

LOUDON COUNTY COMMISSION

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF LOUDON

September 7, 2010

6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING

- (1) **Opening of Meeting** **BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Board of Commissioners of Loudon County convened in regular session in Loudon, Tennessee on the 7th day of September, 2010. The **Honorable Roy Bledsoe** called the meeting to order.
- Commissioner Miller** opened the County Commission Meeting, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and gave the invocation.
- (2) **Roll Call** Present were the following Commissioners: **Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, and Miller: (10)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon **Chairman Bledsoe** announced the presence of a quorum.
Present was the **Honorable Mayor Estelle Herron.**
- (3) **Agenda Adopted As Amended** **Chairman Bledsoe** requested that the September 7, 2010 Agenda be adopted. **Mayor Herron** requested the addition of Consideration of Approval of a Proclamation Declaring September as Suicide Awareness Month in Loudon County. A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to adopt the Agenda as amended.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (4) **Bledsoe Appointed Chairman** **Loudon County Mayor, Estelle Herron,** requested nominations for the election of the Loudon County Commission Chairperson for the September 2010-August 2011 term.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to appoint **Commissioner Roy Bledsoe** as the Chairman for the 2010-2011 term.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (5) **Maples Appointed Chair Pro-Tempore** **Chairman Bledsoe** requested nominations for the election of the Loudon County Commission Chair Pro-Tempore for the September 2010-August 2011 term.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to appoint **Commissioner Earlena Maples** as the Chair Pro-Tempore for the 2010-2011 term.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (6) **Minutes for August 9, 2010 & August 19, 2010 Approved** **Chairman Bledsoe** requested that the August 9, 2010 County Commission Meeting Minutes and the August 19, 2010 Special Called Meeting Minutes be approved and accepted.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Maples** with a second by **Commissioner Jenkins** to approve the minutes for both meetings.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

(7)
Comments:
Agenda Items

Chairman Bledsoe asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items on the planned Agenda come forward.
Richard Truitt came forward to praise Chairman Bledsoe for his work as Commission Chairman and to express his appreciation for his patience in dealing with the public.

(8)
Proclamation
Declaring
September 2010
Suicide
Awareness
Month
Approved

Estelle Herron, Loudon County Mayor, requested discussion and possible action on the following items:

1. Consideration of Adopting a Proclamation Declaring September 2010 as Suicide Awareness Month in Loudon County.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Maples** to approve this Proclamation.

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Exhibit 090710-A

(9)
Boards/
Committees
Appointments
Approved

2. Consideration of Resolutions Approving Appointments to the Following Boards/Committees:

- a. Adult Oriented Business Board
- b. Agriculture Extension Committee
- c. Animal Control Authority Advisory Board
- d. Beer Board
- e. Blair Bend Industrial Committee
- f. Budget Committee
- g. Capital Projects Committee
- h. Court Security
- i. E-911 Board
- j. Economic Development Agency Board of Directors
- k. Ethics Committee
- l. Financial Advisory Committee
- m. GIS Board
- n. Government Affairs Committee
- o. Industrial Bond/Development Board of Loudon County, Inc.
- p. Litter Control Committee
- q. Maintenance Committee
- r. Purchasing Committee
- s. Roan State Maintenance & Operations Advisory Committee
- t. Safety Committee
- u. Senior Citizens Executive Committee
- v. Sheriff's Merit Services Board
- w. TCCA Legislative Committee
- x. TRDA Board of Directors

Commissioner Franke requested a change to the proposed term expiration dates for the Sheriff's Merit Board and **Mayor Herron** agreed to the changes.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Shaver** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to approve all of these Resolutions with those changes.

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Resolutions 090710-B-Y

(10)
Notaries
Approved

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Maples** to approve the following **Notaries: *Rebecca A. Davis; Deborah K. Farmer; Jennifer Renee Russell; and Vicki Strange.***

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Exhibit 090710-Z

(11)
Comments:
Non-Agenda
Items

Chairman Bledsoe asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the Agenda come forward.

Mike Collins, Chairman of the Fire Study Committee, came forward to introduce himself to the new members and explain this committee's purpose to the new Mayor and Commissioners and to provide an update on their progress. He will arrange a briefing for **Mayor Herron** and the new Commissioners and will notify all the Commissioners of the meeting schedule so that all may attend.

Exhibit 090710-AA

Commissioner Meers announced that he would be bringing forward at the October Workshop a letter of recommendation for the Loudon Lion's Club 75th Anniversary Celebration in November.

Director of Schools, **Wayne Honeycutt**, updated the Commission on the status of the School Building Program. They have received the completed construction drawings for the new Loudon Middle School and the cafeteria at Philadelphia School and have been given some estimates by the construction manager. These plans have been sent to the State Fire Marshall for approval. The Board of Education voted at their August meeting to proceed with requesting that these 2 projects be bid and there have been some meetings with Merit Construction and Purchasing Agent, Leo Bradshaw to begin the preparation of those bid documents. A more formal request concerning the bidding process will be presented at the next Commission Meeting. Work to get estimates for the Greenback project is proceeding and these should also be available for next month's meeting and will be presented at that time.

Commissioner Franke asked if they were planning to go forward with the bids process before receiving the Fire Marshall's report. Mr. Honeycutt responded that it normally takes 3-6 weeks to get these back and these plans have been there for about 3 weeks at this point. They are hoping to receive this report prior to the bid process.

Richard Truitt came forward to express his opinion that the reason we're in such a bind with the school building program is that the Commission hasn't forced the School Board to tighten their budget.

Commissioner Miller asked **Mr. Honeycutt** if he would bring all the information on the School Building Project to the October Workshop meeting for discussion prior to bringing it to the Commission Meeting and **Commissioner Shaver** asked if he would also arrange for either Mr. Shell or Mr. Hines to be present.

Mr. Honeycutt agreed.

Chairman Bledsoe welcomed the new Commissioners.

Commissioner Yarbrough asked about the item in last month's minutes regarding the securing of a Financial Advisor for the County and whether anything had been done. **Chairman Bledsoe** explained that if this was placed on one of the agendas it would be discussed and **Commissioner Miller** explained that this was an on-going item to be considered.

Chairman Bledsoe asked if there were any further comments and, upon receiving none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

(12)
Adjournment

There being no further business, a **motion** being duly made and seconded, the September 7, 2010 County Commission Meeting stood adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

COUNTY MAYOR