

## COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING – JULY 20, 2020

The Claiborne County Commission met in regular session on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Tazewell, Tennessee. Meeting was opened by Officer Doug Evans. Invocation led by Commissioner James Hatmaker. 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

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

**ABSENT:** *Brent Clark*

20 commissioners present

Also present: Cynthia Logan, Recorder

### AGENDA ITEM #2 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Rowe – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Mundy

Commissioner Honeycutt informed the commission that she, at the request of Commissioner Clark, would be substitute sponsor for Item #1 (Res. 2020-060) due to his absence.

Commissioner Honeycutt requested to add a resolution concerning curriculum at Tennessee College of Applied Technology.

*(This added as Resolution 2020-064 under New Business; Item #4A)*

County Mayor requested that Item #6 under New Business (discussion by resident Dennis Powers) be removed per resident's request.

Commissioner Mullins requested to add a discussion item.  
(This added as discussion item under New Business; Item #6)

*Vote on agenda as amended; Motion carried by aye vote*

**AGENDA ITEM #3 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve  
SECOND: Commissioner Mundy

*Motion carried by aye vote*

**AGENDA ITEM #4 – COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS**  
**AGENDA ITEM #5 – COUNTY MAYORS REPORT**  
**AGENDA ITEM #6 – COUNTY SHERIFFS REPORTS**  
**AGENDA ITEM #7 – COMMITTEE REPORTS**

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to combine items #4, 5, 6, and 7 and approve  
SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Epperson

*Motion carried by aye vote*

**AGENDA ITEM #8 – NOTARY PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS**

MOTION: Commissioner Mullins – to approve  
SECOND: Commissioner Large

*Motion carried by aye vote*

APPROVED:

Tracey E. Sharp  
Sara Carman

James F. Short  
Robin S. McAllister

**AGENDA ITEM #9 – NOTARY BOND APPROVAL**

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Mason

*APPROVED:*

*James F. Short*

*sureties: Roger A. Ball and Jennifer Nunn*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*(none)*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ITEM #1 – RES. 2020-060 – ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD  
RE-APPOINTMENTS**

MOTION: Commissioner Honeycutt – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Epperson

*Motion carried by aye vote*

*(Resolutions as follows)*

Resolution 2020- 060

Economic and Community Development Board Re-Appointments

WHEREAS, the Economic and Community Development Board (ECD/Industrial Board) of Claiborne County, Tennessee has met and taken action on re-appointing board members, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the by-laws of the ECD Board, the board appoints their own members, and

WHEREAS, the board is requesting to extend consideration to the Claiborne County Commission to approve those members the board has voted to re-appoint, and so,

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the following members be re-appointed to the Claiborne County ECD Board for a 4-year term each:

- Elizabeth Giles
- John Schneider
- Ken Jones
- Danny England

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

PASSED and APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

VETO J. Brash  
County Mayor

Brent Clark  
County Commissioner Sponsor

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

FILED 6-27-2020  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK, kh  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

**ITEM #2 – RES. 2020-061 – VEHICLE TRANSFER FROM CLAIBORNE CO. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO CLAIBORNE CO. SHERIFFS DEPT.**

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve  
SECOND: Commissioner Hatmaker

ROLL CALL VOTE: 20 for; 0 against / Motion carried  
(Resolution as follows)

RESOLUTION NO: 2020-061

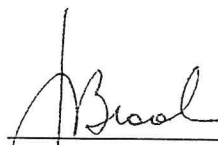
WHEREAS, The Claiborne County Office of Emergency Management needs to transfer ownership of a 2004 Ford F350 to the Claiborne County Sheriff's Office.

WHEREAS, The Claiborne County Office of Emergency Management will no longer be responsible for the Maintenance of said Vehicle.

THEREFORE, be it resolved, by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in session on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020 that such resolution be approved.

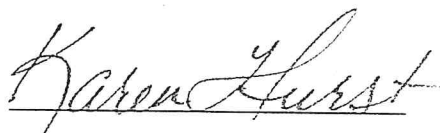
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take place from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.


PASSED AND APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

  
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Joe Brooks, County Mayor

David Mundy  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Karen Hurst, County Court Clerk

FILED 7-20-20  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK,   
BY: \_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

**ITEM #3 – RES. 2020-062 – COMMISSION APPROVAL CONCERNING GRANT APPLICATIONS, SPECIAL PROJECTS, CHANGING POLICIES OR SPENDING OF COUNTY FUNDS**

MOTION: Commissioner Brooks – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Large

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-062

**WHEREAS**, the Audit Committee of Claiborne County is recommending that all committees, of the Claiborne County Commission that give consent for applying for a grant, approval for special projects, changing policies, spending of county funds with a Capital Expenditure Line Item, or purchases being made with grant money, be responsible for bringing this information to the County Commission in the form of a resolution requesting the courts approval for these matters. This process will also serve as a tool for communication between the commission and elected officials.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Claiborne County Commission meeting in regular session on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, hereby approves this resolution.

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

Duly passed and approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

  
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JOE BROOKS, CLAIBORNE COUNTY MAYOR

  
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CAROLYN BROOKS, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

  
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KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK

FILED 7-22-2020  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

**ITEM #4 – RES. 2020-063 – E911 BOARD APPOINTMENT**

MOTION: Commissioner Mullins – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Epperson

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

**Resolution 2020 – 063  
Appointment to the E911 Board**

**WHEREAS**, T.C.A. 7-86-104 allows for the creation of an emergency communications district and its board of directors; and,

**WHEREAS**, the board manages the emergency communication system (911) within its area according to the powers given to it by general law at T.C.A. 7-86-101; and,

**WHEREAS**, the board of directors are appointed by the county mayor subject to confirmation by the county legislative body for terms of four years, except for the initial terms of two, three and four years to create a staggering system; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Claiborne County Commission created an Emergency Communications District in September 1992 after a successful referendum was held in August 1992 where a majority of people desired to have Emergency 911 telephone service in this area; and,

**WHEREAS**, the original board was set up to consist of nine (9) members; and,

**WHEREAS**, there is one (1) board appointment that resigned in May, 2020; and,

**WHEREAS**, the board should be made up of all areas where E911 services are utilized and funded; County Sheriff, County EMS Director, Chairman of County Commission, City Police Chiefs (2), Fire Chief (1), City Mayors (3); and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the following individual is appointed along with the following term:

Justin Cupp, City of Harrogate Fire Chief (4-year term)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** this appointment will replace the position held by Mike Campbell who has resigned from his position on the board.

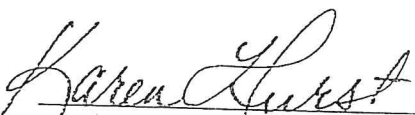
**BE IT ALSO RESOLVED** this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020

  
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Joe Brooks, County Mayor

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Zach Mullins, County Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
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Karen Hurst, County Clerk

FILED 7-8-2020  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK *kh*  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

**ITEM #4A – RES. 2020-064 – REQUEST FOR STATE OFFICIALS TO ADD MEAT PROCESSING TRAINING TO TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM**

MOTION: Commissioner Honeycutt – to approve  
SECOND: Commissioner Vass

ROLL CALL VOTE: 20 for; 0 against / Motion carried  
(Resolution as follows)

Resolution Number- *2020-064*

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING FOR STATE OFFICIALS TO ADD MEAT PROCESSING TRAINING TO TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM**

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee College of Applied Technology currently offers training for various types of Skill Development throughout the State of Tennessee, and

**WHEREAS**, the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted food processing plants Nationwide, and

**WHEREAS**, the Impact of the Covid-19 pandemic has created a need for Skilled Meat Processing labor throughout the Country, and

**WHEREAS**, States have identified a need for such skilled training.

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the Claiborne County Legislative Body requests our Tennessee State Officials to consider Recommending and Funding such training curriculum through Tennessee College of Applied Technology facilities across the State.

**HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by Claiborne County Legislative Body in regular session this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020 the general public requiring it.

ATTEST:

  
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County Clerk

  
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Commissioner Sponsor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Sponsor



**Attachment- Resolution 7-2020**

**Governor Bill Lee**

1<sup>st</sup> Floor, State Capitol  
Nashville TN 37243

**Senator Frank Niceley**

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Nashville TN 37243

**State Representative Jerry Sexton**

425 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
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Nashville TN 37243

**State Representative Steve Southerland- Chair**

Energy, Agriculture and Natural Resources  
425 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Suite 722 Cordell Hull Bldg  
Nashville TN 37243

**State Representative Curtis Halford-Chair**

Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee  
425 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Suite 426 Cordell Hull Bldg  
Nashville TN 37243

**Dr. Charlie Hatcher, Commissioner**

Tennessee Department of Agriculture  
Ellington Agriculture Center  
Nashville TN 37220

**Charles Hord- Executive Vice President**

Tennessee Cattlemen's Association  
530 Brandies Cir Ste B  
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

**ITEM #5 – TRUSTEE’S OFFICE FUND REPORT (July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020)**

MOTION: Commissioner Honeycutt – to approve and have same recorded in commission minutes

SECOND: Commissioner Large

*Motion carried by aye vote*

Financial Summary Report - July 01, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Fund	Name	Starting Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Commission adjustment	Commission	Ending Balance
101	GENERAL FUND	1,829,901.55	12,384,391.29	11,631,033.27	48,896.00	0.00	(99.15)	144,191.93	2,488,062.79
116	SOLID WASTE/SANITATION	763,323.45	1,804,232.46	1,909,443.36	0.00	0.00	(20.08)	30,034.56	628,098.07
119	INDUSTRIAL/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	464,200.41	109,557.97	127,248.56	0.00	0.00	(0.89)	1,099.40	445,411.31
122	DRUG CONTROL	68,117.27	36,279.48	61,015.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	360.40	43,020.88
131	HIGHWAY/PUBLIC WORKS	418,979.08	3,774,932.48	3,459,371.54	0.00	0.00	(0.88)	28,175.01	706,365.89
141	GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL	3,534,476.71	38,379,961.59	38,880,041.16	0.00	0.00	(104.25)	231,749.33	2,802,752.06
142	SCHOOL FEDERAL PROJECTS	311,219.89	3,403,851.57	3,411,856.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	303,215.43
143	FOOD SERVICE	1,325,546.53	3,575,009.42	2,887,462.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,013,093.16
151	GENERAL DEBT SERVICE	793,673.86	4,833,300.22	4,117,512.57	17,243.34	0.00	(2.70)	3,393.43	1,523,314.12
176	HIGHWAY CAPT. PROJECTS	173,736.27	797,037.63	671,865.36	0.00	0.00	(1.75)	2,129.41	296,780.88
351	CITIES - SALES TAX	0.00	2,041,194.95	2,020,783.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,411.94	0.00
364	DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL	99,939.11	28,572.02	26,932.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	101,578.34
21600	ADVANCES PAYABLE TO OTHER FUNDS	269.98	0.00	0.00	1,245.98	635.96	0.00	0.00	880.00
22200	OVERFLOW	0.00	9,208.00	9,208.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
29900	FEE/COMMISSION	43,909.72	461,545.41	0.00	0.00	462,892.80	0.00	0.00	42,562.33
		9,827,293.83	71,639,074.49	69,213,773.91	67,385.32	463,528.76	(229.70)	461,545.41	11,395,135.26

Summary of Assets Beginning Balances

Debits / Credits

Summary of Assets Ending Balances

CASH	1,000.00	21,583,778.10 (+)	21,583,778.10 (-)	CASH	1,000.00
BANK ACCOUNTS	9,826,293.83	71,228,658.62 (+)	69,660,817.19 (-)	BANK ACCOUNTS	11,394,135.26
COUNTY TAX RELIEF	0.00	32,227.00 (+)	32,227.00 (-)	COUNTY TAX RELIEF	0.00
STATE TAX RELIEF	0.00	191,360.00 (+)	191,360.00 (-)	STATE TAX RELIEF	0.00
BANK TAX PAYMENTS	0.00	296,452.00 (+)	296,452.00 (-)	BANK TAX PAYMENTS	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,827,293.83</b>	<b>93,332,475.72 (+)</b>	<b>91,764,634.29 (-)</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>11,395,135.26</b>

Property Tax Summary

	Debits (-)	Credits (+)	Total
Current Year	10,023.98	13,547,863.11	13,537,839.13
Prior Year	1,530.00	462,026.27	460,496.27
Bankruptcy	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	249.00	89,731.69	89,482.69

This report is submitted in accordance with requirements of section 5-8-505 and 67-5-1902 Tennessee Code, annotated and to the best of my knowledge and belief, accurately reflects transactions of this office July 01, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

Signature: *Alice F. Olefander* Title: *Trustee*

July 08, 2020

FILED *7-8-2020*  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK *kh*

**ITEM #6 – DISCUSSION – CHARTER FLYERS**

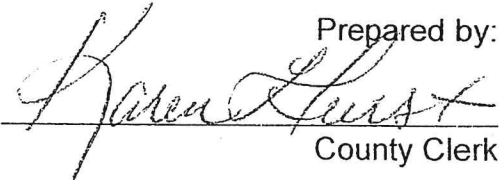
Commissioner Mullins requested information on flyers that had been sent out concerning the charter. He asked if anyone could provide information as to how the flyers were being paid for since they indicated paid for by the taxpayers of Claiborne County and the commission had not allocated money for this. The County Mayor responded that the TCA code provides for the allocation of funds to educate the public concerning the charter. He further stated that the Charter Commission felt that false information was being generated and that, in lieu of town hall meetings, this was necessary for educational purposes. Mayor Brooks also stated that a little over \$4,000.00 had been spent on the charter and that all bills have been paid with possible exception of the most recent. County Attorney Estep informed the commission that the comptrollers office was present at the Audit Committee meeting last month and that, because the statute is mandatory, there will be a state audit finding due to the lack of a line item. He further stated that it is to be paid based on the TCA statute with a limit of \$50,000.00. Further discussion followed concerning the flyers and points contained in them with several commissioners expressing concern that the flyers are bias to the charter and do not contain full and complete information. Chairman Campbell reminded the commission that the vote at the June meeting to create a line item on this funding did not pass. No further action taken.

**ITEM #7 – ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to adjourn  
SECOND: Commissioner McCreary

*Motion carried by aye vote / Meeting adjourned*

Prepared by:

  
County Clerk