

The McMinn County Board of Commissioners met in Special Called Session on February 26, 2016, at 5:00 pm, in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crews.

2. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Millsaps.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Carter.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by Evonne Hoback, McMinn County Clerk, as recorded:

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

5. APPROVAL OF CDBG APPLICATION FOR RICEVILLE UTILITIES BOARD.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution # 16-014. Mayor Gentry ask Chuck Hammonds to come and address this application. Mr. Hammonds went over the entire resolution pointing out that Riceville Utilities had approached them about this CDBG project. Mr. Hammonds said about 70 homes on County roads 61 and 102 would be receiving public water. Rick Brown, Chairman of the Riceville Utilities was also present.

RESOLUTION 16-014

MCMINN COUNTY WATER LINE EXTENSION 2016 CDBG APPLICATION

WHEREAS, McMinn County has indentified the need for public water to be extended to all citizens of the county, as funds are available; and

WHEREAS, Many residents in the county have requested assistance in receiving public water; and

WHEREAS, The State of Tennessee Community Development Block Grant program has grant funds up to \$525,000 per local government available to assist with extending water lines to unnerved households; and

WHEREAS, The Riceville Utility District has existing water lines that could be extended to serve homes on County Road 61 and County Road 102 that have requested water service; and

WHEREAS, Project engineers have estimated the cost of the project to be \$795,000; and

Resolution No. 16-014 (con't)

WHEREAS, McMinn County can apply for a \$525,000 CBDG grant, with a required local match of \$270,000 in county funds, in order to extend water lines to unnerved areas of the county; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE TI RESOLDVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 26 DAY OF FEBRUARY 2016 that this Commission does hereby authorize the County Mayor to accept on behalf of McMinn County said Community Development Block Grant, execute any and all documents and enter into agreements necessary for the successful application and award of the grant and to enter into a project administration agreement with the Southeast Tennessee Development District, subject to ECD approval.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hoback)  
County Clerk

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

*Discussion: Commissioner Holbrook asks Mr. Hammonds if this is a LMI (Low to Moderate Income) area. Mr. Hammonds said it was. Commissioner Holbrook also wanted to know how many customers would be served. Mr. Hammonds told him it would be right at 70 homes. Mayor Gentry wanted to know if these lines would loop the system anywhere. Rick Brown said that it would not in this area. Commissioner Holbrook asks how many linier feet this would cover and Rick Brown told him he could get the numbers for him. Commissioner Holbrook said it was his understanding you had to have 500 thousand to get these grants. Mr. Hammonds said that since McMinn County is a 3 star county you get additional money and additional points. Commissioner Holbrook also wanted to know what size pipe would be used. Mr. Hammonds said it would be 6 inches.*

Motion carried by voice vote.

6. APPROVAL OF BIDS AND PURCHASES

None.

7. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. A Resolution to Approve Audit Fee Proposal with Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough, PLLC.

Mr. Luallen presented resolution #16-015 along with a copy of the contract.

RESOLUTION 16-015

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AUDIT FEE PROPOSAL WITH HENDERSON HUTCHERSON & MCCULLOUGH, PLLC

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government McMinn County enters into a contract each year for auditing services; and

Resolution No. 16-015 (con't)

WHEREAS, Henderson, Hutcherson & McCullough submitted a proposal of \$39,900 for the FY 2016-2017 for McMinn County Fiscal and Fee Offices; and

WHEREAS, Henderson, Hutcherson & McCullough appears to have the necessary qualifications to provide the annual financial and compliance audit for Fiscal Year 2015-2016;

WHEREAS, McMinn County Finance Director, Jason Luallen recommends McMinn County enter into contract with Henderson, Hutcherson & McCullough to perform its annual financial and compliance audit due to past experience with this group.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 26<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2016, that this Commission does hereby approve the above audit fee proposal with Henderson, Hutcherson & McCullough.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Hoback)  
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

8. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

None.

9. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

10. RESOLUTIONS

None.

11. ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

None.

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

None.

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13. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY MAYOR

- Mayor Gentry reminded everyone of the Three Star Program Requirements.

Mr. Luallen handed out a copy of the Debt Management Policy and Cash Flow Analysis to all County Commissioners.

Debt Management Policy headings.

- A. Goal/Mission
- B. Objectives
- C. Enhance Transparency of Decisions by Way of annual Debt Report, Annual Budgets, and Specific New Issue Report.
- D. Hiring of Professionals for Debt Issuance.
- E. Conflict of Interest Issues.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Chairman Crews declared the Commission meeting adjourned at 5:07 pm.

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EVONNE HOBACK  
McMinn County Clerk

Attest:

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Deputy Clerk (date)