

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
 February 19th 2026
 Community Center
 Ducktown, Tennessee

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Polk County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session, on the 19th day of February, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center, Ducktown Tennessee. This meeting complied with the provisions of TCA 8-44-101 et seq. with each commissioner being notified of the meeting, notices posted on the bulletin board of the county courthouse and the news media was also notified.

A quorum of commissioners was present, namely:

Keith Barker	Mush Davis
Shane Bowman (absent)	Christy Hardin
Greg Brooks	Kelley Morgan
Danny Carver	John Pippenger
Debbie Davis	Samantha Trantham

Jackie Rogers, County Clerk of said Board of Commissioner's was in attendance as well. Chairman Greg Brooks is declared the meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. and the following proceedings were had and entered into record to-wit:

(1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve all unapproved minutes as presented. Commissioner Kelley Morgan seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved

(2) APPROVAL OF REPORTS OF OFFICES

Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve the reports of offices as presented. Commissioner Kelley Morgan seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(3) APPROVAL OF NOTARIES:

Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve notaries Jessica Skelton as presented. Commissioner Mush Davis seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(4) BUDGET AMENDMENTS: FUND 101 #22-24

Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve all budget amendments #22-24 as presented. Commissioner Mush Davis seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(4)BUDGET AMENDMENTS: FUND 171 #1

Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve all budget amendments fund 171 #1. Commissioner Mush Davis seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(5) BUDGET AMENDMENTS POLK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION: NONE

(6) RESOLUTION DISCHARGE SURPLUS PROPERTY: SHERIFF STEVE ROSS

Resolution 2-1-26 was presented to the board of commissioners, Discharge Surplus Property from the Sheriffs Department. Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve resolution 2-1-26 as presented. Commissioner John Pippenger seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(7) DISTRICT 2 BEER BOARD APPOINTMENT: COMMISSIONER JOHN PIPPENGER

Commissioner John Pippenger presented to the board of commissioners the vacant spot on the beer board for the 2nd district and recommended Tristian Swallows. Chairman Greg Brooks approved the recommendation. No vote was needed.

(8) CHILHOWEE MIDDLE SCHOOL/FOOTBALL FIELD HANDICAP RESTROOM: ADAM STONE POLK COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

Mr. Jones with the school system presented to the board of commissioners the layout plan for a handicap restroom at the middle school football field. Mr. Jones told the commissioners that they have sent out bids and would like to bring back in front of the commissioners to see about the county helping with the cost. NO VOTE

(8) CHILHOWEE MIDDLE SCHOOL RESIGNATION LETTER FOR ZACH MILLER

Continuing under the Chilhowee Middle School, The letter for Zach Miller to resign as the Middle School football Coach had to be added into the minutes and voted on by the commission. Commissioner John Pippenger made a motion to accept the resignation letter to the minutes of the meeting. Commissioner Samantha Trantham seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(9) RESOLUTION TO REQUEST UNCLAIMED BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS REMITTED BY POLK COUNTY: COUNTY EXECUTIVE HATCHER

County Executive Hatcher presented to the board of commissioners resolution 2-2-26 to request unclaimed balance of accounts remitted by Polk County and its Agencies to the Treasurer of the State of Tennessee. Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve Resolution 2-2-26 as presented. Commissioner John Pippenger seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(10) RESOLUTION TO CLOSE OUT RESERVE FUND: COUNTY EXECUTIVE HATCHER

County Executive Hatcher presented resolution 2-3-26 to the board of commissioners, resolution to close reserved “Earmarked” fund title dental clinic. Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve Resolution 2-3-26 as presented. Commissioner Mush Davis seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Yes	Samantha Trantham	Yes

9 Yes Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

(11) RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL FOR MINIMAL AMOUNT FOR BALILES PROPERTY: COUNTY EXECUTIVE HATCHER

County Executive Hatcher presented resolution 2-4-26 to the board of commissioners to allow the county executive to negotiate offers submitted by the IED board on the Baliles property. Commissioner Samantha Trantham made a motion to approve resolution 2-4-26 with the terms as listed on the resolution. Commissioner Christy Harden seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks asked for a roll call vote, with the vote as follows:

Keith Barker	Yes	Mush Davis	Yes
Shane Bowman	(absent)	Christy Hardin	Yes
Greg Brooks	Yes	Kelley Morgan	Yes
Danny Carver	Yes	John Pippenger	Yes
Debbie Davis	Pass	Samantha Trantham	Yes

8 Yes 1 Pass Chairman Greg Brooks declared the motion approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ADJOURN

Commissioner Kelley Morgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.
Commissioner Mush Davis seconded the motion. Chairman Greg Brooks announced the meeting adjourned.

Greg Brooks, Chairman

Jackie Rogers, County Clerk