

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING – OCTOBER 20, 2025

The Claiborne County Commission met in regular session on Monday, October 20, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Tazewell, Tennessee. Meeting was opened by Officer Doug Evans. Invocation 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

Zachary Bunch
Dennis Cook
Whitt Shuford

District 2

Haley Barker
Nathan Epperson
Gary Poore

District 3

Mike Campbell
Stacey Crawford
Tim Shrout

District 4

Zach Mullins
Anthony Rowe

District 5

Mitchell Cosby

District 6

Rosemary Barnett
Carolyn Brooks
Steve Mason

District 7

Steve Brogan
Eric Jones
Sherry McCreary

District 8

David Mundy
Quintin Rogers

District 9

Dustin Wilson

21 commissioners present

Also present: Jennifer Bryant, Recorder

AGENDA ITEM #2 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Rowe – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Epperson

Commissioner Jones requested to add a resolution to rescind Resolution 2025-104.
(this added as Res. 2025-112, item #6A under New Business).

County Mayor Brooks requested to add an announcement.
(this added as item #6B under New Business).

Commissioner Crawford requested to an announcement by Dan Spurlock with SIGCO.
(this added as item #6C under New Business).

Vote on agenda as amended: Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #3 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Commissioner Epperson – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Poore

Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #4 – COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

AGENDA ITEM #5 – COUNTY MAYORS REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #6 – COUNTY SHERIFFS REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #7 – COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION: Commissioner Epperson – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Shrout

Motion carried by aye vote

AGENDA ITEM #8 – NOTARY PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Brooks

Motion carried by aye vote

APPROVED:

Samantha Latisha Ford

Wanda K. Chandler

Jennifer M. Goins

Sherry Marie Goode

Donna Miracle

AGENDA ITEM #9 – NOTARY PUBLIC BONDS

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Brooks

Motion carried by aye vote

APPROVED:

Laura Welch Helton

sureties: Rick Welch and Ron Welch

OLD BUSINESS:

ITEM #1 – RES. 2025-097 – HIGHWAY DEPT. (FUND 176 – budget amendment)
(2nd reading)

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Shrout

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

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 15th 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 15th day of September 2025.



COUNTY MAYOR

DAVID MUNDY

SPONSOR

ATTEST:



COUNTY CLERK

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

NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM #1 – NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER VACANCY

MOTION: Commissioner Mason – to authorize the County Clerk to issue a public notice of the vacancy to be published in the local newspaper.

SECOND: Commissioner McCreary

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

Chairman Campbell stated that the appointment would take place at the Nov. meeting

ITEM #2 – DISCUSSION – ROAD IN 8TH DISTRICT

Commissioner Mundy introduced resident Roger (Jody) Beeler. Mr. Beeler addressed the commission concerning 1.6 miles on Greasy Hollow Road. He stated that the road is in need of repairs which has been ongoing for several years. He further stated that he has done work on the road himself on previous occasions and is asking the commission for help in getting the road problems resolved.

ITEM #3 – RES. 2025-108 – OPIOID BOARD APPOINTMENTS

MOTION: Commissioner Rowe – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner Cosby

ROLL CALL VOTE: 20 for; 1 against / Motion carried

*FOR: Commissioners Bunch, Cook, Shuford, Barker, Epperson, Poore,
Campbell, Crawford, Shrout, Mullins, Rowe, Cosby, Barnett,
Brooks, Mason, Brogan, Jones, Mundy, Rogers, Wilson*

*AGAINST: Commissioner McCreary
(Resolution as follows)*

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 108
OPIOID BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Sponsor: Anthony Rowe

WHEREAS, an Opioid Board was formed by the Claiborne County Commission on the 18th day of March 2019; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Opioid Board is to administer, oversee and recommend distribution, payment and administration of any funds to be received from the opioid litigation funds; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to the oversight of litigation settlement funds, the board shall identify, develop a plan of action and implement strategies to curb and attempt to overcome opioid abuse in Claiborne County, Tennessee; and,

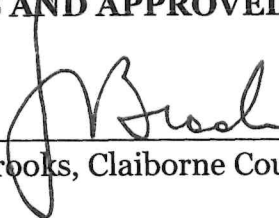
WHEREAS, the current board has voted to decrease its size due to absences and to remove conflicts of interest that may arise in upcoming grant opportunities surrounding opioid abatement funds; and,

WHEREAS, the County Mayor appoints, subject to the approval of the Claiborne County Commission, the following individuals to remain on the opioid board:

Rob Wilmoth, MD, Covenant Health
Anthony Rowe, County Commissioner
Melissa Hamby, Claiborne County Health Department
Lucinda Drummonds, Ag Extension Agent
Judy Johnson, RN, Quality Control, CMC

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

PASS AND APPROVED this 20th day of October 2025.



Joe Brooks, Claiborne County Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen Hurst, County Clerk

Submitted by Joe Brooks, County Mayor

FILED
9-24-25
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK
BY:  D.G.

ITEM #4 – RES. 2025-109 – BOARD OF EDUCATION (budget amendment)

ITEM #5 – RES. 2025-110 – BOARD OF EDUCATION (budget amendment)

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to combine items #4 and 5 and approve

SECOND: Commissioner Rogers

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

Claiborne County Board of Education
RESOLUTION
2025-109

October 9, 2025

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Board of Education need to amend the **General Purpose Budget** to adjust grants that rolled into fund balance and true up budgets to the actual 25/26 funding. In addition to the grants the **General Purpose Budget** also needs amended for the purpose of the safety program Centegitix.

WHEREAS, this resolution involves no local tax dollars.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Claiborne County Commission in session October 20, 2025 that the Claiborne County Board of Education be authorized to amend the **General Purpose Budget** by adjusting the following line items.

REVENUE

		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Account Code No.			
39000	Undesignated Fund Balance		\$ 332,436.85
46515	Early Childhood Education	\$ 8,440.53	
46980	Other State Grants - PSSG	\$ 8,617.82	

EXPENDITURES

Account Code No.			
141-71200-116-TSW	Teachers	\$ 3,000.00	
141-71200-163-TSW	Educational Assistants	\$ 3,000.00	
141-71200-201-TSW	Social Security	\$ 500.00	
141-71200-204-TSW	State Retirement	\$ 1,000.00	
141-71200-207-TSW	Medical Insurance	\$ 2,000.00	
141-71200-210-TSW	Unemployment Compensation	\$ 300.00	
141-71200-212-TSW	Employer Medicare	\$ 4,168.00	
141-71200-429-SSEPG	Instructional Supplies	\$ 3,450.00	
141-71200-499-SSEPG	Other Supplies and Materials	\$ 3,890.03	
141-71200-599-SSEPG	Other Charges	\$ 1,100.50	
141-71300-195-ISM	Certified Substitute Teachers	\$ 9,750.00	
141-71300-201-ISM	Social Security	\$ 700.00	
141-71300-210-ISM	Unemployment	\$ 700.00	
141-71300-212-ISM	Medicare	\$ 150.00	
141-71300-599-ISM	Other Charges	\$ 86,783.00	
141-72120-204-TRAUM	State Retirement	\$ 350.00	

141-72120-207-TRAUM	Medical Insurance	\$	10,135.00	
141-72120-210-TRAUM	Unemployment	\$	10.00	
141-72120-217-TRAUM	Hybrid Retirement	\$	1,800.00	
141-72120-499-WELL	Other Supplies and Materials	\$	7,538.85	
141-72310-790	Other Equipment	\$	104,620.00	
141-72710-146-ISM	Bus Drivers	\$	12,500.00	
141-73300-116-LEAP	Teachers	\$	16,500.00	
141-73300-163-LEAP	Educational Assistants	\$		(13,800.00)
141-73300-201-LEAP	Social Security	\$		(530.60)
141-73300-204-LEAP	State Retirement	\$		(8,837.56)
141-73300-210-LEAP	Unemployment	\$	1,400.00	
141-73300-212-LEAP	Employer Medicare	\$		(122.60)
141-73300-217-LEAP	Hybrid Retirement	\$	4,000.00	
141-73300-399-LEAP	Other Contracted Services	\$	500.00	
141-73300-429-LEAP	Instructional Supplies	\$		(2,109.24)
141-73300-499-LEAP	Other Supplies and Materials	\$	3,000.00	
141-73300-189-SACC	Other Salaries & Wages	\$	60,585.00	
141-73300-201-SACC	Social Security	\$	3,757.00	
141-73300-204-SACC	State Retirement	\$	3,550.00	
141-73300-210-SACC	Unemployment	\$	300.00	
141-73300-212-SACC	Employer Medicare	\$	900.00	
141-73300-599-SACC	Other Charges	\$	14,340.00	
141-72130-499-PSSG	Other Supplies and Materials	\$	117.82	
141-72130-790-PSSG	Other Equipment	\$	8,500.00	

Meredith Arnold

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Claiborne County Schools

David Mundy

Commission Sponsor

Kelly Harvey

Kelly Harvey
Finance

10-3-25
JAN HURST, COUNTY CLERK
12:40 pm D.C.

Claiborne County Board of Education
RESOLUTION
2025-110

October 9, 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 October 20, 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

\$1,018.80

EXPENDITURES

Account Code No.

141-72710-453 Vehicle Parts

\$1,018.80



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Claiborne County Schools

David Mundy

Commission Sponsor

Kelly Harvey

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Finance

FILED *10-3-25*
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK
BY: *12:40 pm* D.C.

ITEM #6 – RES. 2025-111 – SENIOR CITIZENS ASSISTANCE (budget amendment)

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to approve

SECOND: Commissioner McCreary

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 111
BUDGET AMENDMENT SENIOR CITIZENS ASSISTANCE

Sponsor: David Mundy

WHEREAS, the Claiborne County Senior Centers serve a vital role in the county; and,

WHEREAS, both the Harrogate Senior Center and the Tazewell Senior Center have a full-time center director; and,

WHEREAS, for those individuals to have time off, another county employee must be available to open the centers; and,

WHEREAS, both centers have individuals who are paid from the laborer line item to either drive a van or work at the center; and,

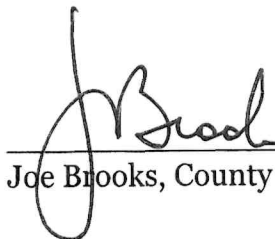
WHEREAS, a reasonable amount of time for full-time employees to be off for planned appointments or sickness would be two (2) days per month and five (5) days of annual vacation time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Claiborne County, Tennessee the following budget amendments are authorized:

		Decrease	Increase
39000	Fund Balance	\$4,050.00	
56300-149	Laborers		\$4,050.00

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

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of October 2025.



Joe Brooks, County Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen Hurst, County Clerk

FILED 10-9-25
KAREN HURST, COUNTY CLERK
BY: 3:00 pm D.C.

ITEM #6A – RES. 2025-112 – RESOLUTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION 2025-104

MOTION: Commissioner Jones – to also include Resolution 2025-103 and to bring this item to table for discussion and consideration.

SECOND: Commissioner Bunch

(discussion)

At conclusion of discussion, Commissioner Jones withdrew resolution. No further action.

ITEM #6B – ANNOUNCEMENT (COUNTY MAYOR BROOKS)

Mayor Brooks informed the commission that the county is currently under cybersecurity review and that he will be reaching out to all commissioners and departments who utilize a county email concerning factory authorization measures.

ITEM #6C – ANNOUNCEMENT (DAN SPURLOCK WITH SIGCO)

Dan Spurlock, representative with SIGCO, informed the commission that the Stashed Away Prevention Education Trailer will be at the Walmart on Thursday, October 23rd from 12-5 p.m. He requested that the commission come by and to also help in getting the word out about this event. He said that the educational exhibit is for parents to view and that activities will be available for the kids to do. The coalition will also be holding their semi-annual drug takeback that day as well.

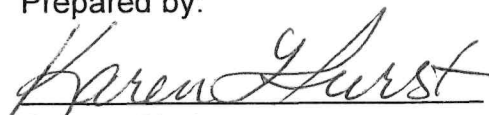
ITEM #7 – ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Mundy – to adjourn

SECOND: Commissioner Mason

Motion carried by aye vote / Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by:


County Clerk