

**Board of Commissioners
Carter County, Tennessee
SPECIAL CALLED SESSION
Tuesday November 09, 2021**

Call to Order – Chairperson Ginger Holdren called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Electronic Roll Call as Follows:

Present:

Willie Campbell
Mark Blevins
Robert Acuff
Nancy Brown
Julie Guinn
Mike Miller
Bradley Johnson
Mark Tester

Charles VonCannon
Isaiah Grindstaff
Austin Jaynes
Jerry Proffitt
Ross Garland
Layla Ward
Ginger Holdren
Randall Jenkins

Travis Hill
Gary Bailey
Aaron Frazier
Robin McKamey
Kelly Collins
Thomas Proffitt

Absent:

Sonja Culler
Daniel McInturff

Present: Twenty-two (22)

Absent: Two (2)

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Randall Jenkins, second by Aaron Frazier to approve the agenda.

Electronic Vote as Follows:

Yes:

Willie Campbell
Mark Blevins
Robert Acuff
Nancy Brown
Mike Miller
Julie Guinn
Bradley Johnson
Mark Tester

Charles Von Cannon
Isaiah Grindstaff
Austin Jaynes
Jerry Proffitt
Ross Garland
Ginger Holdren
Layla Ward
Randall Jenkins

Travis Hill
Gary Bailey
Aaron Frazier
Robin McKamey
Kelly Collins
Thomas Proffitt

Absent:

Sonja Culler
Daniel McInturff

With twenty-two (22) yes, zero (0) no votes, **motion carried.**

Opening Prayer – Commissioner Willie Campbell

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Robin McKamey

Recognition of the Elected Officials in Attendance

Redistricting Plan Presentation and Discussion – Commissioner Jenkins

Randall Jenkins, Chairman of the Rules & Bylaws Committee explained to the full commission the changes that he is proposing for the redistricting of Carter County. His goal was to make the population of each district more equal, to make it easier for the citizens to vote. Maps and

population reports for current and proposed districts are attached. Adding and subtracting required study of the census. Chair Jenkins brought up the change in the committees and showed the proposed schedule of commission groups (attached). He broke it down into the following groups:

Operations/Internal Committees

Landfill

Rules & Bylaws

Building & Grounds

Nominating

Community/External Committees

Health & Welfare

Education

Law Enforcement

Highway

Beer Board

Budget/Purchasing Committee would stand alone.

Resolutions:

- A. Resolution to Adopt a Redistricting Plan for Carter County.

This resolution is to change the district lines as described on the map and reduce the number of commissioners per district from three (3) to two (2).

Motion was made by Randall Jenkins, second by Charles Von Cannon to accept Resolution A, to change the district lines and reduce the number of commissioners per district from three (3) to two (2).

(During discussion Danial McInturff signed in)

Mark Blevins stated that he agreed with the redistricting lines but did not want to change the number of commissioners. He asked if this were voted down could it be changed to keep the same number of commissioners. Attorney Hardin stated that the maps even if they stay the same must be turned in by January 01,2022. He informed the commission that if the redistricting lines were not approved then it would have to stay the same, there was not time to redo it. The number of commissioners could be changed if this is voted down.

Gary Bailey stated that he came to the workshops and commended Commissioner Jenkins for all the hard work put into this but, he stated that he has some concerns about reducing the number of commissioners.

Mark Tester also stated that he has concerns about the reduction as well. If there are only two (2) commissioners in a district and one must leave their seat and it takes several months to replace that empty seat, it leaves the remaining commissioner with an overload of work.

Nancy Brown and Julie Guinn also stated their concerns for the reduction. Ms. Brown stated that she was for the reduction until she started speaking to the people in her community and hearing that they do not want the commission to be reduced. Ms. Guinn also stated that she is hearing the same things.

Travis Hill reacted, stating that if you do not want to do the work then do not run for the office.

Gary Bailey asked Mr. Jenkins how much the reduction would save the county. Mr. Jenkins answered that he did not look at saving money.

Motion was made to stop discussion by Travis Hill, second by Robert Acuff

Electronic Vote as Follows:

Yes:

Robert Acuff

Nancy Brown

Mike Miller

Julie Guinn

Bradley Johnson

Mark Tester

Charles Von

Cannon

Isaiah Grindstaff

Jerry Proffitt
Ross Garland
Layla Ward
Randall Jenkins

Travis Hill
Daniel McInturff
Aaron Frazier
Robin McKamey

Kelly Collins
Thomas Proffitt

No:

Willie Campbell
Mark Blevins

Austin Jaynes
Ginger Holdren

Gary Bailey

Absent:

Sonja Culler

With eighteen (18) yes, five (5) no votes, **motion carried.**

Vote on the approval of Resolution A. as written.

Electronic Vote as Follows:

Yes:

Robert Acuff
Mike Miller
Charles Von
Cannon

Isaiah Grindstaff
Ginger Holdren
Layla Ward
Randall Jenkins

Travis Hill
Kelly Collins
Thomas Proffitt

No:

Willie Campbell
Mark Blevins
Nancy Brown
Julie Guinn
Bradley Johnson

Mark Tester
Austin Jaynes
Jerry Proffitt
Ross Garland
Gary Bailey

Daniel McInturff
Aaron Frazier
Robin McKamey

Absent:

Sonja Culler

With ten (10) yes, thirteen (13) no votes, **motion failed.**

Motion was made by Travis Hill, second by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve change the number of districts to nine (9) with one (1) commissioner for each district.

Mr. Jenkins showed the commission a map of a proposed nine (9) district county. Mr. Grindstaff stated that the goal for the committee is to provide the most equal and fair representation that we can provide. He stated that in his opinion the map that has not been shown yet is the one with fifteen (15) districts with one (1) commissioner each.

Electronic Vote as Follows:

Yes:

Isaiah Grindstaff
Layla Ward

Randall Jenkins
Travis Hill

Kelly Collins
Thomas Proffitt

No:

Willie Campbell
Mark Blevins
Robert Acuff
Nancy Brown
Mike Miller
Julie Guinn

Bradley Johnson
Mark Tester
Charles Von
Cannon
Austin Jaynes
Jerry Proffitt
Ross Garland

Ginger Holdren
Gary Bailey
Daniel McInturff
Aaron Frazier
Robin McKamey

Absent:
Sonja Culler

With six (6) yes, seventeen (17) no votes, **motion failed.**

Motion was made by Gary Bailey, second by Mark Blevins to approve the redistricting map with eight (8) districts and to keep three (3) commissioners per district.

Electronic Vote as Follows

Yes:

Willie Campbell	Mark Tester	Gary Bailey
Mark Blevins	Austin Jaynes	Daniel McInturff
Nancy Brown	Jerry Proffitt	Robin McKamey
Julie Guinn	Ross Garland	
Bradley Johnson	Ginger Holdren	

No:

Robert Acuff	Layla Ward	Aaron Frazier
Mike Miller	Randall Jenkins	Kelly Collins
Isaiah Grindstaff	Travis Hill	Thomas Proffitt

Abstain:

Charles Von Cannon

Absent:

Sonja Culler

With thirteen (13) yes, nine (9) no votes, one (1) abstain, **motion carried.**

- B. Resolution to Re-establish the Districts for the Election of Carter county Constables and the Number of Constables Eligible for Election per District.

Motion by Randall Jenkins, second by Austin Jaynes to approve Resolution B as written.

Electronic Vote as Follows

Yes:

Willie Campbell	Charles Von Cannon	Layla Ward
Mark Blevins	Isaiah Grindstaff	Randall Jenkins
Nancy Brown	Austin Jaynes	Travis Hill
Mike Miller	Jerry Proffitt	Gary Bailey
Julie Guinn	Ross Garland	Daniel McInturff
Bradley Johnson	Ginger Holdren	Robin McKamey
Mark Tester		Thomas Proffitt

No:

Robert Acuff	Aaron Frazier	Kelly Collins
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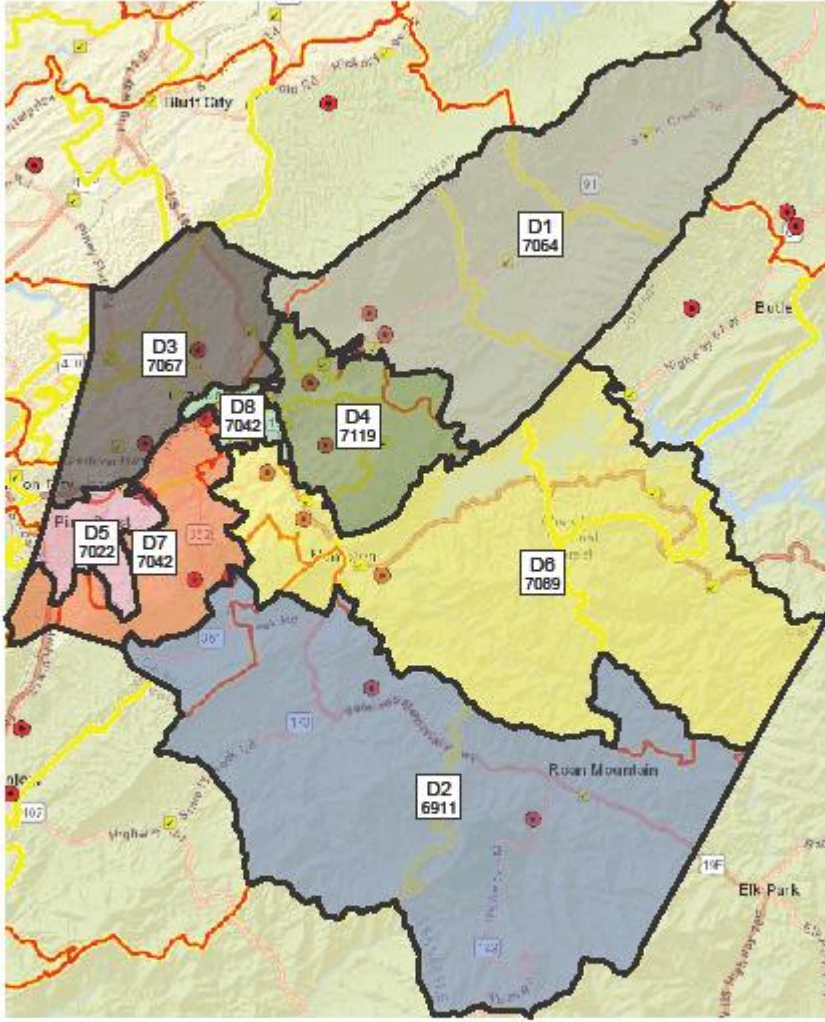
Absent:

Sonja Culler

With twenty (20) yes, three (3) no votes, **motion carried.**

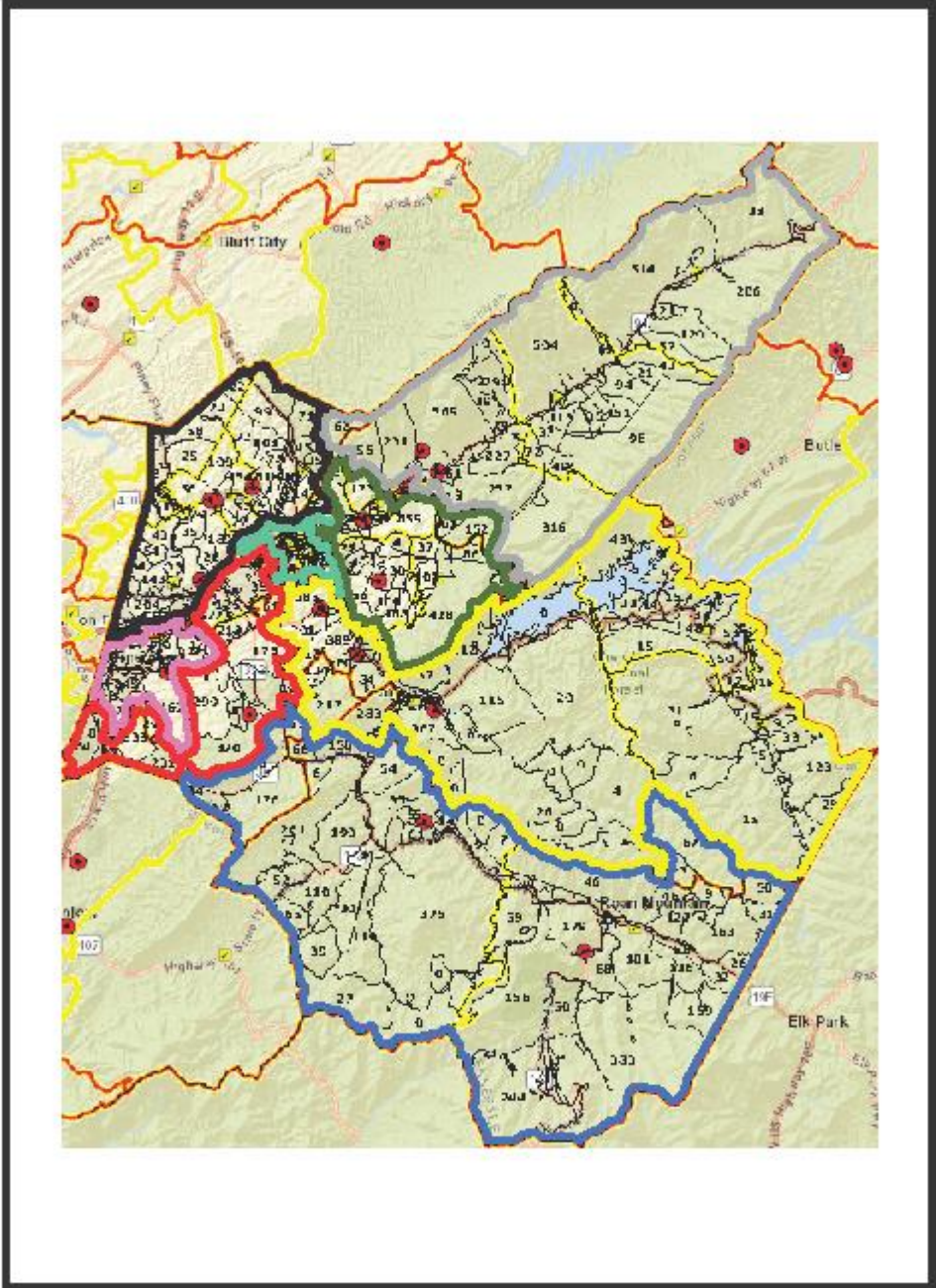
Adjournment

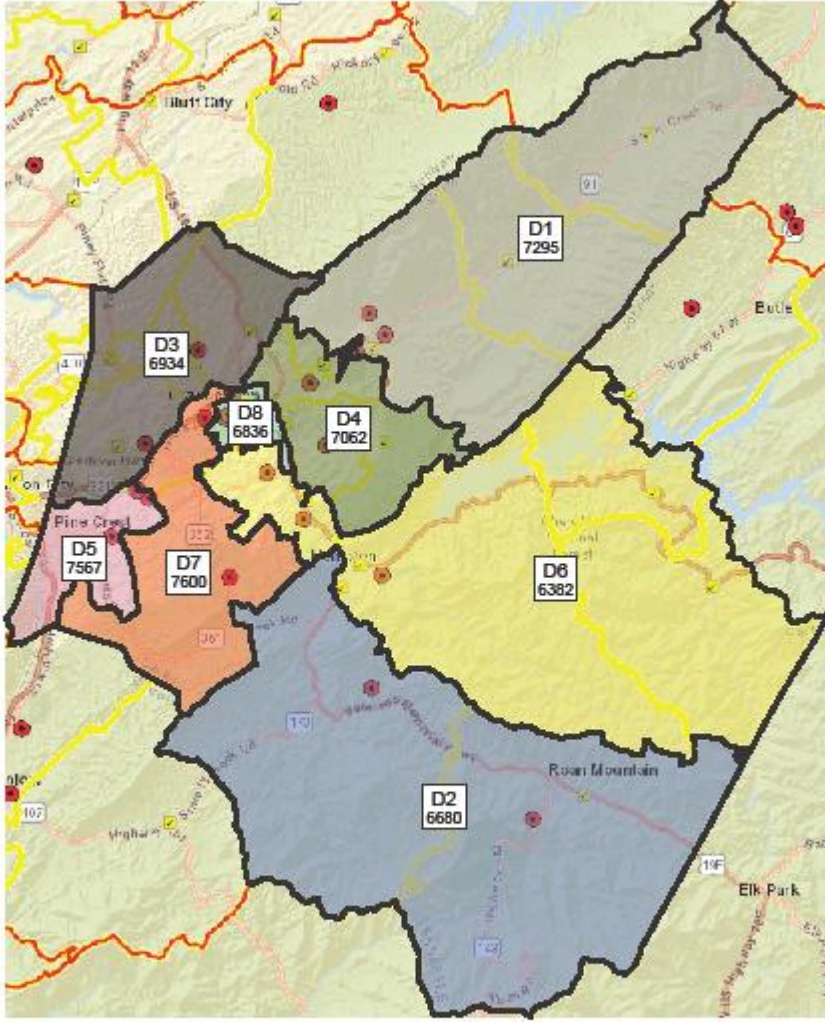
Motion by Austin Jaynes, second by Mark Blevins to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.



Carter Proposed
map







Carter Current Map



Population Summary Report

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Total	Deviation from the target
D1	7,295	7,045	250	3.43	7,295	250
D2	6,680	7,045	-365	-5.46	6,680	-365
D3	6,934	7,045	-111	-1.60	6,934	-111
D4	7,062	7,045	17	0.24	7,062	17
D5	7,567	7,045	522	6.90	7,567	522
D6	6,382	7,045	-663	-10.39	6,382	-663
D7	7,800	7,045	555	7.30	7,800	555
D8	6,836	7,045	-209	-3.08	6,836	-209

TOTAL Population:	56,356
Mean Target Population:	7,045
Mean Deviation:	337
Mean Percent Deviation:	4.78
Largest Positive Deviation:	555
Largest Negative Deviation:	-663
Overall Range In Deviation:	1,218
Overall Range In Deviation Percentage:	17.29



Population Summary Report

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Total	Deviation from the target
D1	7,084	7,045	19	0.27	7,084	19
D2	6,911	7,045	-134	-1.94	6,911	-134
D3	7,067	7,045	22	0.31	7,067	22
D4	7,119	7,045	74	1.04	7,119	74
D5	7,022	7,045	-23	-0.33	7,022	-23
D6	7,089	7,045	44	0.62	7,089	44
D7	7,042	7,045	-3	-0.04	7,042	-3
D8	7,042	7,045	-3	-0.04	7,042	-3

TOTAL Population:	56,356
Mean Target Population:	7,045
Mean Deviation:	40
Mean Percent Deviation:	0.57
Largest Positive Deviation:	74
Largest Negative Deviation:	-134
Overall Range In Deviation:	208
Overall Range In Deviation Percentage:	2.95



Proposed Committees Layout

Operations/Internal Committee	Community/External Committee	Budget/Purchasing Committee
Landfill	Health, Welfare, & Education	
Rules & ByLaws	Law Enforcement	
Buildings & Grounds	Highway	
Nominating	Beer Board (Change to be a board of 8)	
Operations/Internal Committee - 1 Per District	Community/External Committee - 1 Per District	Budget/Purchasing Committee - 1 Per District
District 1 - A	District 1 - B	District 1 - A or B
District 2 - A	District 2 - B	District 2 - A or B
District 3 - A	District 3 - B	District 3 - A or B
District 4 - A	District 4 - B	District 4 - A or B
District 5 - A	District 5 - B	District 5 - A or B
District 6 - A	District 6 - B	District 6 - A or B
District 7 - A	District 7 - B	District 7 - A or B
District 8 - A	District 8 - B	District 8 - A or B

Records Commission - 1 Commissioner Met one time this year	JECDB - 1 Commissioner Met 2 times this year	Carter County Board of Health - 1 Commissioner Meets one time a year.
Audit Committee - 1 Commissioner Met 2 times this year	Elizabethon/CarterCounty Library Board - 1 Commissioner No record of meeting this year.	Planning Commission - 4 Commissioners (untill 1/2022) Meets once per month.
Board of Zoning Appeals - 2 Commissioners No record of meeting this year.	Carter County Parks & Recreation Board 1 Commissioner Meets once a month	Agriculture Committee - 3 Commissioners Meets 3 to 4 times a year.
Financial Mgmt - 4 Commissioners (Does not have to be Commissioners) Meets once a month.	Elizabethon/CarterCounty Animal Shelter - 3 Commissioners (Pending Contract for 2 Commisisoners) Meets once a month.	
Total Commissioner Seats available on the above boards/committiees/commissions	18	Accounting for change in Planning Commission following Resolution Adoption; Pending change in Animal Shelter Board Makeup



BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR CARTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. _____

"A RESOLUTION TO RE-ESTABLISH THE DISTRICTS FOR THE ELECTION OF CARTER
COUNTY CONSTABLES AND THE NUMBER OF CONSTABLES ELIGIBLE FOR ELECTION
PER DISTRICT"

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-1-111 requires that, at least every ten (10) years, county legislative bodies shall meet and change the boundaries of county legislative districts or redistrict a county entirely if necessary to apportion the county legislative body so that the members represent substantially equal populations; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the provisions of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-111, Carter County has prepared a redistricting plan for its county legislative body which creates 8 districts as depicted on the official redistricting map for Carter County prepared pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-110; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-10-101(b)(1) requires that county constable districts shall be established by the county legislative body and shall be reapportioned at least as often as county commissioner districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-10-101(b)(3) which is applicable to Carter County, there shall be no more than two (2) constables elected per commissioner district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners for Carter County, Tennessee, meeting in special called session on this the 9th day of November, 2021, with a lawful quorum of said Board being present and with a majority voting in the affirmative, that:

SECTION 1. The redistricting plan adopted by Carter County which creates 8 districts for the county legislative body as depicted on the official redistricting map for Carter County prepared pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-110, is hereby approved and adopted as the same district plan for the election of constables in Carter County. A copy of the official redistricting map is attached as Exhibit A to this resolution and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. All constables shall be elected at large within the district wherein the candidate seeks election. The 2 candidates receiving the greatest number of votes in each district shall be elected.

SECTION 3. This plan shall take effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring it, provided that vacancies shall be filled in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-104.

Reviewed and approved by the Rules & Bylaws Committee on November 2, 2021.

Committee Chairperson

Adopted this 9th day of November, 2021.

CARTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR CARTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. _____

"A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR CARTER COUNTY"

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-1-111 requires that, at least every ten (10) years, county legislative bodies shall meet and change the boundaries of county legislative districts or redistrict a county entirely if necessary to apportion the county legislative body so that the members represent substantially equal populations; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the provisions of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-111, Carter County has prepared a redistricting plan which provides for a county legislative body composed of 16 members and which creates 8 districts as depicted on the official redistricting map for Carter County prepared pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-110.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners for Carter County, Tennessee, meeting in special called session on this the 9th day of November, 2021, with a lawful quorum of said Board being present and with a majority voting in the affirmative, that:

SECTION 1. There is hereby adopted a redistricting plan for Carter County which provides for 2 commissioners in each of the 8 districts for a total county legislative body of 16 members. The districts for members of the county legislative body are depicted on the official redistricting map for Carter County prepared pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-110. A copy of the official redistricting map is attached as Exhibit A to this resolution and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. All members of the county legislative body shall be elected at large within the district wherein the candidate seeks election. The 2 candidates receiving the greatest number of votes in each district shall be elected.

SECTION 3. This plan shall take effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring it, provided that vacancies shall be filed in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 5-1-104.

Reviewed and approved by the Rules & Bylaws Committee on November 2, 2021.

Committee Chairperson

Adopted this 9th day of November, 2021.

CARTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

APPROVED:

By: _____
GINGER HOLDREN, CHAIR
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

APPROVED:

By: _____
PATTY WOODBY
CARTER COUNTY MAYOR