

LOUDON COUNTY COMMISSION

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF LOUDON

April 4, 2011

6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING

- (1)**
**Opening
of Meeting**
- BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Board of Commissioners of Loudon County convened in regular session in Loudon, Tennessee on the 4th day of April, 2011. The **Honorable Roy Bledsoe** called the meeting to order.
- Commissioner Harrelson** opened the County Commission Meeting, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and gave the invocation.
- (2)**
Roll Call
- Present were the following Commissioners: **Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, and Miller: (9)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**
Thereupon **Chairman Bledsoe** announced the presence of a quorum.
Present was the **Honorable Mayor Estelle Herron**.
- (3)**
**Agenda
Adopted
As Amended**
- Chairman Bledsoe** requested that the April 4, 2011 Agenda be adopted.
Mayor Herron requested an addition to the Agenda of a Resolution related to emergency services facilities for the City of Philadelphia.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to adopt the Agenda as amended.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (4)**
**Minutes for
March 7, 2011
Approved**
- Chairman Bledsoe** requested that the March 7, 2011 County Commission Meeting Minutes be approved and accepted.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Harrelson** to approve and accept these minutes.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.
- (5)**
**Comments:
Agenda Items**
- Chairman Bledsoe** asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items on the planned Agenda come forward.
No one came forward.

(6)
Equalization
Board
Appointment
Approved

Loudon County Mayor, Estelle Herron, requested consideration and possible action on the following Board/Committee Appointment:

1. Equalization Board

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Yarbrough** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to approve this resolution.

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Resolution 040411-A

(7)
Support of
Application
For Funding
Assistance
For Emergency
Services Facility
In Philadelphia
Approved

Loudon County Commission Chairman, Roy Bledsoe, requested that **Commission Chair-Pro Temp, Earlena Maples**, chair the meeting so that he could request consideration and possible action on the following item:

1. Request Approval of a Resolution Supporting an Application for Funding Assistance Submitted by the City of Philadelphia, Tennessee Under the Tennessee Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program, and the Request for a Rural Development Loan to Provide the Matching Grant Funds for the Construction of an Emergency Services Facility.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Bledsoe** with a second by **Commissioner Meers** to approve this resolution.

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Resolution 040411-B

(8)
Changes to
Procedures
For Application
And Processing
Of Notary
Applications
Supported

Loudon County Commissioner, Bob Franke, requested consideration and agreement on the following item:

1. A Proposal to Amend the Procedures for Application and Processing of Loudon County Notary Applications with Public Notification of Changes via Newspaper and County Website Prior to Implementation.

Commissioner Franke stated that no vote was required for these changes to be implemented but that it should be made a part of the public record that the County Commission unanimously supports the changes.

(9)
Air Quality
Task Force
Letter to
Viskase
Approved

Loudon County Commissioner, David Meers, requested consideration and possible action on the following item:

1. Request Approval of a Letter from the Loudon County Air Quality Task Force to Viskase Concerning their Expansion.

Following discussion, a **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to approve forwarding of the letter.

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** with one abstention.

Exhibit 040411-C

**(10)
Grant
Applications
Approved**

Loudon County Budget Director, Tracy Blair, requested consideration and possible action on the following items:

1. Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve the Following Grant Applications:

- a. Governor's Highway Safety Office; \$4,000.00; no matching funds.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Jenkins** with a second by **Commissioner Harrelson** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, and Jenkins: (9)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**

Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**

- b. Governor's Highway Safety Office; \$50,000.00; no matching funds.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Jenkins** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, and Meers: (9)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**

Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**

**(11)
Grant
Acceptance
Approved**

2. Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve Acceptance of \$2,000.00 Tech Grant for Loudon Library; \$2,000.00 required match from the Loudon Library Fund balance.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Maples** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, and Maples: (9)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**

Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**

**(12)
Fund 101
Approved**

2. Consideration of a Recommendation to Approve Amendments in the Following Funds:

- a. County General Fund 101

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Yarbrough** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, and Maples: (9)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**

Therefore the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**

Exhibit 040411-D

- (13) Fund 115 Approved b. Public Library Fund 115
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Maples** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, and Franke: (9)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**
Exhibit 040411-E
- (14) Fund 122 Approved c. County Drug Fund 122
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Maples** with a second by **Commissioner Meers** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Franke, and Bledsoe: (9)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**
Exhibit 040411-F
- (15) Fund 131 Approved d. Highway Department Fund 131
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Yarbrough** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, and Duff: (9)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**
Exhibit 040411-G
- (16) Fund 141 Approved e. General Purpose School Fund 141
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Jenkins** with a second by **Commissioner Meers** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Harrelson, Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, and Yarbrough: (9)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**
Exhibit 040411-H
- (17) Fund 142 Approved f. School Federal Projects Fund 142
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Miller** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Miller, Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, and Harrelson: (9)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**
Exhibit 040411-I

(18) g. General Debt Services Fund 151
Fund 151
Approved

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Duff** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Jenkins, Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, and Miller: (9)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**

Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**

Exhibit 040411-J

(19) h. Education Projects Fund 177
Fund 177
Approved

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Meers** to approve this recommendation.

Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Meers, Maples, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Yarbrough, Harrelson, Miller, and Jenkins: (9)**

The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**

The following Commissioner was **Absent: Shaver: (1)**

Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (9, 0, 1)**

Exhibit 040411-K

(20)
Summary
Financial
Statements
Distributed

Budget Director, Tracy Blair, requested that records reflect that the Summary Financial Statements for the month of March 2011 have been distributed.

Exhibit 040411-L

(21)
Notaries
Approved

Loudon County Commissioner, David Meers, made a **motion** with a second by **Commissioner Maples** to approve the following **Notaries: Lisa A. Sartin; Deloris Thomas; Melinda Brooks; Sheba J. Townsend; Lindsey Boyd Lander; Anita L Milmoth; Christina E. Myers; Freda J. Morton; Vikki S. Kelly; Colleen C. Fitch; Nathaniel Dale Costner; Tammy Emmalene Newbolds; and Abby Clendenen.**

Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Following approval of these Notaries, Nathaniel Dale Costner withdrew his application and submitted his Notary Commission and Seal to the County Clerk's Office. He was refunded his application fee.

Exhibit 040411-M

(22)
Comments:
Non-Agenda
Items

Chairman Bledsoe asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the Agenda come forward.

Richard Truitt spoke about a meeting in Blount County he recently attended and what he considers their very dismal financial status and stated that he hopes that Loudon County won't be following their example. They cover the cost of their employee's health insurance and they have a retirement plan. He cited examples of the type of expenses that were draining money from Loudon County Funds to include 53% going to schools and the growth in the Sheriff's Department expenses. He suggests that county government be managed more like private businesses and stop growing government at the rate of recent years.

Commissioner Maples thanked everyone for their good wishes on the safe return home of her nephew who has just completed serving a tour in Afghanistan.

Commissioner Duff reported that, on the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System funds, he has made his annual request to State Officials to keep hands-off spending this money for any other purpose and has received reassurances from Officials that they support this position. There are 115,000 people covered under this program. He also pointed out items of interest to the Commission in the Legislative Update he had distributed prior to the meeting and warned them to keep abreast of legislative initiatives to guard against those unfunded mandates.

Chairman Bledsoe asked if there were any further comments and, upon receiving none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

(23)
Adjournment

There being no further business, a **motion** being duly made and seconded, the April 4, 2011 County Commission Meeting stood adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

COUNTY MAYOR