

# **NEW BUSINESS**



JASON E. MUMPOWER  
*Comptroller*

August 19, 2025

Honorable Joe Brooks, Mayor  
and Honorable Board of Commissioners  
Claiborne County  
P.O. Box 318  
Tazewell, TN 37879

Dear Mayor Brooks and Members of the Board:

Thank you for your request. We acknowledge receipt on August 18, 2025, of a request from the Finance Director of Claiborne County (the "County") for approval to issue twelve-year capital outlay notes in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 to be known as the "Claiborne County Building Improvements Capital Outlay Notes, Series 2025" (the "Notes").

Included with the request was a certified copy of Resolution #2025-066 adopted on June 16, 2025, authorizing the issuance of the Notes to finance ADA improvements for various county buildings, and HVAC and roof replacement at the Justice Center (the "Project"). The proposed note form was included with the resolution. Please submit a copy of the executed note to our office when you complete the Report on Debt Obligation: [tncot.cc/debt-report](http://tncot.cc/debt-report). The report should be filed within forty-five (45) days of the issuance of the debt herein approved.

### **Note Approval**

This letter constitutes approval for the County to issue the Notes by informal bid pursuant to Title 9, Chapter 21, Part 6 of Tennessee Code Annotated. Approval of the sale of the Notes is conditioned upon the County's compliance with all relevant provisions of Tennessee law. Our office has relied upon the County's determination of the cost of the public works project.

The County is responsible for ensuring compliance with Title 9, Chapter 21, Parts 1, 4, and 6 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, its debt management policy, and timely payment of outstanding note principal and interest in accordance with the note provisions.

This letter and the approval to issue debt do not address the compliance with federal tax regulations and should not be relied upon for that purpose. The County should discuss these issues with a tax attorney or bond counsel.

Claiborne County  
Capital Outlay Note Approval  
August 19, 2025

This approval is valid for six months after the date of this letter. If the Notes have not been issued within that time, a new request must be submitted to our office for approval. Please notify us if the County decides not to issue the Notes.

### **Purpose, Terms, and Life**

This Project meets the definition of a public works project in Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-21-105, and the County may issue notes under the authority of Title 9, Chapter 21 of the Tennessee Code Annotated to finance such Project.

The maturity of the Notes does not exceed the life of the proposed Project as attested by the local governing body. The maximum maturity for the Notes as authorized by the governing body is twelve (12) fiscal years after the fiscal year the Notes are issued.

In its resolution, the County committed to amortize the Notes in a manner that reflects level debt service.

The submitted resolution and supporting documents appear to meet the requirements for the issuance of notes in Title 9, Chapter 21 Parts 1, 4, and 6 of the Tennessee Code Annotated.

### **After Issuance**

Our website contains specific compliance requirements your local government will be responsible for once the notes are issued: <http://tncot.cc/debt>. The listing is not all inclusive.

If you should have questions or need assistance, please refer to our online resources or feel free to contact your financial analyst, Lori Barnard, at 615.747.5347 or [Lori.Barnard@cot.tn.gov](mailto:Lori.Barnard@cot.tn.gov).

Sincerely,



Sheila Reed, Director  
Division of Local Government Finance

cc: Eric Pearson, Finance Director, Claiborne County

SR:lb

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 094**  
**A RESOLUTION TO OPT OUT OF STATEWIDE BUILDING CODE STANDARDS  
FOR ONE-FAMILY AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS IN CLAIBORNE COUNTY**

*Sponsors: Stacey Crawford, Whitt Shuford*

**WHEREAS**, TCA 68-120-101 authorizes counties to opt out of statewide building code standards for one-family and two-family dwellings with the county's jurisdiction outside any municipality located within the county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the county for these standards not to apply to one-family and two-family dwellings with the county's jurisdiction outside any municipality located within the county.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, meeting in regular session on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, that statewide building code standards, adopted pursuant to Title 68, Chapter 120, shall not apply to one-family and two-family dwellings located within the jurisdictional boundaries of Claiborne County outside any municipality located within the county.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this resolution shall take effect on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the county clerk shall mail a certified copy of this resolution to the state fire marshal.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**, this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

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Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

ATTEST:

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Karen Hurst, County Clerk

FILED 8-14-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: [Signature] P-C

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 095

**BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Claiborne County Health Department received a State of Tennessee Department of Health grant for capital investment, which is being used to fund various building improvements at the Health Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the State grant has been amended to increase State funding by \$163,880, to provide additional State funds, with no local match, for additional building upgrades and improvements as part of the capital investment project;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Claiborne County Commission approves the following budget amendment in order for these monies to be expended:

		<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
101-46980-ARP	Other State Grants – ARP	\$163,880	
101-91140-707-ARP	Building Improvements - ARP		\$163,880

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Claiborne County Commission, meeting in regular session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, that this resolution is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution will take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. Duly passed and approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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JOE BROOKS, COUNTY MAYOR

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/s/ Sherry McCreary  
SPONSOR

ATTEST:

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KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK

FILED 8-20-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: 1:20 pm D.C.



RESOLUTION 2025- 096

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Highway Department has identified equipment that is no longer dependable, and the cost of repairing this equipment would exceed the value of the equipment itself.

THEREFORE, the following pieces of equipment need to be declared surplus equipment and will be sold in compliance with the state law:

- 585 Case Tractor - Serial No. B022474
- 585 Case Tractor - Serial No. B022459
- 585 Case Tractor - Serial No. B022450
- 685 Case Tractor - Serial No. B510231B030513
- 585 Case Tractor - Serial B022284

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commission of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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COUNTY MAYOR

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DAVID MUNDY  
SPONSOR

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK

FILED 9-2-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: 10:30 am D.C.

RESOLUTION 2025- 097

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

BUDGET AMENDMENT – FUND 176

**WHEREAS**, at the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1, 2025) there was \$200,000 in the line item 176-91200-404 (Asphalt). These funds are generated through wheel tax.

**WHEREAS**, paving has taken place (Goins Chapel Road-2.3 miles) during August 2025, spending \$174,225.10 of this line item 176-91200-404 (Asphalt). There is \$25,774.90 remaining in this line item.

**WHEREAS**, due to the price of asphalt, it would be beneficial to move the remaining funds of \$25,774.90 to the following line item so that the remaining funds could be used for oil that is used for tar and chip.

		<u>Decrease (Debit)</u>	<u>Increase (Credit)</u>
176-91200-404	Asphalt (Wheel Tax)	\$25,774.90	
176-91200-405	Oil for Tar and Chip (Wheel Tax)		\$25,774.90
	TOTAL TRANSACTION	\$25,774.90	\$25,774.90

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commission of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, that the above transaction be approved and 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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COUNTY MAYOR

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK

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DAVID MUNDY  
SPONSOR

FILED 9-2-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: 10:30 am D.G.

RESOLUTION 2025- 098

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

SURPLUS SCRAP METAL

WHEREAS, it has become apparent the Claiborne County Highway Department (CCHD) has determined that there are pieces of metal piping, obsolete parts, and other scrap metal that is no longer useable.

THEREFORE, the Claiborne County Highway Department is asking the Claiborne County Commission to declare this scrap metal surplus, and it will be disposed of according to the state law and will be sold to the highest bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September that this material be declared as surplus.

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

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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COUNTY MAYOR

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DAVID MUNDY  
SPONSOR

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK

FILED 9-22-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: 10:30 am D.C.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 099

BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER CONTRIBUTIONS

WHEREAS, the Family Justice Center (FJC) receives contributions from citizens throughout the year to support the operations of the FJC; and

WHEREAS, this resolution recognizes contributions received in 2025; now

THEREFORE, the Claiborne County Commission must approve the following budget amendment in order for these monies to be expended.

		<u>Expense</u>	<u>Revenue</u>
101-53600-499	Other Supplies & Materials	\$50	
<u>101-48130</u>	<u>Contributions</u>		<u>\$50</u>
	Total	\$50	\$50

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Claiborne County Commission, meeting in regular session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025 that this resolution is approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution will take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. Duly passed and approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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JOE BROOKS, COUNTY MAYOR

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/s/ Sherry McCreary  
SPONSOR

ATTEST:

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KAREN HURST, CLERK

FILED 9/22/25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: 1:10 pm D.C.

**Resolution 2025 – 100**  
**Construction/Maintenance Bond Release**

*Sponsors: Whitt Shuford, Stacey Crawford*

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission requires bonds to be issued for the construction of subdivisions in Claiborne County; and,

**WHEREAS**, Steve Mason submitted a \$6,000 construction bond to provide assurances the Valley Meadows Estates Phase 1 road would be built to the County standards outlined within the local Planning Commission guidelines; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Claiborne County Road Superintendent has certified that the roadway is free for defects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Claiborne County Commission, meeting in regular session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, do hereby release the construction bond and authorize the County Finance Director to pay Steve Mason this amount.

**IT IS FUTHER RESOLVED**, the Claiborne County Commission approves the following budget amendment in order for those monies to be expended:

		<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
101-39000	Undesignated Fund Balance	\$6,000	
101-51720-599	Other Charges		\$6,000

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

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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Joe Brooks, County Mayor

ATTEST:

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Karen Hurst, County Clerk

*Submitted by: County Mayor*

FILED 9-25-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: L. D. pm D.C.

**Claiborne County Board of Education**

**RESOLUTION**

*2025-101*

September 11, 2025

**WHEREAS**, the Claiborne County Board of Education has received scrap sales money that needs to be added to the General Purpose Budget

**WHEREAS**, this resolution involves no local tax dollars.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** by the Claiborne County Commission in session September 15, 2025 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.

44145 Sale of Recycled Materials


\$2,980.00

**EXPENDITURES**

Account Code No.

141-72710-453 Vehicle Parts

\$2,980.00

  
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Meredith Arnold  
Claiborne County Schools

David Mundy  
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County Commission

Kelly Harvey  
Kelly Harvey  
School Finance

FILED *9-2-25*  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: *[Signature]* D.C.

**Claiborne County Board of Education**  
**RESOLUTION**  
*2025-102*

September 11, 2025

**WHEREAS**, the Claiborne County Board of Education is charged with governing the school system so that all students receive the best educational opportunities in order to graduate and prepare to enter post secondary institutions or the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, the Education Freedom Act of 2025 includes a provision providing one-time bonuses of no less than \$ 2,000 to public school teachers in the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the Claiborne County Board of Education need to amend the General Purpose budget to add these funds for salary and benefits;

**WHEREAS**, this resolution involves no local tax dollars.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** by the Claiborne County Commission in session September 15., 2025 that the Claiborne County Board of Education be authorized to amend the **General Purpose Budget** by adjusting the following line items.

		<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>			
46590	Other State Education Funds	730,266.00	
<b><u>EXPENDITURES</u></b>			
71100-188	Bonus Payment	472,000.00	
71100-201	Social Security	29,264.00	
71100-204	State Retirement	14,540.40	
71100-212	Medicare	6,844.00	
71100-217	Hybrid Retirement	19,800.00	
71200-188	Bonus Payment	86,000.00	
71200-201	Social Security	5,332.00	
71200-204	State Retirement	3,000.40	
71200-212	Medicare	1,247.00	
71200-217	Hybrid Retirement	3,060.00	
71300-188	Bonus Payment	38,000.00	
71300-201	Social Security	2,356.00	
71300-204	State Retirement	1,384.80	
71300-212	Medicare	551.00	
71300-217	Hybrid Retirement	1,260.00	
72130-188	Bonus Payment	16,000.00	
72130-201	Social Security	992.00	
72130-204	State Retirement	577.00	

72130-212	Medicare	232.00
72130-217	Hybrid Retirement	540.00
72220-188	Bonus Payment	8,000.00
72220-201	Social Security	496.00
72220-204	State Retirement	346.20
72220-212	Medicare	116.00
72220-217	Hybrid Retirement	180.00
72215-188	Bonus Payment	2,000.00
72215-201	Social Security	124.00
72215-204	State Retirement	115.40
72215-212	Medicare	29.00
72120-188	Bonus Payment	2,000.00
72120-201	Social Security	124.00
72120-204	State Retirement	115.40
72120-212	Medicare	29.00
73400-188	Bonus Payment	12,000.00
73400-201	Social Security	744.00
73400-204	State Retirement	692.40
73400-212	Medicare	174.00

*Meredith Arnold*

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Claiborne County Schools

*David Mundy*

Commission Sponsor

*Kelly Harvey*

Kelly Harvey  
School Finance

FILED 9-2-25  
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK  
BY: 1:05 pm D.C.