

KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Knox County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Friday, August 29, 2008 immediately following the swearing in ceremony, in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, Main Avenue. Those members present were Commissioners McKenzie, Strickland, Mark Harmon, Broyles, Norman, Ivan Harmon, Saunders, Shouse, Hammond, Leuthold, Briggs, Anders, Lambert, Smith, Moore, Wright, Brown and Pinkston. Commissioner Phil Ballard was elected Knox County Property Assessor, and was sworn in earlier in the day. Also present were Mr. John Owings, Former Knox County Law Director,

Mr. Foster D. Arnett, Jr., Knox County Clerk, presided.

The following proceedings were had and entered of record to-wit:

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**IN RE: ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Foster D. Arnett, Jr., Knox County Clerk called the roll.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF RE-ORGANIZATION FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION:**

Consideration of re-organization for Chairman of the Knox County Commission was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner McKenzie nominated Commissioner Thomas Strickland. Commissioner Strickland passed, Commissioner Mark Harmon passed, Commissioner Broyles passed, Commissioner Norman nominated Commissioner Richard Briggs, Commissioner Ivan Harmon passed, Commissioner Saunders passed, Commissioner Shouse passed, Commissioner Hammond passed, Commissioner Leuthold passed, Commissioner Briggs nominated Commissioner Craig Leuthold, Commissioner Anders passed, Commissioner Lambert passed, Commissioner Smith passed, Commissioner Moore passed, Commissioner Wright passed, Commissioner Brown passed, Commissioner Pinkston passed.

Commissioner Moore moved that the nominations cease.

Commissioner Shouse seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners McKenzie, Strickland, Mark Harmon, Broyles, Norman, Ivan Harmon, Saunders, Shouse, Hammond, Leuthold, Briggs, Anders, Lambert, Smith, Moore, Wright, Brown and Pinkston. The motion carried 18-0-0-0.

The three nominations on the floor for Chairman of Knox County Commission were Commissioner Thomas Strickland, Commissioner

Craig Leuthold and Commissioner Richard Briggs.

Upon roll call vote for Chairman of Knox County Commission, Commissioners McKenzie, Strickland, Mark Harmon, Broyles, Ivan Harmon, Saunders, Shouse, Hammond, Lambert, Moore, Wright, Leuthold and Pinkston voted for Commissioner Thomas Strickland.

Commissioners Craig Leuthold, Richard Briggs, Anders, Smith and Brown voted for Commissioner Craig Leuthold.

Commissioner Thomas Strickland received 13 votes.

Commissioner Craig Leuthold received 5 votes.

Commissioner Richard Briggs received 0 votes.

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Commissioner Thomas Strickland was nominated Chairman, of the Knox County Commission.

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**IN RE:** At this time, Mr. Foster Arnett, Jr., stepped down from the Chair and Commissioner Thomas Strickland, Chairman, presided.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF RE-ORGANIZATION FOR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION:**

Consideration of re-organization for Vice Chairman of the Knox County Commission was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner McKenzie nominated Commissioner Mark Harmon, Commissioner Strickland passed, Commissioner Mark Harmon passed, Commissioner Broyles passed, Commissioner Norman nominated Commissioner Mike Hammond, Commissioner Ivan Harmon passed, Commissioner Saunders passed, Commissioner Shouse passed, Commissioner Hammond passed, Commissioner Craig Leuthold passed, Commissioner Briggs passed, Commissioner Anders passed, Commissioner Lambert nominated Commissioner Ed Shouse, Commissioner Smith passed, Commissioner Moore nominated Commissioner Craig Leuthold, Commissioner Wright passed, Commissioner Brown passed and Commissioner Pinkston passed.

Commissioner Smith moved that the nominations cease.

Commissioner Moore seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners McKenzie, Strickland, Mark Harmon, Broyles, Norman, Ivan Harmon, Saunders, Shouse, Hammond, Leuthold, Briggs, Anders, Lambert, Smith, Moore, Wright, Brown and Pinkston. The motion carried 18-0-0-0.

The four nominations on the floor for Vice-Chairman of Knox County Commission were Commissioner Mark Harmon, Commissioner Mike Hammond, Commissioner Ed Shouse and Commissioner Craig Leuthold.

Upon roll call vote for Vice Chairman of Knox County Commission, Commissioner Amy Broyles voted for Commissioner Mark Harmon.

Commissioner Mark Harmon, Saunders and Wright voted for Commissioner Mike Hammond.

Commissioners McKenzie, Strickland, Norman, Ivan Harmon, Shouse, Hammond, Leuthold, Briggs, Anders, Lambert, Smith, Moore, Brown and Pinkston voted for Commissioner Craig Leuthold.

Commissioner Mark Harmon received 1 vote.

Commissioner Mike Hammond received 3 votes.

Commissioner Ed Shouse received 0 vote.

Commissioner Craig Leuthold received 14 votes.

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Commissioner Craig Leuthold was nominated Vice Chairman of the Knox County Commission.

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Commissioner Strickland appointed Commissioners McKenzie, Lambert, Moore, Saunders and Wright to the Committee on Committees.

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A brief recess was taken.

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Upon reconvention of the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Moore announced that the Committee on Committees recommended the following Commissioners on the following Committees:

Intergovernmental Committee: Commissioners McKenzie, Broyles, Norman, Saunders, Leuthold, Lambert, Moore and Brown.

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Finance Committee: Commissioners Strickland, Mark Harmon, Ivan Harmon, Shouse, Hammond, Briggs, Anders, Smith, Wright and Pinkston.

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Cable TV Committee: Commissioners Hammond, Mark Harmon, McKenzie, Ivan Harmon, Shouse, Anders, Smith, Wright and Pinkston.

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Rules Committee: Commissioners McKenzie, Broyles, Ivan Harmon, Anders and Smith.

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Procurement Committee: Commissioners Leuthold, Hammond, Lambert, Wright and Saunders.

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Insolvency Committee: Commissioners Wright, Smith, Mark Harmon and Pinkston.

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Board of Zoning and Appeals Committee: Commissioners Diane Jordan and William Daniels, Commissioners Mark Harmon, Ivan Harmon, Hammond, Lambert, Moore, Wright and Pinkston.

Commissioner Leuthold moved to approve the recommendation from the Committee on Committees for appointments of Commissioners to the above Committees. Commissioner Lambert seconded the motion and upon roll call vote McKenzie, Strickland, Mark Harmon, Broyles, Norman, Ivan Harmon, Saunders, Shouse, Hammond, Leuthold, Briggs, Anders, Lambert, Smith, Moore, Wright, Brown and Pinkston. The motion carried 18-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: SPREAD OF RECORD OFFICIALS' BOND, ACCORDING TO LAW:**

Spread of record Officials' bond, according to law was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the spread of record Officials' bond, according to law. Commissioner Leuthold seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners McKenzie, Strickland, Mark Harmon, Broyles, Norman, Ivan Harmon, Saunders, Shouse, Hammond, Leuthold, Briggs, Anders, Lambert, Smith, Moore, Wright, Brown and Pinkston. The motion carried 18-0-0-0. (Copies of each officials bond to be inserted in the final minutes)

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR REPLACEMENT OF GENERAL SESSIONS COURT JUDGE BOB MCGEE:**

Consideration of the appointment process for replacement of General Sessions Court Judge Bob McGee was before the Board of Commissioners.

Without objection, Commissioner Strickland stated all candidates must have their resumes or application in by September 12, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, September 18, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building the Board of Commissioners will have hearings, questions and answers from the public and Judges on the General

Sessions Court Judge. The Commission will vote on the appointment of General Sessions Court Judge on September 22, 2008.

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**IN RE:** At this time, each Committee elected its Chairman and Vice-Chairman and reported as follows:

A brief recess was taken.

Finance Committee: Commissioner Pinkston, Chairman, Commissioner Hammond – Vice-Chairman and Commissioner Shouse, Secretary.

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Intergovernmental Committee: Commissioner Moore, Chairman, Commissioner Norman, Vice Chairman and Commissioner McKenzie, Secretary.

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**IN RE:** **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Strickland declared the meeting adjourned.

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THOMAS STRICKLAND, CHAIRMAN