

JUNE 24, 1997

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, reconvened meeting recessed on June 16, 1997, in the Conference Room of the County Office Building with the following Commissioners present: Chairman James G. Hardy, Vice Chairman George T. Wynne, Commissioner Harry L. Foy, Jr., Commissioner James T. Moss, Jr., Commissioner Robert L. Swanson.

Mr. Chuck Murray, Finance Director, appeared before the Board to request approval of a budget amendment.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve BUDGET AMENDMENT NUMBER THIRTY-TWO (32); copy of amendment found in the Budget Ordinance Book.

Chairman Hardy brought up the subject of providing emergency medical services in the Bunn Rescue District and mentioned that there had been continuing discussions between representatives of the County and members of the Bunn Rescue Squad. Chairman Hardy stated that he would like the Board to consider one final comprise proposal which would result in an employee of the Bunn Rescue Squad and an employee of the County constituting the crew that would man the substation. It was discussed that the Bunn Rescue Squad had used its financial support during 1996-97 to hire two persons for six months, therefore, it is reasonable to expect that one person could be hired for twelve months with the same level of funding. The Bunn Rescue Squad employee would be required to have a minimum certification of EMT-I.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, voting "AYE" Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Moss, Commissioner Hardy, voting "NO" Commissioner Foy allow the Bunn Rescue Squad to hire one person to work at the substation in the Bunn Rescue District and that the expenses for the employee shall be paid from funds currently allocated in the 1997-98 Budget and any other funds which the squad may raise and that this arrangement shall be for a one-year trial period.

The Board discussed the County's current practice of billing for out-of-county transports and for scheduled transports. The Board discussed the need to evaluate and revise the entire billing system and to consider new guidelines for billing for medical transports.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried suspend the billing for non-scheduled out-of-county transports immediately pending the review and revision to the overall billing structure for out-of-county transports.

Commissioner Wynne requested that the County Manager draft a policy for consideration at the next meeting which would discontinue the practice of using the surname of a proper name when considering the names or renaming of roads in the future and that the policy should provide for a threshold limit of petitioners for the renaming of a road in order for it to be considered. All members of the Board concurred with the drafting of the policy.

The Board continued its review of the proposed budget for the 1997-1998 Fiscal Year and during that review agreed that the operating hours for convenience sites should be established

as follows: 7:00 A. M. - 6:30 P.M. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 1:00 P. M. - 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, Thursday; closed Sunday.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, voting "AYE" Commissioner Moss, Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Hardy; voting "NO" Commissioner Foy adopt the budget for the 1997-1998 Fiscal Year establishing the general tax rate at 93.5 cents and that the budget ordinance be prepared with the changes to the budget that had been discussed and agreed upon by the Board and that the accompanying schedule of fees and charges shall be effective on July 1, 1997; copy of budget and schedule of fees and charges are found in Budget Ordinance Book.

There being no further business to come before the Board, adjournment recorded at 10:05 P.M.

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