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MINUTES OF THE RECESSED MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE
COUNTY OF LEE, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

JUNE 7, 2007

The recessed meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Lee, State of North Carolina, convened at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room, Lee County Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina, on said date. Commissioners present were Robert H. Brown, James C. Kelly, Jerry M. Lemmond, Nathan E. Paschal, Linda A. Shook, and Kirk D. Smith. Commissioner Reives joined the meeting later.

Chairman Brown presided and the following business was transacted as a continuation of the June 4, 2007 regular meeting:

Interim County Manager Lisa Minter presented recommendations approved from the June 4, 2007, Finance Committee meeting pertaining to the FY 2007-08 budget:

Expenditure Increases:

- Increase CCCC current expense appropriation by \$160,000;
- Increase rent expense in Emergency Management budget by \$3,552;
- Increase HAVEN appropriation by \$5,000;
- Increase Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action appropriation by \$2,000;
- Increase Register of Deeds budget by \$4,530 to increase Register of Deeds' salary to \$60,000 (will bring her salary up to mid-range);
- Increase Sheriff's budget by \$84,437 to add Crime Scene Investigator and related costs; and
- Increase COLA from 2.5% to 3.0%, approximately \$71,000.

Total expenditure increases amount to \$330,519.00.

Expenditure Reductions:

- Reduce Lee County School's current expense appropriation by \$67,303;
- Reduce Health Department vehicle appropriation by \$30,000 (for two vehicles);
- Reduce Jail salaries by \$5,918 for Pay for Performance adjustment;
- Reduce Sandhills Mental Health appropriation by \$2,000;
- Reduce IT Department by \$50,625 to remove IT Support Analyst position originally recommended; and
- Remove \$31,620 for Pay for Performance Program.

Total expenditure reductions amount to \$187,466.00.

FY 2007-08 Budget Items for Consideration:

Commissioner Reives joined the meeting at this time.

Revenue Increases:

- Increase Fund Balance Appropriated by \$28,840 for vehicle for Crime Scene Investigator position
- Transfer the purchase of three Sheriff patrol cars (\$67,440) from operational funding to funding from Fund Balance Appropriated.

Expenditure Reductions:

- Reduce funding for Tax Consulting services by \$17,541
- Reduce IT Department by \$14,232 and fund the secondary storage network
- Reduce funding for generator quick connects in Emergency Management by \$15,000.

Commissioner Shook proposed a method to hire four (4) deputies (as requested by Sheriff Tracy Carter) with two beginning work on October 1, 2007, and two on April 1, 2008. Commissioner Reives said the proposal would not work unless money could be found to pay for two extra patrol cars and computers the deputies would need. Concerns were also expressed by Commissioner Shook to the \$2,000 additional appropriation to Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action. Commissioner Smith asked questions pertaining to fraud programs at the Department of Social Service and related budget matters. Social Services Director Brenda Potts was present and answered questions.

Commissioner Reives moved to approve the Expenditure Increases and Expenditure Reductions as recommended by the Finance Committee for the FY 2007-08 budget. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Brown, Kelly, Lemmond, Paschal, Reives, and Smith
Nay: Shook

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted by a six to one vote.

Interim County Manager Lisa Minter told the Board the FY 2007-08 Budget Ordinance would not be furnished in the next agenda package but would be provided to all members before the June 18, 2007 meeting for review.

With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kelly moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Brown, Kelly, Lemmond, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Smith
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the recessed meeting adjourned in keeping with the motion.

Robert H. Brown, Chairman
Lee County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Gaynell M. Lee, Clerk