

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
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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.

1:02

Commissioner Martin introduced Senior Minister Nathan Malone, Christ United Methodist Church, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Martin led in the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Baker, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of June 12, 2019, the Agenda Preparation Session of June 12, 2019, the Regular Meeting of June 19, 2019, 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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TRUSTEE REPORTS

The Trustee's Monthly and Excess Fee Reports for May 2019 were submitted and made and a matter of record.

ORDER OF REAPPOINTMENT

County Mayor Coppinger submitted for the record an Order reappointing David Fulton to the Walden's Ridge Utility District Board of Commissioners to serve a four-year term beginning July 6, 2019 and expiring July 6, 2023.

3:37

RESOLUTION NO. 719-1 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, THE BONDS AND OATHS OF NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED, THE OATHS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS, AND TO FILE THE BOND OF HAMILTON COUNTY 911 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Geter, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 719-1. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner

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Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye".

Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 719-2 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO
BAKEWELL COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE
HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) FROM GENERAL FUND DISCRETIONARY
MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ONE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 719-2. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 719-3 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO
MEDAL OF HONOR HALL OF VALOR MUSEUM OF MILITARY HISTORY
FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)
FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO
DISTRICT NINE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 719-3. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 719-4 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO
MEDAL OF HONOR HALL OF VALOR MUSEUM OF MILITARY HISTORY
FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)
FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO
DISTRICT SEVEN.**

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 719-4. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 719-5 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 Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 719-5. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye".

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Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 8. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 719-11 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENTERING INTO OF A SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAMILTON COUNTY AND VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC. FOR AN OFFICE COMPLEX LOCATED AT 7000 DISCOVERY DRIVE, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SAID LEASE.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 719-11. 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 Baker, “Aye”, Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye”, Commissioner Geter, “Aye”, Commissioner Fairbanks, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, and Chairman Smedley, “Aye”. Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 8. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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Chairman Smedley asked that Resolution Nos. 719-6 through 719-10 be heard at this time.

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RESOLUTION NO. 719-6 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2019, THROUGH MAY 31, 2019, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 719-7 A RESOLUTION TO RELINQUISH HAMILTON COUNTY'S INTEREST IN A 2004 INTERNATIONAL 4400 SERIES AMBULANCE, 1986 CHEVROLET C7D COMMERCIAL PUMPER AND 2004 FORD F-350 PICK-UP TRUCK CO-TITLED WITH SEQUOYAH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RESOLUTION NO. 719-8 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 WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE PROVISION OF BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2020 BUDGET BY AN INCREASE OF \$925.00 FOR A TOTAL OF \$545,500.00.

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RESOLUTION NO. 719-9 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 WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE AND HIV EDUCATION, PREVENTION AND CONTROL SERVICES IN HAMILTON COUNTY FOR A TIME PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019.

RESOLUTION NO. 719-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 WITH THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY COURTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM WITH A TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2020.

Commissioner Fairbanks, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 719-6 through 719-10, and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 719-6. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 719-7. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 719-8. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 719-9. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Geter, to adopt Resolution No. 719-10. 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 Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Smedley, "Aye". Commissioner Sharpe was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Smedley asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

Members of the Commission, Mayor Coppinger, Attorney Taylor, and Clerk Knowles reflected on the life of former District 8 Commissioner Curtis Adams, who passed away yesterday at the age of 86. They each spoke highly of his character and dedication to education, as well as his service to District 8 and all of Hamilton County. They sent their prayers and condolences to friends and family of Mr. Adams.

Members of the Commission, Mayor Coppinger, and Attorney Taylor wished everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July.

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11:52 Commission Martin announced a Fourth of July celebration tonight at Camp Columbus in Hixson and tomorrow at Lakesite Park in the City of Lakesite. He also expounded on the history of Independence Day and the July 4th observance.

16:07 Commissioner Mackey announced a Fourth of July celebration tonight at Coolidge Park.

24:19 Commissioner Fairbanks announced a Fourth of July celebration tomorrow at Soddy Lake in Soddy Daisy.

24:37 Commissioner Baker announced the Signal Mountain parade would begin tomorrow morning at 10:00 AM.

25:35 Commissioner Bankston announced a Fourth of July celebration tonight at Veteran's Memorial Park in Collegedale.

26:46 Mayor Coppinger reminded everyone that the hands free law went into effect on July 1st, which prohibits drivers from holding their phones while operating their vehicles.

26:46 Mayor Coppinger announced the new "Text to 9-1-1" initiative which went into effect 1st week and allows citizens to text 9-1-1 should they need to contact emergency

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personnel in addition to calling. It was noted Hamilton County is the first county in Tennessee to utilize this system.

Mayor Coppinger also announced a joint meeting with Superintendent of Schools Dr. Bryan Johnson and school board members will take place Tuesday, July 23rd at 9:30 AM at the McDaniel Building. The schools facility report will be made public and discussed. He said it would be a lengthy presentation possibly lasting half a day. He encouraged Commissioners as well as members of the public and press to attend.

34:15

Chairman Smedley announced a Fourth of July celebration tonight at Veteran's Memorial Park in Collegedale. She encouraged everyone to keep United States Military members in their prayers.

35:46

DELEGATIONS

Chairman Smedley asked for delegations on matters other than zoning.

Jerald Peterson, residing at 1019 Central Drive Hixson, TN 37343, thanked the five Commissioners who voted against last week's proposed budget.

Ronnie Ray, residing at 613 Pan Gap Road Chattanooga, TN 37419, invited everyone to attend a Fourth of July celebration in Lookout Valley.

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Dr. Everlena Holmes, residing at 512 Kilmer Street Chattanooga, TN 37404, thanked the four Commissioners who voted in favor of last week's proposed budget. She spoke about the importance of investing in education.

In response to Commissioner Mackey's question, Dr. Holmes stated school building maintenance has been a long-standing issue within Hamilton County.

Rick Carpenter, residing at 1548 North Concord Road Chattanooga, TN 37421, addressed Commissioners regarding his ongoing experience in the Hamilton County criminal justice system.

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There being no further business, Chairman Smedley declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, July 10th, 2019 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

07-17-19
Date

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Clerk's Initials