

APRIL 2026 AGENDA

THE HAWKINS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON APRIL 27, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE HAWKINS COUNTY COURTHOUSE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM

OPENING OF COURT	SHERIFF RONNIE LAWSON
PRAYER	COMMISSIONER JOSHUA GILLIAM
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	COMMISSIONER JASON ROACH
CALL TO ORDER	CHAIRMAN MARK DEWITTE
ROLL CALL	COUNTY CLERK NANCY A. DAVIS
CONFLICT OF INTEREST	ATTORNEY ALLEN COUP
COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS	CHAIRMAN MARK DEWITTE
OFFICE REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS	CHAIRMAN MARK DEWITTE
APPROVAL OF MINUTES (MARCH REGULAR SESSION & MARCH SPECIAL CALLED)	CHAIRMAN MARK DEWITTE
PUBLIC COMMENTS	CHAIRMAN MARK DEWITTE

PUBLIC COMMENTS MUST PERTAIN TO THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING. ANYONE WHO WISHES TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD PLACE THEIR NAME ON THE SIGN-IN SHEET AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT PODIUM. "COMMENTS LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES"

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RESOLUTIONS 2026/04:

- 2026/04/01** AUTHORIZING HAWKINS COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW NATIONAL OPIOIDS SIX REMNANT DEFENDANTS SETTLEMENT AND APPROVING THE RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS
- 2026/04/02** APPROVAL OF A HAWKINS COUNTY DELINQUENT TAX ACQUISITION AND PARCEL DISPOSITION POLICY
- 2026/04/03** APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR A LITTER GRANT FOR THE FY 2026-2027 WITH THE ATTACHED PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
- 2026/04/04** REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF THE RESTATED DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE
- 2026/04/05** APPROVAL OF COUNTY ROAD NAME LIST FOR HAWKINS COUNTY AS OF MARCH 31, 2026
- 2026/04/06** BUDGET AMENDMENT – GENERAL FUND
- 2026/04/07** BUDGET AMENDMENT – SOLID WASTE
- 2026/04/08** BUDGET AMENDMENT – HIGHWAY FUND
- 2026/04/09** BUDGET AMENDMENT – HIGHWAY CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

2026/04/10 GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT

2026/04/11 APPROVAL OF NOTARIES PUBLIC

2026/04/12 APPOINTMENT OF EQUALIZATION BOARD FOR HAWKINS COUNTY FOR THE
2026-2027 TERM

MOTION TO ADJOURN

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO COUNTY COURT - (IF NEEDED)

BUDGET COMMITTEE WILL BE NOTIFIED

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED AT

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(BEFORE THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 423-272-7002 DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
MARCH 23, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: 13
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: 1

MARK DEWITTE, MAYOR
SYBLE VAUGHAN TRENT
JOHN GIBSON
JEFF BARRETT
TOM KERN

DANNY ALVIS (A)
CHARLES THACKER
JOSH GILLIAM
CHAD BRITTON
GLENDA DAVIS

JASON ROACH
LARRY CLONCE
NANCY BARKER
ROBBIE PALMER
BOBBY JINKS

PUBLIC COMMENTS – ON FILE IN THE COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE (NONE FOR MARCH)

COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

--CHAIRMAN DEWITTE PROCLAIMED THE WEEK OF APRIL 6 – APRIL 12, 2026, NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK IN HAWKINS COUNTY
--RISE NAVIGATOR TARA HALL, CPRS SPOKE ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE HELP THROUGH THE HAWKINS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

OFFICE REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS – (FILED IN THE COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE) – NONE

--COMMISSIONER PALMER GAVE UPDATE ON NEW COMPACTOR AT HWY 66 CONVENIENCE CTR

ANNOUCEMENTS

--LAKEVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL EASTER PARADE AND EASTER EGG HUNT MARCH 29TH AT 1:00 P.M. IN MOORESBURG AT FIRE STATION #2
--MARCH 28TH HAM SUPPER AT MASONIC LODGE IN BULLS GAP
--HAWKINS COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY: APRIL 2 – SHERIFF FORUM, APRIL 9 – MAYOR FORUM, APRIL 18 – LINCOLN DAY DINNER

MINUTES OF JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026 COMMISSION MEETING WERE APPROVED – 13 YES, 1 ABSENT

*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY ROBBIE PALMER

RESOLUTIONS 2026/03:

2026/03/01 HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION DECLARING THE CLINCH VALLEY WATER SHORTAGE A PUBLIC SAFETY PRIORITY AND AUTHORIZING FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCITON OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITY AT CLINCH SCHOOL
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY LARRY CLONCE

MOTION BY AMEND RESOLUTION 2026/03/01 – IN THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF RESOLUTION – INSTEAD OF HAWKINS COUNTYCOMMISSION AND THE HAWKINS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION PROVIDING \$28,600 EACH, THEY COMMITT TO PROVIDING \$25,000 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF \$50,000

*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY JASON ROACH

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

MOTION TO AMENDED RESOLUTION 2026/03/01 AS AMENDED – TO CHANGE AMENDED RESOLUTION FROM \$50,000 TO THE FINAL QUOTE OF \$49,943.09, MAKING THE FINAL TOTAL EACH FOR THE COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION 24,971.55

*MOTION BY JOSH GILLIAM, SECOND BY BOBBY JINKS

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2026/03/01 – TWICE AMENDEDD

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2026/03/02 RECISSION OF RESOLUTION 2025/06/04 – APPROVAL OF THE TOWN OF
BEAN STATION'S PROPOSED URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY MAP
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2026/03/03 APPROVAL TO SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND ELECTRONICS FROM
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY JOSH GILLIAM

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2026/03/04 BUDGET AMENDMENT – GENERAL FUND
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY CHAD BRITTON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2026/03/05 BUDGET AMENDMENT – HIGHWAY FUND
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON
DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

NO: BARRETT

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 12 NO 1 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2026/03/06 GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT
*MOTION BY JOSH GILLIAM, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSTAIN: ROACH

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 12 NO 0 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT 1

2026/03/07 APPROVAL OF NOTARIES PUBLIC

*MOTION BY JOHN GIBSON, SECOND BY CHAD BRITTON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

MOTION TO ADJOURN – 13 YES

*MOTION BY ROBBIE PALMER, SECOND BY JASON ROACH

VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 2026 COMMISSION MEETING

YES NO ABSTAIN ABSENT

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED SESSION OF HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION
MARCH 31, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: 13
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: 1

MARK DEWITTE, MAYOR
SYBLE VAUGHAN TRENT
JOHN GIBSON
JEFF BARRETT
TOM KERN

DANNY ALVIS (A)
CHARLES THACKER
JOSH GILLIAM
CHAD BRITTON
GLENDA DAVIS

JASON ROACH
LARRY CLONCE
NANCY BARKER
ROBBIE PALMER
BOBBY JINKS

PUBLIC COMMENTS – ON FILE IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE - NONE

RESOLUTIONS 2026/03/01 SC & 2026/03/02 SC

2026/03/01 SC APPROVAL TO ALLOCATE 2024 STATE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2026/03/02 SC APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE OFFICIAL COUNTY PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL
CYCLE FROM FIVE YEARS TO A CONTINUOUS FOUR-YEAR CYCLE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH T.C.A. §67-5-1601
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY CHAD BRITTON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, JINKS

ABSENT: ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

MOTION TO ADJOURN – 13 YES, 1 ABSENT
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND NANCY BARKER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 2026 SPECIAL CALLED COMMISSION MEETING

YES

NO

ABSTAIN

ABSENT

RESOLUTION

No. 2026/04/ 01

To the HONORABLE MAYOR MARK DEWITTE, Chairman, and Members of the Hawkins County Board of Commission in Regular Session, met this 27th day of April 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: AUTHORIZING HAWKINS COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW NATIONAL OPIOIDS SIX REMNANT DEFENDANTS SETTLEMENT AND APPROVING THE RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic continues to impact communities in the United States, the State of Tennessee, and Hawkins County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Hawkins County has suffered harm and will continue to suffer harm as a result of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, a new proposed national opioids settlement ("*Six Remnant Defendants Settlement*") has been reached with six regional distributors/dispenser defendants: Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies); JM Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. (including its subsidiaries SuperValu and Advantage Logistics) (each individually, a "*Remnant Defendant*," and collectively the "*Six Remnant Defendants*"); and

WHEREAS, those certain defendants have proposed settlements that Hawkins County find acceptable and in the best interest of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee legislature enacted Public Chapter No. 491 during the 2021 Regular Session of the 112th Tennessee General Assembly and was signed into law by Governor Bill Lee on May 24, 2021, which addresses the allocation of funds from certain proposed opioid litigation settlements ; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee, non-litigating counties, and representatives of various local governments involved in the Opioid Litigation have proposed a unified plan for the allocation and use of certain prospective settlement and bankruptcy funds from opioid related litigation ("*Settlement Funds*"); and

WHEREAS, participation in the settlements by certain Tennessee cities and counties will materially increase the amount of settlement funds that Tennessee will receive from pending proposed opioid settlements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE,

Section 1. That Hawkins County finds that participation in the settlement is in the best interest of Hawkins County and its citizens because such a plan would ensure an effective structure for the commitment of Settlement Funds to abate and seek to resolve the opioid epidemic.

Section 2. That Hawkins County hereby expresses its support for a unified plan for the allocation and use of Settlement Funds.

Section 3. That the Hawkins County Mayor is hereby expressly authorized to execute the formal agreements necessary to implement a unified plan for the allocation and use of Settlement Funds.

Section 4. That the Hawkins County Mayor is hereby expressly authorized to execute any formal agreement and related documents evidencing Hawkins County's agreement to the settlement of claims [and litigation] specifically related to "The Remnant Defendants".

Section 5. That the Hawkins County Mayor is authorized to take such other action as necessary and appropriate to effectuate Hawkins County's participation in the settlements.

Section 6. This Resolution is effective upon adoption, the welfare of Hawkins County, Tennessee requiring it.

Introduced By Esq. Robbie Palmer

ACTION: AYE NAY PASSED

Seconded By Esq _____

Roll Call _____

Date Submitted 4-13-2026

Voice Vote _____

County Clerk Nancy A Davis

COMMITTEE ACTION

By: Cynthia Rutledge, D.C.

Mayor: _____

Mark DeWitte, Mayor



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McLean, VA 22102
(571) 397-2050
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New National Opioids Settlement: Six Remnant Defendants
Notice and Claims Administrator
opioidsparticipation@rubris.com

To: Hawkins County, TN
Reference Number: CL-2022177

**THIS PACKAGE CONTAINS DOCUMENTATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW
NATIONAL OPIOIDS SIX REMNANT DEFENDANTS SETTLEMENT. YOU MUST TAKE
ACTION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.**

Deadline: Monday, May 4, 2026

A new proposed national opioids settlement ("*Six Remnant Defendants Settlement*") has been reached with six regional distributors/dispenser defendants: Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies); J M Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. (including its subsidiaries SuperValu and Advantage Logistics) (each individually, a "*Remnant Defendant*," and, collectively, the "*Six Remnant Defendants*"). This package is a follow-up communication to the *Notice of National Opioids Settlement* recently sent electronically.

You are receiving this package, which includes a *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form*, because your entity is eligible to participate.

This electronic envelope contains:

- A *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* for the *Six Remnant Defendants Settlement* that your entity is eligible to join, including a release of any claims.

The *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* must be executed, without alteration, and submitted on or before Monday, May 4, 2026, for your entity to be included in the initial participation calculations and payment eligibility under the *Six Remnant Defendants Settlement*.

The MDL Plaintiffs' Executive Committee recommends that subdivisions agree to the settlement. If a subdivision elects to participate in the *Six Remnant Defendants Settlement* by executing the *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form*, the subdivision elects to participate in the settlement as to all *Six Remnant Defendants*. A subdivision cannot elect to participate in the settlement as to fewer than all *Six Remnant Defendants*. Based upon *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Forms* received on or before Monday, May 4, 2026, the participation rate will be used by each *Remnant Defendant* to



individually determine whether participation is sufficient to move forward. If the settlement moves forward, your release will become effective as to all *Remnant Defendants* that determine to move forward. If a *Remnant Defendant* determines not to move forward, your release as to that *Remnant Defendant* will not become effective.

You are encouraged to discuss the terms and benefits of the *Six Remnant Defendants Settlement* with your counsel. Information and documents regarding the *Six Remnant Defendants Settlement*, can be found on the national settlement website at <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/>. This website will be supplemented if additional documents are created.

How to return signed forms:

There are three methods for returning the executed *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* to the Notice and Claims Administrator:

- (1) *Electronic Signature via DocuSign*: Executing the *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* electronically through DocuSign will return the signed form to the Notice and Claims Administrator and associate your form with your entity's records. Electronic signature is the most efficient method for returning the *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form*, allowing for more timely participation and the potential to meet higher settlement payment thresholds, and is therefore strongly encouraged.
- (2) *Manual Signature returned via Rubris Platform Portal*: If your entity is unable to return an executed *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* using DocuSign, the signed *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* may be submitted via the Rubris Platform Portal. Please utilize the link within the New National Opioid Settlement Notice email in order to upload your entity's *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* directly to the Rubris Platform Portal.
- (3) *Manual Signature returned via electronic mail*: If your entity is unable to return an executed *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* using DocuSign, the signed *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form* may be returned via electronic mail to opioidsparticipation@rubris.com. Please include the name, state, and reference ID of your entity in the body of the email and use the subject line *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form – [Entity Name, Entity State] – [Reference ID]*.

Detailed instructions on how to sign and return the *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form*, including changing the authorized signer, can be found at National Opioid Settlement Website. You may also contact opioidsparticipation@rubris.com.



7900 Westpark Drive
Suite A100
McLean, VA 22102
(571) 397-2050
www.rubris.com

The sign-on period ends on Monday, May 4, 2026.

If you have any questions about executing the *Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form*, please contact your counsel or the Notice and Claims Administrator at opioidsparticipation@rubris.com.

Thank you,
Notice and Claims Administrator

The Notice and Claims Administrator is retained to provide the settlement notice required by the settlement agreement referenced above and to manage the collection of settlement participation forms from the settlement.

EXHIBIT G

**Six (6) Remnant Defendants’
Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form
 (“Combined Participation Form”)**

Governmental Entity: Hawkins County	State: TN
Authorized Official:	
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

The governmental entity identified above (“Governmental Entity”), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the six (6) Remnant Defendants’ Settlement Agreement (“RDSA”), dated February 3, 2026, and described further in Paragraph 1, and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the RDSA, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows:

1. The Governmental Entity hereby elects to participate in the RDSA as a Participating Subdivision with each of the following six (6) Remnant Defendants that are parties to the RDSA: (1) Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies), (2) J M Smith Corporation, (3) Morris and Dickson Co., L.L.C., (4) Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., (5) North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., and (6) United Natural Foods, Inc. (and SuperValu).
2. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the RDSA, understands that all capitalized terms not defined in this Combined Participation Form have the meanings defined in the RDSA, and agrees that by executing this Combined Participation Form, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the RDSA and become a Participating Subdivision as provided in the RDSAs.
3. The Governmental Entity shall promptly, and in any event no later than 14 days after the Reference Date and prior to the filing of the Consent Judgment, dismiss with prejudice any Released Claims that it has filed against any Released Entity in the RDSA. With respect to any Released Claims pending in *In Re National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, MDL No. 2804, the Governmental Entity authorizes the Plaintiffs’ Executive Committee to execute and file on behalf of the Governmental Entity a Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice for each of six (6) Remnant Defendants listed in Paragraph 1 above substantially in the form found at <https://nationalopiodsettlement.com/additional-settlements/>.
4. The Governmental Entity agrees to the terms of each of the RDSA pertaining to Participating



Subdivisions as defined therein.

5. By agreeing to the terms of the RDSA settlements and becoming a Releasor, the Governmental Entity is entitled to the benefits provided therein, including, if applicable, monetary payments beginning after the Effective Date.
6. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the RDSA solely for the purposes provided therein.
7. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the MDL Court and agrees to follow the process for resolving any disputes described in the RDSA.
8. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the RDSA as provided therein.
9. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes of the RDSA, including without limitation all provisions related to release of any claims, and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in his or her official capacity whether elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in the RDSA in any forum whatsoever. The release provided for in the RDSA is intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities in the RDSA the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The RDSA shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim against the Released Entities.
10. The Governmental Entity hereby takes on all rights and obligations of a Participating Subdivision as set forth in the RDSA.
11. In connection with the releases provided in the RDSA, each Governmental Entity expressly waives, releases, and forever discharges any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States or other jurisdiction, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

General Release; extent. A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release that, if known by him or her would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.



A Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which it knows, believes, or assumes to be true with respect to the Released Claims in the RDSA, but each Governmental Entity hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles, releases and discharges, upon the Effective Date, any and all Released Claims that may exist as of such date but which Releasors do not know or suspect to exist, whether through ignorance, oversight, error, negligence or through no fault whatsoever, and which, if known, would materially affect the Governmental Entities' decision to participate in the RDSA.

12. The Governmental Entity understands and acknowledges that nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of any of the RDSA, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Combined Participation Form is interpreted differently from the RDSA in any respect, the RDSA controls.

I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Combined Participation Form on behalf of the Governmental Entity.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



RESOLUTION

No. 2026/04/ 02

To the HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, Chairman, and Members of the Hawkins County Board of Commission in Regular Session met this 27th day of April 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: APPROVAL OF A HAWKINS COUNTY DELINQUENT TAX ACQUISITION AND PARCEL DISPOSITION POLICY

WHEREAS, The procedure for sale of property obtained by Hawkins County through delinquent tax sale had not been updated since 2023; and

WHEREAS, since that time certain state regulations have been modified to make the process less cumbersome; and

WHEREAS, the Hawkins County Delinquent Tax Committee met February 12, 2026, minutes from which are attached to this resolution, to discuss and review a proposed new policy reflecting changes made by the state; and

WHEREAS, the county's delinquent tax attorney, Mr. Kevin Keeton authored and proposed the attached policy, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawkins County Commission approves the attached policy effective March 1, 2026

Introduced By Esq. JEFF BARRETT, DELINQUENT TAX COMM. CHAIR

ACTION: AYE NAY PASSED

Seconded By Esq. _____

Roll Call _____

Date Submitted 04-13-2026

Voice Vote _____

Nancy A. Davis
County Clerk

Absent _____

By: Cynthia Rutledge D.C.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Chairman _____

MINUTES

HAWKINS COUNTY

DELINQUENT TAX – RESALE OF LAND COMMITTEE

February 12, 2026
3:00 p.m.
Administration Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Barrett, Chad Britton, Larry Clonce, Syble Trent,

MEMBERS ABSENT: Glenda Davis, Charles Thacker, Bobby Jinks

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark DeWitte, County Mayor; Sarah Davis, County Mayor Staff; Kevin Keaton, Delinquent Tax Attorney; Brent Price, Clerk and Masters Office; Sarah Monoson, Kingsport Times News.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Barrett called the meeting to order. After roll call it was noted that four (4) members were present representing the appropriate number of members for a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2025:

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Britton and seconded by Commissioner Trent to approve the November 18, 2025 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Barrett spoke before the Committee providing a brief update of the previous Delinquent Tax Committee. Once a property goes delinquent, it goes through the County Trustee's office, then sent over to Chancery Court, then onto Point and Keaton's Office, and lands at the County Mayor's Office. After further discussion, Commissioner Trent made a **MOTION** to resend the previous motion at the last meeting to give the Committee the power to appoint a 4-person Committee in the form of a resolution, and Commissioner Britton seconded. The motion to resend passed unanimously.

PROPERTIES:

Mayor DeWitte stated there is someone interested in the properties on Ross Camp Ground Road, and the properties on N Central Avenue. DeWitte stated that Church Hill Mayor, Dennis Deal, called to find out what the procedure is, and once we have a procedure, I can let him know. Kevin Keaton explained the states procedures for delinquent properties. Keaton also explained the program used "Gov Ease". Gov Ease is currently being used in Chancery Court. Brent Price stated his concerns about property being sold without a minimum bid, asking how he would collect the past due tax amounts. Commissioner Barrett requested that the policy and procedures be on the March agenda. After further discussion, Commissioner Britton made a

MOTION to revise the current procedures for disposal of Hawkins County parcels acquired at the Chancery Court tax sale, and Commissioner Trent seconded. The motion passed by a roll call vote as follows:

YES
Syble Trent
Jeff Barrett
Chad Britton
Larry Clonce

NO

ABSENT
Charles Thacker
Glenda Davis
Bobby Jinks

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the committee at this time, a **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Clonce, and seconded by Commissioner Trent to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Minutes Prepared By:

Stephanie Testerman

THESE MINUTES RECORDED BY ELECTRONIC MEANS

HAWKINS COUNTY

Delinquent Tax Acquisition and Parcel Disposition Policy

(Adopted Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 67-5-2401 et seq. and 67-5-2507)

1. Authority and Purpose

This Policy is adopted pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(a)(2) and related delinquent tax statutes to establish regulations governing:

- a. Parcels struck off to Hawkins County at delinquent tax sales;
- b. Post-confirmation review and election;
- c. Retention for public purpose;
- d. Resale of such parcels;
- e. Accounting and coordination with the Chancery Court and Clerk & Master.

The purpose of this Policy is to promote a fair, effective, competitive, and transparent method of disposing of parcels, return properties to productive taxable use, reduce liability exposure, and ensure orderly administration consistent with Court procedures.

2. Role of County Mayor

The County Mayor shall:

- a. Take charge of parcels struck off to the County;
- b. Supervise resale and conveyance;
- c. Execute deeds conveying the County's interest;
- d. Coordinate with the Clerk & Master regarding accounting;
- e. Ensure proceeds are distributed in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(a)(5).

Unless otherwise required by statute, Commission approval shall not be required for individual resale transactions.

3. Post-Confirmation Procedures for Parcels Struck Off to the County

Upon entry of an Order Confirming Sale in which parcels are struck off to Hawkins County:

A. Notice of Confirmation

The Delinquent Tax Attorney shall provide written notice of entry of the confirming order to the County Mayor within five (5) business days of entry.

B. Committee Review

The Delinquent Tax Committee consisting of seven commissioners and the County Mayor shall review parcels struck off to the County and may make recommendations regarding:

- a. Retention for public purpose pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(b);
- b. Investigation of environmental, structural, or title concerns;
- c. Whether relief pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(f) should be considered;
- d. Preparation of parcels for resale pursuant to this Policy.

The Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity only.

Nothing herein requires parcel-by-parcel approval of parcels offered at delinquent tax sale prior to confirmation of sale by the Court.

C. 120-Day Election

Within one hundred twenty (120) days following entry of the Order Confirming Sale, the County shall elect one of the following with respect to each parcel struck off to the County:

1. Seek relief from the confirming order pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(f);
2. Retain the parcel for public purpose pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(b); or
3. Designate the parcel for resale pursuant to this Policy.

If no action is taken within one hundred twenty (120) days of entry of the confirming order, the parcel shall be deemed designated for resale pursuant to this Policy.

D. Court Accounting and Coordination

The purchase amount attributable to parcels struck off to the County shall be handled in accordance with Chancery Court procedures and applicable Local Rules.

Upon election to retain a parcel for public purpose, the County Mayor shall coordinate with the Clerk & Master to:

- a. Determine amounts attributable to taxes, interest, penalties, and court costs;
- b. Confirm any sums required to be paid or accounted for pursuant to Court order;
- c. Ensure compliance with Court-ordered costs of sale.

No parcel shall be formally entered into permanent County inventory until required court accounting obligations have been satisfied.

Reimbursement of the County's purchase amount upon resale shall occur in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(a)(5).

4. Costs of Tax Suit and Sale

All expenses incurred in the prosecution of delinquent tax suits and conduct of tax sales, including but not limited to:

- a. Service of process;
- b. Certified mail and statutory notice;
- c. Publication;
- d. Guardian ad litem fees;
- e. Electronic sale expenses authorized by court order;
- f. Title examination;
- g. Posting and lienholder notice;
- h. Other expenses ordered by the Court;

shall constitute court costs pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2410 and shall be taxed to the parcel as permitted by law.

Such costs shall be:

1. Added to the judgment and order of sale;
2. Collected through the Clerk & Master;
3. Paid from sale proceeds prior to distribution under Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(a)(5).

Nothing herein alters compensation of the Delinquent Tax Attorney as authorized by statute or Local Rule.

5. Role of Delinquent Tax Committee (Resale Phase)

The Delinquent Tax Committee may:

- a. Recommend parcels for resale;
- b. Recommend bundling of parcels;
- c. Recommend selection of internet auction platforms or service providers;
- d. Recommend terms and conditions of resale.

The Committee remains advisory in all respects.

6. Method of Sale

Parcels may be sold by:

- a. Internet sale;
- b. Public auction;
- c. Solicitation of written offers;
- d. Negotiated sale;
- e. Any other method permitted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507.

Internet sale is authorized and may be conducted pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2501 and § 67-5-2507, including waiver of procedures permitted by statute.

Parcels shall be offered with no minimum bid unless otherwise determined by resolution of the County Commission.

7. Internet Sale Administration

The County Mayor is authorized to:

- a. Contract with third-party providers for electronic sales;
- b. Establish terms and conditions of sale;
- c. Require deposits or proof of funds;
- d. Establish payment deadlines and closing procedures;
- e. Bundle parcels or sell individually.

8. Conveyance and Recording

All conveyances shall:

- a. Be made by quitclaim deed;
- b. Be without warranties.

In addition to the purchase price, each purchaser shall be responsible for:

- a. Recording fees;
- b. State transfer tax;
- c. Administrative or closing costs established by the County.

All sums required for recording shall be collected prior to conveyance unless otherwise provided by written agreement approved by the County Mayor.

The County may, for administrative efficiency and to ensure return of the parcel to the tax rolls, cause deeds to be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds using funds provided by the purchaser. However, the County shall not be obligated to advance recording fees, transfer taxes, or other closing costs on behalf of a purchaser.

If the purchaser fails to provide funds necessary for recording, the County shall not be required to record the deed and may withhold delivery of the deed until all required sums are paid.

The County Mayor may require that any internet auction provider or third-party service collect recording fees, transfer taxes, and closing costs as part of the sale process.

Upon recording of the deed, notice shall be provided to the Assessor of Property to ensure the parcel is returned to the tax rolls.

Failure of a purchaser to timely pay all sums due shall result in forfeiture of the purchase and the parcel may be reoffered.

9. Distribution of Proceeds

Proceeds derived from resale shall be distributed in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2507(a)(5).

10. Delinquent Tax Attorney — Deed Preparation

The Delinquent Tax Attorney retained pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2404 shall prepare deeds and necessary conveyance instruments for parcels sold pursuant to this Policy.

Such services shall be performed without additional compensation beyond that authorized under Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-2404.

11. Superseding Prior Procedures

This Policy supersedes prior Hawkins County resale or acquisition procedures to the extent inconsistent with current law.



RESOLUTION

No. 2026, 04, 03

To the HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, Chairman, and Members of the Hawkins County Board of Commission in Regular Session, met this 27th day of April, 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR A LITTER GRANT FOR THE FY 2026-2027 WITH THE ATTACHED PROGRAM DESCRIPTION.

WHEREAS, Hawkins County intends to apply for a Litter Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation for the fiscal year 2026-2027, and the contract for the grant will impose certain legal obligations upon the county; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the County Mayor, Mark DeWitte, is authorized to apply on behalf of Hawkins County and execute all necessary documents.

Introduced By Esq. Jason Roach
Seconded By Esq.
Date Submitted 04-13 2026
County Clerk Nancy A. Davis
By: Cynthia Rutledge D.C.
Chairman:

ACTION: AYE NAY PASSED FAILED
Roll Call
Voice Vote
Absent
Abstain
COMMITTEE ACTION



HAWKINS COUNTY LITTER PROGRAM
FY 2026-2027
ROADSIDE LITTER PICKUP WORK PLAN

Hawkins County proposes to use citizens sentenced to community service via General Sessions Court System, as well as prisoners, from time to time, from the jail, and volunteers, to collect litter and trash along county and state roadways within the county boundaries. They will be transported to and from work in a bus. The prisoners used have not committed a felony crime. The driver of the bus will also guard the prisoners as they pick up trash. Trash bags will be collected from roadway onto a flatbed truck.

It is proposed litter and trash collected will take place at least 3 days a week or more if clients report for community service duty. Hawkins County will be using an area rotation system to prevent an excessive build-up of litter in any area of the county and avoid the possibility of transporting prisoners to an already cleaned area, where there would be too much unproductive time and ineffective use of labor. On the days weather will not permit litter collection, the community service clients will work at the recycle center sorting and baling recyclables for resell.

Any illegal dumps along roadsides will be cleaned up. All litter that can be recycled will be transported to the recycle center.

All litter workers, drivers and prisoners will be supplied with adequate and required safety-colored vests to wear while working on or near a roadway. Work gloves, litter bags, and litter grabbers will be used for the purpose of litter collection. Drinking water will be available for litter workers, as well as having a first-aid kit on hand for accidents. Lunches will be provided to all prisoners who participate in the litter collection of the Litter Grant Program.

Specific roads covered for litter collection, pounds of litter collected and other pertinent information will be reported and submitted in the required monthly report to TDOT.



HAWKINS COUNTY LITTER PROGRAM
FY 2026-2027
EDUCATION PROGRAM WORK PLAN

Hawkins County will target at least 3 of these categories for this year's litter education the following areas:

Business Education - Litter and Recycle education will be taught at Civic organization group meetings to promote litter reduction and recycling in Hawkins County via the business community. Someone from the litter program will encourage business and industries to reduce, reuse and recycle. More civic organizations will be encouraged to participate in litter pick-ups. We have at least sixteen organizations that have "Adopted A Highway" programs at this time.

Media Education - We will educate through the media problems concerning litter on the highways and county roads. Radio and newspaper advertising will be used to promote these problems. Also, the public will be educated to make Hawkins County a litter free community by putting trash in its place and recycle when possible.

Public Education - We will encourage and work with community groups in scheduling litter pick-up days. We will share with the community the importance of litter control and how it affects the appearance of the county and what a difference recycling makes in the community. Hawkins County will encourage the citizens to make any public event a litter free event by putting all litter in trash receptacle and recycling bottles and drink cans at public events. There are brochures available at different locations in the county on recycling, reducing, litter, etc. for the public education. Events that are annual are Fourth of July, Heritage Days, cars show (5 months a year) as well as annual celebration days held in some of the cities in Hawkins County that are pertinent to the city.

Student Education - Litter free sports events at the high schools are being implemented and middle schools. Students in the Pre-K–second grades will be taught "The Day Litter Comes Out and Plays" and third and fourth grades will be educated about what littering does to the environment and the importance of recycle. Students as well as the teachers at all schools will be encouraged to recycle anything that is recyclable.

Government Education- Each government office will be educated in the benefit to the county for shredding and recycling waste office paper and will be encourage to do so. All employees will be encouraged to not litter and to implement recycling at home in support of the county's effort in reducing what goes into the landfill.



RESOLUTION

No. 2026 / 04 / 04

To the HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, Chairman, and Members of the Hawkins County Board of Commission in Regular Session, met this 27th day of April, 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF THE RESTATED DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

WHEREAS, Hawkins County adopted a debt management policy on November 11, 2011 to promote and implement improved financial decisions and meet specific grant mandates; and

WHEREAS, the policy was amended by the Commission on April 22, 2019 with no further changes; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Hawkins County Commission acknowledges the required annual review for grant mandates and adoption of the restatement of the policy attached in Exhibit A to further the goals and objectives of the original debt management policy.

Introduced By Esq. Jason Roach
Seconded By Esq.
Date Submitted 04-13-2026
County Clerk Nancy L. Davis
By: Cynthia Rutledge D.C.
Chairman:

ACTION: AYE NAY PASSED FAILED
Roll Call
Voice Vote
Absent
Abstain
COMMITTEE ACTION



HAWKINS COUNTY TENNESSEE

Debt Management Policy

Originally Adopted: November 03, 2011

Amended and Formally Adopted: April 22, 2019

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INTRODUCTION

This Debt Management Policy (the "Debt Policy") is a written guideline with parameters that affect the amount and type of debt that can be issued by Hawkins County, Tennessee (the "County"), the issuance process and the management of the County's debt. The purpose of this Debt Policy is to improve the quality of management and legislative decisions and to provide justification for the structure of debt issuances consistent with the Debt Policy's goals while demonstrating a commitment to long-term capital planning. It is also the intent of the County that this Debt Policy will signal to credit rating agencies, investors and the capital markets that the County is well managed and will always be prepared to meet its obligations in a timely manner. This Debt Policy fulfills the requirements of the State of Tennessee regarding the adoption of a formal debt management policy on or before January 1, 2012. This updated policy amends the previously adopted Debt Policy on November 03, 2011.

This Debt Policy provides guidelines for the County to manage its debt and related annual costs within both current and projected available resources while promoting understanding and transparency for our citizens, taxpayers, rate payers, businesses, investors and other interested parties.

The County may, from time to time, review this Debt Policy and make revisions and updates, if warranted.

I. INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

In managing its Debt (defined herein as tax-exempt or taxable bonds, capital outlay notes, other notes, capital leases, interfund loans or notes and loan agreements); it is the County's policy to:

- a. Achieve the lowest cost of capital within acceptable risk parameters
- b. Maintain or improve credit ratings
- c. Assure reasonable cost access to the capital markets
- d. Preserve financial and management flexibility
- e. Manage interest rate risk exposure within acceptable risk parameters
- f. Regularly review this Debt Policy and perform a risk assessment on debt management process and related internal controls

II. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Debt policies and procedures are tools that ensure that financial resources are adequate to meet the County's long-term capital planning objectives. In addition, the Debt management policy (the "Debt Policy") helps to ensure that financings undertaken by the County have certain clear, objective standards which allow the County to protect its financial resources to meet its long-term capital needs.

The Debt Policy formally establishes parameters for issuing debt and managing a debt portfolio which considers the County's specific capital improvement needs; ability to repay financial obligations; and, existing legal, economic, and financial market conditions. Specifically, the policies outlined in this document are intended to assist in the following:

To guide the County in policy and debt issuance decisions

- a. To maintain appropriate capital assets for present and future needs
- b. To promote sound financial management
- c. To protect the County's credit rating
- d. To ensure the County's debt is issued legally under applicable state and federal laws
- e. To promote cooperation and coordination with other parties in the financing
- f. To evaluate debt issuance options
- g. To issue debt with a level or declining payment structure to create future debt capacity and financial flexibility
- h. To manage and mitigate the impact of past balloon indebtedness on the County's revenues

III. PROCEDURES FOR ISSUANCE OF DEBT

1) Authority

- a. The County will only issue Debt by utilizing the statutory authorities provided by Tennessee Code Annotated as supplemented and revised ("TCA") and the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code").

- b. The County will adhere to any lawfully promulgated rules and regulations of the State and those promulgated under the Code.
- c. All Debt must be formally authorized by resolution of the County's Legislative Body.

2) Transparency

- a. It is recognized that the issuance of Debt must have various approvals and on occasion, written reports provided by the State of Tennessee Comptroller's office either prior to adoption of resolutions authorizing such Debt, prior to issuance and/or following issuance. The County, in conjunction with any professionals (including, but not limited to, financial advisors, underwriters, bond counsel, etc. which may individually or collectively be referred to herein as "Financial Professionals") will ensure compliance with TCA, the Code and all federal and State rules and regulations. Such State compliance will include, but not be limited to, compliance with all legal requirements regarding adequate public notice of all meetings of the County related to consideration and approval of Debt. Additionally, the County shall provide the Tennessee Comptroller's office sufficient information on the Debt to not only allow for transparency regarding the issuance, but also assuring that the Comptroller's office has sufficient information to adequately report or approve any formal action related to the sale and issuance of Debt. The County will also make this information available to its legislative body, citizens and other interested parties.
- b. The County will file its Audited Financial Statements and any Continuing Disclosure document prepared by the County or its Dissemination Agent. To promote transparency and understanding, these documents should be furnished to members of the Legislative Body and made available electronically or by other usual and customary means to its citizens, taxpayers, rate payers, businesses, investors and other interested parties by posting such information on-line or in other prominent places.

IV. CREDIT QUALITY AND CREDIT ENHANCEMENT

The County's Debt management activities will be conducted to maintain or receive the highest possible credit ratings. The Mayor and Finance Director in conjunction with any Financial Professionals that the County may choose to engage will be responsible for maintaining relationships and communicating with one or more rating agencies.

The County will consider the use of credit enhancements on a case-by-case basis, evaluating the economic benefit versus cost for each case. Only when clearly demonstrable savings can be shown shall an enhancement be considered. The County will consider each of the following enhancements as alternatives by evaluating the cost and benefit of such enhancements:

1) Insurance

The County may purchase bond insurance when such purchase is deemed prudent and advantageous. The predominant determination shall be based on such insurance being less costly than the present value of the difference in the interest on insured bonds versus uninsured bonds.

2) Letters of Credit

The County may enter a letter-of-credit ("LOC") agreement when such an agreement is deemed prudent and advantageous. The County or its Financial Professionals, if any, may seek proposals from qualified banks or other qualified financial institutions pursuant to terms and conditions that are acceptable to the County.

V. AFFORDABILITY

The County shall consider the ability to repay Debt as it relates to the total budget resources, the wealth and income of the community and its property tax base and other revenues available to service the Debt. The County may consider debt ratios and other benchmarks compared to its peers when analyzing its Debt including materials published by the nationally recognized credit rating agencies.

VI. DEBT STRUCTURE

The County shall establish all terms and conditions relating to the issuance of Debt and will invest all bond proceeds pursuant to the terms of its investment policy, if any. Unless otherwise authorized by the County, the following shall serve as the Debt Policy for determining structure:

1) Term

All capital improvements financed through the issuance of Debt will be financed for a period not to exceed the useful economic life of the improvements and in consideration of the ability of the County to absorb such

additional debt service expense. The term of Debt shall be determined by, but not limited to, the economic life of the assets financed, conditions in the capital markets, the availability of adequate revenue streams to service the Debt and the existing pattern of Debt payable from such identifiable fund or enterprise activity, but in no event will the term of such Debt exceed forty (40) years, as outlined in TCA.

2) Capitalized Interest

From time to time, certain financings may require the use of capitalized interest from the date of issuance until the County is able to realize beneficial use and/or occupancy of the financed project. Interest may be capitalized through a period permitted by federal law and TCA if it is determined that doing so is beneficial to the financing by the Legislative Body and is appropriately memorialized in the legislative action authorizing the sale and issuance of the Debt.

3) Debt Service Structure

It is in the best interest of the County's citizens to maintain a debt portfolio utilizing individual debt issues in a manner that minimizes interest paid and other related costs as well as repaying principal as rapidly as possible to create financial flexibility and future debt capacity.

The County shall plan General Obligation debt issuance shall be planned to achieve relatively net level debt service or level principal amortization considering the County's outstanding debt obligations, while matching debt service to the useful economic life of facilities. The County shall aspire to an overall declining debt payment structure, whenever possible, to permit future debt capacity within the projected debt service payment revenue stream. Absent events or circumstances determined by its Legislative Body, the County shall avoid the use of bullet or balloon maturities (except for sinking fund requirements required by term bonds) except in those instances where such maturities serve to match specific income streams. Debt which is supported by project revenues and is intended to be self-supporting should be structured to achieve level proportional coverage to expected available revenues.

4) Balloon Debt

It is in the best interest of the citizens to maintain a debt portfolio utilizing individual debt issues in a manner that minimizes interest paid and other related costs as well as repaying principal as rapidly as possible to create financial flexibility and future debt capacity. Balloon indebtedness does not generally meet these objectives. The County Commission will make sure to additionally comply with T.C.A. § 9-21-134 and its Balloon Debt Management Plan, as attached as Exhibit A. This will include the requirements for balloon indebtedness found in the Tennessee State Funding Board's guidance on debt management policies and balloon indebtedness.

5) Call Provisions

In general, the County's Debt should include a call feature no later than ten (10) years from the date of delivery of the bonds. The County will avoid the sale of long-term debt which carries longer redemption features unless a careful evaluation has been conducted by the Mayor and Finance Director and/or Financial Professionals, if any, with respect to the value of the call option.

6) Original Issuance Discount/Premium

Debt with original issuance discount/premium will be permitted.

7) Deep Discount Bonds

Deep discount debt may provide a lower cost of borrowing in certain capital markets. The Mayor and Finance Director and/or Financial Professionals, if any, should carefully consider their value and effect on any future refinancing because of the lower-than-market coupon.

VII. DEBT TYPES

When the County determines that Debt is appropriate, the following criteria will be utilized to evaluate the type of debt to be issued.

1) Security Structure

a. General Obligation Bonds

The County may issue Debt supported by its full faith, credit and unlimited ad valorem taxing power ("General Obligation Debt"). General Obligation Debt shall be used to finance capital projects that do not have significant independent creditworthiness or significant on-going revenue streams or as additional credit support for revenue-supported Debt, if such support improves the economics of the Debt and is used in accordance with these guidelines.

b. Revenue Debt

The County may issue Debt supported exclusively with revenues generated by a project or enterprise fund ("Revenue Debt"), where repayment of the debt service obligations on such Revenue Debt will be made through revenues generated from specifically designated sources. Typically, Revenue Debt will be issued for capital projects which can be supported from project or enterprise-related revenues.

c. Capital Leases

The County may use capital leases to finance projects assuming the Mayor and Finance Director and/or Financial Professionals, if any, determine that such an instrument is economically feasible.

2) Duration

a. Long-Term Debt

The County may issue long-term Debt when it is deemed that capital improvements should not be financed from current revenues or short-term borrowings. Long-term Debt will not be used to finance current operations or normal maintenance. Long-term Debt will be structured such that financial obligations do not exceed the expected useful economic life of the project(s) financed. Additionally, the County will strive to issue the long-term Debt with a level or declining payment structure.

- i. Serial and Term Debt. Serial and Term Debt may be issued in either fixed or variable rate modes to finance capital infrastructure projects;
- ii. Capital Outlay Notes ("CONs"). CONs may be issued to finance capital infrastructure projects with an expected life up to twelve years; or
- iii. Capitalized Leases. Capitalized Leases may be issued to finance infrastructure projects or equipment with an expected life not greater than its expected useful life.

b. Short-Term Debt

Short-term borrowing may be utilized for:

- i. Financing short economic life assets;
- ii. The construction period of long-term projects;
- iii. For interim financing; or
- iv. For the temporary funding of operational cash flow deficits or anticipated revenues subject to the following policies:
 1. Bond Anticipation Notes ("BANs"). BANs, including commercial paper notes issued as BANs, may be issued instead of capitalizing interest to reduce the debt service during the construction period of a project or facility. The BANs shall not mature more than 2 years from the date of issuance. BANs can be rolled in accordance with federal and state law. BANs shall mature within 6 months after substantial completion of the financed facility.
 2. Revenue Anticipation Notes ("RANs") and Tax Anticipation Notes ("TANs"). RANs and TANS shall be issued only to meet cash flow needs consistent with a finding by bond counsel that the sizing of the issue fully conforms to federal IRS and state requirements and limitations.
 3. Lines of Credit. Lines of Credit shall be considered as an alternative to other short-term borrowing options. A line of credit shall only be structured to federal and state requirements.
 4. Interfund Loans. Interfund Loans shall only be used to fund operational deficiencies among accounts or for capital projects to be paid from current fiscal year revenues. Such interfund loans shall be approved by the State Comptroller's office and shall only be issued in compliance with state regulations and limitations.
 5. Other Short-Term Debt. Other Short-Term Debt including commercial paper notes, BANs, Capitalized Leases and CONs may be used when it provides an interest rate advantage or as interim financing until market conditions are more favorable to issue debt in a fixed or variable rate mode. The County will determine and utilize the most advantageous method for short-term borrowing. The County may issue short-term Debt when there is a defined repayment source or amortization of principal.

3) Interest Rate Modes

a. Fixed Rate Debt

To maintain a predictable debt service schedule, the County may give preference to debt that carries a fixed interest rate.

b. Variable Rate Debt

The targeted percentage of net variable rate debt outstanding (excluding an amount of debt considered to be naturally hedged to short-term assets in the Unreserved General and/or Debt Service Fund Balance) shall not exceed 35% of

the County's total outstanding debt and will take into consideration the amount and investment strategy of the County's operating cash.

The following circumstances may result in the consideration of issuing variable rate debt:

- i. Asset-Liability Matching;
- ii. Construction Period Funding;
- iii. High Fixed Interest Rates. Interest rates are above historic averages;
- iv. Diversification of Debt Portfolio;
- v. Variable Revenue Stream. The revenue stream for repayment is variable and is anticipated to move in the same direction as market-generated variable interest rates or the dedication of revenues allows capacity for variability; and
- vi. Adequate Safeguard Against Risk. Financing structure and budgetary safeguards are in place to prevent adverse impacts from interest rate shifts such structures could include, but are not limited to, interest rate caps and short-term cash investments in the County's General Fund.

An analysis by the Mayor and Finance Director and/or Financial Professionals, if any, shall be conducted to evaluate and quantify the risks and returns associated with the variable rate Debt including, but not limited to, a recommendation regarding the use of variable rate debt.

4) Zero Coupon Debt

Zero Coupon Debt may be used if an analysis has been conducted by the Mayor and Finance Director and/or Financial Professionals, if any, and the risks and returns associated with the Zero-Coupon Debt have been made. The analysis shall include, but not be limited to a recommendation regarding the use of Zero-Coupon Debt as the most feasible instrument considering available revenues streams, the need for the project and other factors determined by the Legislative Body.

5) Synthetic Debt

The County currently has an outstanding Series VII-A-1 Loan Agreement that is swapped to a synthetic fixed interest rate. The County will not enter any additional interest rate swaps or other derivative instruments unless it adopts a Debt Derivative Policy consistent with the requirements of TCA and only after approval of the State Comptroller's office and affirmative action of the Legislative Body.

VIII. REFINANCING OUTSTANDING DEBT

The Mayor and Finance Director, in conjunction with Financial Professionals, if any, shall have the responsibility to analyze outstanding Debt for refunding opportunities. The Mayor and Finance Director will consider the following issues when analyzing possible refunding opportunities:

1) Debt Service Savings

Absent other compelling considerations such as the opportunity to eliminate onerous or restrictive covenants contained in existing Debt documents, the County has established a minimum net present value savings threshold of at least 3.0 percent of the advance refunded Debt principal amount. Current refunding opportunities may be considered by the County using any savings threshold if the refunding generates positive net present value savings. The decision to take less than 3.0 percent net present value savings for an advance refunding or to take the savings in any manner other than a traditional year-to-year level savings pattern must be approved by the Legislative Body or delegated to the County's Chief Executive.

2) Balloon Debt

It is in the best interest of the citizens to maintain a debt portfolio utilizing individual debt issues in a manner that minimizes interest paid and other related costs as well as repaying principal as rapidly as possible to create financial flexibility and future debt capacity. Balloon indebtedness does not generally meet these objectives. The County Commission will make sure to additionally comply with T.C.A. § 9-21-134 and its Balloon Debt Management Plan, as attached as Exhibit A. This will include the requirements for balloon

indebtedness found in the Tennessee State Funding Board's guidance on debt management policies and balloon indebtedness.

3) Restructuring for economic purposes

The County may also refund Debt when it is in its best financial interest to do so. Such a refunding will be limited to restructuring to meet unanticipated revenue expectations, achieve cost savings, mitigate irregular debt service payments, release reserve funds or remove unduly restrictive bond covenants or any other reason approved by the Legislative Body in its discretion. The County will strive to issue refunding debt with a level or declining debt payment structure and whenever possible mitigate previously issued balloon indebtedness structures.

4) Term of Refunding Issues

Normally, the County will refund Debt equal to or within its existing term. However, the Mayor and Finance Director may consider maturity extension, when necessary to achieve desired outcomes, provided that such extension is legally permissible and it is approved by the Legislative Body. The Mayor and Finance Director may also consider shortening the term of the originally issued debt to realize greater savings. The remaining useful economic life of the financed facility and the concept of intergenerational equity should guide these decisions.

5) Escrow Structuring

The County shall utilize the least costly securities available in structuring refunding escrows. In the case of open market securities, a certificate will be provided by a third-party agent, who is not a broker-dealer stating that the securities were procured through an arms-length, competitive bid process, that such securities were more cost effective than State and Local Government Obligations (SLGS), and that the price paid for the securities was reasonable within Federal guidelines. In cases where taxable Debt is involved, the Mayor and Finance Director, with the approval of bond counsel, may make a direct purchase if such purchase is the most efficient and least costly. Under no circumstances shall an underwriter, agent or any Financial Professionals sell escrow securities involving tax-exempt Debt to the County from its own account.

6) Arbitrage

The County shall take all necessary steps to optimize escrows and to avoid negative arbitrage in its refunding. Any positive arbitrage will be rebated as necessary according to Federal guidelines.

IX. METHODS OF ISSUANCE

The Mayor and Finance Director may consult with a Financial Professional regarding the method of sale of Debt. Subject to approval by the Legislative Body, the Mayor and Finance Director will determine the method of issuance of Debt on a case-by-case basis consistent with the options provided by prevailing State law.

1) Competitive Sale

In a competitive sale, the County's Debt will be offered in a public sale to all eligible bidders. Unless bids are rejected, the Debt shall be awarded to the bidder providing the lowest true interest cost if the bid adheres to the requirements set forth in the official notice of sale.

In a competitive sale, a financial advisor may not bid on an issue for which they are providing advisory services.

2) Negotiated Sale

The County recognizes that some securities are best sold through a negotiated sale with an underwriter or group of underwriters. The County shall assess the following circumstances in determining whether a negotiated sale is the best method of sale:

- a. State requirements on negotiated sales;
- b. Debt structure which may require a strong pre-marketing effort such as those associated with a complex transaction generally referred to as a "story" bond;
- c. Size or structure of the issue which may limit the number of potential bidders;
- d. Market conditions including volatility wherein the County would be better served by the flexibility afforded by careful timing and marketing such as is the case for Debt issued to refinance or refund existing Debt;
- e. Whether the Debt is to be issued as variable rate obligations or perhaps as Zero-Coupon Debt;
- f. Whether an idea or financing structure is a proprietary product of a single firm;

- g. In a publicly offered or privately placed, negotiated sale, a financial advisor, if any, shall not be permitted to resign as the financial advisor to underwrite or privately place an issue for which they are or have been providing advisory services;
- h. The underwriter shall clearly identify itself in writing as an underwriter and not as a financial advisor from the earliest stages of its relationship with the County with respect to the negotiated issue. The underwriter must clarify its primary role as a purchaser of securities in an arm's length commercial transaction and that it has financial and other interests that differ from those of the County. The underwriter in a publicly offered, negotiated sale shall be required to provide pricing information both as to interest rates and to takedown per maturity to the Legislative Body (or its designated official) in advance of the pricing of the debt.

3) Private Placement

From time to time, the County may elect to privately place its Debt. Such placement shall only be considered if this method is demonstrated to be advantageous to the County.

X. PROFESSIONALS

1) Financial Professionals

As needed, the County may select Financial Professionals to assist in its Debt issuance and administration processes. In selecting Financial Professionals, consideration should be given with respect to:

- a. relevant experience with municipal government issuers and the public sector;
- b. indication that the firm has a broadly based background and is therefore capable of balancing the County's overall needs for continuity and innovation in capital planning and Debt financing;
- c. experience and demonstrated success as indicated by its experience;
- d. the firm's professional reputation;
- e. professional qualifications and experience of principal employees; and
- f. the estimated costs, but price should not be the sole determining factor.

2) Miscellaneous

a. Written Agreements

- i. Any Financial Professionals engaged by the County shall enter into written agreements including, but not limited to, a description of services provided and fees and expenses to be charged for the engagement.
- ii. The County shall enter into an engagement letter agreement with each lawyer or law firm representing the County in a debt transaction. No engagement letter is required for any lawyer who is an employee of the County or lawyer or law firm which is under a general appointment or contract to serve as counsel to the County. The County does not need an engagement letter with counsel not representing the County, such as underwriters' counsel.
- iii. The County shall require all Financial Professionals engaged in the process of issuing debt to clearly disclose all compensation and consideration received related to services provided in the debt issuance process by both the County and the lender or conduit issuer, if any. This includes "soft" costs or compensations in lieu of direct payments.

b. Conflict of Interest

- i. Financial Professionals involved in a debt transaction hired or compensated by the County shall be required to disclose to the County existing client and business relationships between and among the professionals to a transaction (including but not limited to financial advisors, swap advisors, bond counsel, swap counsel, trustee, paying agent, underwriter, counterparty, and remarketing agent), as well as conduit issuers, sponsoring organizations and program administrators. This disclosure shall include that information reasonably sufficient to allow the County to appreciate the significance of the relationships.
- ii. Financial Professionals who become involved in the debt transaction because of a bid submitted in a widely and publicly advertised competitive sale conducted using an industry standard, electronic bidding platform are not subject to this disclosure. No disclosure is required that would violate any rule or regulation of professional conduct.

XI. COMPLIANCE

1) Continuing Annual Disclosure

Normally at the time Debt is delivered, the County will execute a Continuing Disclosure Certificate in which it will covenant for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the publicly traded Debt to provide certain financial information relating to the County by not later than twelve months after each of the County's fiscal years, (the "Annual Report and provide notice of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. The Annual Report (and audited financial statements, if filed separately) will be filed with the MSRB through the operation of the Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA") and any State Information Depository established in the State of Tennessee (the "SID"). If the County is unable to provide the Annual Report to the MSRB and any SID by the date required, notice of each failure will be sent to the MSRB and any SID on or before such date. The notices of certain enumerated events will be filed by the County with the MSRB through EMMA and any SID. The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of significant events is provided in each Continuing Disclosure Certificate. These covenants are made to assist underwriters in complying with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b) (the "Rule").

2) Arbitrage Rebate

The County will also maintain a system of record keeping and reporting which complies with the arbitrage rebate compliance requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code").

3) Records

The County will also maintain records required by the Code including, but not limited to, all records related to the issuance of the debt including detailed receipts and expenditures for a period up to 6 years following the final maturity date of the Debt or as required by the Code.

XII. INTERNAL CONTROLS

In accordance with the requirements of T.C.A. § 9-18-102, the County Commission using its audit committee and appropriate County personnel shall perform a risk assessment of the debt management process to put into place effective internal controls to implement the Debt Policy.

XIII. DEBT POLICY REVIEW

1) General Guidance

The guidelines outlined herein are only intended to provide general direction regarding the future issuance of Debt. The County Commission maintains the right to modify this Debt Policy and may make exceptions to any of its guidelines at any time to the extent that the execution of such Debt achieves the goals of the County if such exceptions or changes are consistent with TCA and any rules and regulations promulgated by the State.

The County Commission shall regularly review this Debt Management Policy and perform a risk assessment on the related internal control procedures and debt management process. Further, the Debt Policy will be reviewed from time to time as circumstances, such as prior to the planning of new debt issuances, rules and regulations warrant. Any amended Debt Policy will be filed with the Office of State and Local Finance in accordance with the State Funding Board requirements.

2) Designated Official

The Mayor and Finance Director are responsible for ensuring substantial compliance with this Debt Policy.



RESOLUTION

No. 2026 / 04 / 05

To the HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, Chairman, and Members of the Hawkins County Board of Commission in Regular Session, met this 27th day of April, 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: APPROVAL OF COUNTY ROAD NAME LIST FOR HAWKINS COUNTY AS OF MARCH 31, 2026.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated requires the Superintendent of Roads to prepare a list of county roads each calendar year to be approved; and

WHEREAS, the attached list classifies roads by name, location, type, width, length and right-of-way with a list of newly accepted roads with changes listed; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Hawkins County Commission approve the attached road list.

Introduced By Esq. Charlie Thacker
Seconded By Esq.
Date Submitted 04-13-2026
County Clerk Nancy A. Davis
By: Cynthia Rutledge D.C.
Chairman:

ACTION: AYE NAY PASSED FAILED
Roll Call
Voice Vote
Absent
Abstain
COMMITTEE ACTION

RESOLUTION NO.

2026, 04, 07

TO THE HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF
THE HAWKINS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR SESSION, MET THIS
27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REFERENCE: BUDGET AMENDMENT - SOLID WASTE

The following budget amendments are being requested as listed below:

Account Number	Description	Current Budget	Increase	Decrease	Amended Budget
	SOLID WASTE				Amended Budget
	Increase Expenditure		Increase		
55731-399	Other Contracted Services	33,000.00	3,867.00		36,867.00
	Increase Revenue		Increase		
44530	Sale of Equipment	350,000.00	3,867.00		353,867.00
	Sub-total Revenue	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 3,867.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 353,867.00
	Sub-total Expenditures	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 3,867.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 36,867.00
The above increase in Other Contracted Services is needed to cover the cost of commission and fees for the sale of solid waste equipment at auction. The funding will come from an increase in revenue from said sale. No new money.					
	SOLID WASTE	Current Budget			Amended Budget
	Increase Expenditure		Increase		
58600-207	Medical Insurance	0.00	7,500.00		7,500.00
	Decrease Expenditure/Fund Balance			Decrease	
39000	Undesignated Fund Balance	4,274,920.00		(7,500.00)	4,267,420.00
	Sub-total Expenditures	\$ 4,274,920.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ (7,500.00)	\$ 4,274,920.00
The above increase in Medical Insurance is needed to cover the cost of the county's portion of insurance for a retiree. The funding will come from Solid Waste Fund Balance					
		Current Budget	Increase	Decrease	Amended Budget
	Sub-total Revenue	350,000.00	3,867.00	0.00	353,867.00
	Page Totals- Expenditures/Fund Balance	\$ 4,307,920.00	\$ 11,367.00	\$ (7,500.00)	\$ 4,311,787.00

INTRODUCED BY: Jason Roach, Bdgt. Comm. Chrmn.

ESTIMATED COST _____

SECONDED BY: _____

PAID FROM SOLID WASTE FUND

ACTION: AYE NAY

DATE SUBMITTED 04-13-2026

ROLL CALL _____

COUNTY CLERK: NANCY A. DAVIS

VOICE VOTE _____

BY: Cynthia Rutledge-D.C.

ABSENT _____

COMMITTEE ACTION: _____

APPROVED _____ DISAPPROVED _____

CHAIRMAN: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026/04/10

TO THE HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE HAWKINS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR SESSION, MET THIS 27th DAY OF APRIL 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the Hawkins County Board of Education has approved the attached budget amendment to the General Purpose School Fund, and now requests approval of said amendment by the Hawkins County Board of Commissioners.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Hawkins County Board of Commissioners, meeting in regular session, April 27, 2026, go on record as passing this resolution.

Introduced by Esq. Josh Gilliam Estimated Cost: _____
Vice-Chairman Budget Committee

Seconded by Esq. _____ Paid From _____ Fund

ACTION: Aye Nay Abstain Date Submitted 04-13-2026

Roll Call _____ County Clerk: Nancy A. Davis

Voice Vote _____ By: Cynthia Rutledge D.C.

Absent _____

COMMITTEE ACTION: APPROVED DISAPPROVED

CHAIRMAN: _____

FUND: 141 GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND
 AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7
 DATE: April 27, 2026

ORIGINAL BUDGET AMOUNT	69,117,224.00
PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS	6,735,795.37
TOTAL	<u>75,853,019.37</u>
REQUESTED AMENDMENT	566,136.25
TOTAL	<u>76,419,155.62</u>

	ACCOUNT NO	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	AMENDED BUDGET
		EXPENDITURES				
1	To budget a Tennessee Tutoring Innovation Grant.					
		71100 REGULAR INSTRUCTION PROGRAM, 72210 REGULAR INSTRUCTION PROGRAM, 72410 OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL				
	71100-189-TTIG	Other Salaries & Wages	-	7,000.00		7,000.00
	71100-201-TTIG	Social Security	-	434.00		434.00
	71100-204-TTIG	Pensions	-	560.00		560.00
	71100-212-TTIG	Employer Medicare	-	101.50		101.50
	72210-189-TTIG	Other Salaries & Wages	-	9,000.00		9,000.00
	72210-196-TTIG	In-Service Training	-	22,750.00		22,750.00
	72210-201-TTIG	Social Security	-	1,410.50		1,410.50
	72210-204-TTIG	Pensions	-	1,788.62		1,788.62
	72210-212-TTIG	Employer Medicare	-	329.88		329.88
	72410-104-TTIG	Principal(s)	-	27,000.00		27,000.00
	72410-201-TTIG	Social Security	-	1,674.00		1,674.00
	72410-204-TTIG	Pensions	-	2,160.00		2,160.00
	72410-212-TTIG	Employer Medicare	-	391.50		391.50
				74,600.00		
	46590-TTIG	Other State Education Funds		74,600.00		
2	To budget the remainder of the USDA Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Distance Learning Grant.					
		72250 TECHNOLOGY				
	72250-399-RUS	Other Contracted Services	-	10,000.00		10,000.00
	72250-790-RUS	Other Equipment	-	479,836.25		479,836.25
	39000	Unassigned Fund Balance			63,891.68	
				489,836.25	63,891.68	
	47990-RUS	Other Direct Federal Revenue	-	425,944.57		425,944.57
3	To budget donations for Employee of the Year celebration.					
		72520 HUMAN SERVICES/PERSONNEL				
	72520-599-TOY	Other Charges	2,225.00	1,550.00		3,775.00
	44570-TOY	Contributions and Gifts		1,550.00		1,550.00
4	To budget donations received for Family Resource Center.					
		73300 COMMUNITY SERVICES				
	73300-499-FRC-DON	Other Supplies and Materials	19,573.54	150.00		19,723.54
	44570-FRC-DON	Contributions and Gifts	13,839.54	150.00		13,989.54
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES		566,136.25	63,891.68	
		TOTAL REVENUES		502,244.57		

RESOLUTION

No. 2026 04 / 12

To the HONORABLE MARK DEWITTE, Chairman, and Members of the Hawkins County Board of Commissioners in Regular Session, met this 27th day of April 2026.

RESOLUTION IN REF: APPOINTMENT OF EQUALIZATION BOARD FOR HAWKINS COUNTY FOR THE 2026-2027 TERM.

WHEREAS the Equalization Board is appointed by the county legislative body on every even calendar year as per TCA 67-1-401; and

WHEREAS the board consists of five members that are taxpayers and are from different areas of the county with the largest city in the county appointing one member. The term is two years; and

WHEREAS the following are the current committee who desire to be re-appointed to the EQUALIZATION Board for a two-year term ending June 2027:

William "Bill" Cordell
PO Box 207
Church Hill, TN 37642

James E. Wells
272 Shephards Chapel Road
Rogersville, TN 37857

Wayne E Price Jr.
211 Choptack Road
Rogersville, TN 37857

Paul Tommy Morrison
477 South Central Ave
Church Hill, TN 37642

Terry Whitson
703 Williams Road
Rogersville, TN 37857

WHEREAS the board also consists of two alternatives, for the term ending June 2027:

Gloria J. Silvers
322 Easy Street
Bulls Gap, TN 37711

Robert Cooper
1956 Carters Valley Road
Surgoinville, TN 37873

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the people listed below be appointed as the Equalization Board for Hawkins County for the term of 2026-2027.

1. William "Bill" Cordell
2. Paul Tommy Morrison
3. James E Wells
4. Terry Whitson
5. Wayne E. Price Jr.
6. Gloria Silvers
7. Robert Cooper

Introduced By: Josh Gilliam

Seconded By: _____

Date Submitted: 4-2-2026

Nancy A. Davis
County Clerk

ACTION:	AYE	NAY	PASSED
ROLL CALL	_____	_____	_____
VOICE VOTE	_____	_____	_____
Absent	_____	_____	_____

COMMITTEE ACTION: _____