTION NO. 314-28 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AS**

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**TO THE CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES, AND DESIGNATING THOSE
FACILITIES APPROVED FOR CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, AND/OR
ADDITIONS AS FUNDING SHALL BE APPROPRIATED BY THIS COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Haynes, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 314-28. The motion was not voted on at this time.

Chairman Skillern stated there were still several Commissioners wishing to speak on this matter. He asked that any motions be considered after discussion had concluded.

Commissioners Graham and Boyd expressed a desire to vote on this matter at a Recessed Meeting next week, in order to further study the matter and have an opportunity to hear from constituents in their districts.

Commissioner Boyd also shared a belief that it would be beneficial to allocate a larger amount of funding to school projects in order to catch up with the needs of the school system. He indicated he would be a proponent of doubling the amount of funding to \$100,000,000 in order to achieve this.

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Commissioner Fields commended Mayor Coppinger and his staff for finding a way to work on these four projects using available funds and without having to propose a tax increase.

Commissioner Mackey asked whether the potential needs of the school system had preceded actual needs such as maintenance and repair costs. He stated a desire that the School Board give strong consideration to repair needs and excess capacity in existing schools.

Chairman Skillern responded that these projects were some of the greatest needs in the county.

Commissioner Graham asked that the Commission be provided with a total number of portable units currently used by the school system. Superintendent Smith indicated he would research this matter and report to the Commission.

Commissioner Henry stated he would prefer to study the square footage per pupil for these facilities more before the vote.

Upon suggestion by Chairman Skillern, Commissioner Haynes indicated his agreement with recessing today's meeting and reconsidering this issue on Wednesday, March 26 in order to collect more information.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to defer Resolution No. 314-28 until a March 26, 2014 Recessed Meeting. 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 Haynes, “Aye”; Commissioner Henry, “Aye”; Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”; and Chairman Skillern, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

1:20:15

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Skillern asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

1:20:55

Commissioner Haynes, Chairman of the Securities and Corrections Committee, spoke regarding the Judicial Commissioner appointment process. He reported that it was the Committee’s recommendation that Randy Russell and Sharetta Smith, whose contracts expire on April 30th 2014, be reappointed for another one-year term. He clarified that this reappointment would be followed in lieu of the interview process conducted for previous appointments. He added that a vote to appoint a Chief Judicial Commissioner would also be considered as part of this reappointment.

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Chairman Skillern stated that it was his understanding that these two individuals had done an excellent job during their service and would be agreeable to extending their term.

Members of the Commission spoke regarding today's school building projects discussion. They expressed their appreciation to the community group in attendance for their involvement and feedback in the matter. Each emphasized the importance of community participation.

1:22:39

Commissioner Graham announced that Saturday, March 22 would be opening day for little league baseball at Lookout Valley and other areas throughout the community. He encouraged parents and family to get involved by volunteering for this rewarding opportunity.

1:23:41

Commissioner Graham announced that the Lookout Valley Neighborhood Association is holding a District 6 Candidates Forum at the John A. Patten Center Auditorium on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 7 pm.

1:25:00

Commissioner Boyd spoke regarding the non-profit organization First Things First and their "Dad's Make a Difference" project. He reported that he had used a portion of his discretionary funds to co-sponsor this cause which has proven successful in helping convicted individuals become productive workers.

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DELEGATIONS

Chairman Skillern asked for delegations on matters other than zoning.

1:31:40

Catherine White, a resident at 956 Brynwood Drive, addressed the Commission to discuss the posting of historical documents in the Courthouse. She noted that she had spoken before the Commission 12 years previous to discuss the same topic. Ms. White cited TCA 5-7-115, approved by the Tennessee Legislature, which she stated provides county governments authority to display historic documents. She stated that these documents included, but were not limited to the Ten Commandments, the Magna Carta, the Mayflower Compact, the Declaration of Independence, and several others.

Ms. White made several statements regarding the current state of government and the need for change. She also requested that the Commission give consideration to adopting a Resolution permitting the posting of these historical documents in the Courthouse. She stated that she had drafted a Resolution for their consideration.

Ms. White responded to questions from Commissioners. Chairman Skillern indicated that this was not an appropriate forum for the issues raised by Ms. White, who is presently a candidate for public office. He asked Attorney Taylor to review the legality of the request and report back to the Commission.

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Greg Laudeman, a resident at 1100 Tamerack Trail, addressed the Commission as a representative of the parents of CSLA student. He spoke regarding today's school building projects discussion. He stated a belief that investing in a new building for CSLA was the best investment for the County's current needs. He indicated that CSLA was a high-performing school serving the entire community. He believed that a new facility would encourage economic development and capital investment throughout the County.

Rick Carpenter, a resident at 3119 Chicalilly Avenue, who had previously addressed the Commission relating to a problem with WWTA, approached the podium to discuss the board appointments made by the County Commission. He asked whether the Commission had the authority to remove appointees from serving on a board.

Chairman Skillern responded it was his understanding that the Commission could remove a board appointee with a super-majority of six votes of support. He suggested that any questions concerning matter relating to the WWTA be brought before their board.

Mr. Carpenter also asked whether the County was in compliance with the Coinage Act of 1965. Chairman Skillern directed Attorney Taylor to research this matter and report back.

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There being no further business, Chairman Skillern declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

04-02-14

Date



Clerk's Initials