

**HAYWOOD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS****REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 20, 2010****CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman J.W. "Kirk" Kirkpatrick, III convened the regular meeting of the Haywood County Board of Commissioners at 5:30 p.m. in the Historic Courtroom at the Haywood County Historic Courthouse, Waynesville, North Carolina, with Chairman J.W. "Kirk" Kirkpatrick, III, Vice-Chairman Bill Upton, Commissioners Charles "Skeeter" Curtis, L. Kevin Ensley, and Mark S. Swanger present. Staff members present were County Manager David Cotton, Assistant County Manager Marty Stamey, County Attorney Leon M. "Chip" Killian, III, Finance Director Julie Davis, Public Information Officer David Teague and Administrative Assistant Rebecca Morgan.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Kirkpatrick led the pledge of allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Ensley offered the invocation.

**PUBLIC HEARING****Schedule of Values**

David Francis, Tax Administrator, reviewed the revaluation process. North Carolina law requires each county to reappraise real property, land, buildings and other improvements at least every eight years. The last Haywood County-wide revaluation was completed in 2006. The next revaluation will be in 2011. Revaluation is the process of reappraising all real property in the County to current market values as of the effective date, which is January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Fair market value is the value at which property will physically sell in the open market. The primary reason for revaluation is to periodically re-equalize the property values to preserve uniformity and equity in the tax base. Mr. Francis explained the cost approach, market data approach, the income approach and an overview of the revaluation process. The 2011 Use of Values Manual for Agriculture, Horticulture and Forest Land was adopted in 2010.

Chairman Kirkpatrick opened the public hearing.

Terry Rogers stated that tax rate increases on forestland are too much. Mr. Rogers expressed that the farmers have a difficult time making ends meet without a tax rate increase. Mr. Rogers stated that the Farm Bureau would assist the Board whenever possible.

Yolanda Ferguson stated that she and her husband are farmers. Ms. Ferguson urged the Board to reconsider raising the taxes for farmers.

Dan Best shared that he farmed in the area of Crabtree. Mr. Best stated that Haywood County needs fewer developments and more farms.

Jonnie Cure´ stated that the Board minimizes the problem of taxation on the farmland and residential properties. Ms. Cure´ urged the Board to tell the officials in Raleigh that the proposed tax rate increase is an awful burden to the people who own land in this County.

Beverly Elliott offered a solution to the Board that in lieu of raising tax rate values on the farmers; use the Payment in Lieu of Taxes funds. Ms. Elliott explained that the Board could petition the Forest Service to have a timber sale on the Pisgah National Forest. Ms. Elliott stated that Haywood County Government could receive twenty-five percent of the money,

free and clear, from the sale of the timber. Ms. Elliott shared that the money could help alleviate a tax rate increase.

Chairman Kirkpatrick closed the public hearing.

## **CALL TO PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Animal Control Ordinance Revisions**

Jean Hazzard, Animal Control Director, presented proposed revisions to the Animal Control Ordinance. Ms. Hazzard stated that in an effort to better revise the Animal Control Ordinance, representatives from the Haywood Animal Control Department met with representatives from the Haywood Animal Welfare Association (HAWA), S.A.R.G.E.'s Animal Rescue Foundation, Veterinarian Dr. Kristen Hammett, bear hunters, County Attorney Chip Killian and the raccoon hunters. Ms. Hazzard explained that some animals at the shelter needing to be adopted are very small. One of the proposed changes being reviewed with the most consideration to change is in reference to the weight of an animal. The proposed change would require that an animal weigh two pounds or greater in order that it may be sterilized and adopted.

The Board set the public hearing for October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Kirkpatrick opened the public comment session. Comments are generally limited to three minutes per individual, unless the speaker is representing a group for which the comment period may be extended to five minutes.

Penny Wallace, Director of the Haywood Animal Welfare Association (HAWA), spoke on behalf of Kit Mills, Connie Hewitt, Susan Kumpf, Nadine McCarthur, Susie Geiliugton, and Nancy Lux. Ms. Wallace presented documentation of her concerns regarding the Animal Control Office and proposed changes to the ordinance. Ms. Wallace expressed her desire to see the weight requirement of animals being adopted and sterilized to include animals weighing less than two pounds. Ms. Wallace explained that many young kittens and small toy dog breeds do not meet the proposed weight requirement of two pounds. Ms. Wallace suggested an Advisory Committee be established with the goals of assessing the gaps in services experienced by the Animal Control Department. Ms. Wallace shared that many citizens are willing to serve on an Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee could work on grant applications that could help meet needs and fund services that currently cannot be met with taxpayer dollars.

Monroe Miller inquired as to the reason the minutes from the last regular Board meeting held September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010, included verbatim transcription regarding Haywood Community College (HCC). Mr. Monroe stated the HCC Board of Trustees did not vote on the solar thermal portion of the proposed Creative Arts Building. Mr. Miller stated that at the last Board meeting, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010, Mark Bumgarner, HCC Board of Trustees Chairman, failed to answer a direct question regarding the approval of the HCC Board of Trustees and the status of the solar thermal project.

Jonnie Cure´ stated that when the Commissioners were sworn into office they took an oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of North Carolina. Ms. Cure´ read the first amendment from the Constitution of the United States and stated that citizens have a right to speak during the public comment session. On the agenda, the Public Comment Guidelines would be presented for discussion. Ms. Cure´ shared that of the eleven proposed guidelines, four are acceptable. Ms. Cure´ expressed that the Public Comment Session should not be limited to thirty minutes. Ms. Cure´ inquired as to the reason fourteen copies of documents being presented to the Commissioners are necessary since there are only five Commissioners.

Justin Carmack stated that he is not a resident of Haywood County, however, he expressed that the proposed Public Comment Guidelines are unnecessary.

Beverly Elliott referred to amendments one and four of the Constitution of the United States. Ms. Elliott stated that amendment one regarding the right of the people to peacefully assemble and to petition the Government for redress of grievances is one of the most fundamental rights to Americans. Ms. Elliott stated that for the Board of County Commissioners to limit the public comment session to thirty minutes is an assault on the rights of citizens as guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States.

Joe Moore complained about a personal business tax bill. Mr. Moore stated the bill showed a \$500 value for a new refrigerator he placed in one of his rental units that cost him only \$300. Mr. Moore explained that he received another bill for landfill taxes. When he inquired at the Tax Administrator's office about the bill, he learned that the County failed to send tax bills for the 2008-2009 landfill taxes. Mr. Moore suggested that the Board should honor the separation of church and state by offering a moment of silence at the Board meetings instead of a prayer.

Yvonne Mazzett expressed her concern for the thirty-minute limit being placed on the public comment session. Ms. Mazzett stated that the Commissioners should listen to the citizens no matter how long it takes.

Yolanda Ferguson expressed that the Commissioners do not listen to its citizens. Ms. Ferguson stated that the Commissioners put themselves up on a pedestal.

Emma English expressed that citizens should be heard by their Commissioners. Ms. English stated that the public comment session should not be limited to thirty minutes.

Kenneth Henson stated that a thirty-minute limit to the public comment session would be a mistake. Mr. Henson shared that the Constitution of the United States does not include separation of church and state and the Commissioners should pray in the name of Jesus.

Donald Hipps inquired as to the whereabouts of the Commissioners on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010, when tribute was given to first responders who died in New York.

Terry Ramey urged the Commissioners to listen to everyone who wants to speak during the public comment session. Mr. Ramey stated that the Sheriff's Department should hire more officers to help citizens. Mr. Ramey advised that the agenda included discussion of a grant for the Sheriff's Office allowing them to hire two more officers. Mr. Ramey expressed his support for that proposed grant.

Al Goodis expressed his appreciation to Commissioner Ensley who attended a tribute on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010, given to first responders who died in New York. That tribute was held on the lawn of the Haywood County Historic Courthouse. Mr. Goodis urged the Board to read the editorial section of "The Mountaineer".

There being no other public comments, Chairman Kirkpatrick closed the public comments session.

### **Recess**

Chairman Kirkpatrick called for a brief recess.

### **CONSTITUENT CONCERNS**

Chairman Kirkpatrick inquired if there were any constituent concerns. Commissioner Ensley stated that a regional livestock market is being built in Canton. Commissioner Ensley inquired if Haywood County could provide funding for that project. Commissioner Ensley inquired as to the schedule of the Board meetings on HCTV. The Board agreed to discuss this request at the next regular Board meeting, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. David Teague, Public Information Officer, stated that a new schedule of the Board meetings is expected to begin in October 2010.

Commissioner Curtis stated that he received calls from concerned citizens who live in the area of the future livestock market. It seems that large trucks are traveling on those small roads making it very dangerous. Mr. Curtis explained that those trucks should be getting off

the Newfound Road exit, but instead the trucks are getting off I-40 at the Canton exit. Commissioner Curtis stated that he would be meeting with the Department of Transportation to look at the signage and better direct the truck drivers.

Chairman Kirkpatrick read the North Carolina G. S. § 153a-52.1 Public Comment Period during regular meetings; "The Board of Commissioners shall provide at least one period for public comment per month at a regular meeting of the board. The board may adopt reasonable rules governing the conduct of the public". Chairman Kirkpatrick confirmed that the Haywood County Board of Commissioners allows a public comment session at every regular Board meeting. However, the Board would be discussing guidelines for the public comment session.

Chairman Kirkpatrick clarified that Joe Moore purchased a refrigerator for \$300 to place in one of his rental homes. That refrigerator gets a value of \$500 because that is the minimum value on personal property. Chairman Kirkpatrick suggested the Board review that mandated minimum amount.

Chairman Kirkpatrick explained that on the agenda is an item regarding a grant for the Sheriff's Office. The grant would provide funding to the County, but the Board must consider the expenditures of the County and the amount of funding the County would be required to match.

Commissioner Swanger stated that patriotism is a matter of heart and mind. Labeling someone because of failure to attend a rally is unfair. Commissioner Swanger shared that he was out of town attending a funeral the week of September 11<sup>th</sup>, and was unable to attend the tribute held on the lawn of the Historic Courthouse. Commissioner Swanger added that he does not have to justify his whereabouts. Commissioner Swanger stated that he is a Veteran, that he served thirty-two years in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, he was shot at, dog bit, and does not feel the need to justify his patriotism.

Vice-Chairman Upton stated that he was out of town with his son. Vice-Chairman Upton explained that arrangements would sometimes conflict with other activities.

Commissioner Curtis explained that the hearing device used during the Board meetings was not working properly. During the meeting, Commissioner Curtis advised that he was trying to work with the device in an attempt to correct the malfunction. Commissioner Curtis stated that during recess, one citizen accused him of playing with his toy, but he was simply trying to better tune the hearing device. Commissioner Curtis stated that he does not need to justify why he attended or did not attend a rally. Commissioner Curtis shared that his father was killed during World War II and that he grew up without his father. As a Veteran, he resents being told that he does not care about this country.

Commissioner Ensley expressed his appreciation to the emergency workers and for the rally held September 11<sup>th</sup>.

There were no other constituent concerns Chairman Kirkpatrick closed the Public Comment session.

### **Recess**

Chairman Kirkpatrick called for a brief recess.

### **DISCUSSION / ADJUSTMENT / APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Kirkpatrick added "Potential Litigation" to "Closed Session".

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approve September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes – Commissioner Swanger shared one correction on page 111, third paragraph, the word "find" should be changed to "bind".

Commissioner Ensley made a motion to approve the September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 regular Meeting Minutes with the change indicated by Commissioner Swanger. Commissioner Swanger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Upton made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Curtis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- Budget Amendments – Julie Davis, Finance Director
  - Sheriff's Office – \$65,884 – Car-to-Car grant - To appropriate the funding for Haywood County Law Enforcement to access the CJIS / NCIC network. This project will place mobile data terminals in patrol vehicles. This is a multi-agency grant with the following agencies participating: Haywood County, Towns of Maggie Valley, Canton and Clyde.
  - Tax Collections – \$16,000 for collection agency fees from prior year's tax - To appropriate an amount to cover the cost of the collection company percentage charged for collecting past due taxes.
  - Solid Waste Special Revenue Fund – \$144,612 from S/R fund balance for balance of contract due to McGill for groundwater well installation at Francis Farm - To cover the balance of the prior year contract that will be paid in the current fiscal year for McGill Associates, P.A.
  - E-911 Fund – \$56,204 from fund balance in S / R fund as complies with Section 9 of House Bill 1691, which allows 50% of funds in Emergency Telephone System Fund on July 1, 2010 to be used for public safety needs, including costs not eligible expense under G.S. 62A-46 - To appropriate an amount from prior year's fund balance currently available for public safety needs, including costs not eligible under G.S. 62A-46. House Bill 1691 allows 50% of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to be used for this purpose.
- Approve August 2010 Refunds, Releases, Amendments and Discoveries  
David Francis, Tax Administrator

HAYWOOD COUNTY  
BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT  
FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

PER: \_\_\_\_\_  
JNL: \_\_\_\_\_

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011

Section 1. To amend the Special Revenue Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<u>S/R Grant Projects Consolidating Fund</u>				
<u>Fund 34-Sheriff Dept</u>				
Data Processing Supplies-Sheriff	34 4310 529100 10CAR	-	35,295	35,295
Data Processing Supplies-Maggie Valley	34 4310 529100 10CAR	-	7,059	7,059
Data Processing Supplies-Clyde	34 4310 529100 10CAR	-	9,412	9,412
Data Processing Supplies-Canton	34 4310 529100 10CAR	-	14,118	14,118

which will result in a net increase of \$ 65,884 in the expenditures of the Special Revenue Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<u>S/R Grant Projects Fund</u>				
<u>Intergovernmental Revenue:</u>				
GCC grant	340050 443131 10CAR	-	49,413	49,413
Car-Car Maggie Valley Match	340050 471343 10CAR	-	1,764	1,764
Car-Car Town of Clyde Match	340050 459361 10CAR	-	2,353	2,353
Car-Car Town of Canton Match	340050 461841 10CAR	-	3,529	3,529
Transfer from General Fund	340110 498111 10CAR	-	8,825	8,825
			<u>65,884</u>	

Amendments to the General Fund will be required as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Transfer to fund 34 (Grant consolidating fund)	11 9820 598034	-	8,825	8,825
<u>Sheriff's Office:</u>				
Grant match	11 4310 569900	8,823	(8,823)	-
Misc. departmental supplies	11 4310 529900	1,000	(2)	998

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

  
Chairman  
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:   
Clerk to the Board

<b>Explanation:</b>
To appropriate the funding for Haywood County Law Enforcement to access the CJIS/NCIC network.
This project will place mobile data terminals in patrol vehicles.
This is a multi-agency grant with the following agencies participating: Haywood Co., Town of MV, Canton, Clyde.

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Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<u>Tax Collections:</u>				
Professional services - other	114140-519900	8,000	16,000	24,000
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				-

which will result in a net increase (decrease) of \$ 16,000 in the expenditures of the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<u>Ad Valorem Taxes</u>				
Taxes - Ad valorem Lev 07	110010-410711	25,687	8,000	33,687
Taxes - Ad valorem Lev 06	110010-410611	18,232	8,000	26,232
				-
			<u>16,000</u>	

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Adopted this the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2010.

  
Chairman  
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:   
Clerk to the Board

<b>Explanation:</b>
To appropriate an amount to cover the cost of the collection company percentage charged for collecting past due taxes.

HAYWOOD COUNTY  
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FISCAL YEAR 2011

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011

Section 1. To amend the Special Revenue Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

S/R Fund	Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<b>Solid Waste Management:</b>					
	Professional Services - other engineering	244710-519900-47106	67,255	144,612	211,867

which will result in a net increase of \$ 144,612 in the expenditures of the Special Revenue Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<b>Other financing sources:</b>				
Fund balance appropriated	240110-499991	182,999	144,612	307,611

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Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

  
Chairman  
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:   
Clerk to the Board

<b>Explanation:</b>
To cover the balance of the prior year contract that will be paid in the current fiscal year for McGill Associates, P.A.

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Section 1. To amend the Special Revenue Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
<b>S/R 911 Emergency Fund</b>				
Data processing equipment	234311-552000	50,000	56,204	106,204

which will result in a net increase of \$ 56,204 in the expenditures of the Special Revenue Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Appropriation of fund balance	230110-499991	-	56,204	56,204

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Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

  
Chairman  
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:   
Clerk to the Board

<b>Explanation:</b>
To appropriate an amount from prior year's fund balance currently available for public safety needs, including costs not eligible under G.S. 62A-46.
House Bill 1691 allows 50% of June 30, 2010 to be used for this purpose.

**OLD BUSINESS****Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) Grant for Haywood County Sheriff's Office**

Ellen T. Pitt, Representative of Mothers Against Drunk Driving / Western North Carolina (MADD / WNC), expressed support for the GHSP grant for Haywood County Sheriff's Office. Ms. Pitt stated that during 2008, an average of forty-four driving while impaired arrests were made each month in Haywood County. Many drivers who are driving while impaired are not arrested and some cause fatal accidents. Ms. Pitt urged the Commissioners to approve the GHSP grant request being presented by Sheriff Suttles.

**NC Governor's Highway Safety Program Local Government Resolution form GHSP-02-A – request for approval of four year traffic safety program funded partially with grant funds**

At the last Board meeting, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010, Sheriff Bobby Suttles and Mark Banks, Volunteer, presented the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program Traffic Safety Project Contract grant – form GHSP-02. The grant would offer Haywood County two additional traffic officers with equipment, and salaries for the first year of the grant. The match by the County for the first year would be fifteen percent, which is \$38,879. The percentage of the match increases during the second and third year of the grant. The fourth year the County would be 100% responsible. Sheriff Suttles stated that this is a traffic enforcement grant. Mr. Banks explained that the grant for the first year is \$258,590, and includes all the equipment. The fourth year cost to the County would be approximately \$110,000. The Board expressed concerns concerning budget implications. Chairman Kirkpatrick clarified that the first year of the grant the County would pay \$38,000, the second year the County would pay \$33,000, the third year would be \$55,000, and the last year would cost the County \$110,000 for a total of \$236,000. The proposed grant would begin October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Cheryl Leonard, Highway Safety Specialist with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, explained that the proposed grant would pay all the necessary equipment and any training to enhance existing skills of the two officers. The two officers would be County employees. Therefore, the County would pay the salaries and benefits of the officers, then request reimbursement of those salaries and the equipment. Ms. Leonard stated that the turn-around time is approximately two weeks. The money from the grant would be in a reserve for use by Haywood County. The grant requires that the two officers hold four driving while impaired checkpoints per year, and one seat-belt checkpoint per month.

Commissioner Curtis made a motion to approve the request by Sheriff Suttles and Mark Banks as well as the addition of Cheryl Leonard for approval of the grant for the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program Local Government resolution form for GHSP-02-A, a four-year traffic safety program. Vice-Chairman Upton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment Session Guidelines**

The Board discussed some changes to the proposed guidelines for public comment sessions presented at the September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Board meeting. The Board requested the guidelines should not include limiting the session to thirty minutes in order to allow citizens an opportunity to voice their concerns. Commissioner Swanger suggested changing the wording of the proposed guidelines to, "Comments are generally limited to three minutes per individual, unless the speaker is representing a group for which the comment period may be extended to five minutes, unless the Board Chair grants additional time". The Board Suggested that #5 be rewritten so that the public was not required to provide fourteen copies of documents to the County Manager's office before a meeting, but that it is recommended so that additional copies can be provided for administrative staff and the media, if the presenter desired.

Commissioner Swanger made a motion to pass the Haywood Board of Commissioners Guidelines for Public Comments at meetings subject to the modifications and mainly deletions and a few additions made during the meeting, which are recorded in the minutes. Commissioner Ensley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Recess**

Chairman Kirkpatrick called for a brief recess.

**NEW BUSINESS****Modification of Crabtree Fire Insurance District**

Johnny Gance, Fire Marshal, stated that during the last inspection of Crabtree Fire Department by the Department of Insurance it was discovered that a section of the six-mile insurance district was greater than six miles. Mr. Gance requested modification to correct this area and bring the district into compliance with the six-mile limit.

Commissioner Ensley made a motion to approve the modification of Crabtree Fire Insurance Districts presented by Johnny Gance, Fire Marshal. Commissioner Curtis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Extension of Insurance District to Six Miles for Saunook, Junaluska, Jonathan Creek, Waynesville, and Maggie Valley**

Johnny Gance, Fire Marshal, explained that all district maps have been reviewed and approved by the Department of Insurance to extend Saunook, Junaluska, Jonathan Creek, Waynesville, and Maggie Valley. This modification would not affect the current tax district, only insurance coverage that would benefit people in the extended area by reducing insurance costs.

Commissioner Curtis made a motion to approve the extension of insurance district for six miles for Saunook, Junaluska, Jonathan Creek, Waynesville, and Maggie Valley, as presented Johnny Gance, Fire Marshal. Commissioner Swanger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Budget Amendment – Mountain Projects – \$16,000 Foster Grandparent grant match from contingency**

Julie Davis, Finance Director, presented a request for support for the Foster Grandparent grant for Haywood County. Commissioner Swanger shared that grant requires \$16,000 from the County, a match of ten percent. The foster grandparents are low-income seniors who help children in various programs. Funds have already been received for this project.

Commissioner Swanger made a motion to approve the budget amendment for Mountain Projects, for the \$16,000 Foster Grandparent grant match. Vice-Chairman Upton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

HAYWOOD COUNTY  
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Action/Foster Grandparents program	115551-569919	-	16,000	16,000
Contingency	119910-599100	313,100	(16,000)	297,100

which will result in a net increase (decrease) of \$ - in the expenditures of the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
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				-
				-

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2010.

ATTEST:   
Clerk to the Board

  
Chairman  
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

Explanation:
To appropriate the match to the federal grant that is required in order to maintain the program.

**North Canton United Fire Department – request for approval to borrow money to purchase two demo fire trucks**

Rick Early, North Canton Fire Department Chief, shared that five years ago North Canton Fire Department built a new 10,000 square foot building. That building would be completely paid off in October 2010. Mr. Early stated that the fire department needs two new fire trucks, which would cost \$545,000. Julie Davis, Finance Director, explained that the North Canton Fire Department had increasing net assets over the past few years and has shown that they can make this type of payment. A public hearing has been scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. The tax rate is 6.5 percent.

Vice-Chairman Upton made a motion to approve the request to borrow money for the purchase of the two demo fire trucks as presented by Chief Rick Early, pending the results of the public hearing. Commissioner Curtis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**World Alzheimer’s Day Proclamation**

Vice-Chairman Upton stated that World Alzheimer's Day is September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010. The Memory Walk '10 would be held October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Lake Junaluska at 3:00 p.m. Registration is at 2:30 p.m. at the Nancy Weldon Gym. Everyone is invited to walk, raise money and volunteer to help. Vice-Chairman Upton presented a proclamation.

Vice-Chairman Upton made a motion to proclaim pursuant to this proclamation and Chairman Upton’s request that tomorrow, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010, the County recognize World Alzheimer’s Day. Commissioner Swanger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



**PROCLAMATION  
WORLD ALZHEIMER'S DAY  
SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2010**

**WHEREAS**, Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia, a group of disorders that impairs mental functioning. At the moment, Alzheimer's is progressive and irreversible. As many as five million Americans are living with Alzheimer's today, and about 360,000 people are newly diagnosed every year. That number is expected to increase to as many as sixteen million by 2050; and

**WHEREAS**, Alzheimer's affects about 10 percent of people ages 65 and older, and the prevalence doubles roughly every 10 years after age 65. Half the population ages 85 and up may have Alzheimer's; and

**WHEREAS**, there are almost 20 million caregivers in the United States providing daily comfort and care. These caregivers frequently enlist the help of friends, family and neighbors, making Alzheimer's disease something that affects millions more; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alzheimer's Association is the largest and leading resource for people living with the disease and their caregiver's providing care consultation, referral, and a broad range of comprehensive caregiver resources for information and education.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, J.W. "KIRK" KIRKPATRICK, III,  
AND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim**

**Tuesday, September 21, 2010  
World Alzheimer's Day**

in Haywood County and urge all citizens to support the causes of the Alzheimer's Association through the annual Haywood County Memory Walk at Lake Junaluska on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and help spread awareness by joining with other volunteers, forming walk teams at work, in churches, schools, and neighborhoods and contributing financially to this important cause.

Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010

**ATTEST BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF HAYWOOD**

David B. Cotton, County Manager

J. W. "Kirk" Kirkpatrick, III, Chairman

**CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Swanger made a motion to move into closed session for the purposes of approval and release of Closed Session Minutes – G.S. §143-318.11(a)(1), Personnel – G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6) and Potential Litigation – G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3). Vice-Chairman Upton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Return from Closed Session**

The Board returned from closed session.

Commissioner Swanger made a motion to approve but not release the closed session minutes of June 7<sup>th</sup>, regarding litigation and the minutes regarding personnel, and approve but not release the minutes of September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 regarding personnel. Commissioner Curtis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Ensley made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Curtis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The time of adjournment was 10:38 p.m. The DVD is attached by reference to the minutes.

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CHAIRMAN