

**Montgomery County Commissioners Meeting**  
**October 5, 2004 ~ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Chairman – William D. Maness “Billy”**  
**Vice-Chairman – Dolon W. Corbett**  
**Commissioner - Sally M. Morris**  
**Commissioner – R.C. Bostic**  
**Commissioner – George H. Knight, Jr.**  
**County Manager – Lee Matthews**  
**Clerk – Laura B. Morton**  
**County Attorney – Russell J. Hollers**

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, October 5, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. in the Montgomery County Commissioners’ Room. All board members were present. *Chairman Maness called the meeting to order and the following was heard:*

Rev. Roger Rhodes, pastor of the Troy Wesleyan Church gave the invocation.

**Approval of Minutes**

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Corbett, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the last meeting.

**Public Forum**

Mr. Woodrow Steele was scheduled to appear before the board to discuss an issue regarding the Department of Social Services. Commissioner Knight said he was supposed to go by and pick him up and he forgot. Mr. Knight said he did call Social Services and he spoke with Mr. Jim Sanders, director, who had given him some information that he thought would be an answer to Mr. Steele’s concerns. Chairman Maness told Mr. Knight he appreciated that.

**Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant for the Dry Creek Community**

Chairman Maness recessed the regular session and called to order the public hearing for the Community Development Block Grant for the Dry Creek Community. Mrs. Mary Beck from Hobbs Upchurch and Associates was present to explain that this is the first of two public hearings required in order to apply for a CDBG Project. She explained that the county is applying for a Community Development Block Grant for the Dry Creek Community. These funds will be used to run waterlines and make housing improvements in this area. This is the first of two public hearings that are required as part of the application process, to gather public input concerning this project and to explain the eligibility requirements.

Mrs. Beck said out of 27 wells that were previously tested, 12 contained fecal coli and/or bacterial problems. She said she believes the problem is coming from the on-site septic tanks in the area. Citizens in the area do not have enough land to make septic tank repairs, the land in this area does not perk well, and wells are often located too close to the failed and failing septic tank systems, causing contamination in these wells.

Mrs. Beck said we (Mr. Matthews, Tim Carpenter, and she) had attempted to figure out a way to get the money needed to provide water to this area due to the severe problems associated with these wells. Beck said she had re-applied for Rural Center funding, with an application, which was due last Thursday, September 30, 2004. The Rural Center funding will be used as a supplement to this project in the amount of \$400,000. Because we have both **severe** housing and **severe** water needs, we also propose to apply for approximately \$359,600.00 in CDBG funding, which would allow \$100,000.00 in CDBG money to be used for water and \$259,600.00 to be used to eliminate severe housing needs for 6 homes in the Dry Creek Area. The CDBG funding will only be used in the designated CDBG Target Area. CDBG funding cannot be used to provide infrastructure improvements for more than one quarter of a mile of unpopulated area. Therefore, we would propose to use the Rural Center Funding and the County match of \$112,137.00, which had previously been approved by the board in this project area to provide water to the Dry Creek Community and use CDBG funding inside the Target Area.

She said that the board would need to decide if they would like to proceed with a CDBG application, and if so, then the board would need to hold a second public hearing in November before the fifteenth.

She said there are different types of CDBG grants available. She said the county will be eligible for a Scattered Site Housing Grant next year too, and that if there are any homes outside the designated CDBG Project Area of Dry Creek, that these homes could be referred to the Scattered Housing Grant Project.

Mrs. Beck stressed that the decision to proceed needs to be in the minutes, with board approval following the closing of the public hearing. She also said that all of the wells in the Dry Creek Community will need to be tested before a final evaluation can be made as to where the designated targeted area will be. Ms. Beck stated that we will need to perform door-to-door income housing surveys as well, and take photographs.

Mr. Matthews said this was another shot at trying to get money for this area. Mrs. Beck said it was hard trying to get water to this community as it is very rural. She added that the only way that this could be accomplished is with the aid of the Rural Center funding, plus the County commitment, and CDBG funding.

Commissioner Bostic asked if the county commitment to water will take away from the housing needs of this area by putting this into the water rather than housing. He said housing is needed in the area. Mrs. Beck said by using Rural Center money, we will get extra points towards the CDBG funding, which are very competitive. She also added that we will as in the past utilize USDA Rural Development funding towards housing needs. She said I do not think we are taking away anything at all. She said the Scattered Site Grant money should continue every 3 years. I understand what you are saying though. Commissioner Bostic said do you, I hope so. Mrs. Beck explained that there must be at least two severe needs and housing is one of them along with the severe water problems in this area. She said Dry Creek, along with many other areas of the county are still included in the plans for the SRF loan money.

Chairman Maness asked how far it is from Mt. Gilead. Commissioner Bostic said 7 miles. Mrs. Beck said 9 miles from Candor.

Commissioner Corbett said I understand that the last time we only missed the money from the Rural Center by only a few points. Mrs. Beck said I am not sure; I did not work on it that grant application.

Commissioner Knight asked what is the time frame if everything goes well. Mrs. Beck said November 15 is the deadline for the CDBG application. She said that the Rural Center funding and the CDBG funding would possibly be announced by March, but that you would possibly not receive the funding for the SRF Loan within the next year.

Commissioner Knight said this will not interfere with our water project will it? Mr. Matthews said no, these run hand in hand. He said we may hear from these first. Mrs. Beck said it will take 8-10 months to possibly complete an environmental assessment on all of the areas involved with the SRF money and receive final release of funding for all of the areas needing water.

There were no other comments made by any board members or the public.

Chairman Maness closed the public hearing and reconvened the regular session.

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and so the motion carried unanimously to apply for the Community Development Block Grant for the Dry Creek Community.

### **Presentation/Discussion of the County Emergency Management Plan**

Mrs. Paula Sloneker from the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments was in attendance to present and discuss the County's Emergency Management Plan. She presented the following:

#### **Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan**

***Purpose of Presentation:*** To review and request consideration of the Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan for adoption by the Board of Commissioners.

**Action:** To review and consider for adoption, the Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan.

**Background:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency provided funds to assist Montgomery County in developing an emergency operations plan for all hazards with emphasis on WMD Terrorism Preparedness. The goal of the plan is to ensure essential county services are provided during and after a disaster event and to ensure continuity of government.

This plan will be used by Montgomery County Government Departments and response organizations to obtain maximum use of existing resources, organizations, and systems in their response to emergencies and disasters that may occur in the county.

Elements of the plan that will require further action by the Montgomery County Commissioners:

THE EOP plan calls for:

1. Adoption of the Emergency Management Ordinance in Appendix 5, which establishes the office of emergency management and provides for an emergency management coordinator as the office head; and
2. Adoption of the State of Emergency Ordinance in Appendix 6, which authorizes the proclamation of an emergency and the imposition of prohibitions and restrictions during a state of emergency.

*The Emergency Operations Plan format is as follows:*

**The Basic Plan:** Covers the purpose of the plan, basic situation, and assumptions, Concept of operations, Organization and Assignment of Responsibilities, Direction and Control, Continuity of Government, Administration and Logistics, Plan Development and Maintenance, and Authorities and References.

**Appendices:** Contain technical information, details, and methods for use by the emergency response board and emergency response personnel.

**Annexes:** Address the specific functions in the basic plan for use by the operational managers.

All individuals with assigned responsibilities should be familiar with the entire plan; however, added emphasis must be given to those sections for which they are responsible. While not all circumstances can be addressed, the content of this plan should be used as a guide for those things that do occur but are not specifically addressed.

Copies of this plan will be distributed to all members of the Emergency Response Board.

1. The Emergency Response Board consists of
  - (a) Chair County Commissioners
  - (b) Town mayors
  - (c) County/Town Manager (s) (Administrator or Clerk, if no town manager)
  - (d) Public Information Officer
  - (e) Emergency Management Coordinator
  - (f) Emergency Medical Services Director,
  - (g) Chair, Volunteer Fire Commission
  - (h) Rescue Squad Representatives
  - (i) Sheriff
  - (j) 911 Director
  - (k) Health Department Director
  - (l) Social Services Director
  - (m) Superintendent of Schools
  - (n) Damage Assessment Officer (Building Inspections Director)
  - (o) Finance Officer

**Common Function Sections:**

The Emergency Response Board will operate in one of the common function sections as assigned by the County Manager. These function sections will also work in close association with one another, often sharing the same physical space and often “crossing groups” to work with and coordinate with others.

**Executive Group** under the direction of the Chairman of County Commissioners is responsible for the overall direction and control of the emergency, the approval of policies and strategies pertinent to the emergency/disaster situation, and conducting briefings of the Emergency Operations Center staff to assure coordination of information.

**The Operations Group**, under the direction of the County Sheriff, is responsible to conduct emergency operations such as law enforcement, fire rescue, EMS, and others, as appropriate. This group is responsible for the director supervision of county operations including the allocation of resources necessary to implement the approved strategies and policies.

**The Technical Group**, under the direction of the Building Inspections Director, will collect, evaluate, display and disseminate information regarding the incident, disaster impacts, and status of resources; in addition they will analyze the predictable probable course of emergency incident events; develop strategies (action plans) and alternatives to control operations for the incident; and, anticipate resource requirements.

**The Logistics Group**, under the direction and control of the 911 Director will coordinate the acquisition of supplies, equipment, and other resources (public and private) necessary and approved to resolve/recover from the emergency or disaster situation.

**The Finance Group**, under the direction of the County Finance Officer will compile and maintain documentation of purchases, acquisition, and utilization of emergency supplies, equipment, and other services. In addition, the group will perform financial and cost analysis to develop conclusions on efficient methods of resolving and recovering from the emergency/disaster situation.

Ms. Sloneker said that this plan does call for an Emergency Management Coordinator, someone other than the county manager, who currently is acting as the Emergency Management Coordinator for Montgomery County.

Commissioner Bostic said I do not have any questions, only a comment. He said we have lost over 1000 of our citizens over the words Weapons of Mass Destruction.

Commissioner Morris said we are creating a new department with the approval of this plan. Mr. Matthews said we are not asking that it be created tonight, but during budget time, we will be requesting this position. He said without this position, the duties fall on me. Mrs. Morris asked if there is enough work to create a position. Commissioner Knight asked how many people are we talking about. Mr. Matthews and Ms. Sloneker said one person.

Commissioner Corbett said but if we decide, we could leave Mr. Matthews in charge. Chairman Maness asked what other counties our size have done. Ms. Sloneker said generally they have a coordinator. Commissioner Morris asked if the board could leave those duties with Mr. Matthews. Ms. Sloneker said you could, but we do not recommend that. This is job is very separate from what his job as county manager.

Commissioner Knight said our county has been very fortunate in the past not having tornadoes, etc. He said I think it is very important and we need to establish this plan. He said we need information on costs, duties, and benefits of having a coordinator.

Mr. Matthews said I will have this information to you for budget time. He said I have been informed that Montgomery County is the only one in the state that does not have a coordinator.

Commissioner Knight said we should not expect Mr. Matthews to take these responsibilities. He said we need someone full time. Mrs. Sloneker said she agreed.

Chairman Maness asked Mr. Matthews to get a list of things for the board to discuss in a work session. Mr. Matthews said he would do that.

Commissioner Knight said when you say the county emergency plan is this the entire county, including the towns? Ms. Sloneker said yes.

### **Discussion of 911 Radio Upgrade**

Sheriff Jeff Jordan was present to discuss the 911 radio upgrade. Sheriff Jordan said this is not really an upgrade. He said we need new equipment. He said I sent Ron Adams several months ago for the request and it did not workout. We were trying to be proactive, now we are reacting. We are having equipment problems. The Sheriff said we have had equipment down. He said we need consoles and a new 911-phone system replacement. He said we want to be functional and right now, we are not. He said we are not trying to keep up with technology.

Chairman Maness said when Mr. Adams came in it look like we were trying to keep up with technology. Sheriff Jordan said we are not functional.

Commissioner Morris asked the Sheriff if he has looked at a system or if he knows how much it will cost. The Sheriff said between \$130,000 and \$150,000. Chairman Maness asked how much is in the fund? Mr. Matthews said approximately \$500,000. Mr. Matthews said the question was asked before if they were having any problems with the equipment. The answer was no, but now they are. Sheriff Jordan said I just told Mr. Adams to wait.

Commissioner Morris said he did tell us that if it went down, he may not be able to bring it back up. Sheriff Jordan said he only knows of two technicians that can work on the equipment. (Motorola Equipment).

Commissioner Knight said is there any reason not to be current. Sheriff Jordan said we need it to be functional, but this new equipment will be current as well.

Mr. Matthews asked if we could set it up as a lease purchase. Sheriff Jordan said yes. Commissioner Morris said we have the money. Mr. Matthews said yes, that is just an option.

Chairman Maness asked Mr. Matthews to bring numbers back.

Commissioner Morris asked how long will it take to get this equipment. The Sheriff said from six weeks to three months.

Commissioner Corbett asked the Sheriff where the county stands will the 911 cell phone operations. Sheriff Jordan said Phase 2 is complete.

Commissioner Bostic asked if the county needs to get bids for this. The Sheriff said that is no problem he already has received bids.

Chairman Maness asked Mr. Matthews and the Sheriff to put all of the numbers together for the next work session.

### **Presentation from the Montgomery County Public Library**

Ms. Donna Windish from the Montgomery County Public Library was present to announce the launching of a new website for the library that will include the book catalog, a newsletter, book reviews and much more. She said the board will be receiving an invitation to our celebration about this. Ms. Windish said this was made possible through a grant that was received from the State Library.

### **Planning and Zoning Board Report**

Mr. Phil Henley presented the Planning and Zoning Board Report. There was one request. The request is from John E. Lewellen who is requesting the rezoning of property located at 414 Nance Farm Road. This request is in order to rezone a 22-acre tract of land from R2 to Commercial with a conditional sue permit for auto repair. This request was advertised and adjacent property owners were notified. He said after a brief discussion that Montgomery County Planning Board

agreed to rezone a 5 acre tract and then the board recommended approval of this request of approximately 5 acres from the north corner of the road front approximately 300' south and approximately 700' deep.

Commissioner Knight asked if a paint booth was taken into consideration with this request. Mr. Henley said yes. Mr. Knight asked about bathrooms. Mr. Henley said it is a home-operated business and they can use the bathrooms at their house unless they hire employees. He explained that Mr. Lewellen's son lost his job and he went to school to learn this trade.

Chairman Maness asked how much land is there. Mr. Henley said 22 acres total on one side and 32 acres on the other.

Some board members were concerned about the bathrooms and if the land would perk.

Commissioner Corbett asked if he would be deeding this property because of the rezoning. Mr. Matthews said that rezoning does not following property boundaries.

Commissioner Corbett said that will have to have a bathroom because if they have customers, they will have to have a bathroom available.

Mr. Henley said they are just rezoning five acres.

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Knight and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the rezoning of property of John E. Lewellen located at 414 Nance Farm Road. This request rezones a 5 acre tract of land from R2 to Commercial with a conditional sue permit for auto repair.

**Airport Contract Extension**

Mr. Matthews said the FBO came in to us and said their contract was going to expire on September 30. They asked for financial support, but we asked them to wait until budget time. He said the only change in the contract was changing the name from Booth to Fun time Aviation and the term changed to read October 1, 2004 until September 30, 2009.

Commissioner Knight asked if we had to extend it five years. Mr. Matthews said I originally thought 9 months to get us through the fiscal year, but they recommended five years.

Commissioner Knight asked how will this restrict us if we want to get out of the contract? Mr. Matthews said we could add a statement that if both parties want to get out of the contract, that is possible.

Chairman Maness said they are happy with the situation. He said if we need to we can do an amendment during budget time.

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Bostic, and so the motion carried unanimously to extend the Airport Contract. The contract is as follows:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA            )  
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COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY            )        **FIXED BASE**  
  )        **OPERATION AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004, by and between **Montgomery County**, a body politic, hereinafter Funtime Aviation referred to as "County", and **Don Bennett** operating under the name **Funtime Aviation**; hereinafter Funtime Aviation referred to as "Funtime Aviation";  
WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the County is the owner of the County Airport, near Star, N.C.; and

WHEREAS, it is mutually agreed that an agreement between the County and Funtime Aviation should be in writing.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar in hand paid each to the other, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Funtime Aviation will operate the Montgomery county Airport as the Fixed Base Operator (FBO) as an independent Lessee. Funtime Aviation cannot sublease the property without the written consent of the County.
- 2. The term of this Agreement is from October 1, 2004, through September 30, 2009.

3. Funtime Aviation will operate as FBO from the County Airport property.
4. Funtime Aviation will maintain a heated office and restrooms to pilots and passengers during business hours. Normal business hours are defined as 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
5. Funtime Aviation will provide and maintain a telephone for pilots and passengers during business hours and will coordinate installation of pay phone at location that will be accessible to pilots 24 hours per day.
6. Funtime Aviation will post emergency numbers for fuel and service a Funtime Aviation normal business hours.
7. Funtime Aviation will provide minor maintenance of grounds and premises including grass mowing and replacement of runway lights, and will coordinate any major maintenance needs.
8. Funtime Aviation will provide flight instruction for operation in tail wheel, single and multi-engine aircraft Funtime Aviation.
9. Funtime Aviation will provide a 500-gallon tank for immediate fuel purposes.
10. Funtime Aviation will provide minor and major aircraft maintenance on airframe and power plants.
11. A. **Required Insurance.** Funtime Aviation shall obtain and maintain continuously in effect at all time during the term of this Agreement, at Funtime Aviation's sole expense, the following insurance.
  1. Comprehensive general liability insurance including products, completed operations and contractual insurance protecting the County against any and all liability by reason of Funtime Aviation's conduct incident to the use of the premises, or resulting from any accident occurring on or about the roads, driveways or other public places, including runways and taxiways, used by Funtime Aviation at the Airport, caused by or arising out of any wrongful act or omission of Funtime Aviation in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000;
  2. Hangar keeper's insurance in the minimum amount of \$100,000/\$250,000;
  3. Auto liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000, if vehicles are registered in Funtime Aviation's name; and
  4. Workmen's compensation shall also be required of Funtime Aviation.

The insurance specified about shall name Montgomery County as additional insured.

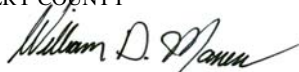
B. **Notice.** Montgomery County agrees to notify Funtime Aviation in writing as soon as practicable of any claim, demand, or action arising out of an occurrence covered hereunder of which Montgomery County has knowledge, and to cooperate with Funtime Aviation in the investigation and defense thereof.

12. The County will carry fire and casualty insurance on the airport facilities, but the County will not be responsible for insuring Funtime Aviation's property or the property of anyone who uses the airport facilities in any manner.
13. Funtime Aviation will not allow anyone using the airport facilities to store in any area personal property that is not directly related to the storage or operation of aircraft.
14. If, during the term of this Agreement, the County provides updated or new facilities which will enable Funtime Aviation to provide additional services as the FBO, then the parties hereto agree to renegotiate the terms hereof.
15. If either party fails to perform its duties hereunder, upon thirty days written notice to the other party, this Agreement will be automatically terminated. *Notices should be sent as follows:*

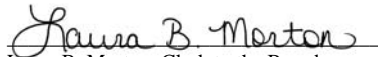
To County –	Mr. Lee Matthews, County Manager Montgomery County Administration Building P.O. Box 425 Troy, N.C. 27371
To Funtime Aviation -	Mr. Don Bennett Funtime Aviation 262 Airport Road Star, N.C. 27356
16. Funtime Aviation agrees to cooperate as fully as possible with the Montgomery County Airport Committee to not only hear what its suggestions may be, but also for Funtime Aviation to provide information and suggestions regarding operation of the airport facilities.
17. Funtime Aviation will pay all water/sewer utility cost for the airport facility and agrees to pay all electrical utility cost for the airport when the cot exceeds \$2,750 for the Fiscal Year period (July 1 through June 30).
18. Funtime Aviation will make all airport facilities and grounds available for inspection by representatives of the County, upon notification by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, the County Manager or the Chairman of the Airport Advisory Committee.
19. This Agreement is to in no way jeopardize the County from receiving Federal or State Airport Funding and in the event the County finds that this Agreement would jeopardize funding, it will become null and void.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this instrument to be signed in their name by their duly authorized officers, the day and year first above written.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY



By: \_\_\_\_\_  
William D. Maness, Chairman  
Montgomery County Board of Commissioners

  
Laura B. Morton, Clerk to the Board  
Montgomery County Board of Commissioners



Funtime Aviation  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
Don Bennett

**Reappointment of Pharmacist to the Montgomery County Board of Health**

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Knight, and so the motion carried unanimously to reappoint Mr. Joe Brantley, a pharmacist, to serve on the Montgomery County Board of Health.

**Declare Pee Dee Community Building as Surplus County Property**

Mr. Matthews said this is one of the first steps in selling the Pee Dee Community Building. Chairman Maness asked Mr. Matthews if he had check with citizens and touched base with all of them about this. Mr. Matthews said yes.

Commissioner Corbett asked if it has a working sewer system, he said we need to make sure, that is our obligation. Commissioner Bostic said I think we need to sell it as is.

In a motion made by Chairman Maness, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and so the motion carried unanimously to declare the Pee Dee Community Building as surplus county property.

**Approval of Budget Amendments**

Kathleen Devore Jones was present to request for approval for several budget amendments. *The following amendments were presented:*

**Montgomery County Health Department**

217 S. Main Street  
Troy, North Carolina  
Courier # 03-96-09

Phone 910 572—1393  
Fax 910 572-8177  
e-mail [Kathleen.devorejones@ncmail.net](mailto:Kathleen.devorejones@ncmail.net)

**Requested Budget Amendments for Commissioners Meeting, October 5, 2004**

**School Nurse Position for Montgomery County Schools**

The Women’s and Children’s Health Section in the Division of Public Health, NCDHHS, is funding a permanent school nurse position for Montgomery County. The state will authorize up to \$49,315 to cover the salary, benefits, and training for a school nurse this school year. The Health Department has chosen to pass the allocation to the School System via a subcontract.

Revenue Account	Code	Amount
School Nurse Funding Initiative	3500.0330	\$49,315
Object of Expenditure	Code	Amount
School Nurse Grant Expense	5110.0490	\$49,315

**T1 Connectivity**

The Health Department’s T1 line for internet connectivity is paid via Bioterrorism Preparedness funds from the State Health Department. Originally, \$3,822 was funded to us for this service, but it costs a total of \$11,466 for the year, and so \$7,644 more will be given to us from the State.

Revenue Account	Code	Amount
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T1-Connectivity	3120.0895	\$7,644
<b>Object of Expenditure</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
T1-Connectivity	5100.0493	\$7,644

**WIC**

The State WIC Program Office granted \$1,367 to the Health Department to purchase a computer for our new clerk/interpreter.

<b>Revenue Account</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
WIC Funds	3516.0330	\$1,367
<b>Object of Expenditure</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Office Supplies	5152.0261	\$1,367

**Bioterrorism Preparedness**

An additional \$751 was on the final funding authorization from the State Health Department for Bioterrorism Preparedness. We will use it for office supplies.

<b>Revenue Account</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Response to Bioterrorism	3511.0331	\$751
<b>Object of Expenditure</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Office Supplies	5113.0261	\$751

**Health Check Coordination**

The Medicaid program supports the Health Check Coordination program with a budget of \$33,873, which is \$546 more than the approved county budget allows. The funds provided must be spent in this program.

<b>Revenue Account</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Health Check Grant	3522.0330	\$546
<b>Object of Expenditure</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Program	5135.0231	\$100
Travel	5135.0311	\$346
Postage	5135.0325	\$100

Commissioner Morris asked if some of these programs cost us in the long run. Mrs. Jones said not the money that is federal money.

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Bostic, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the following budget amendments.

**County Manager’s Report**

*Mr. Lee Matthews presented the following report:*

- **Forest Tour** - - October 27, 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. will be for tour of the forest. Mr. Matthews said he will bring more details later. They are planning on providing lunch.
- **Water Line Petitions** – He said Laura has made some fliers that are going to be advertised in the newspapers.
- **RFPs for the Jail** – Mr. Matthews said he is receiving calls and has a meeting in the morning with the Sheriff and a prospective bidder.
- **Vacant Property at the Courthouse** – a letter was sent to Sam McCall. **He Said He Had A Meeting Scheduled With The County Attorney Regarding This.**
- **Circus Request** – Mr. Matthews said there was a conflict and it didn’t work out for them to have it this time.
- **Department of Transportation** – Received a letter from DOT about the replacement of the bridge on NC 109 over Rocky Creek.
- **Elections** – Maintenance staff is still working hard to get the handicapped access areas finished at the elections polls.0

- **Homeland Security Grant** – Mr. Matthews said we put together information from the Homeland Security Grant if anyone has any questions, he would be glad to answer them.

**Town Radio Fees**

Commissioner Corbett asked about the town radio fees. Mr. Matthews said a letter has been sent to the towns.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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William D. Maness, Chairman

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Laura B. Morton, Clerk to the Board