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Board of Mayor & Aldermen Agenda Monday, August 11, 2026 Special Called Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Call Meeting to Order
Roll Call

Public Comments

Called Business:

- Resolution 2026-08-0018: Grant Acceptance- Community Foundation of the Ocoee Region
Roll Call
- Resolution 2026-07-0019: Equipment Grant- Authorization to Open Demand Deposit Account
Roll Call
- Resolution 2026-08-0020: Emergency Purchase of Municipal Maintenance & Utility Equipment
Roll Call

Adjournment
Roll Call

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Resolution #2026-08-0018

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COPPERHILL, TENNESSEE, ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$261,150 FOR THE PURCHASE OF MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE AND UTILITY EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Copperhill, Tennessee, has identified an immediate and ongoing need for reliable equipment to support its municipal maintenance, water, sewer, roadway, drainage, and storm recovery operations; and

WHEREAS, the City has a commitment of grant funding of up to \$261,150, provided through a Donor Advised Fund within the Community Foundation of the Ocoee Region, for the purchase of equipment identified by the City's maintenance and utility personnel; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the significant benefit this funding will provide in improving the City's ability to maintain infrastructure, respond to emergencies, and provide essential municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the City shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and municipal procurement requirements in accepting and expending the grant funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COPPERHILL, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

The City of Copperhill hereby accepts the grant of up to \$261,150 provided through a Donor Advised Fund within the Community Foundation of the Ocoee Region.

1. The grant funds shall be used for the purchase of municipal maintenance and utility equipment identified in the City's funding request, subject to all applicable procurement laws and procedures.
2. The Mayor, City Recorder, and appropriate City officials are authorized to execute any documents and take such actions as are necessary to accept and administer the grant in accordance with its terms.

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3. The City shall maintain appropriate records regarding the receipt and expenditure of the grant funds and provide any documentation or reporting reasonably required by the grantor or funding organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 11th day of August, 2026.

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Resolution #2026-08-0019

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COPPERHILL, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE OPENING OF A DEMAND DEPOSIT ACCOUNT WITH PEOPLES BANK OF EAST TENNESSEE FOR THE RECEIPT AND MANAGEMENT OF GRANT FUNDS FOR MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE AND UTILITY EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Copperhill, Tennessee, has been offered grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$261,150, provided through a Donor Advised Fund within the Community Foundation of the Ocoee Region, for the purchase of municipal maintenance and utility equipment; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds are designated for the purchase of equipment identified in the City's funding request; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen finds it necessary and appropriate to establish a separate demand deposit account for the receipt, deposit, and management of the grant funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COPPERHILL, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The City of Copperhill is hereby authorized to open a demand deposit account with Peoples Bank of East Tennessee for the purpose of receiving, depositing, and managing grant funds designated for the purchase of municipal maintenance and utility equipment.

Section 2: Funds deposited into this account shall consist of the grant proceeds provided through a Donor Advised Fund within the Community Foundation of the Ocoee Region and shall be used for the purposes designated by the grant.

Section 3: The Mayor, City Recorder, and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to establish and maintain said account and to take any further actions necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

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Resolution #2026-08-0020

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COPPERHILL, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE AND UTILITY EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED § 6-56-304(3).

WHEREAS, the City of Copperhill, Tennessee, experienced significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roads, drainage systems, and water and sewer facilities as a result of the August 1, 2026 storm event; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to address storm-related damage and perform necessary repairs and maintenance to its water, sewer, roadway, drainage, and other municipal infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City's existing equipment is insufficient to meet the City's current operational needs, and the City's existing backhoe has experienced repeated mechanical failures and requires significant repair; and

WHEREAS, the City's limited maintenance personnel have been required to borrow and rent equipment and utilize outside contractors in order to perform necessary storm recovery, infrastructure repair, water and sewer operations, and other essential municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen finds that the circumstances resulting from the August 1, 2026 storm constitute an actual emergency arising from unforeseen causes and that the immediate acquisition of reliable equipment is necessary to protect City property, maintain essential services, and address the continuing needs of the City; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-56-304(3) provides an exception to the normal competitive bidding requirements for purchases or leases of supplies, materials, or equipment for immediate delivery in actual emergencies arising from unforeseen causes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COPPERHILL, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 1: The Board of Mayor and Aldermen hereby authorizes the emergency purchase of municipal maintenance and utility equipment necessary to address the City's storm recovery, infrastructure repair, water and sewer operations, and essential municipal services pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-56-304(3).

Section 2: The equipment authorized for purchase shall include the equipment and attachments identified in the City's equipment needs request, subject to available funding and applicable purchasing requirements.

Section 3: The Mayor, City Recorder, and appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to obtain pricing, execute purchase documents, and take such actions as are necessary to complete the authorized emergency purchase.

Section 4: The City shall maintain a record of the emergency purchase specifying the amount paid, items purchased, vendor, and nature of the emergency, and shall provide the required report to the municipal governing body and chief executive officer in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-56-304(3).

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