

**Bedford County Board of Commissioners
Commissioner Board Meeting**

Date: **Tuesday, January 10, 2023**

Time: **7:00 PM**

Location: **Bedford County Historic Courthouse, 2nd Floor,
Community Room**

Minutes

Call to Order: Chairman, Mayor Chad D. Graham

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance: Pastor Jimmy West led in prayer and a moment of silence for former Commissioner Gordon Warren

Open Meeting: Sheriff Austin Swing

Roll Call: County Clerk Donna Thomas

PRESENT

Bill Anderson

Jason Boyette

Janice Brothers

Anita Epperson

Biff Farrar

Drew Hooker

Scott Johnson

Eric Maddox

Diane Neeley

Sylvia Pinson

Julie Sanders

Adam Thomas

Mark Thomas

Troy Thompson

Greg Vick

Linda Yockey

ABSENT

John Boutwell

Tony Smith

Minutes Approval:

1. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2022 - *Placed on the agenda without a recommendation by Rules & Legislative Committee.*

Motion to approve by Mark Thomas. Seconded by Adam Thomas. Passed by voice vote.

Elections & Confirmations:

2. Elect Notaries for February 2023 - *Placed on the agenda by the Rules & Legislative Committee.*

Motion to approve by Mark Thomas. Seconded by Epperson. Passed by voice vote.

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Notaries to be elected January 10, 2023

EMILY ANDERTON	MARY JO JOHNSON
LAWRENCE ATHERTON	MOSLIM MOHUMMED
DARLA DAMRON	JERILYN MOORE
CRYSTAL FULLER	SARAH OLSON
ANTHONY W HARRIS	LORI K PIERCE
CHEYENNE L HENNIGER	

3. Appointment to Ethics Committee.

Graham put forth the following names for the Ethics Committee: Biff Farrar, Mark Thomas, Julie Sanders, Tony Smith, Tonya Davis

Yockey made a motion to approve. Seconded by Thompson. Passed by voice vote.

Presentations: None.

Resolutions: None.

Additional Items by Standing Committees:

Rules and Legislative Committee:

4. Request to name bridge spanning the Duck River on Sims Rd. in memory of Jimmy Woodson - *Placed on agenda with favorable recommendation (unanimous).*

Motion to approve by Epperson. Seconded by Pinson. Passed by voice vote.

5. Confirm standing committees and chairmanships.

Farrar made a motion to keep the members of the committees as they are. Seconded by Epperson. Passed by voice vote.

6. Ethics Policy - Adopt updated model CTAS policy.

Yockey made a motion to adopt the state ethics policy model. Seconded by Pinson. Passed by voice vote.

A copy of the Ethics Policy is on file in the Clerk's office.

7. Accept the County Highway Department Road Listing.

Mark Thomas made a motion to accept the County Road Listing as submitted by Highway Director Mark Clanton. Seconded by Vick. Passed by voice vote.

A copy of the Road List is on file in the Clerk's office.

Law Enforcement Committee:

8. Approve Sheriff's Department Tablet Bid, 3-year Contract - *Placed on agenda with favorable recommendation (4-1).*

Mark Thomas made a motion to defer until the vendor can be present to answer questions. Seconded by Thompson.

Courthouse and Property Committee:

9. Approve all committee meetings to be held in courtroom of Historic Courthouse - *Placed on the agenda by unanimous vote (3-0).*

Hooker made a motion to ask the Mayor to identify alternative options for committee meetings within the courthouse that would seat at least 50 people excluding the finance committee which would remain at Dover Street. The Chairperson of any of the committees could have the option to move a meeting to the main courtroom for anticipated large crowd agendas. He asked that the Mayor report back to the Courthouse and Property Committee at its February meeting. Seconded by Maddox.

Mark Thomas asked if the Dover Street location would be considered since it is already setup to accommodate meetings. Hooker said since we have spent a lot of money on the courthouse renovation it is appropriate to hold the Commission/Committee meetings here. Yockey added that the decision is up to the Mayor.

Passed by voice vote.

Financial Management Committee:

10. Surplus Property - BOE

Motion to approve by Mark Thomas. Seconded by Yockey. Passed by voice vote.

A copy of the surplus list is on file in the Clerk's office.

Other Business:

11. Q2 Reports

Clerk & Master - Absent

Circuit Court Clerk/Driving School Director – Absent, submitted report

County Clerk – Donna Thomas reported on YTD activity.

Director of Schools – Dr. Tammy Garrett gave a report on the progress of Community HS, the new elementary school, CTE program, and work-based learning for credit and wages.

Election Registrar – Absent, submitted report

Hwy Superintendent – Absent, submitted report

Property Assessor - Absent

Registrar of Deeds – Absent, submitted report

Trustee – Tonya Davis reported on YTD activity.

Shelbyville-Bedford Partnership – Shane Hooper reported on current projects.

Announcements

- \$4.4 million state grant for Bedford County's broadband expansion.
- Sentaor Marsha Blackburn will visit the courthouse on January 17 at 1:30.
- County offices will be close January 16 for Martin Luther King Day.
- Disclosure of Interest Statements must be filed with the state by January 31.
- Graham commended all of the agencies who were instrumental in evacuating Glen Oaks Nursing Home during their recent flooding.


- The School Board will meet on January 19 to endorse the new school building project and send it to the Commission. There will be a special-called Commission meeting to address it on January 24 at 7:00 p.m.
- Yockey and Thomas commended the employees who helped with the flooding of the Dover Street Complex.
- Vick said that according to the Governor there will be \$1 billion in federal money will be transitioning across the country. There will be an additional funding formula developed for broadband. Remote areas without coverage will be targeted. Vick said he asked the Governor and Representative Marsh and Senator Reeves to forego the county match. The county's broadband program has provided service to 5,000 people who did not have it before.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

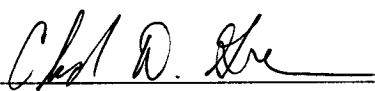
Attestation

I certify that the minutes were completed on the 17th day of January, 2023 and delivered to the Bedford County Mayor's office.



Donna Thomas
Bedford County Clerk

I certify that I received these minutes on the 18th day of January, 2023.



Chad Graham
Bedford County Mayor