

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

June 20, 2022 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Be it remembered that the Cumberland County Commission met in monthly session on Monday, June 20, 2022 at the courthouse in Crossville, Tennessee. Sheriff's Deputy Dustin Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Present and presiding was Mayor Allen Foster who invited Johnny Hayes from Pomona United Methodist Church to deliver the invocation. The Young Marines led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Also present at this meeting were County Clerk Jule Bryson, Finance Director Nathan Brock, County Attorney Philip Burnett, Director of Schools Ina Maxwell and the following County Commissioners:

Chad Norris	Sue Ann York
Kyle Davis	Nancy Hyder
Rebecca Stone	Darrell Threet
David Gibson	Charles Seiber
Jack Davis	Terry Lowe
Wendell Wilson	Joseph Sherrill
Mark Baldwin	Jerry Cooper
Jim Blalock	Deborah Holbrook
Colleen Mall	John Patterson

A quorum being present, the Cumberland County Commission Meeting was opened in due form of law and the following proceedings were had to wit:

1. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 20, 2022 COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA:

On motion of Commissioner Stone to accept the agenda adding Resolution 15 as well as a friendly amendment of Commissioner Hyder bundling Resolutions 4, 5, 6 & 7, Resolutions 8 & 9, Resolutions 10,11 & 12, second by Commissioner Sherrill moved the agenda of the June 20, 2022 Commission meeting be approved with these amendments. Comments from Commissioner Blalock stating he felt there should have been more information regarding adding this resolution prior to the meeting. The motion to approve the agenda carried by voice vote with 17 ayes and one nay from Commissioner Blalock.

2. MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2022 REGULAR SESSION CUMBERLAND COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner Hyder moved to approve May 16, 2022 Commission Meeting Minutes, make a matter of record and file. The motion to approve the minutes carried by voice vote from the Commissioners present.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS: Mayor Foster recognized Boy Scout Parker Wilson who is working on his Citizenship in Community Merit Badge. Mayor Foster also recognized the Crab Orchard Archery Club coached by Cindy Miniard and Nathan Thompson. This team has competed in the State and National competitions and will be going to the World Archery competition in Louisville, Kentucky later this week.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC: Sheila Van Ripper 308 Highland Road, Grandview, TN addressed the commission with a request to form a committee to report fraud, waste and abuse.

NEW BUSINESS: The Cumberland County Register of Deed's Personnel Policy was presented to the commission for record only.

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3. RESOLUTION 06-2022-1 – TO ACCEPT OFFER(S) TO PURCHASE DELINQUENT TAX PROPERTY OWNED BY CUMBERLAND COUNTY:

On motion of Commissioner Holbrook, second by Commissioner Gibson moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-1.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-1, accepting the following offers carried by a unanimous roll call vote from the Commissioners present.

Offerers	Property	Price	Advertising
Bernard & Peggy Gleason	77L J 41.00/28 Briarhill Terrace	\$405.00	\$45

4. RESOLUTION 06-2022-2 – TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY RAIL AUTHORITY:

On motion of Commissioner Hyder, second by Commissioner Wilson moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-2.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-2, authorizing an addition to the Cumberland County Rail authority appointing one additional member and appointing Joe Sherrill as the third member with a term expiration date of August 31, 2022, carried by a unanimous voice vote from the commission present.

5. RESOLUTION 06-2022-3 – TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner Hyder moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-3.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-3, appointing the following to the Cumberland County Library Board, Kathy Ivey for a second term of three years to expire on June 30, 2023, J.D. Atkinson for a first term of two years to expire on June 30, 2024 and James H. Peebles and Melanie Sherrill for a first of three years to expire on June 30, 2025, carried by a unanimous voice vote from the commission present.

6. RESOLUTION 06-2022-4 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (RAILROAD AUTHORITY) \$419.00:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner York moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-4.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-4, approving the Other Special Revenue Fund (Railroad Authority) budget amendment in the amount of \$419.00 for various budget overruns, carried by a unanimous roll call vote from the commission present.

7. RESOLUTION 06-2022-5 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, HIGHWAY FUND, HIGHWAY & BRIDGE MAINTENANCE, OPERATION & MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT \$535.00:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner York moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-5.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-5, approving Highway Fund (Highway & Bridge Maintenance, Operation and Maintenance Equipment) budget amendment in the amount of \$535.00, carried by a unanimous roll call vote from the commission present.

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8. RESOLUTION 06-2022-6 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, DEBT SERVICE FUND \$10,775.00:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner York moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-6.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-6, approving Debt Service Fund budget amendment for various budget overruns in the amount of \$10,775.00, carried by unanimous roll call vote from the Commissioners present.

9. RESOLUTION 06-2022-7 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, GENERAL FUND \$425,108.00:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner York moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-7.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-7, approving General Fund budget amendment for various budget overruns in the amount of \$425,108.00, carried by unanimous roll call vote from the Commissioners present.

10. RESOLUTION 06-2022-8 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, CENTRAL CAFETERIA FUND \$10,000.00:

On motion of Commissioner Hyder, second by Commissioner Mall moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-8.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-8, approving Central Cafeteria Fund School Nutrition Program budget amendment in the amount of \$10,000.00, carried by roll call vote of 17 ayes and one abstain from Commissioner Cooper.

11. RESOLUTION 06-2022-9- BUDGET AMENDMENT, CENTRAL CAFETERIA FUND, LINE-ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS \$249,145.00

On motion of Commissioner Hyder, second by Commissioner Mall moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-9.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-9, approving Central Cafeteria Fund Line-Item budget amendment in the amount of \$249,145.00, carried by roll call vote of 17 ayes and one abstain from Commissioner Cooper.

12. RESOLUTION 06-2022-10 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND, OCCUPATIONAL TEACHER MENTORING CONSORTIUM STIPEND \$2,500.00:

On motion of Commissioner Gibson, second by Commissioner Stone moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-10.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-10, approving General Purpose School Fund budget amendment in the amount of \$2,500.00 for Occupational Teacher Mentoring Consortium Stipend, carried by roll call vote of 17 ayes and one abstain from Commissioner Cooper.

13. RESOLUTION 06-2022-11 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND, BUS FUEL LINE \$90,000.00:

On motion of Commissioner Gibson, second by Commissioner Stone moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-11.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-11, approving General Purpose School Fund budget amendment in the amount of \$90,000.00 for Bus Fuel Line fund, carried by roll call vote of 17 ayes and one abstain from Commissioner Cooper.

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14. RESOLUTION 06-2022-12 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND, FISCAL YEAR 21-22 CLEAN UP:

On motion of Commissioner Gibson, second by Commissioner Stone moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-12.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-12, approving General Purpose School Fund budget amendment for Fiscal Year 21-22 Budget Clean-up #2, carried by roll call vote of 17 ayes and one abstain from Commissioner Cooper.

15. RESOLUTION 06-2022-13 – TO DISCONTINUE A PERIOD OF TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT FOR EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATING IN THE TENNESSEE CONSOLIDATED RETIREMENT SYSTEM:

On motion of Commissioner Gibson, second by Commissioner Sherrill moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-13.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-13, approving discontinuing a period of temporary employment for all new employees participating the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System, carried by unanimous roll call vote from the commission present.

16. RESOLUTION 06-2022-14 – BUDGET AMENDMENT, SANITATION \$49,687.00:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner Hyder moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-14.

The motion to adopt resolution 06-2022-14, approving Sanitation budget amendment of Waste pickup, Convenience Centers, Recycle Center, Post closure Care Cost, Litter and Trash in the amount of \$49,687.00, carried by unanimous roll call vote from the commission present.

17. RESOLUTION 06-2022-15- REQUESTING THE SCHOOL BOARD REVISIT PROPOSED SCHOOL SYSTEM BUDGET:

On motion of Commissioner Stone, second by Commissioner Hyder moved to adopt resolution 06-2022-15.

Discussion: Commissioner Stone asked to add this resolution to ask the Cumberland County School System to review their proposed budget to seek to eliminate any increases in recurring costs not covered by their recurrent revenue stream in the current BEP formula. Commissioner Sherrill asked if the resolution was asking them to not use their general fund for reoccurring cost. There are 26 new positions proposed in their budget. The new Board of Education members will have a whole new set of issues to deal with. Commissioner Hyder stated that she felt that they need to review the new 26 positions. The state only funds a portion of the positions they mandate. That leaves the remaining fund coming from the County Commission. There has been a loss of 500 students in recent school years. The loss of students means a loss of funds from the state level. Commissioner Norris asked Director of Schools Ina Maxwell if she could give some clarification. Mrs. Maxwell spoke as the only employee of the BOE. There is some confusion because some positions previously came from federal and state special education due to the increase in the special education case load. Salary increases are also reflected in the increase. Commissioner Stone recommended they consider all their choices before completing the budget process. Commissioner Blalock voiced his opinion that whatever the Board of Education decides affects the children of our county. Commissioner Cooper asked what the vote was from the Budget Committee. Finance Director Nathan Brock spoke with Board of Education CFO Kacee Harris regarding the fund balance. Mrs. Harris was tasked with contacting the state regarding the fund balance draw

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down. Commissioner Mall voiced she was a little uncomfortable with micro-managing the school system with the resolution because of the timing. There is some information that needs to be clarified before passing this resolution. Commissioner Mall suggested the commission contact the BOE and get clarification before this resolution is passed. Commissioner Wilson stated that there is time to consider this issue with the School and Education Committee and Budget Committee meeting in the next few days. After much discussion, the decision was made to withdraw the resolution with the expectation this issue will be reconsidered by the Board of Education.

The motion to withdraw resolution 06-2022-15, requesting the school board to revisit proposed school system budget, carried with Commissioner Stone, Hyder and Sherrill agreeing to the withdrawal.

COUNTY OFFICIAL REPORT; FINANCE DIRECTOR NATHAN BROCK:

Commissioners received the monthly financial report from Finance Director Nathan Brock detailing the May 2022 revenue collections for the County in ambulance service, sales tax, property tax, hotel/motel tax, and prisoner boarding.

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT; PHILIP BURNETT:

County Attorney Burnett gave a report of no new lawsuits in the previous 30 days. The Mccoy auto accident lawsuit that occurred on Dogwood Road from several years ago, has been settled. All other cases are still in discovery with no new suits to report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Hyder stated the Health and Safety Standards Board meeting has been moved to Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 2:00 PM in the Courthouse conference room.

10. ELECTION OF NOTARIES:

On motion of Commissioner Hyder, second by Commissioner Norris moved to elect Kerry Belvin, Nikole Bilbrey, Bryan Farmer, Amanda L. Godsey, Charlene M. Hawkins, Pauline Henry, Andrew G. Hillis, Rhonda W. Johns, Mandy Kidwell-Parkin, Brooke Luna, Jatou Martin, Kathryn M. Spivey, Lydia A. Wattenbarger, Emily Wood, Shannon Wyatt as Notary Publics for the State of Tennessee.

The motion to approve the notaries carried by voice vote from the Commissioners present.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Commissioner Gibson, second by Commissioner Sherrill moved the June 20, 2022 Commission Meeting to be adjourned at 6:49 o'clock P.M.

The motion to adjourn the meeting carried by voice vote from the Commissioners present.

MINUTES APPROVED FOR ENTRY THIS 18th DAY OF JULY 2022.



Allen Foster, County Mayor
Chairman, Cumberland County Commission



Julie Bryson, Cumberland County Clerk