

**MINUTES OF THE VAN BUREN COUNTY COMMISSION
VAN BUREN COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

The Van Buren County Commission met in a Regular Meeting on August 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Van Buren County Administrative Facility & Justice Center. The following action was taken as recorded in Minute Book, "V".

Call to Order

Sheriff Michael Brock called the Meeting to Order.

Roll Call

Members present: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain. Jordan Delong and Tommy Frady were absent.

Also present: County Attorney Howard Upchurch, County Mayor David Sullivan, County Clerk Lisa Rigsby, and Jay Williams with zoom and Several Citizens of Van Buren County.

Prayer

Dusty Madewell led us in prayer.

Pledge

Chairman Cale Crain led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes from Full Commission Meeting on Monday, July 20, 2026 as printed.

Terry Hickey made a motion, seconded by Kenny Smith, to approve the minutes from the Full Commission meeting on Monday, July 20, 2026 as printed. All approved by voice vote. 0-opposed. Motion passed.

Approve/Disapprove: Committee A Report

Committee A Report

August 3, 2026

Call to Order @ 5:30 p.m.

Roll call: Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Jordan Delong, Cale Crain, and Tabitha Denney.

Motion made by Cale Crain, seconded by Terry Hodges, to move \$1,216.20 from 44170 miscellaneous refunds to line item 101-54110-187 for TBI overtime reimbursement for the Sheriff's department. Roll call all members voting yes.

Motion made by Cale Crain, seconded by Terry Hickey, to move \$500.00 from 44570-K9 contributions and gifts to line item 101-54110-401 for animal food and supplies for the Sheriff's department. Roll call all members voting yes.

Motion made by Terry Hodges, seconded by Jordan Delong, to move \$9,993.00 from Fund balance 39000 to line item 101-54110-499 stalker radars for patrol trucks for Sheriff's Department. Roll call all members voting yes.

Motion made by Cale Crain, seconded by Terry Hickey, to move \$50,000.00 from unassigned Fund balance 39000 to line item 101-54900-316 for contributions to 911. Roll call all members voting yes.

New Business

Motion made by Cale Crain, seconded by Terry Hodges, to approve the Resolution for the Van Buren County General Fund budget to establish employee benefits funding as presented. Roll call with all members voting yes.

Motion made by Cale Crain, seconded by Terry Hickey, to contribute \$2,000.00 to every Community Center in Van Buren County. Roll call with Terry Hickey, Jordan Delong, Cale Crain, and Tabitha Denney voting yes. Terry Hodges abstained from voting.

Committee A Chairman Tabitha Denney presented recommendations for Full Commission action originating from the Committee A meeting held on August 3, 2026.

Budget Amendment, Fund 101, \$1,216.20 Sheriff's Dept. TBI overtime

Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Woodlee, to move \$1,216.20 from 44170 miscellaneous refunds to line item 101-54110-187 for TBI overtime reimbursement for the Sheriff's Department.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. Motion passed. **Budget Amendment as following:**

Fund 101, Budget Amendment, \$500.00, K-9 Food & Supplies

Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Woodlee, to move \$500.00 from 44570-K9 (Contributions and Gifts) to line item 101-54110-401 for animal food and supplies for the Sheriff's Department.

Van Buren Co. Executive		General Fund		Sheriff's Office	
2026-2027		BUDGET AMENDMENT		101 General Fund	
Function	Obj.	Description	Explanation	Debit	Credit
44170	187	Misc Refunds		\$ 1,216.20	\$ 1,216.20
54110		Overtime			

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. Motion passed. **Budget Amendment as following:**

Fund 101, Budget Amendment, \$9,993.00, Sheriff’s Dept. Stalker radars

Van Buren Co. Executive		General Fund		Sheriff's Office	
2026-2027		BUDGET AMENDMENT		101 General Fund	
Function	Obj.	Description	Explanation	Debit	Credit
44570	K-9	Contributions and Gifts		\$ 500.00	
54110	401	Animal Food and Supplies			\$ 500.00

Create the expenditure line item for the K9. The first contription was deposited in the amount of \$500

Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Woodlee, to move \$9,993.00 from Fund Balance 39000 to line item 101-54110-499 for stalker radars for patrol trucks for the Sheriff's Department.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. Motion passed. **Budget Amendment as following:**

Van Buren Co. Executive			General Fund		Sheriff's Office
2026-2027		BUDGET AMENDMENT	101 General Fund		
Function	Obj.	Description	Explanation	Debit	Credit
39000		Fund Balance		\$ 9,993.00	
54110	499	Other Supplies and Materials	Radars for Trucks		\$ 9,993.00
			Total	\$ 9,993.00	\$ 9,993.00

3 STALKER RADAR Units For Patrol Trucks
TAKE TO COMMITTEE A 8/3



855 E. Collins Blvd.
Richardson, TX75081
Phone: 972-398-3780
Fax: 972-398-3781

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National Toll Free: 1-800- STALKER

Inside Sales Partner: Christopher Lear
+1-972-801-4852
chris.Lear@stalkerradar.com

Sales Order
#333333

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Date: 07/16/2026

Reg Sales Mgr: Adam Holland
+1-972-398-3780
adam.holland@stalkerradar.com

PO# email

Est Ship Date: 09/11/2026

Bill To:		Customer ID: 025105	Ship To:	<i>FedEx Ground</i>
Van Buren County Sheriff's Dept		Accounts Payable	Van Buren County Sheriff's Dept	Sheriff Michael Brock
121 Taft Dr			121 Taft Dr	
Ste A			Ste A	
Spencer, TN 38585-3069			Spencer, TN 38585-3069	

Grp	Qty	Package	Description	Wrrnty/Mo	Price	Ext Price
1	3	806-0042-00	DSR 2 Antenna Radar with LCD Display	36	\$3,044.00	\$9,132.00

Ln	Qty	Part Number	Description	Est. Ship	Price	Ext Price
1	3	200-0999-60*	ASSY, DSR ENHANCED COUNTING UNIT, 1.5 PCB, ARM PROCESSOR	09/11/2026		\$0.00
2	3	200-1390-00	DSR LCD Display	09/11/2026		\$0.00
3	6	200-1468-00	Dual DSR Ka Antenna	09/11/2026		\$0.00
4	3	200-0921-00	DSR Ergonomic Remote Control w/Screw Latch	09/11/2026		\$0.00
5	3	200-0769-00	25 MPH/40 KPH KA Tuning Fork	09/11/2026		\$0.00
6	3	200-0770-00	40 MPH/64 KPH KA Tuning Fork	09/11/2026		\$0.00
10	3	200-0648-00	Display Sun Shield	09/11/2026		\$0.00
11	3	155-2591-08	8 Foot Antenna Cable, IP67	09/11/2026		\$0.00
12	3	155-2591-20	20 Foot Antenna Cable, IP67	09/11/2026		\$0.00
13	3	200-0622-00	VSS Cable Kit	09/11/2026		\$0.00
14	3	200-0821-00	DSR Documentation Kit	09/11/2026		\$0.00
15	3	006-0095-00	Fan Noise Suppression Addendum - DSR	09/11/2026		\$0.00
16	3	035-0361-00	Shipping Container, Dash Mounted Radar	09/11/2026		\$0.00
17	3	060-1000-36	36 Month Warranty	09/11/2026		\$0.00
18	3	006-0147-00	Certificate of Accuracy, Stalker Dual/DSR/SII/2X	09/11/2026		\$0.00
19	3	200-1341-10	2021-2024 Ford F-150 Front Combo Mount, Ka Band	09/11/2026	\$192.00	\$576.00
20	3	200-1342-00	2019-2024 Ford F150 KA Antenna Rear Mount	09/11/2026	\$95.00	\$285.00
Group Total						\$9,993.00

Product	\$9,993.00	Sub-Total:	\$9,993.00
Discount	\$0.00	Sales Tax 0%	\$0.00
		Shipping & Handling:	\$0.00
Payment Terms: Net 30 days		Total: USD	\$9,993.00

Vehicle Information:
2024 Ford F-150

Do not pay - This Is Not An Invoice

Applied Concepts, Inc. (d/b/a Stalker Radar) Product Terms and Conditions

- (1) **Purpose.** The terms set forth herein govern the sale and delivery of the Stalker Radar and other products (collectively "Products") sold by Applied Concepts, Inc. (d/b/a Stalker Radar "we," "us," "our," etc.) and purchased by the purchaser ("you," "your," etc.).
- (2) **Price and Product Changes; Errors.** Prices of Products are subject to change without notice, and all references in sales brochures, technical data sheets and offers on our website or otherwise as to size, weight, and other details of the Products are approximate only. No such term shall be binding on us unless expressly incorporated in a purchase order which is approved and accepted by us in accordance with these terms. In the event that a Product is mistakenly listed at an incorrect price or with other incorrect information, we reserve the right to refuse or cancel any orders placed for a Product listed at the incorrect price or based on incorrect product information. In addition, we are not responsible for any inability to fulfill orders due to reasons beyond our control. We reserve the right to refuse or cancel any such orders whether the order has been confirmed and you have paid for the Product. If you have already paid for the Product and your order is cancelled, we will issue a refund in the amount paid.
- (3) **Cancellation.** Cancellation of an order for standard Products will be accepted without penalty, prior to shipment. Cancellation of an order for non-standard or customized Products will not be accepted once item is in production or shipped.
- (4) **Delivery.** Unless separate arrangements have been agreed upon in writing with you to the contrary, the terms of delivery are F.O.B. our loading dock. We will use commercially reasonable efforts to make your purchased Products available for pick-up and delivery by you within a reasonable time after acceptance of an order from you, or, if you so specify, to place the purchased Products with a common carrier at your expense for delivery to you. You bear the risk of loss or destruction of the purchased Products upon and after the first to occur of (a) pick-up or acceptance of the Products by you or your common carrier at our place of business; or (ii) five (5) days after confirmation from us that the Products are ready for pick-up at our place of business. If we are required to store the Products due to any delay caused by you, you will reimburse us for reasonable storage charges. We reserve the right to make the Products available for pick-up and delivery in installments provided that such installment shall not be less than one Product unit, unless otherwise expressly confirmed in a written communication to the contrary by us. Delay in delivery of any installment shall not relieve you of your obligation to accept remaining deliveries.
- (5) **Returns.** We must authorize all returns and a Return Material Authorization (RMA), prior to shipping. All returns must be made within thirty (30) days after delivery as specified in Section (4). Returns will be shipped at your expense. An RMA number can be obtained by e-mailing Customer Service: csd@appliedconcepts.com. We will not be responsible for, nor guarantee credit or replacement on, any product returned to us without an RMA. Under no circumstances will we accept collect shipments. Products returned must be received by us in re-salable condition. Product that cannot go back to stock as received will not be accepted. Please securely pack the Product and write the RMA number on the outside of the shipping box, not the product box. All returns are subject to a restocking charge of 25% of net price. Specific items may require additional charges.
- (6) **Payment.** You will pay the purchase price and applicable taxes and duties for Products without setoff, deduction, or withholding net 30. You hereby grant us a purchase money security interest in and to the Products until the purchase price and other applicable charges are paid in full. You consent to filing of a UCC-1 or other applicable document that we deem necessary to perfect this security interest and appoint our designee as your attorney-in-fact to execute and file such UCC-1 or other document in our sole discretion.
- (7) **Proprietary Information.** We have and claim various proprietary rights in the Products. You will not directly or indirectly cause any proprietary rights to be violated or any proprietary information to be disclosed to any third party without our prior written consent.
- (8) **Warranty.** We warrant Products to be free of defects and (a) that Products will perform materially in accordance with the user guides, quick reference guides, and other technical and operations manuals and specifications for Products provided by us. At our election, we will repair or replace at our cost all Product

hardware components that fail due to defective materials or workmanship during the warranty period specified in your owner's manual or a longer period specified in your quote or invoice. You must return failed Product to the factory or an authorized service center, freight prepaid. Return shipping on any components that fail within 6 months from shipment date, will be paid for by us through a shipping label we provide to you. We will pay standard UPS ground on all return shipping. This warranty excludes normal wear-and-tear such as frayed cords, broken connectors, scratched or broken cases, or physical abuse. The foregoing warranty is exclusive, in lieu of all other warranties, of quality, fitness, or merchantability, whether written, oral, or implied. We will not be liable for any direct, indirect, consequential or incidental damages arising out of the use or inability to use Product even if you have advised us of the possibility of such damages. As a further limit on warranty, and as an expressed warning, you should be aware that harmful personal contact may be made with a Product in the event of violent maneuvers, collisions, or other circumstances, even though said Product is installed and used according to instructions. We specifically disclaim any liability for injury caused by a Product in all such circumstances. **Any attempt to repair a Product on your own will void this warranty.**

- (9) **Limitations of Liability.** WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR UNDER ANY OTHER THEORY OF LIABILITY, OUR AND OUR AFFILIATES' AND LICENSORS' AGGREGATE LIABILITY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE LIMITED TO THE GREATER OF \$100,000 OR THE AMOUNT YOU ACTUALLY PAID US UNDER THIS AGREEMENT FOR PRODUCTS DURING THE 12 MONTHS PRECEDING THE CLAIM.

(10) **Miscellaneous**

- a) **Force Majeure.** We and our partners will not be liable for any delay or failure to perform any obligation under this Agreement where the delay or failure results from any cause beyond our reasonable control, including acts of God, labor disputes or other industrial disturbances, systemic electrical, telecommunications, or other utility failures, earthquake, storms or other elements of nature, blockages, embargoes, riots, acts or orders of government, acts of terrorism, or war.
- b) **Assignment.** You may not assign or otherwise transfer Products or any of your rights and obligations specified herein without our prior written approval. Subject to the foregoing, these terms and conditions will be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of us, you and our and your respective successors and permitted assigns.
- c) **Jurisdiction.** Your purchase of Product and these terms and conditions shall be governed by, construed, and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas without regard to its conflicts of laws provisions. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be settled by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. Such Arbitration shall take place only in Collin or Dallas Counties, State of Texas. There is no recourse beyond the Binding Arbitration mentioned herein and that no civil litigation or action will be brought by either party as a direct result of your purchase or use of Product or these terms and conditions. The non-prevailing party (as exclusively determined by the arbitrator) shall pay all of the prevailing party's arbitration fees, attorneys' fees, costs (including costs of investigation), expert witness fees, and all other related expenses of every kind and nature whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we may seek any equitable or injunctive relief in a court having proper jurisdiction to protect our rights under these terms and conditions or to protect any of our proprietary interest or goodwill.
- d) **Severability.** In the event that any provision of these terms and conditions is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable because it is invalid or in conflict with any law or any relevant jurisdiction, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if these terms and conditions did not contain the particular provisions held to be unenforceable.

Budget Amendment, \$50,000.00, 911 Contribution

Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Chandler, to move \$50,000.00 from unassigned Fund balance 39000 to line item 101-54900-316 for Contributions to 911.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. Motion passed. **Budget Amendment & Resolution as following:**

Van Buren Co. Executive 2026-2027			General Fund Fund 101		
Function	Obj.	Description	Explanation	Debit	Credit
39000 54900	316	unassigned e-911	fund balance contribution	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
			Total	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00

resolution attached.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 507 08/26

A RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO NON PROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS OF VAN
BUREN COUNTY, TENNESSEE FOR THE BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027

WHEREAS, SECTION 5-9-109, Tennessee Coded Annotated, authorizes the Van Buren County Legislative Body to make appropriations to various nonprofit charitable organizations and,

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Legislative Body recognizes the various nonprofit charitable organizations providing services in Van Buren County have great need of funds to carry on their nonprofit charitable work.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Van Buren County on this 17th day of August 2026.

SECTION 1. That four hundred thirty-five thousand two hundred thirty-five dollars be appropriated to nonprofit organizations in Van Buren County as reflected below.

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
101-54900-316	VAN BUREN COUNTY E911	\$150,000
101-57100-140	AGRICULTURAL EXTENTSION SERVICE	\$58061.00
101-57500-105	SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION	\$77664.00
120-54310-316	FIRE PREVENTION	\$125000
101-55390-309	APPROPRIATION TO STATE (HEALTH DEPT)	\$24,510
TOTAL		435235.00

DAVID SULLIVAN, VAN BUREN COUNTY MAYOR

Lisa Rigsby

LISA RIGSBY, COUNTY CLERK



Resolution for the County General Fund budget to establish employee benefits

Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Woodlee, to approve the Resolution for the Van Buren County General Fund budget to establish employee benefits funding as presented.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. Motion passed. **Resolution as following:**

RESOLUTION NO. 508 08/26

RESOLUTION FOR THE VAN BUREN COUNTY GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Trustee has realized additional unbudgeted investment revenues and/or excess fees from idle county funds, which have been turned over to the County General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Legislative Body recognizes the severe impact of workforce turnover and desires to utilize these unassigned revenues to support and retain non-elected, hourly wage county employees paid from funds 101 and/or 112 and/or 116 and/or 118, through [benefits and/or bonuses];

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislative Body of Van Buren County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session at Van Buren County Administrative Building, 121 Taft Dr., Spencer, Tennessee, that:

SECTION 1. The County General Fund Estimated Revenues from investment returns, and *simultaneously appropriating* those unassigned funds toward human resources as follows:
Account No. 44110 (Interest Earned / Investment Revenue) -- \$150,000.00

Account No. 45610 (Trustee County General) -- \$25,000.00

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the first \$150,000 of Interest Earned on County Investments (excluding school cafeteria fund) and the first \$25,000.00 of Trustee Commissions shall be deposited into the General Fund therefore, obligating these said funds for non-elected full time employees benefits such as but not limited to:

Account No. 101-58600-207 Health Insurance Benefit Contribution

Account No. 201, 210, 212, each fund (All Taxes EXCLUDING TCRS) for approved Bonus

Account No. All Payroll line items for each department listed in paragraph 2 above.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed this 17th day of August, 2026.

APPROVED: _____ (County Mayor)

ATTEST: Lisa Rigsby (County Clerk)



Budget Amendment. Contribution to the Community Centers in the amount of \$14,000.00

Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Woodlee, to contribute \$2,000.00 to every Community Center in Van Buren County.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. Terry Hodges abstained. 7-yes votes. 1-abstained. Motion passed. **Budget Amendment as following:**

Van Buren Co. Executive		General Fund			
2026-2027		Fund 101			
Function	Obj.	Description	Explanation	Debit	Credit
39000 51100	316	unassigned contribution	fund balance community centers	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
			Total	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00

fcf, piney, sparkmantown, cedar grove, cummingsville, rocky river and bone cave.

Approve/Disapprove: Quarterly Reports

Terry Hickey made a motion, seconded by Tabitha Denney, to approve all Quarterly Reports.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes.

Acknowledgement of Surety Bond for Tina Shockley and Lavetta Simmons.

Michael Woodlee made a motion, seconded by Kenny Smith, to approve the Surety Bonds for Tina Shockley and Lavetta Simmons. All agreed by voice vote. 0-opposed. Motion passed. **Surety Bonds as following:**



SURETY'S BOND NO. LSM0698962

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF Van Buren

OFFICIAL STATUTORY BOND

FOR

COUNTY PUBLIC OFFICIALS

OFFICE OF Special Commissioner and Receiver

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That Tina Shockley of Spencer (City or Town),
County of Van Buren Tennessee, as Principal, and
RLI Insurance Company as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto **THE STATE OF TENNESSEE** in the full
amount of Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars
(\$25,000) lawful money of the United States of America for the full and prompt payment whereof we bind ourselves, our
representatives, successors and assigns, each jointly and severally, firmly and unequivocally by these presents.

WHEREAS, The said Principal was duly ☒ elected ☐ appointed to the office of Special Commissioner and Receiver
of and for Van Buren
County for the 4 year term beginning on the 1st day of September, 2026, and ending on the 1st day of
September, 2032.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH:

- That if the said Tina Shockley, Principal, shall:
1. Faithfully perform the duties of the office of Special Commissioner and Receiver
of Van Buren County during such person's term of office or his continuance therein; and,
 2. Pay over to the persons authorized by law to receive them, all moneys, properties, or things of value that may come into such Principal's hands
during such Principal's term of office or continuance therein without fraud or delay, and shall faithfully and safely keep all records required in
such Principal's official capacity, and at the expiration of the term, or in case of resignation or removal from office, shall turn over to the
successor all records and property which have come into such Principal's hands, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain
in full force and effect.

WITNESS our hands and seals this 10th day of June, 2026.

WITNESS-ATTEST:

Lavetta Simmons

PRINCIPAL:

Tina Shockley

SURETY:

RLI Insurance Company

by: Eric Raudins
Attorney in Fact

COUNTERSIGNED BY:

N/A

Tennessee Resident Agent

(Attach evidence of authority to execute bond)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

STATE OF TN
COUNTY OF Van Buren

Before me, a Notary Public, of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Tina Shockley, to me known (or
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the individual described in the foregoing bond as Principal, and who, upon oath
acknowledged that such individual executed the foregoing bond as such individual's free act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this 3rd day of Aug, 2026.

My Commission Expires: 10-25-26

Kim Grissom

Notary Public

(over)

CT-0467 (Rev 07-13)

RDA 903

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Signed:

Lisa Riggsby
County Clerk

Form Prescribed by the Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee
Form Approved by the Attorney General, State of Tennessee

CT-0467 (Rev 07-13)



POWER OF ATTORNEY

RLI Insurance Company

9025 N. Lindbergh Dr. Peoria, IL 61615
Phone: 800-645-2402

Know All Men by These Presents:

Bond No. LSM0698962

That this Power of Attorney is not valid or in effect unless attached to the bond which it authorizes executed, but may be detached by the approving officer if desired.

That RLI Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and authorized and licensed to do business in all states and the District of Columbia does hereby make, constitute and appoint: Eric Raudins in the City of Broadview Heights, State of Ohio its true and lawful Agent and Attorney in Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him/her to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety, for the following described bond.

Principal: TINA SHOCKLEY
Obligee: TN COMPTROLLER OF TREASURY LOCAL FINANCE DIVISION
Type Bond: COMMISSIONER AND RECEIVER
Bond Amount: \$25,000.00
Effective Date: September 1, 2026

The acknowledgement and execution of such bond by the said Attorney in Fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if such bond had been executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company.

RLI Insurance Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of RLI Insurance Company, and now in force to-wit:

"All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or Agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, RLI Insurance Company has caused these presents to be executed by its Sr. Vice President with its corporate seal affixed this 10th day of June, 2026.



RLI Insurance Company

Eric Raudins

Sr. Vice President

State of Ohio }
County of Cuyahoga } SS

CERTIFICATE

On this 10th day of June, 2026, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Eric Raudins, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that he signed the above Power of Attorney as the aforesaid officer of the **RLI Insurance Company** and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation.

I, the undersigned officer of **RLI Insurance Company**, do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney is in full force and effect and is irrevocable; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Company as set forth in the Power of Attorney, is now in force. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the **RLI Insurance Company** this 10th day of June, 2026.

By: Jill A. Scott
Jill A. Scott Notary Public



JILL A. SCOTT
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires:
September 22, 2030

RLI Insurance Company

By: Christina Dean
Christina Dean Corporate Secretary

A0033221

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY

STATE OF Ohio
COUNTY OF Cuyahoga

Before me, a Notary Public, of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Eric Raudins
with whom I am personally acquainted and, who, upon oath, acknowledged himself/herself to be the individual who executed the
foregoing bond on behalf of RLI Insurance Company, the within named Surety, a corporation duly
licensed to do business in the State of Tennessee, and that he/she as such individual being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing
bond on behalf of the Surety, by signing the name of the corporation by himself/herself as such individual.
Witness my hand and seal this 9th day of June, 2026.
My Commission Expires: September 22, 2030



JILL A. SCOTT
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 22, 2030

Jill A. Scott
Notary Public

APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION

SECTION I. (Applicable to all County Officials except Clerks of all Courts)

Bond and Sureties approved by David Sullivan, County Executive/Mayor of
VanBuren County, on this 3rd day of Aug, 2026.

Signed:

David Sullivan
County Executive/Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I, Lisa Riggsby, County Clerk of VanBuren County, hereby
certify that the foregoing bond was approved by the Legislative Body of said county, in open session on the 17th day of Aug,
2026, and entered upon the minutes thereof.

Signed:

Lisa Riggsby
County Clerk



SECTION II. (Applicable to all Clerks of all Courts)

CERTIFICATION:

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing bond and found the same to be sufficient and in conformity to law, that the sureties on the
same are good and worth the penalty thereof and that the same has been entered upon the minutes of said court.

Signed:

[Signature]
Judge of the Circuit Court of and for said
County on this 27 day of July, 2026

SECTION III. (Applicable to all County Officials' Bonds)
FOR USE BY REGISTER OF DEEDS

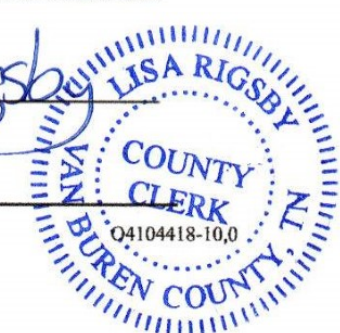
SECTION IV. (Applicable to all County Officials' Bonds)

ENDORSEMENT:

Filed with the Office of the County Clerk, County of VanBuren, this 17th day of Aug, 2026

Signed:

Lisa Riggsby
County Clerk



Form Prescribed by the Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee
Form Approved by the Attorney General, State of Tennessee

POWER OF ATTORNEY

RLI Insurance Company

9025 N. Lindbergh Dr. Peoria, IL 61615
Phone: 800-645-2402

Know All Men by These Presents:

Bond No. LSM1720331

That this Power of Attorney is not valid or in effect unless attached to the bond which it authorizes executed, but may be detached by the approving officer if desired.

That RLI Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and authorized and licensed to do business in all states and the District of Columbia does hereby make, constitute and appoint: Eric Raudins in the City of Broadview Heights, State of Ohio, its true and lawful Agent and Attorney in Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him/her to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety, for the following described bond.

Principal: LAVETTA SIMMONS
Obligee: TN COMPTROLLER OF TREASURY LOCAL FINANCE DIVISION
Type Bond: COMMISSIONER AND RECEIVER
Bond Amount: \$5,000.00
Effective Date: September 1, 2026

The acknowledgement and execution of such bond by the said Attorney in Fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if such bond had been executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company.

RLI Insurance Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of RLI Insurance Company, and now in force to-wit:

"All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or Agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, RLI Insurance Company has caused these presents to be executed by its Sr. Vice President with its corporate seal affixed this 9th day of June, 2026.



RLI Insurance Company

Eric Raudins Sr. Vice President

State of Ohio }
County of Cuyahoga } SS

On this 9th day of June, 2026, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Eric Raudins, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that he signed the above Power of Attorney as the aforesaid officer of the RLI Insurance Company and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation.

By: Jill A. Scott Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned officer of RLI Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney is in full force and effect and is irrevocable; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Company as set forth in the Power of Attorney, is now in force. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the RLI Insurance Company this 9th day of June, 2026.

RLI Insurance Company
By: Christina Dean Corporate Secretary

Budget Amendment for Board of Education General Fund 141.

Director of Schools Katina Simmons was present at the meeting to request approval for budget amendments in Fund 141. Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Chandler, to approve the budget amendments for the Board of Education General Fund 141 as presented.

Upon roll call: Michael Chandler, Tabitha Denney, Terry Hickey, Terry Hodges, Dusty Madewell, Kenny Smith, Michael Woodlee, and Cale Crain voted yes. **Budget Amendments as following:**

Van Buren Co. Board of Education

BUDGET AMENDMENT

GENERAL FUND
FUND 141

FY 26-27

FUNCTION	OBI.	DESCRIPTION	EXPLANATION	DEBIT	CREDIT
76100	790	Regular Capital Outlay-Other Equipment	Move to cover Legal Expenses	9,900.00	
72310	331	Legal Services	Needed for Legal Services		9,900.00
71100	449	Textbooks- Bound	Move to cover Legal Expenses	10000.00	
72310	331	Legal Services	Needed for Legal Services		10,000.00
71100	449	Textbooks- Bound	Move to cover Communication charges	1000	
72250	307	Technology Communication	Needed for Communication charges		1000
71100	449	Textbooks- Bound	Move to cover Communication charges	1000	
73300	307	Community Services	Needed for Communication charges		1000
72310	207	Medical Insurance	Move to cover Background Checks	5000	
72310	533	Criminal Investigation Background checks	Needed for Background Wrapback		5000
TOTAL				26900	26900

Old Business

None

New Business

Grant for the Van Buren County Historical and Heritage Museum

Lisa Cope and Justin Aughinbaugh were present at the Meeting requesting approval to apply for a Grant through the State of Tennessee. If awarded this Grant the Committee plans on going forward to their Phrase 2 of getting a new roof on the Old Courthouse. Tabitha Denney made a motion, seconded by Michael Chandler, to approve the Committee to submit this Grant application. All agreed by voice vote. 0-opposed. Motion passed.

Financial Report from the Trustee’s Office

Trustee Beth Simmons was present at the meeting to present to the Full Commission the year-end Financial Report. (For the record)

Acknowledgement of Roads that will be paved in Van Buren County

Road Superintendent Randy Oakes submitted a list of Roads in the County that will be paved.
Scheduled for paving:

Jack Branch Road	2.19
Hart Road	0.32
Redd Road	0.53
Mockingbird Road	0.16
Fall Creek Camp Road	0.47
Rolling Meadows Road	0.16

Terry Hickey made a motion, seconded by Michael Chandler to acknowledge. All approved by voice vote. 0-opposed. Motion passed.

Approval from Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget.
Letter as following:



Jason E. Mumpower
Comptroller

August 12, 2026

Honorable Mr. David Sullivan, Mayor
and Honorable Board of Commissioners
Van Buren County
121 Taft Drive
Spencer, TN 38585

Dear Mayor Sullivan and Board of Commissioners:

This letter acknowledges receipt of a certified copy of the fiscal year 2027 budget.

We have reviewed the budget and have determined that projected revenues and other available funds are sufficient to meet anticipated expenditures. Our review of the budget is based solely on the information we have received. With regard to programs included in the budget such as education, roads, and corrections, we have not attempted to determine that the local government has complied with specific program statutes or guidelines, or with any financing requirements prescribed by any state or federal agency. Please note local officials are required to ensure the budget remains balanced throughout the fiscal year and that all maintenance of effort requirements are met – our office has not reviewed or approved any maintenance of effort programs in this budget. Budget amendments must be uploaded to our online portal for formal acknowledgement after they are approved by the local governing body: tncot.cc/budget-submission.

This letter constitutes approval, by this office, for the County's fiscal year 2027 budget as adopted by the County Commission.

Budget Considerations

During our review of the budget we identified the following items for your attention.

General Purpose School Fund - Incorrect Information

During our review, our office received updated financial information from the Tennessee Department of Education that differed from the information originally submitted with the FY2027 budget. We have incorporated the updated information into our review and financial analysis. *In the future, if material changes occur to financial information after the budget schedules have been prepared or submitted, the County should promptly provide the updated information to our office.* Timely submission of revised financial information will help ensure an accurate and efficient budget review process.

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Van Buren County

General Purpose School Fund - Structurally Balanced Budget; Fund Balance Reserve

During our review of the budget, we noted that the General Purpose School Fund is budgeted to use approximately 32% of its estimated beginning fund balance. The majority of the planned use of fund balance is to finance recurring expenditures. Sound financial management requires that recurring expenditures be supported by recurring revenues. Although the Fund is expected to remain financially stable during fiscal year 2027, providing legal appropriation authority to finance recurring expenditures with fund balance reserves is not a sustainable long-term financial strategy. In addition, the Fund is projected to end the fiscal year with a fund balance equal to approximately 15% of annual expenditures, which is less than two months of annual expenditures.

We recommend that the governing body work with the Board of Education and finance staff to reduce the structural imbalance and reliance on fund balance for recurring expenditures over time. We also recommend that the governing body evaluate whether the projected ending fund balance is consistent with its fund balance reserve policy or other financial objectives for the Fund. As a best practice, our office recommends maintaining a minimum fund balance equal to at least two months, or 16.7%, of annual expenditures.

We bring these matters to the governing body's attention to encourage both sound budget practices and the long-term financial stability of the Fund. For additional guidance on developing a structurally balanced budget and maintaining adequate reserves, please refer to *Seven Keys to a Fiscally Well-Managed Government* (tncot.cc/7keys).

Best Practice – Central Accounting, Budgeting and Purchasing

Van Buren County does not have a central system of accounting, budgeting, and purchasing. Sound business practices dictate that a central system would significantly improve internal controls over these processes. The absence of a central system has been a management decision by the county commission resulting in decentralization and some duplication of effort. We strongly believe that the adoption of a central system is a best practice that would significantly improve accountability and the quality of services provided to the citizens of Van Buren County. Therefore, we recommend the adoption of the County Financial Management System of 1981 or a private act, which would provide for a central system of accounting, budgeting, and purchasing covering all county departments.

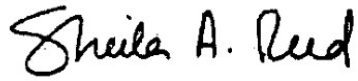
Timely Adoption

Thank you for filing the budget with our office within 15 calendar days after its adoption. We noted that the budget was adopted July 6, 2026. Next year's budget should be adopted prior to the beginning of the budget year for the County to be eligible to receive the annual budget certificate:
tncot.cc/budgetcertificates.

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If you should have questions or need assistance, please refer to our online resources or feel free to contact your financial analyst, Meghan Denson, at 615.747.5379 or Meghan.Denson@cot.tn.gov.

Sincerely,



Sheila Reed, Director
Division of Local Government Finance



Meghan Denson, Senior Analyst
Division of Local Government Finance

cc:

Ms. Heather Woodlee, Finance Director, Van Buren County
Ms. Katina Myers, Director of Schools, Van Buren County

SR:md

Comments from the General Public

None

Adjournment

Michael Woodlee made a motion, seconded by Kenny Smith, to adjourn. All approved by voice vote. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Chairman Cale Crain

County Clerk Lisa Rigsby