

June 26, 2018 Minutes

The Coffee County Legislative Body met June 26, 2018 in a regular scheduled meeting at the Coffee County Administrative Plaza at 6:00 PM.

Sheriff Steve Graves proclaimed the meeting open for business.

Jim Norman, Pastor of Highland Baptist Church in Tullahoma gave the Invocation and Kerry Farrar led the Pledge to the Flag.

There were 18 members present for the meeting with Todd Crockett, David Orrick and Kimberly Martin being absent.

Mayor Cordell requested to add under (10g) other) the Audit Committee Report. Morris requested to add 10h) Rural Solid Waste Budget and 10l) Hiring freeze across the board except for emergency personnel. Motion made by Shelton and seconded by Duncan to approve the agenda as requested. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Cunningham and seconded by Speer to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Argraves and seconded by Duncan for the adoption of Resolution 2018-19 in honor and recognition of Joanna Lewis (deceased) for her devotion and dedication to the citizens of Coffee County, Tennessee. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Morris and seconded by Deford for the adoption of Resolution 2018-20 in honor and recognition of Leona D. West for her devotion and dedication to the citizens of Coffee County, Tennessee. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Bricken and seconded by Crabtree to approve the following notaries as listed: Amy C. Barnard, Giovanna B. Chabaneix, Ari V. Dykes, Stacy Garcia Rios, Linda P. McDowell, Deana Peary, Heather Richardson, Berenice

Romo, Jerry L. Stephens and Brenda Sue Wiser. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Shelton and seconded by Morris to approve budget amendment #141-2018-4 General Purpose School Fund and the following budget amendments: #101-2018-016 General Fund, #151-2018-017 Rural Debt Service and #152-2018-018 Rural Debt Service. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Bryan and seconded by Cunningham to approve the Jail Medical Contract. The motion was approved with 15 yes votes and 3 no votes. Walker, Jones and Deford voted no.

Motion made by Crabtree and seconded by Deford for the adoption of Resolution 2018-21 to approve the compensation for the appointment by the Juvenile Judge for a part-time Juvenile Magistrate. The motion was approved with 16 yes votes and 1 no vote and 1 abstained. Kelly voted no and Cunningham abstained.

Motion made by Bryan and seconded by Kelly for the adoption of Resolution 2018-22 making appropriation for the various funds, departments, institutions, offices and agencies of Coffee County, Tennessee for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. After discussion Bricken and Morris discussed a hiring freeze for potential savings for the future and Bricken also proposed reductions by decreasing the proposed budgets for the General Fund Departments and Elected Officials by 1% for those with budgets under \$500 thousand, by 2% for those with budgets between \$500 thousand and under \$1 million and by 4% for those with budgets of \$1 million or more. Cunningham discussed the jail annex not being a necessity and Shelton saying by the time everything is considered there would not be a savings. Amendment made by Cunningham and seconded by Bryan to close the annex. After discussion by several individuals Cunningham and Bryan withdrew their amendment to close the jail annex. Amendment made by Morris and seconded by Argraves to approve Bricken's proposal to reduce the budget by (1) lowering the fund balance \$300,000 to \$2,125,000, (2) cutting general fund budgets under \$500 thousand one percent, budgets between \$500 thousand and under a million two percent,

and over a \$1 million four percent, and (3) institute a hiring freeze except for emergency personnel with hiring approval coming from Budget and Finance Committee. The amendment was approved with 18 yes votes and the original motion was approved as amended with 18 yes votes.

Motion made by Bryan and seconded by Kelly for the adoption of Resolution 2018-23 setting the Tax Levy in Coffee County, Tennessee for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2018 at the certified rate of \$2.5819 (Manchester \$2.6481, Rural \$2.9324, Industrial Park \$3.1860). The motion was approved with 17 yes votes and 1 no vote. Deford voted no.

Motion made by Hunt and seconded by Crabtree to approve the Audit Committee Report. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

Bricken discussed that the next meeting is July 10th and thought it would serve the body better to change the calendar and move the July 10th meeting to either the 18th or 24th in order for Marianna to have good budget numbers. Marianna stated that she would not have this done until August. Mr. Pedigo stated since the commission set the dates in the January meeting, that makes it part of the rules. In order to change this it would require a couple of steps but if you make a motion to the date and time, if it passes with a 2/3 vote that would eliminate having to suspend the rules. Motion made by Bricken and seconded by Morris to amend the calendar and meet August 14, 2018. The motion was approved with 18 yes votes.

There being no further business the County Legislative Body adjourned.

Respectfully submitted this the 26th day of June, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Teresa H. McFadden". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Teresa H. McFadden, Coffee County Clerk