MINUTES SUMNER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MARCH 16, 2015

The Board of County Commissioners of Sumner County, Tennessee met in regular session on Monday, March 16, 2015, in the Commission Chambers of the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin, Tennessee at 7:00 p.m. Present and presiding was the Chairman Paul Decker. Also present were the County Clerk Bill Kemp, County Executive Anthony Holt and County Law Director Leah Dennen and the following Commissioners to wit:

Mike Akins	Michael Guthrie	Kevin Pomeroy
Jerry F. Becker	Ben Harris	Bob Pospisil
Paul Decker	Larry Hinton	Baker Ring
Alan Driver	Merrol N. Hyde	Leslie Schell
Jerry W. Foster	JoAnne Kemp	Bill Taylor
Billy Geminden	Caroline S. Krueger	Chris Taylor
Paul Goode	Trisha LeMarbre	Moe Taylor
Steve Graves	Scott Langford	Jim Vaughn

Having a duly constituted quorum, the meeting was opened in due process by Sheriff Sonny Weatherford. Chairman Decker noted that with twenty-four members seated, a simple majority would be by thirteen votes; and that matters requiring a two-thirds vote would be by sixteen votes during this session.

The Invocation was led by Ken Shaw of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Gallatin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the County Clerk, Bill Kemp.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Without objection, Chairman Decker moved Item C under Report of Chair to the Legislative Committee to allow the Administrator of Elections to discuss convenience voting at that time. Commissioner Langford added a report on debt obligation and a resolution to develop a tourism district. Commissioner Goode moved, and duly seconded by Commissioner Foster, to adopt the agenda with the additions and changes. The Commission approved the agenda as amended by unanimous voice vote of the body.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting of this body held on February 23, 2015, and recorded in the office of the Clerk, Bill Kemp, were approved by voice vote after Commissioner Akins made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Graves.

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

Chairman Decker opened the floor to allow the public to speak concerning any matter on the agenda.

Jim Hunter, Division 1 General Sessions Judge, of 1004 Harris Drive in Gallatin, thanked the Commission for taking the process of judicial selection seriously. He said creating a new judgeship and expanding the infrastructure will enable more efficient and effective operations.

Caleb Sawiski of 2508 Epperson Springs Rd in Westmoreland spoke to the Commission about a fishing rodeo in Westmoreland. This matter was not on the agenda.

With no one else wishing to speak, recognition of the public was closed.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Decker announced an open house March 20 at the new Tennessee College of Applied Technology in Portland.

Chairman Decker reported that the Sumner County Museum thanked the Commission for the \$50,000.00 donation toward the purchase of the carriage house.

Chairman Decker recognized Bob Ary, Director of the County Extension Service, who was present, along with other representatives of the UT Extension Service.

Chairman Decker noted that the Veterans Service Officer's report was provided for information only.

Commissioner Mike Akins read the following certificate of recognition into the record:

A RESOLUTION HONORING KRISTEN LEATH

WHEREAS, Ms. Kristen Leath, owner of Lighthouse Learning Center in Westmoreland, Tennessee, helped save the life of a local gentleman by administering CPR; and

WHEREAS, on February 24th, just before a local board meeting, a man suffered a cardiac arrest and collapsed; Ms. Leath, realizing that someone had to administer CPR, rushed to his aid and worked diligently to resuscitate him; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Leath, who credits God for saving the gentleman's life, exemplifies the highest standards of compassion and kindness and is someone who should be commended for her exceptional efforts to help a fellow citizen in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body does commend Ms. Kristen Leath for her efforts and compassion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is to be spread on the minutes of this body and the Clerk is to furnish a copy of this resolution to Ms. Kristen Leath.

Upon motion of Commissioner Akins, seconded by Commissioner Moe Taylor, the Commission voted to approve the resolution honoring Ms. Leath.

ELECTION OF GENERAL SESSIONS COURT JUDGE

Chairman Decker thanked the candidates for submitting their names for the position of General Sessions Court judge.

Commissioner Goode moved, seconded by Commissioner Ring, to approve the rules as follows:

RULES FOR ELECTION OF GENERAL SESSIONS JUDGE POSITION

All seven candidates' names will be placed on the slate for consideration in alphabetical order. The first candidate to receive thirteen (13) votes from the County Commission will be considered elected to the position.

The First Vote

After the Chairman places the matter on the floor, the voting will begin. All seven names shall be considered in the first round of voting. Any candidate(s) who receive no votes shall be removed from the slate. The candidate with the lowest vote total shall also be removed from the slate. If there is more than one candidate with the lowest vote total, all those candidates with the low vote total will be removed from the slate, unless a motion is made, seconded and passed by the Commission to change these particular rules. Such a change will require a two-thirds (16 member) vote.

The Second and Subsequent Vote(s)

On the second and subsequent vote(s) the candidate with the lowest votes shall be removed from the slate.

If there is more than one candidate with that lowest vote total, all those candidates with that low vote total will be removed from the slate, unless a motion is made, seconded and passed by the Commission to change this particular rule. Such a change will require a two-thirds (16 member) vote.

The voting rounds will continue until a candidate receives at least thirteen (13) votes which will constitute being elected by the Commission, or the body ceases voting and moves onto the next item of business.

How the Vote will be Taken

While not discussed by the Legislative Committee, it is possible that other voting scenarios may be placed on the floor for consideration. One person has asked if a paper ballot could be used. The answer is yes, as long as the name and vote is called out for the record. Another person has asked if the board can be used. When we are down to three candidates, the board will be available for use. The County Commission can by two-thirds or 16 votes change how this process is handled.

Chairman Decker declared the motion approved establishing the rules for election of the General Sessions judge.

Chairman Decker stated that commissioners can vote verbally by district while it is recorded on a computer by Clerk Kemp or vote by a paper ballot. Commissioner Vaughn moved, seconded by Commissioner Goode, to approve the use of paper ballots. The motion carried by voice vote with Commissioner Moe Taylor voting no. The General Sessions Judge candidates nominated at the February 23, 2015 meeting were as follows:

Charles Ronald Blanton
Thomas Boyers V
Mike Carter
George J. Duzane
Miles Allen Ehmling
James B. Hawkins
Devon Sutherland

The color-coded ballots were distributed to each commissioner.

Commissioners recorded their vote on the first ballot. Chairman Decker announced each vote and Clerk Kemp recorded them as follows:

Subject: General Sessions Ballot 1								
Dist.	Commissioner	Blanton	Boyers	Carter	Duzane	Ehmling	Hawkins	Sutherland
1	Akins			✓				
1	M. Taylor			V				
2	Geminden				V			
2	Hinton						V	
3	Driver							✓
3	Graves		>					
4	Foster			V				
4	Schell			✓				
5	Harris		V					
5	Ring					~		
6	Pomeroy			V				
6	Vaughn	V						
7	Kemp	V						
7	LeMarbre	V						
8	Decker	V						
8	Hyde	V						
9	Becker					V		
9	C. Taylor							V
10	Goode			V				
10	Krueger							V
11	Langford			V				
11	B. Taylor					~		
12	Guthrie			V				
12	Pospisil					V		
	TOTALS	5	2	8	1	4	1	3
24	of 24 voting	Blanton	Boyers	Carter	Duzane	Ehmling	Hawkins	Sutherland

In accordance with the rules and procedures adopted, Chairman Decker declared the two candidates with the lowest vote totals, Mr. Duzane and Mr. Hawkins, removed from the ballot.

The second vote commenced and the ballots were collected. Chairman Decker announced each vote and Clerk Kemp recorded them as follows:

Subject: General Sessions Ballot 2								1
Dist.	Commissioner	Blanton	Boyers	Carter		Ehmling		Sutherland
1	Akins			V				
1	M. Taylor			V				
2	Geminden							✓
2	Hinton			V				
3	Driver							✓
3	Graves		>					
4	Foster			V				
4	Schell			V				
5	Harris			V				
5	Ring					V		
6	Pomeroy			V				
6	Vaughn	V						
7	Kemp	V						
7	LeMarbre	V						
8	Decker	V						
8	Hyde	V						
9	Becker					V		
9	C. Taylor							✓
10	Goode	V						
10	Krueger							✓
11	Langford			V				
11	B. Taylor					V		
12	Guthrie			V				
12	Pospisil					V		
	TOTALS	6	1	9	0	4	0	4
24	of 24 voting	Blanton	Boyers	Carter		Ehmling	300	Sutherland

In accordance with the rules and procedures adopted, Chairman Decker declared Mr. Boyers name removed from the ballot.

Commissioners voted on the third paper ballot. Chairman Decker announced each vote and Clerk Kemp recorded them as follows:

Subject: General Sessions Ballot 3]	
Dist.	Commissioner	Blanton		Carter		Ehmling		Sutherland
1	Akins			V				
1	M. Taylor			V				
2	Geminden							✓
2	Hinton			V				
3	Driver							✓
3	Graves			V				
4	Foster			V				
4	Schell			✓				
5	Harris			V				
5	Ring			V				
6	Pomeroy			V				
6	Vaughn	V						
7	Kemp	V						
7	LeMarbre	V						
8	Decker	V						
8	Hyde			V				
9	Becker					V		
9	C. Taylor			V				
10	Goode	V						
10	Krueger							~
11	Langford			✓				
11	B. Taylor					V		
12	Guthrie			✓				
12	Pospisil			✓				
	TOTALS	5	0	14	0	2	0	3

24 of 24 voting Blanton Carter Ehmling Sutherland

Commissioner Hyde requested his vote be changed from Blanton to Carter. Commissioner Ring requested his vote be changed from Ehmling to Carter. Chairman Decker declared Mike Carter elected as the new General Sessions Court judge with14 votes. Mr. Carter thanked the commissioners and others for their efforts and support.

County Executive Holt discussed the benefits and goals of the Three-Star report. He requested that this information be included in the official record. Upon motion of Commissioner Goode, seconded by Commissioner Graves, the Commission voted unanimously to make the Three-Star report part of the record.

Chairman Decker recognized County Law Director Leah Dennen who stated that the judicial commissioners filed an annual report that is made part of the record. She said there were no responses after public notice was given.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Decker introduced the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1503-10 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$2,500.00 FOR THE PORTLAND LIBRARY FROM THE CITY OF PORTLAND FOR LIBRARY BOOKS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby appropriates \$2,500.00 for the Portland Library from the City of Portland for library books, as shown on the attachment herewith.

1503-11 RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$20,000.00 FROM THE RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE FOR COURTROOM SECURITY TO REPLACE JAIL METAL DETECTORS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby appropriates \$20,000.00 from the restricted fund balance to replace jail metal detectors, as shown on the attachment herewith.

1503-12 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 SUMNER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby approves the 2014-2015 Sumner County Board of Education General Purpose School Fund budget amendments, as shown on the attachment herewith.

1503- 13 A RESOLUTION DOCKETING SUMNER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET AMENDMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby dockets in its records the Sumner County Board of Education Budget Amendments, as shown on the attachment herewith.

1503-14 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$4,372.00 TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FROM RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE TO SCAAP EXPENSE LINES FOR JAIL SUPPLIES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby appropriates \$4,372.00 to the Sheriff's Office for SCAAP expenses by decreasing the beginning balance of the restricted fund balance for SCAAP, as shown on the attachment herewith.

1503-15 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER WITHIN MAJOR CATEGORIES FOR THE FINANCE DIRECTOR'S BOND

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body does hereby authorize the transfer within major categories for the Finance Director's Bond, as shown on the attachment herewith.

1503-16 RESOLUTION DECLARING VARIOUS ITEMS FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OR SALE PURSUANT TO EXISTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body does hereby declare various items from the Sheriff's Office as surplus, as shown on the attachment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the disposal or sale of the same is authorized pursuant to existing policies and procedures.

1503-17 A RESOLUTION DECLARING VARIOUS ITEMS FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OR SALE OF SAME PURSUANT TO EXISTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby declares various items from the County Executive's Office as surplus, as shown on the attachment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the disposal or sale of the same is authorized pursuant to existing policies and procedures.

Tax Refunds

Mark and Shelia Brown \$ 47.00

Robert and Juanita Grantham \$347.00

Joseph Kessler, Jr. \$89.00

Sumner Special Housing Inc. \$85.00

Chairman Decker declared the items on the Consent Agenda approved on the first and final reading.

REPORT FROM COUNTY OFFICIALS

County Officials filed the following reports: County Investments, County General Fund, County Debt Service Fund, County Highway Fund, County Capital Outlay Fund, School General Purpose Fund, School Federal Projects Fund, School Food Service Fund, Employee Health Insurance Trust Fund, Employee Dental Insurance Trust Fund, Casualty Insurance Trust Fund, County Trustee Funds, Special Reports: County Dental Insurance Claim Payments, County Health Insurance Claim Payments, County Property Tax Collections, County EMS Billing/Collections/Balances, County Sales Tax Collections, County Wheel Tax Collections, County Tax Rates/Property Values and County School Loan Program Rates. Approval of the filing of these records does not certify to the accuracy of the documents.

Chairman Decker introduced the following resolution:

1503-NOT

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARIES PUBLIC POSITIONS AND PERSONAL SURETY GUARANTORS

WHEREAS, according to the law of the State of Tennessee, an individual must apply for the office of notary public in the county of residence, or of their principal place of business: and

WHEREAS, state statute requires personal sureties making bonds for Notaries publics to be approved by the Sumner County Commission; and

WHEREAS, said applicant must be approved by the County Commission assembled; and

WHEREAS, Bill Kemp, Sumner County Clerk, has certified according to the records of his office that the persons named on the attached listing labeled "SUMNER COUNTY NOTARY PUBLIC APPLICATIONS and SURETY GUARANTORS" have duly applied for the positions so sought; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS TAKE EFFECT FROM AND AFTER PASSAGE.

ELECTION OF NOTARIES PUBLIC

ALICIA ARNOLD ANGELA P BANDY SHERRI L BLAKE MICHELLE BOUREY SUSAN E BYRUM DODIE CLARK SHEILA MCCORD SUE MILLIKEN CURRY A OLDHAM JAMES OLDHAM MARY LOU PETERSON TEMPLE P PRYOR

ELLEN M CLEVELAND
BARRY COBB
QUENN N CRUM
WILLIAM L DOUGLAS II
DELORES FARRELL
ELAINE GORE
SONIA W HIGH
JOYCE HITCHCOCK
MARY ANN INMAN
ASHLEY JIRIK
LISA ANN MAPLES
NANCY L MAXEY

JULIE A RIEMENSCHNEIDER
SUSAN F SCHULZE
CYNTHIA W SHARP
RICHARD M SHOEMAKER
DEBORAH SMITH
LORI STRICKLAND
JENNIFER TATE
SARAH J TAYLOR
LARRY D TURNER
WENDY J WILLS
CHRISTINA L WITT
PERSONAL SURETY
TEMPLE P PRYOR
DARLENE DAUGHTRY

ANGELA P BANDY
DARLENE D DAUGHTRY

SUE H DUNNING
BRUCE N OLDHAM

Upon motion of Commissioner Ring, seconded by Commissioner Pomeroy, voting was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Υ	Geminden	Υ
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Υ	Graves	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaughn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Decker	Υ
Hyde	Υ	Becker	Υ	C. Taylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Taylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pospisil	Υ

1503-NOTARIES Yes: 24 No: 0 Abs: 0 07:42 PM

Chairman Decker declared the election of Notaries Public by the body.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

There was no report from the Committee on Committees.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION

There was no report from the Highway Commission.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

There was no report from the Education Committee.

GENERAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

There was no report from the General Operations Committee.

EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Commissioner Guthrie introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion.

1503-01 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUMNER COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PORTLAND TO BUILD A FACILITY WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY TO HOUSE A NEW FIREHALL AND AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL AMBULANCE SERVICE SITE TO SERVE THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY AND THE CITIZENS OF SUMNER COUNTY

WHEREAS, Sumner County and the City of Portland seek to enter into agreements, compacts, and other contractual relationships to conduct, operate or maintain, either jointly or otherwise, services or functions to benefit the public good; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 12-9-101 through 12-9-109 authorize public agencies of this State to enter into inter-local agreements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland and Sumner County, recognize the need to provide facilities for both fire and emergency medical services to aid citizens of our County; and

WHEREAS, an ad hoc committee composed of leaders and officials from the City of Portland and Sumner County, have met and studied the needs of fire protection, emergency medical services, and the costs associated therewith and considered ways to finance the costs of the needed expansion; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation is for a fire and emergency medical services building to be constructed to combine the services at one location near a school in the southern area of the City and close to a nearby hospital; and

WHEREAS, funding for this facility and its operation will be a joint operation with costs shared on an equal basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body does authorize the County Executive and Law Director to draft and endorse an agreement to build a new fire and emergency medical facility in the City of Portland with funding between the entities to be shared on an equal fifty/fifty (50/50) basis with the construction portion being up to \$1,150,000.00.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Υ	Geminden	Υ
	•	•	•		•
Hinton	Y	Driver	Υ	Graves	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaughn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Decker	Υ
Hyde	Α	Becker	Υ	C. Taylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Taylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pospisil	Υ

1503-01 Yes: 23 No: 0 Abs: 1 07:53 PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-01 approved by the body.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

There was no report from the Public Services Committee.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Harris introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Akins.

1503-02 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE REVIEW OF THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the 2014 annual review of the Sumner County Judicial Magistrate program was held on March 16th, 2015, before this body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body does hereby accept the review of the Judicial Magistrate program for the 2014 calendar year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this report shall be made a part of this record.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Υ	Gemino	den Y	
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Υ	Graves	Y	
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	Υ	
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaughr	ı Y	
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Decker	Υ	
Hyde	Υ	Becker	Υ	C. Tayl	or Y	
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Tayl	or Y	
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pospisi	I Y	
1503-02	Yes: 24	No: 0		Abs: 0	07:54 PM	

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-02 approved by the body.

Commissioner Harris introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bill Taylor.

1503-03 A RESOLUTION DISCOURAGING PASSAGE OF TENNESSEE HB 0985/SB 0466 LIMITING RIGHTS OF CITIZENS TO BE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

WHEREAS, presently before the Tennessee General Assembly is legislation known as HB 0985/SB0466 which proposes to limit the ability of county employees to run for office as a county commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the right to run for public office is one provided by our State and Federal Constitutions; and

WHEREAS, all types of elected officials begin their careers in local government, and to place such a limitation on the right to seek public office will remove from the ballot interested persons who have developed a skill set during their employment with the County that is beneficial to the citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body does reject the idea of this legislation and asks our delegates to vote against the passage of Tennessee HB 0985/SB0466 which limits rights of citizens to be members of the county legislative body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Law Director shall send copies of this resolution to our state delegates.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	N	M. Taylor	Ν	Gemi	nden	Υ
Hinton	N	Driver	Υ	Grave	es	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	3	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaug	hn	Ν
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Deck	er	Υ
Hyde	Ν	Becker	Υ	C. Ta	ylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Ta	ylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Posp	isil	Υ
1503-03	Yes: 19	No: 5		Abs: 0	08:04	I PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-03 approved by the body.

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Commissioner Harris introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Akins

1503-04 A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST LEGISLATION BY THE TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO MORE EQUITABLY DISTRIBUTE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX COLLECTED BY ON-LINE RETAILERS NOT PHYSICALLY LOCATED IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE

WHEREAS, e-commerce and on-line sales have accounted for a significantly larger portion of retail sales in the United States, including Tennessee, over the last ten years; and

WHEREAS, the amount of Local Option Sales Tax collected and remitted to the State by on-line retailers who have no physical presence in the State will continue to accelerate over the next several years; and

WHEREAS, based on this trend, no new method to distribute Local Option Sales Tax that would recognize the locality of the actual taxpayer for distribution to local governments based on the purchasers address has been developed; and

WHEREAS, Local Option Sales Tax is the second largest source of revenue for most local governments.

THEREFORE, the Sumner County Legislative Body hereby requests that our State Legislators initiate appropriate legislation to ensure that Local Option Sales Tax collected and remitted to the State of Tennessee is distributed to local governments

based upon the residence and ship-to address of the purchaser who paid the tax; and further,

REQUEST, that the Tennessee County Services Association and County Mayor's Association work with the State Legislature and Department of Revenue to more equitably distribute local option sales tax collected by on-line retailers not physically located in the State of Tennessee, and further,

DIRECT that this resolution be sent to other County Legislative Bodies requesting their support with the State Legislature and County Associations to insure an equitable distribution of Local Option Sales Tax.

Adopted this 16th day of March, 2015.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	. /	4	Geminde	n Y
Hinton	Υ	Driver	`	′	Graves	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	}	′	Harris	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	}	′	Vaughn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	• \	′	Decker	Υ
Hyde	Υ	Becker	}	′	C. Taylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	}	′	B. Taylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie)	′	Pospisil	Υ
1503-04	Yes: 23	١	No: 0		Abs: 1	08:10 PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-04 approved by the body.

Commissioner Harris introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goode.

1503-05 A RESOLUTION CLARIFYING THAT HENDERSONVILLE LIBRARY SHALL REMAIN IN NAME OF CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th of March, 2015, that this body hereby clarifies that the Hendersonville Library shall remain in name of City of Hendersonville, Tennessee, and the City and County shall continue to work jointly to operate the Hendersonville Library.

Upon discussion, Commissioner Hinton moved, seconded by Commissioner Moe Taylor, to defer the resolution for 30 days to further consider how the relationship would work between the entities going forward.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Υ	Geminden	Υ
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Α	Graves	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	Ν
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaughn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	N	Decker	Υ
Hyde	Υ	Becker	Υ	C. Taylor	Ν
Goode	Ν	Krueger	Υ	B. Taylor	Ν
Langford	Ν	Guthrie	Υ	Pospisil	Ν

1503-05-DEFER Yes: 16 No: 7 Abs: 1 08:17 PM

Chairman Decker declared the motion to defer approved by the body.

Being on the prevailing side, Commissioner Ring moved to reconsider, seconded by Commissioner LeMarbre. Chairman Decker ruled that the motion to defer for 30 days could not be reconsidered.

Commissioner Harris introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ring.

1503-06 A RESOLUTION ASKING THAT SUMNER COUNTY BE ADDED TO LEGISLATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE CONVENIENCE VOTING CENTER PILOT PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby asks that Sumner County be added to the list of participants in the State of Tennessee convenience voting center pilot program.

Chairman Decker recognized Administrator of Elections Lori Atchley who rose to speak in favor of Sumner County participating in a pilot program to set up convenience voting centers. Ms. Atchley stated that she would work with each of the commissioners to set up vote centers.

Upon motion by Commissioner Goode, seconded by Commissioner Ring, the Commission approved the motion by unanimous voice vote to suspend the rules to allow Election Commission Chairman Allen Ehmling to speak. Mr. Ehmling encouraged commissioners to pass the resolution.

Commissioner Bill Taylor called for the question; Commissioner Pospisil seconded the motion. Chairman Decker declared the motion carried by voice vote of the body. Commissioner Akins registered a protest that he was in the queue but not recognized to comment after the call for the question.

The electronic vote on the resolution was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Ν	M. Taylor	Ν	Gemino	len N
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Υ	Foster	Υ
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Pomeroy	Ν	Vaughn	Ν	Kemp	Υ
LeMarbre	Υ	Decker	Ν	Hyde	Ν
Becker	Α	C. Taylor	Υ	Goode	Υ
Krueger	Υ	B. Taylor	Υ	Langfor	d Y
Guthrie	Υ	Pospisil	Υ	· ·	
1503-06	Yes: 14	No: 8	3	Abs: 1	09:14 PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-06 approved by the body.

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Chairman Decker stated that Rules and Procedures Committee has been reviewing and considering changes to the Commission Standard Rules and Procedures manual. Commissioners discussed the rules regarding the call for the question.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Commissioner Langford requested that a report on debt obligation be entered into the minutes as follows.



STATE OF TENNESSEE
COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY
OFFICE OF STATE AND LOCAL FINANCE
SUITE 1600 JAMES K. POLK STATE OFFICE BUILDING
505 DEADERICK STREET
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-1402
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February 2, 2015

The Honorable County Executive and Commission of Sumner County 355 North Belvedere Drive, Room 302 Gallatin, TN 37066

Dear Mr. Holt and Commissioners:

This letter should be included in the minutes of the next meeting of the County Commission with a copy provided to each commissioner.

This Office received a request from the Sumner County (the "County") on January 30, 2015, for approval to issue interfund three-year capital outlay notes in an amount not to exceed \$5,500,000 to be known as the Interfund Capital Outlay Notes, Series 2015 (the "Notes").

Included with the request was a certified copy of Resolution No. 1501-19 adopted on January 26, 2015, authorizing the issuance of the Notes to finance:

- (i) the acquisition of land for and the construction, renovation, repairs, and equipping of schools,
- (ii) construction and improvement to highways, streets, roads, bridges, and acquisition of right-ofways,
- (iii) acquisition of land for and constructing and equipping emergency service buildings, safety buildings, court buildings, and County public buildings,
- (iv) acquisition of vehicles for the foregoing,
- (v) acquisition of all property, real and personal, in connection therewith, and
- (vi) payment of legal, fiscal, administrative, architectural, engineering costs incident to the foregoing

Collectively these are (the "Projects").

The note form was included as part of the Resolution. Please send a copy of the executed note form to us along with the completed Report on Debt Obligation within forty-five days of the issuance of the debt herein approved.

The County provided a copy of its debt management policy, and within forty-five (45) days of issuance of the debt approved in this letter, is required to submit a Report on Debt Obligation that indicates that this debt complies with its debt policy. If the County amends its policy, please submit the amended policy to this office.

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Note Approval

This letter constitutes approval for the County to issue the Notes as an interfund loan from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 9-21-604 and §9-21-408. Approval of the sale of the Notes is conditioned upon the County's compliance with all relevant provisions of Tennessee law.

This Office has relied upon the County's determination of the cost of the public works project.

The County is responsible for insuring 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. Please present a copy of this letter to the governing body at the next meeting following receipt of this letter.

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.

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 note resolution must be passed by the Governing Body and submitted to this Office for approval.

Periodic Principal Retirement Waiver

The City requested a waiver of principal for three years until the debt is permanently financed with a longer term bond issue. This letter further constitutes approval of a principal waiver for a period of three years after the date of issuance of the Notes.

Purpose, Terms, and Life

These Projects meet the definition for public works projects in T.C.A. § 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 Projects. The maturity of the Notes does not exceed the life of the proposed Project as attested by the local governing body. The submitted certified 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. The maximum maturity for the Notes as authorized by the governing body is three years after the date of issuance.

Nonconforming Obligations

Notes issued contrary to Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 21, Parts 4 and 6, or notes not properly extended are nonconforming obligations. The Comptroller has the option to levy a penalty for notes deemed nonconforming obligations.

Director's Approval Requirement

By issuing debt under the authority of Title 9 Chapter 21 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, the County has placed itself under the budget approval authority of the Director of the Office of State and Local Finance (the "Director") for the life of any outstanding debt. This authority requires you, as Chief Executive Officer, to submit to the Director the appropriation resolution for official budget approval within 15 days of adoption, with any necessary supporting documents that substantiate:

the County's budget is balanced as required by state law,

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- · the County intends to pay all of its outstanding debt obligations, and
- the annual budget is prepared in a form consistent with accepted governmental standards and as approved by the Director.

This Office can require the County to provide any information or perform any audits necessary to ascertain that the County maintains a balanced budget and make payments on its outstanding debt obligations. If the government is unwilling to submit information to comply with the requirements of T.C.A. § 9-21-403, the approval to issue the Notes is rescinded.

Report on Debt Obligation

Enclosed is a Report on Debt Obligation (Form CT-0253). The Report on Debt Obligation must be filed with the governing body of the public entity issuing the Debt not later than forty-five (45) days following the issuance or execution of a debt obligation by or on behalf of any public entity, with a copy (including attachments, if any) filed with the Director of the Office of State and Local Finance by mail to the address on this letter or by email to StateandLocalFinance.PublicDebtForm@cot.tn.gov. No public entity may enter into additional debt if it has failed to file the Report on Debt Obligation.

Please notify us if the County decides not to issue the Notes.

Sincerely,

Sandra Thompson

Director of State & Local Finance

Cc: Mr. Jim Arnette, Director of Local Government Audit, COT

Enclosure: Report on Debt Obligation (Form CT-0253)

Commissioner Lankford introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. Commissioner Ring seconded the motion.

1503-18 A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AN ADVENTURE TOURISM DISTRICT IN SUMNER COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND TO DEVELOP AN ADVENTURE TOURISM DISTRICT PLAN FOR SUBMISSION TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR JOINT APPROVAL AS AN ADVENTURE TOURISM DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE TENNESSEE ADVENTURE TOURISM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2011

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Adventure Tourism and Rural Development Act of 2011 (Tennessee Code Annotated §11-11-201 et seq.) directs the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development to study and develop a plan for the promotion and development of adventure tourism and other recreational and economic development activities in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Adventure Tourism and Rural Development Act of 2011 further creates a mechanism by which local communities can apply to be certified as an Adventure Tourism District; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development and the Tennessee Department of Revenue have announced applications are available for communities seeking to receive the three-year certification as an Adventure Tourism District, with said applications being due by April 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, creation of an Adventure Tourism District requires the approval of a local governing body by two-thirds vote and requires the development of the Adventure Tourism plan, which must be submitted as part of the application packet to the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development and the Tennessee Department of Revenue for joint approval for certification as an Adventure Tourism District; and

WHEREAS, after approval, the local governing body may submit the Adventure Tourism District plan to the Tennessee Department of Revenue and the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development for approval of tax credits pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated §67-4-2109 and to the Tennessee Department of Tourism Development for promotional support; and

WHEREAS, the application packet must include a parcel map showing the boundaries of the proposed district and an Adventure Tourism District plan (which shall be more specifically defined in the application package); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Sumner County and those municipalities contributing to this application to support local tourism related businesses and to encourage the creation of jobs in these communities through the creation of an Adventure Tourism District, which is recommended by the County Executive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body, based upon the recommendation of the County Executive, and pursuant to the requirements of the Tennessee Adventure Tourism and Rural Development Act of 2011, Sumner County, Tennessee hereby creates an Adventure Tourism District, with the boundaries of said district being set forth in the application package and further authorizes the submission of a adventure tourism district plan, with both documents being required as part of the application packet to the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development and the Tennessee Department of Revenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive may execute the appropriate legal instruments to accomplish the same.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Α	Gen	ninden	Υ
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Υ	Grav	ves	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harr	ris	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vau	ghn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Dec	ker	Υ
Hyde	Υ	Becker	Υ	C. T	aylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. T	aylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pos	pisil	Υ
1503-18	Yes: 23	No: 0		Abs: 1	09:22	PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-18 approved by the body.

Commissioner Lankford expressed his gratitude for the thoughts and prayers in his time of loss.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Commissioner Goode introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion.

1503-07 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$1,150,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND FOR HALF OF THE COST OF THE PORTLAND FIRE SUMNER **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BUILDING TO BE FUNDED FROM 2015 BOND PROCEEDS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners of Sumner County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session on this 16th day of March, 2015 that this body hereby appropriates \$1,150,000.00 from the capital projects fund for half of the cost of the Portland Fire Sumner Emergency Medical Services Building to be funded from 2015 bond proceeds, as shown on the attachment herewith.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Υ	Geminden	Υ
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Υ	Graves	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaughn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Decker	Υ
Hyde	Α	Becker	Υ	C. Taylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Taylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pospisil	
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No: 0 1503-07

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-07 approved by the body.

Commissioner Goode introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. Commissioner Graves seconded the motion.

1503-08 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$125,000.00 FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE FOR IMMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby appropriates \$125,000.00 for inmate medical expenses, as shown on the attachment herewith.

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Υ	Gemi	nden	Υ
Hinton	Υ	Driver	Υ	Grave	es	Υ
Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	6	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaugl	hn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Decke	er	Υ
Hyde	Υ	Becker	Υ	C. Ta	ylor	Υ
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Ta	ylor	Υ
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pospi	sil	Υ
1503-08	Yes: 24	No: 0		Abs: 0	09:2	4 PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-08 approved by the body.

Commissioner Goode introduced the following resolution and moved for approval. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion.

1503-09 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING UP TO \$36,000.00 FOR ARCHITECT FEES FOR JUVENILE AND CHANCERY COURT RENOVATIONS TO BE PAID FROM THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND AND REIMBURSED FROM THE 2015 BOND

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of March, 2015, that this body hereby appropriates up to \$36,000.00 for architect fees for Juvenile and Chancery Court renovations to be paid from the Capital Projects fund and reimbursed from the 2015 Bond.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Akins	Υ	M. Taylor	Ν	Gemind	en Y
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Foster	Υ	Schell	Υ	Harris	Υ
Ring	Υ	Pomeroy	Υ	Vaughn	Υ
Kemp	Υ	LeMarbre	Υ	Decker	Υ
Hyde	Υ	Becker	Υ	C. Taylo	or Y
Goode	Υ	Krueger	Υ	B. Taylo	or Y
Langford	Υ	Guthrie	Υ	Pospisil	Υ
1503-09	Yes: 23	No:	1	Abs: 0	09:28 PM

Chairman Decker declared the Resolution 1503-09 approved by the body.

Upon discussion, Chairman Decker stated that the Law Director would research whether Resolution 1502-06 required a super majority to be sent to the Tennessee General Assembly.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Decker declared the Commission meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m. upon motion of Commissioner Vaughn, seconded by Commissioner Harris.

BILL KEMP, CLERK

PAUL DECKER, CHAIRMAN

Prepared by Maria A. Savage

Approved on __