

State of North Carolina

Minutes

County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom, Madison County Courthouse, Marshall, NC.

In attendance were Chair Sue Vilcinskas, Vice-Chair Jim Baker, Commissioner Wayne Brigman, Commissioner Hall Moore, County Manager Allen Lamberson, and Attorney Donny Laws. Absent were Commissioner Bill Briggs, and Clerk to the Board Darlyne Rhinehart.

I.

Chair Vilcinskas acknowledged difficulties with hearing in the room, asked that all cell phones be silenced, that there be no side talking and that if anyone in the audience needed to get up, to do it after the person who is speaking has finished.

Upon motion from Commissioner Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda with the following additions/changes: 4-A: Dr. Ron Wilcox; 5. Remove Maynard Cody and add Larry Smith as speaker.

II.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2013 meeting with the following changes:

Item XVI to read as "The board voted unanimously to approve this amendment to 2012-13 budget."

Item XIII to read as "The Board voted unanimously to adopt video policy for Madison County Transportation Authority."

III.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following items under the consent agenda: (1) Proclamation of October as Affordable Housing Awareness Month, (2) Policy Amendment for Cooperative Extension Service regarding alcohol use, and (3) Cooperative Spay-Neuter Services Agreement.

IV.

Karen Klehna appeared before the Board to provide updates on current grant activities within the County. Ms. Klehna reported that draft documents for the first four families are participating in the grant program have been completed. Legal documents have been submitted to attorneys and that these should be signed within the next few weeks, with construction to begin immediately thereafter. Contractors are all Madison County residents.

IV-A.

Upon request from Dr. Ron Wilcox, Superintendent of Schools, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to fund \$20,000 from 40/42 funds for buzzer systems at the Hot Springs and Laurel Schools and at the Mars Hill and Marshall Day Care Centers. Also approved in the motion was to allow the Schools to move forward with the gymnasium project.

Dr. Wilcox reported that the Board of Education may receive monies from the state for School Resource Officers.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted 3 to 1 to approve a Resolution of Official Intent to Pursue Financing and to Reimburse Expenditures with Proceeds of Borrowing for the cost of acquisition, construction and equipping of capital improvements and renovations to Madison County School buildings. Voting in the affirmative were Chair Vilcinskas, Commissioner Baker and Commissioner Moore. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Brigman.

## V.

Larry Smith appeared before the Board on behalf of the Upper Laurel Community Development Club to discuss options for the use of Ebbs Chapel School. The Club would like to lease the building from the County.

Attorney Laws advised the Board that it could be difficult for the county to maintain some control if there is a lease. A revocable license agreement just gives permission to use it and can be withdrawn at any time. This type of agreement gives the county more oversight. If a lease is for more than one year you have to notice the agreement, but not for a license.

## VI.

Eric Woolrich appeared before the Board to provide information about his firm, Destination by Design. Destination by Design is a firm that does master plans for parks and recreation. Mr. Woolrich stated that his firm creates plans that communicate vision to funding agencies to get money to assist with development of recreation initiatives.

Chair Vilcinskas suggested that the Board give Mr. Lamberson permission to work with Destination by Design to come up with ideas.

Upon motion from Commissioner Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to table this item. Commissioner Brigman explained that this item was not in the meeting books and he would like more time to study and review the suggestions presented.

## VII.

Upon recommendation of Sallie Klipp, Library Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to approve a three year contract with The Library Corporation for software.

Mrs. Klipp reported to the Board that the Library had been successful in receiving E-Rate discounts for internet and phone services. The Library is in receipt of a check from Frontier in the amount of \$2,584.12.

## VIII.

Upon motion from Commissioner Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session to discuss personnel matters with Mr. Jim Huff, Landfill Director.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

Upon motion from Commissioner Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to move Daniel Brown from permanent part-time status to permanent full-time and to employ Morris Bailey, Ricky Dale McDevitt, Marvin Kuykendall in permanent part-time status as well as Van Franklin pending administrative review.

## IX.

Item IX: Social Services internet was moved to Manager's Report.

## X.

Deana Stephens and Jodi Brazil of the Health Department presented the Community Health Improvement Plan.

Upon motion from Commissioner Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted 3 to 1 to table action on Google for Government. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Brigman, Commissioner Moore, and Commissioner Baker. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Vilcinskas.

Allen Lamberson, County Manager, submitted the delinquent tax collection report.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to post the following job vacancies: (1) Community Services Director, (2) IT Director.

Upon motion from Commissioner Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Jim Baker to the Smoky Mountain Center Board.

Mr. Lamberson reported that the Transportation Authority will begin picking up inmates instead of the County Maintenance Department.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to approve a resolution to increase the grant writing capability of county employees. The Board directed the County Manager and his team of department heads to create a grant writing committee to collaborate on grant writing, train employees about grant writing, and aggressively search for and apply for grant opportunities to address need in Madison County.

Mr. Lamberson reported to the Board that the employees of the Senior Center would begin cooking meals for the senior citizens at the jail.

ITEM: XIV.

Mr. Lamberson presented the August Financial Report.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Chair Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to approve Budget Amendment #3 and the tax refunds, vehicle releases, and property releases.

ITEM: XV

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session to discuss matters involving litigation.

ITEM: XVI

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

MADISON COUNTY

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue Vilcinskas, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

  
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

August 2013 Refunds for September 2013 Meeting

NAME	County	City	Fire	Disposal	Late list	Int	TOTALS	REASON
Goldstein, Deana	\$250.48						\$250.48	Creekside Inn bldg was taxed on ma 23137
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$250.48</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$250.48</b>	

August 2013 Property Releases for September 2013 Meeting

Payne, Robert	\$15.08						\$15.08	removed out bldgs
Phillips, David	\$323.51	\$12.44					\$335.95	keying error on discovery bill
Proffitt, Jeanette	\$350.72	\$33.72					\$384.44	land use didn't calculate
Prophet, William	\$384.28	\$14.78		\$180.00			\$579.06	land use didn't calculate & released disposal vacant lan
Ray, Blake	\$380.59	\$36.60					\$417.19	land use didn't calculate
Ray, Blake	\$184.40	\$17.73					\$202.13	land use didn't calculate
Rice, Edmond	\$217.24	\$8.36		\$151.00			\$376.60	qualified for elderly exemption
Rice, Floyd	\$143.11	\$13.76		\$151.00			\$307.87	qualified for elderly exemption
Rice, Isaac	\$252.16	\$24.25		\$360.00			\$636.41	sold property in 2012 released & discovered to owner
Riddle, Whitfield	\$216.64	\$20.83		\$151.00			\$388.47	granted elderly exemption
Robinson, Hazel	\$130.00	\$12.50					\$293.50	provided income and granted exemption
Sean, Janice	\$3.62	\$0.14					\$3.76	property was conveyed in error
Shelton, Murlene	\$181.21	\$6.87		\$151.00			\$339.08	granted elderly exemption
Surrett, Reed	\$71.36	\$15.10					\$86.46	adjusted value on DVMH due to interior condition
Surrett, Reed	\$402.33	\$38.69		\$180.00			\$1,800.00	per sold waste
Thomas, Ernest	\$510.94						\$592.02	qualified for elderly exemption
Tillery, Clarence	\$1,174.25	\$112.91		\$180.00			\$510.94	this was a last tile that didn't get deleted
Turnbull, Caroline	\$164.76	\$31.69		\$151.00			\$347.45	conveyed in error should be taxed to acct 5305
Treadway, Betty	\$506.57	\$23.33		\$180.00			\$809.90	land was split & discovered on correct averages
Tweed, Janie	\$64.29	\$6.18		\$151.00			\$221.47	granted elderly exemption
Wilson, Edna								
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$15,700.27</b>	<b>\$1,384.47</b>	<b>\$5,240.00</b>	<b>\$33.55</b>	<b>\$39.40</b>	<b>\$22,397.69</b>		

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NAME	County	Fire	Disposal fee	Late list fee's	Int	TOTALS	REASON
Arlington, Reuben	\$191.39	\$33.12	\$151.00			\$375.51	granted elderly exemption
Bali, Brenda			\$331.00			\$331.00	released 1 disposal per solid waste & elderly rate
Bali, Brenda	\$135.79	\$20.89				\$156.68	granted elderly exemption
Brown, Paul			\$180.00			\$180.00	per solid waste
Burleson, Ida	\$89.68	\$12.07				\$101.75	DWMH belongs & taxed under acct 7127
Clerk, Mark	\$1,225.31	\$47.13				\$1,272.44	this was transferred in error discovered to correct owner
Clerk, Pamela	\$398.16	\$15.31	\$180.00			\$593.47	discovered to correct owner with correct acreage
Cook, Rebecca	\$83.69	\$8.05	\$180.00			\$271.74	rebilled correct amount
Cook, Rebecca	\$430.33	\$41.38				\$471.71	rebilled correct amount
Cox, Sandra	\$874.70	\$25.95				\$900.65	this is taxed under acct 279845
Cummins, Delbert	\$219.71		\$151.00			\$370.71	granted elderly exemption
DeHart, Annie	\$860.28	\$33.09				\$893.37	land use didn't calculate
English, Orville	\$932.04	\$161.31	\$360.00			\$1,453.35	this transferred in 2012, discovered bill to correct owner
English, Orville			\$180.00			\$180.00	onlu 1 house on property
Fisher, James	\$145.90		\$151.00			\$296.90	granted elderly exemption
Franklin, Kenneth			\$180.00			\$180.00	per solid waste
Franklin, Merman	\$130.00		\$151.00			\$281.00	granted elderly exemption
Gowan, Neil	\$537.96	\$20.69				\$558.65	land use didn't calculate
Green, Doug			\$190.00			\$190.00	disposal fee is charged to Ella Massey 2011 bill
Green, Doug			\$180.00			\$180.00	disposal fee is charged to Ella Massey 2012 bill
Hensley, David	\$1,282.18	\$273.35				\$1,555.53	land use didn't calculate
Job Rice Cemetery	\$124.39	\$19.14				\$143.53	adjusted value on cemetery
Lisabee, Reuben	\$1,066.71	\$154.11				\$1,220.82	land use didn't calculate
Madison Co. Farm Bu			\$207.00			\$207.00	disposal fee charged on real estate bill
Massey, Ramon	\$347.34	\$13.36	\$180.00			\$540.70	moved fee to ma 27059 & adjusted acreage
Mooneyham, Homer	\$47.26	\$1.82				\$49.08	this property sold in 2011 this is a 2013 bill
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Mooneyham, Homer	\$333.52	\$12.83				\$346.35	this property sold in 2011 this is a 2013 bill
Mooneyham, Homer	\$333.52	\$12.83			\$30.48	\$376.63	this property sold in 2011 this is a 2012 bill
Payne, Freddie	\$57.12	\$7.14				\$64.26	this parcel doesn't exist 2010 bill
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Payne, Freddie	\$57.61	\$7.78				\$65.39	this parcel doesn't exist 2012 bill
Payne, Freddie	\$52.02	\$7.14				\$59.16	this parcel doesn't exist 2008 bill
Payne, Freddie	\$52.02	\$7.14				\$59.16	this parcel doesn't exist 2009 bill

## August 2013 Vehicle Releases for September 2013 Meeting

NAME	County	City	Fire	Interest	TOTALS	REASON
Bail, Buddie	\$32.40				\$32.40	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Beall, Thomas	\$15.12		\$2.43		\$17.55	90 day tag paid on bill # 2012-12-01491
Briggs, Elizabeth	\$9.83	\$42.81			\$42.81	not in city limits
Buckner, Nolan	\$9.36	\$9.36			\$19.29	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Cahill, Patti	\$17.83				\$17.83	adjusted value per high mileage
Capps, Ralph	\$18.20				\$18.20	released bill to Buncombe County
Cody, Stephanie	\$7.86		\$1.21		\$9.07	adjusted value for high mileage
Davis, Lisa	\$36.00				\$36.00	not in city limits
Davis, Nina	\$7.28		\$1.12		\$8.40	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Farmer, Auree	\$21.06		\$3.69		\$24.75	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Ford, Ricky	\$2.70		\$0.26		\$2.96	adjusted value to purchase price less dep.
Franklin, Marty	\$8.40		\$0.76		\$9.16	2012 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Franklin, Marty	\$14.00		\$1.25		\$15.25	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Franklin, Marty	\$15.51		\$1.39		\$16.90	90 day tag paid on bill # 2012-06-02066
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Grindstaff, Viellar	\$44.40		\$3.96		\$48.36	paid bill under acct # 2012-08-01534
Gunter, Kelvin	\$3.76		\$0.36		\$4.14	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Gunter, Kelvin	\$2.46		\$0.24		\$2.70	2012 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Gunter, Kelvin	\$10.80		\$1.08		\$11.88	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Hilfiker, Barbara	\$20.80		\$2.00		\$22.80	adjusted value for total loss
Howell, Erin	\$58.19		\$6.95		\$67.14	released bill to Buncombe County
Madison Group Home	\$78.00	\$76.50			\$154.50	this is exempt
McAllister, Howard	\$42.74				\$42.74	released bill to Catawba County
McGinnis, Hudson	\$110.76		\$10.65		\$121.41	released bill to Cumberland County
Meeke, Joseph	\$7.96		\$0.77		\$8.73	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Metzall, Bernice	\$11.20		\$1.04		\$12.24	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Norton, Deborah	\$22.90		\$2.20		\$25.10	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Norton, Jonathan		\$75.74			\$75.74	not in city limits
O'Neill, Joseph	\$68.07				\$68.07	released bill to Buncombe County
Powell, Gregory	\$60.58				\$60.58	not in city limits
Rathbone, Donna	\$9.26		\$0.89		\$10.15	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Rice, Tanya	\$18.37		\$3.52		\$21.89	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Shelton, Sandra	\$18.20		\$0.70		\$18.90	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Shepherd, Earnestine	\$19.47		\$3.74		\$23.21	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Smith, Lawrence		\$20.26			\$20.26	not in city limits
Snelson, Irene		\$57.87			\$57.87	not in city limits

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Stauffer, Jeremy	\$11.92			\$11.92	adjusted value for high mileage
Stizepek, Joanne	\$12.60			\$12.60	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Surrett, Eunice	\$17.60	\$3.41		\$21.01	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Thomas, Wanda	\$108.37	\$20.84		\$129.21	paid bill under acct 2013-07-23995
Tibbitts, Katherine	\$4.47	\$0.69		\$5.16	released bill to Buncombe County
Town of Hot Springs	\$124.82			\$124.82	this is exempt
Town of Marshall	\$30.88			\$30.88	this is exempt
Waldrup, Roy	\$12.65	\$0.50		\$13.15	2013 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Wallin, Ronnie	\$80.65			\$80.65	not in city limits
Whitaker, Torri	\$63.17			\$63.17	temporary tag released entire bill per collections
Willet, Jerry	\$29.30			\$29.30	2012 bill taxpayer turned tag in with time remaining per collections
Young, Michael	\$12.60	\$1.21		\$13.81	adjusted value for high mileage
TOTALS	\$1,161.54	\$459.87	\$80.24	\$0.00	\$1,701.65