

**Loudon County Budget Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
January 20, 2026**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

**Mayor Rollen “Buddy” Bradshaw, Chair  
Commissioner Henry Cullen, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Bill Satterfield  
Commissioner Van Shaver  
Commissioner Gary Whitfield  
Erin Rice, Budget Director**

All Budget Committee members were present.

The following items were considered:

***Consideration of approval of minutes of December 15, 2025 meeting:***

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Satterfield; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

***Consideration of request to increase Contract w/Government Agencies for Juvenile Department – Chris Hill, Juvenile Director:***

Mr. Hill explained that we have a Juvenile housed in Blount County and the fees are in excess of the current budget. His request was to add \$5,760 to the budget for services through February 2<sup>nd</sup>, which is the next court date.

Commissioner Satterfield made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Cullen; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

***Consideration of request to appropriate OPIOID Funds:***

A. Boys and Girls Club – Dean Deatherage, Director

Mr. Deatherage indicated that they would like to request an additional \$75,000 beginning 7/1/2026. He also brought Carrie, program coordinator, to explain how the first appropriation is being used.

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Satterfield; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote. [This action appropriates from the settlement funds.]

B. River Valley Health – Suzanne Bailey, Chief Operational Officer

Ms. Bailey explained the services that are available through River Valley Health. She continued with the multi-faceted use of the OPIOID funding. She indicated that the focus would be on prevention, education, and treatment/recovery. The requested amount is \$324,432.

Commissioner Whitfield made a motion to table the request for 30 days to allow time to review the request and the 990 form from the organization, seconded by Commissioner Shaver; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

***Consideration of request to transfer an employee from Codes Department to Maintenance:***

Mayor Bradshaw explained this request. He indicated that since there is not currently an open position in Maintenance, the total needed in the current year would be \$16,600. The Mayor also explained that one of the codes inspectors, currently making \$65,500, is planning to retire June 30<sup>th</sup> and his replacement would come in at \$49,500, which would help offset the additional funds needed in the budget.

Commissioner Satterfield made a motion to wait until the budget cycle to consider this transfer and adding a position to Maintenance, seconded by Commissioner Shaver; the motion was **PASSED** upon the vote; **4 Ayes, 1 Nea [Mayor]**.

***Consideration of request to apply/accept the following grant with no matching funds:***

- A. BJA FY25 The Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia & Developmental Disabilities – Award up to \$150,000 – Kevin Kirkland, Administration Chief

Commissioner Whitfield made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Shaver; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

***Distribution of Sheriff/Jail overtime report:***

Ms. Rice explained that the current overtime report was included in the packets. **NO ACTION REQUIRED.**

***Consideration of approval for line adjustments and/or amendments in multiple funds:***

**A. Public Libraries Fund 115**

Amendments include:

- >Pg. 10-11 – Philadelphia Library – increase in-service/staff development \$600 from fund balance
- >Pg. 12-13 – Greenback Library – increase contributions by \$1,000 and increase office equip by \$500

Overall, these amendments/line adjustments will reduce the fund balance by \$100

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Satterfield; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

**B. General Purpose School Fund 141**

Amendments are to recognize additional revenues/expenses or to move the budget to the lines needed for current year as approved by BOE.

Overall, these amendments/line adjustments will increase the fund balance by \$81,399

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Whitfield; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

**C. School Federal Projects Fund 142**

Amendments are to recognize additional revenues/expenses or to move the budget to the lines needed for current year as approved by BOE.

Overall, these amendments/line adjustments will have no bearing on the fund balance

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Cullen; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

**D. School Cafeteria Fund 143**

Amendments are to recognize additional revenues/expenses or to move the budget to the lines needed for current year as approved by BOE.

Overall, these amendments/line adjustments will have no bearing on the fund balance

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Satterfield; **PASSING UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote.

**Recommendations from Capital Projects and/or Purchasing Committee:**

*Purchasing Director Kleinschmidt presented the following items to be considered for funding through Capital Projects:*

- \$11,080 – Acoustical Panels at Courthouse

Commissioner Shaver made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Whitfield; **PASSING** upon the vote: **4 Ayes, 1 No [Satterfield]**.

All business concluded, Commissioner Shaver made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Cullen. The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** upon the vote. Thereupon, Mayor Bradshaw adjourned the meeting.

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Mayor Rollen “Buddy” Bradshaw  
Budget Committee Chair