

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING – JANUARY 27, 2020

The Claiborne County Commission met in regular session on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Tazewell, Tennessee. Meeting was opened by Officer Doug Evans. Invocation led by Commissioner Zach Mullins. Pledge led by Officer Doug Evans.

AGENDA ITEM #1 – CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Chairman Mike Campbell called the meeting to order. County Clerk Karen Hurst called the roll by district. Commissioners present/absent as follows:

PRESENT:

District 1

Brent Clark
Whitt Shuford
Charlton Vass

District 2

Nathan Epperson
Juanita Honeycutt
Kim Large

District 3

Mike Campbell
Stacey Crawford
Nicholas Epperson

District 4

Zach Mullins
Anthony Rowe

District 5

Mitchell Cosby

District 6

Rosemary Barnett
Carolyn Brooks
Steve Mason

District 7

Steve Brogan
Sherry McCreary
Shawn Peters

District 8

David Mundy
Steve Murphy

District 9

James Hatmaker

21 commissioners present

Also present: Cynthia Logan, Recorder

AGENDA ITEM #2 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Mundy

Commissioner Mundy requested that the name of Denise Alexander be added to the notary public appointment list.

Commissioner Honeycutt requested to add a voting item involving an exchange of vehicles between Claiborne EMS and the Claiborne County Sheriff's Department and to add a discussion item concerning the status of the CEASE program
(These added as agenda items # 14A and #14B under New Business)

Commissioner Cosby requested to add a discussion item concerning the U.S. Census.
(This added as agenda item #14C under New Business)

(Item #2 cont.)

ROLL CALL VOTE (on agenda as amended): 21 for; 0 against / Motion carried

AGENDA ITEM #3 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman noted that the name of Commissioner Stacey Crawford had been omitted from the roll call present list of the December meeting minutes and this would be corrected.

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Mason

Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #4 – COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Mason

Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #5 – NOTARY PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Mundy

Motion carried by aye vote

Approved:

<i>Chris M. Ingle</i>	<i>Sharon H. Woolum</i>
<i>Noah J. Patton</i>	<i>Theresa L. Brooks</i>
<i>Teresa G. Mustard</i>	<i>Sherri R. Fugate</i>
<i>Phyllis E. Crockett</i>	<i>Mary C. Smith</i>
<i>Mary F. Barker</i>	<i>Denise Alexander</i>

AGENDA ITEM #6 – NOTARY BONDS

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Mullins

Motion carried by aye vote

Approved:

Sherri R. Fugate

Betty J. Evans

sureties: James D. Estep, III and Robert M. Estep

sureties: Richard Couch and John Morgan

OLD BUSINESS:

ITEM #1 – RES. 2019-091 – CLAIBORNE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT OF WORK PROJECTS, REPORTS OF COUNTY MAYOR’S OFFICE, SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Clark – to override County Mayor’s veto of resolution

SECOND: Commissioner Brooks

ROLL CALL VOTE: 18 for; 3 against / Motion carried

FOR: Commissioners Clark, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford, Nicholas Epperson, Mullins, Rowe, Cosby, Barnett, Brooks, Mason, Brogan, McCreary, Peters, Mundy, Murphy, Hatmaker

*AGAINST: Commissioners Shuford, Vass, Nathan Epperson
(Resolution as follows)*

RESOLUTION 2019-091
CLAIBORNE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT OF WORK PROJECTS,
REPORTS OF COUNTY MAYOR'S OFFICE, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, it appears that the Claiborne County Highway Department is responsible for maintenances, repairs and surfacing of Claiborne County roads, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the Claiborne County legislative body passed and approved a resolution in 2015 assessing a wheel tax in the amount of \$25.00 per motor vehicle registration to generate revenue for road surfacing and equipment, and

WHEREAS, in order to keep the legislative body informed of progresses, it is imperative that the county commission be provided regular reports of same, and so,

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Claiborne County Road Superintendent provide updates to the Claiborne County Commission on road improvements and projects that have taken place, including roads fixed, repaired and surfaced/re-surfaced. Reports should also include descriptive of work completed and the upcoming projects being planned. These reports shall be provided to county commission at three (3) months intervals.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that, by amendments approved by the county commission, quarterly reports also be provided by the County Mayor's office and the Sheriff's Department and that the Finance Department provide a monthly listing of all checks being disbursed concerning all departments and what the payment is being made for.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 16th day of December, 2019.

 **VETO**

County Mayor

Brent Clark

County Commissioner Sponsor

ATTEST:

County Clerk

NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM #1 – COSTS STATS REPORT FOR 9-1-1 for 2019

Report submitted for information only; no action taken

ITEM #2 – RES. 2020-001 – SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (budget amendment)

MOTION: Commissioner Cosby – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Large

ROLL CALL VOTE: 21 for; 0 against / Motion carried

(Resolution as follows)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-001

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Dept needs to purchase a vehicle out of their restricted funds; and
WHEREAS, in order to spend reserve funds, the approval of county commission is required.

THEREFORE, the following budget amendment needs to be approved:

Decrease

101-43395 (GASB 34525) Restricted for Public Safety \$24,450

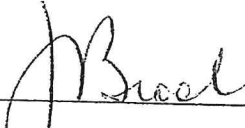
Increase

122-54150-718 Motor Vehicles \$24,450

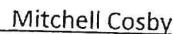
THEREFORE, be it resolved, by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in session on the 27th day of January that such resolution be approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take place from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED AND APPORVED this 27th day of January 2020.

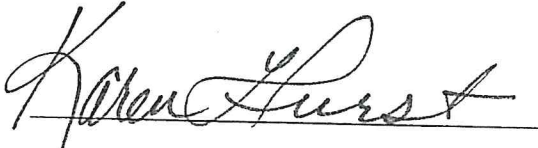


Joe Brooks, County Mayor



Mitchell Cosby
Sponsor

ATTEST:



Karen Hurst. County Court Clerk

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**ITEM #3 – RES. 2020-002 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLAIBORNE COUNTY TO
SUBMIT 2020 APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION GRANT APPLICATION**

MOTION: Commissioner Nathan Epperson – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Shuford

(Power Point presentation by County Mayor and discussion followed)

ROLL CALL VOTE: 3 for; 18 against / Motion failed

FOR: Commissioners Shuford, Vass, Nathan Epperson

*AGAINST: Commissioners Clark, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford,
Nicholas Epperson, Mullins, Rowe, Cosby, Barnett, Brooks,
Mason, Brogan, McCreary, Peters, Mundy, Murphy, Hatmaker*

**ITEM #4 – RES. 2020-003 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLAIBORNE COUNTY TO
SUBMIT 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Cosby

*ROLL CALL VOTE: 21 for; 0 against / Motion carried
(Resolution as follows)*

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 003
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLAIBORNE COUNTY TO SUBMIT
2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program as administered by the State of Tennessee offers grants to local jurisdictions to fund sewer and water line extensions, sewer and water system upgrades, as well as community livability projects, and

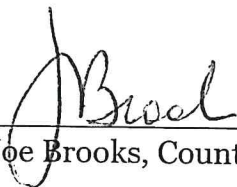
WHEREAS, the 2020 (CDBG) for Claiborne County utilizing their Three Star status will allow for a CDBG request up to but not to exceed \$630,000.00 of federal funds with a match of \$85,909.00, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Claiborne County County Commission authorizes the Mayor to apply for Community Development Block Grant funds, up to but not to exceed \$630,000.00 of federal funds for a waterline extension, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the matching funds will come from the Claiborne County General Fund Account in the amount of 12% or \$85,909.00. The total CDBG grant application may be up to but will not exceed the amount of \$715,909.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED AND APPROVED, 27th day of January 2020.



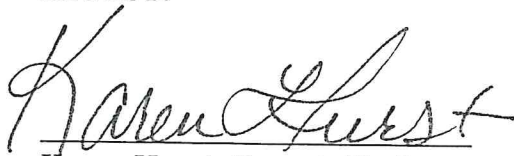
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David Mundy, County Commissioner

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ATTEST:



Karen Hurst, County Clerk

ITEM #5 – DISCUSSION – BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Commissioner Clark introduced Mr. Rob Barger who addressed the subject of the Boys and Girls Club of Claiborne County. Mr. Barger discussed advances that have taken place to get the Boys and Girls Club going and introduced Mr. Bart McFadden, the president of the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley. Mr. McFadden spoke with commission on the project and of the values the Boys and Girls Club will provide to the children in the community.

ITEM #6 – RES. 2020-004 – BUDGET COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Honeycutt

Motion carried by aye vote

(Resolution as follows)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 004
BUDGET COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

WHEREAS, the budgetary needs of the county need to be set as soon as possible, and,

WEHREAS, the budget committee sets the budget for the county, and,

WHEREAS, the budget committee should be appointed annually, and,

NOW THEREFORE, the following commissioners are appointed to serve on the budget committee:

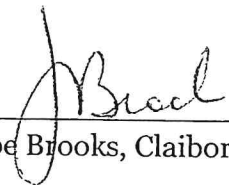
Charlton Vass (1) Kim Walker-Large (2) Mike Campbell (3)

Anthony Rowe (4) Mitchell Cosby (5) Steve Mason (6)

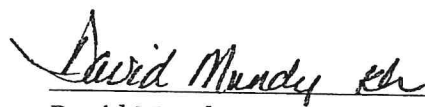
Shawn Peters (7) David Mundy (8) James Hatmaker (9)

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

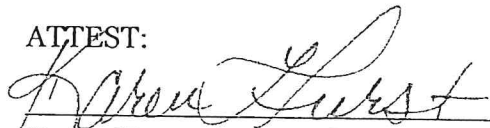
PASS AND APPROVED this 27th day of January, 2020.



Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor



David Mundy, County Commissioner

ATTEST:


Karen Hurst, County Clerk

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ITEM #7 – RES. 2020-005 – COUNTY ROAD LIST

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Peters

*Motion carried by aye vote
(Resolution as follows)*

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-005
COUNTY ROAD LIST**

WHEREAS, it is required by State law, that the Claiborne County Highway Department submit a road list to the Claiborne County Commission, for their approval each January.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Commission of Claiborne County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 27th day of January 2020, that the attached 2020 road list be approved.

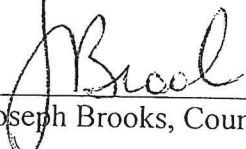
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the approved Road List will take effect upon its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take place from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

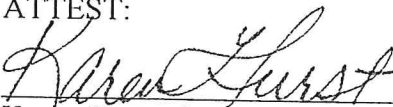
PASSED AND APPROVED, this 27th day of January 2020.

Ronnie Pittman, Road Superintendent

David Mundy
SPONSOR


Joseph Brooks, County Mayor

ATTEST:


Karen Hurst, County Clerk



ITEM #8 – RES. 2020-006 – WORK RELEASE COMMISSION

MOTION: Commissioner Nathan Epperson – to add Zach Mullins to Work Release Commission and approve

SECOND: Commissioner Nicholas Epperson

(County Attorney Estep advised commission to approve an amendment that the sheriff will continue to be in charge of the workhouse)

MOTION TO AMEND: Commissioner Vass – to include that the sheriff will continue to be the director of the workhouse

SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Epperson

ROLL CALL (on motion to amend): 21 for; 0 against / Motion carried

*ROLL CALL (on original motion as amended): 21 for; 0 against / Motion carried
(Resolution as follows)*

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-006
WORK RELEASE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, T.C.A. § 41-2-134(a) creates a commission in each county not excepted by T.C.A. § 41-2-133(b) with the authority to authorize prisoners to come under a work release program whenever any person has been committed to the workhouse or similar place of confinement and to approve educational programs established pursuant to T.C.A. § 41-2-145, and

WHEREAS, the commission as authorized in T.C.A. § 41-2-134 is authorized and empowered to permit prisoners to leave the workhouse during approved working hours to work at a place of employment and to earn a living to meet in whole or in part the cost of the prisoner's current financial obligations. The prisoner must return to the workhouse each day after work and may be released only for related rehabilitative purposes as recommended by the correctional/rehabilitation work release coordinator. T.C.A. § 41-2-134(b), and

WHEREAS, in all counties:

1. The sheriff or workhouse superintendent shall appoint the members of the commission subject to the approval of the county legislative body;
2. Each member shall serve a four-year term; and
3. A person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

T.C.A. § 41-2-134(c)(3).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the following individuals are to serve on the Work Release Commission for the terms prescribed above:

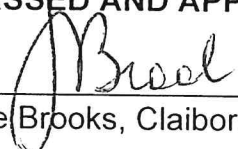
Sheriff Bob Brooks
Jail Administrator Tammy Reagan
Zach Mullins

ADAG Matt McClung
Robert Genno

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the sheriff will continue to be the director of the workhouse.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 27th day of January, 2020



Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

Nathan Epperson

County Commissioner Sponsor

ATTEST:



Karen Hurst, County Clerk

ITEM #9 – RES. 2020-007 – CLERK AND MASTER’S OFFICE (equipment purchase)

MOTION: Commissioner Vass – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Epperson

ROLL CALL VOTE: 21 for, 0 against / Motion carried
(Resolution as follows)

RESOLUTION

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Whereas, the Clerk and Master's Office of Claiborne County, Tennessee would respectfully submit to the Claiborne County Commission that there exists a fund, same being Data Entry Fee-Chancery Court (42530-000-00/101-0000-000) that was established in 2003 containing a \$4.00 fee for each case filed in Chancery Court. This fund is to be used to maintain the current computer system, at no costs to the taxpayers of this County, for the Clerk and Master's Office. In December 2019 the Clerk and Master was informed that the present PC systems, will no longer support the operating system needed for new programming. The new PCs will need to be purchased no later than June 2020. There are more than adequate monies in said fund to pay for this service. A quote has been obtained from the Prosys Company, a company contracted by the Administrative Office of the Courts for updating the PC's for a price of \$3938.45 and said quote is attached to this Resolution. There will also be Microsoft Word programming necessary for each PC, at the total cost of \$628.50 and one Microsoft Excel program at the cost of \$104.75 (also attached). The total cost of updating these systems is \$5300.20.

Now, Therefore, the Clerk and Master respectfully submits this Resolution and asks for the approval of same for the purchase of said PC's and programming, and upon approval of same these funds transferred to the Office Equipment (53400-719) budget item for the Clerk and Master's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution take effect from and after it's passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Duly passed and approved this 27th day of January, 2020.


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Joe Brooks, County Mayor



Charlton Vass
Sponsor

ATTEST:


Karen Hurst, County Court Clerk

ITEM #10 – RES. 2020-008 – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (equipment purchase)

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Hatmaker

ROLL CALL VOTE: 21 for; 0 against / Motion carried
(Resolution as follows)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-008

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2016-080 in November 2016, approved a lease purchase agreement thru the state adopted program (NJPA) for an excavator.

WHEREAS, the lease agreement ends this fiscal year, and in order to keep the excavator available for use, it must be purchased per the existing approved contract.

WHEREAS, the purchasing of this excavator is included in the 2019-2020 budget for Highway Department Fund 176.

WHEREAS, the following equipment will be purchased:

	<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Expiration of Lease</u>
Caterpillar Excavator 308E2CRSB	FJX06744	\$46,560	176	January 2020

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of county Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 28th day of January, that such resolution be passed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take place from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of January 2020.



COUNTY MAYOR

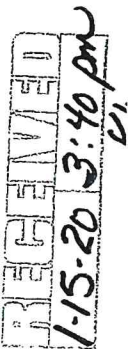
David Mundy

SPONSOR

ATTEST:



COUNTY CLERK



ITEM #11 – RES. 2020-009 – RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT POLICY

MOTION: Commissioner Honeycutt – to approve
SECOND: Commissioner Cosby

*Motion carried by aye vote
(Resolution as follows)*

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT POLICY
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-009

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Claiborne County, Tennessee to provide equal opportunity to all individuals, and;

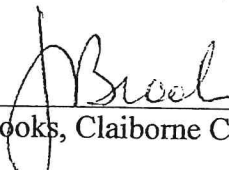
WHEREAS, it is the policy of Claiborne County, Tennessee not to discriminate and to protect from harassment and retaliation, and;

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Commission desires to adopt the attached Americans with Disabilities Act Policy.

NOW THEREFORE, the Claiborne County Commission, meeting in regular session on the 27th day of January, 2020, hereby adopts the attached ADA Policy.

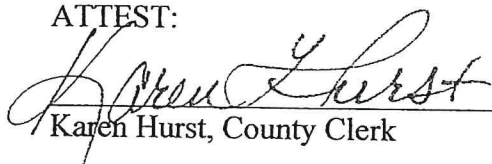
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution will take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Duly passed and approved this 27th day of January, 2020.




Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen Hurst, County Clerk

SPONSOR:



County Commissioner

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County Policy

Approved by: County Commission

Effective Date: _____

Subject: Disability Discrimination Policy

RESPONSIBLE OFFICE: Claiborne County Mayor's Office.

AUTHORITY: The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended. TCA 4-3-2303. Title I regulations regarding employment of 29 CFR Part 1630, Title II regulations regarding public entities of CFR Part 35. Department of Personnel policy concerning "Investigations of Allegations of Illegal Discrimination and Harassment", dated August 12, 2005. If any portion of the policy conflicts with applicable state or federal laws or regulations, that portion shall be considered void. The remainder of this policy shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

PURPOSE: Claiborne County is committed to providing a safe and secure work environment in which all individuals are treated equally with respect and dignity. Claiborne County strives to create an atmosphere that promotes equal opportunities and prohibits discriminatory practices. In keeping with this commitment, Claiborne County will not tolerate discrimination and/or harassment based on sex, age, race, mental or physical disabilities, color, sexual orientation, national origin or religious beliefs.

APPLICATION: All persons seeking access to programs, services or facilities of Claiborne County Government. All employees of the Claiborne County Government and all persons seeking employment or conducting business with the Government.

POLICY: Non-discrimination – Equal Employment Opportunities: It is the policy of Claiborne County to provide equal opportunities to all individuals regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, status as a Vietnam-era veteran or special disabled veteran, or status in any other group protected by law. It is the policy of Claiborne County to make reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals with known disabilities unless doing so would result in undue hardship. Individuals, employees or applicants listed above with questions or concerns about any type of discrimination are encouraged to bring these issues to the attention of the ADA Coordinator. All individuals can raise concerns and make complaints without fear of reprisal and with assurance of protection from harassment or retaliation. Anyone found to be engaging in any type of unlawful discrimination will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. Claiborne County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, status as a Vietnam-era veteran or special disabled veteran, or status in any group protected by law. The County or Government shall comply with applicable requirements of Section 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Department of Personnel Policies Rules and Regulations, as well as any other applicable law pertaining to disability non-discrimination.

PROCEDURE: Claiborne County hereby adopts the complaint procedure process issued by the Tennessee Department of Personnel including form PR-0411 "Intake/Referral and

Investigative Memorandum process”, copy attached, which from time to time may be revised by the County.

HOW TO REPORT DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION INCIDENTS

Any individual, employee or applicant for employment that believe they have been subjected to conduct that violates this policy must report those incidents as soon as possible after the event occurs. Individuals, employees and applicants may file a complaint with the ADA Coordinator at the following address:

ADA Coordinator
Claiborne County Mayor's Office
1740 Main Street
Tazewell, TN 37879, Telephone: (423) 626-3525

Under no circumstances is the individual, employee or applicant alleging disability discrimination and/or harassment required to file a complaint with the alleged harasser. If any individual, employee or applicant believes they cannot file a complaint within his/her agency, that person should contact the Department of Personnel, EEO/AA Division or Employee Relations Division (615) 741-2958.

Claiborne County encourages individuals, employees and/or applicants for employment to report all incidents of discrimination and/or harassment regardless of the status or job title of the perpetrator. Other persons who observe an offensive behavior committed on Claiborne County property or by a Claiborne County representative should report the event even if he/she is not the target of the behavior.

Individuals who wish to file a complaint are encouraged to submit the complaint in writing and to include a description of the incident(s) as well as the date(s), time(s), place(s) and any witnesses.

RETALIATION AGAINST COMPLAINANT

Retaliation against any individual who has articulated any concern of discrimination and/or harassment is prohibited. Retaliation is a serious violation of this discrimination/harassment policy and should be reported immediately. Any person found to have retaliated against another individual for reporting an incident will be subject to the same type of disciplinary action as perpetrators of discrimination and/or harassment.

HOW COMPLAINTS ARE INVESTIGATED AND RESOLVED

The ADA Coordinator will conduct a thorough and neutral investigation of all reported complaints of disability discrimination, harassment and/or retaliation as soon as practicable. Generally, an investigation will include an interview with the complainant to determine if the conduct in issue violates this policy. If the County determines that the conduct falls within the terms of this policy, the County will interview the alleged offender and any other witnesses who have direct knowledge of the circumstances of the allegations.

The County retains the sole discretion to determine whether a violation of this policy has occurred and to determine what level, if any, of disciplinary action is warranted.

HOW CONFIDENTIALITY IS TREATED

To the extent permitted by law, Claiborne County will try to maintain the confidentiality of each party involved in disability discrimination and/or harassment investigation, complaint or charge, provided it does not interfere with the department's ability to investigate the allegations or to take corrective action. However, Claiborne County cannot guarantee confidentiality. Any documents that are made or received in the course of the investigation are public records under the State's Public Records Act, unless otherwise exempted by state law. Unless such exemption applies, state law will prevent Claiborne County from maintaining confidentiality of investigative records.

CORRECTIVE ACTION FOR VIOLATION OF THIS POLICY

Upon completing the investigation of a discrimination and/or harassment complaint, a decision as to whether discrimination and/or harassment has occurred and the appropriate action to take on the complaint will be made by the ADA Coordinator or his/her designee, or if the County Mayor is the subject of the complaint, by the Chairman of the County Commission. Claiborne County will communicate its findings and intended actions to the complainant and alleged perpetrators.

If the reporting officer or panel of officers determines that no discrimination and/or harassment has occurred, this finding will be communicated to the complainant in an appropriately sensitive manner.

OTHER PROVISIONS

When a complaint is filed, the investigator will inform the complainant, accused and witnesses of the statement of limitation on confidentiality included in the Intake/Referral process. The investigator will also inform the complainant, accused and witnesses of the strict prohibition of retaliation, as defined in this policy.

The investigator will communicate information concerning the allegations only to those to whom the investigator is authorized to report such matters.

The investigator will issue a letter to the accuser and the accused concerning the outcome of the investigation. A copy of this letter will be maintained in the office of the ADA Coordinator.

All documents generated by the investigation and any subsequent disciplinary action shall be preserved and only disposed of in accordance with the appropriate State rule.

ITEM #12 – RES. 2020-010 – RESOLUTION AMENDING 2015 WHEEL TAX RESOLUTION

MOTION: Commissioner Vass – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Shuford

(Discussion followed)

MOTION: Commissioner Brooks – to table indefinitely

SECOND: Commissioner Peters

ROLL CALL VOTE (on motion to table): 20 for; 1 against / Motion carried / Item tabled

FOR: Commissioners Clark, Shuford, Nathan Epperson, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford, Nicholas Epperson, Mullins, Rowe, Cosby, Barnett, Brooks, Mason, Brogan, McCreary, Peters, Mundy, Murphy, Hatmaker

AGAINST: Commissioner Vass

ITEM #13 – RES. 2020-011 – RESOLUTION ADDING ADDITIONAL COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION PACKETS

MOTION: Commissioner Shuford – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Epperson

(Discussion followed)

MOTION TO AMEND: Commissioner Shuford – to delete the “Constituent Contact Log” described in paragraph 9

SECOND: Commissioner Vass

MOTION TO AMEND: Commissioner McCreary – to strike paragraph 9 and include minutes from committees that have met and to change the last part of paragraph 6 (currently marked 7. County Commissioner Reports) to read 7. Committee Reports

SECOND: Commissioner Brooks

ROLL CALL VOTE (on motion to amend by Commissioner McCreary): 16 for; 5 against / Motion carried

FOR: Commissioners Clark, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford, Nicholas Epperson, Mullins, Cosby, Barnett, Brooks, Mason, Brogan, McCreary, Peters, Mundy, Hatmaker

AGAINST: Commissioners Shuford, Vass, Nathan Epperson, Rowe, Murphy

ROLL CALL VOTE (on original motion as amended): 16 for; 5 against / Motion carried

FOR: Commissioners Clark, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford, Nicholas Epperson, Mullins, Rowe, Cosby, Barnett, Brooks, Mason, Brogan, McCreary, Mundy, Hatmaker

AGAINST: Commissioners Shuford, Vass, Nathan Epperson, Peters, Murphy
(Resolution as follows)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-011
RESOLUTION ADDING ADDITIONAL COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION PACKETS

WHEREAS, it is necessary and important for a county government to be open and transparent to all its residents; and,

WHEREAS, providing regular reports from all offices in county government seems to be the preferred method of disseminating information pertinent to the operation of a county government; and,

WHEREAS, the County Commission should also be receiving regular reports from all county offices and committees; and,

WHEREAS, the County Commission shall review all aspects of county government on a regular basis; and,

WHEREAS, the County Commission meets monthly; and,

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, the monthly agenda shall be amended to include the following office reports in section one: 5. County Mayor's Report, 6. County Sheriff's Report, and 7. Committee Reports.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Mayor's Report shall include all projects the mayor is working on that is pertinent to county government, economic and community development and any other information that would be deemed necessary for public knowledge.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Sheriff's Report shall include the monthly average jail population, any jail inspections and accidents or incidents that occur within the jail or that involves any deputies.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the Committee Reports shall include the minutes of committee meetings that have taken place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 27th day of January, 2020



Joe Brooks, County Mayor

Whitt Shuford

County Commissioner Sponsor

ATTEST:



Karen Hurst, County Clerk

ITEM #14 – DISCUSSION – ADVENTURE TOURISM DISTRICT

County Mayor Brooks introduced Anna Beth Walker, ECD Director of Claiborne County, who gave a presentation concerning the approval of Claiborne County's application to have Adventure Tourism District designation; focuses given as to the potential of businesses to locate in the district, job creations and the map of the proposed Adventure Tourism District.

ITEM #14A – TRANSFER OF VEHICLES BETWEEN CLAIBORNE EMS AND CLAIBORNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Honeycutt – to approve the transfer of the two vehicles between the Claiborne EMS and Claiborne County Sheriff's Department

SECOND: Commissioner Clark

*ROLL CALL VOTE: 21 for; 0 against / Motion Carried
(Agreement as follows)*



This is a request for a transfer or trade of 2 vehicles between Claiborne EMS and Claiborne County Sheriff's Department.

Claiborne EMS is in need of a Chevrolet Tahoe to be utilized as a First Response Vehicle. At the present time Claiborne EMS does not have a First Response Vehicle with emergency lighting. This vehicle will be used for response to the scene of an emergency. It will be used for winter conditions when EMS has difficulty getting to the scene in an ambulance.

Claiborne County Sheriff's Department is in need of a SWAT vehicle. They are currently utilizing a older van. The van is limited in how many person's and equipment that it can carry. The type 1 ambulance that we are willing to trade them would be an idea vehicle for this purpose. It has many outside compartments for equipment and supplies.

Claiborne EMS and Claiborne County Sheriff's Department are willing to trade even for these two vehicles. This trade would benefit both departments tremendously. So we are asking that you approve the trade at this time.

Claiborne EMS/Covenant Health has already approved this trade.

Claiborne EMS Vehicle: 2011 Chevrolet 3500 Type 1 Ambulance/Vin #
1GB3CDCLXBF132374/Value: \$6500

Claiborne County Sheriff's Department Vehicle: 2011 Chevrolet Tahoe/VIN #
1GNSK2EOX1312/Value: \$6500

Matthew Goodman
Claiborne EMS Director

Bobbie Brooks
Claiborne County Sheriff

ITEM #14B – DISCUSSION – CEASE PROGRAM

County Mayor advised the commission that the CEASE program has lost funding and the shelter house has closed and all properties vacated. He further advised that he is working with Community Health of East Tennessee that would be filling the void left by the loss of CEASE in an effort to continue services needed .

ITEM #14C – DISCUSSION – U.S. CENSUS INFORMATION

Commissioner Cosby introduced Dr. Michael Davis, representative with the Dept. of Commerce. Dr. Davis is asking commission to help spread the word and encourage citizens to complete the census forms that they receive and emphasized the importance of obtaining this information. Also informed that job opportunities are available with the census and that Lisa Strickland, a recruiter with the U.S. Census, is seeking people to employ in that capacity.

ITEM #15 – ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to adjourn

SECOND: Commissioner Clark

Motion carried by aye vote / Meeting adjourned

*Helen Lusk
Co. Clerk*