

WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION

AUGUST 23, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the County Commission met in regular session on Monday August 23, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Present and presiding, Chairman Greg Matherly, County Clerk Kathy Storey, County Attorney Allyson Wilkinson and Commissioners to wit.

Commissioners present:

Steve Light, Kent Harris, Jerome Fitzgerald, Danny Edens, Bryan Davenport, Greg Matherly, Larry Cate, Freddie Malone, Suzy Williams, Phil Carriger, Jodi Jones, Robbie Tester, Kenneth Huffine, Jim Wheeler, Mike Ford

Commissioners absent:

None

After the Call to Order, the Invocation was led by Williams and the pledge to the flag was led by Ford.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Tester to move **21-08-05** as the first Resolution under Rules Committee.

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Fitzgerald to approve the agenda. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

Recess for Public Hearings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jessica Zimmerman- 304 Lester Snapp Rd Limestone, TN
Sam Zimmerman- TBD J D Fox Rd Limestone, TN
Preston Holley- 325 Lola Humphreys Rd Limestone, TN

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Scott Gouge- in favor of rezoning

Public Hearings closed and meeting reconvened back into regular session.

PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-01

RESOLUTION REZONING TAX MAP 097, PARCEL 001.11 IN THE 6TH CIVIL DISTRICT PRESENTLY OWNED BY SCOTT W. GOUGE

Motion was made by Tester and seconded by Malone to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Light, Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioners absent:
None

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND PROCLAMATIONS

BrightRidge/Red Dog- discuss Bitcoin operation

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Cate to approve minutes from the Special Called Meeting on June 24, 2021. Motion passed with a majority yes voice vote with Jones abstaining.

Motion was made by Tester and seconded by Edens to approve minutes from the July 26, 2021 meeting as corrected. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

RESOLUTION 21-08-02

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Edens and seconded by Carriger to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Light, Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioners absent:
None

RESOLUTION 21-08-03

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING TWO MEMBERS TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Motion was made by Fitzgerald and seconded by Ford to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Light, Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams, Carriger, Jones, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioner voting against:
Tester

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioners absent:

None

RESOLUTION 21-08-04

**RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COUNTY MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENTS
TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

Motion was made by Cate and seconded by Carriger to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Light, Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioners absent:

None

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE
ON COMMITTEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Fitzgerald to leave Committee on
Committees as it stands for this past year and recommend to them they bring back to us
the same slate of Committees to approve next month. Motion passed with the following
roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Huffine, Wheeler

Commissioners voting against:

Light, Tester, Ford

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioners absent:

None

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Light to nominate Matherly as
Chairman for the coming year. Motion was made by Malone for nominations to cease.
Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

Motion was made by Tester and seconded by Williams to nominate Wheeler as
Vice Chairman for the coming year. Motion was made by Ford for nominations to cease
and elect by acclamation. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

REPORTS OF OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

COUNTY MAYOR

Mayor's Report.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

No written report.

Executive Session will be held after adjournment of Commission Meeting.

COUNTY TRUSTEE

Investment Report.

DIRECTOR OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT

No written report.

DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

Director's Report.

*Light left meeting.

DIRECTOR OF JOHNSON CITY SCHOOLS

No report.

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL & AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-06

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE TO
APPLY FOR SELECT TENNESSEE SITE DEVELOPMENT GRANT RE:
WASHINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK**

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Wheeler to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioner absent:

Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-07

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CREATION OF GRANT WRITER POSITION

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Edens to defer back to CIA
Committee. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

COMMUNICATIONS TASK FORCE

Minutes in packet.

COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Minutes in packet.

COMMUNITY RESCUE ASSESSMENT BOARD

Minutes in packet.

EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION & BENEFITS COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-08

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SCHOOL BUSES
FUNDED FROM THE EDUCATION CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2021-2022 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$946,000.**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Edens to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SCHOOL
TECHNOLOGY ITEMS- \$640,000.**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Huffine to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-10

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY
WITH RESPECT TO THE DELIVERY OF LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES IN
LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Wheeler to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-11

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPENDING FROM FISCAL YEAR BUDGET
2021-2022 RE: ENVIRONMENTAL COURT CLEANUP OF PROPERTY
OWNED BY LARRY MCCURRY, LOCATED AT 1637 ROCKY HOLLOW
ROAD, JONESBOROUGH, TN**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Davenport to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

PUBLIC RECORDS COMMISSION

Minutes in packet.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-13

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF DATA PROCESSING
EQUIPMENT FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Ford to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioner absent:

Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-14

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BODY CAMS & CAR
CAMERA UPGRADES FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Fitzgerald to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioner absent:

Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF MISCELLANEOUS
EQUIPMENT FOR THE DETENTION CENTER**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Cate to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-16

RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2021-2022 RE: PURCHASE OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES TO BE USED ON THE WATERLINE EXTENSIONS CONSTRUCTED BY THE TOWN OF JONESBOROUGH

Motion was made by Davenport and seconded by Carriger to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

RULES COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-05

RESOLUTION CREATING AND APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ARPA SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Tester and seconded by Jones to adopt the resolution with
the amended changes. (replacement of paragraph 2 as stated in amended resolution)
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioner absent:
Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-19

**RESOLUTION "EARMARKING" COMMISSION PRIORITIES WITHOUT
MAKING ALLOCATIONS OF ARPA FUNDS**

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Cate to defer back to Budget Committee. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

WASHINGTON COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY

No meeting.

WATER TASK FORCE

Minutes in packet.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Minutes in packet.

RESOLUTION 21-08-17

**RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2021-2022 RE: BUSINESS
INFORMATION SERVICES UPGRADE AND INSTALLATION OF SOFTWARE
AND HARDWARE IN THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Malone to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:
Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:
None

Commissioners abstaining:
None

Commissioner absent:
Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-20

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UPGRADES TO COURTHOUSE
WIRELESS ACCESS**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Edens to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioner absent:

Light

RESOLUTION 21-08-21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED
TO ROOF REPLACEMENT OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Cate to adopt the resolution.
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Carriger, Jones, Tester, Huffine, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners abstaining:

None

Commissioner absent:

Light

*Letter from Comptrollers office acknowledging receipt of a certified copy of the
FY 2022 budget.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NOTARIES

RESOLUTION 21-08-18

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ELECTION OF NOTARIES PUBLIC FOR
APPOINTMENT AND/OR REAPPOINTMENT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,
TENNESSEE**

Motion was made by Ford and seconded by Edens to adopt the resolution. Motion
passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Light, Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Cate, Malone, Williams,
Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioner abstaining:

Huffine

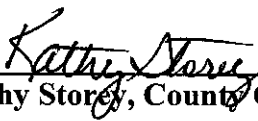
Commissioners absent:

Light

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13



Kathy Storey, County Clerk