



Bradley County Commission
Thomas Crye, Chairperson
WORK SESSION MINUTES
November 13, 2023, at noon
Bradley County Courthouse

Members present: Louie Alford, Milan Blake, Denny Collins, Chairperson Thomas Crye, Scott Gilbert, Bobby Goins, Mike Hughes, Tommy Ledford, Tim Mason, Josh Rogers, Howard Thompson, Vice Chairperson Bill Winters, and non-voting ex officio member D. Gary Davis

Members absent: Daniel Beaty, Cindy Slater

Chairperson Thomas Crye called the meeting to order. Following the Invocation prayed by Clingan Ridge Baptist Pastor Collin Cooke, Commissioner Mike Hughes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT FROM COUNTY MAYOR

County Mayor D. Gary Davis presented to the Commission a resolution authorizing the Bradley County Mayor to enter into an extension of the monitoring services agreement with Envirosuite for an additional one (1) year term through December 14, 2024, to continue to provide run-off odor monitoring at the Bradley County Landfill for an annual base compensation amount of seventy thousand twenty dollars (\$70,020.00). Commissioner Hughes placed the resolution on the November 20, 2023, voting session agenda. Adam Lewis, Assistant to the Bradley County Mayor, confirmed a new condensed weekly report is expected from Envirosuite next week which will indicate levels above acceptable limits during a seven (7) day period. Mayor Davis noted the report will be sent to the Commission Office upon receipt.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND/OR DISTRICTS

7th District

Commissioner Josh Rogers extended well wishes to the Bradley Central High School and Walker Valley High School football teams in the next round of the playoffs.

Commissioner Rogers congratulated Ensley Collins, son of County Commissioner Denny Collins, on accepting a scholarship to play tennis for Anderson University.

Vice Chairman Bill Winters confirmed his support of Israel, America's chief democratic ally.

6th District

Commissioner Tommy Ledford reported the Ladd Springs Road paving project has been completed.

Commissioner Ledford updated the Commission that the homeless female discussed by 6th District resident Mary Wooten recently secured employment with Life Care.

Commissioner Tim Mason reported the Road Committee met last week and voted a couple of recommendations. Commissioner Mason placed on the November 20, 2023, voting session agenda a motion to accept the Road Committee recommendation to extend Wayfarer Drive at the request of the Road Superintendent.

Commissioner Mason placed on the November 20, 2023, voting session agenda a motion to accept the Road Committee recommendation to allow Brad Drive property owners sixty (60) days to agree to a solution regarding the location of Brad Drive or Superintendent Collins will move forward in the best interest of the County.

5th District

Commissioner Bobby Goins had no report.

4th District

Commissioners Scott Gilbert and Howard Thompson had no report.

3rd District

Commissioner Denny Collins thanked Commissioner Rogers for his comments.

Commissioner Milan Blake had no report.

2nd District

Commissioner Louie Alford had no report.

1st District

Commissioner Hughes placed on the November 20, 2023, voting session agenda a resolution to rezone from Forestry/Agricultural/Residential District (FAR) to General Commercial District (C-2) property located at 5920 Waterlevel Highway and identified by tax map 068 parcel 00600. Hughes noted the request for rezoning passed Planning Commission unanimously.

Commissioner Hughes placed on the November 20, 2023, voting session agenda a resolution to rezone from Forestry/Agricultural/Residential District (FAR) to General Industrial District (I-1) property located at 182 Wilkinson Road NE and identified by tax map 043 parcel 02100. Commissioner Hughes noted the Planning Commission voted to recommend denying the rezoning request. Property owner Rex Calfee explained his family has owned the property since 1980 and has watched industry, churches, trailer park, subdivisions, and an airport develop around it. Calfee questioned the Planning Commission decision to deny General Industrial zoning for his property when said zoning has been

approved for many parcels in the area. Calfee asked the Commission to consider approving the rezoning request. During the public hearing, Daniel Marlow reminded he previously opposed a rezoning request and was told the owner may use their property as they will.

AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Hughes placed on the November 20, 2023, a resolution authorizing Bradley County Mayor to enter into an annexation interlocal agreement between the City of Cleveland and Bradley County regarding the non-contiguous annexation of the property currently owned by Larry and Nancy Eskew, map 026 parcel 029.01. During the public hearing, owner Larry Eskew requested the Commission consider supporting the interlocal agreement for the ten (10) acres to allow future commercial use.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Daniel Marlow invited Commissioners to attend Foundation House Christmas Tree Auction on November 16, 2023, at 6:00p.m. at the Old Woolen Mill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Next meeting – November 20, at noon, Courthouse
- *Bradley County Board of Education, November 14, at 5:30p.m., Central office
- *Planning Commission, November 16, at noon, Courthouse
- *Trousdale Art Show, November 16, at 6:00p.m., Trousdale School
- *Bradley County Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Awards Banquet, November 16, at 6:30p.m., Tri-State Exhibition Center
- *Christmas on the Square, November 17, 5:00p.m.-8:00p.m., Downtown
- *Downtown Holiday Shopping Preview, November 18, 11:00a.m.-3:00p.m., Downtown

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.