
**MINUTES
SUMNER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 1, 2022**

The Board of County Commissioners of Sumner County, Tennessee met in called session on Thursday, September 1, 2022, in the Commission Chambers of the Sumner County Administration Building in Gallatin, Tennessee at 7:00 p.m. Present were the County Clerk Carolyn Templeton, County Executive John C. Isbell and the following Commissioners to wit:

Robert Brown III
Shannon Burgdorf
Dr. Mary Genung
Ben Harris
Mark Harrison
Merrol N. Hyde
Deborah Holmes

Tim Jones
David Klein
Dillon Lamberth
Jeremy Mansfield
Chrissi Miller
Terry Moss
Baker Ring

Darrell Rogers
Don Schmit
Matthew Shoaf
Danny Sullivan
Dr. Jamie Teachenor
Terry Wright
J. Wes Wynne

Having a duly constituted quorum, the meeting was opened in due process by Sheriff Sonny Weatherford. Commissioners Becker and Pomeroy were not present.

Clerk Templeton read the following call into the record:

**NOTICE OF
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE
SUMNER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

There shall be a **Special Called Meeting** of the re-elected and newly elected members of the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners on **Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. (local time)** at the Sumner County Administration Building, Commission Chambers, 355 North Belvedere Drive, Gallatin, Tennessee 37066.

At this meeting, the following shall be undertaken:

- The swearing in of all duly elected County Commissioners; and
- the election of the nominee brought forth by County Mayor-elect John Isbell for the position of Sumner County Law Director; and
- the adoption of the Rules for operation of the body; and
- the election of the County Commission Chairman; and
- the election of the Chairman Pro Temp; and
- to consider and possibly vote upon the manner to resolve the tie vote in the District 13 County Commission seat; and
- the election of the Committee on Committees; and
- the election of the Committees; and
- discuss and vote upon the calendar; and
- adoption of official bonds.

This meeting is called pursuant to *T.C.A. 5-5-104 & 105*, by Mayor Anthony Holt, to meet statutory notice guidelines and public necessity.

The Invocation was led by Todd Alexander of House of Grace Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the County Clerk, Carolyn Templeton.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

County Clerk Carolyn Templeton administered a swearing in ceremony for County Commission members. There were 21 members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Hyde moved, seconded by Commissioner Mansfield, to change the order of the agenda as presented on handout placed on desks. The electronic vote was recorded as follows:

2209s-Agenda				9/1/2022	
YES - 20		NO - 1		ABS - 0	
Individual Voting Results					
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- Y	Harrison 3	- Y
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- Y	Jones 23	- Y
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- Y	Mansfield 16	- Y
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- Y
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- Y
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- N

County Clerk Templeton declared the agenda approved by the body.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

County Clerk Templeton called for nominations from the floor for position of Commission Chairman. Commissioner Mansfield moved the nomination of Commissioner Hyde; seconded by Commissioner Teachenor. County Clerk Templeton called for other nominations and hearing none, the electronic vote was recorded as follows:

Chairman				9/1/2022	
YES - 21		NO - 0		ABS - 0	
Individual Voting Results					
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- Y	Harrison 3	- Y
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- Y	Jones 23	- Y
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- Y	Mansfield 16	- Y
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- Y
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- Y
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- Y

County Clerk Templeton declared the election of Commissioner Hyde as Commission Chairman.

ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIRMAN PRO TEM

County Clerk Templeton called for nominations from the floor for Commission Chairman Pro Tem. Commissioner Shoaf moved the nomination of Commissioner Mansfield; seconded by Chairman Hyde. County Clerk Templeton called for other nominations. Hearing none, the electronic vote was recorded as follows:

Chairman Pro Tem				9/1/2022	
YES - 21		NO - 0		ABS - 0	
Individual Voting Results					
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- Y	Harrison 3	- Y
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- Y	Jones 23	- Y
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- Y	Mansfield 16	- Y
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- Y
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- Y
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- Y

County Clerk Templeton declared the election of Commissioner Mansfield as Chairman Pro Tem.

STANDING RULES AND PROCEDURES

Chairman Hyde entertained a motion to approve the Standing Rules and Procedures of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Mansfield moved, seconded by Commissioner Shoaf, to adopt the Standing Rules and Procedures as submitted.

Commissioner Ring moved for "County Executive" to be changed to "County Mayor". Chairman Hyde ruled to accept the motion and for the corrections to be made.

After discussion, Commissioner Harris moved, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to amend to form a rules committee to review and bring back to full Commission next month.

The electronic vote to amend to form a rules committee was recorded as follows:

A1 – Rules Ad Hoc			9/1/2022					
YES – 7			NO – 12			ABS – 0		
Individual Voting Results								
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- N	Burgdorf 19	- N			
Genung 9	- NV	Harris 10	- Y	Harrison 3	- Y			
Holmes 12	- N	Hyde 20	- N	Jones 23	- N			
Klein 6	- N	Lamberth 4	- Y	Mansfield 16	- N			
Miller 24	- N	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV			
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- N			
Schmit 18	- N	Shoaf 22	- N	Sullivan 7	- Y			
Teachenor 14	- N	Wright 2	- NV	Wynne 15	- Y			

Chairman Hyde declared the amendment failed to carry.

After further discussion, Commissioner Wynne moved, seconded by Commissioner Harris, to have the Rules and Procedures read aloud in its entirety into record.

The electronic vote to read aloud the Rules and Procedures was recorded as follows:

A2 – Reading of Rules			9/1/2022					
YES – 6			NO – 15			ABS – 0		
Individual Voting Results								
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- N	Burgdorf 19	- N			
Genung 9	- N	Harris 10	- Y	Harrison 3	- Y			
Holmes 12	- N	Hyde 20	- N	Jones 23	- N			
Klein 6	- N	Lamberth 4	- Y	Mansfield 16	- N			
Miller 24	- N	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV			
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- N			
Schmit 18	- N	Shoaf 22	- N	Sullivan 7	- N			
Teachenor 14	- N	Wright 2	- N	Wynne 15	- Y			

Chairman Hyde declared the motion failed to carry.

Commissioner Ring moved to continue with the current rules and vote on new rules next month after a copy of the differences is received for review. Chairman Hyde ruled the motion redundant to a previous motion.

Commissioner Shoaf moved, seconded by Commissioner Wright, to adopt the new rules and procedures with amendments allowed for the next 30 days by a simple majority vote. Commissioner Wynne asked to allow amendments for 60 days. The maker of the motion did not agree to the change.

The electronic vote was recorded as follows:

A3 – Rules w/30 days to amend			9/1/2022					
YES – 16			NO – 5			ABS – 0		
Individual Voting Results								
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y			
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- N	Harrison 3	- Y			
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- Y	Jones 23	- Y			
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- N	Mansfield 16	- Y			
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- N	Open 13	- NV			
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- Y			
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- N			
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- N			

Chairman Hyde declared the motion approved by the body.

The electronic vote to adopt the rules as amended was recorded as follows:

A4 – Adopt Rules				9/1/2022	
YES – 15		NO – 5	ABS – 0		
Individual Voting Results					
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- N	Harrison 3	- Y
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- NV	Jones 23	- Y
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- N	Mansfield 16	- Y
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- N	Rogers 5	- Y
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- N
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- N

Chairman Hyde declared the motion approved by the body.

COMMITTEES ON COMMITTEES ELECTION

Chairman Hyde nominated the 2022-2023 Committee on Committees slate as follows: Commissioners Miller, Teachenor, Holmes, Genung and Mansfield. Commissioner Masnfield moved, seconded by Commissioner Wright, to approve the Committee on Committees nominations. Commissioner Harris called for a division of assembly after the voice vote was not unanimous.

The electronic vote on the election of Committee on Committees was recorded in the following manner:

ComonCom				9/1/2022	
YES – 14		NO – 6	ABS – 0		
Individual Voting Results					
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- N	Harrison 3	- N
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- NV	Jones 23	- Y
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- N	Mansfield 16	- Y
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- N	Rogers 5	- Y
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- N
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- N

Chairman Hyde declared the election of Committee on Committees approved by the body. Chairman Hyde declared a recess at 7:39 p.m. to allow the new committee time to deliberate and vote on the new committee slate.

ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2022-2023

Chairman Hyde declared the Commission back in session at 8:03 p.m. County Mayor John C. Isbell asked County Attorney Ben Allen if it is found that the rules are in violation of any Sunshine law will any action taken at the meeting be void. Mr. Allen stated if the rules were found to be in violation then the rules would have to be brought back and openly debated in public.

After discussion, Commissioner Wynne moved, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, to add Commissioner Harris to Emergency Services Committee. Commissioner Ring withdrew his name from the committee to allow Commissioner Harris to serve on the committee.

The electronic vote to amend the EMS Committee was recorded in the following manner:

Amend EMS Comm			9/1/2022
YES - 21	NO - 0	ABS - 0	
Individual Voting Results			
Becker 21 - NP	Brown 17 - Y	Burgdorf 19 - Y	
Genung 9 - Y	Harris 10 - Y	Harrison 3 - Y	
Holmes 12 - Y	Hyde 20 - Y	Jones 23 - Y	
Klein 6 - Y	Lamberth 4 - Y	Mansfield 16 - Y	
Miller 24 - Y	Moss 1 - Y	Open 13 - NV	
Pomeroy 11 - NP	Ring 8 - Y	Rogers 5 - Y	
Schmit 18 - Y	Shoaf 22 - Y	Sullivan 7 - Y	
Teachenor 14 - Y	Wright 2 - Y	Wynne 15 - Y	

Chairman Hyde declared the amendment approved by the body.

2022-2023 COMMISSION COMMITTEE COMMITTEES

Budget (7)

Becker, Jerry
 Brown III, Robert
 Harrison, Mark
 Klein, David
 Mansfield, Jeremy
 Schmit, Don
 Shoaf, Matthew

Com on Com(5)

Genung, Mary Dr.
 Holmes, Deborah
 Mansfield, Jeremy
 Miller, Chrissi
 Teachenor, Jamie Dr.

Education (7)

Brown III, Robert
 Burgdorf, Shannon
 Jones, Tim
 Lamberth, Dillon
 Miller, Chrissi
 Rogers, Darrell
 Sullivan, Danny

Emergency (7)

Burgdorf, Shannon
 Genung, Mary Dr.
 Harris, Ben
 Jones, Tim
 Rogers, Darrell
 Schmitt, Don
 Wright, Terry

Financial Management Committee

Harris, Ben
 Klein, David
 Shoaf, Matthew
 Zimmerman, Colin (citizen)

General Ops (7)

Holmes, Deborah
 Jones, Tim
 Klein, David
 Miller, Chrissi
 Moss, Terry
 Schmitt, Don
 Wynne, J. Wes

Beer Board (5)

Harris, Ben
 Harrison, Mark
 Pomeroy, Kevin
 Ring, Baker
 Wynne, J. Wes

Highway

Burgdorf, Shannon
 Genung, Mary Dr.
 Teachenor, Jamie Dr.
 Wright, Terry

Chairman Hyde called for a vote to approve the 2022-2023 slate of County Commission Standing Committees. The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

Committees				9/1/2022	
YES - 21		NO - 0		ABS - 0	
Individual Voting Results					
Becker 21	- NP	Brown 17	- Y	Burgdorf 19	- Y
Genung 9	- Y	Harris 10	- Y	Harrison 3	- Y
Holmes 12	- Y	Hyde 20	- Y	Jones 23	- Y
Klein 6	- Y	Lamberth 4	- Y	Mansfield 16	- Y
Miller 24	- Y	Moss 1	- Y	Open 13	- NV
Pomeroy 11	- NP	Ring 8	- Y	Rogers 5	- Y
Schmit 18	- Y	Shoaf 22	- Y	Sullivan 7	- Y
Teachenor 14	- Y	Wright 2	- Y	Wynne 15	- Y

Chairman Hyde declared the election of the Commission committee structure.

The respective committees met to elect chairmen and vice-chairman.

COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	VICE-CHAIRMAN
Education Committee (First Monday at 6:00 p.m.)	Robert Brown III	Darrell Rogers
Emergency Services Comm. (First Monday at 5:00 p.m.)	Darrell Rogers	Dr. Mary Genung
Budget Committee (Second Monday at 7:00 p.m.)	Matthew Shoaf	Jeremy Mansfield
General Operations Comm. (First Monday at 7:00 p.m.)	David Klein	Chrissi Miller
Highway Commission (First Monday at 8:00 p.m.)	Dr. Jamie Teachenor	Shannon Burgdorf
Committee on Committees (Second Monday at 5:00 p.m.)	Jeremy Mansfield	Chrissi Miller
Financial Management Comm. (Second Monday at 6:00 p.m.)	Colin Zimmerman (citizen)	David Klein
Beer Board (Third Monday at 6:30 p.m. when called)	Baker Ring	Kevin Pomeroy

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

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

The following persons spoke in favor of a run-off election to fill District 13 County Commission seat:

Steven Puckett of 228 Sanders Ferry Road, Apt. #A-21, Hendersonville
Jeremy Shipley of 156 Oaks Drive, Gallatin
Lynn Baker of 754 Greenfield Lane, Castalian Springs
Jason Baggett of 1013 Whitley Pl., Hendersonville
Jim Stocks of 104 Downing Court/434 Mulberry, Hendersonville
Ron Shepherd of 637 E. Main Street, Gallatin
Deborah Alston of 222 Tupper Drive, Gallatin
Brenda Dotson of 613 Demoss, Gallatin
Brian Corson of 1236 Bothwell Pl, Gallatin
John Boone of 1137 Woodvale Drive, Gallatin
Betty Williams of 304 Woodcrest Drive, Gallatin
Angela Boone of 1137 Woodvale Drive, Gallatin
Ali Corson of 1236 Bothwell Pl., Gallatin
Thomas Staten of 1458 Mt. Olivet Road, Hendersonville
John D. Alexander of 780 Anthony Street, Gallatin

The following persons also spoke:

Kevin Baigert of 424 AB Wade Road, Portland spoke about a republic form of government and in favor of the Commission to vote to fill Commission District 13 seat. Laura Baigert of 424 AB Wade Road, Portland congratulated the incoming Commissioners.

Rebecca Goddard of 2339A New Hope Road, Hendersonville spoke in favor of Commission breaking the County Commission District 13 tie.

Ruth Fennell of 1049 Blue Jay Way, Gallatin congratulated the new Commissioners and spoke in support of the Commission vote to fill District 13 seat.

Jesse Hughes of 1031 Lakeshore Drive, Gallatin spoke in favor of a Commission vote to fill District 13 seat.

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

Chairman Hyde detailed the options available to fill the District 13 commission seat. One being for the County Commission to break the tie and elect the candidate or send to referendum and placed on the November ballot.

Commissioner Wynne called a point of privilege to request a tally of the vote from the public recognition.

Commissioner Mansfield called a point of order to clarify that the rules state a vote may be taken and no vote was taken.

Chairman Hyde confirmed a tally of the vote was not taken.

Commissioner Wynne moved, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, to send District 13 County Commission seat to referendum.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

District 13 Referendum			9/1 9:29:05 PM					
YES - 7			NO - 14			ABS - 0		
Individual Voting Results								
Becker 21	- NP		Brown 17	- N		Burgdorf 19	- N	
Genung 9	- N		Harris 10	- Y		Harrison 3	- Y	
Holmes 12	- N		Hyde 20	- N		Jones 23	- N	
Klein 6	- N		Lamberth 4	- Y		Mansfield 16	- N	
Miller 24	- N		Moss 1	- Y		Open 13	- NV	
Pomeroy 11	- NP		Ring 8	- Y		Rogers 5	- N	
Schmit 18	- N		Shoaf 22	- N		Sullivan 7	- Y	
Teachenor 14	- N		Wright 2	- N		Wynne 15	- Y	

Chairman Hyde declared the motion to send District 13 Commission seat to referendum failed to carry.

Commissioner Mansfield moved, seconded by Commissioner Shoaf, to vote to break the tie and elect Terri Boyt.

After discussion, the electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

District 13 Election			9/1 9:40:15 PM					
YES - 20			NO - 1			ABS - 0		
Individual Voting Results								
Becker 21	- NP		Brown 17	- Y		Burgdorf 19	- Y	
Genung 9	- Y		Harris 10	- Y		Harrison 3	- Y	
Holmes 12	- Y		Hyde 20	- Y		Jones 23	- Y	
Klein 6	- Y		Lamberth 4	- Y		Mansfield 16	- Y	
Miller 24	- Y		Moss 1	- Y		Open 13	- NV	
Pomeroy 11	- NP		Ring 8	- Y		Rogers 5	- Y	
Schmit 18	- Y		Shoaf 22	- Y		Sullivan 7	- N	
Teachenor 14	- Y		Wright 2	- Y		Wynne 15	- Y	

Chairman Hyde declared the election of Terri Boyt to Commission seat District 13 approved by the body.

Terri Boyt was sworn in and took her seat with the Commission body.

Chairman Hyde called for a vote for the regular County Commission meeting date to remain on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

The Commission approved to keep the regular County Commission meeting date to remain on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. by unanimous voice vote by the body.

Commissioner Harris moved, seconded by Commissioner Ring, to approve the following resolution:

**2209-02s A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BONDS OF
 OF SUMNER COUNTY OFFICIALS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sumner County Board of County Commissioners meeting in regular session on this the 1st day of September, 20122 that this body hereby approves the bonds of the Sumner County Officials as listed below.

County Executive	\$100,000.00	09/01/22-08/31/26
County Clerk	\$100,000.00	09/01/22-08/31/26
Circuit Court Clerk	\$100,000.00	09/01/22-08/31/26
Register of Deeds	\$100,000.00	09/01/22-08/31/26
Sheriff	\$100,000.00	09/01/22-08/31/26
Superintendent of Roads	\$100,000.00	09/01/22-08/31/26
Trustee	\$10,369,629.00	09/01/22-08/31/26

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sumner County shall cover all employees with a bond as require by 2013 Public Chapter 315 of \$150,000.00 per claim, which this body shall cover as a self-insured obligation.

The electronic vote was recorded in the following manner:

2209s-02			9/1 9:45:26 PM
YES - 22	NO - 0	ABS - 0	
Individual Voting Results			
Becker 21 - NP	Brown 17 - Y	Burgdorf 19 - Y	
Genung 9 - Y	Harris 10 - Y	Harrison 3 - Y	
Holmes 12 - Y	Hyde 20 - Y	Jones 23 - Y	
Klein 6 - Y	Lamberth 4 - Y	Mansfield 16 - Y	
Miller 24 - Y	Moss 1 - Y	Boyt - Y	
Pomeroy 11 - NP	Ring 8 - Y	Rogers 5 - Y	
Schmit 18 - Y	Shoaf 22 - Y	Sullivan 7 - Y	
Teachenor 14 - Y	Wright 2 - Y	Wynne 15 - Y	

Chairman Hyde declared Resolution 2209s-02 approved by the body.

Chairman Hyde reminded the Commissioners to follow the lead of the chair, no anger in disagreements, stand when speaking and learn by observing during meetings.

Commissioner Ring announced the Middle Tennessee Highland Festival to be held September 10th and 11th at Sanders Ferry Park.

County Mayor John C. Isbell announced he would use his authority as County Mayor to appoint a new Law Director with the resignation of Leah Dennen pursuant to T.C.A Code 5-6-112, Section 1.

Commissioner Mansfield stated Sumner County operates pursuant to Private Act 1973 Chapter 95 and the issue needs to be taken up in Legislative Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Hyde declared the Commission meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m. upon motion of Commissioner Sullivan, and dually seconded.

CAROLYN TEMPLETON, CLERK

MERROL N. HYDE, CHAIRMAN

Prepared by Jennifer Mitchell
Approved on _____
