

The McMinn County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on April 20, 2020 at 7:30 pm, using the zoom app.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Crews.

2. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Chairman Crews.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Curtis.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by Melinda King, McMinn County, 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 – Absent  
Chairman David Crews – Present

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Copies of the Minutes of the Regular Session on February 17, 2020 were provided to the McMinn County Commissioners.

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve the minutes of February 17, 2020.

Motion carried by voice vote.

6. APPROVAL OF BIDS AND PURCHASES

A. A Resolution to Approve the Annual Road Striping Bid.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-011 along with Letter of recommendation and bid summary sheet from Dan P. Evans, Chief Administration Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-011

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE  
ANNUAL ROAD STRIPING BID

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Highway Department desires to extend the current bid with Volunteer Highway Supply of Knoxville, TN, for the purchase of road striping for the period of May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021; and

(Res. 20-011 con't)

WHEREAS, Volunteer Highway Supply has agreed to a one-year extension of the bid at the current bid prices; and

WHEREAS, Dan Evans, McMinn County Highway Commissioner has recommended the one-year extension for road striping with Volunteer Highway Supply of Knoxville, TN due to their excellent work and their agreement to extend the bid for one-year at the current bid prices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission does hereby approve the recommendation of the McMinn County Highway Commissioner.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Approve and Award Bid for McMinn County Courthouse Steps.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-012 along with letter of recommendation and bid summary sheet.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 20-012

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND AWARD BID FOR MCMINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE STEPS

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has followed the proper procedures in securing the bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, architect Sam Moser recommends the bid be awarded to the low bid submitted by Ross Construction of Cleveland, TN in the amount not to exceed \$245,000; and

WHEREAS, this amount includes the base bid of front courthouse steps (\$175,500), alternate #1 in the amount of \$45,400, plus cost specific amounts from Alternate #3 for removal and replacement of damaged veneer on the back steps (\$19,453) as well as mechanical pit retaining wall repairs (\$2,600).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission does hereby approve the recommendation of the architect and further authorize the County Mayor to execute all documents essential to fulfilling said project.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Approve a Bid Contract Extension with Martin Marietta for Crushed Stone at the McMinn County Landfill.

(Res. 20-012 con't)

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-013 along with letter of recommendation from Charlie Doneldson, Landfill Supervisor.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-013

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A BID CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH MARTIN MARIETTA FOR CRUSHED STONE AT THE MCMINN COUNTY LANDFILL

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government as prescribed by law, goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, the crushed stone bid provides an option to be extended for an additional year; and

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Landfill Supervisor has requested to extend the contract for crushed stone to the current vendor, Martin Marietta of Calhoun, TN, for the period of May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Martin Marietta has agreed to extend the current bid for the additional period with no increase in price; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Donaldson, McMinn County Landfill Supervisor, has recommended the bid be extended twelve (12) months at the current price to Martin Marietta of Calhoun, TN.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020 THAT THE COMMISSION DOES HEREBY APPROVE THE BID CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH MARTIN MARIETTA, based upon the recommendation of the Landfill Supervisor.

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to grant, authority to the County Mayor or his designee to carry out the duties of said contract.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

7. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. A Resolution to Approve Application for Grants for the McMinn County Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-014.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-014

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR GRANTS FOR THE MCMINN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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 contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Joe Guy requests approval for application and acceptance of Justice Assistance Grant and a COVID-19 grant; and

WHEREAS, there is no required match for McMinn County in these grants.

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(Res. 20-014 con't)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020 that this Commission does hereby agree apply and accept these grants and does hereby authorize the county mayor or his designee to execute all documents essential to administering the duties of said contracts.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Approve Contract Between McMinn County Schools and McMinn County Department of Juvenile Services.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-015 along with a copy of the agreement.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 20-015

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY SCHOOLS AND MCMINN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES

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 Juvenile Services has agreed to provide for the school year of 2020-21 one youth services officer stationed at McMinn County High School five days a week and McMinn Central High School four days a week and available on an as needed basis to all other county schools. Referrals will be seen that are of high risk with the court system; and

WHEREAS, individual and group counseling will be provided by professional mental health agencies and paid for by McMinn County Department of Juvenile Services; and

WHEREAS, the charge to the McMinn County School System is \$15,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020, that this Commission does hereby agree to enter into this contract with the McMinn County School System and McMinn County Department of Juvenile Services for the 2020-21 school year.

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 Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Approve a Contract Between Athens City Schools and McMinn County Department of Juvenile Services.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-016 along with a copy of the agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-016

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT BETWEEN  
ATHENS CITY SCHOOLS AND  
MCMINN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES

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 Juvenile Services has agreed to provide for the school year of 2020-21 one youth services officer at Athens Middle School two days a week and available on an as needed basis to all other city schools. Referrals will be seen that are of high risk with the court system; and

WHEREAS, individual and group counseling will be provided by professional mental health agencies and paid for by McMinn County Department of Juvenile Services; and

WHEREAS, the charge to Athens City School System is \$5,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020, that this Commission does hereby agree to enter into this contract with the Athens City School System and McMinn County Department of Juvenile Services for the 2020-21 school year.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote

D. A Resolution to Approve a Contract Between McMinn County and the State of Tennessee Department of the Military and Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, for Funding of Emergency Preparedness.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-017 along with a copy of the grant.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-017

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN  
MCMINN COUNTY AND THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY AND  
TENNESSEE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY,  
FOR FUNDING OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

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 enter into contract with Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to acquire \$35,500.00 in grant funding applicable to the administrative duties of the McMinn County Director of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is for the period commencing on October 1, 2018 and ending on September 20, 2020.

(Res. 20-017 con't)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission does hereby agree to enter into contract with Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to receive grant funding of \$35,500.00 for Emergency Management Assistance.

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to grant authority to the County Mayor or his designee to carry out the duties of said contract.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

E. A Resolution to Allow McMinn County to Apply for a Courthouse Security Grant Through the State of Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-018.

Resolution No. 20-018

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW McMINN COUNTY  
TO APPLY FOR A COURTHOUSE SECURITY GRANT THROUGH  
THE STATE OF TENNESSEE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to seek grant funding from other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to apply for a Courthouse Security Grant through the Administrative Office of the Courts to acquire funds to be utilized for a video arraignment system; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires no match from McMinn County; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020 that this Commission does hereby authorize McMinn County to apply for and receive a courthouse security grant, the public welfare requiring it, AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to grant authority to the County Mayor or his designee to execute the necessary documents related to the grant application.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

F. A Resolution Authorizing McMinn County's Participation in a Litter Control Grant for Fiscal Year 2020-21 From the Tennessee Department of Transportation, Highway Maintenance Division; and Authorizing the County Mayor to Administer Activities Associated with this Grant.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-019.

(Res. 20-019 con't)

RESOLUTION NO 20-019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MCMINN COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN A  
LITTER CONTROL GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 FROM THE  
TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE DIVISION; AND  
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ADMINISTER ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS  
GRANT

WHEREAS, McMinn County has received grant assistance from the Tennessee Department of Transportation for litter control activities in McMinn County, known as the "Litter Grant" since 1986; and

WHEREAS, the award of such a grant requires the authorization and consent of the McMinn County Commission for grant application and contract execution, subject to award by the Tennessee Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the allocation for FY 2020-21 is \$55,700; and

WHEREAS, this body deems the continued administration of litter grant activities as in the best interest of the citizens of McMinn County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission authorizes McMinn County's participation in a litter grant in FY 2020-21 with the Tennessee Department of Transportation, the public welfare requiring it, and FURTHER RESOLVES to authorize the County Mayor to execute all necessary documents regarding this grant application.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

G. A Resolution Authorizing Submittal for Various Covid-19 Pandemic Response Grants.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #20-020.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL FOR VARIOUS  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE GRANTS

WHEREAS, in an effort to lessen the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on local governments, the State of Tennessee and the United States of America are making various grants available to towns, cities, counties and tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent for these grants to be in place as quickly as possible to help with the response to the pandemic, and soften its effects on the local economies and the governments that are on the front line of the response; and

WHEREAS, these grants will cover airports, education, law enforcement, infrastructure, public health and IT to name a few areas; and

WHEREAS, this Commission desires to lessen the impact of the COVID-19 on its citizens and authorizes the County Mayor to submit the required grant applications on behalf of the various departments of McMinn County government; and

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(Res. 20-020 con't)

WHEREAS, while it is expected the preponderance of the grants will not require any financial match, this Commission authorizes undesignated fund balances of the various funds be utilized to provide financial match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSISONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020, that this Commission does authorize the County Mayor to submit for any and all grant funding opportunities related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and FURTHERMORE, authorizes the County Mayor to execute documents necessary to apply and receive said COVID-19 related grants.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

8. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

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

Fund: Other Capitol Projects #189

Date: 16/04/2020

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>FOLIO</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
Other Local Revenue	McMinn Rec. Complex Advertising	44570	27,500	
Reserve	Unassigned Fund Balance	39000	15,000.00	
General Administration Projects	Build Cond. (Expo/Recreation)	91110-706		42,500.00
Explanation: To budget revenue from contributions received to recreational complex project.				

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 - Absent
- Chairman David Crews - Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

None.

9. RESOLUTIONS



A. McMinn County Water Line Extension on Behalf of Riceville Utility District 2020 CDBG Application.

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 20-021.

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(Res. 20-021 con't)

RESOLUTION NO. 20-021

MCMINN COUNTY WATER LINE EXTENSION ON BEHALF OF  
RICEVILLE UTILITY DISTRICT 2020 CDBG APPLICATION

WHEREAS, McMinn County has identified the need for public water to be extended to all citizens of the county, as funds become available; and

WHEREAS, many residents in the county have requested assistance in receiving public water; and

WHEREAS, The State of Tennessee Community Development Block Grant program has grant funds available to assist with extending water lines to unserved households; and

WHEREAS, The Riceville Utility District has existing water lines that could be extended to serve homes on County Roads: 38, 50 and 51 where the 100% of the existing wells have previously tested positive for bacterial contamination; and

WHEREAS, since McMinn County is a member of the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development's Three-Star Economic & Community Development Program, McMinn County is eligible to apply for up to \$630,000 in CDBG funds and is eligible for a 4% discount towards the required local match;

WHEREAS, McMinn County can apply for a \$630,000 CDBG grant, with a required local match of 16% (or \$120,000); and

WHEREAS, this match amount is in compliance with McMinn County's Water Policy of not exceeding 20% of the construction costs of grant project,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the McMinn County Mayor is authorized to submit an application for \$630,000 in CDBG funds, with a local match of \$120,000 in county funds (for a total project cost of \$750,000), in order to extend water lines to unserved areas of the county.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Mayor is authorized to enter into any agreements necessary for the successful award of the grant, subject to its approval by the State.

BE IT EVEN FURTHER RESOLVED, if said application is approved, the County Mayor is hereby authorized to accept on behalf of McMinn County said Community Development Block Grant, execute any and all documents and enter into agreements necessary for the successful application and award of the grant and to enter into a project administration agreement with the Southeast Tennessee Development District, subject to ECD approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission does hereby approve the water line extension of behalf of Riceville Utility District 2020 CDBG application.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Institute Special Rates for the Disposal of Residential Cleanup Materials at the McMinn County Sanitary Landfill, Effective April 20-25 and to Designate that Week as "Cleanup, Fix-up, Sparkle Week" in McMinn County.

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 20-022.

(Res. 20-022 con't)

RESOLUTION NO. 20-022

A RESOLUTION TO INSTITUTE SPECIAL RATES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL CLEANUP MATERIALS AT THE McMINN COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL, EFFECTIVE APRIL 20-25, 2020 AND TO DESIGNATE THAT WEEK AS "CLEANUP, FIX-UP, SPARKLE WEEK" IN McMINN COUNTY

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Commission is authorized to set disposal rates for various materials at the McMinn County Sanitary Landfill; and

WHEREAS, this Commission wishes to charge no tipping fees for the disposal of residential cleanup materials at the McMinn County Sanitary Landfill during "Cleanup, Fix-up, Sparkle Week," as a promotion for this annual activity; and

WHEREAS, the Keep McMinn Beautiful, and other municipal and commercial entities in McMinn County wish to schedule their annual beautification promotions during the week of April 20-25<sup>th</sup>, and this Commission wishes to designate that week as "Cleanup, Fix-up, Sparkle Week" in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the County Mayor and Landfill Supervisor will provide suitable public notice, supervision, and monitoring for this activity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COMMISSION OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020, that this Commission authorizes the disposal of residential cleanup materials at no charge at the McMinn County Sanitary Landfill during April 20-25, 2020, and formally designates that week as "Cleanup, Fix-up, Sparkle Week" in McMinn County, and calls upon all its citizens to join in this worthy observance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission directs the County Mayor to promote, monitor, and supervise this activity in accordance with established operational and regulatory guidelines.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Approve the Request of Funds by the Athens Area Council for the Arts to Assist in Funding the AACA Performance Guide.

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 20-023.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-023

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF FUNDS BY THE ATHENS AREA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS TO ASSIST IN FUNDING THE AACA PERFORMANCE GUIDE

WHEREAS, the Athens Area Council for the Arts has requested \$7,500 to assist in funding the 2020-21 Performance Guide; and

WHEREAS, the Performance Guide details all of the major performance offerings which are on the Arts Center calendar for the year and is mailed to 2,500 patrons, prospects and local businesses; and

WHEREAS, this request shall be funded from Tourism/Hotel-Motel Tax funds in the amount of \$7,500, with appropriate advertisement of this donation to a non-profit as prescribed by law.

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(Res. 20-023 con't)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission does hereby approve this appropriation of Tourism funds to the Athens Area Council for the Arts.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

D. A Resolution to Approve the Request of Funds by the Etowah Arts Commission to Assist in Funding Various Events.

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 20-024.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 20-024

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF FUNDS BY THE ETOWAH ARTS COMMISSION TO ASSIST IN FUNDING VARIOUS EVENTS

WHEREAS, the Etowah Arts Commission has requested \$5,000 to assist in funding their 2020-21 series of events and programs; and

WHEREAS, the events and programs sponsored by EAC provide arts and cultural experience for citizens of Etowah and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, this request shall be funded from Tourism/Hotel-Motel Tax funds in the amount of \$5,000, with appropriate advertisement of this donation to a non-profit as prescribed by law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this Commission does hereby approve this appropriation of Tourism funds to the Etowah Arts Commission.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 10. ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

A. A Resolution to Confirm the Appointment of Carrie Vibbert to the Board of Directors of Keep McMinn Beautiful.

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 20-025.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-025

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF CARRIE VIBBERT

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(Res. 20-025 con't)

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF KEEP MCMINN BEAUTIFUL

WHEREAS, McMinn County has a Keep McMinn Beautiful board to provide educational and civic programs that promote litter cleanup and recycling in McMinn County; and

WHEREAS, as part of its duties and services, Keep McMinn Beautiful plays an important role in the Litter Grant program as required by the Tennessee Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, John M. Gentry as McMinn County Mayor, nominates Carrie Vibbert for appointment as a member of the Keep McMinn Beautiful Board of Directors for a term of three years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020, that this commission does hereby confirm the appointment of Carrie Vibbert to the Keep McMinn Beautiful Board of Directors.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNTY OFFICIALS, COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Properties Committee - Commissioner King said the Properties Committee met before tonight's meeting to discuss the repairs to the steps at the courthouse which was discussed in tonight's meeting with resolution #20-012.

12. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY MAYOR

- Mayor Gentry said he appreciated everyone's willingness to hold the meeting electronically. He said he knows it has its own unique challenges and he appreciates everyone doing the test runs with us.
- Mayor Gentry said everyone had a copy of the Trustee's report. These are the totals on the report.
  - 2007- \$1,000,000.00
  - 2008-800,000.00
  - 1,200,000.00
  - 753,253.62
  - 179,671.95\$3,932,925.57 This total represents our total payments from Woods Hospital District. As of March 31, 2020, Woods hospital proceeds account balance is \$4,320,186.15.
- Mayor Gentry said on May 1<sup>st</sup> the new sales tax increase will take effect. He said letters have been sent out to businesses.
- Mayor Gentry said he spoke with EMS director Jamie Nichols and ambulance transports have decreased. He said 911 calls are down.
- Mayor Gentry referenced resolution #20-020. He said McMinn County will get \$913,214 in grant moneys for local government.
- Mayor Gentry said the Governor made an announcement today hoping to open the economy up and that he will be working with local county officials at how to go about facing in more access to local government.

- Mayor Gentry said he didn't know the last time McMinn County lost an employee on the job and sends his condolences to Dean Wallace's family. He also said he would like to do a resolution honoring Dean's service at the next meeting.

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13. APPROVAL OF NOTARY APPLICATIONS

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

Notaries to be elected April 20, 2020

KIMBERLY ANDERSON	BRANDY N. HAMILTON
DENISE E BARNES	NANCY A HAYES
LISA M BUCKNER	DAVID MOSES
BETH C BUSH	ROGER STEPHEN MOSES
DANIELLE FAITH CALDWELL	TRINA MOSES
JENNIFER S CARTER	NATASHA PETRILLO
ANGELA LINETTE CARTER	GLENDA ROBINSON
KIMBERLY CHANCEY	MATTHEW T WATSON
TERA L FOX	TIFFANY WILSON
PATRICIA D. GIBSON	

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

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

There being no other business, Chairman Crews declared the Commission meeting adjourned before 8:06 pm.

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MELINDA KING  
McMinn County Clerk

Attest:

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Deputy (date)