

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION**

**AUGUST 24, 2020**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the County Commission met in regular session and electronically on Monday August 24, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the George P Jaynes Justice Center. Present and presiding, Chairman Greg Matherly, County Clerk Kathy Storey, County Attorney Allyson Wilkinson and Commissioners to wit.

Commissioners present:

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

Commissioner vacancy: 1

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

Motion was made by Carriger and seconded by Ford to determine the meeting essential. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Malone to suspend the rules and add Resolution 20-08-21 to the agenda. Motion passed with a majority yes voice vote with Tester voting no.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Robert A Belanger Jr.- 108 Chock Creek Rd  
Josh Barrett- North of Herb Hodge Rd

At the conclusion of public hearings, the meeting reconvened in regular session.

**PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING**

Minutes in packet.

**RESOLUTION 20-08-14**

**RESOLUTION REZONING TAX MAP 023, PARCEL 14.27 IN THE 10TH CIVIL DISTRICT PRESENTLY OWNED BY ROBERT A BELANGER, JR.**

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

Commissioners voting for:

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

Commissioner voting against:

Carriger

One vacancy

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Commissioner Grandy presented a proclamation in recognition of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month September 2020.

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Davenport to accept the proclamation. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Motion was made by Tester and seconded by Carriger to approve the minutes from the July meeting. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

Quarterly Report: Status Update on Commissioner objectives

### **RESOLUTION 20-02-13A**

## **RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF PROPOSED TERMS AND AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDING FOR JOHNSON CITY SCHOOLS**

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

Commissioners voting for:

Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Carriger, Jones, Wheeler

Commissioners voting against:

Light, Harris, Fitzgerald, Edens, Ford

Commissioner abstaining:

Tester ( left the room)

One vacancy

## **ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS**

The following Commissioners were nominated to be considered for Committee on Committees:

Light  
Fitzgerald  
Edens  
Davenport  
Malone  
Carriger  
Jones  
Tester  
Wheeler  
Ford

Motion was made by Wheeler and seconded by Malone for nominations to cease with an all yes voice vote.

Votes are as follows:

Light-5  
Fitzgerald-5  
Edens-6  
Davenport-10  
Malone-9  
Carriger-7

Jones-9  
Tester-4  
Wheeler-10  
Ford-4

The following five members were elected to Committee on Committees for 2020-2021: Davenport, Wheeler, Malone, Jones, Carriger

**RESOLUTION 20-08-20**

**RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION COMMITTEE**

Motion was made by Ford to nominate Edens, motion was made by Jones to nominate Matherly.

Motion was made by Williams and seconded by Wheeler for nominations to cease and elect Edens and Matherly by acclamation.

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone, Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**REPORTS OF OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES**

**COUNTY MAYOR**

No written report.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY**

Update on Public Record Request (Annual Report)  
Executive Session re. Update on litigation

**DIRECTOR OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

No written report.

**DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS**

No written report.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE**

No meeting.

**BEER BOARD**

No meeting.

**COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL & AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet.

Dianna Cantler- update on TIFs

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

No meeting.

**COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

Minutes in packet.

**COURTROOM SECURITY COMMITTEE**

No meeting.

**EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION & BENEFITS COMMITTEE**

No meeting.

**HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet.

**RESOLUTION 20-08-01**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CARES ACT GRANT FOR THE PURCHASE  
OF CHROMEBOOKS, HOTSPOTS AND VIDEOCONFERENCING RELATED  
EQUIPMENT**

Motion was made by Edens 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

No meeting.

**INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

No meeting.

**PUBLIC RECORDS COMMISSION**

No meeting.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet.

**RESOLUTION 20-08-05**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2020-2021 RE:  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE BVP FUNDS FOR BULLETPROOF VEST CARRIER  
PURCHASE**

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-06  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDING FOR  
REPLACEMENT OF SHERIFF'S OFFICE RADIO EQUIPMENT**

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

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

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-08**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE AND WASHINGTON COUNTY/JOHNSON CITY EMERGENCY  
MEDICAL SERVICES AND AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2020-2021  
RE: ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR EMS FOR MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION  
OF INMATES**

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

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

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet.

**RESOLUTION 20-08-09**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF HIGHWAY  
DEPARTMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY ON GOVDEALS.COM**

Motion was made by Davenport 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-10**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD LIST**

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

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

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-11**

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JOHN B DEAKINS JR. AS  
SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Motion was made by Davenport 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-12**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAVING SERVICES BY THE WASHINGTON  
COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THE TOWN OF JONESBOROUGH**

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

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

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**PURCHASING COMMISSION**

No meeting.

**REAPPOINTMENT COMMITTEE**

No meeting.

**RULES COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet.

**RESOLUTION 20-07-09A**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RULE 12F**

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

Commissioners voting for:

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

Commissioners voting against:

None

One vacancy

**WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Minutes in packet.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMITTEE FOR RESALE OF LAND**

No meeting.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet.

**RESOLUTION 20-08-13**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 RE: HIGHWAY  
DEPARTMENT- FOR THE DESIGN AND REPLACEMENT OF LITTLE CASSI  
ROAD BRIDGE**

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-15**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF  
CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND/ CARES ACT GRANT FUNDING FOR  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

None

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-16**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF  
DUE DILIGENCE GRANT FUNDING RELATED TO SELECT TENNESSEE  
SITE CERTIFICATION RE: WASHINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK  
AND ASSOCIATED BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

Tester

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-17**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL PAYMENT FOR REPAIR OF  
SINKHOLE AT INDUSTRIAL PARK**

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:

Tester

One vacancy

**RESOLUTION 20-08-18**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDING FOR IT  
SYSTEM UPGRADES**

Motion was made by Wheeler 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, England, Malone,  
Williams, Carriger, Jones, Tester, Wheeler, Ford

Commissioners voting against:  
None

One vacancy

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NOTARIES**

**RESOLUTION 20-08-19**

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

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

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

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioner absent:  
Harris

One vacancy

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION 20-08-21**

**RESOLUTION BY WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE TO ALLOW  
WASHINGTON COUNTY TRUSTEE TO ROUND PROPERTY TAXES,  
INTEREST AND PENALTIES**

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

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

Commissioner voting against:  
Tester

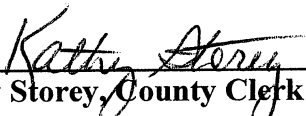
Commissioner absent:  
Harris

One vacancy

England resigning- moving out of district.

Motion was made by Ford and seconded by Carriger to move Executive Sessions to the end of the agenda. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

**Meeting adjourned.**

  
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Kathy Storey, County Clerk