

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
 COUNTY OF MADISON

MINUTES

The Madison County Board of Commissioners continued their meeting of August 13, 2012 on Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Courtroom, Madison County Courthouse, Marshall, NC.

In attendance were Chair Debbie Ponder, Vice-Chairman Billy Roberts, Commissioner Bill Briggs, Commissioner Hall Moore, Commissioner Sue Vilcinskas, County Manager Steve Garrison, and Attorney Larry Leake.

I.

Upon motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

II.

Upon motion by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to approve Budget Amendment #02.

III.

Upon motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Finance Officer moving forward with establishing two new bank accounts involving monies held by the County for inmates at the Sheriff's Office and the Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District.

IV.

Action on the request from the NCSU Cooperative Extension Service was tabled.

V.

Upon motion from Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve the attached annual contract with the NC Forest Service.

VI.

Upon motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to employ Crystal Martin and Beth Ammons for two on-call positions with the 911 Office.

VII.

Justin Hembree appeared before the Board to discuss the County's Solid-Waste operations, and in particular, to explore alternative means of financing same. He is going to undertake a review of the County's operations and that of other localities in an effort to put together some alternative suggestions for the County.

This the 16th day of August, 2012.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Debbie Ponder
 Debbie Ponder, Chair
 Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Larry Leake
 Larry Leake, Clerk

Madison County
Board of Commissioners

Budget Amendment #02

16-Aug-12

Description	Line Item	Debit	Credit
Social Services			
Progress Energy	10.5481.6780	\$ 2,723.19	
Haywood Electric	10.5481.6790	\$ 85.60	
Administration	10.3531.3300		\$ 2,808.79
Health Department			
Professional Services	10.5110.1990		\$ 8,165.00
Insurance Professional Liability	10.5110.4540	\$ 8,165.00	
Community Services			
Land of Sky - Fan Relief	10.3539.6500		\$ 400.00
Land of Sky - Fan Relief	10.4262.2310	\$ 400.00	
CRC Funds	10.3439.6400		\$ 1,000.00
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Child Support Enforcement			
Salaries	10.5373.1210	\$ 3,552.00	
FICA	10.5373.1810	\$ 272.00	
Retirement	10.5373.1820	\$ 240.00	
Finance Office (Lapsed Salaries)			
Salaries	10.4130.1210		\$ 3,552.00
FICA	10.4130.1810		\$ 272.00
Retirement	10.4130.1820		\$ 240.00
Library			
Salaries	10.6110.1210		\$ 379.00
State Aid	10.3611.3200	\$ 379.00	
Governing Body			
TDA - Lady Justice Project	10.3834.8630		\$ 8,000.00
TDA - Lady Justice Project	10.4110.7500	\$ 8,000.00	
Parks and Recreation			
TDA - Ebbs Chapel Concession	10.3770.4500		\$ 15,000.00
TDA - Ebbs Chapel Concession	10.6130.4500	\$ 15,000.00	

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
Department of
Agriculture and Consumer Services

\$ 204,950

Total Cooperative Appropriation

\$ 122,997 65% State

\$ 66,229 35 % County

\$ 15,724 100 % County (Smokechaser position)

\$ 81,953 County Total

AGREEMENT FOR THE PROTECTION, DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT
OF FOREST LAND IN MADISON COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA

THIS AGREEMENT, made under authority of "An act to authorize Counties to cooperate with State in Forest Protection, Reforestation and promotion of Forest Management," Article 75 of Chapter 106, G.S. 106-895 through G.S. 106-910, by Session Laws 2011-145, s. 13.25(p), effective July 1, 2011, and also under authority of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (hereinafter Called the Department), party of the first part, and the Board of Commissioners of Madison County in the State of North Carolina (hereinafter called the Board), party of the second part, witnesseth:

That WHEREAS the said Board, recognizing the need for active forest protection, development, reforestation, management and improvement in Madison County, has accepted the offer of the Department for cooperation in accomplishing this object:

Now THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the said parties contract and agree to maintain a legally appointed and equipped Forest Ranger organization in said county at the joint cost of the State and County, insofar as the joint funds will permit, as follows:

Part I. THE DEPARTMENT AGREES:

1. To select, employ and appoint, after consultation with the Board, a County Forester or County Forest Ranger for the purposes of controlling forest fires in said County; for detecting and extinguishing fires that break out; for investigating the origin of forest, woodland and field fires; for enforcing State forest fire laws; for taking such preventative measures, educational and otherwise, as shall seem necessary to prevent forest fires; for developing and improving the forests through reforestation promotion and practice of Forest Management practices; and for protection from insects and diseases.
2. To furnish to each Forester or Forest Ranger so employed a badge of office, stationery and report forms, instructional posters for use in the County, leaflets for distributing to landowners and others; to purchase necessary equipment, communication systems, and other Forestry improvements deemed necessary insofar as the joint funds will permit.
3. To pay the Forester or Forest Ranger for all official services rendered, at a fair rate of pay. Rates of pay are to be established by the Department in accord with existing State salary schedules.
4. To direct supervise, instruct, and inspect, through its agents, the work and conduct of the Forester or Forest Ranger, to discipline and, when necessary, discharge such Forester or Forest Ranger.
5. To submit to the Board of Commissioners monthly (or at other mutually satisfactory intervals) an itemized statement of all monies to be paid by the County and those paid by the Department for proper conduct of the work within said County.
6. To make available annually from State, Federal, and other funds allotted to it, the sum of **one hundred twenty-two thousand, nine hundred ninety-seven dollars (\$122,997.00)** as its share of an annual budget of **\$204,950.00** for carrying the work in said County.

Part II. THE BOARD AGREES:

1. To pay to the Department 100% of the cost of the Smokechaser's salary, 35% of the total cost of the Forester or Forest Ranger salaries and expenses and of other proper expenditures made in connection with the over-all Forestry program in said County, upon receipt and consequent approval of the periodic statements submitted by the Department.

2. To appropriate annually the sum of **eighty-one thousand, nine hundred fifty-three dollars (\$81,953.00)** which sum shall be available for expenditure under the terms of this Agreement, and shall represent the County's share of the annual budget.

Part III. IT IS EXPRESSLY AGREED AND UNDERSTOOD BY BOTH PARTIES:

- 1. That this Agreement becomes effective **July 1, 2012**
- 2. That the annual appropriations as set forth above may be revised by mutual agreement between the Department and the Board, based on the amount of annual appropriation desirable for the proper conduct of the Forestry work, such revision to become effective at the beginning of a given Fiscal Year. Any unused balance of County funds remaining at the end of a Fiscal Year shall revert to said County unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by both parties.
- 3. That the Board reimburse the Department as provided in Part II, Item 1, by forwarding a county voucher drawn in favor of the Department for the amount of the County's share of expenditures as set forth in the Department's periodic statement to the Board. That such payments be made by the Board within thirty days following receipt of the Department's billing.
- 4. That title to all improvements and equipment purchased and/or constructed in connection with this agreement will rest with the Department; such materials or their equivalent will remain in the County as long as this agreement is in effect, or as long as they are needed by the Department for the proper conduct of the work therein.
- 5. That the Forester or Forest Ranger periodically or at the request of the Board, shall present to the Board statements of the work being done within the County, so that said Board may be fully informed at the times regarding the Forestry finances and activities within the County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties do hereunto affix their names and seals upon the date herein below specified.

This the ___ day of August, 2012.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Debbie Ponder
Debbie Ponder, Chairperson
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Larry Leake
Larry Leake, Clerk

Provisions for the payment of the monies to fall due under this Agreement have been made by appropriation duly made or by bonds or notes duly authorized, as required by the "County Fiscal Control Act."

Darlyne Rhinehart
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County Finance Officer

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

N. David Smith
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Chief Deputy Commissioner

8-29-2012