

**MINUTES**  
**TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**June 30, 2008 – SPECIAL MEETING**

The Board of Commissioners of Transylvania County met in special session on Monday, June 30, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the large courtroom of the Transylvania County Courthouse.

Commissioners present were Lynn Bullock, Chairman Jason Chappell, David Guice, Daryle Hogsed and Vice-Chairman Kelvin Phillips. Also present were County Manager Artie Wilson, County Attorney Curtis Potter, Finance Director Gay Poor and Clerk to the Board Trisha McLeod.

Media: *Hendersonville Times News*: Leigh Kelley  
*Transylvania Times*: Mark Todd

There were approximately 11 people in the audience.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jason Chappell presiding called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**WELCOME**

Chairman Chappell welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the purpose of the special meeting was to approve the FY 2008-2009 Budget and FY 2007-2008 Budget Amendments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kenneth Holden: Mr. Holden spoke in reference to fishing on County property at the recycling center site in Pisgah Forest. Mr. Holden said he was recently informed he could no longer fish at this particular site, although others are allowed to fish at the site. Chairman Chappell responded there are two different sections of property leading to the edge of the river. One is owned by Ecusta and is leased by Kevin Howell. The other section is owned by the County. The Manager added that the County has not allowed fishing from its property for several years because of the limited parking and congestion at the Pisgah Forest recycling center.

After further discussion, Commissioners instructed the Manager to bring this matter forth as a future agenda item for discussion and direction.

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

The Manager reported on the Agenda modifications. He requested to add Item C, Discovery and Release Report from June 24, 2008 through June 30, 2008, under New

Business. For a special meeting, Commissioners can add an item for discussion if all Commissioners are present and agree to add the item to the Agenda.

**Commissioner Guice moved to approve the Agenda as modified, seconded by Commissioner Phillips and unanimously approved.**

## NEW BUSINESS

### FY 2008-2009 BUDGET ORDINANCE

A public hearing was held on the proposed FY 2008-2009 Budget on Monday, June 23, 2008 at which no comments were made. The Manager reviewed the FY 2008-2009 Budget Ordinance by section. He asked Commissioners to approve the FY 2008-2009 Budget Ordinance.

**Commissioner Phillips moved to approve the FY 2008-2009 Budget Ordinance for Transylvania County, seconded by Commissioner Bullock and unanimously approved.**

### BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Finance Director Gay Poor presented and summarized the final budget amendments for FY 2007-2008. During the Fourth Quarter of FY 08, the General Fund Budget increased by \$16,513,245.

This substantial increase is attributable to the issuance of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2008. The County received \$16.5 million in bond proceeds which were used to retire the 1998 and a portion of the 1999 school bonds and to pay the costs of issuance.

New grants and additional State and federal funding contributed \$159,000 to the budget, mostly for Human Services programs. Social Services received another \$65,000 with the majority allocated for Crisis Intervention Payments. Funding authorization for the Health Department rose by \$68,000 and included \$23,000 more for Family Planning and \$15,000 each in General Aid to County grants and a Bioterrorism Pandemic Flu Grant.

Excluding amendments related to the bond issuance, other miscellaneous changes lowered the budget overall by \$94,000. In compliance with LGC recommendations, the County moved \$170,000 for Fines and Forfeitures from the General Fund budget to a separate agency fund. State ADM funds dropped by another \$69,000 based on final calculations of the Medicaid Relief Swap Package, but this reduction was more than offset by an increase of \$103,000 in Medicaid Hold Harmless Funds. Other increases resulted from higher than anticipated adult health fees collected by the Health Department and insurance proceeds for property loss claims.

There were several appropriations from fund balance that has opposite impacts on the General Fund budget that netted a decrease of \$102,000. Research revealed that \$165,000 included in the Third Quarter transfer to the Public Safety Facility Fund had

previously been transferred in June 2005. During the conversion of the financial software, this amendment had been erroneously omitted. The financial records have now been corrected to reflect the earlier transfer so that the \$165,000 may be deducted from this year's transfer. Another \$42,000 reduction represented the excess between funds received and funds spent during the bond refunding transactions. Partially offsetting these decreases were a transfer of \$20,000 from the Reserve for Museum to the Transylvania Heritage Coalition and a transfer of \$40,000 from the Accrued Vacation Reserve for vacation either cashed out in lieu of leave taken or paid out to terminated employees. In addition, \$33,000 was appropriated from fund balance to cover the projected expenditures for the second primary.

The total increase in the FY 08 General Fund Budget for the year was \$33,676,213. The total General Fund budget for FY 2007-2008 was \$76,152,533.

**Commissioner Bullock moved to approve the final budget amendments for FY 2007-2008, seconded by Commissioner Guice and unanimously approved.**

#### DISCOVERY AND RELEASE REPORT

**Commissioner Hogsed moved to approve the Discovery and Release Report from June 24, 2008 through June 30, 2008, seconded by Commissioner Phillips and unanimously approved.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

#### **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

There were no comments from Commissioners.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Commissioner Guice moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bullock and unanimously carried.**

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Jason R. Chappell, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Trisha D. McLeod  
Clerk to the Board