

BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

MAY 17, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON MAY 17, 2021, 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 Commissioner Nunnery and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hopper.

ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK WANDA MALIN – ABSENT – DARRELL HICKS, MARY POWERS. ANGIE HERN

ROLL CALL RESULTS Present: 15 Absent: 3

**ROLL CALL**

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	PRESENT
Don Patton	PRESENT	Sonny Hall	PRESENT
Ward Plant	PRESENT	Phil Melton	PRESENT
Davna Ferguson	PRESENT	Rachelle Hill	PRESENT
Kenneth Miller	PRESENT	Mike Nunnery	PRESENT
Rocky Presson	PRESENT	Rosanne Ward	New Speaking
Keleah Dve	PRESENT	Darrell Hicks	ABSENT
Norman Frazier	PRESENT	Ronnie Hopper	PRESENT
Garv Furr	PRESENT	Mary Powers	ABSENT

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**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 County Clerk, Wanda Malin
1. Approval of Agenda
2. Citizens Forum
3. Commissioners Forum
4. County Mayor, Attorney, Finance Advisor, Invited Guest Speaker Forum, or Proclamations
  - b. Guest Speaker, Lisa Wigington with TEC
  - c. National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day Proclamation
  - d. Proclamation Honoring Lydia Branch
5. Approval of Minutes
6. Report of Public Utilities

7. Approval of the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center Quarterly Report
8. Approval of the Schools five-year contract with Linewiz for a cloud-managed filter and reporter with built in cyber security controls.
9. Approval of Releasing the Trustee of Benton County from the 2019 Tax Aggregate of \$7,955,908.00.
10. Resolution to renew the Employee Health Insurance plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield Tennessee effective July 1, 2021 with the continued HRA of up to \$2,000 for each participating employee. (20210517-01) VV
11. Resolution to transfer funds in the amount \$2,452.00 within Fund 151 – Debt Service. (20210517-02) VV
12. Resolution to transfer funds in the amount of \$20,535.92 within the Employee Benefits health insurance account. (20210517-03)  
VV
13. Resolution transferring funds in the amount of \$4,000 from 101.51100.325 – County Commission Fiscal Agent Charges to 101.51100.191 – Board and Committee Member Fees (20210517-04) VV
14. Resolution to transfer funds in the total amount of \$3,900.00 within the Sheriff and Jail budgets (20210517-05) VV
15. Resolution to transfer funds in the amount \$50,000 from Fund 178 into Fund 189 (20210517-06) RCV
16. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$128,000 within the school's budget (20210517-07) VV
17. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 within the school's budget (20210517-08) VV
18. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$10,381.40 within the sheriff department budget (20210517-09) VV
19. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$4,250.00 within the library budget (20210517-10) VV
20. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$4,617.09 within Fund 172 – Community Development (20210517-11) VV
21. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$10,565.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to cover the coroner/medical examiner billing and autopsy expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year (20210517-12)RCV
22. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,742.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to cover the tire disposal expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year (20210517-13) RCV
23. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within Fund 128 – TRRD in order to cover the trustee's commission for the revenues collected throughout the remainder of this fiscal year (20210517-14)RCV
24. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$16,676.15 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to pay outstanding invoices received from The Barrett Group on revenue enhancement findings for Hotel/Motel Tax and Bank Franchise/Excise Tax (20210517-15) RCV
25. Appointing Notaries
26. Any Other Business
27. Adjourn

**ANNOUNCING OF QUORUM BY:**

**Chairperson Rosanne Ward**

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Nunnery to approve the Agenda. On a roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion Carries.

**Commissioner Mary Powers has moved from the 6<sup>th</sup> district and has announced her resignation effective May 31, 2021. She will be a non-participating member tonight.**

**Due to Commissioner Powers resignation, we will have a 17-member majority tonight.**

## **CITIZENS FORUM**

Terry Leonard is representing the Sharing and Caring Community concerning a resolution that passed on February 17, 2004 passed a Resolution for a 99-year lease for the Sharing and Caring committee. Mr. Leonard expressed the communities desire to be left alone by Government.

Mayor Lashlee responding by saying he knew nothing about any harassment and that he could help the community with grants to enhance the area.

Stephanie Harclerod and Michelle Smith introduced Taso Arima- managing director of Hyperion Metals – to the commission. He wanted to answer any questions about this new business on Main St in Camden. The company is drilling minerals in Benton, Henry and Carroll counties. Both Ms. Harclerod and Michelle Smith work in that office.

Lisa Wiggington – TEC – and James Garner – TEC spoke about the new fiber broadband coming to Benton County. State Grants were used to provide service to 300 locations in 2020. In 2021, construction is scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter this year for over 87 miles and 1200 locations. The total investment in Benton County is over 8.25 million dollars. They are asking Benton County to earmark funds from monies granted from pandemic funds for broadband infrastructure. They have put in free public hotspot access at several fire departments.

Mark Florence – Director of Schools – spoke about Emergency School Relief funds and how the money was spent and how future funds will used. Technology, infrastructure and teaching staff were among some of the highlights.

## **COMMISSIONERS FORUM**

Commissioner Presson spoke about the contract with Waste Management and possible charges to residents to dump there. He also spoke about sales tax collection in Benton County.

## **COUNTY MAYOR, ATTORNEY, FINANCE ADVISOR, INVITED GUEST SPEAKER FORUM, OR PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Lashlee addressed Commissioner Presson's concerns about Waste Management charging residents for dumping there. Mayor said it's in our best interest to have a contract with them.

Sales tax collection is important to the county. Sales tax is high and is prosperous for Benton County.

Mayor Lashlee thanked the Budget Committee for their hard work. He commended Commissioner Phil Melton and said he deserves a pat on the back. He has taken on the Budget Chairman position and has done a great job.

Mayor Lashlee said our county was ranked 94 out of 95 worst broad band counties in the state of Tennessee. That allowed us leverage for grant applications. Since July 2020, Benton County has been awarded 18 million dollars in broad band grants. TEC has been aggressive and has grabbed up a lot of the grant money and is moving broad band forward in the county.

Hyperion Metals is a new mineral mining company in Benton County. We should welcome them in the community.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve APRIL 2021 minutes. On a roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion Carries.

**APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the Report of Public Utilities. On a roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion Carries.

**APPROVAL OF THE TENNESSEE REHABILITATION CENTER QUARTLY REPORT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center Quarterly Report. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**APPROVAL of the Schools five-year contract with Linewize for a cloud managed filter and reporter with built in cyber security controls.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson the approve the schools Linewize Contract. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**APPROVAL RELEASING THE TRUSTEE TAX AGGREGATE FOR 2019**

Motion was made by Commissioner Plant and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve releasing the Trustee of Benton County from the 2019 Tax Aggregate of \$7,955,908.00. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION 20210517-01**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Frazier to approve RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-01. On a roll call vote, 14 Ayes and 1 Abstain with conflict. 3 Absent. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-01  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY INSURANCE COMMITTEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Benton County Insurance Committee held a special called meeting on May 3, 2021 to discuss the upcoming renewal for the 2021-2022 fiscal year; and  
 WHEREAS, the insurance committee recommends that the current employee insurance program with Cigna be replaced by Blue Cross Blue Shield Tennessee at no additional cost to the county; and  
 WHEREAS, the renewal will be effective July 1, 2021 and will continue to have a health reimbursement arrangement (HRA) of up to \$2,000 for each participating employee.  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that Benton County renew the Employee Health Insurance plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield Tennessee effective July 1, 2021 with the continued HRA of up to \$2,000 for each participating employee.

VOTING RESULTS >

YES 14 NO 0 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT 3

20210517-01		Passed By Majority Vote	
<small>10 Resolution to renew the Employee Health Insurance... Tennessee effective July 1, 2021 with the continued HR... participating employees. (20210517-01)</small>			
	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	M YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	ABSTAIN
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	S YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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*Brett Lashlee*  
 Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

*Wanda Malin*  
 Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Meeting recessed at 7:16pm for a 10-minute break

Meeting back in session at 7:28pm.

**RESOLUTION 20210517-02**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Plant to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210419-02**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-02  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the county had to cover the expense of the very first ESS1 loan payment on behalf of the schools for the TRANE project until the schools were able to transfer the funds to the county; and  
 WHEREAS, the county had to pay the interest due from 151.82210.613 – General Government Interest on Other Loans because that was the only account with funds available at the time; and  
 WHEREAS, the schools transferred these funds to reimburse the county during the month of March; and  
 WHEREAS, it will be necessary to transfer funds within Fund 151 – Debt Service in the amount of \$2,452.00 in order to have sufficient funds for the remainder of the fiscal year.  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount \$2,452.00 be transferred within Fund 151 as the following:

DECREASE EXPENDITURES:			
151.82230.613	DEBT SERVICE EDUCATION INTEREST ON OTHER LOANS	\$2,452.00	
			<b>\$2,452.00</b>
INCREASE EXPENDITURES:			
151.82210.613	DEBT SERVICE GENERAL GOVERNMENT INTEREST ON OTHER LOANS	\$2,452.00	
			<b>\$2,452.00</b>

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-02**  Passed By Majority Vote

11. Resolution to transfer funds in the amount \$2,452.00 within Fund 151 – Debt Service. (20210517-02)

	ABSENT		
Don Patton	M YES	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Ward Plant	S YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Keleah Dve	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Norman Frazier	YES		ABSENT
Garv Furr	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
			ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-03.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION 20210517-03**. On a roll call vote, 13 Ayes, 1 Nay and 1 Abstain. 3 Absent with conflict. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-03  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, there will be insufficient funds within the Employee Benefits budget for the monthly health insurance expense to complete the fiscal year, and WHEREAS, it will be necessary to transfer funds in the amount of \$20,535.92 within the Employee Benefits budget.  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$20,535.92 be transferred within the Employee Benefits budget as the following:

DECREASE EXPENDITURES:		
101.58600.202	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS HANDLING CHARGES	\$ 4,000.00
101.58600.299	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS OTHER FRINGE BENEFITS	\$10,535.92
101.58600.599	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS OTHER CHARGES	\$ 6,000.00
		<b>\$20,535.92</b>
INCREASE EXPENDITURES:		
101.58600.207	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$20,535.92
		<b>\$20,535.92</b>

VOTING RESULTS

YES **13** NO **1** ABSTAIN **1** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-03**

Passed By 2/3 Vote

12: Resolution to transfer funds in the amount of \$20,535.92 within the Employee Benefits Health Insurance account. (20210517-03)

	ABSENT		
		Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	S YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson	M YES	Rachelle Hill	ABSTAIN
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	NO	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-06:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Melton to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-06**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-06  
SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Fund 189 - Benton County Airport Fund is lacking revenue sources to cover reimbursable grants; and  
 WHEREAS, the budget committee has been working on redirecting revenues to Fund 189 to help increase the fund balance in order to cover reimbursable grants; and  
 WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the county mayor to transfer funds in the amount of \$50,000 from Fund 178- Other Capital projects, which were received from the Governor Grant, to Fund 189 - Airport Capital Projects; and  
 WHEREAS, by transferring these funds from Fund 178 into Fund 189 and by redirecting revenues from fuel sales, this should help increase the fund balance within Fund 189 to help revolving grant projects be possible.  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount \$50,000 be transferred from Fund 178 into Fund 189 by the budget amendment listed below:

<b>DECREASE EXPENDITURES:</b> 178.91110.724	OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS SITE DEVELOPMENT	\$50,000.00	
<b>INCREASE EXPENDITURES:</b> 178.99100.590	TRANSFERS OUT - TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
<b>INCREASE REVENUES:</b> 189.49800	AIRPORT CAPITAL PROJECTS TRANSFERS IN	\$50,000.00	
<b>INCREASE EXPENDITURES:</b> 189.91110.339	AIRPORT CAPITAL PROJECTS MATCHING	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00

**VOTING RESULTS :**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-06**

Passed By Majority Vote

15. Resolution to transfer funds in the amount \$50,000 from Fund 178 into Fund 189 (20210517-06)

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	M YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	S YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk



**RESOLUTION 20210517-07**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-07**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-07  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS, MARK FLORENCE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE  
 May 17, 2021

WHEREAS: The Federal Government has provided additional funds due to the Covid-19 pandemic known as ESSER 2.0;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2020-21 budget as follows;

		INCREASE
49800	Transfers In	\$ 128,000.00
76100 707	Building Improvements-Cap. Outlay	\$ 53,771.93
712	Heating & Cooling Equip.-Cap. Outlay	74,551.00
		\$ 128,000.00

VOTING RESULTS

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-07**

16. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$128,000 within the school's budget (2021).

Passed By Majority Vote

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-08**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-08**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-08  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS, MARK FLORENCE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE  
 May 17, 2021

WHEREAS: The Benton County Board of Education received a loan for the purpose of funding Capital Outlay Projects within the School System;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2020-21 budget as follows:

INCREASE

49500	Other Loans Issued	\$ 2,000,000.00
76100 707	Building Improvements	\$ 2,000,000.00

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-08**

Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 within the school's budget (20210517-...

**Passed By Majority Vote**

	ABSENT		<b>Dwayne Fowler</b>	YES
<b>Don Patton</b>	S	YES	<b>Sonny Hall</b>	YES
<b>Ward Plant</b>		YES	<b>Phil Melton</b>	M YES
<b>Davna Ferguson</b>		YES	<b>Rachelle Hill</b>	YES
<b>Kenneth Miller</b>		YES	<b>Mike Nunnery</b>	YES
<b>Rocky Presson</b>		YES	<b>Rosanne Ward</b>	YES
<b>Keleah Dye</b>		YES		ABSENT
<b>Norman Frazier</b>		YES	<b>Ronnie Hopper</b>	YES
<b>Gary Furr</b>		YES		ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-09**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve **RESOLUTION 20210517-09**.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to amend **RESOLUTION 20210517-09** so that **Increase Expenditures** line item **“Tow-In Services”** amount to be **\$350.00** and **“Other Charges”** to be **\$300.00**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve **RESOLUTION 20210517-09**. As amended. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-09  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: **BUDGET COMMITTEE & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received funds in the amount of \$ 10,381.40 for revenues for the month of April, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said funds in the amount of \$ 10,381.40 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the Sheriff's budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th day of May, 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$ 10,381.40 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues for the month of April, 2021 be budgeted as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUES:**

101.43395	SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 300.00	
101.44170	MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS	\$ 350.00	
101.49700	INSURANCE RECOVERY	\$ 9,731.40	
			\$ 10,381.40

**INCREASE EXPENDITURE:**

101.54110.353	TOW-IN SERVICES	\$ 450.00	
101.54110.718	MOTOR VEHICLES	\$ 9,731.40	
101.54160.599	OTHER CHARGES	\$ 1,350.00	
			\$ 10,381.40

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES 15 | NO 0 | ABSTAIN 0 | ABSENT 9

**Motion to Amend**

Passed By 2/3 Vote

adjust numbers to equal out correctly

	ABSENT		YES
Don Patton	YES	Dwavne Fowler	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Keleah Dye	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Norman Frazier	YES		ABSENT
Gary Furr	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
			ABSENT

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**VOTING RESULTS**

YES 15 | NO 0 | ABSTAIN 0 | ABSENT 9

**20210517-09**

Passed By 2/3 Vote

A Amendment budgeting funds received in the amount of \$10,381.40 collected by the Sheriff's Department during 04/2021.

	ABSENT		YES
Don Patton	YES	Dwavne Fowler	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Keleah Dye	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Norman Frazier	YES		ABSENT
Gary Furr	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
			ABSENT

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*Brett Lashlee*  
 Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

*Wanda Malin*  
 Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-10**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION 20210517-10**. On a roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-10  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Benton County Library has received funds in the amount of \$4,250.00 for city of Camden Quarterly Budget Allotment contribution allotted in the month of April 2021; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget the said funds in the amount of \$4,250.00 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$4,250.00 received by the Benton County Library from the City of Camden for Quarterly budget allotment received in the month of April 2021 be budgeted as the following:

**INCREASED REVENUES:**

101.48130 CONTRIBUTIONS

\$ 4,250.00

\$ 4,250.00

**INCREASED EXPENDITURES**

101.56500.169

PART-TIME/HOURLY PERSONNEL

\$ 4,250.00

\$ 4,250.00

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-10**

**Passed By 2/3 Vote**

19. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$4,250.00 within the library budget. (20210517-10)

	ABSENT		
		Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	S YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	M YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dve	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-11**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-11**. On a roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-11  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Benton County has received a 2019 CDBG EMA Grant reimbursement from the State of Tennessee in the amount of \$4,617.09; and WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget the said funds in the amount of \$4,617.09 to the appropriate account within Fund 172 – Community Development. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds received from the State of Tennessee in the amount of \$4,617.09 for an administrative fee reimbursement on the 2019 CDBG EMA Grant be budgeted within Fund 172 – Community Development as follows:

<b>INCREASE REVENUES:</b> 172.47180	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$4,617.09
		\$4,617.09
<b>INCREASE EXPENDITURES:</b> 172.91130.308	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS	\$4,617.09
		\$4,617.09

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-11**

20. Resolution budgeting funds received in the amount of \$4,617.09 within Fund 172 – Community Development. (20210517-11)

**Passed By Majority Vote**

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	M YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Dayna Ferguson	S YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnerv	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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Brett Lashlee, County Mayor

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-12**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-12**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-12  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, due to a significant number of deaths and autopsies, there are accounts within the Coroner/Medical Examiner budget that will have insufficient funds for the remainder of the fiscal year, and  
 WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$10,565.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to cover the coroner/medical examiner billing for the remainder of this fiscal year.  
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$10,565.00 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance and budgeted as the following:

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:		
101.54610.199	CORONER/MEDICAL EXAMINER	\$7,800.00
101.54610.201	SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 500.00
101.54610.212	MEDICARE	\$ 200.00
101.54610.309	CONTRACTS WITH GOVT. AGENCIES	\$2,065.00
		<b>\$10,565.00</b>

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-12**

**Passed With 2/3 of Full Member**

21. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$10,565.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to cover the coroner/medical examiner billing for the remainder of this fiscal year.

	ABSENT		
		Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	S YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	M YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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*Wanda Malin*  
 Wanda Malin, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION 20210517-13**

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-13**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-13  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Benton County has had several loads of waste tires this fiscal year; and  
 WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Tire Disposal accounts will have insufficient funds in order to complete the fiscal year; and  
 WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,742.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to cover tire disposal expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year.  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$1,742.00 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance and budgeted as the following:

**INCREASE EXPENDITURES:**

101.55710.149	SANITATION MANAGEMENT LABORERS	\$ 300.00
101.55710.201	SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 25.00
101.55710.210	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 10.00
101.55710.212	MEDICAL	\$ 7.00
101.55710.399	OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES TIRE GRANT	\$1,200.00
101.55710.499	OTHER SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	\$ 200.00
		<b>\$1,742.00</b>

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-13**

22. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,742.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund to cover the tire disposal expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**Passed By 2/3 Vote**

	ABSENT		
		Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	M YES	Sonny Hall	S YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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**RESOLUTION 20210517-14**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hall to Approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-14**. On a roll call vote, 14 Ayes, 1 Nay and 3 Absent. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 20210517-14**  
**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**  
**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Trustee's Commission in Fund 128 - TRRD will have insufficient funds for any revenue collected throughout the remainder of this fiscal year; and  
 WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within Fund 128.  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$1,000.00 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within Fund 128 - TRRD in order to cover the Trustee's Commission for the revenue collected throughout the remainder of the fiscal year.

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **14** NO **1** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-14**

25. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within Fund 128 - TRRD in order to cover the Trustee's Commission for the revenue collected throughout the remainder of this fiscal year (2021/22).

**Passed With 2/3 of Full Member**

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson <sup>M</sup>	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnerv	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	NO	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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**RESOLUTION 20210517-15**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve **RESOLUTION 20210517-15**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION NO. **20210517-15**  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Benton County has received two invoices from the Barrett Group for Revenue Enhancement Findings on Hotel/Motel Tax and Bank Franchise/Excise Tax; and  
 WHEREAS, the Barrett fee is 50% of collected revenue for the first-year revenue per contractual agreement; and  
 WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$16,676.15 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund in order to pay these outstanding invoices.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021 that the funds in the amount of \$16,676.15 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General and budgeted to the Expenditure Account No. 101.51300.599 - County Mayor Other Charges.

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**20210517-15**

24. Resolution 16 appropriated funds in the amount of \$16,676.15 within the County General Fund in order to pay debts of the Barrett Group on revenue enhancement findings on Hotel/Motel Tax and Bank Franchise/Excise Tax (20210517-15)

**Passed With Majority of Full Me**

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson <b>M</b>	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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**NOTARIES FOR MAY 2021**

Motion was made by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Melton to approve MAY 2021 Notaries. On a roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carries.

**HALEY PHILLIPS                      TYANNA DOBSON                      KRISTI EZELL**


VOTING RESULTS                      YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**Notaries**  Passed By Majority Vote

Appointing Notaries

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier <b>M</b>	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Gary Furr	YES		ABSENT

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**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**


Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to suspend the rules of order to bring **RESOLUTION 20210517-16** to the floor. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

VOTING RESULTS                      YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**Suspend of Rules**  Passed By 2/3 Vote

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	YES
Davna Ferguson <b>S</b>	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Gary Furr	YES		ABSENT

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**RESOLUTION 20210517-16**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Frazier to approve **RESOLUTION 20210517-16**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

RESOLUTION 20210517-16  
 SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS, MARK FLORENCE  
 RESOLUTION FOR THE BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
 Monday, May 17, 2021

Be it resolved that the Benton County Board of Education Federal Projects Fund (Title I, Title II, Title III, Title IV, Title V, IDEA, Preschool, Carl Perkins and any other federal grant) shall be the budget approved for the separate projects within the fund by the Benton County Board of Education; and  
 Be it further resolved that the Benton County Board of Commissioners shall consider annually the adoption of this resolution.

**VOTING RESULTS**

YES **15** NO **0** ABSTAIN **0** ABSENT **3**

**2021517-16**

**Passed By Majority Vote**

Schools Resolution with Grant

	ABSENT	Dwayne Fowler	YES
Don Patton	YES	Sonny Hall	YES
Ward Plant	YES	Phil Melton	M YES
Davna Ferguson	YES	Rachelle Hill	YES
Kenneth Miller	YES	Mike Nunnery	YES
Rocky Presson	YES	Rosanne Ward	YES
Keleah Dye	YES		ABSENT
Norman Frazier	S YES	Ronnie Hopper	YES
Garv Furr	YES		ABSENT

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Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Patton to accept the IT Policy submitted by IT Director Scott Hill. Motion was withdrawn and tabled until the June 2021 Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Miller to adjourn this meeting. On a Voice Vote, all present voted Aye. Meeting was adjourned.

**WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK, DO CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE MAY 17, 2021, BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.**

  
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BRETT LASHLEE, MAYOR

  
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WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK