



Hawkins County Mayor Melville Bailey lives at 1706 Pressmen's Home Road, Rogersville with his wife, Diane. They have one daughter, Amy, who is married to Daniel McMillan.

Mayor Bailey is a retired school teacher/principal, having worked in the Hawkins County School System for almost 35 years. He and Diane are members of Spires Chapel Church. Melville loves to hunt and fish, walk, and rummage sale. The office of county mayor is a new venture for him since this is his first political experience.

Melville is a product of the Hawkins County School System graduating from Rogersville High School in 1970. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, having earned a degree in natural sciences (chemistry, physics, and biology). He also received a Master's Degree and an Educational Specialist Degree in administration and supervision from East Tennessee State University in Johnson City.

By virtue of the office of county mayor, Bailey is a member of several organizational boards throughout Hawkins County and Northeast Tennessee. He also serves as Chairman and ex

officio (non-voting) member of the Hawkins County Commission and its sub-committees. As chief executive officer of the county, the county mayor exercises a role of leadership in county government with his primary duties focused on county financial management. He also has the care and custody of all county property, unless it is placed with another officer.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

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Nicole Buchanan - Accounts and Budget Director
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Do I need a building permit to build in the county?

Effective October 1, 2010 a building permit will be required for the new construction of a one and two family residence within the county. The State of Tennessee, Department of Commerce, Fire Prevention Division will be issue and enforce the building codes. You may apply on line and/or obtain additional information by logging on to tennessee.gov/commerce/sfm. A list of local issuing agents will be posted to the website soon. If you live within a city limits, call the following city office for their requirements:

Bulls Gap 423-235-5216

Church Hill 423-357-6161
Mount Carmel 423-357-7311
Rogersville 423-272-7497
Surgoinsville 423-345-2213

In addition, you will need the following permits:

1. A permit for your septic system from the Department of Environment and Conservation, Water Pollution Control. You may contact 423-357-2920 in the Church Hill area and 423-272-2485 in the Rogersville area.
2. A permit for your electrical supply from Appalachian Power or Holston Electric Cooperative, Inc. You may contact Appalachian Power at 877-237-2886 and Holston Electric at 423-272-8821.

Where do I get a burn permit?

Tennessee Forestry Department (423) 345-2147

Where do I take my household hazardous waste?

See [Solid Waste Department](#)

County Holidays:

County offices will be closed on the following holidays:

New Years Day	Columbus Day
Martin Luther King Day	Veteran's Day
Presidents Day	Thanksgiving
Good Friday	Christmas Eve
Memorial Day	Christmas Day
Independence Day	Election Days
Labor Day	

