

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
NOVEMBER 23, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: 16 COMMISSIONERS
4 COMMISSIONERS ATTENDED BY ZOOM*
*DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER JOHN METZ EFFECTIVE
OCTOBER 31, 2020 THE VOTES WILL REFLECT A TOTAL OF 20 WITH 1 ABSENT

PRESENT:	GEORGE BRIDWELL	CHARLES HOUSEWRIGHT*	
	RAYMOND JESSEE	CHARLES THACKER	NANCY BARKER
	SYBLE VAUGHAN TRENT*	DAWSON FIELDS	LARRY CLONCE*
	JEFF BARRETT	VALERIE GOINS	RICK BREWER
	KEITH GIBSON	HANNAH SPEAKS	BOB EDENS
	TOM KERN	GLENDA DAVIS	MICHAEL J. HERRELL
	DANNY ALVIS	MARK DEWITTE*	DONNIE TALLEY

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE NOVEMBER 23, 2020 COMMISSION MEETING WAS HELD IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM, ALSO BY ZOOM AND LIVE STREAMED BY THE MEDIA.

GOVERNOR BILL LEE'S EXECUTIVE ORDER #60 ALLOWING GOVERNING BODIES TO MEET ELECTRONICALLY TO CONDUCT ESSENTIAL BUSINESS IN LIGHT OF CORONAVIRUS WAS ADDRESSED. THE COMMISSION MADE A DETERMINATION AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING THAT CONDUCTING THE MEETING BY ELECTRONIC MEANS WAS NECESSARY TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND THE WELFARE OF TENNESSEANS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK.

*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY DAWSON FIELDS... (VOICE VOTE) 20 YES, 1 ABSENT

- **COMMENDATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**
 - OFFICER KENNETH LIGHT, JR., MOUNT CARMEL POLICE OFFICER, FOR HIS SELFLESS ACTIONS AND QUICK THINKING ON OCTOBER 23, 2020
 - MARK LINKOUS SPOKE REQUESTING THE NOMINATION TO FILL THE VACATED SEAT OF COMMISSIONER METZ
 - JASON ROACH SPOKE REQUESTING THE NOMINATION TO FILL THE VACATED SEAT OF COMMISSIONER METZ
- **OFFICE REPORTS**

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2020 COMMISSION MEETING WERE APPROVED... 20 YES, 1 ABSENT
*MOTION BY DAWSON FIELDS, SECOND BY CHARLES THACKER

RESOLUTIONS 2020/11:

2020/11/01 APPROVAL TO ASSIGN JAMES H. SUMMERS LEASE AGREEMENT WITH HAWKINS COUNTY FOR A HANGER AT THE HAWKINS AIRPORT TO DR. GEORGE M TESTERMAN FOR THE REMAINDER OF SAID LEASE, ENDING JULY 31, 2024

*MOTION KEITH GIBSON, SECOND NANCY BARKER

YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE, BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL

YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**2020/11/02 FIFTH DISTRICT COMMISSION SEAT NOMINATION
*MOTION BY GLENDA DAVIS, SECOND BY MARK DEWITTE**

****JASON ROACH NOMINATED BY GLENDA DAVIS
MARK LINKOUS WAS NOMINATED BY MICHAEL HERRELL

NOMINATIONS CEASE – MOTION BY DAWSON FIELDS, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER 20 YES (VOICE)

THREE (3) VOICE ROLL CALL VOTES WERE TAKEN TO FILL THE VACATED 5TH COMMISSION DISTRICT SEAT OF JOHN METZ – RESULTS OF EACH VOTE...

VOICE ROLL CALL VOTE #1 - TIE VOTES

**JASON ROACH – DEWITTE, GIBSON, GOINS, BARKER, EDENS, KERN, DAVIS, SPEAKS, BRIDWELL, CLONCE (10)
MARK LINKOUS – ALVIS, TRENT, HOUSEWRIGHT, FIELDS, BARRETT, HERRELL, TALLEY, THACKER, BREWER, JESSEE (10)**

VOICE ROLL CALL VOTE #2 – TIE VOTE

**JASON ROACH – EDENS, DAVIS, GOINS, KERN, BARKER, GIBSON, BRIDWELL, SPEAKS, CLONCE, DEWITTE (10)
MARK LINKOUS – ALVIS, HERRELL, BARRETT, TRENT, JESSEE, TALLEY, HOUSEWRIGHT, FIELDS, THACKER, BREWER (10)**

VOICE ROLL CALL VOTE #3 – TIE VOTE

**JASON ROACH – CLONCE, DEWITTE, SPEAKS, GIBSON, DAVIS, KERN, EDENS, BRIDWELL, GOINS, BARKER (10)
MARK LINKOUS – TALLEY, FIELDS, JESSEE, THACKER, BREWER, TRENT, ALVIS, BARRETT, HOUSEWRIGHT, HERRELL (10)**

WITH THREE (3) TIE VOTES, THE VACATED COMMISSION SEAT WAS NOT FILLED THIS MONTH

2020/11/03 CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE HAWKINS COUNTY E-911 BOARD APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY MAYOR

RESOLUTION 2020/11/03 WAS PULLED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS

**2020/11/04 APPOINTMENT OF AMY SKELTON AND JOSHUA RUSSELL AND REAPPOINTMENT OF SUSAN ARMSTRONG TO THE HAWKINS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL BOARD FOR A SIX YEAR TERM WITH TERM ENDING AUGUST 31, 2026
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY JEFF BARRETT**

**MOTION TO TABLE RESOLUTION 2020/11/04
MOTION BY MICHAEL HERRELL, SECOND BY DONNIE TALLEY**

YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, ALVIS, HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, SPEAKS, HERRELL, TALLEY

NO: GIBSON, KERN, GOINS, DAVIS, DEWITTE, BARKER, CLONCE, EDENS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 12 NO 8 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**2020/11/05 APPROVAL OF A 60 MONTH LEASE FOR A KYOCERA COPIER FROM ROGERSVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY FOR THE JUVENILE SERVICE OFFICE
*MOTION BY KEITH GIBSON, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER**

YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE, BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**2020/11/06 BUDGET AMENDMENT – GENERAL FUND
*MOTION BY KEITH GIBSON, SECOND BY DANNY ALVIS**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS,
HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE,
BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

2020/11/07 BUDGET AMENDMENT – GENERAL FUND

2020/11/08 BUDGET AMENDMENT – SOLID WASTE FUND

2020/11/09 BUDGET AMENDMENT – HIGHWAY FUND

MOTION TO PULL RESOLUTIONS 2020/11/07, 08, & 09 BY COMMISSIONER GIBSON

**2020/11/10 BUDGET AMENDMENT – GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
*MOTION BY KEITH GIBSON, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS,
HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE,
BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**2020/11/11 APPROVAL OF NOTARY PUBLIC SURETY BOND
*MOTION BY DAWSON FIELDS, SECOND MICHAEL HERRELL**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS,
HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE,
BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR OUT OF ORDER 2020/11/01, 2020/11/02 & 2020/11/03
*MOTION BY RAYMOND JESSEE, SECOND BY KEITH GIBSON**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS,
HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE,
BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**OUT OF ORDER 2020/11/01 - APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A PARK PLANNING GRANT UP TO \$60,000
FROM TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION, WITH A \$12,000 LOCAL MATCHING
FUNDS FOR HAWKINS COUNTY, WITH THE MATCH TO BE SPLIT BETWEEN HAWKINS COUNTY AND
ROGERSVILLE**

***MOTION BY JEFF BARRETT, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS,
HOUSEWRIGHT, THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE,
BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**OUT OF ORDER RESOLUTION 2020/11/03 – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 2020-10-01 TO
PRIORITIZE DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE PAID A ONE-TIME HAZARD PAY FROM GOVERNOR’S LOCAL
GOVERNMENT SUPPORT GRANT**

***MOTION BY KEITH GIBSON, SECOND BY DANNY ALVIS**

**MOTION TO AMEND OUT OF ORDER 2020/11/03 –TO TAKE THE ELECTED OFFICIALS OUT OF THE ONE-TIME
HAZARD PAY BONUS**

***MOTION BY MICHAEL HERRELL, SECOND BY KEITH GIBSON**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, HOUSEWRIGHT,
THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL, EDENS, TALLEY**

NO: DEWITTE

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 19 NO 1 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

VOTE ON OUT OF ORDER 2020/11/03 – AS AMENDED

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, HOUSEWRIGHT,
THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE, BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL,
EDENS, TALLEY**

ABSTAIN: TRENT

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 19 NO 0 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT 1

**OUT OF ORDER RESOLUTION 2020/11/02 – APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A CARES ACT PART 4 GRANT UP TO \$30,000,
FROM TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AERONAUTICS DIVISION, WITH NO LOCAL
MATCHING FUNDS FOR HAWKINS COUNTY TO COMPLETE ROOF REPAIRS AT HAWKINS COUNTY AIRPORT**

***MOTION BY KEITH GIBSON, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER**

**YES: BREWER, BRIDWELL, JESSEE, TRENT, BARRETT, GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, HOUSEWRIGHT,
THACKER, FIELDS, GOINS, SPEAKS, DAVIS, DEWITTE, BARKER, CLONCE, HERRELL,
EDENS, TALLEY**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 20 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY DAWSON FIELDS, SECOND BY VALERIE GOINS... 20 YES, 1 ABSENT

VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2020 COMMISSION MEETING

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YES NO ABSTAIN ABSENT**