

Committee assignments first task for county

BY **LISA HOBBS**
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Warren County commissioners will meet this Monday, Sept. 17, at 6:30 p.m. for their first monthly session after being sworn in.

One of the big items on the agenda is committee appointments.

The list of assignments was generated by County Executive Jimmy Haley. The commission can approve or reject his choices.

Receiving the least committee seats were Tyrone Sparkman and Phillip Stout, with one each.

"I'm not fine with it,"

said Sparkman. "I should have been placed on two committees, like most of the commission members. I've been here two and half years and I should have been placed on at least two committees."

Sparkman was appointed in May 2016 to fill a vacant seat in the 5th District. In August of that same year, he was elected by voters and re-elected in 2018 for his first four-year term.

Stout was appointed in January 2017 to fill a vacant seat in the 6th District. He ran unopposed in 2018. This will be his first four-year term.

Receiving the most assignments with three committees each were

Commissioners Ron Lee, Carl E. Bouldin, Blaine Wilcher, Tommy Savage, Gary Prater, Carlene Brown, and Steven Helton.

All were incumbents and reelected, except newcomer Helton. Bouldin has 25 years of experience, Prater 20, Lee 10, Wilcher 8, Savage 4, and Brown 4.

The majority of commissioners received two committee assignments each: Gary Martin (4 years of experience), Randy England (8), Scott Rubley (4), Carl D. Bouldin (4), Richard Grissom (1), and newcomers Christy Ross, Robert Hennessee, Joseph Stotts, David Dunlap, Lori Judkins, Deborah Evans, Cole Taylor, Steve Glenn,

Michael Bell, and Daniel Owens.

Commissioners cannot change the committee assignments.

They can only reject the list in its entirety or approve it.

Also under consideration on Monday is the election of a Chairman of the Commission.

Customarily, that spot is filled by the county executive unless he or she declines to serve.

However, commissioners can elect any member of the court.

If a commissioner is elected, that individual can change the committee assignments if he or she chooses to do so.

NUMBER OF COMMITTEES

TYRONE SPARKMAN - 1	COLE TAYLOR - 2
PHILLIP STOUT - 1	STEVE GLENN - 2
CHRISTY ROSS - 2	MICHAEL BELL - 2
ROBERT HENNESSEE - 2	CARL D. BOULDIN - 2
JOSEPH STOTTS - 2	DANIEL OWENS - 2
RICHARD GRISSOM - 2	RON LEE - 3
DAVID DUNLAP - 2	CARL E. BOULDIN - 3
LORI JUDKINS - 2	BLAINE WILCHER - 3
DEBORAH EVANS - 2	TOMMY SAVAGE - 3
GARY MARTIN - 2	STEVEN HELTON - 3
RANDY ENGLAND - 2	CARLENE BROWN - 3
SCOTT RUBLEY - 2	GARY PRATER - 3

Pam Tillis charms the crowd



Legendary country music star Pam Tillis performs to a packed Grandstand Arena on Thursday night.

BY **JAMES CLARK**
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In between rocking her No. 1 hits with her signature country twang, Pam Tillis was lively on the microphone Thursday night as the headline entertainer at the Warren County A&L Fair.

"One of the reasons I love my job is carrying on a family tradition and knowing my roots," said Tillis in reference to her father, country star Mel Tillis. "I'm in touch with my roots. Actually, I just had mine done last week."

With a voice as perky as a carnival ride, the Grand Ole Opry member delivered fan favorites, flanked by a smooth guitarist and catchy fiddle player.

She talked about meeting fans and said signing autographs never gets tiring.

"I love to hear what people will say," said Tillis, who indicated some fans are star struck upon meeting her. "I had one lady tell me, 'You are my biggest fan.'"

Tillis said it's not unusual for people to get tongue-tied. Tillis said one fan told her that she was the lady she sees all the time on the radio.

"If you start seeing me on the radio, you better get a new radio," quipped Tillis.

She said she's signed just about every type of item as an autograph. That includes one box that she signed before being told a family member's cremated remains were inside.

Country music fans shrugged off a drizzly night to pack the grandstands to see this country music legend. Several people noted how it's amazing our fair can offer this type of quality entertainment for free.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPT. 16

Bethel Hill Baptist Church is having a homecoming celebration. Service starts at 11 a.m. with special music by The Rangers and a meal following morning service.

Mud Bums will donate 10 percent of its sales to Project Graduation for those using a Project Graduation voucher. This offer is good all day every Sunday with voucher.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 18

Westwood Church of Christ will be having its free clothing giveaway from 8 to 10 a.m.

Central High School Class of 1952 will be having its monthly get-together at 2:30 p.m. at Nana's Kountry Kupboard on Sunnyside Heights. All classmates are welcome to attend.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 22

WCHS Class of '77 is having a covered dish event at 4 p.m. It will be held at the United Steelworkers of America building located at 180 Arch Cope Rd., Morrison. If you have questions, call 931-808-4489. Bring your favorite covered dish.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Forest Park Baptist Church is having homecoming Sept. 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with special music by the Nunley Family.

First Presbyterian Church on Main Street is presenting Quilts on the Pews as part of the McMinnville Autumn Street Fair on Oct. 6 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event is free to the public. Members of the congregation will display quilts on church pews and invite all to come see the beautiful presentation of handiwork.

The Rotary Clubs of McMinnville and the Warren County Schools Family Resource Center are collecting coats for the community. Gently used coats will be distributed through the Family Resource Center to children in need. Donations can be made during regular business hours at the following locations: Ben Lomand Connect, all Warren County schools and central office, Citizens Tri-County Bank, Creative Insight Counseling, Smile Doctors, Three Star Mall, RSR Kitchen & Bath, and the Warren County Trustee's Office.

Caney Fork lends N.C. a helping hand

Caney Fork Electric Cooperative sent eight line workers to Pee Dee EC in Rockingham, N.C. to assist with Hurricane Florence recovery efforts.

The massive hurricane is causing widespread damage across much of the Atlantic seaboard, and Caney Fork crews will be in place to assist as soon as it is safe to work.

"This is a powerful storm, and the people of North Carolina have some tough days ahead," says Bill Rogers, general manager of Caney Fork Electric. "We are proud of our linemen for volunteering to assist. They will be working long days in difficult conditions, but they were quick to respond to the call for help. We ask that the public keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers while they are away."

Crews left Friday morning. It is unclear how long they will be in North Carolina.

"It is an honor to be able to send our linemen to help,"



Pictured are Caney Fork linemen, from left, Hunter Sain, Marty Parker, Alan Watson, Kyle Thompson, Ireneo Rose, Toby McBride, Kyle Frazier, and Alex Saylor.

says Danny Sutton, Caney Fork director of operations. "When the guys go do storm work, the conditions are always tough, but they always leave feeling good knowing they are helping people when they need it the most."

Crews from CFEC are joining some 80 other line workers from electric co-ops across Tennessee who will be assisting with

hurricane recovery efforts. The Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association in Nashville is coordinating requests for mutual aid and makes travel and lodging arrangements for crews who respond.

"Our crews have a reputation for responding quickly, working safely and showing compassion to those who have been impacted by storms like

this one," says David Callis, executive vice president and general manager of the Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association.

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