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STATE OF TENNESSEE) Regular Meeting

COUNTY OF HAMILTON) November 5, 2014

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 5th day of November, 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:--

0:15

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.

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 Turner-Smedley introduced Kaihan Strain, Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is, who gave the invocation. County Historian and Girls Preparatory School (GPS) History Department Chair Linda Mines led in the pledge to the flag.

3:18

PRESENTATION – UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION ESSAY CONTEST

Mayor Coppinger presented a proclamation to three Hamilton County students who had recently been selected as winners of the Tennessee Valley Republican Women sponsored essay contest on the topic of the United States Constitution. These students included Hannah Geerlings, Hannah Thel, and Caroline West.

Chairman Fields noted that this contest had been open to all private, public, and home school students in Hamilton County. He commended all students who participated in the contest for their hard work.

Ms. Mines expressed her appreciation to the Commission for their support of the school system. She also congratulated the students in attendance on winning this award.

The students were personally congratulated and shook hands with members of the Commission.

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Commissioner Mackey also thanked Ms. Mines for her years of service and contributions in the community.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of October 8, 2014, the Agenda Preparation Session of October 8, 2014, the Regular Meeting of October 15, 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 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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TRUSTEE'S EXCESS FEE REPORT

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

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TRUSTEE'S MONTHLY REPORT

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

JUVENILE COURT CLERK REPORT

The Juvenile Court Clerk Report for the months of June, July, and August 2014 were submitted and made a matter of record.

14:10

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-1 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT
APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-1. 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.

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RESOLUTION NO. 1114-2 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OF FIVE MEMBERS TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR GAS FITTERS & INSTALLERS FOR TERMS ENDING NOVEMBER 5, 2018.

Resolution No. 1114-2 confirms the reappointments of Kenneth C. Ray, Emerson Ingram, Thomas Raulston, Beverly Johnson, and Bennie Kinsey to the Hamilton County Board of Examiners for Gas Fitters and Installers for four-year terms expiring November 5, 2018.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Haynes, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-2. 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. 1114-3 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF SIX MEMBERS BY THE COUNTY MAYOR TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY

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Resolution No. 1114-3 confirms the reappointments of Kim Ray, Dennis Hasting, James Shropshire, Charles W. Evans, Jr., Wendall Whitmire (Alternate No. 1), and Timothy McClure (Alternate No. 2) to the Hamilton County Contractors Board of Appeals and Adjustments for four-year terms expiring November 5, 2018.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-3. 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.

16:31 **RESOLUTION NO. 1114-4 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT
BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OF ONE MEMBER TO THE EMERGENCY
COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR TERM ENDING
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Resolution No. 1114-4 confirms the reappointment of Mark Mathews to the Emergency Communications District Board of Directors for a four-year term expiring November 5, 2018.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Beck, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-4. 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.

17:10 **RESOLUTION NO. 1114-5 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE
HAMILTON COUNTY AUDIT COMMITTEE.**

Resolution No. 1114-5 confirms the appointments of Chairman Jim Fields, Commissioner Chester Bankston, and Commissioner Warren Mackey to the Hamilton County Audit Committee for one-year terms expiring September 30, 2015.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-5. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a

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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.

17:44 **RESOLUTION NO. 1114-6 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT ONE (1) MEMBER AND REAPPOINT ONE (1) MEMBER TO THE SHERIFF'S CIVIL SERVICE ADVISORY BOARD FOR THREE (3) YEAR TERMS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 5, 2014 AND ENDING NOVEMBER 5, 2017.**

Resolution No. 1114-6 confirms the appointment of Bruce O'Neal and reappointment of John K. "Bucky" McCulley to the Sheriff's Civil Service Advisory Board for three-year terms expiring November 5, 2017.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-6. 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

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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.

Chairman Fields reported that Resolutions No. 1114-7 through 1114-9 and 1114-11 through 1114-21 had been heard by the Finance Committee. He stated that Resolution No. 1114-10 had not been used.

Finance Committee Chairman Graham requested that Resolution No. 1114-9 go back to committee and not be voted on today. He also asked that Resolution No. 1114-21 be considered separately.

Chairman Fields indicated these requests would be honored.

18:40 **RESOLUTION NO. 1114-7 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF MOUNTAIN VIEW FORD FOR ONE (1) CAB & CHASSIS FOR AN ANIMAL CONTROL UNIT AMOUNTING TO \$23,565.00 FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY HUMANE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

RESOLUTION NO. 1114-8 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF BOWIE INTERNATIONAL FOR ONE (1) ANIMAL CONTROL UNIT AMOUNTING TO \$16,140.00 FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY HUMANE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY

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**AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-9 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF CWC OFFICE
FURNISHINGS FOR FURNITURE FOR THE CRIMINAL COURTS AMOUNTING TO
\$59,820.24 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

RESOLUTION NO. 1114-10 RESOLUTION NUMBER NOT USED

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-11 A RESOLUTION FOR THE MOWBRAY VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SCRAP AND SELL A 1992 FORD CROWN VICTORIA VIN #
2FACP72W5NX252263 WITH MILEAGE OF 197,187 WHICH IS CO-TITLED WITH
HAMILTON COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT. MOWBRAY VOLUNTEER FIRE
DEPARTMENT WILL USE THE PROCEEDS OF THE SELL OF THE SCRAP FOR
THE FUTURE PURCHASE OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-12 A RESOLUTION FOR THE MOWBRAY VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SCRAP AND SELL A 1999 DODGE DURANGO VIN #
1B4HS28Y3XF547576 WITH MILEAGE OF 188,000, WHICH IS CO-TITLED WITH
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RESOLUTION NO. 1114-13 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF CHATTANOOGA PAPER AND PACKAGING, INC., MOORE MEDICAL, LLC, MIDWEST MEDICAL SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC, MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL, INC., BUY INDIAN MEDICAL AND ROLL-AID INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY FOR CONTRACT UNIT PRICING, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 7, 2014, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6, 2015, FOR INFECTION CONTROL SUPPLIES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA / HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 1114-14 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF MAC PAPERS FOR CONTRACT UNIT PRICING, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 7, 2014, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6, 2015, FOR PAPER AND PRINTING SUPPLIES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA / HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 1114-15 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL, INC. AND QUILL CORPORATION FOR CONTRACT

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FOR GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA / HAMILTON
COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO
SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-16 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF
SCIENTIFIC SALES, INC., MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL, INC., MOORE
MEDICAL, LLC AND MIDWEST MEDICAL SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC FOR
CONTRACT UNIT PRICING, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 7, 2014, THROUGH
NOVEMBER 6, 2015, FOR LABORATORY SUPPLIES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA /
HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY
MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS
RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-17 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF
CHATTANOOGA PAPER AND PACKAGING, QUILL CORPORATION, KELSAN,
INC., AND ROLL-AID INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY FOR CONTRACT UNIT PRICING,
BEGINNING NOVEMBER 7, 2014, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6, 2015, FOR
MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA / HAMILTON COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY
CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-18 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF
BATTLEFIELD ABATEMENT FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING BUILDING
ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AMOUNTING TO \$30,210.50 AND AUTHORIZING THE
COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS
RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SLOPE
STABILIZATION REPAIRS OF CASH CANYON ROAD BY GEOSTABILIZATION
INTERNATIONAL ON THE STATE CONTRACT FOR SOIL NAILING FOR VARIOUS
COUNTIES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1114-20 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SLOPE
STABILIZATION REPAIRS OF MONTLAKE ROAD BY GEOSTABILIZATION
INTERNATIONAL ON THE STATE CONTRACT FOR SOIL NAILING FOR VARIOUS
COUNTIES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolutions No. 1114-7, 1114-8, and 1114-11 through 1114-20 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 No. 1114-7, 1114-8, and 1114-11 through 1114-20. 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 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. 1114-21 A RESOLUTION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL BY THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SR-317 FROM SR-321 (OOLTEWAH-RINGGOLD ROAD) TO NEAR LAYTON DRIVE IN HAMILTON COUNTY.

Commissioner Graham provided details regarding Resolutions No. 1114-21 and stated that the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

Commissioner Turner-Smedley stated this Resolution would accept a proposal for a road expansion in her district. She stated a desire that East Brainerd Road be expanded in the future.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Turner-Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 1114-21. 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.

28:14 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Fields asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

28:27 Commissioner Fairbanks announced that a number of Commissioners had attended the Tennessee County Services Association (TCSA) conference in Pigeon Forge the previous week. He reported that Commissioner Warren Mackey had been elected as the Tennessee County Commissioners Association (TCCA) President for the upcoming year.

Commissioners Fairbanks, Turner-Smedley, and Beck congratulated Commissioner Mackey on his election.

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30:21 Mayor Coppinger reported that he had attended a meeting on Friday, October 31 at Memorial Hospital regarding Tennessee's preparedness to treat Ebola or other diseases. He stated that the meeting had been attended by Senators Bob Corker and Lamar Alexander, along with a number of other local hospital officials, Health Services Administrator Becky Barnes, and members of her staff.

Mayor Coppinger commended Senator Corker, Senator Alexander, Ms. Barnes and all those involved for their active efforts to help ensure that Hamilton County and Tennessee were equipped in the event such a disease were to reach the community.

32:08 Chairman Fields recognized School Board member Donna Horn, who was in attendance for today's meeting.

Chairman Fields announced Veterans Day will be observed on Tuesday, November 11th to honor those who served in the armed forces.

32:23 **DELEGATIONS**

Chairman Fields asked for delegations on matters other than zoning.

32:56 Elgin Gray, a resident at 8435 Igou Gap Road, addressed the Commission regarding the posting of business signs in Hamilton County. He reported that he

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represented the company Cash for Junk Cars, which recycled junk, wrecked, or abandoned vehicles in the area. He stated the company had a local business license and a State recycling license.

Mr. Gray expressed concern that unlicensed competitive companies in the City of Chattanooga and in the County were posting signs on telephone poles, trees, and right-of-ways. He cited another local competitor as an example. He showed pictures on his laptop to the Commission of instances where he felt sign ordinances were being violated. He stated he had been told by County Building Inspection Director David Thorne that it was illegal for signs to be nailed to telephone poles and trees.

Attorney Taylor indicated that the City of Chattanooga had ordinances in place regarding signage which were currently enforced. The County did not currently have authority regarding signage on private property. He stated it was his understanding that Highway Department staff could remove signs on right-of-ways if it was determined they could possibly impede motorist's visibility.

Public Works Administrator Todd Leamon confirmed this to be true.

Upon questioning by Commissioner Beck, Mr. Gray responded that he had removed numerous signs throughout the County from a particular competitor. He would not publically reveal the names of those he thought were in violation. Mr. Gray stated

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that if Commissioner Beck would like, he could provide him with information regarding this competitor after today's meeting. Commissioner Beck asked that he provide that information to Commission staff after the meeting.

Commissioner Beck shared a concern that this issue was being brought before the Commission by a representative of a certain business and could appear the motive was to directly affect another competitor.

50:59 YMCA Community Action Project (Y-CAP) Regional Director Joe Smith addressed the Commission regarding the USA national Olympic boxing team qualifier event to be held at the Chattanooga Convention Center from November 30 to December 6. He stated that the event would have a significant positive economic impact to the County. He estimated 1,200 boxers, in addition to coaches, Olympic officials, and visitors would be staying in the area during that time. He asked that the Commissioners consider financially supporting the event.

57:15 Upon questioning by Commissioner Graham, Mr. Smith stated that approximately \$28,000 in total funding was required to host the event. He noted that \$20,000 had already been raised and \$8,000 in funding was still needed. He added that the initial \$100,000 bid fee had been waived to attract this special event. Mr. Smith also informed the Commission that half of the gate fees would benefit the Y-CAP organization.

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Several members of the Commission expressed their gratitude to Mr. Smith for his numerous contributions to the County. Several Commissioners stated their willingness to support this cause.

There being no further business, Chairman Fields declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

11-19-14
Date

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Clerk's Initials