

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016**

**STATE OF TENNESSEE**            )            Regular Meeting

**COUNTY OF HAMILTON**        )            September 7, 2016

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 7th day of September, 2016, 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:--

0:10            Present and presiding was the Honorable Chester Bankston, Chairman. County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Beck, Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Fairbanks, Commissioner Fields, Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Mackey, Commissioner Smedley, and Chairman Bankston. Total present – 8. 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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Commissioner Graham introduced Reverend Caleb Pitkin, Signal Mountain United Methodist Church, who gave the invocation. Retired State Representative Richard Floyd led in the pledge to the flag.

1:44

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-8 A RESOLUTION TO CLARIFY THE COMPENSATION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND TO CORRECT THE COMPENSATION PAID TO SAID PREVIOUS COMMISSION OFFICERS.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Beck, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 916-8.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to amend Resolution No. 916-8 by accepting Commissioner Fields' recommendations distributed to the Commission and filed with the County Clerk's office.

2:21

Commissioner Fields explained the proposed amendment and noted it rescinds Resolution No. 990-1 and the compensation of the Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore be set at a flat rate \$5,000/\$2,500 in addition to the Commissioner's annual base rate. He also noted that percentage adjustments in the future would only apply to the Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore's base rate, not the additional \$5,000/\$2,500.

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Commissioner Mackey asked that the commission consider postponing the resolution until next week.

Attorney Taylor recommended that the commission deliberate and consider the resolution today. He noted the Election of Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore are next on the agenda and the Finance Department needs direction and guidelines regarding salary.

In response to Commissioner Smedley's request, Commissioner Fields explained that No. 5 listed on the proposed amendment is replacing paragraph No. 3 on Resolution No. 916-8.

In response to Commissioner Fairbanks question, Attorney Taylor stated that it was his understanding that the Commission in 1999 felt that \$5,000/\$2,500 (*06-21-99 Letter from Chairman Adams*) was sufficient compensation for the extra duties required of the Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore.

In response to Commissioner Fairbanks request, Attorney Taylor, Al Kiser, Administrator of Finance stated they were not familiar with the Commission's reasoning regarding Resolution No. 990-1, adopted September 5, 1990. Clerk Knowles was asked for his recollection. He stated his understanding was that the supplement was for compensation pertaining to extra duties involved in the leadership roles.

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Commissioner Fairbanks questioned rescinding a prior commission's adopted resolution and stated his concerns for setting precedence.

In response to Commission Fairbanks concerns, Attorney Taylor stated that the Commission has the authority to change any previous action. He reiterated that Commissioner Fields' proposed amendment rescinds Resolution No. 990-1 and kicks back in place the 1999 Act, which was an act of the Commission in 1999 (*Resolution No. 599-50A*).

11:21 Commissioner Boyd pointed out that Resolution No. 990-1 was adopted 20 years ago and the annual base pay then was low, and a 40% / 30% pay supplement increase for Chairman/Chairman Pro Tempore wasn't astronomical. He emphasized that Hamilton County has vastly grown since 1990 and the responsibilities of the commission have increased significantly. He stated that the commission's current salary does not adequately reflect time and effort that members of the commission now spend in performing duties of an expanded county government.

He referenced Chairman Adams's 1999 Letter to the Commission and concluded that the commission received a substantial raise in 2000 and the letter fixed the Chairman/Chairman Pro Tempore supplement pay to a flat amount \$5,000/\$2,500 to keep the percentages (*Res. No. 990-1*) from getting out of kilter. He agreed that the capped flat amounts were reasonable and agreed with the 1999 letter. He stated his

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support for Commissioner Fields proposed amendments and noted he did not consult former Commissioner Curtis Adams.

15:59

Commissioner Graham thanked the commission for the through discussion and stated that he had intentions of proposing an amendment today. He stated his support for Commission Fields' amendment and stated it was similar to his and appreciated the capped flat amounts.

Commissioner Mackey stated that he is not in line to be Chairman of Chairman Pro Tempore and noted the commission is the only body that can change the commission's salary. He stated his opposition and explained that the proposed amendment limits the Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore compensation.

20:21

Commissioner Smedley stated that before she signed the letter, which requested that law change to uncouple the Commissioners' salary to the Mayor's salary (*See letter attached to Res. 1215-40*). She reiterated that the intent of the letter was not to raise the pay of Commissioners. She questioned why lengthy conversation never took place when the commission received a salary increase in prior budgets. She pointed out that Commissioner Fairbanks simply asked a question, he did not state how he was going to vote.

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21:44 Commissioner Fairbanks concluded that the 1999 letter supersede Resolution No. 990-1, which implied that the extra duties required of the Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore were not valued as high in 1999 as they were in 1990. He stated that if the commission still values the Chairman/Chairman Pro Tempore positions at the same supplemental rate \$5,000/\$2,500, he would support the amendment.

Commissioner Graham stated the commission's pay has been raised several times since 1999 because every time general government got a county wide raise, the commission received the same increase.

Commissioner Graham called for the vote on the motion made by Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham to amend Resolution No. 916-8.

The foregoing Motion to amend the resolution was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Nay", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Nay", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 6. Total "Nay" votes – 2.

Commissioner Fields noted that he would be affected by the resolution since he served as Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore within the past six years.

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Attorney Taylor reminded the Commission that state law requires the County Commission to adopt salaries and there is no reason to abstain from voting.

In response to Commissioner Graham statement, Attorney Taylor clarified that the adopted amendment states percentage adjustments in the future would only apply to the Chairman and Chairman Pro Tempore's annual base rate, not the additional supplement pay \$5,000/\$2,500.

The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted as amended on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

29:52 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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

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Commissioner Smedley nominated Commissioner Chester Bankston to serve as Chairman.

Commissioner Fields nominated Commissioner Joe Graham to serve as Chairman.

Chairman Bankston asked if there were other nominations. There were none.

County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll on the nomination of Bankston and Graham to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Bankston"; Commissioner Beck, "Bankston"; Commissioner Boyd, "Bankston"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Bankston"; Commissioner Fields, "Graham"; Commissioner Graham, "Graham"; Commissioner Mackey, "Bankston"; and Commissioner Smedley, "Bankston". Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Bankston– 6. Total votes for Graham – 2.

**OATH OF OFFICE FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF  
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Clerk Knowles administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Chester Bankston who was elected Chairman for the ensuing year.



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Chairman Bankston 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.

Chairman Bankston opened the floor for nominations for Chairman Pro Tempore.

Commissioner Smedley nominated Commissioner Fairbanks to serve as Chairman Pro Tempore.

Commissioner Mackey nominated Commissioner Beck to serve as Chairman Pro Tempore.

Commissioner Graham nominated Commissioner Beck to serve as Chairman Pro Tempore.

Chairman Bankston asked if there were other nominations. There were none.

County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll on the nomination of Randy Fairbanks and Greg Beck to serve as Commission Chairman Pro Tempore. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Fairbanks"; Commissioner Beck, "Beck", Commissioner Boyd, "Fairbanks"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Fairbanks"; Commissioner Fields, "Beck"; Commissioner Graham, "Beck"; Commissioner Mackey, "Beck"; and

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Commissioner Smedley, "Fairbanks". Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Fairbanks– 4. Total votes for Beck – 4.

Attorney Taylor stated that should the Chairman wishes to take a second roll call and if it ends in a tie, the current Chairman Pro Tempore will serve until a successor is elected.

Chairman Bankston asked Clerk Knowles to call roll vote again.

County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll on the nomination of Randy Fairbanks and Greg Beck to serve as Commission Chairman Pro Tempore. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Fairbanks"; Commissioner Beck, "Beck", Commissioner Boyd, "Fairbanks"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Fairbanks"; Commissioner Fields, "Beck"; Commissioner Graham, "Beck"; Commissioner Mackey, "Beck"; and Commissioner Smedley, "Fairbanks". Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Fairbanks– 4. Total votes for Beck – 4.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of August 10, 2016, the Agenda Preparation Session of August 10, 2016, and the Regular Meeting of August 17, 2016, be approved, treat

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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 Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Bankston, "Aye". Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

36:22

**AMENDED TRUSTEE EXCESS FEE REPORT**

The amended Trustee excess fee report for June 2016 was submitted and made a matter of record.

**TRUSTEE'S MONTHLY REPORT**

The Trustee's monthly report for July 2016 was submitted and made a matter of record.

**TRUSTEE'S EXCESS FEE REPORT**

The Trustee's excess fee report for July 2016 was submitted and made a matter of record.

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**TRUSTEE'S UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Trustee's unaudited financial report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 was submitted and made a matter of record.

**TRUSTEE UNPAID PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

The Trustee's 2015 unpaid real property tax levy was submitted and made a matter of record.

**TRUSTEE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT (REVISED)**

The Trustee's revised unaudited financial report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 was submitted and made a matter of record.

**JUVENILE COURT CLERK'S REPORT**

The Juvenile Court Clerk's report for June 2016 was submitted and made a matter of record.

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36:30 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-1 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, THE BONDS AND OATHS OF NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED, AND OATHS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 916-1.

Chairman Bankston 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Bankston noted that Resolution Nos. 916-2 through 916-11 were heard by the Committee of the Whole.

37:05 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-2 A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OF CHRIS JACKSON AS DIRECTOR OF CORRECTIONS.**

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 916-2.

Chairman Bankston 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Mayor Coppinger thanked the Commission for their support and acknowledged Chris Jackson and his family in the audience.

38:11 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-3 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OF ONE MEMBER TO THE CARTER STREET CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM ENDING AUGUST 18, 2020.**

This resolution reappoints Reverend Paul McDaniel.

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 916-3.

Chairman Bankston 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

39:13 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-4 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO EAST LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) FROM GENERAL FUND DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT FOUR.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, to adopt Resolution No. 916-4.

Chairman Bankston 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 7. Total "Nay" votes – 0. Commissioner Graham announced that he was present.

39:36 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-5 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO UNITY PERFORMING ARTS FOUNDATION OF CHATTANOOGA IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) FROM GENERAL FUND DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT FOUR.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 916-5.

Chairman Bankston 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner



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Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0.

Total "Aye" votes – 7. Total "Nay" votes – 0. Commissioner Graham announced that he was present.

40:14 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-6 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$3,400.00) FROM BOND FUNDS TO PURCHASE A PAINT MACHINE FOR OOLTEWAH HIGH SCHOOL.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fairbanks, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 916-6.

In response to Commissioner Beck's request, Chairman Bankston stated he received approval from the Finance Department to use \$3,400 in bond funds to purchase a paint machine for Ooltewah High School.

40:39 In response to Commissioner Beck's question, Mayor Coppinger confirmed that there is a limit on bond money. Bond money is typically used for emergencies and big ticket purchases. Using bond monies frequently for small purchases could potentially have an effect on the county's AAA bond rating. He stated the paint machine is a legal purchase but it is not a good practice going forward.

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Chairman Bankston stated the paint machine will be used to paint stripes on each Ooltewah athletic field.

45:23 In response to Commissioner Smedley's question, Mayor Coppinger reiterated that in order for the commission to spend money on the school system it must be money that is bondable. She noted her support for Resolution No. 916-6.

Commissioner Graham noted he was elected to be a conservative republican and he can't support spending bond money on small ticket items. He agreed with Commissioner Beck's comments and stated that while the expenditure from bond money is legal, it doesn't mean it is the right thing to do. He stated the Department of Education's maintenance staff recently told the commission that they were \$240 million behind on building maintenance. He suggested Ooltewah High School have a fundraiser to raise the difference that Commissioner Bankston is short in discretionary bond funds. He strongly urged the commission to vote no.

51:57 Commissioner Fairbanks stated he saw this coming when discretionary funds were removed from the commission's budget. He stated he was very conscious of spending bond funds wisely and the importance of our AAA bond rating. He stated any time a commissioner disagrees two things are said, "It will hurt the county's bond rating and/or increase taxes". He noted his disapproval of using scare tactics such as this to govern.

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Commissioner Mackey noted that it was not the County Commission who neglect the schools; it was the Board of Education. He noted the excess classroom space not being used in his district and recommended the school system reconfigure their boundaries and fill the existing empty space. He stated that he looks forward to discussing discretionary money.

Commissioner Smedley clarified that she knew the purchase was legal, she only questioned if the purchase met bond criteria.

Commissioner Beck stated that he has left over discretionary bond money and suggested the resolution be amended to use his funds instead of the county's line of credit.

Mayor Coppinger explained that any Commissioner can make a request to the Mayor's staff for a bondable project, and a Resolution would be put forward for Commission consideration. He noted the only difference is that the funds are no longer coming from Commissioner's discretionary money account, but is still taxpayer's money. He added that it does not take discretionary money to complete necessary projects or enhance the quality of life in Hamilton County. He emphasized that no one will be deprived of any needed project.

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Commissioner Fairbanks stated that each Commissioner knows the best interest of his or her district. He stated that he spent \$13,000 out of his discretionary money to purchase an emergency rescue vehicle for Mowbray Volunteer Fire Department, and that purchase has already saved one life. He expressed his concern about not having those discretionary funds to spend on those types of projects. He added that he will always make decisions that are in the best interest of maintaining the County's AAA bond rating.

Mayor Coppinger stated that those types of projects are still given priority; the only difference is the account that funds a specific project.

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 Beck, "Nay"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Nay"; Commissioner Graham, "Nay"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 5. Total "Nay" votes – 3.

1:08:01

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-7 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO AWARD FIVE (5) DAYS OF PAID LEAVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING ALL HAMILTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN THROUGH PAYROLL DEDUCTION.**

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 916-7.

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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:08:41

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-9 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO RENEW THE UNIT PRICE CONTRACT WITH CHATTANOOGA FUNERAL HOME, CREMATORY AND FLORIST TO PROVIDE CREMATION SERVICES FOR THE RENEWAL CONTRACT PERIOD BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 4, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 3, 2019.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 916-9.

Mayor Coppinger reminded members of the Commission that this year's budget per cremation increased to \$375.00. He thanked Gene Pike, President of Chattanooga Funeral Home, for taking on this responsibility.

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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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:09:41

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE REVOLVING CREDIT AGREEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 WITH U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; AND PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 916-10.

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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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1:10:31 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-11 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF LEE-SMITH, INC. FOR TWO (2) TANDEM AXLE CHASSIS WITH ROLL-OFF HOIST AMOUNTING TO \$75,000.00 FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 916-11.

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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Chairman Bankston asked that Resolution Nos. 916-12 through 916-19 be considered at this time.

1:11:15 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-12 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF G.T. DISTRIBUTORS, INC. FOR ONE (1) YEAR CONTRACT UNIT PRICING, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 8, 2016, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 7, 2017, FOR SAFARILAND BODY**

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**ARMOR FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY  
MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS  
RESOLUTION.**

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 916-12, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, to adopt Resolution No. 916-12. 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 Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Commissioner Beck was absent for the roll call. Total present – 7. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 7. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:12:56 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-13 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF  
FOUR (4) LIFEPAK 15 V4 CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATORS AND SUPPLIES  
AMOUNTING TO \$142,755.47 FROM PHYSIO CONTROL, INC. FOR EMERGENCY  
MEDICAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY  
CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**



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Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 916-13, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 916-13. 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:14:44 **RESOLUTION NO. 916-14 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2016, THROUGH JULY 31, 2016, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 916-14, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 916-14. 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Commissioner Boyd asked that Resolution Nos. 916-15 through 916-17 be considered together at this time.

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-15 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 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,400.00 WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY DENTAL CARE FOR UNINSURED ADULTS AGES 19 - 64 YEARS FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017; INCREASING THE EXPENSE AND REVENUE BUDGET BY \$7,390.00.**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 916-16 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 CONTINUATION GRANT-IN-AID CONTRACT FOR \$351,494.00 WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SUPPORT THE DELIVERY OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-17 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 ENDOWMENT GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SAFETY NET PRIMARY CARE SERVICES IN HAMILTON COUNTY FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,560.00; AND TO INCREASE THE EXPENSE AND REVENUE BUDGET BY \$15,340.00.**

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 916-15 through 916-17, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution Nos. 916-15 through 916-17. 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:18:51

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-18 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 CONTINUATION CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE PRIMARY CARE SERVICES TO UNINSURED ADULTS AGES 19 - 64 YEARS AT THE BIRCHWOOD HEALTH CENTER FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00.**

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 916-18, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 916-18. 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-19 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF DISCOUNT FORKLIFT FOR ONE (1) 5,000 LB LIFT CAPACITY DIESEL POWERED FORK LIFT AMOUNTING TO \$23,496.00 FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 916-19, and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 916-19. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and

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voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 916-20 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE "MASTER LIST OF ROADS AND SPEED LIMITS" BY CHANGING THE SPEED LIMITS OF VILLAGE WAY DRIVE, WEST VILLAGE LANE, AND EAST VILLAGE LANE FROM 30 MILES PER HOUR TO 20 MILES PER HOUR, WEST OF DENT ROAD, NORTH.**

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 916-20.

Chairman Bankston 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 Beck, "Aye"; Commissioner Boyd, "Aye"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Aye"; Commissioner Fields, "Aye"; Commissioner Graham, "Aye"; Commissioner Mackey, "Aye"; Commissioner Smedley, "Aye"; and Chairman Bankston, "Aye. Total present – 8. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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1:21:56 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Bankston asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

1:21:57 Commissioner Graham announced that on September 10<sup>th</sup>, the Lookout Valley Lions Club will be holding its annual golf tournament at the Trenton Golf Club. He reported that 100% of the proceeds are used to provide food, toys, and gifts for children and families at Christmas. He stated that Commissioner Fields and former Commissioner Marty Haynes will also be participating in the golf tournament.

Commissioner Graham congratulated Commissioner Bankston on being elected to a second term as Chairman of the Commission.

1:22:45 Commissioner Fields announced that the Hamilton County Records Committee will be meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 am in the Commission Conference Room. He encouraged everyone to attend.

1:23:23 Commissioner Fairbanks congratulated Chris Jackson on his new appointment as Director of Corrections.

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Commissioner Beck congratulated Commissioner Bankston on his election as Chairman of the Commission.

1:23:57

Commissioner Beck spoke at length about an editorial that appeared in the Chattanooga Times Free Press regarding Commission salaries. He pointed out several statements printed in the article that were not true, including the claim that he served as Chairman within the last six years. He stated that he wished to set the record straight publicly regarding the misinformation published in the article. A copy of the article is filed with the Clerk's office.

Mayor Coppinger congratulated Commissioner Bankston on his election as Chairman of the Commission.

Chairman Bankston thanked fellow Commissioners for electing him to serve a second term as Chairman of the Commission.

**DELEGATIONS**

Chairman Fields asked for delegations on matters other than zoning. There was no one.



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There being no further business, Chairman Bankston declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



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William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

09-21-16  
Date

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Clerk's Initials