QUARTERLY COURT MINUTES (ADJOURNED SESSION) MAY 21, 1973

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Quarterly County Court of Loudon County, Tennessee, met in an adjourned session on May 21, 1973, at 7:00 P. M. with the Honorable Harvey L. Sproul, County Judge of said County, presiding, and with Mrs. Addie Ruth Clarke, Deputy Clerk of said Court present; Whereupon Sheriff Russell led the Pledge of Allegiance and opened Court.

The following Squires were present:

J. J.	Blair	Roy Bledsoe					
I. D.	Conner	Henry C. Foster					
R. P.	Hamilton	Curtis A. Williams					
J. G.	Hudson	James M. Hartsook (tardy					
Boyd Duckworth							

Judge Sproul stated that there were two or three items that were carried over from the main agenda which possibly should be discussed before getting into the main purpose of the adjourned meeting.

J. V. Schrimsher, County Trustee, was present and reported that all of the motels in the County were now paying the Hotel-Motel Tax although two, the Inn of Lenoir and the Red Carpet Inn, were paying under protest. He stated that he had collected something over \$5008.00 in the last several days and that although all the motels had not paid completely up to date that they had all agreed that they would bring their payments up to date. Further he stated that each step that he had taken had been after advice and consultation with, and under the specific direction of, the County's Attorney in the matter.

Third District Road Commissioner Greenway stated that there were big trucks hauling gravel over in the Unitia Road section of the County and although they weren't on Loudon County Roads yet, that he suspected they were going to be and that there would be considerable damage to the County Roads and requested that the Court designate a load limit on this Road. It was then moved by Squire Hudson, seconded by Squire Foster, and unanimously approved that a ten-ton maximum load <u>limit</u> be placed on the Unitia-Friendsville Road for its Loudon County portion. Squire Hartsook was absent.

Representatives from the County Teachers' Salary Committee, including representatives from the Principals' Committee, the County School Superintendent, and School Board Chairman James Bailey, Lester Thomas, Red Liles, and John M. Hutton were present from the School Board.

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HOTEL-MOTEL TAX REPORT

UNITIA -FRIENDSVILLE ROAD WEIGHT LIMIT SET

TEACHERS'SALARY COMM.

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BUDGET ITEMS "RESERVED" FROM MAY 7 APPROVED

INDEX SCALE EXPLAINED

PRINCIPALS COMMITTEE

The first item discussed was the items not approved as budget amendments at the May 7 Quarterly Court meeting, and it was explained that the overruns were caused because of added bus runs in case of the bus drivers' payments, because all teachers expected to qualify for State Equalization funds did not qualify, and because some of the Principals had completed additional education and were entitled to additional money because under the index scale of this accomplishment. It was then moved by Squire Foster, seconded by Squire Hudson, and unanimously approved on a roll-call vote (with Squire Hartsook being absent) that all three reserved items in the May 7 meeting as <u>Exhibi</u> be adopted as budget amendments, to wit, Items 2520.1, 2210.31, and 2210.1.

The Teachers' Salary Committee went on to explain that it was their understanding that when the index scale was first approved for Loudon County Teachers that the Quarterly Court approved it insofar as the local sales tax would cover it, with the balance to be used for the general upgrading and improvement of education, and that the index scale still was within the local sales tax money. It was stated however that the base had risen from the time that it was first approved in 1968 and that accordingly the scale was different each year depending upon whether or not the base had changed. They stated that the proposal this year was based on a base of \$6500, and that the only way that a teacher who had over 15 years' service got a raise at all was on the basis of the base being raised inasmuch as under the State scale there was no increase for teachers who had over 15 years' experience and that the only other way such teachers could get an increase would be from increasing their professional educational background They stated that the County base being used this year is \$6350 and that this coming budget year the base for a B.S. degree beginning teacher would be \$6600 but they computed all figures based on \$6500. The State minimum is \$6100 and was \$5,000 in 1967. They stated the reason for the difference between Lenoir City and Loudon County Teachers, even though they use the same index scale, was that the State raise in the present year in the Lenoir City system was absorbed into the scale but that the State increase was added to the scale so far as the County was concerned. They further stated that the new money increase would be \$25,880 which would be at least \$150 minimum raise for any one teacher and a maximum for any one teacher of \$238, with the average increase being approximately \$180.

Hank McGhee, Principal of Greenback High School spoke concerning the request of the Principals for an increase and gave illustrations as to how the Loudon County Principals' salaries compared with other County and City School Systems surrounding the area. The Board of Education had approved a 10% increase for Principals next year which would be above the present index, although

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the request had been for 20%. A copy of the proposed County Salary Index is attached to these minutes as Exhibit

Squire Hartsook entered the meeting during this discussion.

Concerning the old Bacon Hospital building and its furnishings, the Committee has made the recommendation that the old building be held and used as a medical complex to include doctors' offices, storage facilities for the present hospita training rooms for present hospital and other related-type uses, including the storage space for the Emergency Hospital, and that accordingly there should be some disposition made of some of the equipment within the reasonable future. It was then moved by Squire Conner, seconded by Squire Blair, that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to take any request immediately in particular reference to the air conditioners (which would tend to deteriorate unless some disposition is made of them), with a report then to be made to the Purchasing Committee which would make a disposition of the air-conditioners, and with final decision to be withheld concerning the other equipment in the building for final approval by the Quarterly Court after recommendation from the Committee, which motion passed unanimously.

It was reported by Squires Blair and Bledsoe that the persons that the landowners along the Stockton Valley Road had met together and it seemed that everything had worked out and the property owners were going to arrange the necessary right-of-way so that it could be put on the rural road system to be paved.

Purchasing Agent Jenkins reported that he had had a hard time finding police cars that are available at this time, but that the present dealer could get two cars which would be the same as the present vehicles (Loudon Motor Company--Plymouths) and that the only other possibilities of cars would be through the State Purchasing Department through a Company in Memphis with the attendant problems of having a higher price and having warranty service problems, etc. It was moved by Squire Williams, seconded by Squire Hudson, and unanimously approved by all Squires present on a roll-call vote, that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to purchase the two Plymouths without additional bidding procedures because of the urgency of need of the Sheriff's Department for the vehicles and because it appeared that better prices could not be obtained in that the prices quoted are the same prices for which the County bought the last cars, and that prices were generally higher except for this special offer being made by the present dealer.

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BACON HOSPITAL AIR CONDITIONERS

STOCKTON VALLEY RD. MEETING REPORT

SHERIFF'S DEPT. PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR POLICE VEHICLES APPROVED NOTARY PUBLICS

It was moved by Squire Blair, seconded by Squire Foster, and unanimously approved that the following persons be elected notary publics for Loudon County:

> Bill Matlock Jack Randolph Billy J. Miller Paul Hawkins

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It was moved by Squire Foster, seconded by Squire Blair, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

APPROVED:

0 County Judge

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BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR ADJOURNED SESSION QUARTERLY COURT

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SCHCOLS

Transfer \$29,679.86 from Account 97 (Unappropriated Surplus) to the following accounts:

2520.1	Bus Driver's Salaries	\$ 5,000.00
2210.31	Reg.Teacher's Salaries	23,455.36
2210.1	Principal Salaries	1,224.50

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(Includes 1972 state raise) (Based on 6500.)

Exp	erience	2 Yrs.	3 Yrs.	B.S.	M.A.	M.A.+45
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	1	.92/6035	.95/6230	1.02/6740	1.12/7395	1.22/8045
	2	.93/6105	.96/6300	1.05/6945	1.15/7605	1.25/8255
	3	.94/6175	.97/6370	1.09/7215	1.19/7880	1.29/8530
	4	.95/6245	.98/6440	1.13/7485	1.23/3155	1.33/8805
	5	.96/6315	.99/6510	1.16/7690	1.26/8365	1.36/9015
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	8	.99/6525	1.02/6720	1.22/8180	1.33/8865	1.43/9515
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	12			1.31/8735	1.43/9575	1.53/10,225
	13			1.33/8875	1.45/9720	1.55/10,370
	14			1.35/9015	1.47/9865	1.57/10,515
	15			1.37/9155	1.49/10,010	1.59/10,660

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