



**Fentress County Board of Commission  
SPECIAL CALLED AGENDA**

Appointment of Sheriff

**Date:** MARCH 23, 2026

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** 101 South Main Street, Jamestown TN 38556

1.	<b>CALL TO ORDER BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE: JIMMY JOHNSON</b>
2.	<b>Pledge of Allegiance – 4<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner Lester Gooding</b>
3.	<b>Opening Prayer- 4th District Commissioner Leon Stepp</b>
4.	<b>Roll Call—Amanda Hicks, County Clerk</b>
5.	<b>Reading of the Agenda/Appointment Procedures as detailed below (with opportunity for clarification)</b>
6.	<b>Approval of Agenda/Appointment Procedures</b>
7.	<b>Nomination of Qualified Candidates for Sheriff from the County Commission</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ask for nominations from the public</b></li></ul>
8.	<b>Motion for nominations to cease.</b>
9.	<b>Candidate Interviews</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Conducted by drawing of nominated candidates.</b></li><li>• <b>Austin Andrews will moderate questions to the candidates</b></li><li>• <b>All questions submitted by the County Commission will be placed in a drawing for the 5 questions that will be asked of the candidates.</b></li><li>• <b>5 questions will be asked to each of the candidates with 2 minutes to respond to each question. At the end of the questions the Candidates will be given 3 minutes to give closing remarks without any further questions being permitted.</b></li><li>• <b>All non-interviewing candidates will be asked to exit the courtroom during interviews; it is requested that they also leave behind their cell phones or devices.</b></li></ul>



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10.	<b>Motion to close interviews.</b>
11.	<b>Public comment (no debate with anyone &amp; be respectful)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Speakers must be signed in prior to the meeting.</b></li><li>• <b>Three (3) minute time limit</b></li><li>• <b>No questions permitted to candidates</b></li></ul>
12.	<b>Voting will be conducted in the order that the applications were received in the County Executive's Office.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Vote will be conducted by show of hands.</b></li><li>• <b>Majority vote (6) required for appointment.</b></li><li>• <b>First Candidate to receive the required (6) vote majority will receive the appointment of Fentress County Sheriff for the term ending August 31st, 2026.</b></li></ul>
13.	<b>Appointed candidate will be sworn in Tuesday, March 24th by Judge Todd Burnett.</b>
14.	<b>Adjournment</b>