

May 22, 2023

David Abbott	P
Don Adkins, Jr.	P
Donald Blansett	P
Ruric Brandt	A
Logan Campbell	P
Jimmy Cantrell	P
Steve Franklin	P
Gene Hargis	P
Linda Mason	P
Chris Morrison	P
Jim Nunley	P
Dennis Rollins	A
Paul Schafer	P
Peggy Thompson	P

The Marion County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on May 22, 2023. Chairman David Abbott called the meeting to order. (Time: 02) Invocation was given by Commissioner Hargis. (Time 0:27) Pledge was led by Marion County Clerk, Joanie Spangler. (Time 1:39) Roll call was taken by Jaime Quick, Chief Deputy Clerk. (Time 2:04) Twelve commissioners were present. Absent this month Commissioner Brandt, Commissioner Rollins.

Time (0:02:39) A motion was made by Commissioner Schafer to approve the April 24, 2023, Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Cantrell. 12 voting aye.

1. Senator Todd Gardenhire-Proclamation recognizing Detective Matt Blansett (Time 0:2:39) Senator Todd Gardenhire presented Sheriff Bo Burnette and the family members of Matt Blansett with a proclamation plaque honoring the great importance of Detective Blansett's work, with the plaque to be hung in the Marion County Justice Center.
2. Cumberland at Sewanee Special Committee Veto- (Time 0:4:44) In the absence of Commissioner Brandt, Commissioner Schafer read a letter from Commissioner Brandt expressing feelings about the veto and the Special Committee (Attachments) Commissioner Schafer and Counselor Gouger discussed the legal issues surrounding the Special Committee and the Mayor's veto, with Counselor Gouger clarifying that Attorney General Opinions are opinions and not necessarily state law, and that in his position as county attorney he represents both the County Mayor and the County Commission as a whole. Commissioner

Blansett stated that this previous committee voted on was for a "Study" for all properties. Commissioner Schafer made a motion to override Mayor Jackson's veto. Motion denied from lack of second.

3. Appointment of District 2, Seat A, Commission vacancy - (Time 0:20:11)
Commissioner Hargis made a motion to leave this seat vacant until the spring election. Commissioner Campbell asked about the seat having to be filled within 120 days (about 4 months) Counselor Gouger stated that is correct and advised that the Commission could not leave it vacant until the next election.
Commissioner Hargis nominated Sherry Vanallman. Commissioner Campbell nominated Dale Winters. Commissioner Franklin made a motion to cease nominations, seconded by Commissioner Adkins. Roll Call vote taken to fill the vacancy. Voting for Sherry Vanallman- Chairman Abbott, Commissioner Adkins, Commissioner Blansett, Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Hargis, Commissioner Mason, Commissioner Morrison, Commissioner Schafer, and Commissioner Thompson. Voting for Dale Winters- Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Cantrell, and Commissioner Nunley. Absent- Commissioner Brandt, Commissioner Rollins. Sherry Vanallman appointed by 9/3 voting. Mayor David Jackson swore in Sherry Vanallman to fill this vacancy. Sherry Vanallman joined the Commission at this time on the bench.
4. Appointment of New Committee members- (Time 0:28:17) Commissioner Hargis made a motion that the newly appointed Sherry Vanallman also step into the committee seats that the previous Commissioner Blevins also held. Seconded by Commissioner Cantrell. 12 voting aye.
5. Approval- Purchase of LiveScan System for Marion County Sheriff's Department- (Time 0:28:52) Mayor Jackson stated there was a bid from IDEMIA. This was the only bid received. Commissioner Schafer made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Morrison. 13 voting aye
6. Abandon Mobile Home owned by Marion County located at 6510 Francis Springs Road, Jasper- (Time 0:29:36) Mayor Jackson stated there are a number of mobile homes located on this property, the condition of these homes is poor, and there are taxes that are owed on these mobile homes. Mayor Jackson made a recommendation to the Commission to abandon these mobile homes for the property owner to clean up the property these couple of mobile homes sit on. Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve Mayor Jackson's recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Franklin. 13 voting aye
7. Approve bid for Runway and Taxiway Replacement at Marion County Airport- (Time 0:30:22) Mayor Jackson explained that there were three bids received for the airport improvement project and these bids came in at a higher cost than expected. Mayor Jackson's recommendation was to approve the low bid, contingent upon the State funding the additional money. Mayor Jackson also made the recommendation to increase the County match from the previously approved \$250,000.00 to \$310,100.00. Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Campbell. 13 voting aye

8. Budget Amendments- Marion County Local Government- (Time 0:32:34) General Fund 101 decrease of \$68,904.86. Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Mason. 13 voting aye

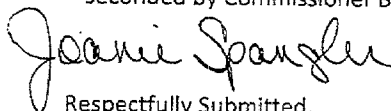
9. Budget Amendments- Marion County Highway Department- (Time 0:34:43) Marion County Road Commissioner Cory Pickett asked for a budget amendment to debit function #39500 \$78,647.00 to make corrections in wages. Commissioner Schafer made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Hargis. 13 voting aye. Mr. Pickett also updated the commission on the paving of Dawson Springs, Cox Rd, and Shelton Lane, which will be completed this fiscal year. Mr. Pickett also stated that the paving of Hancock Road would be on hold due to the airport construction. Commissioner Franklin asked about the state aid money. Mr. Pickett stated July 1 is when the Highway department will be getting \$3 million in state aid.

10. Mayor's Report- (Time 0:40:33) Mayor Jackson stated last month the County received 5 RFI's from the state. Mayor Jackson stated the county did return a packet on Project Vista and Project Peak. Mayor Jackson announced the closing of Marion County Newspaper. Mayor Jackson has reached out to other newspaper companies. There are some not interested from neighboring counties, but the Grundy County Herald possibly will be interested in starting a paper. Mayor Jackson stressed the importance of purchasing a copy of the newspaper, if we get another newspaper started in this county. Mayor Jackson stated it is a new state law for all legislative bodies at county and city levels to post agendas, meeting times, and agenda items to their website at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting time. Mayor Jackson stated on June 9, 2023, there would be a Delinquent Property Tax sale at 10am at the Lawson Building. Next County Commission meeting is June 26, 2023, 6pm at the Lawson Building.

11. Resolution- Adoption of 2018 Energy Conservation Code- (Time 0:45:36) (Attachment) Counselor Gouger explained the county is currently operating under the 2012 version and the state has advised Gage Yeargan the county needs updated to at least the 2018 version. Commissioner Campbell asked for an explanation of the difference in the current version and the version up for approval. Commissioner Franklin made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schafer. 13 voting aye

12. Jerry Don Case and Steve Lamb- Update on Radio System at 911- (Time 0:47:30) EMA Director Steve Lamb addressed a recent request of Commissioner Mason to appear and give an update on the information obtained for an updated emergency communications system. Mr. Lamb explained the high upfront cost and location for new towers and prices of radios. No action was taken.

13. Budget Amendments- Marion County Board of Education (Time 1:10:44)
{Attachments} Dr Griffith asked for approval of item #1 Fund 141 amendment #7 to accept an award of \$3,700,00 grant from the State for Innovative School Models. Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schafer. 13 voting aye. Dr. Griffith asked for approval of Item #2 Fund 142, Amendment #7 state of Tennessee adjust allocation to listed grants. Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Morrison. 13 voting aye Dr. Griffith presented item #3 Cash Flow Analysis for information only. Commissioner Franklin asked Dr. Griffith for his knowledge of elementary schools closing in Grundy County. Commissioner Schafer asked for an update on the Jasper Middle School project. Dr. Griffith foresees a projected opening of December 2024.
14. Approval of Notaries- (Time 1:14:50) Marion County Clerk Joanie Spangler read the following notaries for approval- Cynthia Rutledge, Jena Stephens, Jaime B. Quick. Commissioner Hargis made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Campbell. 13 voting aye
15. General Business- (Time 0:15:03) (Attachments) Commissioner Schafer asked for the MITAC memberships and applications to be attached to the minutes and made a recommendation to approve the current members, who are William J. Brannon, Frederick Jansohn, James L. Ziegler, Jr, and Colten L. Nugent. Commissioner Cantrell seconded. 13 voting aye Commissioner Adkins complimented the park manager and members of Marion County Park Board on a wonderful event this past weekend at the park. Commissioner Schafer commended Marion County Road Commissioner Cory Pickett on a successful auction. Commissioner Schafer also opened the floor for a couple of citizens to speak and ask questions on their opinion of the veto concerning the Cumberlandds at Sewanee.
16. Adjournment- (Time 1:19:47) Commissioner Hargis made motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Blansett. 13 voting aye



Respectfully Submitted,
David Abbott, Chairman
Joanie Spangler, County Clerk