

THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSION
OF
UNICOI COUNTY, TENNESSEE
October 23, 2017

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Unicoi County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at the Unicoi County Court House on Monday, October 23, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. Present and Presiding, Honorable Marie Rice, Chairman, the Honorable Greg Lynch, County Mayor, Mitzi Bowen, County Clerk, Doug Shults, Attorney, and the following Commissioners:

ROLL CALL: Esq. Bridget Peters “Absent”, Esq. Marie Rice, “Present”, Esq. Kenneth Garland, “Present”, Esq. Glenn White, “Present”, Esq. John Mosley, “Absent”, Esq. Todd Wilcox, “Present”, Esq. Loren Thomas, “Present”, Esq. Gene Wilson, “Present”, Esq. Jason Harris, “Present”.

7- Present
2- Absent (John Mosley & Bridget Peters)

Esq. Paul Berry opened the meeting with Prayer and the Pledge to the Flag was led by Esq. Todd Wilcox.

Agenda Item #4
Recognize Visitors and Citizens

Jeff and Lisa Metcalf addressed the commission with an incidence that took place at the Hoover Convenience Center. Mr. Metcalf had spoken to the County Mayor, Chairman Marie Rice and a few other commissioners about the incident. Mr. Metcalf had taken a door that he had broken up and tried to throw away at the site and Ms. Lewis would not allow him to do so. Mr. Metcalf stated that Ms. Lewis used foul language towards him and did not allow him to throw the door at the site.

Esq. Kenneth Garland asked that Ms. Lewis met with the committee and state why she did it.

Esq. Gene Wilson stated that you have not been the only one that has complained and we can redo the contract.

County Mayor Greg Lynch stated that we are trying to save money on the contract that the County Commission passed.

Esq. Kenneth Garland questioned who is on the committee. Chairman Marie Rice stated that Glenn White is the Chairman. Glen White stated he would call a committee meeting and discuss the issues at the convenience centers and the concerns with the contract.

Agenda Item #5
Approve Minutes of Prior Session

Motion made by Esq. Jason Harris, said motion seconded by Esq. Kenneth Garland to approve the Minutes of Prior Session (September 25th 2017).

Motion unanimously approved (Correction so Noted)

Agenda Item #6
Quarterly Reports

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland, said motion seconded by Esq. Glenn White to accept the following quarterly reports: County Mayor, Health Department, Unicoi County Trustee and Unicoi County Schools.

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda Item #7
Old Business/New Business

County Road Superintendent, Terry Haynes brought before the Commission an agreement between Town of Unicoi and Unicoi County Highway Department concerning provision of street maintenance services by the county through its Highway Department to the roads within the Town of Unicoi with the provisions of which agreement the parties.

Motion made by Esq. Glenn White, said motion seconded by Esq. Todd Wilcox to waive the agenda.

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland, said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris to accept the agreement between Town of Unicoi and Unicoi County Highway Department concerning provision of street maintenance services by the county through its Highway Department to the roads within the Town with the provisions of which agreement the parties.

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda Item #8
Report on Debt Obligation-(No Vote Needed)

So Noted

Agenda Item #9
Re-Appoint Marie Rice, 3 Year Term Hospital Board-Co terminus with County Commission Service

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland, said motion seconded by Esq. Gene Wilson approve Marie Rice to a 3 year term on the Hospital Board-Co Terminus with County Commission Service.

Motion approved (Loren Thomas Opposed)

Agenda Item #10
Northeast Tennessee Regional Economic Partnership Proclamation-Mayor Greg Lynch

County Mayor Greg Lynch explained the Northeast Tennessee Regional Economic Partnership Proclamation.

Motion made by Esq. Jason Harris, said motion seconded by Esq. Glenn White to approve the Northeast Tennessee Regional Economic Partnership Proclamation.

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda Item #11
Recognize Tyler Engle, EDB Capital Investment Program and Present Unicoi County Economic Strategic Plan 2017

Tyler Engle, Executive Director of the EDB addressed the commission on the Economic Capital Investment Program. Mr. Engle read the strategic four most important plans and spoke on what money the county would be collecting.

Esq. Marie Rice asked if the EDB would come back before the county commission. Mr. Engle stated if it's under the threshold, we would not.

Esq. Gene Wilson stated that we should wait until we have something presented before us.

Esq. Marie Rice asked if we have had one in the past. County Mayor Greg Lynch stated, no.

Agenda Item #12
Discuss and Vote on EDB Capital Investment Program

Motion made by Esq. Loren Thomas, said motion seconded by Esq. Todd Wilcox to approve the program as outlined plus the resolution on the EDB Capital Investment Program.

ROLL CALL: Esq. Bridget Peters "Absent", Esq. Marie Rice, "No", Esq. Kenneth Garland, "No", Esq. Glenn White "No", "Present", Esq. John Mosley, "Absent", Esq. Todd Wilcox, "Yes", Esq. Loren Thomas, "Yes", Esq. Gene Wilson, "No", Esq. Jason Harris, "Yes".

- 3- Yes
- 4-No
- 2- Absent (John Mosley & Bridget Peters)

Motion Fails

County Mayor Greg Lynch stated he would set up a meeting with the EDB and the commissioners at the November meeting at 5pm.

Gene Wilson Left the meeting 7:01

Gene Wilson came back to meeting 7:06

Agenda Item #13
Approve Inter-local Agreement Between Unicoi County Sheriff's Department and the Local Town of Erwin to Allow to Utilize Prisoners for Local service Projects in Accordance with the State Code Ann. §41-2-123

Motion made by Esq. Glenn White said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris to delete from the agenda the Inter-local Agreement Between Unicoi County Sheriff's Department and the Local Town of Erwin to Allow to Utilize Prisoners for Local service Projects in Accordance with the State Code Ann. §41-2-123

Motion unanimously approved

Esq. Loren Thomas asked who told you to take this off of the agenda. County Mayor Greg Lynch, stated the sheriff did.

Agenda #14

Appoint Civil Service Board Member to Replace Jim Bowman

Motion made by Esq. Gene Wilson said motion seconded by Esq. Kenneth Garland to approve Anita B. Leger to the Civil Service Board for a three year term.

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda #15

Re-appoints to Unicoi County Planning Commission

Motion made by Esq. Gene Wilson said motion seconded by Esq. Kenneth Garland to approve the following re-appoints to the Unicoi County Planning Commission: Kevin Hensley-June 2018, James McLellan-June 2019, and Lee Bennett- June 2020.

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda #16

Discuss Timeline of Distribution of County Commission Monthly Meeting Packets

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland said motion seconded by Esq. Gene Wilson to approve to keep the county commission monthly meeting packets the same, at a five day notice.

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda #17

Declare Following Vehicle Surplus and Allow Sheriff Department to sell on Gov.Deals or at auction

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland said motion seconded by Esq. Glenn White to declare the vehicles surplus and allow the sheriff department to sale the following vehicles on Gov.Deals or at public auction: 2006 Chevy (maroon) KL1TG56616B562138 (Seized Vehicle), 2007 Nissan Pick-Up (Red) 1N6AD07W77C424168, International Flatbed Truck DTIDN456627-4211-0003, and Chevy Kodak Flatbed Truck DTIDW56PMV-52370-150

Motion unanimously approved

Motion made by Esq. Jason Harris said motion seconded by Esq. Todd Wilcox to waive the agenda

Motion unanimously approved

Motion made by Esq. Glenn White said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris for the sheriff to give the county commission an updated copy of what has been sold on Govsdeals and what has not been sold. That has been approved by the County Commission.

Motion Approved (Loren Thomas opposed)

Agenda #18
Budget Amendments

Gene Wilson asked for the budget amendments to be separate

Motion made by Esq. Gene Wilson said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris to approve the budget amendment for the School System. **School System: Total \$241,379.81 (copy in file)**

Motion unanimously approved

Motion made by Esq. Gene Wilson said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris to approve the budget amendment for the Sheriff Department: **Sheriff's Department:** Debit 49700 Insurance Recovery \$4,309.02 and credit 54110-718 Vehicle \$4,309.02. Debit 54210-335 Building Maintenance (Jail) \$2,000.00 and Credit 54220-335 Building Maintenance (Annex) \$2,000.00. **Total \$6,309.02**

Motion unanimously approve

Motion made by Esq. Jason Harris said motion seconded by Esq. Gene Wilson to table the budget amendment for the sheriff department until the funds come in. **Sheriff Department:** Debit 44530 Sale of Equipment \$14,700.00 and credit 54110-718 Vehicles \$14,700.00. **Total \$14,700.00**

Motion unanimously approve

Motion made by Esq. Gene Wilson said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris to approve the budget amendment for the Sheriff Department Drug Fund. **Drug Fund:** Debit 39000 Fund Balance (Drug Fund) \$500.00 and credit 52900-510 Trustee's Commission \$500.00. **Total \$500.00**

Motion unanimously approve

Motion made by Esq. Gene Wilson said motion seconded by Esq. Glenn White to approve the following budget amendment and revisit this in three months to see how this works: **Circuit Court Clerk:** Debit Fund Balance 39000 **\$3000.00** and credit 53100-187 Overtime \$3000.00. **Total \$3000.00**

ROLL CALL: Esq. Bridget Peters "Absent", Esq. Marie Rice, "Yes", Esq. Kenneth Garland, "No", Esq. Glenn White, "Yes", Esq. John Mosley, "Absent", Esq. Todd Wilcox, "Yes", Esq. Loren Thomas, "Yes", Esq. Gene Wilson, "Yes", Esq. Jason Harris, "Yes".

6- Yes

1-No (Kenneth Garland)

2- Absent (John Mosley & Bridget Peters)

Motion approved

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland said motion seconded by Esq. Glenn White to approve the following budget amendment: **Industrial Development:** Debit 39000 Fund Balance \$10,000.00 and credit 58120-599 other charges \$10,000.00. **Total \$10,000.00**

ROLL CALL: Esq. Bridget Peters “Absent”, Esq. Marie Rice, “Yes”, Esq. Kenneth Garland, “Yes”, Esq. Glenn White, “Yes”, Esq. John Mosley, “Absent”, Esq. Todd Wilcox, “Yes”, Esq. Loren Thomas, “Yes”, Esq. Gene Wilson, “No”, Esq. Jason Harris, “Yes”.

6- Yes
1-No (Gene Wilson)
2- Absent (John Mosley & Bridget Peters)
Motion approved

Agenda #20
Elect Notaries:

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland said motion seconded by Esq. Jason Harris to approve the following notaries: Cynthia M Stevens, Regina Michelle Higgins, Joseph David Shults and Hunter Nichole Murray

Motion unanimously approved

Agenda #21
Motion for Adjournment

Motion made by Esq. Kenneth Garland said motion seconded by Esq. Loren Thomas to adjourn the October 23rd, 2017 County Commission meeting.

Motion unanimously approved

MARIE RICE, CHAIRMAN

GREG LYNCH, COUNTY MAYOR

MITZI BOWEN, COUNTY CLERK