

COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) April 15, 2015

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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.

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0:37 Commissioner Haynes introduced Pastor Vahid Alavian, Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Haynes led in the pledge to the flag.

2:31 **PRESENTATION – TRUSTEE BILL HULLANDER – PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM**

County Trustee Bill Hullander addressed the Commission and discussed property tax relief in Hamilton County. He distributed a handout to members of the Commission and the County Clerk.

Trustee Hullander also reported that legislation (House Bill No. 1197 – Senate Bill No. 1136) was presently being considered by the State Legislature. If adopted it would change various aspects of the Tax Relief program.

11:44 In response to Commissioner Beck's question, Trustee Hullander stated that his office prints tax relief information on bills sent to Hamilton County homeowners annually. He added that according to US Census reports approximately 90 percent of qualified elderly homeowners are already enrolled.

Several members of the Commission thanked Trustee Hullander for his presentation and for making the information easily accessible.

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In response to Commissioner Boyd's question, Trustee Hullander clarified the maximum amount listed on the handout for a municipality.

20:33     **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Beck, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of March 25, 2015, the Agenda Preparation Session of March 25, 2015, and the Regular Meeting of April 1, 2015, 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 Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

**THREE STAR COMPLIANCE REPORT**

Mayor Coppinger submitted for the record a letter reflecting Hamilton County's compliance with the Three Star Program.

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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 April 13, 2015.

21:24

**RESOLUTION 415-13 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT  
APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, CONTINUATION  
CERTIFICATES FOR THE BONDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY 911 EMERGENCY  
COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT, AND OATHS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 415-13. 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 Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Fields asked that Resolution 415-28 be considered at this time.

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22:06      **RESOLUTION 415-28 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 CO-APPLICANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CO-APPLICANT BOARD OF THE HOMELESS HEALTH CARE CENTER (HHC) AS REQUIRED BY THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA).**

Chairman Fields reported that Resolution 415-28 was heard by the Legal and Legislative Committee.

22:33      Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Legal and Legislative Committee, spoke about this Resolution. He explained this was a matter of retaining funding, and the Committee recommended approval.

Chairman Fields asked if there was any discussion regarding this item. There was none.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 415-28. 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",

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

Chairman Fields asked that Resolution Nos. 415-17 through 415-19, 415-22 through 415-27, 415-29, and 415-30 be considered together at this time.

23:06 **RESOLUTION 415-17 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF ON DUTY DEPOT FOR ONE (1) YEAR CONTRACT UNIT PRICING, BEGINNING APRIL 15, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 14, 2016, FOR VEHICLE UPFITTING EQUIPMENT FOR THE SHERIFF'S VEHICLES AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION 415-18 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF DIVERSIFIED COMPANIES, LLC FOR A THREE (3) YEAR CONTRACT FOR PRINTING AND PROCESSING DELINQUENT TAX SUMMONS, BEGINNING APRIL 15, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 14, 2018, FOR THE TRUSTEE'S OFFICE AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

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**RESOLUTION 415-19 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPROPRIATE \$250,000 FROM BOND PROCEEDS TO REIMBURSE THE STADIUM CORPORATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE STADIUM FIELD SURFACE.**

**RESOLUTION 415-22 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF \$31,111.49 TO FARMERS INSURANCE COMPANY FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE INCURRED BY THEIR INSURED AS A RESULT OF AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT WITH A HAMILTON COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VEHICLE.**

**RESOLUTION 415-23 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE HIGHEST AND BEST BID FOR CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY HAMILTON COUNTY THROUGH PREVIOUS DELINQUENT TAX SALES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR AND COUNTY TRUSTEE TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE DEEDS CONVEYING SAID PARCELS TO INDIVIDUALS LISTED HEREIN BELOW.**

**RESOLUTION 415-24 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF ELECTRONIC CONTROLS, INC. FOR HVAC CONTROLS MODIFICATIONS FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY CORRECTIONS BUILDING AMOUNTING TO \$20,400.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

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**RESOLUTION 415-25 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SOFTWARE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FROM ESRI, INC. FOR ONE (1) YEAR, BEGINNING JUNE 9, 2015, THROUGH JUNE 8, 2016, FOR THE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT AMOUNTING TO \$74,344.45 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION 415-26 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 1, 2015, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2015, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION 415-27 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF FLU VACCINE FROM NOVARTIS, SANOFI-PASTEUR, McKESSON MED-SURG MN SUPPLY, AT STATEWIDE CONTRACT PRICING AND, IF NECESSARY, OTHER FIRMS AT THE LOWEST AND BEST AVAILABLE PRICING QUOTE FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**



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**RESOLUTION 415-29 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 AN AMENDMENT CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147,292.00 TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SAFETY NET PRIMARY CARE SERVICES TO UNINSURED ADULTS IN HAMILTON COUNTY AT THE HOMELESS HEALTH CARE CENTER FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015.**

**RESOLUTION 415-30 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF FAIRWAY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING COMPANY FOR A TOBACCO EXPOSURE PREVENTION BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN FOR AN INITIAL TWELVE (12) WEEK PERIOD AMOUNTING TO \$16,650.00, WITH RENEWAL OPTIONS AMOUNTING TO \$27,750.00 PER CAMPAIGN, FOR THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

27:17            Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 415-17 through 415-19, 415-22 through 415-27, 415-29, and 415-30, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution Nos. 415-17 through 415-19, 415-22 through 415-27, 415-29, and 415-30.

31:36 In response to Commissioner Haynes question about Resolution No. 415-27 and the availability of flu vaccines in schools, Health Services Administrator, Becky Barnes, clarified that this Resolution only allows for the purchase of the vaccine at the lowest available price. In closing, she stated she was open to including the school system.

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

Chairman Fields asked that Resolution 415-14 be considered at this time.

34:21 **RESOLUTION 415-14 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A REGULAR MEMBER TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS, AND TO APPOINT (2) TWO ASSOCIATE MEMBERS THEREOF.**

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This Resolution appoints Commissioner Marty Haynes, Melinda Volker, and Joseph G. DeGaetano to the Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals.

Chairman Fields reported that Resolution No. 415-14 was heard by a Committee of the Whole.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 415-14.

Commissioner Haynes stated he wished to abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest.

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 Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0. Total Abstentions – 1.

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35:34      **RESOLUTION 415-15 A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT BY THE  
COUNTY MAYOR OF THOMAS LAMB AS DIRECTOR OF THE PARKS AND  
RECREATION DEPARTMENT.**

Chairman Fields reported that Resolution No. 415-15 was heard by a Committee of the Whole.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 415-15. 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 Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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36:13     **RESOLUTION 415-16 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY  
THE COUNTY MAYOR OF ONE MEMBER TO THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON  
COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A TERM ENDING  
APRIL 18, 2019.**

Chairman Fields reported that Resolution No. 415-16 was heard by a Committee of the Whole.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 415-16.

Chairman Fields asked if there was any discussion. There was none.

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

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**RESOLUTION 415-20 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH WTCI TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE A BEST PRACTICES VIDEO SERIES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY EDUCATORS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 IN TOTAL AND TO EXPEND \$30,000 IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.**

This Resolution was pulled from the agenda.

36:58 **RESOLUTION 415-21 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) IN SETTLEMENT OF AN ALLEGED WRONGFUL DEATH CLAIM AGAINST HAMILTON COUNTY AS BROUGHT BY THE PARENTS AND NEXT FRIENDS OF AUSTIN DAKOTA WALLACE.**

Chairman Fields reported that Resolution No. 415-21 was heard by a Committee of the Whole.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 415-21.

Chairman Fields asked if there was any discussion. There was none.

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

37:48

**RESOLUTION 415-31 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000.00) IN SETTLEMENT OF A LAWSUIT AGAINST HAMILTON COUNTY AS BROUGHT BY NICHOLAS AGOSTINACCIDO, *ET AL* FOR INJURIES SUSTAINED AS A RESULT OF A FALL ON PROPERTY JOINTLY OWNED BY HAMILTON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA.**

Chairman Fields reported that this was a late item added to the agenda.

County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, spoke regarding this Resolution. He explained the settlement was a result of a fall that occurred on property at the Aquarium jointly owned by Hamilton County and the City of Chattanooga. Attorney Taylor added the figure was suggested as a result of mediation, and would be shared by the City and the County. He clarified the fall occurred on the passageway beside the Aquarium.

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolution No. 415-31

In response to questions by Commissioner Graham and Commissioner Haynes, Attorney Taylor confirmed the city and the county would each be responsible for half of the settlement. The city has already voted to pay their portion of the settlement.

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 Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Haynes, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Nay", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Beck was absent for the vote. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 1.

40:16

**RESOLUTION 415-32 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REPAYMENT TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND FROM THE HAMILTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S SUBSEQUENT YEAR'S REVENUE GROWTH OF APPROPRIATIONS PAID ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AS APPROVED AND REQUESTED BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION PROJECTS SUBMITTED DURING A CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, AS MAY BE APPROVED BY THIS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY.**



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Chairman Fields reported that without objection Resolution No. 415-32, was added as a late item, and would be deferred to the Agenda Session on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

40:31

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Fields asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

40:44

Commissioner Graham thanked Superintendent Rick Smith for the meeting he held in District 6 about his vision for the school system. He also thanked those who attended for the discussion.

41:55

Commissioner Boyd reported that on April 14, 2015 at the Tivoli Theatre, he was the keynote speaker at the Young Southern Student Writers awards ceremony, co-sponsored by the Southern Literature Alliance. He spoke about the event, noting there were 5,000 entries and over 400 awards given out. Due to the large turnout, the ceremony was split into two separate events: one for kindergarten through fifth-grade students and another for middle and high schoolers. Commissioner Boyd emphasized the importance of literacy at all levels of education.

Commissioner Bankston announced the Audit Committee meeting would take place on April 29, 2015 following the Agenda Session.

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Commissoner Bankston spoke about the community meeting at Wallace A. Smith Elementary School with Superintendent Rick Smith. He thanked those who attended for their particiaption.

Commissioner Fairbanks reminded everyone that today was the last day to file a 2014 federal tax return.

Commissioner Beck reported that Districts 4 and 5 would be having a meeting at Brainerd High School with Superintendent Rick Smith on April 15, 2015.

46:03

Chairman Fields announced that county commission budget hearings have been rescheduled. Hearings are now set to begin May 20, 2015.

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**DELEGATIONS**

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

There being no further business, Chairman Fields declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



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William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

05-06-15  
Date

W.F.K.  
Clerk's Initials