

LOUDON COUNTY COMMISSION

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF LOUDON

April 7, 2014

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 April, 2014. 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, Quillen, 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 April 7, 2014 Agenda be adopted. **Mayor Herron** requested that two items be added to the Agenda: Item #2 in her presentation for Consideration of Approval of an Eaton Crossroads Ruritan Club Lease; and Item #5 in the Budget Director's presentation for Consideration of Approval of a Grant Application for Funding to Lease Voting Machines. A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to adopt the Agenda as Amended.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (4) **Minutes for March 3, 2014 Comm Mtg Approved** **Chairman Bledsoe** requested that the March 3, 2014 County Commission Meeting Minutes be approved and accepted.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Quillen** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to approve these minutes.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (5) **Comments: Agenda Items** **Chairman Bledsoe** asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items on the planned Agenda come forward.
Pat Hunter asked about the Eaton Ruritan Club's status regarding being a non-profit. **Mayor Herron** responded that they have reapplied for non-profit status and that there should be no problem in them getting it renewed.

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

(6)
Board/Committee
Appointments
Approved

1. Request Consideration of Approval of the Following Board/Committee Appointments:
 - a. Loudon County Equalization Board
 - b. Loudon County Surplus Property Committee

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Harrelson** with a second by **Commissioner Jenkins** to approve these appointments.

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

Resolutions 040714-A & B

(7)
Eaton
Crossroads
Ruritan Club
Lease
Agreement
Approved with
Contingencies

2. Request Consideration and Approval of the Eaton Crossroads Ruritan Club Lease Agreement.

Commissioner Duff asked if approval of this request shouldn't be contingent upon them getting their non-profit status reinstated. Following general discussion, wherein **Mayor Herron** noted that Loudon County is not listed on this lease, there was general agreement and **Commissioner Duff** made a **motion** with a **second** by **Commissioner Yarbrough** to Approve this Request Contingent Upon the Ruritan Club Re-Securing Their Non-Profit Status and the Lease Being Corrected to Include Loudon County.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Meers, Maples, Quillen, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, and Jenkins: (10)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**

Thereupon the Chairman Announced the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**

Exhibit 040714-C

Russ Newman, Loudon County Planning and Codes Director

(8)
Amendments
to Building
Codes
Approved

1. Request Consideration of Approval of a Resolution to Adopt, with Amendments, the 2012 International Residential Code (IRC); the 2012 International Mechanical Code (IMC); the 2012 International Plumbing Code (IPC); and the 2002 North Carolina Accessibility Code with 2004 Amendments, for Loudon County, Tennessee, Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 5-20-101 through 5-20-106.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to approve this request.

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

Resolution 040714-D

(9)
County
Zoning
Resolution
Amendment
Approved

2. Request Consideration and Approval of a Resolution to Amend the Loudon County Zoning Resolution, Section 4.240 Site Plan Review, Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-7-105.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Quillen** with a second by **Commissioner Jenkins** to approve this request.

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

Resolution 040714-E

Eddie Simpson, Loudon County Road's Commissioner, Requested Consideration and Approval of the Following Items:

(10)
2014 County Road's List Approved

1. The Loudon County Road's List for 2014
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Maples** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to approve this request.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
Exhibit 040714-F

(11)
County Road's Commissioner, With Sheriff's Dept, Adjust Speed Limits As Required Approved

2. A Recommendation from the County Attorney to Allow the County Road's Commissioner, in Concert with County Sheriff's Department, to Adjust Speed Limits, As Necessary, on County Roads Throughout the Year Without Additional Approval.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Quillen** to approve this request.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

(12)
Decision on Request to Set Speed Limits on Unposted Roads Delayed

3. Request Consideration of Allowing the County Road's Commissioner, in Concert with the County Sheriff's Department, to Set the Speed Limit at 35 Miles Per Hour on County Roads Where Not Otherwise Posted.
Following discussion it was decided that consideration of this request be delayed to allow further discussion regarding how this would be administered.

Loudon County Budget Director, Tracy Blair, Requested Consideration of Approval of the Following Items:

(13)
New TCRS Employee Contribution Rate Acknowledged

1. Request Consideration of a Recommendation to Acknowledge a New TCRS Employee Contribution Rate Effective July 1, 2014.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Maples** with a **second** by **Commissioner Jenkins** to approve this request.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

(14)
GHSOG Grant Application/ Acceptance Approved

2. Request Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve Application/ Acceptance of a GHSOG Grant; \$5,000; No Matching Funds Required.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a **second** by **Commissioner Jenkins** to approve this request.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Maples, Quillen, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, and Meers: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**

(15)
Pettway
Foundation
Grant
Application
Approved

3. Request Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve Application for a Pettway Foundation Grant for Lenoir City Library; \$2,000; No Matching Funds Required.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Quillen** with a second by **Commissioner Harrelson** to approve this request.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Quillen, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, and Maples: (10)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioners were **Absent: : (0)**

Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**

(16)
Fund 101
Approved

4. Request Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve Amendments in the Following Funds:

a. County General Fund 101

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Duff** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, and Quillen: (10)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**

Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**

Exhibit 040714-G

(17)
Fund 115
Approved

b. Public Library Fund 115

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Maples** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Quillen, and Franke: (10)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**

Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**

Exhibit 040714-H

(18)
Fund 131
Approved

c. Highway Department Fund 131

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Jenkins** with a second by **Commissioner Meers** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Quillen, Franke, and Bledsoe: (10)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**

Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**

Exhibit 040714-I

- (19)**
Fund 141
Approved
- d. General Purpose School Fund 141
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Yarbrough** with a **second** by **Commissioner Harrelson** to approve this recommendation,
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Quillen, Franke, Bledsoe, and Duff: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**
Exhibit 040714-I
- (20)**
Fund 142
Approved
- e. School Federal Projects Fund 142
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a **second** by **Commissioner Franke** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Quillen, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, and Yarbrough: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**
Exhibit 040714-K
- (21)**
Application/
Acceptance
Of HAVA
Grant
Approved
5. Request Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve Application/
Acceptance of HAVA Grant Funding to Lease Voting Machines; \$45,000; No
Matching Funds Required.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Maples** with a **second** by **Commissioner Quillen** to approve this request.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Quillen, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, and Harrelson: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman declared the motion **Passed: (10, 0, 0)**
- (22)**
Summary
Financial
Statements
Distributed
- Budget Director, Tracy Blair**, requested that records reflect that the Summary Financial Statements for March 2014 and Approved Minutes for the February 18, 2014 Budget Committee Meeting have been distributed.
Exhibits 040714-L & M
- (23)**
Notaries
Approved
- Loudon County Commissioner, David Meers**, made a **motion** with a **second** by **Commissioner Maples** to approve the following Notaries: ***Kim J. Hinton; Devvin A. Howard; Mildred Howard; Phyllis W. Millsaps; Alfreda M. Ratledge; Traci L. Russell; Jennifer H. Scott; and Ricardo Velasquez.***
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
Exhibit 040714-N

(24)
Comments:
Non-Agenda
Items

Chairman Bledsoe asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the Agenda come forward.
Richard Truitt came forward to speak about the Hall's Tax and how this tax was a big burden on Seniors and he would like to see it repealed. **Commissioner Duff** responded that this was on the Legislative Agenda but **Mr. Truitt** was skeptical that any action would result. He also spoke about Department Head's requests for raises for their employees and, in the past, they have threatened to sue the County if they didn't get the funding. He feels that the County needs to have a better system for determining when and how employees get raises.
Commissioner Duff provided a brief update on Legislative Issues and encouraged the Commissioners to "keep a close eye" at these items.

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

(25)
Adjournment

There being no further business, a **motion** being duly made and seconded, the April 7, 2014 County Commission Meeting stood adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

COUNTY MAYOR