

June 30, 2015

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in a recessed session on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 7:00 AM in the Commissioners Room, 116 Adams Street, Plymouth, NC. Commissioners Johnson, Phelps, Sexton and Walker were present. Also present were County Manager Jerry W. Rhodes, Clerk to the Board Julie J. Bennett, Finance Officer Frank Milazi and County Attorney Curtis Potter. Commissioner Manning was unable to attend.

Chair Sexton called the June 30, 2015 meeting to order.

END OF FISCAL YEAR 2015 – 2016 BUDGET AMENDMENTS: Mr. Milazi presented the Board with the end of fiscal year 2015 – 2016 Budget Amendments. Mr. Milazi reminded the Board that revenues will still be coming in in July.

Commissioner Phelps asked for the detailed information for the budget amendments. Mr. Milazi said most of the department heads do not know how to do a budget amendment. The department head should come to the Finance Officer and then they both can go talk to the County Manager and then the budget amendment can come before the Board if necessary. Mr. Rhodes said at the next department head meeting he will stress the importance of budget amendments and give the department heads guidelines on how to do them.

Commissioner Phelps said he hopes that the Commissioners are not put in this situation again with no backup information on the budget amendments. This has been the case for the last three years. Commissioner Phelps does not know from the paperwork provided to them what the Commissioners are approving.

Discussion ensued on the various budget amendments in Mr. Milazi's summary.

Commissioner Johnson would like to raise water rates even more. Mr. Potter will bring information to the Board on the process to follow if they want to raise water rates from what was approved in the budget.

Chair Sexton would like for Mr. Potter to write a letter to the department heads regarding doing budget amendments for the next fiscal year. Mr. Potter will e-mail it to the Commissioners and it will be discussed at the July meeting.

**Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the end of fiscal year 2015 – 2016 budget amendments as presented. Commissioner Phelps seconded, motion carried unanimously.**

**At 7:50 AM with there being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Phelps made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded, motion carried unanimously.**

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William R. Sexton, Jr.  
Chair

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Julie J. Bennett, CMC, NCCCC  
Clerk to the Board