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The McMinn County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on May 16, 2022 at 7:30 pm, in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Crews.

2. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Commissioner McPhail.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Simpson.

## 4. <u>ROLL CALL</u>

Roll Call was taken by Melinda King, McMinn County, as recorded:

Scott Curtis - Absent Dale Holbrook - Present Tim King - Present Roger Masingale - Present Jerry Millsaps – Present J. W. McPhail - Present Brent Carter -Present Tad Simpson - Present Charles Slack – Absent Chairman David Crews – Present

#### 5. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Copies of the Minutes of the Regular Session on April 18, 2022 were provided to the McMinn County Commissioners.

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner McPhail, to approve the minutes of April 18, 2022.

Motion carried by voice vote.

## 6. <u>APPROVAL OF BIDS AND PURCHASES</u>

A. <u>A Resolution to Approve Purchase Over \$25,000 From Sourcewell for a 2022 Peterson TL3</u> <u>Lightning Loader to be Used at the McMinn County Highway Department.</u>

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-035 along with a letter of recommendation and Bid Summary Sheet from Dan P Evans Chief Administrative Officer.

## RESOLUTION NO. 22-035

## A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OVER \$25,000 FROM SOURCEWELL FOR A 2022 PETERSON TL3 LIGHTNING LOADER TO BE USED AT THE MCMINN COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Highway Commissioner, Dan Evans, requests to purchase a 2022 Peterson TL3 Lightning Loader; and

WHEREAS, this machine is to be purchased through Sourcewell Contract #040621-PII and is valued at \$187,488.00; and

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(Res. # 22-035 con't)

WHEREAS, according to Financial Management Committee Policies & Procedures, purchases over \$25,000 requires County Commission approval; and

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022, that this Commission does hereby approve the purchase of a Peterson TL3 Lightning Loader in the amount of \$187,488.00 from Sourcewell for the McMinn County Highway Department.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Carter, and seconded by Commissioner King, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. <u>A Resolution to Approve Purchase over \$25,000 From Tennessee State Contract for Two Chevrolet</u> <u>Silverado Crew Cab Trucks to be Used at the McMinn County Highway Department.</u>

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-036 along with a letter of recommendation and Bid Summary Sheet from Dan P Evans Chief Administrative Officer.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 22-036**

## A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OVER \$25,000 FROM TENNESSEE STATE CONTRACT FOR TWO CHEVROLET SILVERADO CREW CAB TRUCKS TO BE USED AT THE MCMINN COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Highway Commissioner, Dan Evans, requests to purchase two 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 5500 HD 4 WD Crew Cab Work Trucks.

WHEREAS, these vehicles are to be purchased through Tennessee State Contract Pricing from Wilson County Motors, and are valued at \$60,131.73 each for a total of \$120,263.46; and

WHEREAS, these vehicles will not be received until FY 23-24, but will need to be encumbered in the current fiscal year requiring a budget amendment; and

WHEREAS, these vehicles will replace surplus inventory #17 (1996 Dodge 3500), #29 (2004 Chevrolet C-7500) and #34 (2003 Chevrolet CC7C042).

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2022, that this Commission does hereby approve the purchase of two 2023 Chevrolet Silverado work trucks from the Tennessee State Contract for the McMinn County Highway Department.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook and seconded by Commissioner Masingale, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. <u>A Resolution to Approve State Contract Purchase over \$25,000 for 2022 or 2023 Ford Explorer to be used by the Mayor's Office.</u>

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-037.

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(Res. # 22-037 con't)

## **RESOLUTION NO. 22-037**

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OVER \$25,000 FOR 2022 OR 2023 FORD EXPLORER TO BE USED BY THE MAYOR'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the McMinn County Mayor, John Gentry, requests to purchase a 2022 or 2023 Ford Explorer; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Explorer will be purchased per the Tennessee State Contract not to exceed \$36,000.00; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with McMinn County Financial Management Committee Policies and Procedures expenses over \$25,000 require McMinn County Commission approval.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2022, that this Commission does hereby approve the purchase of a 2022 or 2023 Ford Explorer for the McMinn County Mayor's Office. (Orig signed by John M. Gentry)

McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Millsaps and seconded by Commissioner McPhail, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

#### D. <u>A Resolution to Approve Vehicle as Surplus Property.</u>

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-038 along with a list from Dan P Evans Chief Administrative Officer.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 22-038**

## A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VEHICLES AS SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, McMinn County has authority to declare items as surplus that are no longer deemed necessary or adequate to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, Highway Commissioner, Dan Evans requests to declare the following Highway Department vehicles as surplus property:

Inventory #17 – 1996 Dodge 3500 CB – VIN# 1B6MC36C5TJ141158, Inventory #29 – 2004 Chevrolet C-7500 – VIN# 1GBM7C1324F511949, Inventory #34 – 2003 Chevrolet CC-7C042 – VIN# 1GBM7J1323F515454; Inventory #66 – 2012 New Holland Tractor ZCJH13664 (T5040)

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2022, that this Commission does hereby approve the above equipment as surplus property as recommended by Dan Evans.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve this resolution.

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(Res. # 22-038 con't)

Motion carried by voice vote.

E. A Resolution to Approve Vehicle as Surplus Property.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-039 along with a letter of recommendation from John Gentry, McMinn County Mayor.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 22-039**

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VEHICLES AS SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, McMinn County has authority to declare items as surplus that are no longer deemed necessary or adequate to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Gentry requests to declare the following vehicle as surplus property: 1999 Buick Lesabre VIN 1G4HP52KXXH462826.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE Attest:

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 7. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. <u>A Resolution to Approve the Contract Between McMinn County and State of Tennessee Department</u> of Corrections.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-040 along with copy of the contract.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 22-040

## A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY AND STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to enter into contract with Tennessee Department of Correction to house state felons within the McMinn County Justice Center for the period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2027, at the rate of \$39.00 per inmate per day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS THE 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2022 THAT THE COMMISSION DOES APPROVE THIS CONTRACT WITH TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES TO GRANT AUTHORITY TO THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF SAID CONTRACT, the public welfare demanding it.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

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(Res. # 22-040 con't)

#### (Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Millsaps and seconded by Commissioner McPhail, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. <u>A Resolution Authorizing McMinn County's Participation in a Litter Control Grant for Fiscal Year</u> 2022-23 From the Tennessee Department of Transportation, Highway Maintenance Division; and Authorizing the County Mayor to Administer Activities Associated with this Grant.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #22-041.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 22-041

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MCMINN COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN A LITTER CONTROL GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE DIVISION; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ADMINISTER ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GRANT

WHEREAS, McMinn County has received grant assistance from the Tennessee Department of Transportation for litter control activities in McMinn County, known as the "Litter Grant" since 1986; and

WHEREAS, the award of such a grant requires the authorization and consent of the McMinn County Commission for grant application and contract execution, subject to award by the Tennessee Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the allocation for FY 2022-23 is \$55,100; and

WHEREAS, this body deems the continued administration of litter grant activities as in the best interest of the citizens of McMinn County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2022, that this Commission authorizes McMinn County's participation in a litter grant in FY 2022-23 with the Tennessee Department of Transportation, the public welfare requiring it, and FURTHER RESOLVES to authorize the County Mayor to execute all necessary documents regarding this grant application.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook and seconded by Commissioner Masingale, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. <u>A Resolution to Approve Contract with Keystone Solutions for Information Technology Services for</u> <u>Various County Departments.</u>

Mr. Gentry presented resolution #22-042.

#### Resolution No. 22-042

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH KEYSTONE SOLUTIONS FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES FOR VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

(Res. # 22-042 con't)

WHEREAS, various McMinn County departments which do not have direct IT contracts with their dedicated software providers have been in need of professional IT services; and

WHEREAS, previously McMinn County has employed part time or contract employees to fill this need, with this strategy leading to inconsistent results; and

WHEREAS, the county's phone and fiber based internet systems require fire wall monitoring and current malware protection technology; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County utilized Keystone Solutions under emergency purchasing policies during the Covid pandemic to bolster the county's systems for online services and found them to be cost effective, reliable and secure; and

WHEREAS, effective June 1, 2022 McMinn County would like to extend the agreement with Keystone Solutions to provide IT services to the sheriff's department, veterans services, juvenile services, landfill, county mayor's office, election commission and the firewall systems of the courthouse, annex and justice center; and

WHEREAS, Keystone Solutions will also provide the licensing needed for .gov email addresses, Microsoft Business, malware protection and cloud based off-site data storage; and

WHEREAS, Keystone Solutions fees are based on per user and unique licensure requirements of the user with and estimated monthly cost of \$3,721.25, with each department bearing the cost of the services in their departmental budgets.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2022, that this commission approves the contract with Keystone Solutions and authorizes the County Mayor to execute the necessary documents to execute this agreement as well as add individual users on an as needed basis.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King and seconded by Commissioner Carter, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 8. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each <u>Commissioner</u>

Fund: #General Fund # 101	Date: 01/14/2021			
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
State of Tennessee	Other Public Safety Grants	46290	25,600.00	
Sheriff's Department	Overtime	54110-187		20,000.00
Sheriff's Department	Law Enforcement Equip.	54110-716		5,600.00
Explanation: To budget revenue and expenditures for Tennessee Highway Safety Office Grant. Approved				
09/20/2021				

Date: 05/12/2022				
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Reserve	Unassigned Fund Balance	39000	93,000.00	
Medical Examiner	Medical Personnel (Examiner)	54610-131		45,000.00
Medical ExaminerTransportation & Autopsies54610-35448,000				48,000.00
Explanation: To budget additional expenditures for anticipated costs through June 30, 2022				

MOTION made by Commissioner King and seconded by Commissioner Millsaps to approve these budget amendments.

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Scott Curtis – Absent Dale Holbrook - Aye Tim King - Aye Roger Masingale - Aye Brent Carter - Aye J. W. McPhail – Aye Jerry Millsaps - Aye Tad Simpson - Aye Charles Slack - Absent Chairman David Crews - Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each <u>Commissioner.</u>

Fund: Road & Bridge Fund #131

#### Date: 05/12/2022

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Other Local Revenues	Sale of Equipment	44530	54,550.00	
Other Local Revenues	Other Local Revenues	44990	51,606.00	
Capital Outlay		68000-714		83,000.00
Capital Outlay		68000-718		23,156.00
Explanation: To budget additional revenue received from surplus property sales and contract services to				
capital outlay expenditures.				

MOTION made by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner King to approve these budget amendments.

Scott Curtis – Absent Dale Holbrook - Aye Tim King - Aye Roger Masingale - Aye Brent Carter - Aye J. W. McPhail – Aye Jerry Millsaps - Aye Tad Simpson - Aye Charles Slack - Absent Chairman David Crews - Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

<u>Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each</u> <u>Commissioner. These did have School Board approval.</u>

Fund: General Purpose School Fund # 141		Date: 04/19/2022		
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Other Local Revenue	Contributions & Gifts	44570-EDUC	3,000.00	
<b>Regular Education Program</b>	Other Supplies & Materials	72210-499		3,000.00
Explanation: To enter	budget the Adopt a School donation	on from Denso for	FY 2021-2022	2.
Fund: General Purpose School Fun	nd # 141	Date:	04/19/2022	
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Other Governments & Citizens Groups	Other	48990	22,000.00	
Board of Education Services	Other Charges	72310-599		22,000.00
Explanation: To budget the Utrust mini grant in ePlan for FY 2021-2022. School Board approval on 05/10/202			05/10/2022.	
Fund: General Purpose School Fund # 141, Sub Fund # 182			Date: 05/	/10/2022
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
State Revenue 0	Other State Education Funds	46590	302,435.47	
Regular Instruction Program7	Teachers	71100-116		158,440.00

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Regular Instruction Program	Educational Assistants	71100-163		104,020.00
Regular Instruction Program	Social Security	71100-201		16,272.52
Regular Instruction Program	State Retirement	71100-204		17,129.28
Regular Instruction Program	Employer Medicare	71100-212		3,805.67
Regular Instruction Program	Retirement-Hybrid Stabilization	71100-217		2,768.00
Explanation: To e	enter the budget for the Summer Lear	ning Camps for F	Y 2021-2022.	
Fund: General Purpose School I	Fund # 141, Sub Fund # 183		Date: 05/	10/2022
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
State Revenue	Other State Education Funds	46590	127,247.67	
Regular Instruction Program	Teachers	71100-116		71,240.00
Regular Instruction Program	Educational Assistants	71100-163		39,480.00
Regular Instruction Program	Social Security	71100-201		6,864.64
Regular Instruction Program	State Retirement	71100-204		7,353.59
Regular Instruction Program	Employer Medicare	71100-212		1,605.44
Regular Instruction Program	Retirement-Hybrid Stabilization	71100-217		704.00
Explanation: To e	enter the budget for the Summer Lear	ning Camps for F	Y 2021-2022.	
Fund: General Purpose School I	Fund # 141, Sub Fund # 184		Date: 05/1	0/2022
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
State Revenue	Other State Education Funds	46590	86,410.14	
Regular Instruction Program	Teachers	71100-116		73,400.00
Regular Instruction Program	Social Security	71100-201		4,550.80
Regular Instruction Program	State Retirement	71100-204		6,603.04
Regular Instruction Program	Employer Medicare	71100-212		1,064.30
Regular Instruction Program	Retirement-Hybrid Stabilization	71100-217		792.00
Explanation: To e	enter the budget for the Summer Lear	ning Camps for F	Y 2021-2022.	
Fund: General Purpose School I	Fund # 141, Sub Fund # 192		Date: 05/	/10/2022
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Revenue	Other State Education Funds	46590	81,730.23	
Transportation	Bus Drivers	72710-146		54,000.00
Transportation	Social Security	72710-201		3,348.00
Transportation	State Retirement	72710-204		2,251.80
Transportation	Employer Medicare	72710-212		783.00
Transportation	Diesel Fuel	72710-412		21,347.43
Explanation: To enter the budget for the Summer Learning Camps for FY 2021-2022.				

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson to approve these budget amendments.

Scott Curtis – Absent Dale Holbrook – Aye Tim King - Aye Roger Masingale - Aye Brent Carter - Aye J. W. McPhail - Aye Jerry Millsaps - Aye Tad Simpson - Aye Charles Slack - Absent Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

<u>Mr. Luallen presented the following budget amendments, a copy of which was provided to each</u> <u>Commissioner. These did have School Board Approval on May 10, 2022.</u>

Fund: Federal Projects #142, Partnership	for Systemic Change, #894	Da	te: 04/22/202	22
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Revenue	Special Education-Grants to States	47143	61,421.05	
Special Education Program	Other Supplies & Materials	71200-499		701.00
Special Education Program	Special Education Equipment	71200-725		299.00

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Support Ser/Special Education Program	Other Wages & Salaries	72220-189	19,021.05
Support Ser/Special Education Program	Medical Insurance	72220-207	7,000.00
Support Ser/Special Education Program	Travel	72220-355	8,400.00
Support Ser/Special Education Program	Other Supplies & Materials	72220-499	8,500.00
Support Ser/Special Education Program	In-Service/Staff development	72220-524	8,500.00
Support Ser/Special Education Program	Other Equipment	72220-790	9,000.00
Explanation: To amend the budget for the IDEA Partnership for Systemic Change (K-12) grant for FY 21-22.			

Fund: Federal Projects #142, ESS	ER 3.0, #939 Date:	: 04/27/2022		
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Regular Instruction Program	Regular Instruction Equipment	72710-729	19,974.36	
Health Services	Health Equipment	72120-735	13,550.00	
Food Services	Food Services Equipment	73100-710		33,524.36
Explanation: To amen	d the budget for the ESSER3.0 Grant	(ARP Act) for I	FY 2021-2022	
Fund: Federal Projects # 142, Can	1 Perkins, #820	Date	: 05/05/2022	
Vocational Education Program	Other Supplies & Materials	71300-499	6,470.00	
Vocational Education Program	Vocational Instruction Equipmen	t 71300-730		11,057.63
Other Student Support	Bus Drivers	71300-146		385.00
Other Student Support	Social Security	71300-201		29.42
Other Student Support	State Retirement	71300-204		31.24
Other Student Support	Employer Medicare	71300-212		6.70
Other Student Support	Travel	71300-355		2,762.50
Other Student Support	In-Service/Staff Development (PI	D) 71300-524		250.00
Support Serv/Voc. Education Pro	g Other Equipment	72230-790		1,122.77
EXPLANATION: To amend the budget in order to be the same as the FY 2021-2022.				
Fund: Federal Projects # 142, IDEA Partnership for Systemic Change, # 894		# 894	Date: 0	5/05/2022
Special Education Program	Other Supplies & Materials	71200-499	253.74	
Special Education Program	Special Education Equipment	71200-725		253.74
EXPLANATION: To enter the budget for the IDEA Partnership for Systemic Change (K-12) grant for FY 21-22				

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook, and seconded by Commissioner McPhail to approve these budget amendments.

Scott Curtis – Absent Dale Holbrook – Aye Tim King - Aye Roger Masingale - Aye Brent Carter - Aye J. W. McPhail - Aye Jerry Millsaps - Aye Tad Simpson - Aye Charles Slack - Absent Chairman David Crews – Aye

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

#### 9. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jamie Nichols from AMR wanted to let everyone know that this week is Emergency Medical Services week. He said they are planning one of the biggest events for McMinn County that they have ever had. Mr. Nichols said it will be really good for the employee's and a chance to show his appreciation for the hard work they do. He said they will finalize the week with a big cookout Saturday at Market Park and invited all the commissioners.

Mr. Nichols told the commissioners if they look at the handouts for tonight, they can tell the changes they made have been working. Mayor Gentry ask Mr. Nichols if staffing has improved and he said it has.

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## 10. <u>RESOLUTIONS</u>

#### A. <u>A Resolution to Approve the Application Regarding Funding and Placement of a Rural Hydrant.</u>

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 22-043. Mayor Gentry said the cost of hydrants have gone up but wanted to go ahead and get this one approved and will address the increase with the Emergency Services Committee next month to see about getting an increase for hydrants.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 22-043**

#### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION REGARDING FUNDING AND PLACEMENT OF A RURAL FIRE HYDRANT

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential means of fighting fires in McMinn County, it is necessary to provide fire hydrants to rural areas; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of McMinn County to aid in the funding of the placement of one rural fire hydrant per year in each fire district; and

WHEREAS, the following application has been recommended for approval by the Rural Fire Committee:

As a service to the citizens of McMinn County, the McMinn County Commission approves a grant for payment toward the installation of ONE fire hydrant per fire district per fiscal year. The grant amount is \$3,000.00 per hydrant, based on available funds and approval of the Budget Committee.

I, Dexter Ket, Fire Chief of Claxton Fire District 11, wish to request the placement of one fire hydrant at the following location:

Intersection of County Road 989 @ County Road 750 Athens TN.

This form stands as a Hold Harmless agreement whereas McMinn County Rural Fire is not responsible for any fees relating to maintenance of said fire hydrant. The undersigned applicant understands that this hydrant, should its funding be approved by the McMinn County Commission, will be installed by the local utility provider, and may or may not be maintained by the utility. The person/group making this request accepts the responsibility of maintaining this hydrant, which could include, but not be limited to: painting, mowing, arranging hydrant testing, keeping maintenance records, etc.

Signature: Dexter Key (Original On file)

Address: 504 Buckner Rd, Delano, Tn 37325

Telephone: 423-333-7188

Date of Request: May 6, 2022

As Rural Fire District Chief, I approve this recommendation: Brandon Frost (Original On file)

Fire District: 11

Commission District: 4

Commissioner Signature: Dale Holbrook Commissioner Signature: Charles Slack (Signatures on File).

This hydrant was approved by the McMinn County Commission on May 16, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 16<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2022 that this Commission does hereby approve this Fire Hydrant Request.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

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(Res. # 22-043 con't)

Attest:

#### (Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook, and seconded by Commissioner King to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. <u>A Resolution to Honor the McMinn County Sheriff's Office Employees During National Law</u> Enforcement Week.

Mr. Gentry presented resolution # 22-044.

## RESOLUTION NO. 22-044

# A RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MCMINN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE EMPLOYEES DURING NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEK

WHEREAS, National Corrections Officer Week and National Law Enforcement Week are held annually each May, to honor present, past, and fallen law enforcement officers across America for their service and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, along with law enforcement nationwide, we honor the men and women of the McMinn County Sheriff's Office, including the patrol, investigative, corrections, court, school resource officers, and support division staff members; and

WHEREAS, these deputies and staff perform the unique duties of a Sheriff's Office, including law enforcement, attending the operations of the courts, serving the process of the courts, and operating a jail; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the McMinn County Sheriff's Office are the best trained, most professional, and most public service-minded of any other administration in their distinguished history, their hard work resulting in a 50% reduction in overall crime in McMinn County; and

WHEREAS, we honor and commend these professionals for the work they do, for "standing in the gap" for the safety and welfare of our citizens, executing their duties with professionalism and compassion, and for setting a standard of service for other law enforcement agencies.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THAT THIS COMMISSION DOES APPROVE THIS RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND COMMEND THE DEPUTIES AND STAFF OF THE MCMINN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE for their dedication and service, APPROVED THIS the 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-TWO, the public welfare requiring it.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry) McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Melinda King) County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Millsaps, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

## 11. ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

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## 12. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNTY OFFICIALS, COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS.

Properties Committee-Commissioner King said the Properties Committee met last week and toured Riceville school and Rogers Creek school and will meet Monday to tour two other schools to go over issues with the schools so they can come up with a plan of action.

Ag Committee—Commissioner McPhail said the Ag Committee met and went over the extension leaders' budget and will present it at the next budget meeting.

## 13. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY MAYOR

## Waupaca.

Mr. Gentry said they have been working with the Tennessee Department of Labor and the American Job Center for the Waupaca employees. Mr. Gentry said that on June 6-7 they will have an onsite job fair. He said that as of right now there is 39 companies attending. Mr. Gentry said the employees at Waupaca are sought at employees because of their hard work and dedication to the job.

#### Properties Committee

Mr. Gentry said they finally got the drawings on the fire marshals report for the backup center in Etowah and they did approve the designs. He said they will see what the labor and materials market is doing before going forward with this project.

## 14. APPROVAL OF NOTARY APPLICATION

Notaries to be elected May 16, 2022

TIFFANY L BARNES	MITCHELL HOOPER
MARY JEWELL CROFT	TANJA HUTTON
JOY I. EARLY	ASHLEY KINCANNON
MINDY T ELLIS	MARY ELIZABETH LOVE
LANETE B. GUYTON	JORDAN R. HAUGEN

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve these notary applications.

Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

Chairman Crews recognized his successor Travis Crisp who was in the audience at the meeting.

There being no other business, Chairman Crews declared the Commission meeting adjourned at 7:50

pm.

**MELINDA KING** McMinn County Clerk

Attest:

Deputy (date)