

JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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PUBLIC NOTICES

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSION
WILL MEET
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023
AT 7:00 P.M.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE
UPPER COURTOOM
OF THE
JOHNSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE
222 WEST MAIN STREET
MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE.

Johnson County Government

Larry Potter, County Mayor
222 West Main Street
Mountain City, TN 37683



Thursday, November 16, 2023

To: Commissioners of Johnson County Tennessee

Bill Adams, Eugene Campbell, Lester Dunn, Jerry Gentry, Tracy Greer, Jerry Grindstaff, Huey Long, James Lowe, Megan McEwen, Gina Meade, Kody Norris, Cody Osborne, Freddy Phipps, Tommy Poore, and Brian Taylor.

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AGENDA:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Call to Order
5. Public Comments
6. Acceptance of October Minutes
7. Committee Reports
8. Approve Notaries
9. Election Commission – Mike Fritts, Chair
10. Resolution to Acquire the National Guard Armory – Mayor Larry Potter
11. Any other matters which may duly come before the commission for official action.

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Regular Session of the County Board of Commissioners of Johnson County was held in the Town of Mountain City, Tennessee, this the 19th day of October, 2023 at 7:00 P.M., presiding Chairman, of the County Commission, Freddy Phipps, Larry Potter, County Mayor, Clifton Worley, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Tammie C. Fenner, County Clerk and a quorum of County Commissioners to wit: Bill Adams, Eugene Campbell, Lester Dunn, Jerry Gentry, Tracy Greer, Jerry Grindstaff, Huey Long, Jimmy Lowe, Megan McEwen, Gina Meade, Kody Norris, Cody Osborne, Freddy Phipps, Tommy Poore and Brian Taylor. David Lawrence spoke to the Commission.

APPROVE SEPTEMBER MINUTES

Motion was made by Jerry Gentry, seconded by Huey Long to approve the September Minutes as presented. Upon Show of Hands Vote, all yes, (Motion Carried).

APPROVE COMMITTEE & QUARTERLY REPORTS

Motion was made by Lester Dunn, seconded by Cody Osborne to approve these Committee and Quarterly Reports. Upon Show of Hands Vote, all yes, (Motion Carried).

- Accounts & Budgets – Filed
- Airport – Filed
- Community Center – Filed
- Emergency Management – Filed
- Health Dept. – No Report
- Highway Dept. – Filed
- Library – Filed
- Planning Commission – No Meeting
- Public Records Commission – Filed
- Safety Dept. – Filed
- School System – Filed
- Senior Center – No Report
- Sheriff's Dept. – Filed
- Solid Waste – Filed
- Title VI- Filed
- Trustee – Filed
- Veterans Services – Filed

APPROVE PRESENTED NOTARY APPLICATIONS (ADRIENNE NICOLE HOLMAN, AMY LYNN SIMCOX & SASANA MARICKA JONES)

Motion was made by Cody Osborne, seconded by Megan McEwen to approve the presented Notary Applications. Upon Show of Hands Vote, all yes, (Motion Carried).

APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Huey Long, seconded by Jimmy Lowe to approve these Budget Amendments. Upon Roll Call Vote, all yes, (Motion Carried).

Motion was made by Jerry Grindstaff, seconded by Cody Osborne to approve replacing this electrical system at Trade Community Center. Upon Roll Call Vote, all yes, (Motion Carried).

Update from Skyline/Skybest by Edwin Hinson.

APPROVE PROCLAMATION: NOVEMBER IS FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH


Update by Mayor Potter on Meat Processing Plant – Bids will go out before Thanksgiving


APPROVE APPLYING FOR CONNECTED COMMUNITY FACILITIES GRANT FOR UP TO \$2,000,000.00 WITH MATCHING FUNDS UP TO \$500,000.00 FOR THE PURCHASE/RENOVATIONS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY BUILDING.

Motion to approve this was made by Jimmy Lowe, seconded by Lester Dunn. Upon Roll Call Vote, 10 Commissioners votes Yes, 4 Commissioners Voted No and 1 Commissioner passed. (Motion Carried).

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Jimmy Lowe, seconded by Lester Dunn. Upon Show of Hands Vote, all yes, (Motion Carried).


Tammie C. Fenner, County Clerk


Freddy Phipps, Chairman
Johnson County Commission

of Johnson County was held in the Town of Mountain City, Tennessee, this the 23rd day of October, 2023 at 6:00 P.M., presiding Chairman, of the County Commission, Freddy Phipps, Larry Potter, County Mayor, Clifton Worley, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Tammie C. Fenner, County Clerk and a quorum of County Commissioners to wit: Bill Adams, Eugene Campbell, Lester Dunn, Jerry Gentry, Jerry Grindstaff, Huey Long, Jimmy Lowe, Megan McEwen, Gina Meade, Cody Osborne, Freddy Phipps, Tommy Poore & Brian Taylor. Absent – Kody Norris and Tracy Greer.

The purpose of this Special Called Session of the Johnson County Commission is to appoint someone to fill the vacancy of the late Eddie Tester, who passed away in August, 2023.

Two candidates were presented to the Commission. Stephen A. Elks and Clifton G. Worley.

Both candidates were permitted to speak to the Commission.

CLIFTON G. WORLEY WAS NOMINATED TO FILL THE VACANCY OF JOHNSON COUNTY SHERIFF UNTIL THE NEXT COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION

Lester Dunn nominated and made the Motion that Clifton G. Worley to be appointed as Sheriff.

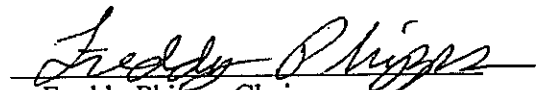
There were no other nominations. Jimmy Lowe seconded the motion. Upon Roll Call Vote, all Yes, (Motion Carried). Clifton G. Worley was appointed as Sheriff until the next County General Election. He was sworn into office immediately.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Jimmy Lowe, seconded by Cody Osborne. All in favor stood, (Motion Carried, meeting adjourned).



Tammie C. Fenner, County Clerk


Freddy Phipps, Chairman
Johnson County Commission



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Russell Robinson - Chairman

John Holloway - Vice Chair

Gary Matheson

Mike Payne

Jo Ann Reece

November 10, 2023

Members of the Johnson County Commission:

The Johnson County School Board is in full support of entering into a cooperative partnership with the Johnson County, TN Government to apply for funds through the Connected Community Facilities Grant (CCF) program in the amount of up to \$2,000,000.00 and matching funds of up to \$250,000.00 for the purchase and renovations/alterations of the former National Guard Armory building.

We value this partnership to be able to expand our CTE offerings to the students of Johnson County High School which will have a positive impact on the community of Johnson County.

Respectfully,

Dr. Mischelle Simcox

Dr. Mischelle Simcox,
Director of Schools

**BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR JOHNSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING INTENT TO PARTNER WITH THE JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN THE ACQUISITION OF THE FORMER NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY AND PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1923 SOUTH SHADY STREET IN MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE.

WHEREAS, Johnson County Government and Johnson County Board of Education will – through the First Tennessee Development District – make application to acquire a Connected Community Facilities Grant “with the intent to construct and improve digital access through the creation of buildings or rehabilitating spaces” in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 on or before December 12, 2023.

WHEREAS, terms of the grant application require a 20% match from the grantees; and

WHEREAS, the projected cost to grantees of the acquisition of the National Guard Armory property will be up to an estimated \$750,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Johnson County Government and Johnson County Board of Education will each invest \$250,000.00 to cover the required match and remaining closing costs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners for Johnson County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session hereby pursuant to T.C.A. § 5-9-401 approves the distribution of funds for the purchase of said National Guard Armory property and matching funds required in fulfillment of said grant contingent upon notification of award from the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its approval, the welfare of the county demanding.

Attested: _____
Tammie Fenner, County Clerk

Approved: _____
Larry Potter, County Mayor

SPONSORED BY:

PRIME CO-SPONSOR(S): Bill Adams, Eugene Campbell, Lester Dunn, Jerry Gentry,
 Tracy Greer, Robert G. (Jerry) Grindstaff, Huey Long, James (Jimmy) Lowe,
 Gina Meade, Megan McEwen, Kody Norris, Cody Osborne, Freddy Phipps,
 Tommy Poore, Brian Taylor