## HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 3, 2014

**STATE OF TENNESSEE** ) Regular Meeting

COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) September 3, 2014

**BE IT REMEMBERED,** that on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 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:--

County Attorney Taylor stated that in accordance with Rules of Order established governing the first Regular Meeting for the term; County Clerk Bill Knowles would convene the meeting for the purpose of electing a Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore for the ensuing year.

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Present and presiding was Bill Knowles, County Clerk. Chief Deputy County Clerk Debbie Rollins called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Bankston, Commissioner Beck, Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Fairbanks, Commissioner Fields, Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Haynes, Commissioner Mackey, and Commissioner Turner-Smedley. 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.

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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.

Commissioner Bankston stated that Pastor Steve Caudle, Greater Second Baptist Church was scheduled to give the invocation. In his absence, County Trustee Bill Hullander was asked to offer prayer. Commissioner Bankston led in the pledge to the flag.

# ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Clerk Knowles stated that the floor was open for nominations to elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Commissioner Mackey nominated Greg Beck to serve as Chairman.

Commissioner Graham nominated Jim Fields to serve as Chairman.

Commissioner Turner-Smedley nominated Marty Haynes to serve as Chairman.

Clerk Knowles asked if there were other nominations. There were none.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Greg Beck, Jim Fields, and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Beck, "Greg Beck"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Mackey, "Greg Beck"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Greg Beck – 2. Total votes for Jim Fields – 4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3.

Clerk Knowles reminded the Commission that five votes were required to elect.

He asked how the Commission desired to proceed. Commissioner Fields noted in the past the person receiving the lowest vote was dropped from the ballot.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields seconded by Commissioner Graham, to remove from consideration the individual receiving the lowest number of votes. There was no discussion, and the foregoing motion was unanimously adopted by voice vote. Total present - 9. Total Absent - 0.

Clerk Knowles asked for a second roll call with the names of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes in consideration to serve as Chairman.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Commissioners Beck and Mackey abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields – 4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3. Total Abstentions – 2.

Clerk Knowles asked that the roll call be called for a third time.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Commissioners Beck and Mackey abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields – 4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3. Total Abstentions – 2.

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Attorney Taylor suggested that if it were the desire of the Commission, a five minute recess could be called in order to caucus. He noted that this would be a public caucus in order to comply with the Sunshine Law.

Clerk Knowles stated that without objection, the meeting would be recessed for five minutes. There was no objection.

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The meeting was called back to order. Clerk Knowles asked that the roll be called for the fourth time on the nominations of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes for Chairman.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Commissioners Beck and Mackey abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields – 4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3. Total Abstentions – 2.

Clerk Knowles asked for a fifth roll call on the nominations.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Commissioners Beck and Mackey abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields – 4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3. Total Abstentions – 2.

Attorney Taylor stated that no further action could be taken until a Chairman had been selected.

Clerk Knowles asked for a sixth roll call on the nominations for Chairman.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Commissioners Beck and Mackey

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abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields –

4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3. Total Abstentions – 2.

Commissioner Graham shared a concern that being unable to have a majority consensus for Commission Chairman after six votes indicated no leadership by members of the Commission. He expressed the feeling that to abstain was to refuse to vote on this important matter. He suggested another five-minute recess be called for the purpose of moving forward on this matter.

Commissioner Mackey spoke regarding his decision to abstain from voting on these two individuals. He responded that he had submitted the name of Greg Beck in nomination after much thought because of Commissioner Beck's ten years' experience and leadership on the Commission.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields that a five-minute recess be called. The foregoing motion was unanimously adopted by acclamation. Total present - 9. Total absent - 0.

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The meeting was called back to order. Clerk Knowles asked that the roll be called for a seventh time on the nominations for Chairman.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields and Marty Haynes to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marty Haynes"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marty Haynes"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marty Haynes". Commissioners Beck and Mackey abstained from voting. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields – 4. Total votes for Marty Haynes – 3. Total Abstentions – 2.

Upon questioning by Commissioner Beck, Attorney Taylor again stated that no further business could be conducted by the Commission until a Chairman was elected.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Beck, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was not voted on at this time.

Commissioner Graham asked whether adjourning today's meeting would mean that the Resolutions on today's agenda could not be considered until a future date.

Attorney Taylor indicated that the departments who had submitted the Resolutions would be unable to take any further action until the Resolutions were approved. He suggested that a Motion to recess would be more appropriate to allow action next week

when the Commission would be meeting for the regularly scheduled agenda preparation session.

Commissioner Beck suggested that the other Commissioners consider reaching a compromise and elect a chairman.

Commissioner Haynes expressed his appreciation for the nomination to serve as Chairman. He stated that he was withdrawing his name from consideration.

Commissioner Beck indicated his agreement to withdraw his previous motion to adjourn today's meeting.

Clerk Knowles asked for an eighth roll call on the nomination of Jim Fields.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Jim Fields to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Beck, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Boyd, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Fields, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Graham, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Haynes, "Jim Fields"; Commissioner Mackey, "Jim Fields"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Jim Fields".

Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Jim Fields – 9.

Clerk Knowles announced that Commissioner Fields had been unanimously elected as Chairman.

Clerk Knowles opened the floor for nominations for Chairman Pro Tempore.

Commissioner Boyd nominated Chester Bankston to serve as Chairman Pro Tempore.

Clerk Knowles asked if there were other nominations. There were none.

The roll was called by Chief Deputy Clerk Rollins on the nomination of Chester Bankston to serve as Commission Chairman Pro Tempore. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Beck, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Boyd, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Fields, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Graham, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Haynes, "Chester Bankston"; Commissioner Mackey, "Chester Bankston"; and Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Chester Bankston". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Chester Bankston – 9.

Clerk Knowles announced that Commissioner Bankston had been unanimously elected as Chairman Pro Tempore.

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## OATH OF OFFICE FOR CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Clerk Knowles administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Jim Fields who was elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Clerk Knowles administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Chester Bankston who was elected Chairman Pro Tempore for the ensuing year.

Chairman Fields took the seat as Chairman at this time. He thanked the Commission for their support and stated he looked forward to serving in this capacity.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

22:00

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of August 13, 2014, the Agenda Preparation Session of August 13, 2014, and the Regular Meeting of August 20, 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 Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Haynes, "Aye"; Commissioner

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Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Fields, "Aye".

Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

22:45

## RESOLUTION NO. 914-1 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 914-1. 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 Turner-Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 914-2 NUMBER NOT USED.**

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#### TRUSTEE'S AMENDED EXCESS FEE REPORT

The amended Trustee's excess fee report for June 2014 was submitted and made a matter of record.

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#### TRUSTEE'S AMENDED MONTHLY REPORT

The amended Trustee's monthly report for June 2014 was submitted and made a matter of record.

#### TRUSTEE'S EXCESS FEE REPORT

The Trustee's excess fee report for July 2014 was submitted and made a matter of record.

#### TRUSTEE'S MONTHLY REPORT

The Trustee's monthly report for July 2014 was submitted and made a matter of record.

Chairman Fields asked that Resolutions No. 914-3 through 914-7 be considered together at this time.

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RESOLUTION NO. 914-3 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PURCHASE OF ELECTION BALLOTS FOR THE STATE PRIMARY AND COUNTY GENERAL ELECTIONS AMOUNTING TO \$46,146.16 FROM MID-WEST PRINTING COMPANY

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FOR THE ELECTION COMMISSION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR
TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 914-4 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PURCHASE OF CLASSIFIED LEGAL ADS FOR THE STATE PRIMARY AND COUNTY GENERAL ELECTIONS FROM CHATTANOOGA PUBLISHING COMPANY FOR THE ELECTION COMMISSION AMOUNTING TO \$16,813.62 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 914-5 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TWO

(2) LIFEPAK 15 CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATORS AND SUPPLIES

AMOUNTING TO \$66,016.40 FROM PHYSIO CONTROL, INC. FOR EMERGENCY

MEDICAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY

CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 914-6 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF COMPETITION ATHLETIC SURFACES, INC. TO RESURFACE FOUR (4) TENNIS COURTS AT STANDIFER GAP PARK AMOUNTING TO \$16,900.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 914-7 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF CUSTOM
TRUCK AND BODY WORKS, INC. FOR FOUR (4) NEW TYPE I MEDIUM DUTY
AMBULANCES AMOUNTING TO \$725,872.00 FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolution No. 914-3 through 914-7 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Turner-Smedley, to adopt Resolutions No. 914-3 through 914-7. The motion was not voted on at this time.

Commissioner Haynes indicated his desire to abstain from voting on Resolution No. 914-6 due to a conflict of interest.

The foregoing Resolutions 914-3, 4, 5, and 7 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

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Turner-Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

A separate roll call sheet was prepared and is submitted regarding Resolution 914-6. It reflects the action based on Commissioner Haynes desire to abstain. The vote for the record re: 914-6 is entered into the minutes as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye"; Commissioner Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Haynes, "Abstain"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0. Total Abstentions – 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 914-8 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE "MASTER LIST OF ROADS AND SPEED LIMITS" SO AS TO CHANGE THE ROADWAY NAME FOR THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT ROAD: CHAUNCEY CEMETERY ROAD TO CHANCEY CEMETERY ROAD.

Commissioner Bankston provided details regarding Resolution No. 914-8 and stated that the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 914-8. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on

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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 Turner-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 NO. 914-9 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF BROOKER FORD, INC. FOR FIVE (5) PICKUP TRUCKS AMOUNTING TO \$106,733.00 FOR THE HIGHWAY AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolution No. 914-9 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 914-9. The motion was not voted on at this time.

Commissioner Fairbanks requested further information regarding the bidding process. He asked whether any provisions were made to encourage local bidders.

Purchasing Director Gail Roppo responded that the County used an electronic bidding system. All local companies were encouraged to register. In the registration process, companies could select what type of bidding opportunities they would like to receive notifications for. She stated that to her knowledge, the majority of local auto dealers were registered to receive bid notifications such as the one sent out for today's Resolution.

Commissioner Fairbanks emphasized the benefits of local businesses being selected for local jobs. He asked whether purchasing rules allowed for a local company to receive a winning bid if they were within a small margin of the lowest bid by an out-of-town company. Ms. Roppo responded that purchasing rules required that the lowest-and-best bid be selected, regardless of their location. There was not currently any local option preference.

Commissioner Graham noted that Ms. Roppo had made many enhancements to the purchasing process since beginning as Purchasing Director and was a good resource for these questions. He encouraged Commissioner Fairbanks to meet with Ms. Roppo to discuss the purchasing process in greater detail.

Commissioner Boyd indicated his support of local vendors. However, he could not support excluding all participating out-of-region bids as this allowed the County to spend the lowest amount for products and services.

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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 Turner-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 NO. 914-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTINUATION
AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH
SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE CHATTANOOGA HUMAN SERVICES HEAD
START/EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MAY 31,
2015.

. Commissioner Bankston provided details regarding Resolution No. 914-10 and stated that the Legal Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 914-10. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being

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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 Turner-Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

#### TENNESSEE STATE REPRESENTATIVE VINCE DEAN RESIGNATION

Chairman Fields stated that letters of resignation, effective August 31, 2014, from Tennessee State Representative Vince Dean had been submitted for the record at last week's meeting.

Upon questioning by Chairman Fields, Attorney Taylor informed the Commission that the intent to fill the vacancy for the State Representative position would need to be legally advertised. The public must be given a seven-day notification of the intent to fill the vacancy. He stated that if it were the desire of the Commission, today's meeting could be recessed until Wednesday, September 10 for the purpose of filling the vacancy. He further stated that it would be considered adequate public notification if the local media made this information available today as well as the Commission's notice in today's public meeting of the intent to fill the vacancy.

Clerk Knowles informed the Commission that the law requires seven (7) day notice to the public in a newspaper of general circulation. Due to deadline requirements by the Chattanooga Times Free Press, the earliest legal advertisement could not be published until Friday, September 5. This was not adequate time frame for action at next Wednesday's meeting. He further indicated that if it was the Commission's desire, advertisement could be posted on the County website following today's meeting.

Attorney Taylor responded that it was his opinion that because local press was in attendance for today's meeting, the requirement would be met if the press made this information available to the public today. He stated that anyone from the general public could also submit names for consideration at that meeting.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Haynes, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, that today's meeting be recessed until Wednesday, September 10 for the purpose of filling the vacancy left by Tennessee State Representative Vince Dean and any other business that may come before the Commission at that time. 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 Turner-Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Fields, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Fields asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

44:09

Commissioner Haynes, Chairman of the Securities and Corrections Committee, reported that each Commissioner should have received a package of information regarding the upcoming Judicial Commissioner appointment process. He noted that Judicial Commissioners Ron Powers and Nathan Goggans' terms would expire October 31, 2014. He stated that Resolution No. 1013-21, which appointed these individuals, along with the two individuals' resumes, had been included as part of this packet of information. He stated that a Security and Corrections Committee meeting would be held on Wednesday, September 10 to discuss the appointment process.

Members of the Commission and Mayor Coppinger thanked the residents of Hamilton County for their support during the recent 2014 general election.

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Commissioner Graham reported that the Chattanooga City Council had recently challenged the County Commission to participate in an ice-bucket fundraising event which would benefit individuals with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease. He stated his willingness to join in this effort and encouraged members of the Commission as well.

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Several members of the Commission also emphasized the importance of helping fund this cause. Some preferred to make donations rather than participate in the bucket challenge. Mayor Coppinger indicated he would have his staff work with Commissioner Graham to coordinate efforts to respond to the challenge.

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Commissioner Fairbanks announced that Allen Elementary School had recently been named a Reward School by the State of Tennessee. He noted that this award was based on TCAP test scores and only 67 schools in the State had been selected for this achievement.

49:30

Commissioner Mackey reported that the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) Mocs football team would have their first home game of the season this Saturday, September 6 at 6:00 PM at Finley Stadium. He encouraged everyone to attend and support the team.

#### CIRCUIT COURT CLERK PERSONNEL POLICY REVISIONS

Attorney Taylor submitted for the record personnel policy revisions for the Circuit Court Clerk's office as required by TCA Section 5-23-103.

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**DELEGATIONS** 

Chairman Fields asked for delegations on matters other than zoning.

Alan Pressley, a resident at 3812 Deerfoot Drive, addressed the Commission regarding East Ridge High School Assistant Football Coach Austin Rhoden who had recently been diagnosed with brain cancer. Mr. Pressley stated that he had coordinated with former University of Tennessee (UT) football coach to help assemble twelve commemorative shadowboxes. He noted that one of these shadowboxes would be presented to Mr. Rhoden at an upcoming East Ridge football game this Friday,

There being no further business, Chairman Fields declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

September 5.

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