



SEVIER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Joint Meeting – Budget and Intergovernmental
Committees – February 2024
February 8, 2024 4:00 PM

Members

Mike Chambers (B)
Warren Hurst (B)
Kent Woods (B and I)
Fred Atchley (B)
Michael Maddron (I)
Chuck Godfrey (I)

Bryan Delius (B)
Ray Ogle (I)
Jack Parton (I)
Chad Ogle (I)

Director of Grants and Special Projects
Andrew Temple
Director of Public Affairs and
Communications Tyler Basler
Director Jason Strickland
Director Jimmy Bohanan
Director Dan King
Director Rick Valentine
Commissioner Mike Hillard
Commissioner Scott Catlett

Others

Mayor Larry Waters
Vice Mayor Bryan McCarter
Assistant County Mayor/Senior Director of
Finance & Administration Brooke Huffaker
Assistant County Mayor/Senior Director of
Community Planning and
Development/Government Services Matt
Rudder

- I. Call to Order – Budget Committee and Intergovernmental Committee
- II. Reports from Departments
 - A. Fleet Administration and Services
 - B. Solid Waste Services
- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
 - A. Solid Waste Updates and Action Items
 1. Centerview Convenience Center Site Bid Submittal
 2. Solid Waste Convenience Center Update
 3. Rolloff Truck Ordering Timeframe and Approval
 - B. Ambulance Ordering Timeframe and Approval
 - C. County Capital Projects Update
 - D. Lease Agreement – CNB and City of Sevierville
 - E. Gilreath Family Library – Kodak Branch GMP and Funding
- V. Other Business
- VI. Adjourn

Commissioner Atchley and Commissioner Woods called the joint meeting of the Budget and Intergovernmental Committees to order at 4:10 PM.



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Director Bohanan presented the report from Fleet Services. Fleet Services is in the process of updating tires on the firetrucks to be compliant with NFPA inspections.

Director King presented the report from Solid Waste Services.

Vice Mayor McCarter and Assistant County Mayor/Senior Director of Community Planning and Development/Government Services Rudder presented the bid for the Centerview Convenience Center. Three (3) companies picked up bid information, but only one (1) company submitted a bid. Charles Blalock & Sons, Inc. submitted a bid price of \$888,901.35 less \$230,000.00 for asphalt for a total price of \$658,901.35. Sevier County Highway Department can asphalt the project for less than \$230,000.00. Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC) recommended Charles Blalock & Sons be awarded the contract.

Vice Mayor McCarter and Assistant County Mayor Rudder gave update on current state and next steps at the Centerview, Allensville, and Pigeon Forge Convenience Center sites. Estimated opening time for all three (3) sites is mid-April. Mayor Waters and Assistant County Mayor Rudder gave an update on lease agreements. Three (3) sites are currently under lease. Two (2) of those have agreed to extend to a ten-year lease. The additional site has requested the County to start looking at a new site and has given the County about 2.5 years to do so.

Assistant County Mayor Rudder informed the Committee on the delayed status of rolloff trucks for the Solid Waste Department. The Budget Committee had entered into a Letter of Intent to purchase these trucks at the September committee meeting, but due to unforeseen delays, the trucks will not be available in near future. Director King found another company that can deliver the rolloff trucks for \$9,570 more than the initial motion in September 2023. Commissioner Delius made a motion to allow Solid Waste Department to spend the additional \$9,570 to purchase the rolloff trucks. Commissioner Parton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Valentine updated the Committee on the status of the purchase of three (3) ambulances that have been appropriated for this year, however the supplier said they will not be ready until the 3rd Quarter of 2024 and lead time for new ambulances is estimated to be 20 – 25 months. Director Valentine requested a Letter of Intent to purchase for next year's budget. Commissioner Maddron made a motion to approve and that the Letter of Intent be contingent on Sevier County Board of Commissioners appropriating the funds. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



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Vice Mayor McCarter updated the Committees on various County Capital Projects: Courts Building, Archives and Records, Animal Shelter, Veterans Affairs expansion, Kodak Library, Senior Center expansion, Public Safety Building, Health Department renovation, downtown parking, and Sheriff's Office expansion.

Mayor Waters, Vice Mayor McCarter, and Director Strickland updated the Committees on the Gilreath Family Kodak Library. The current total price is \$5,407,664. Library has donations of at least \$750,000 and is still raising funds. The Library construction project team has worked with Citadel Construction to lower the cost and the team is weighing multiple options while keeping the integrity of the project.

Vice Mayor McCarter presented an update on the downtown parking lease between Citizens National Bank (CNB) and the City of Sevierville. The term is for two (2) years and can be extended one (1) additional year if all parties agree. The amount is \$200,000/year to be split between Sevier County and the City of Sevierville. If the County and the City pave the lot, that amount will be reduced from the lease price. CNB retains twenty (20) spots. Commissioner Chambers and Commissioner R. Ogle made a motion to accept the lease. Commissioner Hurst and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Both motions passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hurst made a motion to adjourn the Budget Committee meeting and Commissioner R. Ogle made a motion to adjourn the Intergovernmental Committee meeting. Commissioner Chambers seconded Commissioner Hurst's motion and Commissioner Delius seconded Commissioner R. Ogle's motion. The joint meeting adjourned at 5:29 PM.