

June 28, 1999

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in special budget session at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, County Office Building, 725 McDowell Road, Asheboro, NC. Commissioners Frye, Kemp, Holmes, Davis, and Mason were present.

FY 1998-99 BUSINESS

Budget Amendment - TMA Audit

Ben Chavis, Tax Assessor, reported that the TMA audit for this year resulted in an additional \$153,855 of revenue for the County. The audit also resulted in refunds of \$32,313 being paid to businesses that incorrectly reported their personal property. The County paid a fee of \$44,892 to TMA. These two expenses total \$77,205.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Davis, the Board unanimously approved Budget Amendment #48 to the FY 1998-99 Annual Budget, as follows:

GENERAL FUND - #48	
Revenue	Increase
<i>Ad Valorem Taxes</i>	\$77,205
Appropriation	Increase
<i>Tax Department</i>	\$77,205

Budget Amendment - Public Works

David Townsend, III, Public Works Director, requested a budget amendment redirecting funds within his budget and appropriating fund balance to insure sufficient funds to pay the last transfer station operations bill for this fiscal year.

On motion of Davis, seconded by Mason, the Board unanimously approved Budget Amendment #49 to the FY 1998-99 Annual Budget, as follows:

PUBLIC WORKS FUND - #49		
Revenue	Increase	Decrease
<i>Fund Balance Appropriated</i>	\$58,000	
Appropriation	Increase	Decrease
<i>Landfill Operations</i>	\$105,334	
<i>Administration</i>		\$5,000
<i>Recycling Program</i>		\$22,494
<i>Other Operations</i>		\$19,840

Budget Amendment - Merit Increases

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Holmes, the Board unanimously approved Budget Amendment #50 to the FY 1998-99 Annual Budget to transfer merit money from Administration to the various departments using it, as follows:

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GENERAL FUND - #50		
Appropriation	Increase	Decrease
Administration	785	
Computer Services	238	
Tax	764	
Register of Deeds	58	
Sheriff	5,058	
Emergency Services	1,907	
Building Inspections	892	
Planning & Zoning	1,203	
Health	2,882	
Social Services	3,885	
Library	609	
Cooperative Extension	450	
Administration		18,731

Budget Amendment - Fire Districts

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Mason, the Board unanimously approved Budget Amendment #51 to the FY 1998-99 Annual Budget to reflect collections for fire districts that exceeded original estimated taxes, as follows:

GENERAL FUND - #51	
Appropriation	Increase
Tax Collections Remitted - Climax Fire District	400
Tax Collections Remitted - Eastside Fire District	300
Tax Collections Remitted - Randleman Fire District	11,400
Tax Collections Remitted - Northeast Fire District	5,000
Revenue	Increase
Taxes: Current Year - Climax Fire District	400
Taxes: Current Year - Eastside Fire District	300
Taxes: Current Year - Randleman Fire District	11,400
Taxes: Current Year - Northeast Fire District	5,000

Budget Amendment - Sheriff

Jane Leonard, Deputy Finance Officer, stated that the Randolph County Board of Education and the Sheriff's Office have been working on establishing an annual Junior Sheriff's Academy, which would be a four-week summer program to train middle school-aged youths with skills to make them better students and members of the community. The County applied for a grant to operate this program for the summer of 1999, and we recently learned that we had been awarded the grant. Because we were not sure the grant would be approved, Lieutenant Harrelson solicited donations from several individuals and businesses to cover costs of the program and received \$6,750. Since the grant was approved, the donations will not be needed for this year's program. However, we would like to set aside this money for a future Junior Sheriff's Academy.

On motion of Holmes, seconded by Davis, the Board unanimously approved Budget Amendment #52 to the 1998-99 Annual Budget, as follows:

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GENERAL FUND - #52	
<i>Appropriation</i>	<i>Increase</i>
<i>Sheriff & Jail</i>	6,750
<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Increase</i>
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	6,750

Budget Amendment - Health Insurance

Jane Leonard, Deputy Finance Officer, reported that the County’s health insurance cost has been steadily increasing over the past several years. Our plan administrator prepares a renewal summary each April to project the estimated claims for the coming year. Normally the rates are adjusted annually to compensate for the added insurance payments. By the time the administrator got the renewal information to us last year, the proposed budget had already been prepared and it was too late to adjust each department’s budget with the new rate. Instead, the money to cover the employer cost of an estimated \$100,000 was placed in the contingency fund. We have received 11 of our 12 monthly invoices and are currently showing a small deficit that will be expensed back to each department based on a percentage. Most of the departments have lapsed salaries or other unspent funds to cover their portion, but 4 departments may need additional money if the last invoice comes in at a high cost. Therefore, some money needs to be moved from the contingency account for this purpose.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Davis, the Board unanimously approve Budget Amendment #53 to the FY 1998-99 Annual Budget, as follows:

GENERAL FUND - #53		
<i>Appropriation</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
<i>Tax</i>	6,000	
<i>Sheriff & Jail</i>	25,000	
<i>Public Library</i>	3,800	
<i>Soil & Water</i>	550	
<i>Contingency</i>		35,350

FY 1999-2000 BUDGET

Adoption of School and Fire District Tax Rates

On motion of Davis, seconded by Holmes, the Board unanimously approved the following school district tax rates: Archdale/Trinity, 8.5¢; Asheboro, 14.5¢.

On motion of Mason, seconded by Davis, the Board unanimously approved the following fire district tax rates: Bennett-8¢, Climax-10¢, Coleridge-8¢, Eastside-6¢, Fairgrove-7.5¢, Farmer-8¢, Franklinville- 8¢, Guil-Rand-10¢, Julian-10¢, Level Cross-9¢, Northeast-7¢, Randleman-10¢, Seagrove-10¢, Sophia-10¢, Southwest-10¢, Staley-10¢, Tabernacle-9¢, Ulah-6.5¢, Westside-8.5¢.

Budget Discussion

The Board discussed the request of the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce for a \$20,000 annual contribution and the Center of Living’s request for funds to purchase a \$103,469 computer system.

On motion of Holmes, seconded by Mason, the Board unanimously voted to allocate \$50,000 to the

Center of Living from the 1998-99 contingency fund and approved Budget Amendment #54, as follows:

GENERAL FUND - #54		
<i>Appropriation</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
Center of Living	50,000	
Contingency Appropriation		50,000

Adoption of Landfill Tipping Fee Schedule

David Townsend, III, Public Works Director, proposed the following suggested tipping fees for FY 1999-2000, which includes increases for some of the materials received at the solid waste facility:

Material	Current Tipping Fee/Ton	FY 99-00 Tipping Fee/Ton
Commercial	\$35.00	\$38.00
Industrial	\$35.00	\$38.00
Residential	\$35.00	\$38.00
Construction Waste	\$35.00	\$38.00
Shingles	\$35.00	\$38.00
Metal	\$24.00	\$38.00
Semi-Clean Wood	\$20.00	\$25.00
Clean Wood	\$20.00	\$25.00
Demolition (LCID)	\$12.50	\$25.00
Branches	\$10.00	\$25.00
Sawdust	\$10.00	\$25.00
Small Pickup - Small Load (P2)	\$2.00	\$2.00
Small Pickup - Full Load (P3)	\$3.00	\$3.00
Mid-size Pickup (P4)	\$4.00	\$4.00
Full-size Pickup	\$4.00	\$4.00

On motion of Davis, seconded by Kemp, the Board unanimously approved the tipping fee schedule as proposed.

Adoption of Final FY 1999-2000 Budget

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Holmes, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the FY 1999-2000 Budget Ordinance (ATTACHED) as proposed and set the tax rate at 51.25¢ per \$100 valuation.

Darrell L. Frye, Chairman

Phil Kemp

J. Harold Holmes

Robert B. Davis

Robert O. Mason

Alice D. Dawson, Clerk to the Board

