

May 14, 2019 Minutes

The Coffee County Legislative Body met May 14, 2019 in a regular scheduled meeting at the Coffee County Administrative Plaza at 6:00 PM.

Sheriff Chad Partin proclaimed the meeting open for business.

Pastor Herb Hester, Interim at First Baptist Church in Tullahoma gave the Invocation and David Orrick led the Pledge to the Flag.

All 21 members were present for the meeting.

Mayor Cordell corrected the agenda by stating item 10a is a letter instead of a resolution and that the resolution #2019-11 would be used on Item 10.g. – the Animal Control operating resolution. Crockett made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Tim Stubblefield. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Tim Stubblefield and seconded by Ray to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Sebourn and seconded by Ray to approve the following notaries as listed: John Maxwell Bailey, John H. Bell, Amanda N. Clifford, Gerald L. Ewell, Jr., James H. Henry, II, Sherry L. Holt, Rebecca A. Huddleston, Jeffrey L. Jackson, Jessica M. Jernigan, Logan Lee, Cheyenne S. Locklear, Amelia B. Messick, S. F. Morris, Cindy R. Nadeau, Quivaris Northcutt, Brooke Shasteen, Zachary Smith, Gladys Wright and John T. Zalesak. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Deford and seconded by Ray to approve Ronnie Lee Sullivan, III replacing Ronnie Crownover and Ronnie Crownover becoming an alternate to the Equalization Board. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes. Voting no were Debellis, Hollandsworth and Crockett.

Motion made by Miller and seconded by Ray to approve Dennis Hunt replacing Kerry Farrar to the Rural Solid Waste/Sanitation Committee. The motion was approved with 20 yes votes and Hunt abstained.

Motion made by Tim Stubblefield and seconded by Crabtree to approve Travis Reed as a part time Judicial Commissioner. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes. Debellis, Hollandsworth and Hobbs abstained.

Hollandsworth requested to place the Sewer Issue at the 105 Exit on the June 11, 2019 agenda.

Motion made by Orrick and seconded by Ray to proceed with TRANE Investment Grade Audit. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Debellis and seconded by Ray to approve the following Budget Amendments for Schools: #141-2019-3 General Purpose School Fund and #143-2019-2 Food Service. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

State Representative Rush Bricken presented a certificate to Marianna Edinger, Director of Accounts & Budgets and Mayor Cordell for receiving no findings or a "clean audit" for the period ended June 30, 2018.

Motion made by Kraft and seconded by Ray to approve the Leave Donation Program. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Hunt and seconded by Crabtree to approve the Transitional Duty Program. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Orrick and seconded by Sebourn for the adoption of Resolution 2019-10 to amend Resolution 2019-03 and to implement by a two thirds majority vote a privilege tax of 2.5% authorized by the State General Assembly on April 15, 2019 and approved by the Governor on April 25, 2019 thereby adopting and implementing a hotel/motel tax through-out Coffee County. After much discussion, motion made by Taylor and seconded by Orrick to amend the resolution by deleting the last sentence from section 10.b. which reads, "For clarification, this definition does not have application to any special event for which the promoter of that event authorizes attendees to that event to stay overnight on the premises for which such utilization is only for the purpose of the event." After further discussion, Sebourn made a motion that was seconded by Debellis to postpone this resolution and the proposed amendment until the June 11, 2019 meeting. The motion to postpone was approved with 17 yes votes and 4 no votes. Voting no were Hobbs, Hunt, Orrick and Duncan.

Motion made by Ray and seconded by Howes to approve the Budget Amendment Capital Projects #171-2019-014. The motion was approved with 21 yes votes.

Motion made by Kraft and seconded by Ray for the adoption of Resolution 2019-11 to amend the Coffee County Animal Control Standard Operating Procedures. Amendment by Sebourn and seconded by Miller to change the held days. The amendment was approved with 11 yes votes, 7 no votes and 3 abstained. Yes votes were Crockett, Hobbs, Bryan, Hunt, Deford, Miller, Tim Stubblefield, Tildon Stubblefield, Buckner, Duncan and Sebourn. The motion to adopt the resolution as amended was approved with 18 yes votes and 2 no votes. Voting no were Ray and Crabtree.

Miller requested to have a work session before the June meeting.

Helen Debellis requested to add to the June 11, 2019 agenda to discuss doing away with caucuses and replacing them with work sessions.

Committee Reports

Statements and announcements

Motion made by Orrick and seconded by Fielding to adjourn.

There being no further business the County Legislative Body adjourned.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Teresa H. McFadden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T' and 'M'.

Teresa H. McFadden, Coffee County Clerk