

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2017**

STATE OF TENNESSEE) Regular Meeting
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) September 20, 2017

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 20th day of September, 2017, a Regular Meeting of the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners was begun and held at the Courthouse, in the City of Chattanooga, in the County Commission Room, when the following proceedings were held, to wit:--

0:26 Present and presiding was the Honorable Sabrena Smedley, Chairman Pro Tempore. County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Bankston, Commissioner Fields, Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Mackey, Commissioner Martin, and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley. Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3.

Chairman Fairbanks announced at last week’s Agenda Session he would be absent for today’s meeting due to hip replacement surgery. Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley stated Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Beck would not be present.

Also in attendance were County Mayor Jim Coppinger, members of his administrative staff, County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, and County Auditor Jenneth Randall.

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Attached hereto is a copy of the Public Notice of this meeting, which was published in a local newspaper and made a matter of record of this meeting.

0:56

Commissioner Martin introduced Pastor Mitch McClure, Middle Valley Church of God, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Martin led in the pledge to the flag.

PRESENTATION – LOOKOUT VALLEY RECREATION GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM

3:17

Commissioner Graham presented a Certificate of Congratulations to the Lookout Valley Knockouts Girls 9-10 Softball Team. He congratulated the team on winning both the 2017 Tennessee Dizzy Dean State Tournament and the 2017 Tennessee Dizzy Dean Softball Sportsmanship Award. Commissioner Graham spoke about the importance of good sportsmanship and thanked parents and volunteers for their work with the recreation center. At this time a round of applause was given.

Commissioner Graham introduced the team members and presented each one with a certificate. The team then shook hands with members of the Commission, Attorney Taylor, and Mayor Coppinger.

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PRESENTATION – KEN WILKERSON, DIRECTOR OF HAMILTON COUNTY

EMERGENCY SERVICES

10:04

Ken Wilkerson, Director of Hamilton County Emergency Services, recognized members of the Hamilton County Emergency Medical Services Department, who were part of a strike team deployed to Florida as part of a mutual aid agreement to assist local, state, and federal officials with the impact of Hurricane Irma. Hurricane Irma was the second catastrophic hurricane to strike the United States this season. He introduced members of the deployment team Lieutenant David Burdett, Lieutenant Billy Burnette, and Lieutenant Brian Bricker. He also introduced Captain Eric Ethridge, Logistics Supervisor, who coordinated the strike team locally. The team returned on Thursday, having completed their six-day mission. It was noted any cost incurred will be reimbursed by the federal government.

14:58

Mayor Coppinger, Commissioner Fields, Commissioner Bankston, and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley thanked the team for their service and for taking time away from their families.

Mayor Coppinger congratulated Director Wilkerson for his leadership and noted EMS responds to about 35,000 to 36,000 calls per year with limited staff. He recognized the department's work during the Woodmore bus accident last year. Mayor Coppinger also thanked Director of General Services Lee Norris his cooperative efforts.

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The team shook hands with members of the Commission, Attorney Taylor, and Mayor Coppinger.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

21:49 **ON MOTION** of Commissioner Fields , seconded by Commissioner Bankston, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of August 30, 2017, the Agenda Preparation Session of August 30, 2017, and the Regular Meeting of September 6, 2017, be approved, treat same as read, made a matter of record and filed. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Fields, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, “Aye”. Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total “Aye” votes – 6 Total “Nay” votes – 0.

ORDER OF REAPPOINTMENT

Mayor Coppinger submitted for the record an Order reappointing Michael Parker to the Savannah Valley Utility District Board of Commissioners for a term beginning September 9, 2017 and expiring September 9, 2021.

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TRUSTEE'S UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

The Trustee's unaudited financial report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 was submitted and made a matter of record.

ORDER OF DESIGNATION

An Order was recorded designating Todd Leamon to sit as the County Mayor's representative on the Planning Commission for the meeting of September 11, 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-17 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, THE BONDS AND OATHS OF NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED, OATHS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND THE OATH OF CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

22:30

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 917-17. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner

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Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total “Aye” votes – 6 Total “Nay” votes – 0.

Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley reported Resolution Nos. 917-18 through 917-21, and 917-23 were heard by a Committee of the Whole.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-18 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO BASIC OF TENNESSEE, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT NINE.

23:11

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 917-18. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Fields, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, “Aye”. Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total “Aye” votes – 6 Total “Nay” votes – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,485 WITH THE SCENIC CITIES

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**BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION TO PROVIDE LITTER PREVENTION EDUCATION
SERVICES WITH A CONTRACT PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 01, 2017 AND ENDING
JUNE 30, 2018.**

23:47

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 917-19. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-20 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE BID OF VOLUNTEER RESTORATION, INC., FOR \$375,468.00, FOR THE EXTERIOR CLEANING OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY COURTS BUILDING FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

24:27

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fields, to adopt Resolution No. 917-20. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and

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voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-21 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CONVEY AN EASEMENT FOR UTILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A WATERLINE ACROSS A PORTION OF PROPERTY JOINTLY OWNED BY HAMILTON COUNTY AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

25:08

ON MOTION of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 917-21. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 917-22 WAS NOT USED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 917-23 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE UPDATED 2017
HAMILTON COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK. AND
REPLACING THE 2010 AND UPDATED 2014 HANDBOOKS.**

25:50

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Bankston, to adopt Resolution No. 917-23. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

26:30

Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley asked that Resolution Nos. 917-24A, 917-24B, 917-25A, 917-25B, and 917-26 through 917-28 be considered together at this time.

**RESOLUTION NO. 917-24A A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM A-1
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO M-H MOBILE HOME DISTRICT, PART OF
PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE 4100 BLOCK OF PATTENTOWN ROAD.**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 917-24B A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM A-1
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO M-H MOBILE HOME DISTRICT, PART OF
PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE 4100 BLOCK OF PATTENTOWN ROAD.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 917-25A A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM R-2A RURAL
RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND C-2 LOCAL BUSINESS COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO
C-2 LOCAL BUSINESS COMMERCIAL DISTRICT PROPERTIES LOCATED AT
11110, 11116 HIGHWAY 58 AND 7809 GAMBLE ROAD.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 917-25B A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM R-2A RURAL
RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND C-2 LOCAL BUSINESS COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO
C-2 LOCAL BUSINESS COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, PROPERTIES AT 11110, 11116
HIGHWAY 58 AND 7809 GAMBLE ROAD.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 917-26 A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM A-1
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO C-2 LOCAL BUSINESS COMMERCIAL DISTRICT,
PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5616 HIGHWAY 60.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 917-27 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE "MASTER LIST OF
ROADS AND SPEED LIMITS" SO AS TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT
ROAD AND TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT THEREFORE: SILVER STONE LANE.**

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RESOLUTION NO. 917-28 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE “MASTER LIST OF ROADS AND SPEED LIMITS” SO AS TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT ROADS AND TO ESTABLISH SPEED LIMITS THEREFORE: SKYFALL DRIVE AND COPPER COVE.

Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, asked if there was opposition to any of the zoning items on today’s agenda. There was none.

28:40

Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 917-24A and 917-24B, and stated the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval of Resolution No. 917-24B, which included certain conditions as recommended by the Regional Planning Agency.

28:55

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 917-24B. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Fields, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, “Aye”. Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total “Aye” votes – 6 Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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30:00

Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 917-25A and 917-25B, and stated the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval of Resolution No. 917-25B, which included certain conditions as recommended by the Regional Planning Agency.

In response to Commissioner Mackey's question, Commissioner Bankston stated rezoning signs were posted, but he received no response from the community.

30:09

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 917-25B. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

31:01

Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 917-26, and stated the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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31:10

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 917-26. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 917-27, and stated the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

31:31

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 917-27. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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Commissioner Bankston, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 917-28, and stated the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

31:57

ON MOTION of Commissioner Bankston, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 917-28. The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

32:13

Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley asked that Resolution Nos. 917-29 through 917-31 be considered together at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-29 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF CHATTANOOGA PAPER AND PACKAGING, INTERBORO PACKAGING CORPORATION, AND INTERLINE BRANDS INC. DBA SUPPLYWORKS, FOR ONE (1) YEAR CONTRACT PRICING BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 25, 2017, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 24, 2018, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR, FOR CONSUMABLE MAINTENANCE PRODUCTS FOR THE SUPPORT

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SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-30 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) LIFEPAK 15 V4 CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATORS AND SUPPLIES AMOUNTING TO \$135,312.84 FROM PHYSIO CONTROL, INC. FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 917-31 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000.00) FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 FOR HAMILTON COUNTY TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR MOSQUITO SURVEILLANCE AND AMEND THE 2018 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BUDGET (3553) BY INCREASING THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000.00).

33:53

Commissioner Fields, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 917-29 through 917-31, and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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Time Code
Position

Commissioner Graham thanked Development Director Dan Saieed and Health Department Director Becky Barnes for obtaining these types of grants for Hamilton County. It was noted Resolution No. 917-31 required no County match.

34:33

ON MOTION of Commissioner Fields, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution Nos. 917-29 through 917-31. The foregoing Resolutions were unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Fields, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", and Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley, "Aye". Chairman Fairbanks, Commissioner Beck, and Commissioner Boyd were absent. Total present – 6. Total absent – 3. Total "Aye" votes – 6 Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

35:54

Commissioner Fields invited members of the Commission and audience to attend the annual Constitution Day lecture at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

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tomorrow evening in the Student Center. He reported the President of the Bill of Rights Institute will be speaking.

36:25 Commissioner Graham thanked Commissioners for their support in honoring the Lookout Valley Knockouts. He stated the importance of getting involved and reminded everyone about the upcoming Hamilton County Fair.

37:10 Commissioner Martin announced he attended the Nationalization Ceremony at Red Bank High School where 43 new citizens from 24 countries became United States Citizens. He explained Hamilton County is named after Alexander Hamilton, one of the Founding Fathers of the United States. Commissioner Martin provided some background on the impact of the Constitution on the states.

39:36 Mayor Coppinger encouraged everyone to attend the Hamilton County Fair this weekend at Chester Frost Park.

39:54 Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley announced a community meeting on Monday, September 25th, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the Apison Fire Hall regarding growth in District 7. She also announced a community meeting with District 4 City Councilman Darrin Ledford, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Bryan Johnson, and Sheriff Jim Hammond on Thursday, September 20th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Morris Hill Baptist Church.

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DELEGATIONS

Chairman Fairbanks asked for delegations on matters other than zoning. There were none.

41:02

Mitch McClure, a former Hamilton County Commissioner, and presently Chairman of the Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department, addressed the Commission regarding recent discussions on an accountability report. He distributed a handout to Commissioners and reported as of December 1st the Department's ISO moved to a Class 2. Mr. McClure also reported Dallas Bay is the only Volunteer Fire Department in Tennessee with a Class 2 rating . A copy of the handout was filed in the County Clerk's Office.

43:13

In response to Commissioner Mackey's request for clarification, Commissioner Martin clarified his earlier comments about the impact of the Constitution on the states.

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There being no further business, Chairman Pro Tempore Smedley declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

10-04-17
Date

WFK
Clerk's Initials