

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING
MARCH 27, 2023 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
CHARLES THACKER
JOSH GILLIAM
CHAD BRITTON
GLENDA DAVIS

JASON ROACH
NANCY BARKER
LARRY CLONCE
*ROBBIE PALMER **
JOEY MADDOX

COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

- COMMISSIONER THACKER READ A THANK YOU CARD TO MAYOR DEWITTE AND THE COMMISSION FROM THE PINK HILL COMMUNITY
- COMMISSIONER GIBSON PRESENTED A COMMENDATION TO VOLUNTEER HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR EVAN GLASS, FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN WRESTLING, CROSS COUNTRY & ACADEMICS
- DAVID LIVELY SPOKE ON TENNESSEE ORGAN DONOR SERVICES
- CRYSTAL FIFRICK – CONCERED CITIZEN FROM THE BULLS GAP COMMUNITY
- TIM COUP, CHIEF OF CHURCH HILL RESCUE SQUAD – ARPA FUNDING REQUEST

OFFICE REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2023 COMMISSION MEETING WERE APPROVED... 13 YES, 1 ABSENT
*MOTION BY JOSHUA GILLIAM, SECOND BY SYBLE VAUGHAN

RESOLUTIONS 2023/03:

- 2023/03/01** CONTRIBUTION OF UP TO \$250,000 IN MATCHING FUNDS TO BE TAKEN FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS, TO THE HAWKINS COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY THAT WILL MATCH THE COUNTY CONTRIBUTION THROUGH THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT FUNDRAISING, TO INCLUDE ALL MONETARY FUNDRAISING EFFORTS, OF UP TO \$250,000 IN A DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR MATCH
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOSHUA GILLIAM

MOTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2023/03/01 WITH SEVERAL AMENDMENTS TO BE VOTED ON AS ONE
***MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOSHUA GILLIAM**

- (1) ADDED TO THE SECOND TO LAST PARAGRAPH (THE HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION AGREES TO MATCH UP TO \$250,000 IN ARPA CONTRIBUTIONS, TO BE PAID IN A LUMP SOME ON OCTOBER 1, 2024 TO THE HAWKINS COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY'S OWN FUNDRAISING EFFORTS WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT ALL FUNDS MUST BE EXPENDED BY THE DEADLINE ATTACHED TO THE FEDERAL ARPA GUIDELINES)
- (2) ADDED TO THE LAST PARAGRAPH (THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVE A MATCHING DONATION FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$250,000.00 TO MATCH ANY FUNDS RAISED FROM THE TIME OF PASSAGE OF THIS RESOLUTION UP TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, WHICH IS 90 PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE FOR OBIGATION OF FUNDS)
- (3) ADDED TO THE SECOND PARAGRAPH (TO INCLUDE ALL MONETARY FUNDRAISING EFFORTS, EXCLUDING COUNTY DONATED FUNDS, OF UP TO \$250,000.00 IN A DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR MATCH)

**YES: GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

NO: VAUGHAN-TRENT

ABSENT: PALMER

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL

YES 12 NO 1 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

CHAIRMAN DEWITTE RECOGNIZED JACKIE CATERSON TO SPEAK REPRESENTING THE HUMAN SOCIETY

**CHAIRMAN DEWITTE READ A LETTER FROM CITIZEN JONATHAN ELLSWORTH OF MOORESBURG THAT
COULD NOT ATTEND THE MEETING REGARDING THE HUMANE SOCIETY AND ARPA FUNDS**

MOTION TO REFER RESOLUTION 2023/03/01 (AS AMENDED) BACK TO COMMITTEE
***MOTION BY TOM KERN, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER**

YES: GIBSON, KERN, THACKER, DAVIS, BARKER

**NO: VAUGHAN-TRENT, BARRETT, ALVIS, GILLIAM, BRITTON, ROACH,
CLONCE, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

FAILED BY ROLL CALL YES 5 NO 8 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

**MOTION TO AMEND AS-AMENDED RESOLUTION 2023/03/01 – TO GIVE THE HUMANE SOCIETY \$125,000
WITHOUT OBLIGATION FOR A MATCH AND TO RETAIN \$125,000 FOR A MATCH WITH TIME LIMITS FROM
THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMENDMENT**
***MOTION BY VAUGHAN-TRENT, SECOND BY DANNY ALVIS**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, BARRETT, ALVIS,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, MADDOX**

NO: KERN, THACKER, BARKER

ABSENT: PALMER

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 10 NO 3 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

VOTE OF ORIGINAL RESOLUTION 2023/03/01 AMENDED AS AMENDED

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, BARRETT, ALVIS,
GILLIAM, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, MADDOX**

NO: KERN, THACKER, BARKER

ABSTAIN: BRITTON

ABSENT: PALMER

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 9 NO 3 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT 1

2023/03/02 **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHURCH HILL
AND HAWKINS COUNTY CONCERNING THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING IN
CHURCH HILL, TENNESSEE**
***MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOEY MADDOX**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

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

2023/03/03 **NAMING THE NEWLY PURCHASED GOVERNMENT BUILDING IN CHURCH HILL**
***MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

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

**2023/03/04 APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A \$9,835.00 TENNESSEE CORRECTIONS INSTITUTE FISCAL YEAR 2023 TRAINING EQUIPMENT GRANT WITH NO LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPT
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOEY MADDOX**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

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

**2023/03/05 AMENDMENT OF JUNE 30, 2022 ESTIMATED FUND BALANCES AND RESERVES ON APPROVED 2022-23 FY BUDGETS
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY CHAD BRITTON**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

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

**2023/03/06 AMENDMENT OF JUNE 30, 2022 ESTIMATED FUND BALANCES AND RESERVES ON APPROVED 2022-23 FY BUDGET
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSTAIN: ROACH

ABSEBT: PALMER

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

**2023/03/07 BUDGET AMENDMENT – GENERAL FUND
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND CHARLES THACKER**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

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

**2023/03/08 BUDGET AMENDMENT – OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE (ARPA) FUND
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSENT: PALMER

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

**2023/03/09 BUDGET AMENDMENT – OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE (ARPA) FUND 128 FOR BOE
*MOTION BY NANCY PALMER, CHARLES THACKER**

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

ABSTAIN: ROACH

ABSENT: PALMER

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

2023/03/10 BUDGET AMENDMENT – OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE (ARPA) FUND 128 FOR E-911
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON

YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX

NO: GILLIAM

ABSENT: PALMER

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

2023/03/11 BUDGET AMENDMENT – OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE (ARPA) FUND 128 FOR
PINK HILL WATER
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY CHARLES THACKER

YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX

ABSENT: PALMER

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

2023/03/12 EDUCATION CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND JOHN GIBSON

YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX

ABSTAIN: ROACH

ABSENT: PALMER

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

2023/03/13 GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY LARRY CLONCE

YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, MADDOX

ABSTAIN: ROACH

ABSENT: PALMER

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

2023/03/14 APPROVAL OF NOTARIES PUBLIC
*MOTION BY JOHN GIBSON, SECOND BY DANNY ALVIS

YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR OUT OF ORDER 2023/03/01
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY LARRY CLONCE

YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX

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

OUT OF ORDER RESOLUTION 2023/03/01 – BUDGET AMENDMENT – OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE (ARPA) *MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOSHUA GILLIAM

**YES: VAUGHAN-TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER,
GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, MADDOX**

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL

YES 13 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

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***MOTION BY NANCY BARER, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON**

VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 2023 COMMISSION MEETING

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YES NO ABSTAIN ABSENT**