



**SEVIER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Emergency Services Committee**  
**June 2026: Special Called**  
**June 16, 2026 1:30 PM**

**Members**

Ray Ogle  
Dustin Weaver  
Jack Parton  
Bryan Delius  
Aaron Foster  
Mike Hillard  
Tommy Watts

**Others**

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  
Director of Grants and Special Projects  
Andrew Temple  
Director of Public Affairs and  
Communications Tyler Basler  
Sheriff Michael Hodges  
Fire Chief David Puckett  
Commissioner Mike Chambers  
Director/Commissioner Rick Valentine  
Jail Administrator Steve Layman  
Director Andrew Whaley  
Assistant Director Will Allen  
Director Joe Brown

- I. Call to Order
- II. Old Business
- III. New Business
  - A. Sevier County Fire/Rescue Next Steps
    1. Sevier County Fire/Rescue Next Steps
    2. Overall Summary
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjourn

Commissioner Delius called the meeting to order at 2:17 PM.

Chief Puckett and Commissioner Delius updated the Committee on the status of the Northview/Kodak Volunteer Fire Department (NVKVFD). Commissioner Hillard made a motion to approve the merger with NVKVFD, including all assets and for NVKVFD to pay any/all debts; to approve the hiring of 18 firefighters including 3 3-person crews at New Center and 3 3-person crews at NVKVFD and 3 Battalion Chiefs at NVKVFD which would amend the 2026-2027 proposed budget and send to Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Parton proseed to discuss with the County's lobbyist on solutions for emergency services private act tax and for the Lobbyist Committee to report back to the Emergency Services Committee by the August meeting.



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Vice Mayor McCarter updated the Committee on the discussion with Mr. Baisley. Mr. Baisley is still reviewing the Committee's requests and will be meeting with the Committee soon.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hillard. The meeting adjourned at 2:59 PM.