The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners held a special meeting on Tuesday, June 26, 2007, at 3:00pm in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, NC. The purpose of this meeting was to consider the 2007/2008 budget ordinance.

Present: Chair Ken Richardson, Vice-Chair Warren Taylor, Commissioner Randy Miller, Commissioner Doug Murphy, Commissioner Milly Richardson, County Manager Don Adams and Clerk to the Board Karen Evans. County Attorney Donna Shumate was absent.

Chair Ken Richardson called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

County Manager Don Adams explained the handouts; budget ordinance, budget changes worksheets, pay plan and budget.

Chair Ken Richardson asked the County Manager to review the budget ordinance.

County Manager Don Adams reviewed each fund in the budget ordinance and read the section regarding setting the tax rate at 43¢, total valuation and tax collection rate. He read the sections of the budget ordinance regarding the special authorizations/restrictions of the budget officer, capital project funds and utilization of the budget and budget ordinance. He reviewed the budget changes worksheet. He reviewed the new proposed pay scale with the minimum and maximum raised 2%.

Commissioner Warren Taylor made a motion to approve the 2007/2008 budget ordinance and proposed pay plan. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Chair Ken Richardson stated he wanted to congratulate the County Manager and the new Commissioners on this budget. He talked about it has been the Board's goal since January to have a revenue-neutral tax rate, and this Board met that goal.

Commissioner Warren Taylor stated his appreciation to each Commissioner for their work and participation during the budget workshops. He thanked the County Manager and his staff for providing the budget documents. He talked about he is pleased with being able to maintain a revenue-neutral rate and provide the services needed. He further talked about long-term needs that are still out there.

Commissioner Doug Murphy talked about this is his first time working with the budget and has learned a lot. He stated his appreciation to the other Board members, the County Manager and the Clerk for working with him on this. He talked about the effort that was put into a revenue-neutral rate budget while meeting the needs.

Commissioner Randy Miller stated his appreciation for the County Manager and Clerk for their assistance. He talked about the importance of the revenue-neutral rate. He stated his appreciation to Chair Ken Richardson and Commissioner Warren Taylor for working with the new members.

Being further business, Commissioner Warren Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:18pm. Commissioner Randy Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Evans Clerk to the Board

Attest:

Ken Richardson Chairman

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