

School board discusses options for teacher raises

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Their hopes of funding teacher raises with local option sales tax money rebuffed by the county commission, the board of education is now faced with deciding whether to make the \$600 a one-time bonus or fund the amount into perpetuity in the form of raises.

"I'm for making it a raise,"

said Director of Schools Patrick Cripps after the commission rejected the school board plan of using money from the sinking fund (local option sales tax) to cover the raises that will cost over \$300,000 annually. "We have to take care of our teachers."

The funding also includes \$600 for all school staff along with teachers. With the county commission's vote to approve the budget, school employees

will be getting the increase. Teachers will also get another \$600 from the state, that part of it as part in the form of raises. The question to be determined by the board of education is whether the county's portion of the increase will be permanent. The amount of raise/bonus has lowered dramatically as the board of education at first asked the county to help fund a \$2,400 increase for teachers. That request was rejected and

the board lowered its sights to the present \$600 amount. However, during their last meeting before the county's budget vote, the board of education decided to request the sinking fund be used. The plan met with resistance.

"At this time don't they (the school board) have six million dollars of their own money that they have not spent that they have collected from us?" posed Sixth District Commissioner

Betty Atnip just before the budget vote.

County Mayor Tim Stribling confirmed the school system has \$6.1 in the coffers, the revelation leaving the school board's request dead in the water.

With the decision of the commission, it will be up to the board of education to decide in their next meeting whether the increase will be permanent or a one-time bonus that would have to be revisited every year.

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Among the new items being covered without a tax increase are raises for most county employees which were approved earlier this year for employees, beginning with increases for sheriff's deputies and concluding with what began as a contentious round of raises ambulance personnel which led to the resignation of Commissioner Joe Johnson when ambulance personnel were first snubbed. He eventually nixed his resignation when the raises were approved but was beaten in his bid for reelection during the Democratic Primary.

As for big ticket items be-

ing funded without raising taxes are \$165,000 to purchase and equip five new patrol cars for the sheriff's department; \$135,000 for a new ambulance; \$165,000 for a fire hall in the Four Seasons community; \$40,000 for courthouse repairs and \$10,000 for repairs to the Omega Apparel building.

As for where the property tax money goes, the budget broke it down to the penny, with the county general fund getting the biggest dip with 0.9635 cents followed by schools with 0.61 cents. General purpose capital projects get 0.10 cents and debt serve 0.13 cents. Highway and public works get 0.03 cents.

State, federal races shaping up for November

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While many paid close attention to the local races Thursday evening, some state and federal races of local importance were taking place, including that for the seat that will represent DeKalb County in Washington D.C.

John Rose handily won the Republican nomination for the 6th Congressional District, outdrawing his closest competitor, Bob Corlew by over 10,000 votes by a count of 43,768 to 33,088. Judd Matheny, long-time state representative out of Coffee County was a distant third with 16,743 votes, carrying only his home county. Lavern "Utum LaVern" Vivio pulled 9,506 while Christopher Brian Monday rounded out the field with 3,021 votes.

Rose will take on Democrat nominee Dawn Barlow who garnered 16,875 votes, more than double her closest competitor, Merrilee Wineinger with 6,828. Rose got 45 percent of the vote

in DeKalb,, followed by Corlew of 30 percent and Matheny with 15 percent.

In the race for U.S Senate, Phil Bredesen and Marsha Blackburn breezed to victory with Bredesen getting 91 percent of the Democratic vote while Blackburn took home 84 percent of Republican ballots. The numbers were right on state average here as 91 percent of Democrats voted for Bredesen while 88 percent of Republicans voted for Blackburn in DeKalb County.

Meanwhile in the run for 40th district state house, Terri Lynn Weaver is assured of another term as she bested Chad Z. Williams 8,689 to 3,289 for the Republican nomination. There is no Democrat seeking the office in November. The district includes most of DeKalb County aside from the southern portion. Weaver picked up 80 percent of the vote in DeKalb. Barlow got 44 percent of the DeKalb Democrats while Wineinger pulled 26 percent.

Clark Boyd won the Republican nomination in the 46th District which includes southern DeKalb, beating

Menda McCall Homes 9,205 to 1,757. He will take on Mark Cagle who won the Democratic Primary over Faye Northcutt-Knox 1,890 to 1,651.

In the 17th District, incumbent Republican Mark Pody had no opposition. He will face Democrat Mary Alice Carfi in November. She also had no opposition in her primary.

In the biggest Tennessee races of the night, Lee Company owner Bill Lee claimed the Republican nomination for governor while former Nashville Mayor Karl Dean ran away with the Democratic nomination.

Lee took 36 percent of the vote on the way to victory, topping Randy Body who pulled 24 percent just ahead of Diane Black who had 23 percent. Beth Harwell got 15 percent. Lee won comfortably in DeKalb, getting 42 percent of the vote ahead of 25 percent for Black and 20 percent for Boyd.

Things were not near as close for Dean who crushed Craig Fitzhugh, taking 75 percent of the vote statewide and 87 percent in DeKalb.

OBITUARIES

Michael Ray Roysden, 49

Michael Ray Roysden, 49, of Smithville passed away Aug. 5 at Sara Cannon Hospital. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 11 at 11 a.m. at Silver Point Baptist Church.

He was retired from the Navy and Maintenance Mechanic Army Corp of Engineers. He was preceded in death by his father, Billy Roysden.

Michael is survived by his wife, Michelle Roysden; two children, Allen Michael Roysden of Murfreesboro and Sarah Michelle Roysden of Smithville; mother, Evelyne Roysden of Jamestown; brother, Ricky (Diane) Roysden of Jamestown; and sister, Pam Conner of Albany, Ky..

Love-Cantrell Funeral Home of Smithville is in charge of the arrangements.

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Tim Hampton, 67

Tim Hampton, 67, of Smithville, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 5 at St. Thomas Hospital in Murfreesboro.

The son of the late Dallas Wade Hampton and Irene Wilson Hampton Moore, he was a military veteran of the United States Air Force and the United States Navy, having served during the Vietnam War. His Navy service included submarine duty.

Tim worked for several years in law enforcement in DeKalb County and the City of Smithville. While in law enforcement, he served as a patrolman, sergeant, investigator, and as a Drivers Safety and Field Training officer. Tim always made a point to look out for the youth in the areas where he served - making a point to give everyone a fair shake.

He enjoyed carpentry and many outdoor activities, including fishing, but his favorite pastime was playing with his grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his stepfather, Joe Moore; daughter, Stacy Ann Hampton and son, Scotty Hampton.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Cheryl Holland Hampton of Smithville; daughters, Jennifer Hampton (Craig) Arnold, of Winchester and Tina Hampton of Chattanooga; sisters, Sharon Roush and Sandy Wilson; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted from the South Pittsburg Chapel of Rogers Funeral Home at 11 a.m. Central time on Wednesday, Aug. 8 with Rev. Wayne Bowman officiating. Interment with military honors will be in the Chattanooga National Cemetery at 12:30 p.m. Central time on Wednesday.

Rogers Funeral Home of South Pittsburg is in charge of the arrangements.

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The Town of Alexandria will hold a public hearing for the second reading of the proposed 2018-2019 budget on August 28, 2018 at 6:45pm at Alexandria City Hall.

Public Notice

The Town of Alexandria, Tennessee hereby provides certain financial information for the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget in accordance with provisions of chapter 44, Public Acts of 1991, as amended. There will be a public hearing concerning the budget at Town Hall on August 28, 2018 at 6:45pm. All citizens are welcome to participate.

	2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Estimate	2018-2019 Proposed
General Fund			
Estimated Revenues			
Local Taxes	\$230,535	\$208,158	\$212,530
State of Tennessee	\$142,655	\$125,712	\$158,800
Federal Government	0	0	0
Other Sources	\$55,585	\$30,400	\$37,000
Total Revenues	\$428,775	\$364,270	\$408,330
Expenditures			
Salaries	\$187,344	\$130,383	\$186,086
Other	\$173,120	\$232,229	\$235,383
Total Expenditures	\$360,464	\$362,612	\$421,469
Beginning Fund Balance	\$265,910	\$334,221	\$335,879
Ending Fund Balance	\$334,221	\$335,879	\$322,740
Number FTE Employees	6	6	6



CHANGERY COURT 2 AUCTIONS

Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018 @ 10:00 A.M. & 1:00 P.M.

Auction No. 1: will take place on Saturday, Aug. 18 at 10:00 AM and is located in Alexandria, TN at 107 Hillwood Acres, just off Hwy 70. We will auction a 2 Bedroom, Frame House. Look for orange auction signs, follow to auction.

IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE:
2 bedrooms, living room, bathroom, kitchen with dining area, utility room, attached garage, looks like a good metal roof. This house needs some repairs making it a handyman's dream. This house is in a good section of town with all utilities available with a very nice large lot.

Terms 20% down payment day of auction, balance due upon court approval. **Taxes** for 2018 will be assumed by buyer.




Auction No 2: will begin at 1:00 PM (also on Saturday, Aug. 18) and is located at 709 Fisher Ave., Smithville TN. We will auction a nice 2 Bedroom Vinyl Sided House. Follow auction signs from S. Congress Blvd. At Rite Aid Pharmacy, go West on Bryant St. or follow signs from Short Mtn Hwy at Bryant St. to Fisher Ave., then to auction on right.

IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE:
Nice 2 bedroom house, with bathroom, living room, kitchen, dining area and den all together and attached garage. House has CH&A, older storage shed, wooden carport, nice shade trees, all on nice lot.

Terms: 20% down payment day of auction balance due with court approval. **Taxes** for 2018 assumed by buyer




AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Both houses are good investment properties, either to improve for resale or as rental property. Both houses would also be a good opportunity for that first-time buyer or for a small family.

MAKE SURE TO BE ON TIME AT BOTH AUCTIONS, ALL THAT WILL AUCTION WILL BE HOUSES. CLERK AND MASTER WILL MAKE MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS DAY OF AUCTION.

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