

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
OF THE
RUTHERFORD COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Thursday, November 14, 2019

- A. Mr. Chairman Bill Ketron called the regular session of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 14, 2019, in the Courtroom of the Rutherford County Courthouse in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.
- B. Pastor Greg Vick of the Stewart's Creek Church of Christ led the invocation.
- C. Commissioner Steve Ervin led the pledge to the United States of America flag and the salute to the state of Tennessee flag.
- D. Twenty-One (21) Commissioners of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners were present for the opening of the Legislative Meeting.
- E. The October minutes were approved.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Prior to introducing the first citizen in line to offer Public Comments, Chairman Bill Ketron introduced Cody York as the Director of Information Technology.

- 1. Brad Hornsby, in questioning legal matters involving Kelsey Ketron Randolph, wondered aloud if Mayor Bill Ketron may also be implicated in violations of professional and/or political conduct. Hornsby provided a prepared list of 21 questions he asks the County Commission and/or District Attorney to ask the questions of Mayor Ketron.
- 2. Joe Liggett (address unknown) approached the well. Chairman Ketron reported Mr. Liggett had not previously requested time (registered with the Mayor's office) to make Public Comments. Chairman Ketron allowed Mr. Liggett to continue. Mr. Liggett yielded the balance of his time to Mr. Hornsby.
- 3. Mr. Hornsby resumed his line of questioning of Mayor Ketron. He suggests Mayor Ketron resign his position.
- 4. Diane Parker of Wilton Drive of Rutherford County, and representing the Rutherford Neighborhood Alliance, believes we should create a list of "What we do not want" in matters of solid waste. Parker's list includes these things: 1) we do not want our trash to poison us 2) we do not want our trash to bankrupt us 3) we do not want trash solutions made up of stone-age elements.
- 5. Steve Barnum of 315 North Maney Avenue in Murfreesboro has helped to create a County Waste Alliance. The Alliance is in place to bring about change in how we deal with Solid Waste issues. He urged citizens to join now.
- 6. Rick Davis of Stonewood Drive in Smyrna advised he had scheduled time to discuss solid waste matters. However, he changed his mind as to what to discuss. He had listened to Mr. Hornsby's comments and, whereas Mr. Hornsby would otherwise have Mayor Ketron step down, Mr. Davis, who is personally known by Hornsby and Ketron, asks Mayor Ketron to stay in his position.

G. ELECTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS

- 1. The Notary Applicants were approved.
- 2. The appointment of Laura Vaught to the Codes Enforcement, Adjustment, and Appeals Board was confirmed. The term will expire November 2022.
- 3. The appointment of Kevin Lauer to the Emergency Communications District Board (911).The term will expire November 2023.
- 4. A vacancy for Beer Board Alternate was re-announced
- 5. The appointment of Jerrell Higgins as Judicial Commissioner was confirmed.

6. Four (4) vacancies on the Agricultural Advisory board were announced. The terms of Phyllis Ferguson, Colin Miller, Commissioners Joe Gourley and Chantho Sourinho will expire December 2019.
7. Two (2) vacancies on the correctional work Center Board were announced. The terms of Robert Asbury and Frances Mosby will expire January 2020.
8. Four (4) vacancies on the Public Building Authority were announced. The terms of Jimmy Davis, Blake Smith, Jim Bailey and Stan Vaught will expire January 2020.
9. The appointment of Lynnis Roehrich-Patrick to CUD Board was confirmed. The term will expire November 2023.

H. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda, as amended from 21 down to 20 items, received unanimous approval.

1. General Fund Budget Amendment
 - a.) To adjust the grant revenue and expenditures for the Veterans Court Grant for Drug Court
 - b.) To recognize grant revenue and appropriate funds for various grants for Sheriff's Office
 - c.) To recognize grant revenue and appropriate funds for the Animal Friendly Grant for PAWS
 2. Special Purpose Fund Budget Amendment
 3. General Purpose School Fund Budget Amendments
 4. Resolution of Support for the Tennessee Local Education Capital Investment Act
 5. Resolution to Authorize Use of Purchasing Card by Board of Education
 6. REMOVED. TO BE CONSIDERED OUTSIDE OF CONSENT AGENDA
 7. Application for Petco Foundation Grant for Paws
 8. Tennessee Division of Elections Grant for Election Commission and Related General Fund Budget Amendment
 9. Subaward Grant Agreement with Volunteer Behavioral Health Care System
 10. Subaward Grant Agreement with The Family Center, Inc.
 11. Subaward Grant Agreement with Middle Tennessee State University
 12. Memorandum of Understanding with The Guidance Center for Juvenile Detention
 13. Contract with Smith County for Juvenile Detention
 14. Resolution to Adopt the Tobacco and Vaping Policy
 15. Resolution to Adopt the Public Acts 109(Iran Divestment Act)
 16. Resolution to Renew Contract with the State Fire Marshal's Office & Rutherford County
 17. Resolution to Adopt Media Relations Policy
 18. Resolution for Steering Committee Quarterly Meetings with State Delegates
 19. Memorandum of Understanding between the Rutherford County Juvenile Detention Center (RCJDC) and the Rutherford County Correctional Work Center (RCCWC)
 20. Memorandum of Understanding between the Rutherford County Juvenile Detention Center (RCJDC) and the Rutherford County Agriculture Extension (RCAE)
 21. Purchasing Committee Report
- CONSIDERATION OF ITEM 6 – Application for Flood Mitigation Grant for Emergency Management was approved.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None Reported

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:30 PM

1. Rezoning Requests:
 - (a) Request (19-A020): Keith Barrett, located at 3316 West Jefferson Pike; was approved.
2. (b) Changes to the Rutherford County Stormwater Management Ordinance, Chapter 2 Definitions, and Chapter 4 Stormwater System Design: Construction and Permanent Stormwater Management and Chapter 6 New Locations, Existing Location and Ongoing Development were approved.

K. REPORTS BY STANDING COMMITTEES

1. BUDGET, FINANCE & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- (a) A Drug Fund Budget Amendment was approved.
- (b) Spatialest Software and Related General Fund budget amendment for Property Assessor's Office was approved. The contract, however, will be under further Review by the County Attorney prior to release.
- (c) Item (c) was withdrawn from consideration until further notice.
- (d) A General Fund Budget Amendment was approved.

2. HEALTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- a) No Report

3. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- a) A resolution to transfer property at Rocky Fork Schools to the Town of Smyrna was amended to indicate if the property is not used for the intended purpose (police/fire station) the property would revert back to the county. The amended resolution received unanimous approval.
- b) A resolution for Rutherford County to lease the Historic Rockvale Store to the Rockvale Historic Society was approved.

4. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- a) Road Superintendent Greg Brooks presented suggestions as to proper planning of roads and school building projects. Commissioner Mike Kusch offered further discussion of same and added the Commission should be meeting quarterly with the county's state delegation.

5. PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

- a) No Report

6. STEERING, LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

- a) A Resolution to amend the county's tobacco policy to include and prohibit "vaping" was adopted.
- b) A resolution to require the Steering Committee to meet quarterly with State Delegation was approved.

L. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Commissioner Robert Peay announced the Kittrell Volunteer Fire Department will hold a Ham Breakfast on November 16th from 6-10 A.M.
- B. Commissioner Pettus Read invited all to the Eagleville Lions Club Turkey Shoot on November 16th. The event will occur during the morning and afternoon hours.
- C. Commissioner Steve Ervin invited all to a dedication ceremony at the Recovery Court to be held at 12:30 on Friday, November 15 at the Recovery building.
- D. Commissioner Rhonda Allen announced the Health and Education Committee members will visit Community Care on Wednesday, December 4th. Carol Cook announced the Smyrna Christmas Parade will be December 1st.
- E. Mayor Bill Ketron reminded all the MTSU football team plays Rice Saturday, November 16.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Ketron called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Craig Harris moved to adjourn. Commissioner Virgil Gammon offered the second and the motion to adjourn carried. Chairman Bill Ketron adjourned the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners Legislative Meeting at 8:15 P.M.


Lisa Duke Crowell, Rutherford County Clerk


Rick Spence, Legislative Secretary

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