

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION**

**March 27, 2023**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the County Commission met in regular session on Monday March 27, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Present and presiding, Chairman Greg Matherly, County Clerk Cheryl Storey, County Attorney Allyson Wilkinson and Commissioners to wit.

Commissioners present:

Richard Tucker, Marty Johnson, Josh Edens, Bryan Davenport, Greg Matherly, Larry England, Freddie Malone, Suzy Williams, David Tomita, Lewis Wexler, Kenneth Huffine, Ben Carder

Commissioners Absent:

Fitzgerald, Jones, Wheeler

Commissioner Jones present at 6:38 pm

Commissioner Wheeler present at 6:49 pm

After the Call to Order, the Invocation was led by Malone and the pledge to the flag was lead by Johnson.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion was made Tomita and seconded by Huffine to amend the agenda and defer items A and G under Special Recognition and Proclamations to next months meeting. Motion passed to approve as amended with an all yes voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Joe Royston 125 Keyes Rd Limestone, TN 37681  
Gwynn Mettetal Johnson City, TN

**PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING**

Minutes in packet

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Grandy presented a Proclamation Recognizing April 2023 as National Donate Life Month. Motion was made by Williams and seconded by Wexler to accept the proclamation. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

Mayor Grandy presented a Proclamation Recognizing March 2023 as National Athletic Training Month. Motion was made by Davenport and seconded by England to accept the proclamation. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

Mayor Grandy presented a Proclamation Recognizing April 9-15, 2023 as Public Safety Telecommunications Week. Motion was made by Tomita and seconded by Malone to accept the proclamation. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Motion was made by Tucker and seconded by Wexler to approve the February 23, 2023 minutes. Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

## **ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, AND CONFIRMATIONS**

### **RESOLUTION 23-03-01**

### **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TRI CITIES AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Nominations are as follows:

Huffine nominates Wexler  
Tomita nominates Huffine  
CIA nominates Hensley

Motion was made by Tomita and seconded by Williams to close nominations.  
Motion passed with an all yes voice vote.

Motion was made by Tucker and seconded by Tomita to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:  
Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioner abstain:  
Wexler

Commissioners absent:  
Fitzgerald, Jones, Wheeler

## **REPORT OF OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES**

### **COUNTY MAYOR**

No written report

### **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

Memo—Status Overview re: Recipients of Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds  
(August 2022 Resolutions).

### **DIRECTOR OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

No written report

### **DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS**

Monthly Update Memorandum from Jerry Boyd, Superintendent Washington  
County Schools.

**ADMINISTRATOR OF ELECTIONS**

February Administrator Report

**DIRECTOR OF SOLID WASTE**

2022 Recycling Report

**ARPA**

No meeting

**AUDIT COMMITTEE**

No meeting

**BEER BOARD**

Minutes in packet

**COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL & AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet

**COMMUNICATIONS TASK FORCE**

No meeting

**COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY**

Minutes in the packet

**EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION & BENEFITS COMMITTEE**

No meeting

**ETHICS COMMITTEE**

No meeting

**HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet

**RESOLUTION 23-03-03**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2022-2023 RE:  
WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS NUTRITION BUDGET**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Huffine to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-04**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN EDUCATION  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND EXPENDITURES UP TO THE AMOUNT OF  
\$516,000.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR BUSES**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Wexler to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-05**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE'S  
ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF THE LIBRARY GRANT AND  
AMENDING FY 23 BUDGET**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Edens to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-06**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 839 AND HOUSE BILL 937 REGARDING CONVENIENT VOTING CENTER PILOT PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Williams to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-07**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING WASHINGTON COUNTY TO JOIN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN AMENDING THE TENNESSEE STATE-SUBDIVISION OPIOID ABATEMENT AGREEMENT AND APPROVING THE RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS**

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Wexler to adopt the resolution. Motion was passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

No meeting

**PUBIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet

**RESOLUTION 23-03-09**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND SPENDING FOR FY22-FY23 FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE-PURCHASE OF KITCHEN EQUIPMENT**

Motion was made by Edens and seconded by Huffine to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-10**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE OASIS SOFTWARE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND OASIS TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, LLC**

Motion was made by Edens and seconded by Wexler to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-11**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CADMUS SOFTWARE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND AUTONOMY TODAY, LLC**

Motion was made by Edens and seconded by Jones to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioners absent:

Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-12**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
REGARDING K-9 HOUDA**

Motion was made by Edens and seconded by Malone to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:  
Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioners absent:  
Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**RESOLUTION 23-03-13**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE BID AND PURCHASE  
OF FIREARMS AND AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2022-2023 RE:  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Motion was made by Edens and seconded by Jones to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll vote.

Commissioners voting for:  
Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Carder

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioners absent:  
Fitzgerald, Wheeler

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet

**RESOLUTION 23-03-14**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD LIST**

Motion was made by Davenport and seconded by England to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:  
Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Jones,  
Tomita, Wexler, Huffine, Wheeler, Carder

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioner absent:  
Fitzgerald

**RESOLUTION 23-03-15**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2022/2023 RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PAYROLL, HOT-MIX FOR ASPHALT AND PURCHASE OF MINI-X**

Motion was made by Davenport and seconded by Tucker to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Wheeler, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioner absent:

Fitzgerald

**RESOLUTION 23-03-16**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING TYSINGER, HAMPTON & PARTNERS, INC PROPOSAL FOR WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS- ADDENDUM 1 & AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2022/2023 RE: ARPA- WATER LINE EXTENSION PROJECTS**

Motion was made by Davenport and seconded by Malone to adopt the resolution. Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:

Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Wheeler, Carder

Commissioners voting against:

None

Commissioner absent:

Fitzgerald

**PURCHASING COMMISSION**

No meeting

**RULES COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet

**SAFETY MEETING**

Minutes in packet

**WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

No meeting

**WATER TASK FORCE**

Minutes in packet



**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Minutes in packet

**RESOLUTION 23-03-17**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2022/2023 RE:  
DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS FOR CUSTODIAL SERVICES**

Motion was made by England and seconded by Jones to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:  
Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Wheeler, Carder

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioner absent:  
Fitzgerald

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NOTARIES**

**RESOLUTION 23-03-18**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ELECTION OF NOTARIES PUBLIC FOR  
APPOINTMENT AND/OR REAPPOINTMENT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
TENNESSEE**

Motion was made by Wexler and seconded by Huffine to adopt the resolution.  
Motion passed with the following roll call vote.

Commissioners voting for:  
Tucker, Johnson, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, England, Malone, Williams,  
Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Wheeler, Carder

Commissioners voting against:  
None

Commissioner absent:  
Fitzgerald

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Tomita and seconded by Jones to adjourn. Motion passed  
with an all yes voice vote.

**Meeting adjourned.**

  
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**Cheryl Storey, County Clerk**