

The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, June 1, 2011, at 6:30pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina. The purpose of this meeting was for the presentation of the budget message.

Present: Chairman Ken Richardson, Vice-Chair Tom Smith, Commissioner Larry Cox, Commissioner John Goudreau, Commissioner Steve Roten, County Manager Don Adams, and Clerk to the Board Karen Evans. County Attorney Donna Shumate was absent.

Chair Richardson called the meeting to order.

County Manager Don Adams reviewed the layout of the budget books including the tabs, the revenues/expenditures charts and the packet of the recommended budget. He presented to the Board the FY 2011/12 Budget Message in the amount of \$13,600,007, which is a 1.03% reduction over the current amended budget. He started reading the Budget Message in the amount of \$13,600,007 by reviewing the expenditures highlights. He continued reviewing the Budget Message; personnel, insurance/retirement and capital in the amount of \$88,737. He handed out papers to the Board about another option through Federal Surplus for a pickup for Maintenance. He reviewed the information about the other option, which would be a savings of \$8,975. He continued reviewing the Budget Message; capital improvements in the amount of \$9,900, major capital projects, Alleghany County Board of Education's current expense and capital, special appropriations—grants & mandates/volunteer safety/primary core functions/secondary functions. He explained the Alleghany Memorial Hospital and the Blue Ridge BDC requests in more detail. He reviewed the revenue highlights category including ad valorem taxes in the amount of \$7,878,700, grants and reimbursements in the amount of \$2,810,658, sales and other taxes in the amount of \$1,643,904, and service fees in the amount of \$735,310.

Chair Richardson declared a 5-minute recess at 7:38pm.

County Manager Don Adams continued reviewing the Budget Message; miscellaneous/General Fund balance in the amounts of \$155,427 and \$376,008 and General Fund balance/taxation recommendations of a 2¢ property tax increase. He discussed the general summary of budget drivers that led to the proposed tax increase. He continued reviewing the Budget Message for the special fund highlights for the Transfer Facility Fund in the amount of \$771,988, E911 Fund in the amount of \$207,238, Transportation Operational Fund in the amount of \$471,945 and other funds.

Chair Richardson congratulated the County Manager and staff for the excellent budget proposal. He talked about now the budget is the Commissioners' budget to work on. He stated his appreciation again.

Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Goudreau thanked the County Manager and his staff for their work and effort for putting the budget together.

Being no further business, Commissioner Cox made a motion to adjourn at 8:15pm. Commissioner Goudreau seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

Karen Evans
Clerk to the Board

Ken Richardson
Chairman