



The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 6th, 2021 at 4:00 pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina.

Present: Chair Bill Osborne, Commissioner Bobby Irwin, Commissioner Mechelle Luffman, Commissioner John Irwin, County Manager, Michael Carter, County Attorney, Heather Klein.

AGENDA
Tuesday, July 6th, 2021
4:00 pm

4:00 Meeting called to order

A. 4:05 General Business:

- i. TDA/Fairgrounds/Board of County Commissioners roundtable discussion
- ii. Fire tax uses

B. Adjourn

Daniel Roten explained he is waiting to get the list of required equipment to be on a fire truck to get maximum credit towards their district rating.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin suggested having the fire chiefs come in to explain to the Board what it takes to run a fire department.

There was discussion between the Board, Emergency Management Coordinator, Daniel Roten and County Manager, Michael Carter about how departments check and balance their funds.

Chair Bill Osborne said it is in the works for the VFDs to set up 2 separate accounts to identify the fire tax funds.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin suggested the "Finance Committee" sit down with each fire chief and representatives from the department to address any concerns about funds.

Commissioner John Irwin suggested a joint meeting with the Board of Commissioners and the Fire Commission.

The group identified heating, truck maintenance, turnout gear, inspections for the equipment used in firefighting, continuing education, insurances.

Steve Mason explained the idea of the TDA taking a more aggressive approach to pursuing events for the Fairgrounds and come alongside the Fairgrounds Committee.

Aaron Ray Tompkins said communication has been good since Cole Edwards became the Recreation Director.

There was discussion about the miscommunication surrounding the 21 Road Market spaces.

Commissioner John Irwin said VFDs need to be going to the TDA for money for events.

Commissioner Mechelle Luffman suggested Steve Mason, Aaron Ray Tompkins and Cole Edwards getting together to come up with an SOP.

Chair Bill Osborne said he wanted County Manager, Michael Carter included in the group.

Steve Mason suggested having an SOP ready for review in 30 days.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Mechelle Luffman seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Drew Todd
Clerk to the Board

Bill Osborne
Chairman