

The McMinn County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, September 19, 2005, 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 Owen Vincent.

3. PLEDGE

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Roger Masingale.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by Clerk Evonne Jones, as recorded:

Scott Curtis Present
Dale Holbrook Present
Roger Masingale Present
Gary Mason Present
J. W. McPhail Present
Bob Powers Present
Jack Powers Present
Owen Vincent Present
Chairman David Crews Present

5. DECLARATION OF 4TH DISTRICT VACANCY

Chairman Crews declared a vacancy in the 4th District due to the death of Commissioner Jack King. Commissioner Dale Holbrook, the other 4th District Commissioner, said that he has discussed this with several constituents in the 4th district and it is almost a consensus that they would rather wait for the election to fill this vacancy. Commissioner Holbrook made a motion to this effect and it was seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, but after a question from Commissioner Jack Powers concerning the possibility of changing their minds before the election it was decided that a motion was not necessary and "motion" and "second" were withdrawn. In response to a question from Commissioner Masingale, the consensus of the Commission was to declare the vacancy and if anyone is interested in filling the vacancy, they can run at the next election.

In response to a question from Commissioner Jack Powers, Chairman Crews said that declaring this vacancy changes the majority vote to 5 rather than 6.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Copies of the Minutes of the Regular Session on August 15, 2005 were provided to the Commissioners.

MOTION made by Commissioner Vincent, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve the Minutes of August 15, 2005.

Motion carried by voice vote.

7. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

Commissioner Bob Powers nominated David Crews to continue to serve as Chairman and Commissioner Mason seconded this nomination.

MOTION made by Commissioner Bob Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Mason, to nominate David Crews as Chairman.

MOTION made by Commissioner Jack Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Vincent, to elect Chairman David Crews by acclamation.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Commissioner Mason nominated Commissioner Jack Powers as Vice Chairman and Commissioner Bob Powers seconded this nomination.

MOTION made by Commissioner Vincent, and seconded by Commissioner Mason, to elect Commissioner Jack Powers as Vice Chairman by acclamation.

Motion carried by voice vote.

8. APPROVAL OF BIDS AND PURCHASES

A. A Resolution to Approve and Award the Semi-Annual Liquid Asphalt Bid.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve and award the semi-annual liquid asphalt bid, along with the bid summary sheet and a letter of recommendation from the Highway Commissioner.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-116

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND AWARD THE SEMI-ANNUAL
LIQUID ASPHALT BID

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government, goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has requested the purchase of liquid asphalt from Marathon Ashland Petroleum, the low bidder, in order to properly carry out the functions of the department; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has followed the proper procedures in securing the bids; and

WHEREAS, Randall Moss, McMinn County Highway Commissioner has recommended the bid be awarded to the low bidder for the period of November 1, 2005 to April 30, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2005, that this Commission does hereby approve the recommendation of the Highway Commissioner.

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

Attest:
On signed b Evonne Jones
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Approve and Award the Bid of a Diesel Mowing Tractor to C & W Farm Equipment.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve and award the bid of a diesel mowing tractor to C & W Farm Equipment, along with the bid summary sheet and a letter of recommendation from the Highway Commissioner.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-117

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND AWARD THE BID OF A DIESEL MOWING TRACTOR
TO C & W FARM EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government, goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has requested the purchase of a Diesel Mowing Tractor in the amount of \$ 29,261.13 in order to properly carry out the functions of the department; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has followed the proper procedures in securing the bids; and

WHEREAS, Randall Moss, McMinn County Highway Commissioner has recommended the bid be awarded to C & W Farm Equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005, that this Commission does hereby approve awarding the bid of a Diesel Mowing Tractor in the amount \$ 29,261.13 to C & W Farm Equipment.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

9. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. Surplus Property Resolutions.

(1) A Resolution to Approve the Dean Howard & Daughters Auction Company Contract.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve the contract with Dean Howard & Daughters Auction Company for the annual surplus property sale. Mr. Luallen added that this auction is scheduled for October 1, 2005.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-118

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DEAN HOWARD & DAUGHTERS AUCTION COMPANY CONTRACT

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 Dean Howard & Daughters Auction Company for the professional services of the sale of surplus property at McMinn County's annual surplus sale according to the terms therein; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005 that this Commission does hereby agree to enter into contract with Dean Howard & Daughters Auction Company to sell at public auction personal property belonging to McMinn County and their entities properly declared as surplus items.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

(2) A Resolution to Declare Additional List of Items as Surplus Property.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to declare an additional list of surplus property which is attached to the original copy on file in the Office of the County Clerk.

Resolution No. 05-119
A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE ADDITIONAL
LIST OF ITEMS 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

(Cont'd)

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to declare the attached list of items as surplus property and provide them for sale by public auction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005, that this Commission hereby approves the sale of the attached list of surplus property and any other items which may have been inadvertently omitted and declared surplus by agreed collective consent of the respective department head, Director of Finance, and the County Mayor.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Mason, and seconded by Commissioner Masingale, to approve the additional list of surplus property.

Motion carried by voice vote.

10. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS None.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE None.

12. RESOLUTIONS

A. A Resolution Authorizing McMinn County to Participate in a Waterline Extension Project on County Roads 727 and 725.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolution authorizing McMinn County to participate in a six-inch waterline extension project on County Roads 727 and 725, along with a letter from Riceville Utility District requesting County participation. Mr. Gentry added that this is not a CDBG project but a 20% match.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-120

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MCMINN COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN A WATER LINE
EXTENSION PROJECT ON COUNTY ROAD 727 AND 725

WHEREAS, certain citizens of McMinn County desire public water service; and

WHEREAS, Riceville Utility District has proposed a six-inch water line extension along a 2500 foot portion of County Roads 727 and 725; and

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WHEREAS, McMinn County desires for its citizens to have access to safe and potable water; and

WHEREAS, Riceville Utility District has asked McMinn County to participate in 20 percent of the cost of this water line extension; and

WHEREAS, at a cost of \$27,000.00 McMinn County's share in the project would be approximately \$5,400.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2005, THAT THE COMMISSION DOES AUTHORIZE MCMINN COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WATER LINE EXTENSION PROJECT AT 20 PERCENT OF DESIGN, INSTALLATION, AND INSPECTION COST ON COUNTY ROADS 727 AND 725, AND AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND DUTIES NECESSARY FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF SAID PROJECT, the public welfare requiring it.

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

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Approve Change Order Number 1 for McKinney Excavating Regarding the Airport Expansion Project.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolution to approve Change Order No. 1 for McKinney Excavating to repair 4 sink holes found in the taxiway. Mr. Gentry added that this has been approved by Tennessee Aeronautics. The total increase in cost is \$100,000.00 with the County's portion being \$10,000.00.

Resolution No. 05-12 1

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 FOR MCKINNEY EXCAVATING
REGARDING THE AIRPORT EXPANSION PROJECT

WHEREAS, McMinn County entered into a contract with McKinney Excavating in 2004 to construct the grading, drainage, seeding, and fencing portion of the McMinn Airport Expansion Project; and

WHEREAS, a change order is necessary to allow for the repair of 4 sink holes found in the taxiway at a total additional cost of \$100,000 (\$25,000 for each sink hole); and

WHEREAS, this work had the prior approval of the Tennessee Aeronautics staff and has been recommended by HMB Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the work to repair these sinkholes has already been completed according to Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Department of Groundwater Pollution Division as not to delay the airport expansion project; and

WHEREAS, upon approval by the McMinn County Board of Commissioners, the change order issued to McKinney Excavating will increase the contract amount from \$1,092,439.88 to \$1,192,439.88, which is a total increase in cost of \$100,000.00 that falls under the 90% funding grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2005, THAT THE COMMISSION DOES APPROVE THE CHANGE ORDER AND INCREASE OF CONTRACT AMOUNT WITH MCKINNEY EXCAVATING RESULTING IN A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$100,000.00.

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

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Mason, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Approve the Request by Asphalt Paving and Construction (APAC) for the Increase in Asphalt Paving Costs Relating to Increased Diesel Fuel Cost.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolution to approve the request by Asphalt Paving and Construction (APAC) for increase in asphalt paving costs relating to increased diesel fuel cost. In response to a request from the Mr. Gentry, the Highway Commissioner asked Mr. Roy Glass to give the Commissioners some background on this.

Mr. Glass said that they were contacted by APAC after the recent Hurricane Katrina when the diesel fuel prices skyrocketed. They requested an increase in the surcharge of hauling asphalt as well as an increase to cover additional fuel needed to heat the plant. After researching these increased costs, Mr. Glass explained in depth why this is a justified cost, but added that should fuel costs go back down to the levels present at the time of the original contract, the asphalt cost would likewise return to the original price as well. This will be determined at the beginning of each week.

Resolution No. 05-122

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST BY ASPHALT PAVING AND CONSTRUCTION (APAC) FOR THE INCREASE IN ASPHALT PAVING COSTS RELATING TO INCREASED DIESEL FUEL COST

WHEREAS, McMinn County has previously entered into an asphalt paving contract with Asphalt Paving and Construction (APAC), with the current asphalt cost being averaged at \$22.06 per ton; and

WHEREAS, APAC has indicated that rising diesel fuel costs have impacted their ability to properly perform their contractual agreement, and have made a request to the McMinn County Highway Department for an increase in the surcharge of hauling asphalt to cover the increase in diesel fuel, with APAC proposing an increased price of asphalt to be an average \$25.21 per ton; and

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WHEREAS, Highway Commissioner Randall Moss has calculated APAC's costs based upon current industry prices, and has compared this with the cost of fuel to haul and lay down asphalt, and recommends that this is a fair and justifiable request by APAC; and

WHEREAS, the end result of this increase in cost is:

Cost per ton of HVE mix at plant	\$22.30
Bituminous adjustment by State of TN	\$.48
Last action of Commission on haul surcharge (\$0.02 per ton per mile), based on figure of 25.3 miles	\$.51
Proposed increase	<u>\$1.92</u>
Total Average Cost of Mix at plant	<u>\$25.21</u>

And;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Moss also indicates that the proposal is dependent upon fuel costs, and should fuel costs go back down to the levels present at the time of the original contract, the asphalt cost would likewise return to the original price as well.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MCMINN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005, THAT THE COMMISSION DOES APPROVE THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS REQUEST FOR THIS INCREASE IN THE FUEL SURCHARGE.

(Orig signed by John Gentry)
McMinn County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

In response to a question from Commissioner Jack Powers, there was a discussion concerning asphalt being applied thinner on some roads and the fluctuation of fuel prices.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mason, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve this resolution.

In response to a question from Mr. Gentry about what our alternative is, Mr. Glass said they have received no threats from APAC and they have continued on with their work even though they have been working at below cost. Commissioner Mason and Commissioner Vincent suggested it is only good business to be fair. In response to a question from Commissioner Jack Powers concerning what effect this might have on using next year's money to do paving this year, Mr. Glass said that this would not effect that.

Motion carried by voice vote.

The Highway Commissioner thanked Mr. Gentry and the County Commission for their decision to advance FY 06-07 paving money for this year to take advantage of the lower asphalt bid prices.

D. A Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Commissioner Jack King for His Dedicated Service to the People of McMinn County.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolution recognizing and honoring Commissioner Jack King for his dedicated service to the people of McMinn County and added that this will be presented to his family.

Resolution No. 05-123

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING COMMISSIONER JACK KING FOR HIS DEDICATED

SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF MCMINN COUNTY

WHEREAS, Jack King passed away after a lengthy illness on the 23rd day of August, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Jack King's commitment to his community was evident by his dedication to public service as a County Councilman, County Commissioner, Commissioner and County Commission Chair where he served the people of McMinn County with 29 years of honesty, dedication, and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, Jack King was a well-known and recognized resident of McMinn County, a J.M. Huber Corporation retiree and was a friend to those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Jack King leaves behind his beloved wife Jeannie, two sons, Tim and Robbie, and loving daughter Stacey; and

WHEREAS, Jack King embodied the best qualities of the citizens of McMinn County, and, while he leaves his successors a legacy of sound judgment, leadership, courage and compassion, he will nonetheless be sorely missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF THE McM INN COUNTY COMMISSION, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION, THIS THE 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2005, that this Commission recognizes and honors the contributions made by fellow Commissioner Jack King to the people of McMinn County by means of his dedicated and distinguished service.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
County Mayor

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

13. ELECTIONS. APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS None.

14. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES~ COUNTY OFFICIALS~ COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

A. Properties Committee Commissioner McPhail.

(1) Consideration of Moving Court from the Courthouse to the Justice Center.

Commissioner McPhail said that the Properties Committee met on September 2, 2005 at the Justice Center Court Room. He referred to five solutions: Relocate General Sessions Court to the Justice Center, leave Sessions Court at the Courthouse and simply increase security there, move all criminal proceedings to the Justice Center, implement video arraignment, or do nothing. Commissioner McPhail said that each of these options were reviewed and he explained what was discussed at the meeting. The committee feels at this time the best option is to increase Courthouse security, including the possibility of installation of metal detectors and security cameras. They also recommend that the former Jail Construction Committee be reactivated to study this issue. This reformed committee will be made up of the District Attorney, General Sessions Judge, Public Defender, Sheriff, County Mayor, Circuit Court Judge, Circuit Court Clerk, and five County Commissioners who are members of the Properties Committee.

The County Mayor added that they found out that relocating General Sessions Court alone really affected the efficiency of the current system and he said the best thing that can happen is for this committee to be appointed to look at adding a courtroom at the Justice Center in order to eventually move all the criminal courts to the Justice Center.

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Mason, to increase courthouse security at the present time and to approve the reactivation of a Jail Construction Committee as discussed above.

Motion carried by voice vote.

(2) Joint Resolution for Use of City of Athens Animal Shelter by Citizens of McMinn County~ Etowah, Englewood, Niota and Calhoun.

Commissioner McPhail, Chairman of the Properties Committee, said that they met earlier this evening to discuss the County entering into an agreement with the City of Athens for County residents and residents of other cities in McMinn County to use the City of Athens shelter. Mr. Gentry said that he and Commissioner Curtis went to visit the new County-wide shelter in Roane County, but said it is something we are not prepared to recommend because of the expense operationally and capital-wise (\$250,000 line item in their budget). Mr. Gentry said that the City of Athens recognizes the need for the entire County but they are unsure how many more animals will be brought to the shelter if they expand the shelter to accept county-wide animals. Mr. Gentry reviewed the various aspects of this County-wide program but Mr. Gentry said that there are still a lot of unknowns. He said if they end up overwhelmed, we will have to accept reduced services. Mr. Gentry presented and explained the details of the following resolution and recommended its approval:

Resolution No. 05-124

JOINT RESOLUTION
FOR USE OF CITY OF ATHENS ANIMAL SHELTER BY CITIZENS OF MCMINN COUNTY,
ETOWAH, ENGLEWOOD, NIOTA AND CALHOUN

WHEREAS, stray and unwanted animals have been a longstanding public health and policy issue for local governments in McMinn County; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County's only animal shelter is owned and operated by the City of Athens, with operational assistance from the McMinn County Regional Humane Society; and

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WHEREAS, McMinn County, in conjunction with McMinn County Regional Humane Society and area veterinarians instituted a spay/neuter program to help control the proliferation of the canine and feline population; and

WHEREAS, currently the citizens of McMinn County do not have a shelter to take stray and unwanted animals; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County, the City of Etowah, Town of Englewood, Town of Calhoun and Town of Niota wish to enter into an agreement with the City of Athens to provide their respective citizens and governments the ability to bring stray and unwanted animals to the City of Athens' shelter; and

WHEREAS, "SHELTERING" means the quartering of animals to the standards currently in place at the Athens Shelter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Athens, by passage of this resolution has graciously agreed to allow its shelter to be expanded to properly accommodate the increased number of animals expected as a result of allowing the citizens of McMinn County, Etowah, Englewood, Calhoun, and Niota to bring their animals (canines and felines) to the shelter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Athens respectfully requests, and the respective local governments do agree to pay an annual fee to the City of Athens to offset the increase in operational costs experienced by the city as a result of said expansion; and

WHEREAS, it is understood by all parties that the actual increase in animals for an expanded shelter is an unknown variable; and

WHEREAS, the annual fee shall be as follows for the respective local governments:

McMinn County	\$10,000
City of Etowah	5,000
Town of Englewood	2,500
Town of Calhoun	1,500
Town of Niota	1,500

WHEREAS, the contracting governments agree to accept an annual fee increase of 2% to help address operation costs increases, if required; and

WHEREAS, the City of Athens shall maintain exclusive rights of ownership and operation of the shelter including but not limited to hours of operation, adoption and euthanasia policies; and

WHEREAS, in the event the annual fees do not adequately address the increased operational costs, the contracting governments agree to accept a reduction in the service hours of operation available to the citizens of the respective governments; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County agrees to supply the material for said expansion in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 to be paid from the undesignated fund balance of the Capital Projects Fund; and

WHEREAS, this joint resolution, upon passage by all local governments shall serve as the governing agreement for the project; and

WHEREAS, this agreement, upon passage by all governments shall be binding for three and a half (3.5) consecutive fiscal years with the current year prorated and the expiration date being June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, this agreement shall automatically renew between all parties, unless notice of termination by any party is given at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date; and

WHEREAS, any party desiring not to renew the agreement shall notify by registered mail all parties of the same; and

WHEREAS, it is understood by all parties that this agreement pertains only to the sheltering of unwanted and stray animals and does not include any other animal control techniques; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly fund the project, McMinn County will cease its Spay/Neuter program upon opening of the shelter, honoring all previously issued vouchers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND THE COUNCILS OF ATHENS, ETOWAH, ENGLEWOOD, NIOTA AND CALHOUN MEETING ON THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICIAL DAY, that the provisions set forth in this Joint Resolution are approved and binding on each entity for the betterment of each community, the public welfare requiring it.

Attest:
(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
County Mayor

Date approved: 9-19-05
Athens City Recorder

John Proffitt, Mayor of Athens

Date approved: _____
Etowah City Recorder

Harold Cox, Mayor of Etowah

Date approved: _____
Englewood City Manager

Raymond Roach, Mayor of Englewood

Date approved: _____

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Niota City Recorder

Lee Mason, Mayor of Niota

Date approved:
Calhoun City Recorder

George Harbison, Mayor of Calhoun

Date approved: _____

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Gentry added that we may have to make a donation to the Humane Society and allow them to purchase the materials to keep the work crew going. This crew is scheduled to begin October 3rd. If this needs to be done, this would have to be advertised in the newspaper as a donation to a non-profit, but not charitable organization. Mr. Gentry requested approval for this.

MOTION made by Commissioner McPhail, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve Mr. Gentry's request.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. Emergency Services Committee Commissioner Curtis.

Commissioner Curtis said that the Emergency Services Committee met earlier this evening. There was an update on the communications study that was done by Mr. Arnold Hooper and he asked Mr. Gentry to discuss. Mr. Gentry said they got what they hoped for out of this study. The study gave them maps of where their heavy and light coverage areas are and some recommendations for our most critical needs. We have been told by the State to get our Ambulance system off their frequency and this study addressed the recommendations of how best to do this.

On another subject, Commissioner Curtis said that there will be a picnic for emergency services personnel on October 7th from 5:00-7:00 pm, at the Regional Park. The County Commission will be doing the cooking and he requested participation by all the Commissioners.

C. Comments by Chairman Crews.

Chairman Crews thanked the Commission for their confidence in electing him chairman again and promised to try to live up to that confidence.

D. County Clerk's General Ledger Financial Report.

The County Clerk, Evonne Jones, referred to the general ledger financial report, which was provided to each Commissioner. She reviewed some of the figures and stated that \$4 million in receipts \$4 million in disbursements made for a very busy office. Ms. Jones thanked her professional staff for their hard work. Chairman Crews added his complimentary comments concerning the professionalism of the County Clerk's office.

15. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY MAYOR

A. Mandated Road Inventory List.

Mr. Gentry said that the Highway Commissioner has turned in a mandated Road Inventory list and it is in his office if anyone wants to review it.

B. County Health & Fitness Fair (for County Employees) on November 18~ 2005.

Mr. Gentry said that as part of our new health insurance program, there will be a Health & Fitness Fair on November 18, 2005 at the Courthouse Annex. Mr. Gentry said he is excited about this and hopes for good participation by all County employees.

16. APPROVAL OF NOTARY APPLICATIONS

The following notary applications were submitted to the County Clerk's Office:

Notary Applications for September 2005

Nadean K. Cunningham
Marquis Dotson
Patsy K. Gentry
Judith A. Hamilton
Timothy L. Hill
Sonja Angelika Huckerby
Evonne M. Jones
Lynn Letner
Stefanie D. Lyons
Sheila K. Melton
Kimberly J. Morgan
April Newman
Patricia A. Newman
Jane Helen Reed
Cheryl L. Rymer
Larry S. Sorah
Valerie Anne Stowe
Andrew D. Watts
Patricia A. Will

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION None.

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Chairman Crews declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

McMinn County Clerk

Attest:
Deputy Clerk

(date)