

AUGUST 18, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Hickman County Legislative Body met in regular called session, this 18th day of August, 2003, at the Justice Center in Centerville, Tennessee. Steve Gregory, County Executive and Chairman, and Randel Totty, County Clerk, presided. The following County Commissioners were present: Nathaniel Bates, Ronny George, James Hassell, Shirley Mayberry, Wayne Richey, Mark McFarlin, Lynette Harris, Brad Leeper, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, Gerald Rochelle, Ronnie Holt, Charles Booker, Frankye Ward, Steve Hethcote, Jodi Bates, Jim Rice, Mickey Bunn, Charley List, and Robert Capps. Willie Powers was absent. (20 Present; 1 Absent).

AGENDA

Motion was made by Mark McFarlin and second by Charley List to approve the following agenda. Motion passed by voice vote.

HICKMAN COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

AUGUST 18, 2003 - 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- A) Call to Order by Chairman
- B) Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
- C) Roll Call by County Clerk
- D) Approval of Agenda
- E) Adoption of Minutes from the June 21 and July 31, 2003, Meetings
- F) Elections/Appointments:
 - 1) Notaries
 - 2) Other Elections and/or Appointments (if any)
- H) Committee/Board Reports:
 - 1) Vision 21 Board
 - 2) Chamber of Commerce
 - 3) Finance Committee
 - 4) Solid Waste Committee
 - 5) County Buildings/ADA Committee
 - 6) High School Building Committee
 - 7) Beer Board
 - 8) Adequate Facilities Tax Sub-Committee
 - 9) EMS Committee
 - 10) Hospital Foundation
 - 11) Sheriff & Jail Committee
 - 12) Budget Committee
 - 13) Salary & Benefits Committee
 - 14) Safety Committee
 - 15) Other Committee/Board Reports (if any)
- I) Old Business:
 - 1) Resolution No. 03-34 - Fixing the Tax Levy for FY2004
 - 2) Other Old Business (if any)
- J) New Business:
 - 1) Resolution No. 03-37 - Regarding the Hickman County EMA
 - 2) Resolution No. 03-38 - Authorizing a TDOT Grant
 - 3) Resolution No. 03-39 - Regarding a Traffic Study in Centerville
 - 4) Resolution No. 03-40 - Regarding a Tribute to Edward Dotson
 - 5) Other New Business (if any)
- K) Announcements (if any)
- L) Adjournment

MINUTES

Motion was made by Steve Hethcote and second by Mickey Bunn to approve the minutes from the July 21st and July 31st, 2003 meetings. Motion passed by voice vote.

NOTARY PUBLIC AT LARGE

Motion was made by Jodi Bates and second by Mickey Bunn to approve the following applicants for Notary Public At Large for the State of Tennessee: Kaye Maddox, Sharlee A. Martin, Shana Rainey, Suzanne B. Rawls, and Jenny T. Teet. Motion passed by voice vote.

NOTARY BONDS

Motion was made by Charley List and second by Susan Sullivan to approve the following applicants for a \$10,000.00 Notary Public At Large Bond: Annette Elliott and Evonne Lackey. Motion passed by voice vote.

FINANCE DIRECTOR BOND

Motion was made by Charley List and second by Shirley Mayberry to approve the Surety Bond for Betty Holland, Hickman County Finance Director. Motion passed by voice vote.

FINANCE REPORT

Motion was made by Ricky Tidwell and second by Mark McFarlin to approve the Finance Report for July, 2003. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. Motion passed.

SOLID WASTE - RECYCLING BINS

Motion was made by Wayne Richey and second by Charley List to allow the Solid Waste Department to purchase the following:

- Compacting machine at \$10,873.00
- Trash reception bin at \$ 4,495.00
- Concrete pad at \$ 3,360.00

Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

Motion was made by Wayne Richey and second by Jodi Bates to allow the Solid Waste Department to re-bid for four recycling bins; provided the bids are under \$4,900.00 each. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

Motion was made by Wayne Richey and second by Jodi Bates to allow the Solid Waste Department to purchase two software packages; provided the bids are under \$4,164.00 for one and \$3,189.00 for the other.

Upon roll call vote, 13 commissioners voted "Yes." Ronny George, Shirley Mayberry, Mark McFarlin, Brad Leeper, Susan Sullivan, Frankye Ward, and Mickey Bunn voted "No." Willie Powers was absent. (13 Yes; 7 No; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

**FIXING TAX LEVY
(COMBINED PROPERTY TAX RATE)
FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 BUDGET
RESOLUTION 03-34**

HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

RESOLUTION NO. 03-34

**FIXING THE TAX LEVY IN HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2003**

SECTION 1: BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hickman County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 18th day of August, 2003, that the combined property tax rate for Hickman County, Tennessee, for the fiscal year beginning of July 1, 2003, shall be \$ 2.74 on each \$100.00 of taxable property, which is to provide revenue for each of the following funds and otherwise conforms to the following levies:

General	\$ 1.07
Highway/Public Works	\$.06
General Purpose School	\$ 1.22
General Debt Service	\$.39
Total	\$ 2.74

ORIGINAL

**FIXING TAX LEVY
(COMBINED PROPERTY TAX RATE)
FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 BUDGET
RESOLUTION 03-34**

Motion was made by Charley List and second by Mark McFarlin to take from table Resolution 03-34. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

Motion was made by Jim Rice and second by Ronny George to amend, to vote separately on the four appropriations: General, Highway/Public Works, School, Debt Service. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

Highway/Public Works

Motion was made by Ricky Tidwell and second by Ronny George to increase the Highway/Public Works Fund to \$.08 (eight cents). Upon roll call vote, Ronny George, Shirley Mayberry, Brad Leeper, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, Frankye Ward, Jim Rice, and Mickey Bunn voted "Yes." Nathaniel Bates, James Hassell, Wayne Richey, Mark McFarlin, Lynette Harris, Gerald Rochelle, Ronnie Holt, Charles Booker, Steve Hethcote, Jodi Bates, Charley List, and Robert Capps voted "No." (8 Yes; 12 No; 1 Absent). Motion failed.

Motion was made by Mark McFarlin and second by Wayne Richey to leave the Highway/Public Works Fund at \$.06 (six cents). Upon roll call vote, 15 commissioners voted "Yes." Ronny George, Brad Leeper, Ricky Tidwell, Charles Booker, and Frankye Ward voted "No." (15 Yes; 5 No; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

General

Motion was made by Ricky Tidwell and second by Susan Sullivan to increase the General Fund to \$1.09. Upon roll call vote, Ronny George, Shirley Mayberry, Mark McFarlin, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, Frankye Ward, Jim Rice, and Mickey Bunn voted "Yes." Nathaniel Bates, James Hassell, Wayne Richey, Lynette Harris, Brad Leeper, Gerald Rochelle, Ronnie Holt, Charles Booker, Steve Hethcote, Jodi Bates, Charley List, and Robert Capps voted "No." (8 Yes; 12 No; 1 Absent). Motion failed.

Motion was made by Mark McFarlin and second by Shirley Mayberry to leave the General Fund at \$1.07. Upon roll call vote, Shirley Mayberry, Mark McFarlin, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, Frankye Ward, Jim Rice, and Mickey Bunn voted "Yes." The remaining commissioners voted "No." (7 Yes; 13 No; 1 Absent). Motion failed.

Motion was made by Wayne Richey and second by Jodi Bates to decrease the General Fund to \$.97 (ninety-seven cents). Upon roll call vote, 13 commissioners voted "Yes." Ronny George, Shirley Mayberry, Mark McFarlin, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, Frankye Ward, and Mickey Bunn voted "No." (13 Yes; 7 No; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

General Debt Service

Motion was made by Ricky Tidwell and second by Ronny George to increase the General Debt Service Fund to \$.40 (forty cents). Upon roll call vote, Ronny George, Shirley Mayberry, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, Frankye Ward, Jim Rice, and Mickey Bunn voted "Yes." The remaining commissioners voted "No." (7 Yes; 13 No; 1 Absent). Motion failed.

Motion was made by Nathaniel Bates and second by Steve Hethcote to leave the General Debt Service Fund at \$.39 (thirty-nine cents). Upon roll call vote, 18 commissioners voted "Yes." Ronny George and Ricky Tidwell voted "No." (18 Yes; 2 No; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

General Purpose School

Motion was made by Wayne Richey and second by Steve Hethcote to leave the General Purpose School Fund at \$1.22. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

Resolution 03-34 As Amended

Motion was made by Frankye Ward and second by Mark McFarlin to approve the following Resolution 03-34, as amended, setting the tax rate at \$2.64; the same amount as last year. Upon roll call vote, 15 commissioners voted "Yes." Ronny George, Mark McFarlin, Susan Sullivan, Ricky Tidwell, and Frankye Ward voted "No." Willie Powers was absent. (15 Yes; 5 No; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
RESOLUTION 03-37**

Motion was made by Mickey Bunn and second by James Hassell to approve the following Resolution 03-37, re-authorizing the creation of the Hickman County Emergency Management Agency. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

RESOLUTION NO. 03-37

**RE-AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE
HICKMAN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the health, safety and well being of the citizens in Hickman County, Tennessee, are threatened by a great many hazards including, but not limited to, natural, man-made, technological, acts of war and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) terrorist events; and

WHEREAS, disaster and emergency mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery are vital functions of Hickman County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, there are a number of Federal, State and Local statutes relating to Emergency Management activities including, but not limited to, the Civil Defense Act of 1950, the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, the Earthquake Hazard Reduction Act of 1977, the Superfund Amendments and Re-authorization Act of 1986, and Chapter No. 81, Public Acts of Tennessee of 1951 and its amendments thereto (Section 58-2-101, et. Seq., Tennessee Code Annotated), and various County Resolutions; and

WHEREAS, as there are Federal, State and local organizations with disaster and emergency responsibilities, it becomes necessary to create a single office of Hickman County government to coordinate, supervise and otherwise promote disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hickman County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session this 18th day of August, 2003, that:

SECTION I: THE HICKMAN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY IS CREATED. There is hereby created the Hickman County Emergency Management Agency which shall be an operation of the County of Hickman for the purpose of organizing and directing Emergency Management and Homeland Security issues for citizens of the entire county. All Emergency Management Organizations within the corporate limits of Hickman County municipalities shall be considered as a total part of the county-wide Emergency Management resources and when such agencies operate out of its corporate limits it shall be at the direction of, subordinate to, and as a part of the Hickman County Emergency Management Agency.

SECTION II: AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE AGENCY ARE HEREBY DECLARED:

- A) Authority: In accordance with Federal-State enactment of law the Hickman County Emergency Management Agency is hereby authorized to assist the regular services/organizations of the county and governments of all political subdivisions therein, as may be necessary due to natural disasters, technological disasters, enemy attack, acts of terrorism (domestic and/or foreign) or other man-made emergencies all inclusive which might occur affecting the lives, health, safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of Hickman County, Tennessee. The Hickman County Emergency Management Agency is hereby authorized to perform such duties and functions as may be necessary on account of said disasters. The Hickman county Emergency Management Agency is hereby designated the official agency to assist regular forces in time of said emergencies.

- B) Responsibilities: The Hickman County Emergency Management Agency shall be responsible for mitigating against, preparing for, responding to and recovering from enemy caused, acts of terrorism (domestic and foreign), technological, man-made and natural emergencies arising in the county, to develop and coordinate emergency plans, procedures and resources and is hereby designated as the official agency to develop such emergency plans and procedures.

SECTION III: OFFICE OF AGENCY DIRECTOR, HIS/HER AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A) Primary Authority: The Office of Director of Emergency Management is hereby created. The Director shall have the authority to request the declaration of the existence of an emergency by the County Executive. The Director shall have the overall responsibility for the preparation of all local emergency management plans and procedures and recruitment and training of all local emergency response personnel from local government departments, private, volunteer and civic groups. All local emergency management plans and procedures will be in consonance with the state plans and shall be approved by the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency. The Director is hereby given the authority to delegate such responsibility and authority as necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution, subject to the approval of the Hickman County Executive, who shall oversee the agency to insure and effective and efficient program.
- B) Responsibility of the Director: The Director shall be responsible to the Hickman County Executive for the execution of the authorities, duties and responsibilities of the Hickman County Emergency Management Agency, for the preparation of all local emergency management plans, procedures and administrative regulations and for the recruitment and training of emergency response personnel from local government departments, private, volunteer and civic groups. Duties of the Director include, but are not limited to:
- 1) In conjunction with elected and appointed local government officials and private, volunteer and civic organizations, assist in the revision and update of the Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
 - 2) Develop and manage the agency's annual budget in accordance with local guidelines.
 - 3) Collect initial disaster intelligence information, extract Essential Elements of information and prioritize use of critical resources.
 - 4) Prepare and transmit Situation Reports to the State Emergency Operations Center.
 - 5) Assess the impact of major emergencies and initiate requests for declaration of emergency for the Hickman County Executive's signature.
 - 6) Serve as the focal point for damage assessment information and coordinate all relief activities through the Hickman County Executive.
 - 7) Promote and supervise the development of various emergency management related public education and information services. These shall include, but not be limited to, training programs, brochures, speaking opportunities and media programs.
 - 8) Develop and maintain an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to ensure Direction and Control and continuity of local government during emergencies and disasters.
 - 9) Conduct Hazardous Analysis, Capability Assessment and Vulnerability Analysis and make periodic updates to same.
 - 10) "On Call" for response to any type of disaster or major emergency; natural, man-made, or technological.
 - 11) Provide assistance to private sector organizations on issues pertaining to emergency management and homeland security.
 - 12) Provide resource coordination and technical assistance during major emergencies and disasters.
 - 13) Prepare after-action reports as required.
 - 14) Perform other duties as directed by the Hickman County Executive.

SECTION IV: THE HICKMAN COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR (ESC) GROUP CREATED: The Hickman County Emergency Services Coordinator Group is hereby created. The ESC Group shall consist of all elected officials and appointed department heads of Hickman County, municipal governments and designated key volunteer/civic organization managers such as American Red Cross, Salvation Army, etc. The ESC Group will meet at the request of the County Executive before, during and after a disaster occurs to determine the best course(s) of action for Hickman County. ESC Group members can be activated

as a group if all of Hickman County is affected by a disaster or selectively if only a portion of Hickman County is affected by a disaster. Duties and responsibilities of ESC Group members shall be outlined in the County's Basic Emergency Operations Plan (BEOP), Emergency Support Functions (ESF) and Emergency Management Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) contained within the plan.

SECTION V: LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING AND HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING COMMITTEES CREATED. In accordance with the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Section 301 and Hazard Mitigation Act of 2000, the Local Emergency Planning Committee and Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee are hereby created to advise and assist the Emergency Management Agency in developing and revising/up-dating the Basic Emergency Operations Plan (BEOP) and Hazard Mitigation Plan. These committees shall be composed representatives of the ESC Group described in Section IV above as well as representatives from local volunteer, civic, business and industry groups. These committees shall advise, assist and otherwise promote comprehensive, community wide involvement in emergency management.

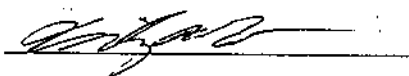
SECTION VI: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE BOARD. The Hickman County Emergency Management Executive Board is hereby created. The Hickman County Emergency Management Agency and other emergency services as necessary, shall be under the administrative direction of the Hickman County Emergency Management Executive Board. The Executive Board shall be inclusive of the County Executive, who shall serve as chairman, and the county municipal mayors as voting members.

SECTION VII: NO COUNTY OR PRIVATE LIABILITY: The duties prescribed in this document constitute an exercise by the County of its governmental functions for the protection of the public peace, health and safety of Hickman County; none of the agents and representatives of said County nor any individual, receiver, firm, partnership, corporation, association or trustee, nor any of the agents thereof, in good faith carrying out, complying with or attempting to comply with any order, rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this document shall be liable for any damage sustained to persons or property as the result of said activity. Any person owning or controlling real estate or other premises for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual, impending or practice enemy attack shall, together with his successors in interest, if any, not be civilly liable for the death of, or injury to, any person on or about such real estate or premises under such license, privilege or other permission or for loss of, damage to, the property of such person.

SECTION VIII: EXPENSES OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY: No person shall have the right to expend any public fund of Hickman County in carrying out day-to-day Emergency Management activities authorized by this document without prior approval of the governing body of Hickman County; nor shall any person have any right to bind Hickman County by contract, agreement or otherwise without prior and specific approval by the governing body of Hickman County. The County Executive shall disburse such monies as may be provided annually by appropriation from Hickman County's governing body for the operation of the Emergency Management Agency. Control of disbursements will be as prescribed by agreement between the Financial Agent(s) of Hickman County. He/she shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of a budget with recommendations as to its adoption by the County. All funds shall be disbursed upon vouchers properly executed by the County Executive, subject to audit by the State of Tennessee or Federal Government. The Emergency Management Director is hereby authorized to accept Federal contributions in money, equipment, or otherwise, when available, or State contributions; and is further authorized to accept contributions to the Hickman County Emergency Management Agency from individuals and other organizations, such funding becoming liable for audit by Hickman County.

SECTION IX: The provisions of this resolution shall take effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring it. All previous actions and resolutions of the Board in direct conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed.

SPONSORS:

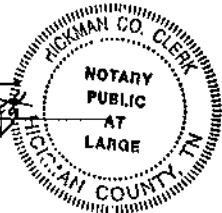
BOARD ACTION: 20 Aye 0 Nay 0 Pass 1 Absent

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:


Steve Gregory, Chairman


Randel Totty, County Clerk



TRAFFIC LIGHT AT INTERSECTION
OF STATE ROUTES 100, 46, AND 7
"OPTIONAL SAFETY PROJECT" GRANT
RESOLUTION 03-38

Motion was made by Jim Rice and second by Steve Hethcote to approve the following Resolution 03-38, authorizing an application for an Optional Safety Project Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation, to replace the current warning lights with traffic signals at the intersection of State Routes 100, 46, and 7. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed. (See Minute Book 34, Page 440, Resolution 03-03, 01/27/2003 Meeting).

HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

RESOLUTION NO. 03-38

**AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR AN OPTIONAL SAFETY PROJECT
GRANT FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, Hickman County has asked the Tennessee Department of Transportation to consider replacing the current warning lights at the intersection of State Routes 7, 46 and 100 in Eastern Hickman County with traffic signals; and

WHEREAS, a Department study has determined the need for such replacement exists, and the County is qualified to apply for an "Optional Safety Project" grant to fund the construction of said project; and

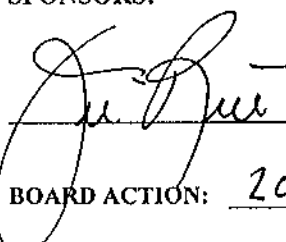
WHEREAS, the members of the Hickman County Commission are desirous of applying for such grant assistance;

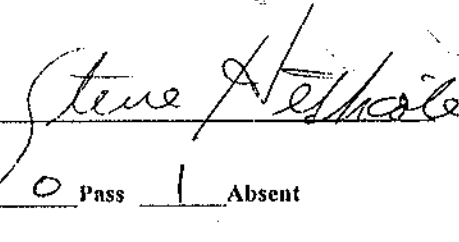
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hickman County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session this 18th day of August, 2003, that:

SECTION 1: The County Executive of Hickman County is hereby authorized to apply for the above-mentioned grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation. The County Executive is further authorized sign and execute any and all documents pertaining to same.

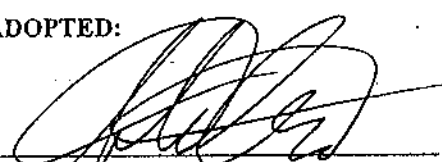
SECTION 2: The provisions of this resolution shall become effective upon passage, the public welfare requiring it.

SPONSORS:

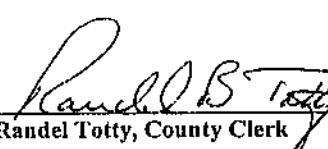




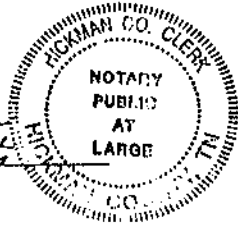
BOARD ACTION: 20 Aye 0 Nay 0 Pass 1 Absent

ADOPTED:


Steve Gregory, Chairman

ATTEST:


Randel Totty, County Clerk



TRAFFIC STUDY AT INTERSECTION
OF STATE ROUTES 50 EAST, 48, & 100
RESOLUTION 03-39

Motion was made by Gerald Rochelle and second by Susan Sullivan to approve the following Resolution 03-39, regarding having the Tennessee Department of Transportation to evaluate the intersection of State Routes 50 East, 48, and 100. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

RESOLUTION NO. 03-39

REGARDING THE NEED FOR A TRAFFIC STUDY AT
AN INFAMOUS INTERSECTION IN HICKMAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, State Route 50 East and State Routes 48/100 intersect near the southern limits of the Town of Centerville; and

WHEREAS, over the past few years numerous wrecks -- some with fatalities -- have occurred at this intersection; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public safety, the members of the Hickman County Legislative Body are desirous of having the Tennessee Department of Transportation evaluate the intersection to determine if any changes, including but not limited to changing it to a three-way stop or the addition of caution lights, might be feasible; and

WHEREAS, as said intersection lies inside the corporate limits of the Town of Centerville, we are also desirous of having the Centerville Board of Mayor and Aldermen join in our efforts for such study;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hickman County Tennessee, assembled in regular session this 18th day of August, 2003, that:

SECTION 1: The County Executive is hereby directed to furnish a certified copy of this resolution along with a letter of explanation to the Tennessee Commissioner of Transportation at his office in Nashville, Tennessee.

SECTION 2: The County Executive ^{is} further directed to furnish a certified copy of this resolution to the Centerville Board of Mayor and Aldermen along with a letter asking for their like support of such study.

SECTION 3: The provisions of this resolution shall become effective upon passage, the public welfare requiring it.

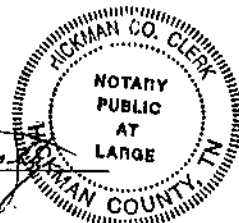
SPONSORS:

Gerald Rochelle Susan Sullivan

BOARD ACTION: 20 Aye 0 Nay 0 Pass 1 Absent

ADOPTED: [Signature]
Steve Gregory, Chairman

ATTEST: [Signature]
Randel Totty, County Clerk



**TRIBUTE TO EDWARD DOTSON
RESOLUTION 03-40**

Motion was made by all county commissioners to approve the following Resolution 03-40, remembering and giving tribute to Edward Dotson. Upon roll call vote, 20 commissioners voted "Yes." Willie Powers was absent. (20 Yes; 1 Absent). Motion passed.

HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

RESOLUTION NO. 03-40

A TRIBUTE TO EDWARD DOTSON

WHEREAS, Edward Dotson honorably served Hickman County as Clerk of this body for 36 years, from 1954 until his retirement in 1990. He further served our county by representing us in the Tennessee Legislature from 1943 to 1947, teaching in the Hickman County School System for six years, and as the designated County Historian for over 38 years. And, in his leisure time, he continued to serve our people in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, Edward Dotson avoided political cliques; and any politician who began to put his or his group's welfare over the commonwealth would eventually find Mr. Dotson as an adversary. He was a gentle man, this former Marine, this former golden gloves boxer - but he feared no one - he respected the humble and was not awed by the powerful; and

WHEREAS, Edward Dotson was a man who made careful, deliberate and rational choices. Those choices were consistent with each other and those choices ordered his life. He chose service over ambition, family over fame, gratitude over arrogance, forgiveness over resentment, rural over urban, to grow things rather than shoot or catch them, the quiet over the loud. He chose kindness, and grace, and manners. In his religion, he chose the clear over the obtuse. In his politics, he chose conviction over rhetoric; and

WHEREAS, Edward Dotson could have been an expert on the Peloponnesian Peninsula, but he chose to be an expert on Hickman County. He could have studied the valley of the Nile and the ancient civilizations it birthed, yet he chose to study the Piney and Duck Rivers and the quiet heroes who lived consecrated lives on their banks; and

WHEREAS, perhaps most importantly, Edward Dotson chose not to be a critic, but to be a teacher. We were all his students. He taught us about wild flowers and waterfalls. He taught us about friendship and fidelity. And he taught us about our ancestors and, thus, he taught us who we are; and

WHEREAS, God was good to Edward Dotson. He gave him a strong and athletic body, a keen mind, and a generous heart. Edward had a community which revered him, friends which adored him, and a church which treasured him; and

WHEREAS, Edward Dotson was given the four finest sons one can imagine; and he lived to see them all good men, incarnate corroborations of the correctness of his choices. He was also given the most precious gift any man can have on this shore - the love and respect of a beautiful and noble virtuous wife; and

WHEREAS, because of the aforementioned reasons, and for many more not noted here, it is only fitting and just that this body pauses now to remember a loyal friend of the people of Hickman County and a trusted advisor and servant of their government;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hickman County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session this 18th day of August, 2003, that:

SECTION 1: We pause now in grateful memory of Edward Dotson, who left this earthly presence on July 4, 2003, at age 86. We further extend to his beloved family our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences.

SECTION 2: We shall try to honor his name by the honest and competent administration of the governmental affairs of Hickman County, seeking always the common welfare over private gain, the upright over the devious, and the right over the wrong.

SECTION 3: This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the County Commission of Hickman County, Tennessee, as a lasting tribute to Edward Dotson, a beloved friend and fellow Hickman Countian.

SPONSORS:

<u>Steve Hethcote</u>	<u>Robert Capps</u>
<u>Charles T. Cookin</u>	<u>Charles R. Holt</u>
<u>Nathanial Bate</u>	<u>Dud Seepers</u>
<u>Ricky Tidwell</u>	<u>Jane Harrel</u>
<u>Franky Ward</u>	<u>Muriel M. Kuhl</u>
<u>Gerald Beckell</u>	<u>Ronny George</u>
<u>Shirley Mayberry</u>	<u>Symette Harris</u>
<u>Jodi Bates</u>	<u>Mich W. Br</u>
<u>Susan S. Sullivan</u>	<u>Charley List</u>
<u>Wally E. Frickman</u>	<u>Willie Powers</u>

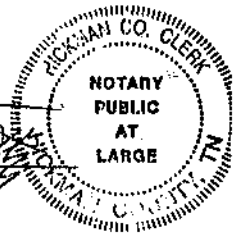
BOARD ACTION: 20 Aye 0 Nay 0 Pass 1 Absent

ADOPTED:

[Signature]
Steve Gregory, Chairman

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Randel Totty, County Clerk



POSTPONE NEXT MEETING

Motion was made by Ricky Tidwell and second by Ronny George to move the next Legislative Body meeting date from September 15th to September 22nd, 2003. Motion passed by voice vote.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Steve Hethcote and second by Charley List to adjourn this meeting.