

**RECESSED MEETING  
HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

<b>STATE OF TENNESSEE</b>	)	Recessed Meeting
<b>COUNTY OF HAMILTON</b>	)	September 10, 2014

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, a Recessed 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: --

0:11

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

0:34

Commissioner Bankston welcomed Pastor Darnell Baker, Second Missionary Baptist Church, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Bankston led in the pledge to the flag.

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2:21      **RESOLUTION NO. 914-11 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO THE  
TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, REPRESENTING THE 30TH LEGISLATIVE  
DISTRICT, TO SERVE FROM SEPTEMBER 10, 2014, UNTIL THE CERTIFICATION  
OF THE NOVEMBER 2014 TENNESSEE GENERAL ELECTION.**

Chairman Fields spoke regarding Resolution No. 914-11. He stated that Vince Dean had represented the 30<sup>th</sup> Legislative District in the Tennessee General Assembly, and had been elected in the August 7, 2014 General Election to the position of Hamilton County Criminal Court Clerk. It was noted that Mr. Dean had issued a letter of resignation effective August 31, 2014. Chairman Fields stated that State law requires the Commission to appoint an individual to serve in this capacity until the results of the November 2014 General Elections are certified.

Chairman Fields asked Clerk Knowles whether notification to the public had been made regarding the Commission’s intent to fill the vacancy at today’s meeting. He stated that the Times Free Press had published a news article on their website. (Record shows that it was also publicly announced at the last Commission meeting)

Chairman Fields indicated that only one individual, Marc Gravitt, was on the General Election ballot for said position. He stated that in accordance with State law, any registered voter present for today’s meeting would be given the opportunity to submit other names for consideration to the Commission.

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He stated that without objection, the following procedure would be followed. After all names had been submitted, Commissioners would only vote on the names that had been nominated. No nomination would require a second. Voting would continue until a nominee received the five votes required by the State. No objection was made.

At this time, members of the public in the audience were given the opportunity to submit names for consideration. No names were submitted.

Chairman Fields stated that the floor was open for nominations to appoint an individual to the Tennessee General Assembly representing the 30<sup>th</sup> Legislative District.

7:16

Commissioner Haynes nominated Marc Gravitt to serve as a member of the Tennessee General Assembly filling the vacancy of Rep. Dean.

The roll was called by County Clerk Bill Knowles on the nomination of Marc Gravitt to serve as Tennessee House Representative for District 30. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Beck, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Boyd, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Fairbanks, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Graham, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Haynes, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Mackey, "Marc Gravitt"; Commissioner Turner-Smedley, "Marc Gravitt";

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and Chairman Fields "Marc Gravitt". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total votes for Marc Gravitt – 9.

Chairman Fields asked that roll be called on the Resolution No. 914-11, with the name of Marc Gravitt inserted.

**ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolution No. 914-11. 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 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.

8:56 Attorney Taylor indicated he would transmit a revised Resolution with the name of Marc Gravitt inserted to the Clerk's office as a matter of record.

9:21 Mr. Gravitt addressed the Commission and expressed his appreciation for their appointment.

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9:46      **JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENTS**

Security and Corrections Committee Chairman Haynes reported that the terms of Judicial Commissioners Ron Powers and Nathaniel Goggans would expire on October 31, 2014. Commissioner Haynes stated that the Security and Corrections Committee held a public meeting earlier that morning. It is the recommendation of the Committee that these two individuals be reappointed to their positions. He asked Attorney Taylor to draft a Resolution for the Commission’s consideration and action on the matter in two weeks.

Attorney Taylor indicated he would prepare an appropriate Resolution.

10:31      **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS, CHAPLAIN SCHEDULE, AND PLANNING  
COMMISSION SCHEDULE**

Chairman Fields reported that updated Committee Assignments, Planning Commission schedules, and Chaplain Schedules had been distributed to members of the Commission and the Clerk’s office.

There being no further business, Chairman Fields declared the meeting adjourned.

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Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

09-17-14  
Date

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Clerk's Initials