

BLEDSON COUNTY COMMISSION, REGULAR SESSION, JANUARY 17, 2023

THE BLEDSON COUNTY COMMISSION MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 17, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE HONORABLE JUDGE EDWARD H. SAPP COURTROOM. PRESENT AND PRESIDING WERE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN JOHNNY SWAFFORD, COUNTY MAYOR GREGG RIDLEY, COUNTY CLERK GENESE SAPP AND COUNTY ATTORNEY HOWARD UPCHURCH.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PRESENT WERE TIM CAMPBELL, HEATH HUDSON, TANYA ROBERSON, RONNIE SAPP, ROGER SIMMONS, PERRY SWAFFORD, JUNIOR HANKINS, RUTH BURTON, ROBERT REECE, SHAWNA FARMER AND ANDREW SWAFFORD.

PRIOR TO THE BUSINESS BEING CONDUCTED, SENATOR TODD GARDENHIRE CONDUCTED A PRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF DENNIS (BIG D) FRAZIER WITH THE MT. CREST FIRE DEPARTMENT.

AFTER THE PRESENTATION, THE COMMISSION MEETING COMMENCED WITH THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS BEING CONDUCTED:

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ROBERT REECE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HEATH HUDSON, THE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 24, 2022 WERE APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER PERRY SWAFFORD AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ANDREW SWAFFORD, THE RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER ROBBIE TAYLOR WAS ACCEPTED BY A VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ROBERT REECE TO NOMINATE ROY C. DEBORD, JR. AS COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 PART C. UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ANDREW SWAFFORD AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ROBERT REECE TO CEASE NOMINATIONS OF COMMISSIONER SEAT OF DISTRICT 1 PART C PASSED BY A VOICE VOTE. THE NOMINATION OF ROY C. DEBORD, JR. PASSED BY A 12 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SHAWNA FARMER, LISA SILAR, KRISTINA DISHMAN, NATHAN SMITH, SIDNEY SAUNDERS AND INA PEARL SMITH WERE APPROVED AS NOTARIES BY A VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONERS HEATH HUDSON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ROBERT REECE TO ACCEPT THE INTERFUND TAX/REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY ROGER SIMMONS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PERRY SWAFFORD TO APPROVE THE QUARTERLY REPORTS FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS PASSED BY A 12 YEA 1 NAY VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RUTH BURTON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP TO APPROVE THE BLEDSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TRANSFER OF \$50,000.00 TO THE FEDERAL

PROJECTS FUND PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TANYA ROBERSON TO APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE COUNTY GENERAL AND THE SCHOOLS PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RUTH BURTON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SHAWNA FARMER TO APPROVE THE INDUSTRIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT (IAG) DEDICATING TRACK 18 EXHIBIT A FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR AVIAGEN ROAD PROJECT PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER PERRY SWAFFORD AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TANYA ROBERSON TO APPROVE THE INDUSTRIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT (IAG) DEDICATING TRACK 9 EXHIBIT 9 FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR AVIGEN ROAD PROJECT PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ROBERT REECE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ANDREW SWAFFORD TO ACCEPT THE ROSS HOUSE LEASE AS PRESENTED BUT HAVE THE COUNTY ATTORNEY DRAW A NEW MAP DEED FOR THE ROSS HOUSE RESERVING A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY FOR COUNTY USE PASSED BY AN 11 YEA 2 NAY VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER PERRY SWAFFORD AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP TO APPROVE THE LUMINARY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SALVAGE OR SELL SURPLUS EQUIPMENT PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ROGER SIMMONS TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE 2022 HOME HOUSING REHABILITATION PROJECT PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ROGER SIMMONS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP TO ADD BIG BLUFF VIEW TO THE COUNTY ROAD LIST PASSED BY A VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PERRY SWAFFORD TO ADD TIMBER VIEW ROAD TO THE COUNTY ROAD LIST PASSED BY A VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RUTH BURTON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SHAWNA FARMER TO ADD GRAY ROCK VIEW TO THE COUNTY ROAD LIST PASSED BY A VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JUNIIR HANKINS TO CHANGE THE NAME OF A SECTION OF THE ROAD FROM HWY 127 TO OLD STATE HIGHWAY 28 OF BIG SPRING GAP ROAD TO IRVING DOWNEY ROAD PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ROBERT REECE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RUTH BURTON TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK FOOD INSECURITY GRANT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$500,000.00 TO PARTNER WITH

ELIGIBLE AGENCIES TO HELP ADDRESS FOOD INSECURITY NEEDS PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JUNIOR HANKINS TO APPROVE THE BLEDSOE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SELLING A CAT RUBBER TIRED ROLLER PASSED BY A 13 YEA VOTE.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE SAPP AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JUNIOR HANKINS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY A VOICE VOTE.