

BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

AUGUST 19, 2019

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON AUGUST 19, 2019, THAT THE BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE @ 6:00 PM.

AGENDA

Opening of meeting was by Sheriff Kenny Christopher.

Invocation was led by 6rd District Commissioner Darrell Hicks and Pledge of Allegiance was led by 1st District Commissioner Don Patton.

ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK WANDA MALIN AND DEPUTY CLERK MELISSA PLANT

MEMBERS PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT - BILL KEE, ANGIE HERN

DIST. 2	DAYNA FERGUSON	KENNETH MILLER	ROCKY PRESSON
DIST. 3	KELEAH DYE	NORMAN FRAZIER	GARY FURR
DIST. 4	DOUG VICKERS	SONNY HALL	PHIL MELTON
DIST. 5	RACHELLE HILL		ROSANNE WARD
DIST. 6	DARRELL HICKS	RONNIE HOPPER	MARY POWERS
DIST. 1		DON PATTON	WARD PLANT

AGENDA

1. Opening of Meeting by Sheriff or his appointee.
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call by County Clerk or Chief Deputy
4. Announcing of Quorum by Chairman
5. Approval of Agenda (VV)
6. Citizens Forum
7. Commissioners Forum
8. Approval of Minutes (VV)
9. Report of Public Utilities (VV)
10. Approval of the Benton County Girls Softball Lease Agreement for 2019-2020 (VV)
11. Resolution allowing the Benton County Election Commission to apply for the reimbursable Help America Vote Act State Grant to acquire computer hardware and software items for the election office (20190819-01) (VV)

12. Resolution appointing the Sheriff to fulfill a vacancy on the E-911 Board for a term set to expire September 18, 2021 (20190819-02) **(VV)**
13. Resolution amending the projected revenues in the Highway Department Budget for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year (20190819-03) **(RCV)**
14. Resolution budgeting funds in the amount of \$870.00 received through a silent auction fundraiser for the Benton County Senior Citizens Center (20190819-04) **(VV)**
15. Resolution budgeting funds in the amount of \$9,332.00 received through a Technology Grant and City of Camden Contribution for the Benton County Library (20190819-05) **(VV)**
16. Resolution budgeting the interest earned from the Will and Testament Ona W. Florence left Benton County to help assist the Project Help offered through the Benton County Electric System in the amount of \$82.42 (20190819-06) **(VV)**
17. Resolution appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,950 from the courtroom security reserve account in order to install two additional security cameras in the courthouse and upgrade the video storage capability (20190819-07) **(RCV)**
18. Appointing Notaries **(VV)**
19. Any Other Business
20. Adjourn **(VV)**

ANNOUNCING OF QUORUM BY: CHAIR WARD PLANT

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve the Agenda. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries

CITIZENS FORUM

Mark Florence, Benton County School Superintendent, gave an update on the School Resource Officer grant. He said that Benton County has applied for a grant that will help with SRO payroll.

Tosha Gurley, Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network, is covering 9 counties including Benton and informed the Commission about early suicide prevention. She is offering support and training for the county.

COMMISSIONERS FORUM

Chairman Plant advised the 5th District Commissioner Bill Kee resigned due to sickness.

PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Powers to approve July 2019 minutes. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF PUBLIC UTILITES

Motion was made by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Hill to table the Report of Public Utilities until next month. The report was not included in the Commissioner Packets because it received late. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

APPROVAL OF THE BENTON COUNTY GIRLS SOFTBALL LEASE AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the Benton County Girls Softball lease agreement for 2019-2020. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-01**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.


RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-01
SPONSORED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE

WHEREAS, the Benton County Election Commission would like approval to apply for the Help America Vote Act State Grant to help acquire computer hardware and software items for the county election office; and

WHEREAS, the grant would be a reimbursable grant in the amount of \$1,837.02 and with it the election office would purchase a new Dell OptiPlex desktop computer, Dell 24' monitor, HP Laser Jet Enterprise M506dn printer, and Microsoft Office 2016 software package.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th Day of August 2019 that the Benton County Election Commission be approved to apply for the Help America Vote Act State Grant to acquire computer hardware and software items for the county election office.


Brett Lashlee, County Mayor


Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Powers to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-02**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-02

SPONSORED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE

WHEREAS, the E-911 Board member David Markham recently resigned; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Benton County Mayor to appoint the Sheriff, Kenny Christopher to the E-911 Board to fulfill the term of Mr. Markham, which expires September 18, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th Day of August 2019 that the vacancy of Mr. David Markham's term on the Benton County E-911 Board be fulfilled by the appointment of the Sheriff, Kenny Christopher, and will expire on September 18, 2021.



Brett Lashlee, County Mayor



Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-03**. On a Roll Call vote, 15 Ayes, and 1 Pass. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-03

SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT BUCK CARTER

WHEREAS, the Benton County Highway Superintendent would like to request a budget amendment within the projected revenues for the highway department in the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget; and

WHEREAS, the changed would consist of decreasing the Revenue Account No. 40280 – Mineral Severance Tax by \$30,000 and increasing the Revenue Account No. 44145 – Sale of Recycled Materials \$30,000.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th Day of August 2019 that the Benton County Highway Budget be amended to reflect a change in projected revenues as recommended by the Highway Superintendent:

DECREASE REVENUES:

131.40280	HIGHWAY DEPT. MINERAL SEVERANCE TAX	\$30,000
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INCREASE REVENUES

131.44145	HIGHWAY DEPT. SALE OF RECYCLED MATERIALS	\$30,000
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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor



Wanda Malin, County Clerk

RESOLUTION 20190819-03

COMMISSIONER	ABSENT	PRESENT	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	PASS
DAYNA FERGUSON		X		X	X		
KENNETH MILLER		X			X		
ROCKY PRESSON		X					X
KELEAH DYE		X			X		
NORMAN FRAZIER		X	X		X		
GARY FURR		X			X		
SONNY HALL		X			X		
PHIL MELTON		X			X		
DOUG VICKERS		X			X		
RACHELLE HILL		X			X		
BILL KEE	X						
ROSANNE WARD		X			X		
DARRELL HICKS		X			X		
RONNIE HOPPER		X			X		
MARY POWERS		X			X		
ANGIE HERN	X						
DON PATTON		X			X		
WARD PLANT - CHAIR		X			X		

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-04.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hill to amend **RESOLUTION 20190819-04** to change the Revenues line item to .599 Misc from .422 Food Supplies. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-04** as amended. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-04
SPONSORED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE

WHEREAS, the Benton County Senior Citizens Department held a silent auction fundraiser in order to receive financial donations/contributions to help fund their operations; and
WHEREAS, they raised fund in the total amount of \$870.00 from the silent auction; and
WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget the said funds in the amount of \$870.00 to the Senior Citizens Food Account within their budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th Day of August 2019 that the funds in the amount of \$870.00 from the Senior Citizens Center Silent Auction be budgeted as the following:

INCREASE REVENUES:		
101.44570	CONTRIBUTIONS & GIFTS	\$870.00
		\$870.00
INCREASE EXPENDITURES:		
101.56300.422	SENIOR CITIZENS FOOD SUPPLIES	\$870.00
		\$870.00


 Brett Lashlee, County Mayor


 Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-05.** On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-05
SPONSORED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE

WHEREAS, the Benton County Library has received funds in the amount of \$9,332.00, from the LSTA Tech Grant and the city of Camden allocation/contribution; and
WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget the said funds in the amount of \$9,332.00 within the library budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th day of August 2019 that the funds in the amount of \$9,332.00 received by the Benton County Library for the LSTA Tech Grant and the city of Camden allocation/contribution be budgeted as the following:

INCREASED REVENUES:		
101.44170	OTHER LOCAL REVENUE/MISC. REFUNDS (LSTA Grant for Technology INLUCED)	\$ 5,082.00
101.48130	CONTRIBUTIONS (City of Camden Allocation)	\$ 4,250.00
		\$ 9,332.00
INCREASED EXPENDITURES		
101.56500.169	PART-TIME PERSONNEL	\$ 4,250.00
101.56500.709	DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT	\$ 5,082.00
		\$ 9,332.00


 Brett Lashlee, County Mayor


 Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-06.** On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-06

SPONSORED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE

WHEREAS, in a Will and Testament Ona W. Florence left \$4,000.00 to Benton County; and
WHEREAS, only the annual interest earned can be spent and used to help the underprivileged;
and
WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget the interest earned in the amount of \$82.42 so it can be used to assist the Project Help with the Benton County Electric System.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th Day of August 2019 that the interest earned in the amount of \$82.42 be budgeted to the Revenue Account No. 101.44110 – Interest Earned and to the Expenditure Account No. 101.51300.599 – County Mayor Other Charges so it can be donated to Project Help with the Benton County Electric System to help aid the underprivileged.



Brett Lashlee, County Mayor



Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve **RESOLUTION 20190819-07.** On a Roll Call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20190819-07

SPONSORED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE

WHEREAS, the Benton County Courtroom Security board has voted to install two more security cameras in the courthouse and to increase the video storage; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,950.00 from the Courtroom Security Reserve Account within the County General Fund in order to cover this installation and purchase.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19th Day of August 2019 that the funds in the amount of \$1,950.00 be appropriated from the Courtroom Security Reserve Account 101.34520 and budget to the Expenditure Account No. 101.53400.790 – Chancery Court Other Equipment in order to have two additional security cameras installed in the Benton County Courthouse.



Brett Lashlee, County Mayor



Wanda Malin, County Clerk

NOTARIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve Notaries for AUGUST 2019. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

KRISTEN D HORTON REBECCA S LUSK

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Hopper had some concerns about the Solid Waste Management Board and the frequency of the meetings held.

Chairman Plant advised that the September 16, 2019 Meeting we will be electing a new Chairman and that the Ethics Committee will meet at 5:30 pm before the regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Furr to adjourn this meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK, DO CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE AUGUST 19, 2019 BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.

BRETT LASHLEE, MAYOR

WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK