



SUMNER COUNTY COMMISSION

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

Commissioners

First District
Mike Akins
Moe Taylor

Second District
Billy Geminden
Shawn Utley

Third District
Steve Graves
David Satterfield

Fourth District
Frank E. Freels
Joe C. Matthews

Fifth District
Ben Harris
Baker Ring

Sixth District
Paige Brown
Jim Vaughn

Seventh District
Trisha LeMarbre
Kirk Moser

Eighth District
Paul Decker
Merrol N. Hyde

Ninth District
Chris Hughes
David Kimbrough

Tenth District
Paul R. Goode
Jo Skidmore

Eleventh District
Paul D. Freels
Jerry F. Stone

Twelfth District
Michael Guthrie
Bob Pospisil

The following minutes are included in this packet:

**Budget Committee.....September 8,
September 15**

**Committee on Committee.....September 2,
September 15**

**Education Committee.....September 4,
September 8**

Employee Benefits Committee.....August 19

Financial Management Committee.....September 15

General Operations Committee.....September 8

Legislative Committee..... September 8



BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES
Sumner County Administration Building
Conference Room #112
September 8, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT
Paul Goode, Chairman
Chris Taylor, Vice-Chairman
Jerry Becker
Jerry Foster
Scott Langford
Bob Pospisil
Bill Taylor
OTHERS PRESENT
David Lawing
Leah Dennen
Erika Porter
Anthony Holt
Del Phillips

- I. CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Goode at 6:10 pm in Room 112 of the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin, TN.
 - A. Approval of Agenda- Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Langford, unanimous approval.
 - B. Recognition of Public-None
 - C. Approval of Minutes—August 11, 2014-Motion to approve by Mr. Langford, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

- II. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN- Chairman Goode stated that Mr. Pigna will be working on getting an up to date website for the county. Also, the next Budget Committee meeting will be on October 14, 2014 at 6:00pm due to October 13, 2014 being a holiday.
 - A. Report from the Assessor of Property-None.

- III. REPORT OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE-None

- IV. OLD BUSINESS-None

- V. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Board of Education
 1. FY2015 Budgets (separate attachment)-Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.
 2. FY2015 Budget Resolution (separate attachment)-Mr. Lawing stated that Resolution will be completed upon approval.

 - B. Appropriations
 1. Election Commission--\$61,355 from fund balance for increase in salaries as originally requested for FY2015 budget-Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Bill Taylor, unanimous approval.
 2. Surety Bonds--\$20,900 from fund balance due to increase in cost of bonds for officials- Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.
 3. Drug Court
 - a. \$58,646.18 TDOT Grant
 - b. \$70,000 DMHSAS Grant –Motion to group and approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Langford, unanimous approval.

 - C. Transfers
 1. Inter-budgetary
 - a. Greater than \$2,500- Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Langford, unanimous approval.
 - b. \$2,500 or less- Motion to approve by Mr. Langford, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

 - D. Tax Matters
 1. Refunds
 - a. Clark Distributions--\$82
 - b. Hendersonville Hospital--\$2,274
 - c. Hospital Disposables--\$69

- d. Sumner Farmers Co-Op--\$265-
Motion to group and approve a. through d. by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Becker, unanimous approval.
- 2. Taxes for Ollie Ralph Property purchased by Highway Department- Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

- E. Three-year capital outlay note extension- Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

- F. CDBG Grant approval-Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Foster, unanimous approval.

- G. Request for approval of multi-year voice contract for the jail- Motion to approve by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

VI. REPORT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

- A. Self-Insurance Fund- Mr. Lawing stated the self-insurance fund will split December 31st, i.e. the classified employees will leave the fund as of January 1, 2015. Mr. Pospisil requested that Mr. Lawing go into additional detail. The Health sub-fund an end balance of (\$2,409,937.41) compared to Budget of (\$2,448,093). The Dental sub-fund had an ending balance of \$463,192.21 compared to Budget of \$418,030. The OJI-Liability sub-fund had an ending balance of \$108,483,073 compared to a budget of \$978,816. The county did better than Budgeted projections. The school self-insurance Dr. Phillips wanted to accept run off claims; however, Mr. Lawing's opinion was that the school self-insurance is not capable of handling run off claims. If they are not accepted, this will cause major cash flow issues in January 2015.
- B. Property Taxes
- C. Cash Flows- Mr. Lawing stated the county was in good shape until the end of December
- D. Financial Reports—August (available at Commission meeting if requested)

- VII. ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn at 6:58pm by Mr. Pospisil, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.



BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES
Sumner County Administration Building
Conference Room #112
September 15, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT
Paul R. Goode, Chairman
Chris Taylor, Vice-Chairman
Jerry Becker
Jerry Foster
Scott Langford
Bill Taylor
OTHERS PRESENT
David Lawing
Leah Dennen
Erika Porter
Dr. Phillips

- I. CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Paul Goode at 6:00pm in Room 112 of the County Administration Building in Gallatin, TN.
 - A. Approval of Agenda-
 - B. Recognition of Public-None

- II. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Discuss/Vote any necessary action arising from the decision, recommendations, or outcome of the September 12, 2014 meeting with the State Comptroller and/or the Tennessee Board of Equalization. - Motion to open Resolution up for discussion by Mr. Langford, second by Mr. Chris Taylor. Discussion was made among members and Mr. Holt concerning the reappraisal. Motion to present resolution to County Commission by Mr. Langford, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

- III. ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Langford, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
MINUTES
September 15, 2014

Present:

Paul Goode, Chairman

JoAnne Kemp, Vice-Chairman

Caroline Krueger

Trisha LeMarbre

Baker Ring

Anthony Holt, County Executive

Leah May Dennen, County Law Director

Erika Porter, Law Director's Office

The regular meeting of the Committee on Committees was brought to order on Monday, September 15, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin. Commissioner Goode was presiding.

Agenda. Upon motion of Comm. Ring, and duly seconded by Comm. Kemp, the Committee approved the agenda.

Approval of Minutes. Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Commissioner Ring, the Committee approved the minutes of August 18, 2014, as to form not content.

Airport Authority. Chairman Goode brought forth the recommendations of County Executive Anthony Holt for appointments to the Sumner County Airport Authority as follows:

- Doug Brown to fulfill the term ending July 2015 of Bill Taylor
- Defer appointment to replace Jim Egan who resigned (terms expires November, 2017)
- David Pigna to fulfill the term ending November 2017 of Ben Williams

Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Ring, the Committee approved the appointments of Mr. Brown and Mr. Pigna and deferred the appointment to replace Mr. Egan.

Audit Committee. Without objection, Chairman Goode deferred the appointment of two commissioners to serve on the Audit Committee.

Delinquent Tax Committee. Without objection, Chairman Goode deferred the appointment of four commissioners to serve on the Delinquent Tax Committee.

Employee Benefits Committee/Part of SIB. Chairman Goode brought forth the appointment of Michael Guthrie to serve on the Employee Benefits Committee/Part of SIB. Upon motion of Comm. Kemp, and duly seconded by Comm. LeMarbre, the Committee approved the appointment of Mr. Guthrie.

Ethics Committee. Chairman Goode brought forth the following appointments to serve four-year terms on the Ethics Committee :

- Mike Akins
- Jerry Foster
- Scott Langford

Upon motion of Comm. Kemp, and duly seconded by Comm. Krueger, the Committee approved the appointments of Mr. Akins, Mr. Foster and Mr. Langford.

Joint Economic and Development Board. Chairman Goode brought forth the recommendations of Executive Holt for appointments to the Joint Economic and Development Board as follows:

- Paul Goode
- Paul Decker
- Larry Hinton

Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Kemp, the Committee approved the appointments of Mr. Goode, Mr. Decker and Mr. Hinton.

Planning Commission Regional. Chairman Goode brought forth the recommendations of Executive Holt for the appointment of Commissioner Steve Graves to the Planning Commission (Regional) to represent the Gallatin area. Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Ring, the Committee approved the appointment of Mr. Graves. Deferred were the commission appointments for the Portland and Hendersonville areas.

Public Records Commission. Without objection, Chairman Goode deferred the appointment of one commissioner to serve on the Public Records Commission.

Resource Authority. Chairman Goode brought forth the recommendations of Executive Holt for the appointments:

- Baker Ring, June 2017, six-year term to finish
- Anthony Holt June 2015 six-year term to finish
- Billy Geminden, June 2018 six-year term to finish

Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Krueger, the Committee approved the appointments of Mr. Ring, Executive Holt and Mr. Geminden.

Tourism Board. Chairman Goode brought forth the recommendations of Executive Holt for the appointment of four commissioners to serve on the Tourism Board for three-year terms as follows:

- Baker Ring
- Leslie Schell
- Billy Geminden
- Trisha LeMarbre

Upon motion of Comm. Kemp, and duly seconded by Comm. LeMarbre, the Committee approved the appointments of Mr. Ring, Mrs. LeMarbre, Mrs. Schell and Mr. Geminden.

West Fork Creek Reservoir/Dam Authority. Chairman Goode brought forth the recommendation of Executive Holt for the re-appointment of Comm. Geminden to serve on the West Fork Creek Reservoir/Dam Authority. Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Krueger, the Committee approved the appointment of Mr. Geminden to the Authority.

Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded, the Committee adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Prepared by Maria Savage

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
MINUTES
September 2, 2014**

Present:

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

Anthony Holt, County Executive
Leah May Dennen, County Law Director
Erika Porter, Law Director's Office

The called meeting of the Committee on Committees was brought to order on Monday, September 2, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. approximately in the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin. Commissioner LeMarbre was presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and vote on a proposed list of committee assignments.

Election of Chairman. Comm. LeMarbre nominated Comm. Goode to serve as Committee on Committees chairman. Comm. Kemp seconded the motion. With no other nominations, the Committee elected Comm. Goode as chairman by acclamation. Chairman Goode presided over the remainder of the meeting.

Election of Vice-Chairman. Chairman Goode nominated Comm. Kemp to serve as Vice-Chairman of the Committee and Comm. Ring seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Chairman Goode declared Comm. Kemp elected to serve as vice-chairman by acclamation.

2014-2015 Committee Structure. Chairman Goode recognized Comm. LeMarbre who explained the process whereby the proposed 2014-2015 Committee slate was selected. Comm. LeMarbre stated that the committee preference forms were consolidated by the County Clerk's office, then she, too, prepared a consolidated document showing ranked committee preferences chosen by commissioners.

The 2014-2015 proposed committee slate is as follows:

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Jerry Becker
Jerry Foster
Paul Goode
Chris Taylor
Scott Langford
Bob Pospisil
Bill Taylor

HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Mike Akins
Steve Graves
Michael Guthrie
Larry Hinton
JoAnne Kemp
Kevin Pomeroy

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Paul Goode
JoAnne Kemp
Caroline Krueger
Trisha LeMarbre
Baker Ring

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT 2012

JoAnne Kemp
Scott Langford
Leslie Schell
Chris Taylor
Dr. Del Phillips, Dir. of Schools
Kevin Pomeroy

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Alan Driver
Billy Geminden
Paul Goode
Caroline Krueger
Baker Ring
Leslie Schell
Trisha LeMarbre

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mike Akins
Jerry Foster
Caroline Krueger
Bob Pospisil
Kevin Pomeroy
Bill Taylor
Moe Taylor

EMERGENCY SERVICES COMM

Mike Akins
Alan Driver
Jerry Foster
Michael Guthrie
Ben Harris
Chris Taylor
Jim Vaughn

BEER BOARD

Mike Akins
Larry Hinton
Kevin Pomeroy
Moe Taylor
Merrol Hyde

GENERAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Jerry Becker
Billy Geminden
Steve Graves
Ben Harris
Baker Ring
Leslie Schell
Jim Vaughn

RULES AND PROCEDURES

JoAnne Kemp
Scott Langford
Bill Taylor
Kevin Pomeroy

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MADE UP OF
CHAIRMAN OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Comm. LeMarbre stated that with the exception of one commissioner, commissioners received their first committee choice. County Executive Anthony Holt stated that he felt the process had been fair.

Ms. Dennen stated that there are seven members on the Beer Board, so the Standard Rules and Procedures will need to be amended to reflect a smaller Beer Board or the Committee may want to add two more members at its next meeting.

Upon motion of Comm. Ring, and duly seconded by Commissioner Kemp, the Committee approved the proposed committee slate by unanimous voice vote.

Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, the Committee adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Prepared by Maria Savage

**MINUTES
NONVOTING
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
September 4, 2014**

Present:

Trisha LeMarbre, Chairman

Alan Driver

Billy Geminden

Caroline Krueger

Leslie Schell

Bill Taylor

Jim Vaughn

Caroline Krueger

Larry Hinton

Steve Graves

Chris Taylor

Scott Langford

JoAnne Kemp

Paul Decker

Jerry Becker

Ben Harris

Bob Pospisil

Also Present:

Leah Dennen, County Law Director

Anthony Holt, County Executive

Bill Kemp, County Clerk

David Lawing, Director of Finance

Dr. Del Phillips, Director of Schools

The nonvoting session of the Education and Budget Committees was brought to order in the Commission Chambers on Thursday, September 4, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration building in Gallatin.

Presentation of 2014-2015 Board of Education Budgets. Director of Schools Del Phillips presented an explanation of the Board of Education 2014-2015 budget request. Dr. Phillips entertained questions and no vote was taken.

Prepared by Maria Savage

MINUTES
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
September 8, 2014

Present:
Trish LeMarbre, Chairman
Paul Goode, Vice-Chairman
Alan Driver
Billy Geminden
Caroline Krueger
Baker Ring
Leslie Schell

Also Present:
Leah Dennen, County Law Director
Ericka Porter, Law Director's Office
Anthony Holt, County Executive
Bill Kemp, County Clerk
David Lawing, Director of Finance
Dr. Del Phillips, Director of Schools

Chairman LeMarbre brought the special Education Committee to order on Monday, September 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration building in Gallatin. A quorum was present.

Reading of the Call. Chairman LeMarbre read the following into the record:

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE SUMNER COUNTY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

There will be a special called meeting of the Education Committee set for Monday, September 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. (local time).

The meeting will take place at the Sumner County Administration Building Room 112, 355 North Belvedere Drive, Gallatin, Tennessee 37066.

The purpose of the meeting shall be to discuss, consider and vote on the 2014-2015 budget of the Sumner County Board of Education.

Adoption of the Agenda. Upon motion of Comm. Goode, seconded by Comm. Geminden, the Committee members approved the agenda.

Recognition of the Public. There was none.

Approval of 2014-2015 Board of Education Budgets. Chairman LeMarbre recognized Comm. Goode who moved, seconded by Comm. Ring, to approve all four Board of Education budgets as presented. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote of the body.

Comm. Ring motioned to adjourn and was duly seconded. The Committee adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Prepared by Maria Savage

MINUTES
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS COMMITTEE
August 19, 2014
9:00 A.M.

Members Present:

Joe Matthews	Bob Pospisil	Del Phillips	Anthony Holt
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Also:

Leah Dennen	Karen Tokarz	Lauren Heath	Judy Hardin
Bob Shupe	Teresa Terry	April Harrod	Erika Porter
Debbie Robertson	Jeremy Shupe	Shawn Curtis	

Mr. Matthews called the SIB Employee Benefits Committee meeting to order on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 9:10 a.m. in Room 112, County Administration Building, in Gallatin, Tennessee.

Agenda: Mr. Pospisil made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Dr. Phillips; unanimous approval.

Public Recognition: County employee spoke on her behalf concerning the tobacco surcharge. She claims she was not told about the tobacco affidavit by CareHere and states she was cleared on everything by the CareHere nurse practitioner. She wants to be reimbursed for the smoking surcharge and be put back on the Preferred Plan.

Minutes: Motion was made by Mr. Pospisil to approve the minutes of June 17, 2014; seconded by Dr. Phillips; unanimous approval.

Report of Committee Chair: Mr. Matthews discussed the Non-compliance on the tobacco affidavit. Ms. Dennen stated she had a letter from another county employee who was not aware that he needed to fill out the tobacco affidavit. Mr. Matthews felt we should contact the ones on the list and give them a chance. Mr. Pospisil made a motion to approve the 2 employees that came forth to the meeting today and reimburse the surcharge and notify by mail all the ones on the list that did not fill out the tobacco affidavit. If they respond, we will take care of them accordingly. If they fail to respond, it stands as is. This motion was seconded by Dr. Phillips; unanimous approval.

Mr. Matthews noted that we had a written request from a County employee who had a mammogram and had to pay for everything. CareHere ordered it as a diagnostic, which is not covered on the insurance, instead of as preventative. She requested that she be reimbursed. Dr. Dallas from CareHere explained it had to be labeled diagnostic because of the Affordable Health Care Act. It was decided that she needs to go through the Appeal Process through BlueCross BlueShield.

Report of Consultant: Mr. Shupe handed out the projection report that would have been handed out in July if we had met. He said the Finance Department is still closing out for last year so these numbers will likely change. We ended with a negative balance of \$257,000. With the 10% increase in premiums, he projects that we should end the year with \$1.4M to the good. Dr. Phillips questioned the figures on the disbursements and ending cash balance and stated they may need to look into that difference a little further. Mr. Lawing pointed out that this report is based on cash balance instead of accruals.

Mr. Shupe reported that there are some ACA issues that they are currently working on for us. Some issues have to be resolved by November. Mr. Lawing is currently working on the Transitional Fees which has to be paid through pay.gov and we have to be registered on-line with them. Mr. Lawing stated it will be approximately \$193,000 we will be paying by January 2015.

Mr. Shupe reported that the Life Insurance bid has been rewarded to Dearborn Life. They offered us the same rate as our current carrier who only gave us a one year guarantee and Dearborn gave us a 3 year guarantee. The rate increased from 16 cents to 19 cents.

Mr. Shupe noted that they just released an RFP yesterday on our Medical/RX and our Dental.

CareHere: Dr. Dallas told about a Patient Ambassador Program for colonoscopy screenings. They take care of all billings bundled into one payment. This voluntary program offered through CareHere should give us about a 19% cost savings. Mr. Pospisil made a motion for CareHere to activate and carry this program; seconded by Mr. Matthews; unanimous approval.

Ms. Heath reported that they had changed the verbiage on the Compliance Status Form as requested. Mr. Lawing requested that they contact the people next year that do not complete everything instead of waiting until the last minute like this year. Ms. Heath also reported that under the Wellness Schedule, they now have a Behavioral Coach that they can go directly to instead of having to go through referrals first. She said they are now working with AGAPE Counseling to look at the resources they provide. She asked to utilize their services as a resource for more intensive needs. Everyone agreed it would be a good service to provide.

Ms. Harrod asked that we look over the verbiage for the 2015 nicotine testing affidavit so she can correct that if we need any changes. She reported that the reductions at Hunt Club and the Hendersonville Clinic have gone into effect. She asked about the Telemed Service which has slowed up since the HRA events ended. The committee decided to stop this service until the next HRA event.

Ms. Harrod asked when they would like to receive their annual report and if they would like the BOE report included at the same time. It was decided that she will send out an email and we will respond to her at that time.

Ms. Harrod requested that we start the HRA events in mid-February this time since the BOE is leaving as of January 2015. Everyone agreed this would be best.

Ms. Harrod reported that we have been running at a 72% overall clinic capacity.

CareHere has a HIPPA concern with the Hendersonville Clinic and being able to hear what is being said between the rooms. Mr. Holt and a maintenance crew and a CareHere rep will be going to the clinic to look and do an evaluation.

Finance Director: Mr. Lawing reported we have about a \$1.1M deficit for an overall perspective. We ended up the year about \$135,000 worse than we expected. Health fund has a deficit of \$2.5M but we actually have a cash balance of \$79,215. He is working on getting the last adjustment in. There is an estimated \$128,866 Transitional Tax Fee that has to be paid in January 2015. That will give us a deficit of \$2.7M. We had a bad claims year. Concerning the Dental fund, the cash less liabilities ended in \$428,538 with a \$30,000 improvement. Mr. Lawing stated

he was still looking into the run-off claims. Our biggest concern right now is when the BOE splits off in January where the cash outlay and divisions reside.

Old Business: The committee agreed that we need to look into the smoking surcharge and discuss more at a later date.

New Business: Mr. Matthews gave a farewell speech as this would be his last meeting as Chairman. He officially resigned as Chairman.

There was no further business so Mr. Pospisil made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Holt; meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Sumner County Administration Building
Conference Room #112

MEMBERS PRESENT
Anthony Holt
JoAnne Kemp
Scott Langford
Dr. Phillips
Leslie Schell
Chris Taylor
OTHERS PRESENT
David Lawing
Leah Dennen
Erika Porter
Marty Nelson
Paul R. Goode

- I. CALL TO ORDER by Leah Dennen at 5:30pm in Room 112 of the County Administration Building in Gallatin, TN.
 - A. Approval of Agenda- Motion to approve by Dr. Phillips, second by Mrs. Kemp, unanimous approval. Motion to approve to meet on the third Monday of each month at 5:30pm by Mr. Chris Taylor, second by Mrs. Kemp, unanimous approval.
 - B. Recognition of Public-None
- II. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN- Motion to elect Mr. Langford as Chairman of the Financial Management Committee by Dr. Phillips, second by Mr. Chris Taylor, unanimous approval.
- III. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN- Motion to elect Mrs. JoAnne Kemp as Vice Chairman of the Financial Management Committee by Dr. Phillips, second by Mr. Holt, unanimous approval.
- IV. ADJOURNMENT- Motion to approve by Dr. Phillips, second by Mrs. Kemp, unanimous approval.

MINUTES
GENERAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
BAKER RING, CHAIRMAN
September 8, 2014

Present:

Baker Ring, Chairman
Jerry Becker
Billy Geminden
Steve Graves
Ben Harris
Leslie Schell & Jim Vaughn - Absent

Also Present:

David Pigna, Communications Director
Leah Dennen, County Law Director
Erika Porter, County Law Office
Anthony Holt, County Executive
Paul Decker, Commission Chairman
Bill Kemp, Clerk

The regular meeting of the General Operations Committee was brought to order on Monday, September 8, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building. Chairman Ring declared a quorum present to conduct business.

Agenda. Upon motion of Comm. Graves, seconded by Comm. Harris, the Committee approved the agenda as presented.

Minutes. Upon motion of Comm. Graves, seconded by Comm. Harris, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of August 11, 2014, regular meeting as to form and not to content.

Report of Chairman. Chairman Baker had no report.

County Executive. County Executive Anthony Holt reported that the County had been awarded the Community Development Block Grant to lay waterlines in the northern portion of the County. He explained that the County had already set aside the match of 20 percent of \$525,000.00. When construction on the waterline project has been completed, then the County can apply for another water grant. No action was taken.

Executive Holt stated that a grant application was turned down to further expand the Sumner County Greenway. He said this grant would have bridged over Station Camp Road and connected with all the nearby subdivisions and eventually the greenway system in Hendersonville.

Recognition of the Public. There was none.

Surplus Property. County Law Director Leah Dennen explained the job of David Pigna to bring surplus property to the committee for declaration of surplus or sale as salvage. He posts these items online for sale. Ms. Dennen stated that he oversees construction projects.

October Meeting Date. Ms. Dennen stated that the building would be closed on October 13 for Columbus Day. Without objection, Chairman Ring re-scheduled the meeting for October 14 at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m. after a motion by Comm. Graves, seconded by Comm. Harris.

Prepared by Maria Savage

**MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

Present:

Ben Harris, Chairman
Michael Guthrie, Vice-Chairman
Paul Goode
Steve Graves
Trisha LeMarbre
Baker Ring
Bill Taylor
Chairman Paul Decker

Also Present:

Leah Dennen, County Law Director
Erika Porter, Law Director's Office
County Executive Anthony Holt
Bill Kemp, County Clerk

Chairman Harris brought the Legislative Committee meeting to order with an invocation by Comm. Decker on September 8, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. in the Sumner County Administration Building. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda. Without objection, Chairman Harris moved the Judge Ad Hoc Committee item to the head of the agenda to accommodate those present to speak on the matter. Comm. Graves made a motion, seconded by Comm. Guthrie, to approve the agenda with the change. The motion carried.

Approval of Minutes. Upon motion of Comm. LeMarbre, and duly seconded by Comm. Decker, the August 11, 2014, minutes were approved by the body as to form and not content.

Public Comments. There were none.

Report of Chairman. Chairman Harris yielded the floor to County Law Director Leah Dennen who stated that the composition of the Legislative Committee being eight members could present an issue when the vote is tied. She suggested the committee give consideration to adjusting the rules to compensate for a tie vote.

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

New Business.

Judge Ad Hoc Committee. Chairman Harris recognized Laura Frost, current President of the Sumner County Bar Association(SCBA). She stated the SCBA proposed a committee-oriented process to select a new General Sessions court judge. She asked that the Committee appoint SCBA President, Ms. Frost, and SCBA Vice-President Brandon Meredith to put together an eleven member committee composed of three citizens who are not lawyers and six lawyers not seeking the position or working closely with anyone who is. The ad hoc Committee will present an established committee at the October Legislative

Committee, along with criteria and a selection process for the judgeship. Once the process is approved, then the ad hoc committee would begin accepting resumes and polling judges and lawyers to ascertain their recommendations. Ms. Dennen emphasized that the selection of the judge lies solely with the County Commission.

Upon motion of Comm. Goode, seconded by Comm. Ring, the Committee approved the ad hoc committee structure for selecting a new General Sessions judge.

Veterans Service Report. Presented for docketing purposes only.

Meeting Time. Ms. Dennen reported that the second Monday in October Sumner County offices will be closed. She suggested moving the meeting time to Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. Upon motion of Comm. Decker, seconded by Comm. Graves, the Committee voted to approve the change in the October meeting time.

New Lawsuit Report. Leah Dennen, County Law Director, stated that the previous Commission asked her office to report monthly on new lawsuits filed against the County. She requested the Committee eliminate the requirement to notice the lawsuit to commissioners. Upon motion of Comm. Decker, seconded by Comm. Ring, the Committee voted to drop the requirement to notify the Commission of any new county-wide lawsuits filed.

Certificates of Recognition. Chairman Pospisil introduced the following certificates of recognition:

- 1) Sonya Troutt, Administrator of the Year
- 2) Gage O'Neal, save mother's life with 911 call

Upon motion of Comm. Decker, seconded by Comm. Goode, the Committee voted to group and approve the certificates of recognition.

Report of the Law Director. There was no report.

Adjournment. Comm. LeMarbre made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Comm. Graves. The Committee adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Prepared by Maria Savage