



# SUMNER COUNTY COMMISSION

355 N. Belvedere Drive – Room 111  
Gallatin, Tennessee 37066-5410

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## Commissioners

*First District*  
**Mike Akins**  
**Moe Taylor**

*Second District*  
**Billy Geminden**  
**Larry Hinton**

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**Steve Graves**  
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*Tenth District*  
**Paul R. Goode**  
**Caroline S. Krueger**

*Eleventh District*  
**Scott Langford**  
**Bill Taylor**

*Twelfth District*  
**Michael Guthrie**  
**Bob Pospisil**

The following minutes are included in this packet:

**Budget Committee.....August 14**

**Committee on Committees.....August 28**

**Emergency Services Committee.....August 7**

**General Committee.....August 7**

**Legislative Committee.....August 14**

**Public Services Ad Hoc .....August 7**

**Health Facility Ad Hoc .....August 14**



BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES  
August 14, 2017

MEMBERS  
Kevin Pomeroy, Chairman  
Jerry Foster, Vice-Chairman  
Billy Geminden  
Paul Goode  
Bill Taylor  
Chris Taylor  
Jim Vaughn  
OTHERS PRESENT  
Leah Dennen  
Lauren Walker  
David Lawing  
Anthony Holt  
Jane Wright  
Kim Ark

- I. CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Pomeroy at 6:00pm in Room 112 of the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin, TN.
  - A. Invocation- Led by Chairman Pomeroy.
  - B. Approval of Agenda- Motion to approve by Commissioner Bill Taylor, second by Commissioner Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.
  - C. Recognition of Public- None
  - D. Approval of Minutes—July 10, 2017- Motion to approve by Commissioner Chris Taylor, second by Commissioner Goode, unanimous approval.
  
- II. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
  - A. IT recruitment discussion- Chairman Pomeroy informed the committee that it is prudent to begin the process of recruiting an IT director. This item will be added to the agenda as V.B.5.
  
- III. REPORT OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE- None
  
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. Previously Discussed Items
    1. Bridal House—up to \$20,000 of auction proceeds (\$61,822) to be used for renovation- County Executive Holt explained that the bridal house needs a new HVAC unit, kitchenette, and needed to be cleaned up. He informed the committee that everything from the house sold in the auction with the exception of two items. Ms. Jane Wright briefly spoke about the bridal house and its Facebook page. Motion to appropriate up to \$20K of the proceeds for general maintenance, new HVAC unit, kitchenette, and cleanup of the bridal house by Commissioner Chris Taylor, second by Commissioner Goode, unanimous approval.
  
- V. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Education
    1. Budget Amendments (for information only)-No discussion.
  
  - B. Appropriations
    1. ECC--\$1,575 rebate for FY17 radio purchase to be used for additional radio purchase- Motion to approve first reading by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Vaughn, unanimous approval. Second reading in September.
    2. Sheriff's Office--\$51,384 for CJC washers from Capital Projects local funding- Motion to approve and suspend the rules for a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading by Commissioner Vaughn, second by Commissioner Foster, motion passes 6-1 with Mr. Pomeroy opposing to suspend the rules. This item will come back for a second reading in September.

3. EMS--\$5,416.80 insurance recovery to be used for repair of ambulance- Motion to approve and waive second reading by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Goode, unanimous approval.
  4. FY17 budget carryovers- Motion to group and approve items V.B. a-b by Commissioner Chris Taylor, second by Commissioner Foster, unanimous approval.
    - a. Capital Projects Fund (171)
    - b. County General Fund (101)
  5. \$25,000 IT Recruitment- Finance Director Lawing explained, as of now, there is no manpower in IT, and things are not getting accomplished. Chairman Pomeroy explained to the committee that all departments are on board with being part of the IT study, including the Sheriff. He stated he has not received a response from the county clerk as of now. Commissioner Chris Taylor volunteered to speak with Mr. Kemp about participating in the study. Motion to appropriate up to \$25K for recruitment of an IT director from the general fund unassigned fund balance and suspend the rules for a second reading by Commissioner Goode, second by Commissioner Chris Taylor, Motion passes 6-1 with Chairman Pomeroy opposing to suspend the rules. This item will come back for a second reading in September.
- C. Transfers- Motion to group and approve items V.C.1. a. and b. by Commissioner Chris Taylor, second by Commissioner Foster, unanimous approval.
1. Inter-budgetary
    - a. Greater than \$2,500
    - b. \$2,500 or less
- D. Tax Refunds
1. Mark Pearson-\$248.36 refund of interest, penalty, and costs- Motion to approve by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Goode, unanimous approval.

Chairman Pomeroy stated he had no issue revisiting the second reading rule if the committee wishes to discuss at September's meeting. No discussion.

Ms. Ark stated the intention for item V.B.2. was to fund out of the \$500K that had already been budgeted in the capital projects fund. Commissioner Vaughn made a motion to revisit this item, seconded by Commissioner Geminden, motion was not voted on. Motion to fund item V.B.2. as an inner budgetary transfer by Commissioner Chris Taylor, second by Commissioner Vaughn, unanimous approval.

- VI. REPORT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR- None
- VII. ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn at 6:34pm by Commissioner Vaughn.

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**  
**MINUTES**  
**August 28, 2017**

Present:

Trisha LeMarbre, Chairman  
Baker Ring, Vice-Chairman  
Paul R. Goode  
Caroline Krueger  
JoAnne Kemp

Also Present:

Leah May Dennen, County Law Director  
Anthony Holt, County Executive

The regular meeting of the Committee on Committees was brought to order with an invocation by Comm. LeMarbre on Monday, August 28, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin. Chairman LeMarbre was presiding.

Agenda. Without objection, Chairman LeMarbre added the election of a Vice-Chairman to the agenda. Upon motion of Comm. Goode, seconded by Comm. Ring, the Committee approved unanimously the agenda as amended.

Approval of Minutes of July 2017. Upon motion of Comm. Ring, and duly seconded by Comm. Goode, the Committee approved unanimously the minutes of July 17, 2017.

Vice-Chairman. Upon motion of Comm. Goode, and duly seconded, the Committee voted unanimously to nominate and elect Caroline Krueger as Vice-Chairman.

Sumner County Regional Airport Authority. Chairman LeMarbre brought forth the following appointment to the Sumner County Regional Airport Authority:

- Don Dickerson, 5-year term

Upon motion of Comm. Goode, and duly seconded by Comm. Ring, the Committee approved unanimously the re-appointment of Mr. Dickerson.

Health and Safety Standards Board. Chairman LeMarbre brought forth the following appointment to the Health and Safety Standards Board:

- Howell Wilson, 4-year term

Upon motion of Chairman LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Goode, the Committee approved unanimously the re-appointment of Mr. Wilson. The appointment of Paul Freels was deferred another month.

Public Recognition. There was none.

Report of the Chairman. Chairman LeMarbre had no report.

Report of the County Executive. No report.

Old Business. None

9a. New Business-2017-2018 Commission Committee Recommendations. Chairman LeMarbre brought forth recommendations for approval of the 2017-2018 Committee structure (see attached).

Upon motion of Comm. Ring, seconded by Comm. Goode, the Committee voted unanimously to nominate the slate to serve on Commission Committees.

Next Month. Chairman LeMarbre announced the appointments for September 18, 2017:

Civil Service Board - Sally Wade Brown, two-year term

10. Adjournment. Upon motion of Comm. Krueger, and duly seconded by Comm. Kemp, the Committee adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Prepared by Maria Savage

# Standing Committees

## Rough Draft 17-18

### Committee on Committees

LeMarbre, Chairman  
Goode  
Kemp  
Kruger- VC  
Ring

### Budget

Foster  
Geminden  
Goode  
Kemp  
Pomeroy  
Taylor, B.  
Taylor, C.

### Education

Decker  
Geminden  
Goode  
Guthrie  
LeMarbre  
Ring  
Schell

### Emergency Services

Decker  
Driver  
Foster  
Guthrie  
Harris  
Taylor, C.  
Vaughn

### Financial Management

Becker  
Harris  
Krueger  
Taylor, C.  
\*Dr. Phillips  
\*Judy Hardin  
\*County Ex.Holt

### General Ops

Becker  
Hinton  
Kemp  
Krueger  
Ring  
Schell  
Taylor, M.

### Highway

Graves  
Hinton  
Hyde  
Krueger  
Taylor, B.

### Legislative

CHAIRMAN: \_\_\_\_\_

ConC: LeMarbre

Budget: \_\_\_\_\_

Education: \_\_\_\_\_

EMS: \_\_\_\_\_

Fin. Mgt: \_\_\_\_\_

Gen. Ops: \_\_\_\_\_

Highway: \_\_\_\_\_

### Not Standing Committees

#### Beer

Akins  
Driver  
Graves  
Pomeroy  
Pospisil

#### Ethics

Hyde  
Foster  
Langford  
\*Cindy Briley  
\*James Ramsey

**MINUTES  
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 7, 2017**

Present:

Jim Vaughn, Chairman  
Chris Taylor, V. Chairman  
Paul Decker  
Alan Driver  
Michael Guthrie  
Ben Harris  
Jerry Foster

Also Present:

Leah Dennen, County Law Director  
Lauren Walker, Law Director staff attorney  
Sheriff Sonny Weatherford  
Keith Douglas, E-911 Director  
Anthony Holt, County Executive  
Rhonda Lea, Emergency Communications  
Director

Chairman Vaughn called the meeting of the Emergency Services Committee to order with an invocation by Comm. Guthrie on Monday, August 7, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda. Upon motion of Comm. Foster, seconded by Comm. Harris, the Committee unanimously approved the agenda.

Approval of Minutes of May 1, 2017. Upon motion of Comm. Chris Taylor, seconded by Comm. Decker, the Committee approved the minutes of May 1, 2017.

Public Comments. None

Report from the Chairman. Chairman Vaughn had no report.

Report from the County Executive. County Executive Anthony Holt had no report.

Report from the Sheriff. Chief Deputy Sheriff Aaron Pickard distributed and discussed the July, 2017 financial reports and the Animal Control Division statistics. The jail population was 690 in July.

Mr. Pickard stated that William Dodds was retiring from the Sheriff's Department and would be awarded his service weapon. Upon motion of Comm. Chris Taylor, seconded by Comm. Harris, the Committee voted unanimously to award Deputy Dodds his service revolver.

Fire Departments. Cottontown Volunteer Fire Department Chief Joe McLaughlin gave a report, stating the Volunteer Fire Departments responded to 2,159 total calls for the first seven months of 2017. The number of July calls was 322.

Report from the EMS Director. Emergency Medical Services Director Keith Douglas presented the EMS reports, stating that May activity was trending upward. He said the new data includes standby calls out of total calls but next

month these figures would be in a separate graph. To get a truer picture of ambulance utilization, his department is collecting real time use of ambulances to include standbys.

Monthly revenue for July was \$592,818. The net transport revenue for July, 2017 was \$5,994,000.00. Responses for the month of July were 2,273 with 1,651 transports.

Mr. Douglas reported that the Westmoreland Police Department asked for an ambulance donation. He said there was an ambulance with a bent frame taken out of service worth approximately \$3,000.

Upon Motion of Comm. Decker, seconded by Comm. Chris Taylor, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the donation.

Emergency Management Agency. Ken Weidner, Director of Sumner County Emergency Management, discussed the flooding incident on May 19, 2017 when a school bus was trapped in rising water. He reported there was not enough damage in Sumner County or the stated as a whole to receive assistance (25 homes major/destroyed).

Director Weidner discussed concerns related to the solar eclipse event on August 21, 2017 including large crowds, traffic, communications disruption and viewing without adequate protection.

Report of the Emergency Communications Center. Rhonda Lea, Emergency Communications Director, said her department is operational at the new facility. Employees are adjusting to the new location and change in operations. There are 39 employees with 46 full staff.

### 13. Old Business.

### 14. New Business.

#### 14a. Update on Public Services Ad Hoc Committee.

### 15. Adjournment.

With a motion by Comm. Foster, duly seconded, the Committee adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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**MINUTES**  
**GENERAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**  
**LESLIE SCHELL, CHAIRMAN**  
**August 7, 2017**

Present:  
Leslie Schell, Chairman  
Caroline Krueger, Vice-Chairman  
Jerry Becker  
Larry Hinton  
Joanne Kemp  
Baker Ring  
Moe Taylor- Absent

Also Present:  
Leah Dennen, County Law Director  
Lauren Walker, Law Director's Office  
Bill Kemp, County Clerk  
Kim Ark, County Grant Writer  
Hal Hendricks, Director Health  
Department

The scheduled meeting of the General Operations Committee was brought to order on Monday, August 7, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building. Chairman Schell opened the meeting with an invocation and declared a quorum present to conduct business.

Agenda. Without objection, Chairman Schell added a matter regarding the Sumner County Health Department under New Business, Item F. Comm. Kemp moved, seconded by Comm. Krueger, to approve the agenda. The Committee voted to approve the agenda unanimously.

Minutes. Upon motion of Comm. Kemp, seconded by Comm. Becker, the Committee voted to approve unanimously the minutes of June 5, 2017, regular meeting.

Report of Chairman. Chairman Schell mentioned the success of the auction at the Bridal House.

County Executive. County Executive deferred to items on the agenda.

Recognition of the Public. None

8. Old Business.

9. New Business.

9a. Washer bids for Criminal Justice Center.

Upon motion of Comm. Ring, seconded by Comm. Hinton, the Committee approved the bid for industrial washing machines at the Criminal Justice Center and forwarded to the Budget Committee.

9b. Bridal House Update

Ms. Ark reported that the Friends of Bridal House, which is an organization to restore and preserve the historic Bridal House, is taking charge of several areas including the following:

- Genealogy committee for research
- Collections committee
- Friends of Bridal House Facebook page
- Develop educational programs for docents
- Tourism brochures
- Open house and ribbon cutting possibly in December

Fundraising opportunities include the following:

- Vintage baseball game
- Civil War reenactment
- Plant sale fundraiser
- Spinning/dying demonstrations
- Tea with Elizabeth Cotton Hobdy with reenactors
- Blacksmith demonstrations
- Documentaries and other film location opportunities
- Club and community meetings
- Family reunions
- Cottontown Community heritage day

Ms. Ark reported that \$61,822 was collected at the July 15 auction at the Bridal House. Mr. Holt requested \$20,000 of the proceeds to close off a restroom, install HVAC, and build a kitchenette and other minor improvements. Upon motion of Comm. Ring, seconded by Comm. Krueger, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the expenditure.

9c. Capital Projects Update: Station Camp Greenway, Roof Clerk's Office and Jail, Paving and Chilled Water Pipe

- Station Camp Greenway will take three more weeks. The pedestrian bridge is installed and work is being performed on a concrete trail.
- Paving and Striping Project Bid – Locations paved are the Adult Probation and Juvenile Court Building, UT Extension building. EMS Oak Grove, Westmoreland and Castilian Springs stations are next for paving.
- Chilled Water Line Replacement at General Sessions was completed
- Re-roof of Hendersonville County Clerk's Office and Jail Facility is a 21-day project which should be complete at the end of August.

9d. Update from Judicial Planning Advisory. Chairman Schell stated the project is coming along as expected in regard to data collection and the presentation. The Advisory Committee will be meeting a third time with JPA.

9e. Sheriff's surplus property.

Upon motion of Comm. Becker, seconded by Comm. Krueger, the Committee voted to approve unanimously the surplus property submitted by the Sheriff's Office.

9f. Health Department

Chairman Schell recognized Hal Hendricks, Director of the Sumner County Health Department, who stated that the Hope Clinic and Salvis Clinic have partnered to lease the dental clinic in the basement of the health department in Gallatin. The two entities would like to add office space to the existing facility at no cost to the County.

Mr. Hendricks stated that he would come back next month with more information.

Comm. Hinton brought forth discussion regarding the Request for Proposals/Qualifications for architects and engineering. He requested standard operating procedures from the Law Director's Office regarding this process. Chairman Schell referred him to the Legislative Committee for a change in the rules and procedures.

The meeting time for September was changed to Tuesday, September 5, 2017, at 6 p.m. due to the holiday schedule.

10. Adjournment. The Committee adjourned at 6:55 p.m. after a motion by Comm. Becker, seconded by Comm. Krueger.

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**MINUTES  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
PAUL R. GOODE, CHAIRMAN  
August 14, 2017**

**Present:**

Paul R. Goode, Chairman  
Kevin Pomeroy, Vice-Chairman  
Scott Langford, Commission Chairman  
Paul Decker  
Leslie Schell  
Jim Vaughn

**Absent:**

Trisha LeMarbre  
Steve Graves

**Also Present:**

Lauren Walker, Law Office  
Leah Dennen, Law Director  
Anthony Holt, County Executive  
Larry Hinton, Commissioner

Chairman Goode brought the Legislative Committee meeting to order with an invocation by Comm. Schell on Monday, August 14, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda. Without objection, Chairman Goode added as 10f under Certificates of Recognition a certificate recognizing Constitution Week. Secondly, Chairman Goode deferred 9a. Personnel policies and Procedures Sumner County Circuit Court Clerk until January, 2018. Comm. Langford moved, Comm. Schell seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of July 10, 2017 for approval. Upon motion of Comm. Langford, seconded by Comm. Pomeroy, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of July 10, 2017.

Recognition of the Public. There was none.

Report of Chairman. Chairman Goode had no report.

Report of County Executive. County Executive Anthony Holt had no report.

8. Old Business.

9. New Business.

9b. Discussion of Purchasing Procedures. Chairman Goode recognized Commissioner Larry Hinton who was referred to the Legislative Committee from the General Operations Committee to discuss purchasing procedures. Comm. Hinton requested a written set of procedures to govern the manner in which architectural and engineering services are acquired by the County.

Chairman Goode requested Law Director Leah Dennen to investigate the procedures followed in other counties and create procedures for professional services acquisition, specifically in engineering and architectural services for review in the September or October meeting.

9c. Magistrate Appointment Kristopher Paulson

Upon motion of Comm. Pomeroy, seconded by Comm. Schell, the Committee voted unanimously to approve Kristopher Paulson as a magistrate for the County.

10. Certificates of Recognition. Comm. Pomeroy moved, seconded by Comm. Decker, to group and approve the following certificates of recognition:

- Captain Don Badacour, retiring, award of weapon and badge
- Sgt. William Dodds, retiring, award of weapon and badge
- Westmoreland Library
- Willie Ruth Borders, Westmoreland Library
- Station Camp Soccer Team
- Constitution Week

The motion carried unanimously.

11. Zoning.

11a. Westbrook PUD-Rezoning & Preliminary Master Development Plan – represented by Gamble Design Collaborative- Applicant is requesting to have property located along Long Hollow Pike, (West of New Shackle Island Road), rezoned from Residential 1A to Residential Planned Unit Development – medium density. Subject property is on Tax Map 122, Parcel 066.01, contains 45.34 acres and is zoned Residential 1A(Second Reading).

Upon motion of Comm. Langford, seconded by Comm. Decker, the Committee voted (4-2) to approve the Westbrook PUD rezoning for docketing August 28, 2017, on the second reading. Commissioners Pomeroy and Vaughn voted against the motion.

11b. New Highway 109N- Old Highway 109N Interchange- Rezoning and Preliminary Master Development Plan – represented by Bridges Land Surveying- Applicant is requesting to have property located at 1623 Scotty Parker Road, 140 Rainear Lane, and 199 Rainear Lane rezoned from Residential 1A to C2 PUD 1623 Scotty Park Road property is on Tax Map 104, Parcel 028.04, contains 34.8 acres, and is zoned Residential 1A. (Second Reading)

Upon motion of Comm. Decker, seconded by Comm. Langford, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the rezoning at the New Highway 109N-Old 109N Interchange for docketing August 28, 2017 on the second reading.

11c. Special Provision Governing Industrial Zoning Districts (First Reading)  
Upon motion of Comm. Langford, seconded by Comm. Decker, the Committee voted (5-0-1) to approve for docketing September 18, 2017, Commission meeting regarding the special provision governing Industrial Zoning Districts (First Reading). Commissioner Vaughn abstained.

12. Adjournment. Upon motion of Comm. Decker, the Committee adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

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**MINUTES**  
**PUBLIC SERVICES AD HOC COMMITTEE**  
**BEN HARRIS, CHAIRMAN**  
**August 7, 2017**

Present:

Ben Harris, Chairman  
Jerry Foster  
Alan Driver  
Absent  
Moe Taylor, Ex-Officio

Also Present:

Volunteer Fire Officials  
Larry Hinton, Commissioner  
Lauren Walker, Staff Attorney  
Joe Williams, Assist Chief White House  
Joe McLaughlin, Cottontown

The scheduled meeting of the Public Services Ad Hoc Committee for August 7, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. was called to order with an invocation by Comm. Foster. Chairman Harris declared a quorum to do business.

Agenda Approval. Upon motion of Comm. Driver, seconded by Comm. Foster, the Committee approved the agenda by unanimous voice vote.

Minutes of June 5, 2017. The minutes of June 5, 2017 were approved by the body upon a motion by Comm. Foster, seconded by Comm. Driver.

Recognition of the Public. There was none.

Chairman Harris recognized Commissioner Larry Hinton who introduced discussion of the mutual aid agreements between the County and municipalities in the County. He said the law has changed. Without an exemption, the mutual aid agreements are automatic.

Comm. Hinton reported that the City of Portland Fire Department and other fire halls are not dispatched to a call outside the city limits until the responding volunteer fire department arrives on the scene. Comm. Hinton expressed concern about the delay in response under this procedure. The members and others present discussed the changes that are coming with the opening of the Sumner County Emergency Communications Center.

A volunteer spokesman stated that when the respective cities are called, the fire departments may be otherwise engaged in a call within the city limits. He said some calls outside the city may be cut short when the fire truck is called back. The mutual aid agreements exist between the fire departments but not necessarily between the volunteers and the cities.

Comm. Hinton stated that he discussed mutual aid with the cities of Millersville and White House, which do not have resources to provide aid outside the city limits. Comm. Hinton expressed the need to prioritize when a dwelling is on fire.

Chairman Harris stated that when there is a large structural fire, he said it should be possible to work out a situation where a city fire trucks are in route sooner to the location.

Joe Williams, Assistant Chief of the White House Community Fire Department, said the volunteers operate three locations near White House, one of which is mostly manned constantly. He said staffing is difficult between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The good thing about volunteer fire fighters is they are living in the area they serve and are more likely to respond quickly. He said the consolidated dispatch center will help response times.

Mr. Williams stated that of the 750 calls White House volunteers receive annually, 60 percent are medical calls and 13 to 14 calls are structure fires.

Comm. Hinton stated that cities who accept County impact fees and other services should be more amenable to responding outside the city limits.

Mr. Williams stated that the cities are spending millions on their respective fire departments and the County is not contributing as much to fire service.

Chairman Harris suggested at the next meeting possible inviting some of the city fire chiefs to discuss what can be done to help the volunteers.

Comm. Driver stated that different cities have different policies about responding to fire calls outside the city limits. Chairman Harris said cities are receiving fees in the planning regions. The new subdivisions built within the jurisdiction of Gallatin do have water to fire hydrants.

In the previous meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee, members voted to request the Emergency Services Committee to order a CTAS fire survey. Chairman Harris suggested taking the recommendation through the Emergency Services Committee. Comm. Foster stated that the CTAS survey received big support among the volunteer fire departments.

Chairman Harris stated that the County wants to help the volunteer fire departments in every way possible. He suggested the volunteer fire chiefs meet with the Ad Hoc Committee in the future.

Joe McLaughlin of 2238 Highway 25, Cottontown presented information on fire department comparisons regarding miles protected and property value protected per square mile for each of the nine districts. He presented a formula for funding volunteer fire departments using property values, square miles per district and calls per year. Mr. McLaughlin requested consideration for increased funding in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget. The Ad Hoc Committee discussed avenues of funding.

Adjournment. The Ad Hoc Committee adjourned at 6:20 p.m.



**MINUTES  
HEALTH FACILITY AD HOC COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 14, 2017**

Members Present:

Leslie Schell  
Caroline Krueger  
Paul R. Goode  
Paul Decker  
Arlene Cunningham  
Peg Petrelli  
Andy Gilley  
Absent: Mark Skidmore

Also Present:

Leah Dennen, County Law Director  
Lauren Walker, Law Director's Office  
Anthony Holt, County Executive  
Hal Hendricks, Director Health Department  
Kim Ark, County Grant Writer  
Julie White, Senior Citizens Center Director

The scheduled meeting of the Health Facility Ad Hoc Committee was brought to order with an invocation by Comm. Decker on Monday, August 14, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building.

County Law Director Leah Dennen asked Ad Hoc Committee members to elect a chairman to conduct the meeting. Upon motion of Alderman Gilley, seconded by Comm. Schell, the Committee voted to elect Comm. Decker to preside as chairman over the Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

Chairman Decker recounted the previous joint meeting of the Board of Mayor of Alderman and the County Commission.

Chairman Decker stated that the mission of the Ad Hoc Committee was to discuss the alternatives to placing a new health facility in Hendersonville. He said there were at least three options on the table were as follows:

- Find property in Hendersonville, such as the old Hawkins property on Imperial Boulevard
- Finding property other than the old Hawkins property
- Expanding the Gallatin location to create a county-wide facility

County Executive Holt stated that the window for deciding on a direction was around three months due to the restrictions of a \$500,000 State grant. Regarding the Hawkins property, Executive Holt stated that the County could partner with the City of Hendersonville to help build a new Hendersonville Senior Citizens Center (Center). In that regard, he said the County could feasibly offer to pay for architectural fees and storm water engineering for the Center. Comm. Schell stated that the County could build a walking trail between the buildings for the seniors, as well.

Mr. Holt gave a rough estimate of \$250,000 that the County would apply toward the construction of the Center. Mr. Holt emphasized the importance that seniors, mothers with children and others, who frequent the health department, have a health department in Hendersonville.

The current Hendersonville Health Department, almost 40 years old, is outdated and too small to offer expanded services to a growing population. With 3,600 square feet, the facility is wedged between Merrol Hyde Magnet School and the HCA Hendersonville Hospital. This is no room for expansion at the present site.

Mr. Holt said he and others have looked at options other than the Imperial Boulevard property and he stated the following:

- The property around the 386 Bypass is financially out of reach for the County
- The HCA Hendersonville hospital did not have an interest in donating land to build the health department.
- Expand the Gallatin Health Department to make it a more regional facility
- Building a new health department in the Goodlettsville area
- The current facility, owned by the Sumner County Board of Education, is not available to swap for the Imperial Boulevard property.
- Dr. Bill Taylor expressed interest in renting a facility.
- Alderman Guilley said that he did not know when the possibility of building a seniors citizens center would be on the table due to budget constraints.
- Alderman Petrelli expressed concerns about increased traffic if the facility is located in Ward 1.

Chairman Decker recognized Julie White, Director of the Senior Citizens Center, who asked for clarification on who would build the Senior Citizens Center. Mr. Holt responded saying that the County is offering to pay for the architectural and engineering services.

The Alderman agreed to go through the City's committee structure to explore what the City plans to do with the Imperial Boulevard property and whether it is available for use as a health department. Alderman Gilley stated that the General Committee will meet on September 12. The Ad Hoc Committee agreed to meet at 5 p.m. at the Hendersonville Senior Citizens Center on Thursday, September 14.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.  
Prepared by Maria Savage