

GILES COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY
February 21, 2025

BE IT REMEMBERED AT THE Regular Session of the Giles County Legislative Body, begun and held on the 21st day of February, 2025, at the Giles County Courthouse in Pulaski, Tennessee, present and presiding the Honorable Graham Stowe, County Executive, and the following Board of Commissioners, to-wit:

1. Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard
2. Terry Jones, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn
3. Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner
4. Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage
5. Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky
6. Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton
7. Judy Pruett, Carman Brown

Graham Stowe, Chairman, Carol H. Wade, County Clerk, Joe Purvis, Giles County Sheriff, Michael Woodard, Giles County Chief Deputy and Chris Williams, County Attorney, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Fourth District County Commissioner Roger Reedy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Fourth District County Commissioner Roger Reedy.

AGENDA CONCURRENCE

County Executive Graham Stowe asked if there were any corrections or additions to the agenda for said meeting. Having none, he thereupon, declared said agenda confirmed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES January 21, 2025, Regular Session

Upon motion of Roger Reedy and seconded by Matthew Hopkins, it was ordered by the Court that said minutes of the January 21, 2025, Regular Session of the Giles County Legislative Body be accepted and approved as filed, which said motion was put to the voice vote of the Court and carried. All present voted Aye.

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said minutes approved as filed.

ADDRESS COMMISSION

EDC Director Philip Reese
February 2025 Director Report Information

Unemployment Rates

	December 2024	November 2024	(Rev) Rates
Giles County	3.6	3.7	
Lincoln	3.5	3.5	
Lawrence	3.9	3.8	
Marshall	3.6	3.6	
Maury	3.1	3.1	
State	3.6	3.5	
US	4.1	4.2	

Project Updates:

Project Greenhouse – The company is a lettuce grower, packer. The packing/manufacturing portion is what TNECD is incentivize. They require 80-100 acres. 147 jobs. Will require 20MW by 2029. – Did Not Submit

Project NewCo – is a manufacturer specializing in custom aluminum extrusion with industrial, commercial, housing, transportation and agricultural applications. Require an existing building 53,000+ sf. – Did Not Submit

Project Mega – they produce copper rods and wire drawing units for the automotive, defense and medical device industries. They are looking for existing buildings only. 135 employees and \$30M capital investment. – Did Not Submit

Project Mineral – manufacturing process in the refinement of raw materials. 20 jobs, \$5M capital investment. Existing Building only. – Did Not Submit

Site Development Grant Update – Grading plan has been approved by the state. Request for bids will be advertised in the paper on 2/19 with bid opening on 3/14 at City Hall

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at said meeting of the Giles County Legislative Body.

ELECTIONS

NOTARIES PUBLIC AT LARGE

Upon motion of Tracy Wilburn and seconded by Matthew Hopkins, it was ordered by the Court that the following names and persons be elected to serve as Notaries Public at Large for Giles County, Tennessee: (New) Tiffany Bailey, Karen Davis, Kelsey Haddock, Joe F. Parker, Chloe K. Pope; (Re-elections): Nelson Wayne Anderson, Tracy W. Armstrong, Jessica D. Chapman, Robert W. Curtis, III, Robert D. Dunnavant, Jr., Lesa M. Edde, Bonnie Gray, Donna Griggs, Nancy Grimes, Erin Harmon, Terry Harrison, Rogers N. Hays, Michele Herd, Leanne M. Jones, Rhonda Journey, Renee T. Malone, Edith McMasters, Marilyn Ricciardi, Judy S. Riggan, Kimberly K. Taylor, Linda Gail Wolaver; which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones*, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruett, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said Notaries Public at Large for Giles County, Tennessee elected.

- Electronic voting devices for Joyce Woodard and Terry Jones did not record their votes correctly for this vote, so they advised County Clerk Carol Wade of their vote and she input that information into the device.

E911 BOARD

Sergeant Ruby Jewell

Term expires November 2028

Upon motion of Brad Butler and seconded by Evan Baddour, it was ordered by the Court that the appointment of Sergeant Ruby Jewell to serve on the E911 Board for a term expiring November 2028, be approved, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones*, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruet, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and Sergeant Ruby Jewell appointed to serve on the E911 Board until November 2028.

- Electronic voting devices for Joyce Woodard and Terry Jones did not record their votes correctly for this vote, so they advised County Clerk Carol Wade of their vote and she input that information into the device.

REPORTS

- 1. Giles County Finance Director (December, 2024) which includes: Giles County General Fund, Drug, American Rescue Plan, Probation Fund, Highway, School, Federal, Food Service, Debt Service, Capital Projects, Highway Capital Projects, Education Capital Projects, Education Capital #2, And Other Capital Projects**

Upon motion of Caleb Savage and seconded by James Lathrop, it was ordered by the Court that said reports be combined and approved as one, which said motion was put to the voice vote of the Court and carried. Upon motion of David Wamble and seconded by Judy Pruet, it was ordered by the Court that said report be approved as combined, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones*, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruet, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said report approved as filed.

- Electronic voting devices for Joyce Woodard and Terry Jones did not record their votes correctly for this vote, so they advised County Clerk Carol Wade of their vote and she input that information into the device.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AND GRANTS

- 1. Governmental Grant Contract: 02/01/2025 – 01/31/2028 Giles County Recycling Equipment Grant**
- 2. Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) Court Security Grant Program**

Upon motion of Caleb Savage and seconded by Brad Butler, it was ordered by the Court that said contract and grant be combined and considered as one, which said motion was put to the voice vote of the Court and carried. Upon motion of Evan Baddour and seconded by Judy Pruett it was ordered by the Court that said contract and grant be approved as combined, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones*, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruett, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said contract and grant approved.

- Electronic voting devices for Joyce Woodard and Terry Jones did not record their votes correctly for this vote, so they advised County Clerk Carol Wade of their vote and she input that information into the device.

AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 2025-6

Authorizing the amendment of the 2024-2025 Budget, County General Fund 101

Upon motion of Matt Rubelsky and seconded by Matthew Hopkins, it was ordered by the Court that said amendment resolution be approved, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones*, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruett, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said amendment resolution approved.

- Electronic voting devices for Joyce Woodard and Terry Jones did not record their votes correctly for this vote, so they advised County Clerk Carol Wade of their vote and she input that information into the device.

AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 2025-7**Authorizing the amendment of the 2024-2025
Budget, Highway Fund 131**

Upon motion of Tim Risner and seconded by Roger Reedy, it was ordered by the Court that said amendment resolution be approved, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones*, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruet, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said amendment resolution approved.

- Electronic voting devices for Joyce Woodard and Terry Jones did not record their votes correctly for this vote, so they advised County Clerk Carol Wade of their vote and she input that information into the device.

RESOLUTION 2025-8**Approving the Guidelines for employing Delinquent Tax
Attorney Trustee by Giles County, Tennessee**

Upon motion of Matthew Hopkins and seconded by David Wamble, it was ordered by the Court that said resolution be approved, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruet, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said resolution approved. It was noted that Robert C. Henry had been appointed as the Delinquent Tax Attorney Trustee on the recommendation of Giles County Trustee Tony Risner. Said Contract was made a part of the minutes.

- Electronic voting device for Joyce Woodard did not record her vote correctly for this vote, so she advised County Clerk Carol Wade of her vote and she input that information into the device.

RESOLUTION 2025-9**To implement Animal Shelter Adoption Fees**

Upon motion of James Lathrop and seconded by Annelle Guthrie, it was ordered by the Court that said resolution be approved, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard*, Terry Jones, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruet, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said resolution approved.

- Electronic voting device for Joyce Woodard did not record her vote correctly for this vote at said meeting, so she advised County Clerk Carol Wade of her vote and she input that information into the device.

RESOLUTION 2025-10**Placing a speed limit of 35 M.P.H on Earl Townsend Road****RESOLUTION 2025-11****Placing a speed limit of 35 M.P.H. on Alsup Road**

Upon motion of Caleb Savage and seconded by Tim Risner, it was ordered by the Court that Resolutions 2025-10 and 2025-11 be combined and considered together, which said motion was put to the voice vote of the Court and carried.

The County Executive, thereupon, declared resolutions combined and to be considered as one.

Upon motion of Tim Risner and seconded by Matthew Hopkins, it was ordered by the Court that said Resolutions 2025-10 and 2025-11 be approved as combined, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard, Terry Jones, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruet, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said resolutions approved as combined.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business to be considered at said meeting of the Giles County Legislative Body.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2025-12 In support of Revenue Sharing Proposal in State Legislature

Upon motion of Evan Baddour and seconded by Judy Pruett, it was ordered by the Court that said Resolution be approved, which said motion was put to the roll call vote of the Court, the detailed results were as follows, to-wit:

Aye: Erin Curry, James Lathrop, Joyce Woodard, Terry Jones, David Wamble, Tracy Wilburn, Annelle Guthrie, Tim Risner, Matthew Hopkins, Roger Reedy, Caleb Savage, Brad Butler, Gayle Jones, Matt Rubelsky, Evan Baddour, Rose Brown, Joseph Sutton, Judy Pruett, Carman Brown

No: None

Absent: David Adams, Shelly Goolsby

The County Executive, thereupon, declared motion carried and said resolution approved.

Announcements

County Executive Graham Stowe stated that there would be several committee meetings scheduled for the next week.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business on the agenda, it was ordered by the Court that the February 21, 2025, meeting of the Giles County Legislative Body be adjourned at 9:32 AM.

