

Sevier County Commission

March 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Quorum Present (25 Present, 1 Absent)

Present: Mayor Larry Waters, Ronnie Allen, Fred Atchley, Scott Catlett, Mike Chambers, Gary Cole, Bryan Delius, Aaron Foster, Chuck Godfrey, Greg Haggard, Brandon Headrick, Mike Hillard, Todd Humble, Warren Hurst, Michael Maddron, Don McGill, Chad Ogle, Ray Ogle, Frank Parton, Jack Parton, Harold Pitner, Carrol Rauhuff, Tommy Watts, Ronnie Whaley, Kent Woods

Absent: Dale Hill

III. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS COMMISSION MEETING

A motion was made by Hillard and duly seconded by Allen. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent for February 20, 2023 County Commission Meeting Minutes.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES

A motion was made by R. Ogle and duly seconded Cole. by Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS/PUBLIC HEARING ON REZONING REQUESTS

- a. Public Comment on agenda items
 - I. No public comments made

VI. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-01: APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE SEVIER COUNTY BEER BOARD

A motion was made by Pitner and duly seconded by Allen. Passed by voice vote 24 yes, 1 absent

VII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-02: APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE SEVIER COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A motion was made by Hurst and duly seconded by Chambers Passed by voice vote 24 yes, 1 absent

VIII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-03: APPROVE PURCHASE OF PARCEL 062 069.07 OFF OF JACK DELOZIER DRIVE

Ronnie Whaley - 7,000 sq ft warehouse sitting on the property is planned to be renovated using Federal ARPA funds, and will house the EMA personnel as well as the EOC.

A motion was made by McGill and duly seconded by Woods. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent

IX. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-04: APPROVE TERMINATION OF CERTAIN INTEREST RATE SWAP AGREEMENTS OF THE PUBLIC BUILDING AUTHORITY OF SEVIER COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Joe Ayers – London Interbank currently holds our bonds which currently has two years left, the early termination fee is currently at an all time low so now would be the best time to cash out and move it to a better market value. The current bond rate is on a fixed interest rate, currently estimated to cost around \$400,000 to cash out, but not 100% confirmed due to market fluctuation.

A motion was made by Cole and duly seconded by Chambers Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent

X. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-05: INTENT TO ADOPT THE VARIOUS STANDARD CODES RELATING TO INSPECTION ACTIVITIES FOR SEVIER COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Chris Jenkins – Commercial codes being updated from 12 to 18, old codes will be kept in the County Clerk Office to review if there are any questions to arise about the change. A ninety-day intent period till it is adopted in June, fees are already in place and no added changed at this time. Verbiage has been added to Codes pertaining to rental properties.

A motion was made by Woods and duly seconded by Chambers. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent

XI. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-06: AUTHORIZE AND EXECUTE APPLICATION TO THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR STRATEGIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND ACTION PLAN

Andrew Temple – Applying for a grant that would provide a financial study for three years from July 2023 – June 2026 into building single family homes with the stipulation that it cannot be rented or vacation rentals. Stated that \$45,000 will be granted from the state if we match for infrastructure, currently reaching out to area cities for help with funds to build better communities.

A motion was made by Hurst and duly seconded by Chambers. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent.

XII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-07: SET SPEED LIMIT ON CERTAIN SEVIER COUNTY ROADS

A list was provided, all roads on the list will be set to 25 mph

A motion was made by Allen and duly seconded by R. Ogle. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent

XIII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2023-03-08: AUTHORIZE THE USE OF STATE AID IN RESURFACING ROADS

A motion was made by Allen and duly seconded by Hurst. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent

XIV. NOTARIES

A motion was made by R. Ogle and duly seconded by Cole. Passed by voice vote 24 yes, 1 absent

XV. OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Waters wished Warren Hurst Happy Birthday

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Randa Leming: Spoke about state sales tax dollars going towards supporting transgender ideology, Department of Human Services policy currently states that workers that deal with transgender youths to address them with their preferred pronouns regardless of their beliefs. Mention that continuing on this route when dealing with kids especially those who have been through traumatic upbringings and questioning their autonomy is causing even more confusion on their healing process.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Pitner and duly seconded by Headrick. Passed by roll call vote 24 yes, 1 absent