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**Minutes- January 19, 2021 Meeting of the Macon County Legislative Body.**

The Macon County Board of Commissioners met, pursuant to notice at the Macon County Courthouse in Lafayette, Tennessee on January 19, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor/Chairman Steve Jones with Sheriff Mark Gammons opening the meeting. Commissioner Jeff Hughes gave the invocation and Commissioner Michael Slayton led the pledge to the flag. County Clerk Connie B. Blackwell called the roll with 16 members present and by phone. Four members were absent. Also made a part of the minutes is the Roll Call voting, Resolutions and Proclamations.

Motion #1 by Witte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Slayton to move we go out of session for Public Hearings for Kemp Property Rezoning and Harper Property Rezoning.  
Motion Carried

There were residents present that spoke against the rezoning and each had 3 minutes to state their opinions on the reasons they were against the rezoning. The residents who commented on the Kemp Property had the same feelings about the Harper Property. The Harper and Kemp Property owners were present also and spoke on what their plans were for the property.

Motion #2 by Hughes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Witte move to go back into session from having two Public Hearings.  
Motion Carried

Motion #3 by Witte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to go into election of Notaries Public.  
Motion Carried

McKenzie Jones	Nominated by	Hesson
Alecia M. Kempf	“	Hughes
Loretta McGuffey	“	King
Sherrill Roddy	“	Bartley
Tabitha Kay LaMantia	“	Petty

Motion #4 by Hughes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Slayton move nominations cease and we elect those nominated by acclamation.  
Motion Carried

Motion #5 by Witte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jenkins to accept minutes as presented from the 12/21/20 Legislative Body meeting, 12/15/20 JECDB meeting and 12/7/20 Building & Facilities meeting and 1/4/21 Committee of the Whole Meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #6 by Hughes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jenkins to accept Budget Amendments #1 through 5 (#1 Probation, #2 Mayor's Office, #3 Courthouse, #4 EMS, #5 Sheriff's Department).  
Motion Carried on Roll Call

Motion #7 by King, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petty to approve #1-21/21 2021 CDBG Resolution.  
Motion Carried

During the Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting. the Mayor told the Commissioners there would be a \$2,000,000 grant coming to the County that will be flow through money going to Babynov for incentives they received through the State of TN. Mayor Jones said after talking with our CTAS Representative and State auditors, these funds should be going through the City of Lafayette Industrial Development Board and not the County because county governments are not allowed to give funds to private companies. Mayor Joes said no action would be necessary from the County.

Motion # 8 by Petty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilmore to approve Resolution 1-22/21 Kemp Property Rezoning Resolution to change property from Agriculture to Residential.  
Motion Failed on Roll Call (Vote was 10 no/ 6 yes)

Motion #9 by Wilmore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petty to approve Resolution 1-23/21 Harper Property Rezoning Resolution to change property from Agriculture to Residential.  
Motion Failed on Roll Call (Vote was 10 no/ 6 yes)

School Director informed the County Commission of a special called board meeting on Thursday January 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm. They were all welcome to attend.

Motion #10 by Slayton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petty to allow the Mayor to bring back at a later time Babynov incentives and defer to the February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting for discussion.  
No action taken.  
Motion Carried

Motion #11 by King, 2<sup>nd</sup> by L. West to bring back recommendations for a General Contractor for the Justice Center addition to February 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting for further discussion. No action taken.  
Motion Carried

Motion #12 by L. West, 2<sup>nd</sup> Petty to accept the Building Codes/Impact Fee Report.  
Motion Carried

Motion #13 by Petty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Witte to accept the Animal Control Report.  
Motion Carried

During the Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting, Commissioner Michael Slayton stated he would like to look into the Dog Pound fees and donations and make sure the County is not losing money. During tonight's meeting, Mayor Jones told the Commissioners that he had reviewed the collections for this fiscal year and donations of \$8,129.18 had been paid on veterinarian bills and other donations and pound fees have gone to paying for dog food and cleaning supplies. The County has spent \$1,736.60 on veterinarian bills.

During the Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting, Commissioner Barry King stated he was asked by a citizen if Macon County had a noise ordinance. Commissioner Kyle Petty stated there is not a State law on noise ordinances so there is not a way for the County to enforce it. Mayor Jones stated that he would speak to County Attorney Guy Holliman about the issue. During tonight's meeting, County Attorney Guy Holliman told the Commissioners that the state did not have a specific law regulating noise so the Commission did not have the authority to pass any regulations against noise.

Motion #14 by Hughes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by King to ask the County Attorney to research how to implement a driveway fee and defer to the February 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting. Attorney Holliman will bring back a resolution concerning the matter at the February meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #15 by Witte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilmore to adjourn.  
Motion Carried