

AUGUST 23, 2021 - HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Hartsville/Trousdale County Commission met pursuant to adjournment with the Honorable Dwight Jewell, Commission Chairman, presiding and the following commissioners present to wit: Beverly Atwood, Mary Ann Baker, Ken Buckmaster, Shane Burton, Gary Claridy, Coy Dickey, Bill Fergusson, Jerry Ford, Bubba Gregory, Landon Gulley, Richard Harsh, Rachel Jones, David Nollner, Amber Russell, Lonnie Taylor, Gary Walsh, Steve Whittaker, and Ethan Boles.

1. **Open Court** - Sheriff Ray Russell
2. **Invocation** - Steve Whittaker
3. **Pledge to the American Flag** - Jerry Ford
4. **Roll Call** - Rita Crowder, County Clerk - **18 PRESENT, 2 ABSENT**
5. **Approval of Minutes** - Motion this court approve the minutes as presented.
Motion by Jerry Ford, Second by Coy Dickey **MOTION CARRIED**
6. **Announcements** - Comm. Richard Johnson is in the hospital and not doing well from what we've been told. Please remember him in your prayers. Comm. Rick Davis has family visiting so he will not be present at tonight's meeting.
7. **Amendments to the Agenda / Approval of Agenda** - We have 3 Notaries to add.
Motion this court set the agenda.
Motion by Richard Harsh, Second by Rachel Jones **MOTION CARRIED**
8. **Citizens' Response to Agenda Items** - No one signed in to speak.
9. **County Mayor Report** - Stephen Chambers
 - Census numbers are in. Trousdale County's population is 11,615. This total does include the inmates at Core Civic. They are not included in the totals for redistricting.
 - Hwy 25/Broadway Expansion Project should be ready to bid in December. TDOT expects this project to take up to 18 months once the project begins.
10. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Steering Committee** - Aug. 3 - Met and approved the minutes from the previous meeting. Discussed the Jail Needs Assessment and Jail Expansion. Recommended sending to Law Enforcement and the Building Committee. Discussed the renewal lease for Comcast and recommended to send to the full body for approval. Health Insurance /Benefits to be reviewed by the Insurance Committee. Wage Study sent to the Personnel Committee. The tornado siren has not been working properly. This will be a costly repair. More discussion on building a new jail and wheel tax.
 - B. **Law Enforcement Comm.** - Aug. 10 - Met and approved the minutes from the previous meeting. Currently working on a Memorandum of Understanding between the Sheriff's Dept. and the School System. They hope to have it finished soon. They reviewed the needs assessment for the jail that was completed by Jim Hart, Jail Management Consultant with CTAS. They will need to review and begin the process to see what this will cost. More discussion will come on how this project will be paid for.
 - C. **Personnel Committee** - Aug. 12 - Met and received an update on where we stand with Direct Deposit for employees. Both Citizens Bank and Wilson Bank & Trust have submitted proposals. Mayor Chambers and his staff have been reviewing those. He has also been working to review and submit changes to the Municipal Code Title IV. Some of these were carried over from the Town of Hartsville Policies. They began reviewing changes to the personnel policy and asked Mrs. Vickie Howard if would be possible to redo the changes as well as what they currently are.

Meeting was then scheduled for Sept. 14th and Sept. 21st. They will try and have a representative from Burris, Thompson, & Associates, the company that conducted the study, present to explain the findings of the study. This will be at the Sept. 21st meeting. These meetings will be held in the upstairs courtroom at the courthouse.

- D. **Budget & Finance** - Aug. 16 - Met and reviewed the Trustee's report. Early in the fiscal year, so there wasn't much going on. Still waiting on final numbers for the year. Budget amendments sent to the full body with a favorable recommendation.
- E. **Communications Committee** - Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 26th @ 7:00 at the courthouse.
- F. **Insurance Committee** - Meeting is schedule Sept. 23rd @ 6:00 at the courthouse.
- G. **Parks & Recreation Committee** - Meeting is scheduled for Sept. 23rd @ 7:00 at the courthouse.

11. **Active Business**

A. **Resolutions**

- 1) **Resolution 2021-24-728** Comcast Lease Agreement
 Motion this court approve this Resolution.
 Motion by Mary Ann Baker, Second by Beverly Atwood **MOTION CARRIED**

B. **Ordinances**

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING

- 1) **Ordinance 223-2021-14** Rezoning A1 to R1 River Road
 Motion this court close both Public Hearings.
 Motion by Landon Gulley, Second by Beverly Atwood **MOTION CARRIED**
- 3) **Ordinance 223-2021-14** Rezoning A1 to R1 River Road
 Motion this court approve this Ordinance - 2nd Reading
 Motion by Landon Gulley, Second by Richard Harsh **MOTION CARRIED**
- 4) **Ordinance 224-2021-15** Rezoning A1 to R1 Hwy 10
 Motion this court approve this Ordinance - 2nd Reading
 Motion by Mary Ann Baker, Second by Beverly Atwood **MOTION CARRIED**

C. **Budget Amendments**

101 - COUNTY GENERAL

TRANSFER FROM RESERVED FUNDS

2022-101-04R Local Parks & Recreation Grant \$ 240,000

After a lengthy discussion regarding the temporary use of Enhanced Wood Fiber chips vs. rubber chips, a motion was made for approval.

Motion this court approve this Budget Amendment.

Motion by Mary Ann Baker, Second by David Nollner

ROLL CALL, BOOK PAGE 3, - 8 YES, 10 NO, 2 ABSENT MOTION FAILED

INTERFUND TRANSFERS

2022-101-05 ThreeStar Grant \$ 47,500

Motion this court approve this Budget Amendment.

Motion by Beverly Atwood, Second by Bill Ferguson **MOTION CARRIED**

2022-101-06 Insurance Recovery 495

Motion this court approve this Budget Amendment,

Motion by Rachel Jones, Second by Amber Russell **MOTION CARRIED**

D. **Notaries**

- Candice Wesner, Kenneth J. Phillips, Attorney at Law
- W.M. Grady, Core Civic
- Angie Hibdon-Johnson, CPA

Motion this court approve these Notary applicants.

Motion by Bubba Gregory, Second by Rachel Jones **MOTION CARRIED**

12. **Other Business** - None

13. **Public Comment** – None

14. **Adjourn**

Motion this court Adjourn.

Motion Gary Walsh, Second by Beverly Atwood **MOTION CARRIED**