

## OCTOBER 25, 2021 - HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, That the Hartville/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, Cary Claridy, Rick Davis, Bill Fergusson, Jerry Ford, Bubba Gregory, Landon Gulley, Richard Harsh, Richard Johnson, Rachel Jones, David Nollner, Amber Russell, Lonnie Taylor, Gary Walsh, Steve Whittaker.

1. **Open Court** - Sheriff Ray Russell
2. **Invocation** - Mary Ann Baker
3. **Pledge to the American Flag** - Landon Gulley
4. **Roll Call** - Rita Crowder, County Clerk - **19 PRESENT, 1 ABSENT**, Student Rep. Ethan Boles - **ABSENT**
5. **Approval of Minutes**  
Motion this court approve the minutes as presented.  
Motion by Jerry Ford, Second by Lonnie Taylor **MOTION CARRIED**
6. **Announcements**  
Condolences to Shelly Brawner, Clerk & Master and her family. Her mother, Mrs. Geneva Holland passed away. Graveside services will be held @ 2:00pm on Tues. October 26th.
7. **Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of Agenda**  
Add Resolution 2021-32-736, Item 11, B- 4; Add Resolution 2021-33-737, Item 11, B- 5; Add 2 Notaries, Item 11, E.  
Motion this court approve this Agenda as amended.  
Motion by Richard Harsh, Second by Landon Gulley **MOTION CARRIED**
8. **Citizens' Response to Agenda Items** - None Presented.
9. **County Mayor Report** - Stephen Chambers
  - There is a settlement being worked by the ST of TN for counties that have been affected by the Opioid Crisis. A Resolution should be available next month for the commission's approval.
  - Multi-Modal Grant application was submitted before October 1st. We should hear something by spring.
  - Hartsville/Trousdale Co. was 1 of 35 counties to receive a Budgeting Certificate from the Comptroller's office. Very proud to have received this.
  - Dr. Ray Miller, an active member in the Downtown Revitalization, has passed away. Condolences to his family.
10. **Committee Reports**
  - A. **Steering Committee** - No Meeting
  - B. **Budget & Finance** - Oct. 18 - Reviewed the Co. Trustee's Report and Financial Report. We have received the first deposit from the American Rescue Fund. We will need to be very cautious with how these funds are spent. We have received the annual administrative fee from CoreCivic. It was deposited in to the Debt Service Fund. Budget amendments were recommended for approval.
  - C. **Personnel Committee** - Oct. 19 - The committee discussed the Compensation Study/Merit Increases. Talked about using both the step process and incorporate the merit increases as well. Brought up and discussed COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment). After much discussion, the committee voted to send the merit/step pay scale and the COLA increases to Budget and Finance. Continued discussions on changes to the Personnel Policy: Holidays, Special Pay Provisions, Sick Leave, and Vacation Leave. They also reviewed COVID-19 forms, Leave of absence Without Pay, Family and Medical Leave, Bereavement Leave, Voting Leave, Jury and Court Duty, and Maternity Leave. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 18, 2021 @ 6:00 pm.

- D. **Prison Relations** - Oct. 20 - Warden Martin Frink met with committee to update them on the current status of the prison. The current population is 2, 490; 1,181 are in minimum security, 1,244 are in medium security. Currently, 17 inmates are COVID-19 positive and 600 are quarantining. Flu shots have been issued. COVID-19 Vaccinations are available but not required. There have been 5 deaths, 1 due to COVID-19 and the other 4 were accidental. The staffing shortages are being covered with overtime closing mandatory posts. It's been very difficult to get employees.
- E. **Parks & Rec. Committee** - Oct. 25 - Continued discussions on Trey Park. They have decided to go with colored rubber mulch. Mayor Chambers asked for an amount so that he could get bids. The committee recommended \$100,000.00. Bids for replacing poles and lights at the Little League fields from Tri-Co. will be sent to Budget and Finance.
- F. **Other Reports** - No others to report.

11. **Active Business**

A. **Appointments**

**Charter Revision Commission**

- **Katie Mae Harper**, no term limits  
Appointment to begin on November 1, 2021

**Water & Sewer Board**

- **Kendra Stafford**, filling vacant term ending February 1, 2022  
Appointment to begin on November 1, 2021

Motion this court approve both appointments.

Motion by Bill Fergusson, Second by Bubba Gregory

**MOTION CARRIED**

B. **Resolutions**

1) **Resolution 2021-29-733 2022** Committee Assignments

Motion this court approve this Resolution.

Motion by Jerry Ford, Second by Rachel Jones

**Electronic Vote - 17 YES, 2 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

2) **Resolution 2021-30-734** Support of Opposition to Vaccine Mandate

Motion this court approve this Resolution.

Motion by Rachel Jones, Second by Shane Burton

**Electronic Vote - 15 YES, 0 NO, 4 ABSTAINED, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

3) **Resolution 2021-31-735** Charter Amendment Section 4.06(c)

Motion this court amend this Resolution to remove the wording "Executive" and correct it to say "Mayor".

Motion by Mary Ann Baker, Second by Rachel Jones

**MOTION CARRIED**

Motion this court approve this Resolution as amended.

Motion by Rachel Jones, Second Amber Russell

**Electronic Vote - 18 YES, 1 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

4) **Resolution 2021-32-736** Resolution to Adopt A Reapportionment/Redistricting Plan for Hartsville/Trousdale County

Motion by Gary Walsh, Second by Jerry Ford

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

5) **Resolution 2021-33-737** Resolution Declaring Certain Vehicles As Surplus For Disposal

Motion this court approve this Resolution.

Motion by Mary Ann Baker, Second by Landon Gulley

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

C. **Ordinances**

**FIRST READING**

- 1) **Ordinance 226-2021-17** Water & Sewer Dept. | Repeal Title 18

Motion this court approve this Ordinance - **1st Reading**

Motion by Jerry Ford, Second by Bubba Gregory

**Electronic Vote - 17 YES, 1 NO, 1 ABSTAINED, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 2) **Ordinance 227-2021-18** Rezoning R1 to C2 - McMurry Blvd. (Hickory Ridge)

Motion this court approve this Ordinance - **1st Reading**

Motion by Beverly Atwood, Second by Lonnie Taylor

**Electronic Vote - 17 YES, 2 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 3) **Ordinance 228-2021-19** Rezoning A1 to R1 - Hwy 141N

Motion this court approve this Ordinance - **1st Reading**

Motion by Richard Harsh, Second by Gary Claridy

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 4) **Ordinance 229-2021-20** Rezoning A1 to R1 - Hwy 10

Motion this court approve this Ordinance - **1st Reading**

Motion by Bubba Gregory, Second by Rick Davis

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

D. **Budget Amendments**

**101- COUNTY GENERAL**

**FUND BALANCE DRAW**

2022-101-14FB Emergency Performance Grant FY2021

\$ 5,000

Motion this court approve this Budget Amendment

Motion by Rachel Jones, Second by Lonnie Taylor

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

2022-101-15FB Election Commission - Deputy Compensation

4,478

Motion this court approve this Budget Amendment

Motion by Gary Walsh, Second by Rick Davis

**Electronic Vote - 18 YES, 1 NO, 0 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROPRIATIONS**

2022-101-11G CARES Act Funding Senior Center

\$ 44,500

2022-101-12 Insurance Recovery

5,238

2022-101-13R LGSF: Tourism Funding to Chamber of Commerce

7,428

Motion this court approve all three Budget Amendments.

Motion by Richard Harsh, Second by Beverly Atwood

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**141 - GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL**

BA 2022-141-04 LEAPS Program

\$ 19,308

BA 2022-141-05 HSSL Grant

500

BA 2022-141-06 Safe Schools Grant

30,650

Motion this court approve all three Budget Amendments.

Motion by Jerry Ford, Second by Landon Gulley

**Electronic Vote - 19 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSENT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**E. Notaries**

- Anthonette Reasonover - Steed Brothers Contractors

- Sandra Fuqua - Donoho, Taylor & Taylor

Motion this court approve these Notary Applicants.

Motion by Landon Gulley, Second by Rachel Jones

**MOTION CARRIED**

12. **Other Business** - None presented.

13. **Public Comment** - None presented.

14. **Adjourn**

Motion this court adjourn.

Motion by Gary Walsh, Second by Rachel Jones

**MOTION CARRIED**