McMinn County Property Assessor Keith Price (in photo) won re-nomination in the Super Tuesday primary voting. Price received 69% of the vote compared to 31% for his challenger, Athens Mayor Chuck Burris. There were no Democrat candidates. The general election will be Aug. 6.

Voters living in McMinn County (but outside of the City of Athens) approved a .75% increase in the local option sales tax. The vote was 2,838 for (50.8%) and 2,749 opposed.

In the presidential primary voting, Donald Trump received 96.8% percent of the Republican vote. In the Democratic primary, Joe Biden led the field with 44.5% of the vote. Bernie Sanders finished in second place with 21.2% percent of the vote. Elizabeth Warren finished 4th with 7.4% percent of the vote.

In Meigs County, Billy Breeden was re-nominated property assessor in the Republican primary, defeating P.J. Hackney by a vote of 1,115 to 653. There were no Democrat candidates.

The death toll from tornadoes which hit Middle Tennessee early Tuesday now stands at 24. There were 18 fatalities in Putnam County, three in Wilson County, two in Davidson County, and one in Benton County. I-40 was blocked to traffic in both directions in the area for several hours. State Senator Mike Bell of Riceville says the twister hit about a mile from his apartment in Nashville. He sent this photo showing some of the damage in Nashville.

**COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**

- Donations for next week’s Trash and Treasure Sale are being accepted all week long from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 3054-B, Highway 11, the Metro Transport Building. Donations will also be accepted on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The sale will be March 11-14th, with Premiere Night on March 10th from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets to the Premiere Night are $10.

**WEATHER FORECAST**

Wednesday - Cloudy. High 58, Low 45.

Wednesday night - Cloudy. Partly cloudy. Possible rain. Low 37.

Thursday - Breezy. Possible rain. High 53.

Thursday night - Partly cloudy. Possible rain. Low 37.

More Weather at: [wyxi.com](http://wyxi.com)
TWU Named “Military Friendly”

“Military Friendly” has released its 2020-21 list of Military Friendly schools, and again Tennessee Wesleyan University has made the list. Now in its 10th year, the Military Friendly Schools list has come to set the standard for higher education institutions to provide the best opportunities for veterans and their spouses. The list is created each year based on extensive research using public data sources for more than 8,000 schools nationwide. TWU Coordinator of Veteran Services, Will Nation, says the recognition is validation that TWU is continuing to take steps to make an education at TWU more accessible to military Veterans and their family members. The photo shows Will Nation on the right talking with a TWU student. (Photo submitted by JJ Hulet with TWU)