

COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

July 28, 1998

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BE IT REMEMBERED That the Fayette County Legislative Body met in regular session at the Courthouse in Somerville, Tennessee, on the 28th day of July, 1998.

Present and presiding the Honorable Jim Voss, also present, Dell T. Graham, County Clerk and the following County Commissioners: John W. Arnett, Charles D. Brewer, Sr., Odis Cox, Robert L. Crawford, Thomas H. Fowler, Willie L. German, Jr. Ronald R. Harris, William Hayslett, David Kelley, Alonzo Morman, Sr., David Morris, Hollis O. Robison, J. M. Sullivan, Jr., Rhea "Skip" Taylor, Wayne Thomas, Gordon Tomlin, Myles Wilson and Allen Yancey, Jr.

Absent: Commissioner Claude D. Oglesby, Jr.

With a quorum being present, the following proceedings were had and entered of record, to-wit:

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Brewer, and unanimously carried by the Board approving the minutes of the June 1998 meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Hayslett, and unanimously carried by the Board adopting the following PROCLAMATION honoring **DR. JOHN BISHOP:**

PROCLAMATION

HONORING DR. JOHN BISHOP FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF FAYETTE COUNTY

- WHEREAS,** Dr. John Bishop has served generations of local residents, for five decades, through his practice at Morris Clinic,
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Bishop has treated hospitalized patients since the very inception of Fayette County General Hospital in 1972;
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Bishop has carried on the traditions of medical practice through numerous changes in technology and regulation;
- WHEREAS,** numerous medical staff members have received training, insight, and encouragement from Dr. Bishop during his years of practice;
- WHEREAS,** thousands of individuals have received healing medications and treatment procedures from Dr. Bishop;
- WHEREAS,** numerous insurance carriers list the name of Dr. John Bishop as one of their highly demanded physicians;
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Bishop's patients load still composes a large percentage of Fayette County residents, who have expressed deep regrets at his retirement;
- WHEREAS,** the retirement of Dr. Bishop will create a major void in the medical community of Fayette County, which will not soon be filled;

BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND RESOLVED that the County of Fayette recognizes Dr. John Bishop as one of its most worthy citizens, and proclaims his birthday, Wednesday, July 29th, 1998, as **DR. JOHN BISHOP DAY** among all citizens of Fayette County

Approved by the Fayette County Commission at its regular meeting for the month of July, 1998.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tomlin, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, and unanimously carried by the Board appointing **Patsy J. Crivelli** and **Leah F. Andres** to the Library Board to serve three year terms.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Robison, and unanimously carried by the Board appointing the following as **Notaries Public**:
 District 1: James F. Lofties, Cynthia L. Hubbard; District 11: Shannon S. Cotter;
 District 12: Sue Allen, Susan D. Copes.

The next matter before the board was the election of members to the **Fayette County Board of Public Works**.

William Dowdy briefly addressed the Board regarding the termination of Erwin Kee as County Highway Official.

Now, regarding the election of members of the Board of Public Works:

Commissioner Crawford announced and asked that it be noted that he, as an employee of the Board of Public Works, would excuse himself from participating in these elections.

SEAT NO. 1 - Civil Districts 1, 2 and 3.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, placing the name of **WILLIAM DOWDY** in nomination. With no other nominations being offered, motion was made by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Robison, and unanimously carried by the Board that the nominations cease and that Mr. Dowdy be elected by acclamation. Thereupon, **WILLIAM DOWDY** was elected to serve a two year term with the Board of Public Works.

SEAT NO. 2 - Civil Districts 4, 5 and 6.

Motion was made by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, placing the name of **ROD PATTAT** in nomination. With no other nominations being offered, motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Harris, and unanimously carried by the Board that the nominations cease and that Mr. Pattat be elected by acclamation. Thereupon, **ROD PATTAT** was elected to the Board of Public Works to serve a two year term.

SEAT NO. 3 - Civil Districts 7, 8 and 9.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tomlin, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, placing the name of **JIM GOODMAN** in nomination. With no other nominations being offered, motion was made by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Brewer, and unanimously carried by the Board that the nominations cease and that Mr. Goodman be elected by acclamation. Thereupon, **JIM GOODMAN** was elected to the Board of Public Works to serve a two year term.

SEAT NO. 4 - Civil Districts 10, 11 and 12.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, placing the name of **RUSSELL WICKERS** in nomination. With no other nominations being offered, motion was made by Commissioner Tomlin, seconded by Commissioner Robison, and unanimously carried by the Board that the nominations cease and that Mr. Wickers be elected by acclamation. Thereupon, **RUSSELL WICKERS** was elected to the Board of Public Works to serve a two year term.

SEAT NO. 5 - Civil Districts 13, 14 and 15.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Morris, placing the name of **RAYMOND WALK** in nomination. With no other nominations being offered, motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Brewer, and unanimously carried by the Board that the nominations cease and that Mr. Walk be elected by acclamation. Thereupon, **RAYMOND WALK** was elected to the Board of Public Works to serve a two year term.

Annual Financial Reports of the Clerk & Master, County Clerk, Circuit Court, General Sessions and Trustee were filed.

The matter now before the Board was the matter concerning **WHEEL TAX** increase. Chairman Voss addressed the issue by presenting his recommendation on the reading of a referendum to be part of the November ballot. Much discussion followed.

Motion was then made by Commissioner Arnett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and so ordered, calling for a ten minute recess.

After such, motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, and so ordered to reconvene the meeting.

Discussion continued.

Motion was then made by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner German, to place the following question on the November election ballot: "Do you favor a \$25.00 Wheel Tax to be applied to the debt incurred due to the construction of new schools?"

Upon roll call, the following Commissioners voted **"YES"**: John W. Arnett, Charles D. Brewer, Sr., Odis Cox, Robert L. Crawford, Thomas H. Fowler, Willie L. German, Jr., Ronald R. Harris, William Hayslett, David Kelley, Alonzo Morman, Sr., David Morris, Hollis O. Robison, Rhea "Skip" Taylor, Gordon Tomlin and Allen Yancey, Jr.
(15)

Voting **"NO"**: Commissioners J. M. Sullivan, Jr. and Wayne Thomas. (2)

Passing on vote: Commissioner Myles Wilson.

Absent and not voting: Commissioner Claude D. Oglesby, Jr.

Said motion carried.

Chairman Voss advised that action taken by this Board at the June meeting regarding delinquent taxes of William Mabone does not stand since this body does not have the authority to address this matter.

Reports of Errors and Double Assessments and the report of Delinquent Real and Personal and Public Utilities Taxes were presented and filed.

Erwin Kee reviewed his report for the Board of Public Works.

Report was called for, but none presented for the Board of Education.

Reports from the Ambulance Service, Fayette County Commission on Aging, Development Office, General Sessions, Sheriff's Department, Juvenile Court, Emergency Management and Rabies Control were received and filed.

Reports from the Standing Committees of County Development Committee, Education Committee, Health and Welfare Committee, Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee, Personnel Committee and Budget Committee were called for, but none presented.

There were no other matters to be brought before the Board.

Commissioner Taylor did question the time of budget completion. He was advised by the Chairman that the budget should be completed as soon as the Board of Education was complete with their budget.

Commissioner Sullivan asked that the a representative of the Boll Weevil Eradication Program address this Board at its next regular meeting.

With no other matters to be brought before the Board, said meeting was adjourned.

JIM VOSS Chairman
 County Mayor

ATTEST :

Dell T. Graham, County Clerk