

BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

December 17, 2018

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON DECEMBER 19, 2018, THAT THE BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE @ 6:00 PM.

**AGENDA**

1. Opening of Meeting by Sheriff or his appointee.
2. Invocation was led by Brother Doyle Williams with TN River Baptist Church and Pledge of Allegiance was led Eli Mathis, a 1<sup>st</sup> grader from Camden Elementary. Eli's Parents are Talon Mathis and Allison Thomlin and his Homeroom teacher is Stacy Hicks.
3. Roll Call by County Clerk Wanda Malin and Chief Deputy Clerk Beverly Beal

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** COMMISSIONERS ABSENT – ANGIE HERN, WARD PLANT, RONNIE HOPPER

DIST. 6	DARRYL HICKS		MARY POWERS
DIST. 1		DON PATTON	
DIST. 2	DAYNA FERGUSON	KENNETH MILLER	ROCKY PRESSON
DIST. 3	KELEAH DYE	NORMAN FRAZIER	GARY FURR
DIST. 4	DOUG VICKERS	SONNY HALL	PHIL MELTON
DIST. 5	RACHELLE HILL	BILL KEE	ROSANNE WARD

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4. Announcing of Quorum by Pro-Tem Rosanne Ward.
  5. Approval of the Agenda (VV).
  6. Citizens Forum.
  7. Commissioners Forum.
  8. Approval of previous month's minutes (VV).
  9. Report of Public Utilities (VV).
  10. Resolution appointing Douglas Vickers and David Anthony Brewer to the Joint Economic Development Board to fill vacancies (1217-01) (VV).
  11. Resolution appointing Douglas Vickers and David Anthony Brewer to the Industrial Board to fill vacancies (1217-02). (VV)
  12. Resolution appointing Commissioner Ronnie Hopper to the Solid Waste Board to fill a recent vacancy (1217-03). (VV)
  13. Resolution to appoint Commissioner Don Patton and re-appoint David Tuck to the Civil Service Board (1217-04). (VV)
  14. Resolution to appoint Commissioner Gary Furr to the Agriculture Extension Committee to fill a recent vacancy (1217-05). (VV)
  15. Resolution to urge the General Assembly to support restoration of the registers commission (1217-06). (RCV)
  16. Resolution to transfer the litigation funds recently appropriated and budgeted to the jail budget into county buildings (1217-07). (RCV)

17. Resolution to budget funds, Tobacco Grant Funds, in the amount of \$3,200.00 within the Health Dept. Budget (1217-08). (VV)
  18. Resolution to budget funds in the amount of \$2,060.00 within the animal shelter budget (1217-09). (VV)
  19. Resolution to budget funds in the amount of \$1,682.58 within the library budget (1217-10). (VV)
  20. Resolution budgeting funds in the amount of \$5,689.97 within the sheriff's budget (1217-11). (VV)
  21. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$7,500.00 from the litigation tax reserve and budget to County Buildings Engineering Services (1217-12). (RCV)
  22. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$53,985.00 for the 95/5 Asset Based Planning Grant in order to purchase three virtual welders for the county vocational center (1217-13). (RCV)
  23. Resolution to appropriate funds in the amount of \$2,298.26 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund for the pauper burial of a Benton County Citizen (1217-14). (RCV)
  24. Resolution appropriating funds in the amount of \$13,923.10 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund for the software and hardware upgrades for electronic purchase orders and payroll direct deposit (1217-15) (RCV)
  25. Resolution appropriating funds in the amount of \$4,500.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund for the hiring of a contracted cleaning service for the courthouse for the remainder of this fiscal year (1217-16) (RCV)
  26. Appointing Notaries.
  27. Any other business.
  28. Adjourn.
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Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Presson to recognize and bring to the floor some of our local law enforcement officers involved in the tragic fires in Benton County recently. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye.  
Motion Carries.

Mayor Brett Lashlee would like to enter the following in the minutes in recognition of the Officers involved in these tragic events.

On the night of November 28<sup>th</sup> there was a call of a house fire on Court Street in the City of Camden. Camden Police Officer Russell Wood was first on scene and forced entry into the residence via the back door. He was joined by Benton County Deputy, Sergeant Jerry Wood and Camden Police Officer Melissa Smith. While Melissa Smith evacuated the attached duplex and kept those occupants from re-entering the building to retrieve belongings, Russell Wood and Jerry Wood entered the burning home and searched a portion of it before having to retreat due to heavy smoke. They entered again and searched the rest of the house and discovered an occupant in a rear bedroom. Forced to retreat a second time they caught their breath and as the fire department had not yet arrived they entered the home a third time in an attempt to save the person inside. They managed to clear a safe path to carry the man out when they were once again forced out by the choking smoke that filled the home. As they exited the home the Fire Department arrived and the officers were able to direct them to where the trapped person was. The victim was quickly removed from the residence and taken to the hospital for treatment. Both officers received oxygen at the scene and then returned to their duties and completed their shifts. Because these two men put themselves at repeated risk and not only located the victim but removed all obstacles out of the way, precious time was saved in rescuing him from the deadly smoke. I have no doubt in my mind that those crucial minutes played a huge role in the recovery of that man. In a day and age when officers of the law are vilified and attacked, we refuse to give up. We will still protect and serve, uphold the law, and put the safety and welfare of others above ourselves. These two men, Sergeant Jerry Wood and Officer Russell Wood personify the spirit of law enforcement.

On the night of December 9, 2018 the Camden Police Department responded to a house fire on Vicksburg Road. Officer J. J. Hardin was first on scene and called for back-up due to people being trapped with the home. Sheriff Deputy Sergeant Jonathan Bailey arrived and both the two got to people out onto the porch and attempted repeatedly to reach the last occupant in the home who was bedridden.

Sheriff's Deputies Kenneth Wright and Michael Blake Riley were the next to arrive along with Camden Police Officer Mickey Howe. The two occupants on the porch were moved to safety to await EMS and Sergeant Bailey made one more attempt to reach the entrapped woman. As he exited the porch began to fall in.

The Camden Fire Department arrived and was able get the trapped woman out of the house. Sergeant Bailey retrieved the back board from the EMS truck and assisted securing the patient. Deputy Wright also assisted in carrying the woman to the stretcher. As soon as she was in the ambulance Deputy Riley drove the ambulance to free up the second paramedic to assist in the patients care. Both Deputies Wright and Riley assisted with loading the victim onto the helicopter.

All of these officers suffered smoke inhalation to varying degrees and all of them delayed examination and assistance until the civilian victims of the fire had been cared for or transported to help. Although, Mrs. Terry did not survive her injuries, it does not take away from the valiant efforts of law enforcement personnel who worked together in extremely dangerous conditions. Two lives were saved because these men disregarded their own safety to help rescue them.

I am proud of all these officers of the law. They protect and serve. They put the safety and welfare of our citizens above their own. They live the ideals that all of us aspire to.

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## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Frazier to approve the agenda. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

## **CITIZENS FORUM**

Debbie L Wright spoke about the current cleaning personnel at the courthouse, Hunter Shaw. She asks the commissioners to vote against Resolution 16, which appropriates funds to hire a new cleaning service.

## **COMMISSIONERS FORUM**

Commissioner Hill wanted to clarify a few things after last months meeting. She stated that she was approached by many of the other commissioners who said they were disappointed by her actions. Commissioner Hill explained where she stands as a commissioner and her agenda for the county and her district.

## **APPROVE THE PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Miller to amend November's minutes. Commissioner Presson made a statement about the majority vote to pass a vote. It was stated in the minutes from page 2949 in the November 2018 minutes that the statement was his opinion and he wanted to clarify that it should have said "the law states". On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve November 2018 Minutes as amended. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF PUBLIC UTILITES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Powers to approve the Report of Public Utilities. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-01**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-01**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Joint Economic and Community Development Board has had a vacancy by board member Sara Kilgore’s resignation as Director of the Benton County/Camden Chamber of Commerce, and such Board has another vacancy created by the passing of board member Sam Long; both positions of which have been unfilled, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the County Mayor to fill these vacancies with the following nominees for the periods shown below:

4<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner Douglas Vickers will fulfill the position previously held by Sara Kilgore through September 18, 2022, and

Mr. David Anthony Brewer will fulfill the position previously held by Sam Long for a period of four years, effective January 1, 2019.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the vacancies on the Joint Economic and Community Development Board be filled by; Commissioner Douglas Vickers and Mr. David Anthony Brewer to fill the vacancies per their terms stated above.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-02**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-02**

**SPONSORED BY THE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN WARD PLANT**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Industrial Board has a pending vacancy by board member Jeff Belisle whose term will expire January 19, 2019, and such Board has another vacancy created by the passing of board member Sam Long, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Chairman to fill these vacancies with the following nominees for the periods shown below:

Mr. David Anthony Brewer will fulfill the position of expiring board member Jeff Belisle effective January 20, 2019 through January 19, 2023, and

4<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner Douglas Vickers will fulfill the unexpired position previously held by Sam Long from December 18, 2018 through June 15, 2019.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the vacancies on the Benton County Industrial Board be filled by; Commissioner Douglas Vickers and Mr. David Anthony Brewer to fill the vacancies per their terms stated above.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Commissioner Powers to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-03**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-03**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: PROPERTY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Solid Waste Board has had a recent resignation by board member Clellan Douglas, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Solid Waste Board members and the County Mayor to fill this vacancy with Commissioner Ronnie Hopper to fulfill the expired term set to expire on May 18, 2019.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the recent vacancy on the Solid Waste Board due to the resignation of a member, be filled by commissioner Ronnie Hopper to fill the unexpired term set to expire on May 18, 2019.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-04**.

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to remove Commissioner Don Patton. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

Motion was made by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Kee to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-04** as amended and remove Don Patton. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-04**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, there is a vacancy on the Civil Service board due to the resignation by James Wiseman; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of board member David Tuck recently expired; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Commission Chairman, Ward Plant, to appoint Commissioner Don Patton to the Civil Service Board to fulfill the vacancy of James Wiseman with a term set to expire September 1, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, it is also the recommendation of the Commission Chairman, Ward Plant, to re-appoint board member David Tuck for another 2 year term set to expire on September 1, 2020.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that Don Patton be appointed to the Civil Service Board to fulfill the recent vacancy for a term set to expire on September 1, 2019 and to re-appoint board member David Tuck for another 2 year term set to expire on September 1, 2020.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Frazier to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-05**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-05**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, there is a recent vacancy on the Agriculture Extension Committee due to the resignation of Commissioner Jerry Brandon; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Ag Committee members and the county mayor to appoint Commissioner Gary Furr to fulfill this vacancy term set to expire on October 20, 2019.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that Commissioner Gary Furr be appointed to the Agriculture Extension Committee to fulfill the vacancy due to the recent resignation of member Jerry Brandon, with a term set to expire on October 20, 2019.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-06**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-06**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE  
TO URGE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO SUPPORT  
RESTORATION OF REGISTERS COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, the registers of deeds were entitled to retain a five percent (5%) commission for collecting state taxes levied under T.C.A. § 67-4-409 prior to 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2006, T.C.A. § 67-4-409 was amended by Public Chapter 989 to provide that fifty-two percent (52%) of the registers' commission was to be retained by the state and credited to the state general fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Officials Association of Tennessee will seek legislation to restore the entire five percent (5%) commission to the registers of deeds.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Legislative Body of Benton County, meeting in regular session on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018, that the Tennessee General Assembly is strongly urged to support this legislation restoring the full five percent (5%) commission to the registers of deeds.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the county clerk shall mail certified copies of this resolution to the members of the Tennessee General Assembly representing the people of Benton County and send a copy to executive director of the County Officials Association of Tennessee.

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Frazier to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-07**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-07**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER & COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE, LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, in previous action by the legislative body the Benton County Sheriff appropriated funds in the amount of \$7,309.10 in order to upgrade the storage area for the inmates; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds were budgeted within the Jail budget 101.54210.499 – Other Supplies and Materials; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds should have been budgeted to County Buildings rather than the jail budget; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution is to transfer the litigation tax reserve funds from the expenditure account 101.54210.499 – Other Supplies and Materials to 101.51800.707 – Building Improvements.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 that the Litigation Tax Reserve funds that were appropriated back in July 2018 in the amount of \$7,309.10 be transferred from the expenditure account 101.54210.499 – Other Supplies and Materials into 101.51800.707 – Building Improvements.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-08**. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-08**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Health Department made purchases using the Tobacco Grant funds they received; and

**WHEREAS**, they have recently received a reimbursement for overpayment on some expenditures; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to budget the refunds of grant money back into the Health Department budget.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$3,200 received from the LAMAR Companies due to an overpayment on a purchase using Tobacco Grant Funds be budgeted back into the Health Department budget as the following:

**INCREASE REVENUES:**

101.44170	MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS	\$3,200.00
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***\$3,200.00***

**INCREASE EXPENDITURES:**

101.55110.599	HEALTH DEPARTMENT OTHER CHARGES	\$3,200.00
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***\$3,200.00***

Motion was made by Commissioner Powers and seconded by Commissioner Dye approve **RESOLUTION 1217-09.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to combine **RESOLUTION 1217-09, 1217-10 and 1217-11.** On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion carries.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Powers to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-09, 1217-10 and 1217-11** as combined. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-09**  
**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**  
**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Animal Shelter has received funds in the total amount of \$2,060.00 in donations, sale of materials and adoption fees during the month of November; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to budget the said funds in the total amount of \$2,060.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the Animal Shelter budget.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$2,060.00 collected by the Benton County Animal Shelter throughout the month of November be budgeted as the following:

<b><u>INCREASE REVENUES:</u></b>		
101.41130	ANIMAL VACCINATIONS	\$1,905.00
101.48610	DONATIONS	\$ 105.00
101.44130	SALE OF MATERIALS	\$ 50.00
		<b>\$2,060.00</b>
<b><u>INCREASE EXPENDITURES:</u></b>		
101.55120.357	VETERINARY SERVICES	\$2,060.00
		<b>\$2,060.00</b>

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-10**  
**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR**  
**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Library has received funds in the amount of \$1,682.58 for fines, copies, faxes, reimbursements collected throughout the month of November 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to budget the said funds in the amount of \$1,682.58 within the library budget.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$1,682.58 received by the Benton County Library for fines, copies, faxes and reimbursements received for the month of November 2018 be budgeted as the following:

<b><u>INCREASED REVENUES:</u></b>		
101.43350	GENERAL SERVICE CHARGES/COPY FEES	\$ 197.45
101.43360	GENERAL SERVICE CHARGES/LIBRARY FEES	\$ 233.18
101.44170	OTHER LOCAL REVENUE/MISC. REFUNDS	\$ 1,251.95
		<b>\$ 1,682.58</b>
<b><u>INCREASED EXPENDITURES</u></b>		
101.56500.307	COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 1,034.00
101.56500.432	LIBRARY BOOKS/MEDIA	\$ 648.58
		<b>\$ 1,682.58</b>



**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-11**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received funds in the amount of \$ 5,689.97 for revenues for the month of November, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to budget said funds in the amount of \$ 5,689.97 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the Sheriff's budget.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$ 5,689.97 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for, revenues for the month of November be budgeted as follows:

**DECREASE REVENUES:**

101.43370	TELEPHONE COMMISSIONS	\$ 3,699.77
101.44131	COMMISSARY SALES	\$ 1,383.20
101.44145	SALE OF RECYCLED MATERIALS	\$ 432.00
101.44170	MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS	\$ 175.00

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\$ 5,689.97

**INCREASE EXPENDITURES:**

101.54110.353	TOW-IN SERVICES	\$ 175.00
101.54110.355	TRAVEL	\$ 432.00
101.54210.410	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	\$ 3,000.00
101.54210.422	FOOD SUPPLIES	\$ 1,383.20
101.54210.435	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 699.77

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\$ 5,689.97

Upon a Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-12**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-12**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Mayor has several infrastructure projects he has planned to improve the Benton County courthouse and local jail; and

**WHEREAS**, the Architectural and Engineer Firm, Hethcoat Davis, has been brought on board to help the mayor assist these improvement projects; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$7,500.00 from the Litigation Tax Reserve and budget to the appropriate expenditure account in order to cover the Architect and Engineer fees.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$7,500.00 be appropriated from the Litigation Tax Reserve Account No. 101.34520 – Courthouse, Workhouse, Jail Litigation Tax Reserve and budget to Expenditure Account No. 101.51800.321 – County Buildings Engineering Services.

Motion was made by Commissioner Patton and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-13**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-13**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, Benton County has applied for and received the reimbursable 95/5 Asset Based Planning Grant in the amount of \$53,985.00 in order to purchase the county vocational center three virtual welders; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount necessary to appropriate for the Asset Based Planning Grant will be \$53,985.00; and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the Fund 171-Capital Projects Fund and budgeted to the appropriate expenditure account; and

**WHEREAS**, \$47,500 will be reimbursed from the State of Tennessee for the reimbursable 95%, \$6,485 will be paid from the school system for their matching portion, and the county will pay the additional \$2,500 in order to purchase three virtual welders rather than just two that was originally discussed when applying for this grant.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$53,985.00 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the Fund 171-Capital Projects for the 95/5 Asset Based Planning Grant in order to purchase the county vocational center three virtual welders.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-14**. On a roll call vote, 14 Ayes and 1 Nays. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-14**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, Benton County has received an invoice from Stockdale Malin Funeral Home on a burial that has become the county's responsibility; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$2,298.26 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund and budget to the appropriate expenditure account in order to pay for this burial of a Benton County citizen; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$2,298.26 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund and budgeted to Expenditure Account No. 101.51300.341 – County Mayor Pauper Burials in order to pay the outstanding invoice received from Stockdale Malin for the burial of a Benton County citizen.

<b>RESOLUTION 1217-14</b>							
<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>MOTION</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>PASS</b>
DARRELL HICKS		X			X		
RONNIE HOPPER	X						
MARY POWERS		X			X		
ANGIE HERN	X						
DON PATTON		X			X		
WARD PLANT	X						
DAYNA FERGUSON		X	X		X		
KENNETH MILLER		X		X	X		
ROCKY PRESSON		X			X		
KELEAH DYE		X			X		
NORMAN FRAZIER		X				X	
GARY FURR		X			X		
DOUG VICKERS		X			X		
SONNY HALL		X			X		
PHIL MELTON		X			X		
RACHELLE HILL		X			X		
BILL KEE		X			X		
ROSANNE WARD		X			X		

Motion was made by Commissioner Powers and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-15**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

<b>RESOLUTION NO. 1217-15</b>	
<b>SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE</b>	
<b>LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE</b>	
<b>WHEREAS</b> , the Benton County mayor's office needs to update and improve some of the purchasing and payroll processes, such as electronic purchase orders and direct deposit; and	
<b>WHEREAS</b> , based on the sales proposal received from Local Government it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$13,923.10 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund and budget to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the county mayor's budget.	
<b>NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED</b> , By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17 <sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$13,923.10 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund and budgeted within the County Mayor's budget as the following:	
<b>INCREASE EXPENDITURES:</b>	
101.51300.317 DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	\$8,118.00
101.51300.709 DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT	\$5,805.10
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<b>\$13,923.10</b>	

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve **RESOLUTION 1217-16**. On a roll call vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217-16**

**SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY MAYOR BRETT LASHLEE**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Benton County Courthouse used to have two full-time custodians in the past and now only have one part-time custodian to come in and do night cleanings; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the county mayor to hire a contracted cleaning service provider, BZY BEE, to come in and detail the courthouse where the cleaning has been neglected; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$4,500 from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund and budget to the appropriate expenditure account in order to pay for this cleaning service throughout the remainder of the fiscal year.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2018 that the funds in the amount of \$4,500 be appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance within the County General Fund and budgeted to the Expenditure Account No. 101.51800.399 – County Buildings Other Contracted Services in order to hire the cleaning company BZY BEE for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**NOTARIES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to approve DECEMBER 2018 Notaries. On a voice vote, all present voted AYE. Motion carries.

**RITA F HATLER**

**MEGAN J TODD**

**KRISTI J RUSHING**

**JEROLD JOHNSON**

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Hicks to move the Insurance Committee meetings to Mondays at 4:00 PM at the courthouse. On a voice vote, all present voted Aye. Motion Carries.

*Wanda*      *Any Other Business*

In the past we have conducted our monthly Insurance meetings on Thursdays. All other Committees conduct their meetings on Monday & Tuesday . We wish to move our monthly meetings to the 2nd Monday of each month at 4:00pm at the courthouse. This meeting date and time will be more convenient and accommodating to the public & other members of the commission. Therefore all committee meetings will be held on Monday & Tuesday of each month. Thursday being an odd date from other meetings its easy to forget to keep the courthouse doors open. By changing the day & time of the meeting no one will be required to remember to be at the courthouse to unlock the doors for the meetings, as our current time does. It will also allow citizens to come to the courthouse on Monday and Tuesday while the other committees are meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Powers and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to adjourn this meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

**WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK, DO CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2018 BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.**



Brett Lashlee, County Mayor



Wanda Malin, County Clerk