

June 28, 2012

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in a recessed session on Thursday, June 28, 2012 at 8:00 AM in the County Manager's Office, 116 Adams Street, Plymouth, NC. Commissioners Johnson, Manning and Sexton were present. Also present were Clerk to the Board Julie J. Bennett, Finance Officer Frank Milazi and Assistant County Manager/County Attorney Cheryl Young. Commissioners McCray and Alexander and County Manager David L. Peoples were absent.

Chair Manning called the June 28, 2012 meeting to order.

END OF FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 BUDGET AMENDMENTS: Mr. Frank Milazi, Finance Officer presented the Board with the end of fiscal year 2011-2012 budget amendments for approval.

- Budget Amendment #12210
Municipal Airport
 - AV Gas and Jet Fuel +\$ 20,000.00
 - Purchase of Land +\$220,539.00

- Budget Amendment #12230
Washington County Board of Education +\$ 2,259.45

- Budget Amendment #12240
Washington County Board of Education +\$ 6,438.15
+\$ 2,225.00

- Budget Amendment #12250
Hurricane Irene +\$144,543.21

- Budget Amendment #12260
Waterways Commission +\$ 1,320.00

- Budget Amendment #12270
COPS Federal Grant Adjustment +\$ 3,487.00

- Budget Amendment #12280
DHSS—Community Services +\$ 870.00

- Budget Amendment #12290
DHSS—Senior Center Transportation +\$ 5,200.00

- Budget Amendment #12300
Travel & Tourism Authority +\$ 4,000.00

- Budget Amendment #12310
Municipal Airport + \$220,539.00

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve budget amendments 12210, 12230, 12240, 12250, 12260, 12270, 12280, 12290, 12300 and 12310. Commissioner Johnson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

FUND BALANCE DISCUSSION: Mr. Milazi gave the Commissioners an overview of the current fund balance.

Discussion ensued regarding the cost of running Washington County's EMS. Commissioner Sexton recommended having work sessions in the coming year on how to run EMS more cost effectively. The Commissioners also recommended that Ms. Young explore the cost and procedures for contracting out EMS and also price out the cost of self-billing. Commissioner Johnson mentioned that Johnston County had approached her about them handling our EMS. The Commissioners asked Ms. Young to check with Johnston County about Washington County contracting with them. The Commissioners also asked Ms. Young to find out how other counties around us handle their EMS. The Commissioners also asked Ms. Young to check on what the cost difference would be for the County if we hired EMT's with intermediate credentials instead of paramedic credentials. Commissioner Sexton also requested Ms. Young to let the Commissioners know how much the County currently pays our EMS billing company.

Discussion also ensued regarding water rates in our County. The Commissioners asked Mr. Milazi to look at water rates in other counties to see if Washington County needs to make some adjustments.

With there being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Sexton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Buster Manning
Chair

Julie J. Bennett
Clerk to the Board