

The McMinn County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on July 23, 2018 at 7:30 pm, in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Crews.

2. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Commissioner King.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Holbrook.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by Evonne Hayes, McMinn County Clerk, as recorded:

Scott Curtis - Present  
Dale Holbrook - Present  
Tim King - Present  
Roger Masingale - Present  
Jerry Millsaps - Present  
J. W. McPhail - Present  
Brent Carter -Present  
Tad Simpson - Present  
Charles Slack - Present  
Chairman David Crews – Present

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Copies of the Minutes of the Regular Session on June 18, 2018 were provided to the McMinn County Commissioners.

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve the minutes of June 18, 2018.

Motion carried by voice vote.

6. APPROVAL OF FY18-19 BUDGET

Mr. Luallen presented resolution # 18-066 along with a copy the final budget to be approved by the commission

RESOLUTION NO. 18-066

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ITEMS IN THE ADOPTION OF  
BUDGETARY PROCESS FOR FY 2018-2019

WHEREAS, as required by Tennessee Code Annotated the final step in the budgetary process for FY 2018-19 includes approval of Proposed Budget for FY 2018-2019, Summary of Proposed Operations, FY 2018-2019 Tax Summary, FY 2018-2019 Revenue and Expenditures, Resolution making Appropriations, and Resolution Fixing the Tax Levy of McMinn County, Tennessee for FY beginning July 1, 2018 and Legal Notice of Non-Profit Non-Charitable organizations; and

(Res. 18-066 con't)

WHEREAS, in accordance to Tennessee Code Annotated, McMinn County Budget Committee recommends approval of the Proposed Budget Process for FY 2018-2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN THIS REGULARLY SCHEDULED SESSION ON THIS THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JULY 2018, that this Commission does hereby approve the budgetary process for FY 2018-2019.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook, and seconded by Commissioner King, to approve this resolution.

Note: Copy of the budget on file in the McMinn County Finance office and the office of the County Clerk.

7. APPROVAL OF BIDS AND PURCHASES

None.

8. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. A Resolution to Approve the DGA Grant Contract Between McMinn County and State of Tennessee Department of Health.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #18-067 along with a copy of the grant contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-067

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DGA GRANT CONTRACT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY AND STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, it is the conviction of McMinn County, that every individual in the County has good health care readily available; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has previously entered into a contract with the State of Tennessee Department of Health to protect and improve the physical health of the county citizens through the prevention of conditions that may threaten good health; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriation for which the County shall receive is \$587,100; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County Health Department does provide these services and both parties do hereby agree to these provisions in the contract for FY 2018-19.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018, that this Commission does hereby approve this contract.

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to give authority to the County Mayor or his designee to execute and administer the duties of said contract.

(Res. 18-067 con't)

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Millsaps, and seconded by Commissioner Slack, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Renew Airport Maintenance Contract with State of Tennessee Department of Transportation.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #18-068 along with a copy of the grant contract.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 18-068

#### A RESOLUTION TO RENEW AIRPORT MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to renew their Airport Maintenance Contract # 54-555-0449-17 with the State of Tennessee, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the term of this grant is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, with the state portion not exceeding \$14,300.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018, that this Commission does hereby agree to renew this Airport Maintenance Contract with the State of Tennessee,

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to give authority to the County Mayor or his designee to execute and administer the duties of said contract.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Slack, and seconded by Commissioner McPhail, to approve this resolution.

C. A Resolution to Approve Audit Fee Proposal with Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough, PLLC.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #18-069 along with a copy of the contract.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 18-069

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AUDIT FEE PROPOSAL WITH HENDERSON HUTCHERSON & MCCULLOUGH, PLLC

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government McMinn County enters into a contract each year for auditing services; and

(Res. 18-069 con't)

WHEREAS, Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough submitted a proposal of \$39,500 for the FY 2018 – 2019 for McMinn County Fiscal and Fee Offices; and

WHEREAS, Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough appears to have the necessary qualifications to provide the annual financial and compliance audit for Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County Finance Director, Jason Luallen recommends McMinn County enter into contract with Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough to perform its annual financial and compliance audit due to past experience with this group.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018, that this Commission does hereby approve the above audit fee proposal with Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Masingale, and seconded by Commissioner King, to approve this resolution.

D. A Resolution to Renew Contract Between McMinn County and the McMinn County Emergency Communications District for Emergency Dispatch Services.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #18-070 along with a copy of the contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-070

A RESOLUTION TO RENEW THE CONTRACT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY AND THE MCMINN COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT FOR EMERGENCY DISPATCH SERVICES

WHEREAS, in February 2003, the McMinn County Board of Commissioners approved the consolidation of McMinn County Emergency dispatch to be placed under the management of the McMinn County E-911 Center; and

WHEREAS, the current five year contract expires in July, 2018; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County and the McMinn County Emergency Communications District desire to renew the contract for an additional three year term for a total cost of \$411,861.60 to include an annual three percent increase; and

WHEREAS, payments shall be made in quarterly installments of \$102,965.40; and

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Emergency Communications District has stated it is their ultimate goal to save the taxpayers money by providing quality, consolidated dispatch services; and

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Emergency Communications District has successfully endeavored to maintain licensed dispatchers and modern equipment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF JULY 2018, that this Commission does hereby approve the contract renewal between McMinn County and the McMinn County Emergency Communications Board for a three-year term and FURTHERMORE, authorizes the County Mayor to execute any documents necessary to fulfill the intentions of this resolution.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Res. 18-070 con't)

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
 County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Masingale, and seconded by Commissioner McPhail, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

9. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each Commissioner.

FUND: GENERAL FUND #101

Date: July 19, 2018

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
State of Tennessee	Other Health & Welfare	46390	75,000.00	
Local Heath Center	Other Capital Outlay			75,000.00
EXPLANATION: To amend the budget for the Coordinated School Health Grant for FY 17-18				

MOTION made by Commissioner Curtis and seconded by Commissioner Simpson to approve these budget amendments.

- Scott Curtis – Aye
- Dale Holbrook - Aye
- Tim King - Aye
- Roger Masingale - Aye
- Brent Carter - Aye
- J. W. McPhail - Aye
- Jerry Millsaps - Aye
- Tad Simpson - Aye
- Charles Slack - Aye
- Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each Commissioner. This did have School Board Approval.

FUND: General Purpose School Fund #141

DATE: 06/25/2018

Support Services/Health Services	Supervisor/Director	72120-105		169.04
Support Services/Health Services	Other Salaries & Wages	72120-189	4,666.70	
Support Services/Health Services	Social Security	72120-201	8.85	
Support Services/Health Services	State Retirement	72120-204	128.60	
Support Services/Health Services	Medical Insurance	72120-207		98.00
Support Services/Health Services	Employer Medicare	72120-212	204.72	
Support Services/Health Services	Other Fringe Benefits	72120-299	0.02	
Support Services/Health Services	Travel	72120-355		1,656.88
Support Services/Health Services	Other Supplies and Materials	72120-499		3,084.97
To Amend the budget for the Coordinated School Health Grant for FY 17-18				

Early Childhood Education	Teachers	73400-116	3,442.67	
Early Childhood Education	Educational Assistants	73400-163	405.93	
Early Childhood Education	Social Security	73400-201	1,394.07	

Early Childhood Education	State Retirement	73400-204	723.63	
Early Childhood Education	Life Insurance	73400-206		4.48
Early Childhood Education	Medical Insurance	73400-207		4,319.30
Early Childhood Education	Employer Medicare	73400-212	271.63	
Early Childhood Education	Instructional Supplies & Materials	73400-429		1,914.15

Explanation: To amend current Pre-K budget in order to be the same as the FY 2017-2018 ePlan document.

FUND: General Purpose School Fund #141

DATE: 06/29/2018

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Local Taxes	Niota Mixed Drink Tax	40275	1,000.00	
Local Taxes	Interstate Telecommunications Tax	40350		2,606.00
Local Taxes	Marriage Licenses	41110	1,606.00	
Other Local Revenue	E-Rate Funding	44146	1,776.00	
State Education Funds	Other State Revenue	46590	2,000.00	
Regular Ed. Program	Teachers	71100-116	107,224.00	
Special Ed. Program	Contracts w Private Agencies	71200-312	25,000.00	
Vocational Ed. Program	Teachers	71300-116	10,000.00	
Special Ed. Program Support	Other contracted Services	7220-399		25,000.00
Vocational Ed. Program	Other Salaries & Wages	72230-189		5,000.00
Vocational Ed. Program	Travel	72230-355		5,000.00
Technology	Internet Connectivity	72250-350		25,000.00
BOE Services	Refund to Applicant for Criminal Inv.	7230-354		2,700.00
Office of the Principal	Principles	72410-104		58,000.00
Office of the Principal	Asst. Principals	72410-139		6,800.00
Operation of Plant	Electricity	72610-415		70,500.00
Operation of Plant	Natural Gas	72610-434	54,000.00	
Maintenance	Maint. And Repair Svcs Buildings	72620-335	300,000.00	
Pre-School	Other Contracted Svcs	73400-399		54,000.00
Regular Capital Outlay	Building Improvements	76100-707		300,000.00
EXPLANATION: To avoid functional category deficits at fiscal year-end.				

MOTION made by Commissioner Millsaps and seconded by Commissioner King to approve these budget amendments.

Scott Curtis – Aye  
 Dale Holbrook - Aye  
 Tim King - Aye  
 Roger Masingale - Aye  
 Brent Carter - Aye  
 J. W. McPhail - Aye  
 Jerry Millsaps - Aye  
 Tad Simpson - Aye  
 Charles Slack - Aye  
 Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

(con't)

Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each Commissioner.

Fund: Federal Projects #142, Title I, #108

Date: 06/28/2018

Regular Education Program	Certified Teachers	71100-116	416.99	
Regular Education Program	Other Salaries & wages	71100-189		300.00
Regular Education Program	Social Security	71100-201		38.70
Regular Education Program	Employer Medicare	71100-212		1.09
Regular Education Program	Instructional Supplies & Materials	71100-429		144.02
Regular Education Program	Other Charges	71100-599	679.10	
Support Services/Regular Instruction	Supervisor or Director	72210-105		507.50
Support Services/Regular Instruction	Social Security	72210-201		51.34
Support Services/Regular Instruction	State Retirement	72210-204		46.08
Support Services/Regular Instruction	Employer Medicare	72210-212		7.36
Support Services/Regular Instruction	Travel	72210-355		267.62
Transportation	Diesel Fuel	72710-412	267.62	
EXPLANATION: To amend the budget for Read to be Ready Summer Grant for FY 17-18				

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Federal Through State Revenue	Title I Grants	47141	14,085.00	
Other Student Support	Other Charges	72130-599		14,085.00

Explanation: To amend the current budget in order to be the same as the FY 2017-2018 ePlan document				
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DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Federal Through State Revenue	Title II Grants	47189	1,509.00	
Regular Instructional Program Support	In-Service/Staff Development	72210-524		1,509.00

Explanation: To amend the current budget in order to be the same as the FY 2017-2018 ePlan document				
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(con't)

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Revenue	Special Education Grants to State	47143	4,403.00	
Special Education Program Support	Other Supplies & Materials	72220-499		4,403.00

Explanation: To amend the current budget in order to be the same as the FY 2017-2018 ePlan document				
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MOTION made by Commissioner King and seconded by Commissioner Masingale to approve these budget amendments.

- Scott Curtis – Aye
- Dale Holbrook - Aye
- Tim King - Aye
- Roger Masingale - Aye
- Brent Carter - Aye
- J. W. McPhail - Aye
- Jerry Millsaps - Aye
- Tad Simpson - Aye
- Charles Slack - Aye
- Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

FUND: CENTRAL CAFETERIA #143

DATE: 06/29/2018

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Federal Thru State	USDA-Commodities	47112	10,000.00	
Food Service	USDA-Commodities	73100-469		10,000.00
Explanation: FY 17-18 Actual USDA Commodities values exceeded estimated values. A portion of this excess must be budgeted in order to balance the AY 17-18 budget.				

MOTION made by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner King to approve these budget amendments.

(con't)

Scott Curtis – Aye  
 Dale Holbrook - Aye  
 Tim King - Aye  
 Roger Masingale - Aye  
 Brent Carter - Aye  
 J. W. McPhail - Aye  
 Jerry Millsaps - Aye  
 Tad Simpson - Aye  
 Charles Slack - Aye  
 Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

FUND: # 189 OTHER CAPITOL PROJECTS

DATE: 07/19/2018

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
State of Tennessee	Other Health & Welfare Grants	46390	17,250.00	
Public Health Projects	Other Capital Outlay (Water)	91140-799		17,250.00
Explanation: To budget revenue and expenditures related to engineering and administrative costs for 2017 CDBG water Extension Project.				

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail and seconded by Commissioner Millsaps to approve these budget amendments.

Scott Curtis – Aye  
 Dale Holbrook - Aye  
 Tim King - Aye  
 Roger Masingale - Aye  
 Brent Carter - Aye  
 J. W. McPhail - Aye  
 Jerry Millsaps - Aye  
 Tad Simpson - Aye  
 Charles Slack - Aye  
 Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

10. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Edward Eaton expressed his concerns for the homeless population in McMinn County. He wanted to make the county commission aware of the massive numbers of homeless we have in the county. Mr. Eaton said he believes that the homeless population just in McMinn County alone is over 250 people. He also said he would like to see the county try to help with the situation. Chairman Crews ask if there were any shelters to use as an example, Mr. Eaton said there is one in Cleveland that seems to be making a difference. (There were two other gentlemen who spoke on this situation but I didn't get their names because the recording didn't work.)

11. RESOLUTIONS

A. A Resolution to Approve an Amendment to the McMinn County Sanitary Landfill's "Contract in Lieu of Performance Bond".

Mr. Jason Luallen presented Resolution #18-071.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-071

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE McMINN COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL'S "CONTRACT IN LIEU OF PERFORMANCE BOND"

WHEREAS, McMinn County and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) have a Contract in Lieu of Performance Bond for financial assurances for the solid waste permits held by McMinn County; and

WHEREAS, these contracts must be amended annually to accurately reflect annual inflation adjustments; and



(Res. 18-071 con't)

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee and McMinn County desire to amend contracts for the following solid waste permits:

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|----|-----|----------------|----------------|----|-----------------|
| 1. | SNL | 54-0000003     | \$ 276,270.90  | to | \$ 241,066.09   |
| 2. | SNL | 54-0000003-exp | \$2,440,599.89 | to | \$ 2,484,530.69 |
| 3. | DML | 540000098      | \$ 117,203.83  | to | \$ 119,313.51   |

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JULY 2018, that this Commission does hereby approve the amendments for inflation adjustments to the financial assurances for solid waste permits held by McMinn County and FURTHERMORE, authorizes the County Mayor to execute the necessary documents to fulfill the intentions of this resolution.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Join Class Action Lawsuit Kane County, UT V. United States of America.

Mr. Cochran presented Resolution #18-072. Mark said this Lawsuit is generated from the Cherokee National Forrest.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-072

A RESOLUTION TO JOIN CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT  
KANE COUNTY, UT V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WHEREAS, Congress makes annual allocations in the form of Payments In-Lieu of Taxes (PILT) to local governments that are home to qualified federal lands or facilities; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 Congress mandated full funding and removed the “discretionary” status of the program; and

WHEREAS, Kane County, Utah filed a lawsuit to recover underpayments due to lack of congressional funding; and

WHEREAS, the United States District Court of Claims ruled in favor of Kane County and certified the lawsuit as a class action; and

WHEREAS, in order for any local governments to receive full funding, they must join the class action by September 14, 2018; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County receives PILTs due to being home to a portion of the Cherokee National Forest.

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to enter into the class action in order to receive the appropriations as authorized by Congress unless it is deemed the cost to do so exceeds the amount owed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TN MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018, that this Commission does hereby authorize the County Mayor and County Attorney to execute any and all documents necessary to fulfill the intent of this resolution.

(Res. 18-072 con't)

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook and seconded by Commissioner Millsaps, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

## 12. ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

### A. A Resolution to Confirm the Appointment of Bob Harris to the Woods Hospital Foundation Board.

Mr. Cochran presented Resolution #18-073.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 18-073

#### A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF BOB HARRIS TO THE WOODS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION BOARD

WHEREAS, the excess proceeds plan, that resulted from the sale of Woods Memorial Hospital District, created a foundation to oversee the proceeds realized from the sale of the hospital district; and

WHEREAS, the excess proceeds plan calls for each of the commission districts to have one appointment on this foundation board to be nominated by the two commissioners from each respective district; and

WHEREAS, each appointment to the Woods Hospital Foundation Board is subject to confirmation by the full McMinn County Commission for a six-year term; and

WHEREAS, District Five Commissioners David Crews and Scott Curtis wish to nominate Bob Harris, a citizen of the Fifth Civil District of McMinn County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JULY 2018, that this Commission does hereby confirm the appointment of Bob Harris to the Woods Hospital Foundation Board.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)  
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hayes)  
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Curtis, and seconded by Commissioner King, to approve this resolution.

## 13. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNTY OFFICIALS, COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Curtis—Thanked Jason and his staff for all their hard work on a balanced budget also the department heads.

## 14. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY MAYOR'S OFFICE MARK COCHRAN

- On behalf of Mayor Gentry, I would like to thank elected officials for working with the finance office to develop the 18<sup>th</sup> straight budget without an increase in the certified property tax rate. Thanks also to Jason Luallen and his staff.

- This budget includes cost of living increase for employees, while maintaining benefits at current levels and over \$4 million dollars for capital investments in our infrastructure and facilities.
- This budget also maintains close to 11.3 million dollars in reserve collectively among the various funds which make up the total county budget.
- With the passage of this budget McMinn County has moved from the 35<sup>th</sup> lowest property tax rate in Tennessee to 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest!
- Our 2.0% local option sales tax rate combined with no wheel tax make us arguably the lowest local tax burden in Tennessee, which places us among the lowest in the nation.
- This is a core tenet in our philosophy that less government empowers our citizens to use their financial resources to provide for the needs of their families as they determine. We are committed to providing those government services as directed by the Tennessee legislature and Tennessee Constitution efficiently, effectively and with honor.

Other Announcements

- The Mayor will be calling Emergency Services Committee soon to discuss Brush Truck replacement and purchasing other fire equipment.
- Solid Waste Committee will also meet to discuss some equipment purchases for this FY and some grant opportunities to upgrade our recycling and convenience centers.
- We are also starting preliminary work on our Bicentennial celebration for 2019-20 and will be asking Commission to approve official organizational committee.

The Mayor sends his apologies for being unable to attend this evening but looks forward to seeing everyone in August.

15. APPROVAL OF NOTARY APPLICATIONS

The following notary applications were submitted to the County Clerk's Office:

Notaries to be elected July 23,2018

TIFFANY L. BARNES	JORDAN R. HAUGEN
CATHY B BEDDINGFIELD	TANJA HUTTON
JENNIFER L. BROOKS	S JENKINS
KEVIN REED CARDIN	GRACE E LAVENDER
KATHY S. COBBLE	SANDRA J. LOWRY
JOY I. EARLY	CHARLENE M. WEBB
ROBIN FULLER	JENNIFER LEANNE WRIGHT
DONNIE GADDIS	

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve these notary applications.

Motion carried by voice vote.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

None.

There being no other business, Chairman Crews declared the Commission meeting adjourned before 7:59 pm.

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EVONNE HAYES  
McMinn County Clerk

Attest:

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Deputy

(date)