

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF HAWKINS COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING
JULY 22, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: 14

MARK DEWITTE, MAYOR
SYBLE VAUGHAN TRENT
JOHN GIBSON
JEFF BARRETT
TOM KERN

DANNY ALVIS
CHARLES THACKER
JOSH GILLIAM
CHAD BRITTON
GLENDA DAVIS

JASON ROACH
LARRY CLONCE
NANCY BARKER
ROBBIE PALMER
JIM RILEY

PUBLIC COMMENTS – SPEAKER LIST ON FILE

COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS – (PROCLAMATIONS)

--COMMISSIONER GIBSON RECOGNIZED VOLUNTEER BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK & FIELD TEAMS

OFFICE REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS – (FILED IN THE COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE)

--HAWKINS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT, SESSIONS COURT, & JUVENILE COURT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

--HAWKINS COUNTY CHANCERY COURT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

--HAWKINS COUNTY TRUSTEE'S OFFICE FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT – JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024

--HAWKINS COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024

--COMMISSIONER THACKER REPORTED THE PINK HILL WATER PROJECT IS COMPLETED

MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2024 COMMISSION MEETING WERE APPROVED – 14 YES

*MOTION BY ROBBIE PALMER, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER

RESOLUTIONS 2024/07:

2024/07/01 AUTHORIZING HAWKINS COUNTY TO JOIN WITH CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN TENNESSEE IN AN OPIOID ABATEMENT AGREEMENT AND APPROVING THE RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

*MOTION BY ROBBIE PALMER, SECOND BY CHARLES THACKER

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 14 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

2024/07/02 AUTHORIZING HAWKINS COUNTY TO JOIN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNEMENTS IN AMENDING THE TENNESSEE STATE-SUBDIVISION OPIOID ABATEMENT AGREEMENT AND APPROVING THE RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY CHARLES THACKER

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 14 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

2024/07/03 CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE HAWKINS COUNTY E-911 BOARD APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR

*MOTION BY ROBBIE PALMER, SECOND BY LARRY CLONCE

YES: GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

NO: TRENT

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 1 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

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2024/07/04 APPROVAL TO ACCEPT HANGAR LEASE RENEWAL AGREEMENTS TO DR. GEORGE MILUM TESTERMAN, DR. HAPPY SMITH, JEFF JACKSON, AND SPORTSWINGS, LLC. AT THE HAWKINS COUNTY AIRPORT
*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY TOM KERN

YES: GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON
DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

NO: TRENT, ALVIS

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 12 NO 2 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

2024/07/05 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS OF HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOSH GILLIAM

YES: GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON
DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

NO: TRENT, BARRETT

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 12 NO 2 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

2024/07/06 APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND NANCY BARKER

MOTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2024/07/06 – TO PLACE 2 MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES ON THE 2080 SALARY SCALE – AMENDMENT #1
*MOTION BY ROBBIE PALMER, SECOND BY JOSH GILLIAM

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM,
BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

NO: KERN

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 13 NO 1 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2024/07/06 – AS AMENDED

YES: TRENT, KERN, ALVIS, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS
ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

NO: GIBSON, BARRETT, THACKER

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 11 NO 3 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

DUE TO COMMISSIONER'S CONFUSION ABOUT THE AMENDMENT, THE PREVIOUS VOTE WAS VOID AND A NEW VOTE WAS TAKEN ON AMENDED RESOLUTION 2024/07/06

YES: KERN, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, BARKER, PALMER

NO: TRENT, GIBSON, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, CLONCE, RILEY

FAILED BY ROLL CALL YES 7 NO 7 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

MOTION TO AMEND AS AMENDED RESOLUTION 2024/07/06 - TO REMOVE THE HIRING OF 1 NEW EMPLOYEE IN ACCOUNTING/BUDGET DEPARTMENT & 1 NEW EMPLOYEE IN THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY – AMENDMENT #2
*MOTION BY DANNY ALVIS, SECOND BY JOSH GILLIAM

YES: TRENT, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM,
DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, RILEY

NO: GIBSON, KERN, BARKER, PALMER

ABSTAIN: BRITTON

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 9 NO 4 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT 0

MOTION TO AMEND TWICE AMENDED RESOLUTION 2024/07/06 – TO WITHDRAW THE 5% COLA AND ADD A 3.2% COLA FOR ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES – AMENDMENT #3
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY JOSH GILLIAM

YES: TRENT, BARRETT, THACKER, ROACH, CLONCE, PALMER, RILEY

NO: GIBSON, KERN, ALVIS, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, BARKER

TIE VOTE BY ROLL CALL YES 7 NO 7 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

AMENDMENT #3 RESULTED IN A TIE VOTE (7 YES, 7 NO)
THE COUNTY MAYOR, COMMISSION CHAIRMAN BROKE THE TIE BY VOTING “NO” CAUSING THE AMENDMENT TO FAIL

VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2024/07/06 – (AS AMENDED 3 TIMES)

YES: GIBSON, KERN, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, BARKER, PALMER

NO: TRENT, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, CLONCE, RILEY

TIE VOTE BY ROLL CALL YES 8 NO 6 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

2024/07/07 FIXING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE 2024–2025 FISCAL YEAR –
*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY NANCY BARKER

MOTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2024/07/07 – TO SET THE TAX LEVY AT \$2.5546 ON EACH \$100.00 OF ASSESSED TAXABLE PROPERTY WITH THE DIFFERENCE COMING FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND MAKING THE GENERAL FUND RATE \$1.0702

*MOTION BY JASON ROACH, SECOND BY CHAD BRITTON

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 14 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

A CORRECTION WAS MADE TO SECTION 1, LINE 3 TO CHANGE THE TAX RATE IN LINE 3 FROM \$2.6714 TO \$2.5546

VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2024/07/07 – AS AMENDED

YES: GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, BARKER, PALMER

NO: TRENT, ALVIS, THACKER, CLONCE, RILEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 9 NO 5 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

2024/07/08 APPROVAL OF NOTARIES PUBLIC
*MOTION BY JOHN GIBSON, SECOND BY JOSH GILLIAM

YES: TRENT, GIBSON, KERN, BARRETT, ALVIS, THACKER, GILLIAM, BRITTON, DAVIS, ROACH, CLONCE, BARKER, PALMER, RILEY

APPROVED BY ROLL CALL YES 14 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

MOTION TO ADJOURN

*MOTION BY NANCY BARKER, SECOND BY JOHN GIBSON

VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 2024 COMMISSION MEETING

VOTE RESULTS

14 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 2 DID NOT VOTE

Approval of July 2024 Minutes

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Passed By Majority Vote

Mark DeWitte	Not Voting	Chad Britton	S	YES
Syble Trent	YES	Glenda Davis		YES
John Gibson	YES	Jason Roach		YES
Tom Kern	YES	Larry Clonce		YES
Jeff Barrett	YES	Nancy Barker		YES
Danny Alvis	YES	Robbie Palmer		YES
Charles Thacker	YES	Jim Riley		YES
Joshua Gilliam	M	Eric Buchanan		ABSENT



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