

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT, the Monthly Session of the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners began and was held in and for the aforementioned State and County on the 15th day of October 2018 A.D. at 6:30 P.M., at the Jefferson County Courthouse in Dandridge, Tennessee. Present and Presiding were Chairman, Mayor Mark Potts; County Clerk Frank Herndon; and the following County Commissioners answering to Roll Call Docket Book 4 Page 41 to-wit: Katy Huffaker, Todd Kesterson, Steve Douglas, Jimmy Dale Patterson, Randy Baxley, Paul Lowe, Michael Phagan, Greg Byrd, Edna Langley, Tim Seals, Sammy Solomon, Ralph “Gene” Eslinger, Randy Bales, Ronny Coleman, Terry Dockery, Jimmy Carmichael, Anthony “A.J.” Walker, Marcus Reed, and Hilda “Heidi” Thomas. Nineteen (19) members were present, two (2) were absent: Robert Blevins and John Neal Scarlett.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Potts. An invocation was given by Chaplain Steve Douglas, and Frank Herndon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL & CORRECTIONS OF THE AGENDA:

Commissioner Kesterson moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Solomon, the agenda was **approved** with no objection voiced.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS:

David Gerard – 7th District – Spoke to Resolution 2018-51 stating that while he appreciates the intention of the resolution and appreciates the work of the volunteer fire departments and rescue squad, he feels that there are many other groups including senior citizens who could use a reduction in the wheel tax when they are having to choose between paying the wheel tax and buying medicine. He states the lost revenue could be difficult to make up.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Commissioner Seals moved to approve the minutes of the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners, September 17, 2018 Regular Monthly Session and Jefferson County Beer Board, September 17, 2018. Commissioner Solomon seconded the motion and the minutes were **approved** with no objections voiced.

APPROVAL OF NOTARIES & BONDS:

Commissioner Carmichael moved to approve the list of notaries as presented, Commissioner Baxley seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion **carried**, and the below named applicants for Notary Public were **approved** providing the proper bonds or property affidavits are filed in the office of the County Clerk.

Andrea Gonzalez	Brandy M. Gregg	Diane Clabo	Eileen Harris
Jackie Lynne Valentine	Jeanne M. Jones	Jeffrey Craft	Julie Luisa Greene
Karen Ann Meadows	Kathi McAbee	Kathleen A. Lusk	Marilyn Foister
Matthew Paris Stewart	Michael Romines	Roberta L. Savard	Sharon Breeden
Stephanie Ann Carter	Sherry Bledsoe	Tabetha Jo McGill	Trisha Cole
Wendi H. Mastellone	William Coltan Phillips		

ELECTION OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS

- A. Chair Pro Tempore Election: Mayor Potts stated that at the last meeting the election for Chair Pro Tempore was elected with only 10 votes, therefore it would need to be voted again. Commissioner Carmichael nominated Commissioner Kesterson, Commissioner Solomon seconded the nomination. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, Commissioner Carmichael moved that nominations cease and Commissioner Kesterson be elected by acclamation. Commissioner Solomon provided a second and with no objections voiced, Commissioner Kesterson was **elected** Chairman Pro Tempore.
- B. Mayoral Appointments:
1. EMS Board: Term October 2018-2021 - Commissioner Ronny Coleman, Commissioner Paul Lowe, and Nina "Hoagie" Snodgrass. Term October 2018-2019 – Phil Ownby. All appointments were moved for confirmation by Commissioner Carmichael, seconded by Commissioner Phagan, and with no objections voiced the appointments were **confirmed**.
 2. Ethics Committee: Term October 2018-2019 – Commissioners Heidi Thomas, Todd Kesterson, Jimmy Dale Patterson, and Sammy Solomon, Hwy Superintendent Charles Tipton. All appointments were moved for confirmation by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Byrd, and with no objections voiced the appointments were **confirmed**.
 3. Sanitation Committee: Mayor Potts stated to comply with TCA 5-19-101 and Resolution 97-23, a correction needed to be made in the staggering of the terms for the Sanitation Committee, he stated current membership was not changing, only the terms of the members. Term July 2017 – October 2019: Bertie Jean French, Term October 2017 – October 2020: Larry Howard, and Term November 2017 – October 2021: Nina Snodgrass. All appointments and term dates were moved for confirmation by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Bales, and with no objections voiced the appointments were **confirmed**.
- C. Nominating Committee: Commissioner Seals moved the following nominations from the committee:
1. Agriculture Extension Committee: Term December 2018-2019: Commissioner Jimmy Carmichael, John Kramer, and Angie Dawn Hunter. Term December 2018-2020: Commissioner Randy Bales, Commissioner Terry Dockery, and Annette Stooksbury. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nominations were **approved** with no objections voiced.
 2. Building Inspection Board of Appeals: Term September 2018-2020 – Kenny Carr, Paul Tucker, Tom Lakin, and Mike Dockery. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nominations were **approved** with no objections voiced.
 3. Conservation Board: Term September 2018-2022: Commissioner Jimmy Dale Patterson. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nomination was **approved** with no objection voiced. Term September 2018-2020: The Nominating Committee presented no nominations for this position, then Commissioner Solomon nominated citizen Bandi Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Kesterson, hearing no further nominations from the floor Bandi Hammer was **approved** with no objections voiced.
 4. Facilities Committee: Term September 2018-2020: Commissioner Sammy Solomon, Katy Huffaker, Randy Bales, Ronny Coleman, and Terry Dockery. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nominations were **approved** with no objections voiced.
 5. Finance Committee: Term September 2018-2019: Commissioners Edna Langley, Randy Bales, Katy Huffaker, and Terry Dockery. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nominations were **approved** with no objections voiced.
 6. Personnel Committee: Term September 2018-2020: Commissioners Heidi Thomas, Jimmy Carmichael, Marcus Reed, Sammy Solomon, and Paul Lowe. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nominations were **approved** with no objections voiced.

7. Public Service Committee: Term September 2018-2020: Commissioners Heidi Thomas, Jimmy Carmichael, Ralph "Gene" Eslinger, Ronny Coleman, and Jimmy Dale Patterson. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, the nominations were **approved** with no objections voiced.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND OTHER OFFICIALS:

- A. Circuit/Sessions Court Clerk, Kevin Poe – 1st Quarter FY 2018-2019 Report: Presented and Filed.
- B. County Clerk, Frank C. Herndon – 1st Quarter FY 2018-2019 Report: Presented and Filed.
- C. Highway Superintendent, Charles Tipton – 1st Quarter FY 2018-2019 Work Acc. Report: Presented and Filed.
- D. Register of Deeds, Ed Stiner – 1st Quarter FY 2018-2019 Financial Report: Presented and Filed.
- E. Sheriff, Jeff Coffey – 1st Quarter FY 2018-2019 Report: Presented and Filed.
- F. Trustee, Jennifer Hall – 1st Quarter FY 2018-2019 Financial Report: Presented and Filed.
- G. Building Inspector, Rob Wilson – 1st Quarter Permit Report & School Facilities Tax Comparison: Presented and Filed.
- H. Chamber of Commerce President & CEO, Darrell Helton – 1st Quarter Report: Presented.
- I. Jefferson County Schools Director, Dr. Shane Johnston – 1st Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.
- J. Emergency Communications District Executive Director, Justin Crowther – 1st Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.
- K. Emergency Medical Service Director, Brad Phillips – 1st Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.
- L. Environmental Services Director, Tom Carter – 1st Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.
- M. Finance Director, Langdon Potts- County & Schools Summary Financial Statements for July and August 2018: Presented and Filed.
- N. Health Department County Director, Sherrie Montgomery – 1st Quarter Report: Presented.
- O. UT Extension Jefferson County Director, Karen Nelms – 1st Quarter Report: Presented.
- P. Veterans Service Officer, Curtis Hudson – 1st Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.
- Q. Wheel Tax Compliance Officer, Tim Satterfield – 1st Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS, & COMMISSIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Tim "Pop" Seals, Zoning Compliance Officer, **Resolution 2018-50**: A Resolution amending the "Zoning Map of Jefferson County, Tennessee" by rezoning property from A-1, Agricultural-Forestry to C-2, General Commercial for property located Indian Creek Rd. and Rupert Dr. in Dandridge, TN owned by Ray & Pam Jones (Tax Map 090F Group A Parcels 010.00 & 012.00). Commissioner Dockery moved to approve **Resolution 2018-50**, seconded by Commissioner Carmichael, Commissioner Seals abstained, and **Resolution 2018-50** was **approved** without opposition.
- B. Langdon Potts, Finance Director:
 1. **Resolution 2018-52**: Resolution to declare as surplus and to authorize the Dandridge Memorial Library of Jefferson County to dispose of said equipment. A motion to approve was provided by Commissioner Solomon, seconded by Commissioner Phagan, with no objections voiced, **Resolution 2018-52** was **approved**.

2. **Resolution 2018-53:** Resolution to declare as surplus and to authorize the facilities department of Jefferson County to dispose of said equipment. A motion to approve was provided by Commissioner Solomon, seconded by Commissioner Seals, with no objections voiced, **Resolution 2018-53** was **approved**.
3. **Resolution 2018-54:** Resolution to declare as surplus and to authorize the facilities department of Jefferson County to dispose of said equipment. A motion to approve was provided by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Solomon, with no objections voiced, **Resolution 2018-54** was **approved**.

C. Budget Committee Recommendations:

1. County Budget Amendments

- a. General Fund 101, Amendment #3, Items #1-7: Moved for approval by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, **approved** with no objections voiced.
- b. Highway Fund 131, Amendment #2, Item #1: Moved for approval by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Carmichael, **approved** on a Roll Call vote 19-0 (in favor: all present).

2. School Budget Amendments

- a. Schools General Purpose Fund 141, Amendment #4, Items #1-12: Moved for approval by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, **approved** with no objections voiced.

D. **Resolution 2018-51:** Resolution to waive the County Motor Vehicle Tax for vehicles receiving exemption under Chapter 923 of the Public Acts of 2018 for Volunteer Firefighters and Rescue Squad Personnel. Commissioner Douglas moved this item for approval from the budget committee. Commissioner Langley provided the following amendment:

“For Volunteer Firefighters and Rescue Squad Personnel to receive the Wheel Tax Waiver, each firefighter and rescue squad personnel will be required to respond to a minimum of 40% of the fire of emergency calls for the given year. Participation of each firefighter will be documented and reported by the Chief of the fire department to which the fireman is attached. Likewise, participation of each rescue squad person will be documented and reported by the Captain of the local rescue squad to which the person is attached.”

The amendment was seconded by Commissioner Thomas and after discussion a Roll Call vote was taken and the amendment failed 2-15-2 (in favor: Langley and Thomas, abstaining: Solomon and Dockery). After further discussion, Commissioner Douglas called for the question, seconded by Commissioner Bales and with no objection the call stood. A Roll Call vote was taken on **Resolution 2018-51** and it **carried** 15-2-2 (in favor: Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Patterson, Baxley, Phagan, Lowe, Byrd, Seals, Eslinger, Bales, Coleman, Carmichael, Walker, and Reed, Commissioners Solomon and Dockery abstained). Commissioner Dockery made a statement to the audience to make certain the public as aware that the Commission had approved matching the senior tax relief provided by the state on an income basis.

E. **Resolution 2018-55:** A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Tennessee approving policies and procedures relating to the implementation of tax increment incentive transactions that may be undertaken by the Industrial Development Board of Jefferson County, Tennessee. Commissioner Carmichael moved the resolution for approval, seconded by Commissioner Phagan. With no objection voiced, **Resolution 2018-55** was **approved**.

Hearing no further business before the commission, a motion to adjourn was offered by Commissioner Carmichael, a second was offered by Commissioner Reed and with no objections voiced, the meeting was **adjourned** at 7:11 PM.