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Minutes-July 17, 2023, Meeting of the Macon County Legislative Body.

The Macon County Board of Commissioners met, pursuant to notice, at the Macon County Courthouse in Lafayette, Tennessee on Monday July 17, 2023 at 6:30 pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor/Chairman Steve Jones with Chief Deputy Kyle Petty opening the meeting. Commissioner Michael Slayton gave the invocation and Commissioner Jarhea Wilmore led the pledge to the flag. County Clerk Connie B. Blackwell called the Roll with 19 members being present. Also made a part of the Minutes are the Roll Call Voting, Resolutions, Proclamations and FY23-24 Budget.

Commissioner Benton Bartley was absent.

Motion #1 by Petty, 2nd by Wilmore to go into Elections of Notaries Public.

Motion Carried

William Carter	Nominated by	B. King
Zachary T. Carter		Hughes
Barry Newberry		Jones
Jocosa Petty		West
Savanna Reid		Petty
Cherokee Koschmider		Slayton

Motion #2 by Hughes, 2nd by Slayton that nominations cease, and we elect those that we nominated by acclamation.

Motion Carried

Motion #3 by Jenkins, 2nd by Newberry to accept minutes, as presented from the 6/19/23 Legislative Body meeting, 5/16/23 Planning Commission meeting, 5/16/23 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 6/5/23, 6/12/23, 6/19/23, 6/26/23 Budget meetings, 6/16/23 Audit Committee meeting and 7/3/23 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #4 by Snow, 2nd by Slayton to approve FY 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (17 yes/ 1 pass/ 1 no)

Motion # 5 by Hughes, 2nd by B. King to approve Budget Amendments #1 (#1 Solid Waste).

Motion Carried on Roll Call (19 yes)

Motion #6 by Snow, 2nd by B. King to approve #7-1/23 Appropriation Resolution.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (18 yes / 1 no)

Motion #7 by King, 2nd by Marshall to approve #7-2/23 Non-profit Appropriation Resolution.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (12 yes / 7 no)

Motion #8 by Hughes, 2nd by Jones to approve #7-3/23 Tax Levy Resolution.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (19 yes)

Motion #9 by Petty, 2nd by West to approve #7-4/23 Broadband Resolution.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (18 yes / 1 no)

Motion #10 by Wix, 2nd by Slayton to approve 7-5/23 Beef Proclamation.

Motion Carried

Motion #11 by Hughes, 2nd by Hesson #7-6/23 School Federal Project Resolution.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (19 yes)

Motion #12 by King, 2nd by Hesson to approve the Copier Lease for the Board of education.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (19 yes)

Motion #13 by Petty, 2nd by J. Wilmore to take the recommendations of the committee and not extend Marlin Lane any further.

Motion Carried on Roll Call (18 yes /1 no)

During the Committee of a Whole meeting on 7/3/23, Mayor Jones stated that he had been contacted by Betty Stevens inquiring about purchasing Galen School Museum. She would like to renovate the building and have educational programs in it. Commissioner Phillip Snow requested that she come and explain her plans for the property. It was also requested that Rayburn King, Larry Tucker, and Steve Blankenship be contacted for their input. During tonight's meeting Mayor Jones said after checking into it, he had found that it was on the National Registry of Historic Places and the County Attorney had advised that it not be sold at this time.

Motion #14 by King, 2nd by Newberry to not sale Galen School Museum due to the building being on the National Registry of Historic Places.

Motion Carried

Motion #15 by Petty, 2nd by Snow to ratify the mayor's appointment of Todd Waggoner, City of Lafayette Fire Chief and Alecia Kempf, Co-Director of Macon County EMS to the E911 Communications Board.

Motion Carried

Motion #16 by Newberry, 2nd Hughes to approve the Howell Road 35mph speed limit petition. The commission approves this not because they believe it to be a safe speed but because the residents and landowners have requested it.

Motion Carried

Motion #17 by King, 2nd Petty to defer monthly reports until next month's meeting.

Motion Carried

During the Committee of a Whole meeting on 7/3/23, Mayor Jones stated that bids would be opened on July 13th for the road into Nature Trail Way for the Administrative Building and new Health Department. He stated that the engineers felt the county could save money if the commissioners would approve for the Highway Department to provide and lay the stone and remove the dirt from the site. The Highway Department would be reimbursed from the building fund.

Motion #18 by B. King, 2nd by Hill to approve Macon County Highway Department to apply the stone base and remove the dirt from the site as needed. The Highway Department shall be reimbursed from the construction funds.

Motion Carried

Motion #19 by Snow, 2nd by Jenkins to defer Jail addition bids discussion to a later date after Jail Bids are opened on July 18, 2023 @ 2:00 pm.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones opened the period for public statements, and no one wished to speak.

Motion # by Hesson, 2nd by Newberry to adjourn.

Motion Carried