LOUDON COUNTY COMMISSION WORKSHOP

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 County Office Building 6:00 pm

1. Comments by Members of the General Public

2. Loudon County Mayor, Buddy Bradshaw

- A. Updates to the Following Boards/Committees Appointments Resolutions
 - 1. Loudon County E-911 Board
- B. Discussion of a request from the Jefferson County, Tennessee Board of
 Commissioners to consider approving a Resolution Requesting Support of
 Legislation Regarding Local Determination of Broadband and Internet Services.

3. Loudon County Commissioner, Bill Satterfield

A. Lisa Niles Lawsuit

4. Loudon County Commissioner, Van Shaver

A. Resolution to State Legislators to Repeal or Amend TCA 8-20-101, Salary Suits

5. Loudon County Commissioner, David Meers

A. Jennifer Estes will deliver the E-911 Year End Report for 2015 and copies will be distributed at the meeting.

6. Budget Director, Tracy Blair

- A. Budget Committee Recommendations
- 7. Any other items
- 8. Adjournment

LOUDON COUNTY COMMISSION Resolution 020116-

RESOLUTION APPROVING OR ACKNOWLEDGING BOARD OR COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT BY COUNTY MAYOR

WHEREAS, by statute, and/or intergovernmental agreement and/or County Procedural Regulations, the County Mayor has authority to make certain committee and board appointments; and

WHEREAS, appointments are necessary at this time; and

WHEREAS, the County Mayor appoints the following members of the

LOUDON COUNTY E-911 BOARD

<u>Appointee</u>

Term expiration*

Panel A

| Tim Guider (County Sheriff) | February 05, 2018* |
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| David Meers (County Commissioner) | February 05, 2018* |
| James Webb (Loudon City Police Chief) | February 05, 2018* |

Panel B

| Daryl Smith (County EMA Dir) | February 05, 2019* |
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| Richard Martin (Lenoir City Fire Chief) | February 05, 2019* |
| Don White (Lenoir City Police Chief) | February 05, 2019* |

Panel C

| Travis Grey (Loudon City Codes Enforcer) | February 01, 2020* |
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| Bill Hart (Rescue Squad Chief) | February 01, 2020* |
| Ronnie Lett (Greenback Fire Chief) | February 01, 2020* |

*Terms expire on shown date and are by position. If a person leaves stated position, term immediately expires.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Loudon County Commission, meeting in regular session assembled this 1st day of February 2016, hereby approves and acknowledges (as appropriate), the said appointments.

ATTEST:

County Chairman

County Clerk

County Mayor

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION REQUESTING SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION REGARDING LOCAL DETERMINATION OF BROADBAND AND INTERNET SERVICES

WHEREAS, as the utility of the 21st century, universal availability of affordable high speed fiber optic broadband services for all citizens has been identified as a national priority; and

WHEREAS, high speed fiber optic services are a modern necessity that is essential for future economic development, education, public health and safety, agribusiness growth, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, affordable access to fiber optic broadband services allows businesses to compete locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally in today's emerging knowledge-based global economy; and

WHEREAS, whether through public or private investment, a local community is best equipped to decide how to meet its needs in regards to essential infrastructure and services; and

WHEREAS, historically, local governments have ensured access to essential services by banding together to provide those services that were not offered by the private sector or the services offered did not meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, local governments should have as many options as possible when they decide how to meet their communities' essential infrastructure and utility needs; and

WHEREAS, municipal electric utilities that offer fiber optic services provide an option for market competition, consumer choice, economic development, and universal, affordable Internet access; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's municipal electric providers have had the statutory authority to offer fiber optic services within their electric service territory since 1999; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's municipal electric utilities that have deployed fiber optic networks have brought some of the fastest broadband services in the world to areas that did not have adequate access to high speed broadband Internet services; and

WHEREAS, should a local government and community decide it is needed, municipal electric providers can provide essential fiber optic services that expand access and promote economic development, increased educational opportunities, regional and global competitiveness, telemedicine, telework, and better quality of life; and

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WHEREAS, with municipal electric utilities being limited to offering fiber optic services only to their electric service territories, local governments are severely restricted in their options for providing high speed fiber optic broadband services when incumbent providers are providing inadequate service; and

WHEREAS, the current statutory limitation that restricts municipal electric utilities to providing fiber optic broadband services within their electric service territory can prevent a vital and essential service from being available to local citizens based solely on which electricity provider serves their home or business; and

WHEREAS, if the current statutory limitation that restricts municipal electric utilities that provide fiber optic services to their electric service territory were removed, local governments and their utilities would have more options as they decide how to best meet their communities' need for access to high speed broadband Internet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Tennessee, meeting in session on the 16th day of November 2015, in Dandridge, Tennessee, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Tennessee, affirms that local governments, potentially through their public utilities, should be able to decide locally how essential services should be offered and how to meet critical infrastructure needs.

SECTION 2. That the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Tennessee, affirms that the local elected leadership and their local utilities are best equipped to decide how essential infrastructure and vital services should be offered to citizens, ratepayers, residents, and businesses in their counties.

SECTION 3. That the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Tennessee, requests the statewide delegation to the Tennessee General Assembly support legislation to allow local communities and their municipal electric providers to decide locally what is best in regards to the broadband services offered to its citizens by removing the current statutory limitation that restricts municipal electric utilities' ability to provide fiber optic broadband services to its electric service territory.

SECTION 4. That upon approval of this resolution and its signing, the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Tennessee, directs the County Clerk's Office to mail a copy of this resolution to Jefferson County's State Representatives and State Senators.

SECTION 5. That this resolution shall take effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring it.

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| Date Received by County Mayor: VOICE VOTE WITH NO O | PPOSITION | |
| Votes: <u>21</u> Yes | No | Abstain |
| Approved: James E. Carmichael, Con | inty Contraission Charman | Date: <u>11/16/2015</u> |
| Attest: Frank C. Herndo | on, County Clotte 11, 1792 | Date: 11/16/2015 |
| Approved:Alan Palmieri | , County Mayor | Date: 11-17-15 |
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| Vetoed: Alan Palmieri | , County Mayor | Date: |
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| Veto Override: James E. Carmichael, Co | ounty Commission Chairman | Date: |
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