

LOUDON COUNTY COMMISSION
STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF LOUDON
January 04, 2010
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 January 2010. The **Honorable Roy Bledsoe** called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Miller 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: **Marcus, Meers, Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Park, Gardin, and Miller: (10)**
The following Commissioner was **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon **Chairman Bledsoe** announced the presence of a quorum.
Present was the **Honorable Mayor Doyle Arp**.

(3)
Agenda
Adopted
as Amended

Chairman Bledsoe requested that the January 4, 2010 Agenda be adopted. **Mayor Arp** requested to have his Official's Report moved on the Agenda to follow the Budget Director's Report.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Gardin** to adopt the Agenda as amended.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

(4)
Minutes for
December 7,
2009
Approved

Chairman Bledsoe requested that the December 7, 2009 County Commission Minutes be approved and accepted.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Gardin** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to approve the December 7, 2009 County Commission 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.
The following people came forward to speak in support of the Commission providing funding for the School Building Program without further delay and focused primarily on problems at Greenback School: **Joey Breedlove, Ron Sabo, Terry Johnson, Lisa Russell, Richard Truitt, Sandra King, Ken Wahl, Kelly McCarter, Mary Wahl, Gary Ubben, and Pat Hunter**.

(6)
Loudon
County
Roads
List for
2010
Approved

Saen Giles, Loudon County Roads Superintendent, requested discussion and possible action on the following item:

1. Consideration of Approving the Loudon County Roads List for 2010.

A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Franke** with a second by **Commissioner Gardin** to approve the Loudon County Roads List for 2010.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

Chairman Bledsoe asked **Commissioner Maples** to assume the chairmanship to enable him to act in his Commissioner capacity.

- (7) **Commissioner Bledsoe** requested discussion and possible action on the following item:
Proceed with Two Projects in School Building Program
1. Consideration of Making a Recommendation to the School Board that they Proceed with Two Projects in the School Building Program - the Fort Loudon Middle School and the Philadelphia School Cafeteria.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Bledsoe** with a second by **Commissioner Meers** to approve this recommendation.
Lengthy discussion followed.
- (8) **Commissioner Franke** proposed an amendment to the **motion** with a second by **Commissioner Shaver**.
Proceed with Phase 1 and Construction Drawings Failed
A **motion** to advise the County School Board to go forward with their plans for Phase 1 of the School Building Program with any adjustments they might need to make to keep the costs below \$40 million if possible and, at the same time, to allocate the funding for the School Board to go forward with getting the Construction Drawings for Phase 1 of the Program at a cost of \$1.5 million.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Shaver and Franke: (2)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: Bledsoe, Duff, Park, Gardin, Miller, Marcus, Meers, and Maples: (8)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Failed: (2,8,0)**
- (9) **Commissioner Duff** proposed Amendment #2 to the **motion** with a second by **Commissioner Park**.
Add New School to Phase 1 Failed
A **motion** to add the building of a new Middle School to Phase 1 of the School Building Program in the Eaton North Community.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Duff and Park: (2)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: Meers, Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe, Gardin, Miller and Marcus: (8)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Failed: (2,8,0)**
- (10) **Commissioner Miller** proposed Amendment #3 to the **motion** with a second by **Commissioner Meers**.
Go Forward with Phase 1 to Point of Construction Drawings and Bids and then Reevaluate Passed
A **motion** to advise the School Board that they go forward with Phase 1 of the School Building Program to the point of getting construction drawings and bids and at that point the Commission would reevaluate the finances and the School Board would reevaluate which projects to proceed with and to approve \$1.5 million to support the drawings and bids process.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Maples, Bledsoe, Park, Gardin, Miller, Marcus and Meers: (7)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: Shaver, Franke and Duff: (3)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (7,3,0)**
- (11) **Chairman Maples** asked if there was further discussion on the original motion and upon receiving none, called for a vote on the original motion as amended.
Proceed with Two Projects in School Building Program Failed
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Bledsoe, Gardin, Miller, Marcus, and Meers: (5)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: Franke, Duff, Park, Maples, and Shaver: (5)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Failed: (5,5,0)**

(12) Upon failure of **Commissioner Bledsoe's** motion, **Commissioner Miller** made his
Go Forward Amendment a separate **motion** with a second by **Commissioner Gardin**.
with Phase 1 A **motion** to advise the School Board that they go forward with Phase 1 of the School
to Point of Building Program to the point of getting construction drawings and bids and at that point the
Construction Commission would reevaluate the finances and the School Board would reevaluate which
Drawings projects to proceed with and to approve \$1.5 million to support the drawings and bids
and Bids process.
and then Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Bledsoe, Duff, Park, Gardin,**
Reevaluate **Miller, Marcus, Meers and Maples: (8)**
Passed The following Commissioners voted **Nay: Shaver and Franke: (2)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (8,2,0)**

(13) A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Shaver** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to
Request continue to have the County Finance Director seek out the best available terms, rates, etc. for
County the loans so that the Commission can continue developing more concrete numbers to
Finance determine what they can afford to fund without a property tax increase.
Director Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Park, Miller, Shaver and**
Seek Best **Franke: (4)**
Loan Terms The following Commissioners voted **Nay: Duff, Gardin, Marcus, Meers, Maples and**
Failed **Bledsoe: (6)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Failed: (4,6,0)**

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

(14) 1. Consideration of Recommendation to Accept Homeland Security Grant in the Amount
Accept of \$96,423.44; no matching funds; grant period - August 1, 2009 thru May 31, 2012.
Homeland A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Duff** with a second by **Commissioner Gardin** to
Security approve this recommendation.
Grant Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Park, Gardin, Miller, Marcus,**
Approved **Meers, Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe and Duff: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (10,0,0)**

(15) 2. Consideration of Recommendation to Accept \$16,000.00 Department of Energy
Accept Emergency Planning and Response Grant; no matching funds; grant period -
Department October 1, 2009 thru September 30, 2010.
of Energy A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Gardin** with a second by **Commissioner**
Grant **Meers** to approve this recommendation.
Approved Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Gardin, Miller, Marcus, Meers,**
Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff and Park: (10)
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (10,0,0)**

3. Consideration of Recommendation to Approve Amendments and/or Line Adjustments in the Following Funds:

(16) County General Fund 101 Approved
a. County General Fund 101
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Park** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Miller, Marcus, Meers, Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Park and Gardin: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (10,0,0)**

(17) General Purpose School Fund 141 Approved
b. General Purpose School Fund 141
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Park** with a second by **Commissioner Franke** to approve this recommendation.
Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted **Aye: Marcus, Meers, Maples, Shaver, Franke, Bledsoe, Duff, Park, Gardin and Miller: (10)**
The following Commissioners voted **Nay: (0)**
The following Commissioners were **Absent: (0)**
Thereupon the Chairman announced the motion **Passed: (10,0,0)**

(18) December 2009 Financial Statements Distributed
Tracy Blair, Loudon County Budget Director, requested that records reflect that the December 2009 Financial Statements have been distributed.

(19) January 2010 Proclaimed Radon Action Month Approved
Doyle Arp, Loudon County Mayor, requested discussion and possible action on the following items:
1. Consideration of a Proclamation Designating the Month of January 2010 as Official Radon Action Month for Loudon County.
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner Miller** with a second by **Commissioner Gardin** to approve this Proclamation.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

(20) Comm./ School Board Meeting Pending
2. Consideration of a Joint Meeting of the Commission and the Loudon County School Board.
Mayor Arp sought guidance from the Commission regarding this item considering the actions taken at tonight's meeting regarding the School Building Program. Following discussion it was agreed that time should be allotted for these motions to be acted upon and that if the School Board desired to meet at any time they should come back to the Commission and request such a meeting.

(21) Notary Approved
A **motion** was made by **Commissioner David Meers** with a second by **Commissioner Maples** to approve the following **Notary: Christina Parent**.
Upon voice vote the motion **Passed** unanimously.

(22) **Chairman Bledsoe** asked that any visitor wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the Agenda come forward.
Comments:
Non-Agenda Items **David Culvert, Larry Anderson, Joey Breedlove, Terry Johnson and Ken Wahl** all spoke about the School Building Program and the actions taken at tonight's meeting.

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

(23) There being no further business, a **motion** being duly made and seconded, the
Adjournment January 4, 2010 County Commission Meeting stood adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

COUNTY MAYOR