COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING – JUNE 17, 2019

The Claiborne County Commission met in regular session on Monday, June 17, 2019 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	District 2	District 3	<u>District 4</u>
Brent Clark	Nathan Epperson	Mike Campbell	Zach Mullins
Whitt Shuford	Juanita Honeycutt	Stacey Crawford	Anthony Rowe
Charlton Vass	Kim Large	Nicholas Epperson	
District 5	District 6	District 7	District 8
<u>District 5</u> Mitchell Cosby	<u>District 6</u> Rosemary Barnett	<u>District 7</u> Steve Brogan	David Mundy

District 9

James Hatmaker

21 commissioners present

Also present: Cynthia Logan, Recorder

AGENDA ITEM #2 - APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Commissioner Vass – to approve agenda

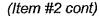
SECOND: Commissioner Murphy

Commissioner Shuford requested to add resolution concerning Finance Committee appointment.

(This added as Resolution 2019-049 as item 1A under New Business)

Commissioner Mundy requested to add discussion of the Opioid Lawsuit. (This added as discussion item 16A under New Business)

Commissioner Crawford requested to add Steve Walker to notary appointment list.





MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker - to approve agenda as amended

SECOND: Commissioner Mason

Vote on agenda as amended / Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #3 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Commissioner Vass – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Clark

Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #4 - COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

MOTION: Commissioner Mason - to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Mundy

Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #5 - NOTARIES

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker - to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Large

Motion carried by aye vote

Approved:

Ramona M. Dotson Jarrod C. Dotson Kimberly D. Cox Steve Walker

AGENDA ITEM #6 - NOTARY BONDS

MOTION: Commissioner Hatmaker – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Mason

Motion carried by aye vote

Approved:

Kimberly D. Cox sureties: David H. Stanifer and Jamie M. Sweet

Kevin Partin sureties: Jean Halcomb and Lisa Miracle

OLD BUSINESS:

(none)

NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM #1 - AUDIT COMMITTEE (Discussion of Review)

Commissioner Brooks advised commission that the audit committee had reviewed the findings of the state audit and was in concurrence with their findings and is working on resolutions.

ITEM #1A - RES. 2019-049 - FINANCE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

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

Motion carried by aye vote (Resolution as follows)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-49

WHEREAS, Claiborne County has adopted and operates under the County Financial Management System of 1981, and;

WHEREAS, this system requires a county financial management committee (Finance Committee) consisting of the county mayor, supervisor of highways, superintendent of education (director of schools), and four members elected by the county legislative body, and;

WHEREAS, a new superintendent of education (director of schools) was elected by the school board, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Dr. Linda Keck is to replace Dr. Joe Miller as Director of Schools on the Finance Committee, and;

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

PASS AND APPROVED this 17th day of June, 2019.

Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

Whitt Shuford, County Commissioner

ATTEST:

Karen Hurst, County Clerk

ITEM #2 - RES. 2019-034 - FUND 101 (budget amendment)
ITEM #3 - RES. 2019-035 - FUND 101 (budget amendment)
ITEM #4 - RES. 2019-036 - FUND 101 (budget amendment)
ITEM #5 - RES. 2019-037 - FUND 176 (budget amendment)
ITEM #6 - RES. 2019-038 - FUND 131 (budget amendment)
ITEM #7 - RES. 2019-039 - FUND 151 (budget amendment)
ITEM #8 - RES. 2019-040 - FUND 122 (budget amendment)
ITEM #9 - RES. 2019-041 - FUND 122 (budget amendment)

MOTION: Commissioner Clark - to combine items 2 through 9 and approve

SECOND: Commissioner Murphy

Motion carried by aye vote (Resolutions as follows)



RESOLUTION NO. 2019- <u>034</u>

WHERAS, it has become apparent that Fund 101 needs additional funding for ending the fiscal year.

WHERAS, additional revenue was generated that needs to be resolute into Fund 101 so that these monies will be utilized as well.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 101 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES			INCREASE
54220-599	OTHER CHARGES		80000
REVENUE		INCREASE	
44131 /	COMMISSARY SALES	80000	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 17th day of June, that such resolution be passed.

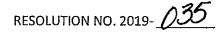
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take place from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of June, 2019.

COUNTY MAYOR		
ATTEST:		
	 	
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BRENT CLARK

SPONSOR



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WHERAS, additional revenue was generated that needs to be resolute into Fund 101 so that these monies will be utilized as well.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 101 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES		,	INCREASE
58120-316	INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT		10000
REVENUE		INCREASE	
40220 /	HOTEL/MOTEL TAX	10000	

EXPENSES .			INCREASE
55110-429 MICRO	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES		1700
REVENUE		INCREASE	
46980	OTHER STATE GRANTS	1700	

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

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of June, 2019.

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	KIM LARGE
COUNTY MAYOR	SPONSOR
ATTEST:	
	
COUNTY CLERK	•

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-*036*

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that Fund 101 need additional funding for ending the fiscal year. Some line items have excess monies that can be realigned in order to balance the needs of this budget.

THÈREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

	FUND 101 - GENERAL FUND		3
LINE ITEM	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
	51100 COUNTY COMMISSION		2201121102
51100-201	SOCIAL SECURITY	625	
51100-207	MEDICAL INSURANCE	525	625
TOTALS FOR THIS	SECTION	625	625
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,,	51500 ELECTION COMMISSION		
51500-204	STATE RETIREMENT	50	
51500-307	COMMUNICATION		50
TOTALS FOR THIS	SECTION	50	50
	55190 OTHER LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES		
55190-599	OTHER CHARGES	29	
55190-355	TRAVEL		29
TOTALS FOR THIS	SECTION	29	29
	55720 SANITATION EDUCATION/INFO		
55720-204 .	STATE RETIREMENT	75	
55720-425	GASOLINE		75
TOTALS FOR THIS	SECTION *	75	· 75
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FC300 140	56300 SENIOR CITIZENS		
56300-149	LABORERS	650	
56300-719	OFFICE EQUIPMENT		650
TOTALS FOR THIS S	BECHON	650	650
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58300-355	TRAVEL	130	
58300-435	OFFICE SUPPLIES		130
TOTALS FOR THIS S	ECHON	130	130
	F4440 SUEDIFFIC OFF		
	54110 SHERIFF'S DEPT		
54110-106	54220 WORKHOUSE		
54110-106	DEPUTIES .		98000
54110-108 54110-110	INVESTIGATORS	500	
24110-110	LIEUTENANTS		4900



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54110-187	OVERTIME PAY		19000
54110-201	SOCIAL SECURITY		10000
54110-204	STATE RETIREMENT		8000
54110-207	MEDICAL INSURANCE		8000
54110-210	UNEMPLOYMENT		3000
54110-212	EMPLOYER MEDICARE		5000
54110-307	COMMUNICATION	5500	
54110-320	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	7	
54110-335	MAINT & REPAIR- BUILDINGS	10000	
54110-355	TRAVEL	• 1	6000
54110-356	TUITION		12000
54110-425	GASOLINE		30000
54110-435	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2000	
54110-451	UNIFORMS	2000	
54110-499	OTHER SUPPLIES & MATERIALS		2000
54220-105	SUPERVISOR/DIRECTOR	1050	
54220-160	GUARDS	40000	
54220-167	MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL		3000
54220-189	OTHER SALARIES & WAGES	3400	
54220-201	SOCIAL SECURITY	8500	
54220-204	STATE RETIREMENT	7500	
54220-207	MEDICAL INSURANCE		17000
54220-212	EMPLOYER MEDICARE	2250	
54220-307	COMMUNICATION	8600	
54220-335 ₋	MAINT & REPAIR- BUILDINGS	18250	
54220-399	OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES	800	
54220-410	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	30000	
54220-413	DRUGS & MEDICAL SUPPLIES	7000	
54220-422	FOOD SUPPLIES	36593	
54220-434	NATURAL GAS	3500	
54220-435	OFFICE SUPPLIES	250	•
54220-441	PRISONERS CLOTHING	6200	
54220-499	OTHER SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	31000	
54220-710	FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT	1000	
54220-599	OTHER CHARGES		24000
54610-199		10000	
54610-399		14000	
TOTALS FOR THIS SECTION		249900	249900

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 17th day of June, 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 17th day of June, 2019.

	BRENT CLARK SPONSOR
COUNTY MAYOR	
ATTEST:	\
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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-<u>037</u>

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that Fund 176 has monies that can be realigned in order to balance the needs of this budget for this fiscal year.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 176 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES		DECREASE	INCREASE
91200-714	HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$204,405.95`	
99100-590	TRANSFERS OUT		\$ 204,405.95

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	DAVID MUNDY
COUNTY MAYOR	SPONSOR
ATTEST:	

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of June, 2019.

COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-<u>038</u>

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that Fund 131 has monies that can be realigned in order to balance the needs of this budget for this fiscal year.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 131 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES		DECREASE		INCREASE
62000-189	OTHER SALARIES AND WAGES	\$ 600'00,		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
65000-307	COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 400.00	`	
65000-415	ELECTRICITY	\$ 500.00		
65000-454	WATER AND SEWER	\$ 500.00		
65000-511	VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT INSURANCE		\$	2,000.00
68000-714	HIĞHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$132,400.00		
99100-590	ŢŖANSFERS OUT		\$	132,400.00
	TOTAĹ	\$ 134,400.00	\$	134,400.00

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

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of June, 2019.

	DAVID MUNDY		
COUNTY MAYOR	SPONSOR		
ATTEST:			
COUNTY CLERK			

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019- *039*

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that Fund 151 needs additional funding for ending the fiscal year.

WHFRFAS, additional revenue was generated that needs to be resoluted into Fund 151 so that these monies will be utilized as well.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 151 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES		DECREASE	`	INCREASE
82310-699	OTHER DEBT SERVICE		\$	254,079.00
REVENUE		INCREASE		
49800	TRANSFER IN	\$254,079.00		
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 17th day of June, 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 17th day of June, 2019.

	STEVE MASON	
COUNTY MAYOR	SPONSOR	
ATTEST:		
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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-<u>040</u>

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that Fund 122 needs additional funding for ending the fiscal year. Some line items have excess monies that can be realigned in order to balance the needs of this budget.

WHEREAS, additional revenue was generated that needs to be resoluted into Fund 122 so that these monies will be utilized as well.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 122 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES		DEBIT/DECREASE	CREDIT/INCREASE
54150-319	Confidential Drug Enforments	\$5,000.00	
54150-357	Veťerinary Services		\$5,000.00
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54150-319	Confidential Drug Enforments	\$3,000.00	
54150-401	Animal Food & Supplies		\$3,000.00
	TOTAL	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 17th day of June, 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 17th day of June, 2019.

	STEVE MASON
COUNTY MAYOR	SPONSOR
ATTEST:	
COUNTY CLERK	

RESOLUTION NO. 2019- 041

WHERAS, it has become apparent that Fund 122 needs additional funding for ending the fiscal year.

WHERAS, additional revenue was generated that needs to be resolute into Fund 122 so that these monies will be utilized as well.

THEREFORE, in order for this transaction to occur, the following items need to be amended so that the budget for Fund 122 can be balanced for the end of the fiscal year.

EXPENSES			INCREASE
54150-599	OTHER CHARGES		11595
REVENUE		INCREASE	
44570 ,	CONTRIBUTIONS & GIFTS	11595	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 17th day of June, 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 17th day of June, 2019.

	CAROLYN BROOKS
COUNTY MAYOR	SPONSOR
ATTEST:	
COUNTY CLERK	

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ITEM #10 – RES. 2019-042 – BOARD OF EDUCATION (budget amendment)
ITEM #11 – RES. 2019-043 – BOARD OF EDUCATION (budget amendment)
ITEM #12 – RES. 2019-044 – BOARD OF EDUCATION (budget amendment)
ITEM #13 – RES. 2019-045 – BOARD OF EDUCATION (budget amendment)

MOTION: Commissioner Peters – to combine items 10 through 13 and approve

SECOND: Commissioner Vass

Motion carried by aye vote (Resolutions as follows)

Claiborne County Board of Education RESOLUTION 2019-042

June 13, 2019

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Board of Education has received additional Lottery Pre-K Grant of \$3,850, and as a result this needs to be amended in the General Purpose Budget in order to adhere to grant guidelines, and

WHEREAS, this resolution involves no local tax dollars.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Claiborne County Commission in session June 17, 2019 that the Claiborne County Board of Education be authorized to amend the General Purpose Budget by adjusting the following line items.

REVENUE

INCREASE

Account Code No.

46515

Early Childhood Revenue

3,850.00

EXPENDITURES

Account Code No.

73400-429

Instructional Supplies

3,850.00

or. Joseph A. Miller

Claiborne County Schools

Shawn Peters

Commission Sponsor

Angelia Tucker Finance Director

Claiborne County Board of Education RESOLUTION 2019-043

June 13, 2019

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Board of Education has received \$30,000 for the University of Tennessee Residency Partnership Grant that needs to be added to the General Purpose Budget, and

WHEREAS, this resolution involves no local tax dollars.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Claiborne County Commission in session June 17, 2019 that the Claiborne County Board of Education be authorized to amend the General Purpose Budget by increasing the following line items.

REVENUE

INCREASE

Account Code No.
46980 Other State Grants

\$30,000

EXPENDITURES

Account Code No. 71100-116 Teachers

30,000

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Dr. Joseph A. Miller
Claiborne County Schools Director

Shawn Peters

Commission Sponsor

Angelia Tucker Finance Director

Claiborne County Board of Education RESOLUTION 2019-044

June 13, 2019

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Board of Education needs to adjust the 2018-2019 Budget Document to reflect the total fund balance as of July 1, 2018 in order to comply with state regulations, and

WHEREAS, the total fund balance as of July 1, 2018 was \$3,880,125, and

WHEREAS, this resolution involves no new money.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Claiborne County Commission in session June 17, 2019 that the Claiborne County Board of Education be authorized to amend the General Purpose Budget by increasing the following line items.

REVENUE

Account Code No.

5,822
5,104
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Dr. Joseph A. Miller

Claiborne County Schools

Shawn Peters

Commission Sponsor

Angelia Tucker Finance Director

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Claiborne County Board of Education RESOLUTION 2019-045

June 13, 2019

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Board of Education needs to reclass the following line items to correct expenditures in order to adhere to state guidelines within the General Purpose Budget

WHEREAS, this resolution involves no local tax dollars.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Claiborne County Commission in session June 17, 2019 that the Claiborne County Board of Education be authorized to amend the General Purpose Budget by adjusting the following line items.

EXPENDITURE	•	INCREASE	DECREASE
Account Code 1	Vo ,		
72130/117	Career Ladder	1,000.00	
72130/123	Guidance Personnel	24,500.00	
72130/204	Retirement	2,700.00	
72130/206	Life Insurance	120.00	
72130/207	Medical Insurance	2,400.00	
72130/399	Other Contract Services	2,500.00	
72130/599	Other Charges	7,780.00	
72210/117	Career Ladder		750.00
72210/189	Other Wages		24,750.00
72210/204	Retirement		2,700.00
72210/206	Life Insurance		120.00
72210/207	Medical Insurance		2,400.00
72210/524	Staff Development		10,280.00
72310/206	Life Insurance	240.00	•
72310/299	Other Fringe Benefits	109,922.00	
72310/331	Legal Fees	20,000.00	
71100/116	Teacher		20,000.00
72310/210	Unemployment		240.00
72310/513	Workmans Comp Insurance		20,922.00
72320/299	Other Fringe Benefits		29,000,00
72320/307	Communication		20,000.00
72620/207	Medical Insurance		40,000.00
72610/166	Custodians	3,900.00	
72610/201	Social Security	1,100.00	
72620/167	Maintenance Personnel		5,000.00
82230/620	Debt Service to Primary	2,000.00	
82330/699	Other Debt Service		2,000.00

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Dr. Joseph Al Miller

Commission Sponsor

Shawn Peters

Claiborne County Schools Director

Angelia Tucker Finance Director

ITEM #14 - RES. 2019-046 - THREE STAR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

MOTION: Commissioner Rowe - to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Honeycutt

Motion carried by aye vote (Resolution as follows)



RESOLUTION NO. 2019-<u>046</u> FISCAL STRENGTH AND EFFICIENT GOVERNEMNT FISCAL CONFIRMATION LETTER THREE STAR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

This document confirms that Claiborne County has taken the following actions in accordance with the requirements of the Three Starr Program:

- The county mayor has reviewed with the county commission at the official meeting the county's
 debt management policy that is currently on file with the Comptroller of the Treasury Office.
 The purpose of this requirement is to ensure that local elected officials are aware and
 knowledgeable for the county's debt management policy.
- The county mayor and county commission acknowledge that an annual cash flow forecast must be prepared and submitted to the Comptroller prior to issuance of debt. The purpose of this requirement is to ensure elected officials are aware that prior to the issuance of debt the county must go through the process of assessing the county's cash flow. This is done to evaluate the county's finances and confirm that sufficient revenues are available to cover the additional debt service associated with the proposed issuance of debt.
- The county mayor and county commission acknowledge that all county offices are required to have a documented system of internal control (T.C.A. Section 9-18-102).

Debt Management Policy

This is to acknowledge that the *Debt Management Policy* of Claiborne County is on file with the Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury and was reviewed with the members of the Claiborne County Commission present at the meeting held on the 21st day of November, 2011.

Minutes of this meeting have been included as documentation of this agenda item.

Annual Cash Flow Forecast

This is to acknowledge that prior to the issuance of debt an annual cash flow forecast was prepared for the appropriate fund and submitted to the Comptroller's office and was reviewed with the members of the Claiborne County Commission present at the meeting held on the 16th day of July, 2018.

Minutes of this meeting have been included as documentation of this agenda item.

Confirmation of Documented Internal Controls Requirement

This is to acknowledge that Claiborne County Commission understands that all county offices are required to develop a documented system of internal controls for all offices, funds, and departments under the authority and administration of the elected offices of Claiborne County in compliance with T.C.A. Section 9-18-102(a).

Acknowledged this 17th day of June, 2019.

Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

Anthony Rowe, County Commission

Attest:

Karen Hurst, County Clerk

ITEM #15 - RES. 2019-047 - INTERSECTION OF STATE ROUTE 32 AND 345

MOTION: Commissioner Vass - to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Shuford

(Discussion followed)

MOTION: Commissioner Large - to table item until next month

SECOND: Commissioner Mundy

ROLL CALL VOTE (on motion to table): 21 for, 0 against / Motion carried

(Item tabled until next month)

ITEM #16 - RES. 2019-048 - RAISING AWARENESS SURROUNDING ELDER ABUSE

MOTION; Commissioner Shuford - to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Vass

Motion carried by aye vote (Resolution as follows)



RESOLUTION NO. 2019-<u>048</u> RAISING AWARENESS SURROUNGIND ELDER ABUSE

WHEREAS, the population age 65 and older numbered 49.2 million in 2016 and accounted for approximately 15.2% of the population or about one in every seven Americans, and,

WHEREAS, the population age 65 and older is estimated to number 56.4 million in 2020, and,

WHEREAS, approximately 1 in 10 older Americans age 60 and older have experienced some form of elder abuse, and,

WHEREAS, the perpetrators of elder abuse are both men and women where over 60% of reported incidents were committed by family members, and,

WHEREAS, social isolation and mental impairment such as dementia or Alzheimer's disease are the two main factors leading to elder abuse, and,

WHEREAS, individuals age 60 and over are more frequently being tasked with raising, providing living assistance or financial assistance to grandchildren and in some cases great grandchildren, and,

WHEREAS, older individuals living in nursing homes, assisted living and other facilities are becoming more vulnerable to abuse by staff members, and,

WHEREAS, elder abuse consists of the following:

- Physical abuse means inflicting physical pain or injury upon an older adult.
- Sexual abuse means touching, fondling, intercourse, or any other sexual activity with an older adult, when the older adult is unable to understand, unwilling to consent, threatened, or physically forced.
- Emotional abuse means verbal assaults, threats of abuse, harassment, or intimidation.
- Confinement means restraining or isolating an older adult, other than for medical reasons.
- Passive neglect is a caregiver's failure to provide an older adult with life's necessities, including, but not limited to, food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.
- Willful deprivation means denying an older adult medication, medical care, shelter, food, a therapeutic device, or other physical assistance, and exposing that person to the risk of physical, mental, or emotional harm—except when the older, competent adult has expressed a desire to go without such care.
- Financial exploitation means the misuse or withholding of an older adult's resources by another, and,

WHEREAS, the warning signs of elder abuse can be:

 Physical abuse, neglect, or mistreatment: Bruises, pressure marks, broken bones, abrasions, burns



RESOLUTION 2019-<u>048</u> RAISING AWARENESS SURROUNGIND ELDER ABUSE

- Emotional abuse: Unexplained withdrawal from normal activities, a sudden change in alertness, or unusual depression; strained or tense relationships; frequent arguments between the caregiver and older adult
- Financial abuse: Sudden changes in financial situations
- Neglect: Bedsores, unattended medical needs, poor hygiene, unusual weight loss
- Verbal or emotional abuse: Belittling, threats, or other uses of power and control by individuals, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, individuals age 60 and over should be afforded the same rights and considerations as that of any other demographic in our society, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, individuals age 60 and over have paid it forward to future generations and it is now time for their commitment to society to be paid back, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Claiborne County recognizes the value and importance of individuals age 60 and over as an integral part of its citizenry, and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the passage of this resolution would give guidance to any individual who may witness or suspect any type of elder abuse to SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING by:

- 1. Calling 911 where imminent danger may be present.
- 2. Calling local police covering your area; county, city, etc.
- 3. Calling the local district attorney's office.
- 4. File a complaint with Adult Protective Services (APS) at **reportadultabuse.dhs.tn.gov**, and,

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

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of June, 2019.

Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

Mitchell Sosby, County Commissioner

Whitt Shuford Whitt Shuford, County Commissioner

ATTEST:

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ITEM #16A - DISCUSSION - (Opioid Lawsuit)

Commissioner Mundy requested that the County Mayor advise the commission as to why he had not signed the contract to hire counsel to proceed with opioid lawsuit. Mayor Brooks explained that they (the commission) were told at a prior meeting by the attorney from the Jessee Law Firm that this was not a class action lawsuit and, based on information he (Mayor Brooks) received from the state attorney general's office, it is a class action lawsuit and that is the reason he had not signed the contract. Crystal Jessee of the Jessee Law office was also present and stated to the commission that Claiborne County is the sole plaintiff in this case but that some cases had been combined for discovery purposes only.

(Further discussion followed)

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to suspend the rules

SECOND: Commissioner Brooks

ROLL CALL VOTE: 17 for; 4 against / Motion carried

FOR:

Commissioners Clark, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford, Nicholas

Epperson, Mullins, Rowe, Barnett, Brooks, Mason, Brogan,

McCreary, Peters, Mundy, Murphy, Hatmaker

AGAINST:

Commissioners Shuford, Vass, Nathan Epperson, Cosby

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to direct the Chairman of the County Commission to sign

the contract with Jessee Law firm SECOND: Commissioner Hatmaker

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

FOR:

Commissioners Clark, Shuford, Honeycutt, Large, Campbell, Crawford,

Nicholas Epperson, Mullins, Rowe, Barnett, Brooks, Mason, Brogan,

McCreary, Peters, Mundy, Murphy, Hatmaker

AGAINST:

Commissioners Vass, Nathan Epperson, Cosby

ITEM #17 - ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to adjourn

SECOND: Commissioner Brooks

Motion carried by aye vote / Meeting adjourned

