

State of North Carolina)
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County of Stokes)
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Office of the Commissioners
Stokes County Government
Danbury, North Carolina
December 2, 2002

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Administrative Building, located in Danbury, North Carolina, on Monday, December 2, 2002, at 1:30 pm with the following members present:

Commissioner Sandy McHugh
Commissioner Howard Mabe
Commissioner Leon Inman
Commissioner Joe Turpin
Commissioner John Turpin

Craig Greer, County Manager
Clerk to the Board Craig Greer called the meeting to order.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chairman to the Board

Clerk to the Board Craig Greer called for nominations for Chairman of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner John Turpin nominated Commissioner Sandy McHugh to serve as Chairman of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners. With no other nominations, Clerk Greer closed the nominations.

The Board unanimously appointed Commissioner McHugh to serve as Chairman of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Clerk Greer turned the meeting over to Chairman McHugh

Vice-Chairman to the Board

Chairman McHugh entertained nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Joe Turpin nominated Commissioner John Turpin to serve as Vice- Chairman of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners. With no other nominations, Chairman McHugh closed the nominations.

The Board unanimously appointed Commissioner John Turpin to serve as Vice- Chairman of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Clerk to the Board

Chairman McHugh entertained nominations for Clerk to the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Chairman McHugh nominated Darlene Bullins to serve as Clerk to the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

With no other nominations, Chairman McHugh closed the nominations.

The Board unanimously appointed Darlene Bullins to serve as Clerk to Board for the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

County Attorney

Chairman McHugh entertained nominations for County Attorney for the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin nominated Attorney Tyrone Browder to continue to serve as County Attorney to the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

With no other nominations, Chairman McHugh closed the nominations.

The Board unanimously appointed Attorney Tyrone Browder to serve as County Attorney for the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

INVOCATION

Pastor Ken Smith, Community Church of Christ, delivered the invocation.

ADJOURNMENT OF REORGANIZATION MEETING

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting.

Commissioner Inman moved to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting. Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENED TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Board reconvened to the regular December 2, 2002 meeting with following members present:

Chairman Sandy McHugh
Vice-Chairman John Turpin
Commissioner Howard Mabe
Commissioner Leon Inman
Commissioner Joe Turpin

Craig Greer, County Manager
Darlene Bullins, Clerk to the Board

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman McHugh opened the meeting by inviting the citizens in attendance to join the Board with the Pledge of Allegiance.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-RULE OF PROCEDURES

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the Rules of Procedure by which the Board of Commissioners would apply to all meetings.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the Rule of Procedures, which will apply to all meetings of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion. Commissioner Mabe noted the change of the regular meetings to held on the second and fourth Monday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm.

Commissioner Mabe concluded that the 7:00 pm time could possibly cause a hardship for the elderly and nighttime workers who wish to attend a meeting.

Chairman McHugh noted the following advantages for changing the meeting dates and time:

- (1) the second and fourth Mondays only interfere with one holiday, which eliminates having to reschedule meetings;
- (2) convenience of the public to be able to attend the 7:00 pm time;
- (3) majority work during the day; (3) three Board members also work during the day.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to amend the motion on adoption of the Rule of Procedures.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to amend the motion to include the approval of the Rule of Procedures to be effective January 1, 2003.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded and the amendment to the motion carried (4-1) with Commissioner Mabe voting against the amendment.

The original motion was not acted upon.

(Copy of Rules and Procedures at the end of the minutes)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY- PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman McHugh informed the public that the Board will include on the agenda of each regular meeting a period of time for comments or concerns from members of the public in attendance.

Chairman McHugh invited any member of the audience who wished to address the Board at this time.

Mr. Michael Sawyer-Director, Northwestern Regional Library, expressed the County Libraries' (Walnut Cove, King, & Danbury) appreciation to the Board for their continued support. Mr. Sawyer presented Board members with 2001-2002 Highlights from each of the County Libraries.

FORUM

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002 AUDIT PRESENTATION

Mr. Randy Brodd, Dixon Odom, PLLC presented an overview of the completed Fiscal Year 2001-02 Audit. Mr. Brodd noted the \$3,360,443 fund balance as of June 30, 2002. (Available fund balance as of June 30, 2002 - \$1,142,869/3.56%)

Mr. Brodd presented the Board with charts illustrating the following:

Property Tax Collection Rate (1985/86 through 2001/02) (96%)
General Fund – Available Fund Balance (1985/86 to 2001/02) (3.56%)*
General Government Revenues 2001-02 (Property Tax – 49%, etc)
General Government Expenditures 2001-02 (Human Services 29%, Education 26%, etc)

*Mr. Brodd noted the State's recommendation for fund balance - 8%, which is one month's operation of expenditures.

Chart 1 Chart 2 Chart 3 Chart 4 (See below)

Mr. Brodd noted the \$2,148,569 being reserved by state statute as unavailable for appropriation. Mr. Brodd concluded that there were no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to accept the Fiscal Year 2001-2002 Audit as presented by Mr. Randy Brodd, Odom Dixon.

Commissioner Mabe moved to accept the Fiscal Year 2001/2002 Audit as presented by Mr. Randy Brodd, Odom Dixon, PLLC.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

(Copy of the completed audit maintained in the Finance Department –General Purpose Financial Statements & Compliance Reports).

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-STOKES COUNTY MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM, INC – REQUEST – LOAN FOR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

Chief Greg Pratt, Stokes County Mountain Rescue, requested the approval of the Board to move the County from 2nd to 3rd on the deed against the mortgage that Stokes Mountain Rescue currently has on the building and grounds in order for a loan for the Care Trak Program. This would enable Community Bank to be placed 2nd on the deed against the mortgage for the purpose of a loan to purchase equipment.

Chairman McHugh requested Chief Pratt to return to the Board at a future date with the following additional information to assure the Board has all the needed information:

Copy of Mortgage Notes
Copy of the Current Budget for Mountain Rescue
Copy of the Current Budget for CareTrak
List of requested equipment

Chief Pratt acknowledged upon approval of his Board, he would return the requested information to the Board.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 02/03

County Manager Craig Greer submitted information requested by Chairman McHugh to the Board concerning the following:

Elimination of Appraisal Supervisor position
Available Funds from Capital Reserve
Social Services
Adult Day Care Direct Reimbursement
Current Vacant Positions
County Owned Property Not In Use
Health Department Cuts

Manager Greer also submitted information received from Ms. Janice Burke, Local Government Commission, which denies the issuance of tax anticipation notes.

Finance Director Julia Edwards noted the additional amount \$9800 that was also available from Capital Reserve (this amount was unexpended funds transfer from the prior fiscal year's budget for the election primary that was not held until September 02).

Manager Greer spoke briefly concerning the County owned property

- (1) Cherry Park
- (2) Bryce Gordon Gift. Cherry Park (12-16 acres-Walnut Cove) is located on Highway #89. There has been no survey done since the original Deed in the 1880's. Mr. Gordon's gift of property to Forsyth Tech and Stokes County was for the possible placement of a Community College in Stokes County. The property (1.5 acres -King) given by Mr. Gordon to the County was initially intended for a Law Enforcement/EMS Center.

Chairman McHugh requested Manager Greer to present the available information concerning the County Owned Property Not In Use at a future meeting.

SOCIAL SERVICES

DSS Director Sharon Scott submitted the Board with the following information:

Budget information for current fiscal year
Statistical client information
(numbers served in different programs, elderly, disabled, children, etc)
Optional Programs
Adult Day Care, Child Day Care
Community Alternative Program (CAP/DA)
Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG)
Personal Care Services (PCS)
Program Integrity
*(Consequences of not having each program)
Mandated Programs and Services
Optional Programs and Services
General Statues Information

Programs of Public Assistance –G.S. 108A-25. Creation of Program

Social Services-G.S. 108A-74. County department failure to provide services; State intervention in or control of services delivery

Disabled Adults-G.S. 108A-93. Withholding of State moneys from counties failing to pay public assistance costs

Child Support-G.S. 110-141. Effectuation of Intent of Article

Aid to the Needy Blind-G.S. 111-17. Amount and payment of assistance; source of funds

Ms. Scott noted that the DSS 2002/03 Budget of \$33,365,546, contains a total County share of \$2,734,005. Without the County's share, there would be no draw down from the Federal and State.

Ms. Scott concluded that if the Child Welfare Program is not administered by the County, the State would intervene, take away County responsibility, run the program, and bill the County for the cost.

Chairman McHugh requested verification that reimbursement for the Adult Day Care Program can still be received if another entity other than the County provides the matching funds. Ms. Scott concluded that the matching funds could be provided by another entity, but payment can not be directly made to the Adult Day Care Program.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Director Steve Smith presented the Board with information concerning the Health Department's budget, Smart Start, Environmental Health, and fees.

Mr. Smith noted that 29% of the budget is local dollars with 71% of the budget being funded by different funding sources (such as State, Federal, grants, etc.). Current estimates reveal that of the local funding \$440,752.06, there remains an estimated \$240,193 balance. Eliminating Smart Start funding would not only lose revenue but could risk having to repay the entire grant of \$90,000.

Mandated programs include communicable disease, environmental health, vital records, and administration staff required to maintain records mandated by the state (includes health director position).

Mr. Smith spoke briefly on the possibility of increasing fees in environmental health instead of eliminating programs. Current vacancies for the year could recoup an estimated \$25,000 of local funding.

Mr. Smith concluded by stating he would provide the Board with General Statute information concerning mandated programs associated with the Health Department.

County Manager Greer noted that the current vacant positions in Home Health and the King Clinic contained no county funding.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-APPOINTMENTS-NWPCOG-STOKES CO. ADULT CARE HOMES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chairman McHugh noted the open appointment with the Stokes County Adult Care Homes Community Advisory Committee which a name was submitted at the November 18th meeting.

Chairman McHugh noted that due to new members on the Board, the appointment would be discussed at the December 16th meeting.

Commissioner Mabe noted that Ms. Charland had consented to serve on the Committee if appointed.

Chairman McHugh also noted current openings on the Health Board and the Northwest Piedmont Council of Government.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-HEALTH DEPT.-BUDGET AMENDMENT #24

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #24, which is necessary to transfer funds due to the budget cuts, the physician position was not filled and the physician hours have been reduced; therefore, these funds need to be transfer to professional services instead of salaries and wages.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Amendment #24.

Commissioner Mabe moved to approve Budget Amendment #24. Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL FUND

ACCOUNT #

INCREASE

DECREASE

EXPENDITURES

King Clinic			
Salaries & Wages	100.5191.000		(\$58,000.00)
Professional Services	100.5191.180	\$58,000.00	

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-SOCIAL SERVICES-BUDGET AMENDMENT #25

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #25, which is necessary to transfer funds for foster care.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Amendment #25.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to approve Budget Amendment #25. Commissioner Joe

Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL FUND	ACCOUNT #	INCREASE	DECREASE
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EXPENDITURES

Public Assistance			
IV-E Foster Care	100.5440.000		(\$15,000.00)
IV-E Special Foster Care	100.5440.002	\$15,000.00	

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-CODE OF ETHICS FOR STOKES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to adopt the Code of Ethics for the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to adopt the Code of Ethics for the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Code of Ethics for Stokes County Commissioners

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-ELIMINATION OF APPRAISAL SUPERVISOR POSITION-TAX DEPARTMENT

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to eliminate the Appraisal Supervisor position in the Tax Department.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to eliminate the Appraisal Supervisor position in the Tax Department.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion.

Commissioner Mabe requested input from Tax Administrator Michael Hartgrove.

Tax Administrator Michael Hartgrove spoke to the Board concerning the great impact the loss of this position would be for the upcoming Revaluation in two years, the other duties this position assumed in the Tax Department, segregation of duties between the collection and listing areas in the department, and the loss of one employee in this year's current budget.

Chairman McHugh called the question.

The motion to eliminate the Appraisal Supervisor's position in the Tax Department carried (3-2) with Commissioners Mabe and Inman voting against the motion.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM CAPITAL RESERVE

PUBLIC BUILDINGS-Parking Lot -\$85,605

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve - Public Buildings-Parking Lot.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to use available funding \$85,605 from Capital Reserve-Public Buildings-Parking Lot.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer explained the funding had been set aside for approximately 5-6 years in order to resurface the parking lots surrounding the Government Center and the parking area located at Moratock Park.

The motion carried unanimously.

GIS-Tax Maps-\$12,996

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve - GIS-Tax Maps

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to use available funding \$12,996 from Capital Reserve-GIS-Tax Maps.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer explained this is surplus funding from the recent completed Aerial Photos Project.

The motion carried unanimously.

EMS-Software-\$295

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve - EMS-Software.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to use available funding \$295 from Capital Reserve-EMS-Software.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer explained this is surplus funding from the recent completed EMS Software Project.

The motion carried unanimously.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE-Garage-\$15,000

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Vehicle Maintenance-Garage.

Commissioner Mabe moved to use available funding \$15,000 from Capital Reserve – Vehicle Maintenance-Garage.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer noted funding had been set aside for a future project for a new needed garage. With YVEDDI obtaining a grant from NCDOT to built a new garage in the County, the funding would be used for equipment.

Chairman McHugh confirmed the construction would not be completed until fiscal year 2003/2004.

Manager Greer also noted that environmental studies of the proposed site were underway at the present time.

The motion carried unanimously.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE-Truck-\$15,000

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Vehicle Maintenance-Truck.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to use available funding \$15,000 from Capital Reserve – Vehicle Maintenance-Garage.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer noted funding had been set aside for a new truck for vehicle maintenance. The current vehicle is 10 years old with approximately 170,000 miles.

Chairman McHugh called the question. The motion carried unanimously.

EDUCATION-Capital ADM Match-\$153,000

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Education – Capital ADM Match.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to use available funding \$153,000 from Capital Reserve – Education-Capital ADM Match.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer noted the funding was unappropriated sales tax proceeds which is mandated to go directly to the school system. These funds must be expended by the school system for capital outlay, but can be used for Debt Service. The funding would be used for School Bond Debt Service, which would take the General Fund Contribution \$153,000 from debt. ADM Capital Projects must be match by 3 to 1. These funds are used to match ADM Projects.

Commissioner Inman questioned whether taking funds from Capital Projects- Education required a Public Hearing.

County Manager Greer noted that reducing only current expense funds required holding a Public Hearing.

County Manager Greer concluded that the Board had not received or acted on a request from the School System to use this funding.

The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Mabe and Inman voting against the motion.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS-Technology-\$7,900

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Information Systems-Technology.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to use available funding \$7,900 from Capital Reserve- Information Systems-Technology.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer explained this is surplus funding from the recent completed Technology Project-Network.

The motion carried unanimously.

ANIMAL CONTROL-Truck Replacement-\$13,500

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Animal Control-Truck Replacement.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to use available funding \$13,500 from Capital Reserve – Animal Control-Truck Replacement.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer noted funding had been set aside for a new truck for animal control. The current vehicle has an excess amount of mileage and was due for replacement this fiscal year. Due to the budget issues, the purchase was delayed.

The motion carried unanimously.

SOLID WASTE-Site Improvements-\$6,700

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Solid Waste-Site Improvements.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to use available funding \$6,700 from Capital Reserve – Solid Waste-Site Improvements.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer noted funding had been set aside for a proposed Convenience (Greenbox) Site in the Germanton area.

The motion carried unanimously.

ELECTIONS-Primary-\$9,800

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to use available funding from Capital Reserve – Elections-Primary.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to use available funding \$9,800 from Capital Reserve- Elections-Primary.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

County Manager Greer noted funding that had been transferred from fiscal year 2001/2002 for the postponed Primary, which was held

in September 2002.

The motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-SOCIAL SERVICES

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to deduct from the Social Services' Budget the amount identified by the DSS Director as available in the amount of \$256,735, which does not cut from mandated programs.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to deduct from the Social Services' Budget the amount identified by the DSS Director as available in the amount of \$256,735, which does not cut from mandated programs.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

DSS Director Sharon Scott identified this amount as the remaining county funding left in the Budget to pay for services and administration for the rest of the year other than the five mandated services. Without this funding, there will be no funds for staff. It is not left over funding. Without this funding, there would be enough funding for approximately 7-8 staff members who could not deliver services such as child protective services.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to tabled motion until the Board resumes at a recessed meeting at another time.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Since the motion was tabled, the original motion dies.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-ADULT DAY CARE DIRECT REIMBURSEMENT

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the Adult Day Care Direct Reimbursement or to table until further information is obtained concerning whether the Adult Day Care Center has the necessary matching funds.

Commissioner Inman moved to table the motion. Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-CURRENT VACANT POSITIONS

Chairman McHugh informed the Board the following options concerning the vacant positions: Direct the County Manager to deduct the lapsed salary money from the current budget that has not been spent or to eliminate the position completely.

Register of Deeds (part time clerical)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the vacant Register of Deeds (part-time) clerical position.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to eliminate the Register of Deeds (part-time) clerical position.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

Chairman McHugh turned over the Chairmanship to Vice-Chairman John Turpin.

Chairman McHugh moved to amend the motion to freeze the Register of Deeds (part time) clerical position for the remainder of the current fiscal year, reclaim the lapsed salary money, but not totally cut the position due to the Register of Deeds Department only having 3 ½ positions.

Commissioner Mabe seconded the motion.

The amendment to the motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman John Turpin turned the Chairmanship back over to Chairman McHugh.

The amended motion carried unanimously.

Health Department (PHN I)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the vacant Health Department (PHN I) position.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to eliminate the vacant Health Department (PHN I) position.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded the motion.

Health Director Smith informed the Board this position is a general clinic nurse that supports child and adult health in multiple clinics.

Commissioner Mabe moved to amend the motion to recoup the lapsed salary instead of eliminating the position.

Commissioner Inman seconded the amendment.

The amendment carried (3-2) with Chairman McHugh and Vice-Chairman John Turpin voting against the amendment.

The amended motion to freeze the PHN I position and recoup the lapsed salary carried unanimously.

Health Department (PHN II)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the vacant Health Department (PHN II) position.

Commissioner Inman moved to freeze and recoup the lapsed salary money.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Health Department (Social Worker II)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the vacant Health Department (Social Worker II) position.

Commissioner Inman moved the freeze and recoup the lapsed salary money.

Commissioner Mabe seconded the motion.

Health Director Smith stated that the Social Worker II position is in the Family Care Coordination Program which is funded by 85% federal funding.

The motion carried unanimously.

Health Department (Office Support III)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the vacant Health Department (Office Support III) position.

Commissioner Inman moved to freeze and recoup the lapsed salary money.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Health Department – Home Health (PHN II)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the vacant Health Department (Home Health-PHN II) position and the King Clinic (PHN II) position.

Both positions have no local funding.

Commissioner Mabe moved to take no action on the Health Department (Home Health –PHN II) and the King Clinic (PHN II) positions due to both positions having no local funding.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

EMS- (EMT)

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the Emergency Medical Services (EMT) position.

Chairman McHugh moved to recoup the lapsed salary from this position, but do nothing further to the position and at a later time possibly using this funding for part time EMS salaries.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

County Owned Property Not In Use

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to table the discussion on the property until a later time in order to go thru the entire list or a motion to act or discuss the County owned property not in use.

Commissioner Inman moved to table the discussion on the property until a later time in order to go thru the entire list.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the November 21st meeting, which stated the minutes of the November 18th meeting were approved.

Commissioner Mabe moved to approve the minutes of the November 21st meeting, which stated the minutes of the November 18th meeting were approved.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-STOKES COUNTY MTN. RESCUE TEAM, INC- CARE TRAK PROGRAM

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to act on the request for the County to be placed 3rd instead of 2nd on the Deed against the Mortgage that Stokes Mtn. Rescue Team currently has or to table the discussion until the requested information is returned to the Board.

Commissioner Inman moved to table until the requested information was provided to the Board.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE DECISION OF MINORS

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion on the Resolution in Support of Parental Involvement in the Decision of Minors.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the Resolution in Support of Parental Involvement in the Decision of Minors.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE DECISION OF MINORS

WHEREAS, the basic unit of our society has been, is, and will be the family and

WHEREAS, the strength of our families depends upon responsible and caring parents, and

WHEREAS, a vital component of a responsible parent is the necessary authority to establish guidelines and set limits of behavior, and

WHEREAS, authority is granted by God, and

WHEREAS, current state laws require local health departments to provide birth control to children (minors) without the knowledge or approval of parents, and

WHEREAS, this and similar statutes infringe upon the authority of parents and ultimately, damage the family structure.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the **Stokes County Board of Commissioners** strongly urges the North Carolina General Assembly and the Governor to repeal North Carolina General Statute 90-21.4, which requires providing contraceptives to minors without parental consent and adopt policies of parental involvement rather than parental absence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to each U.S. Representative and Senator from the great State of North Carolina, to each North Carolina State Senator and Representative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Stokes County Health Department be requested to provide a position paper supporting this position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be forwarded to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Association to be included as a legislative goal for the upcoming session of the General Assembly.

Sandy McHugh
Chairman

Darlene Bullins
Clerk to the Board

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to enter closed session to consider the performance, and conditions of appointment of an individual public employee pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11.

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

THE BOARD RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-TAX ADMINISTRATOR

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to replace the Tax Administrator and as Interim place the GIS Director in the position.

Vice-Chairman John Turpin seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Mabe and Inman voting against the motion.

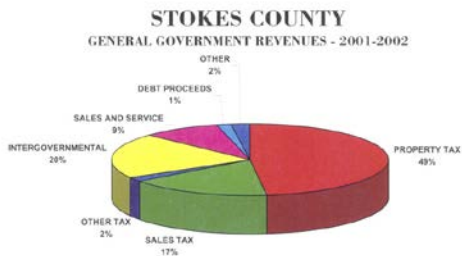
There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice-Chairman John Turpin moved to recess the meeting until Wednesday, December 4th at 6:00pm.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

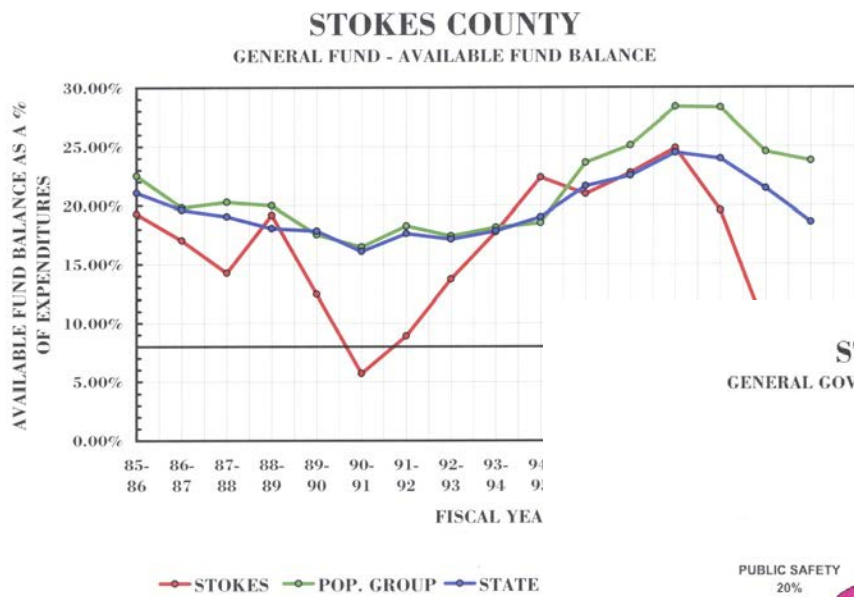
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Clerk to the Board

Sandy McHugh
Chairman

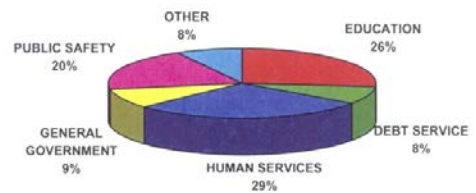




FUNCTION	AMOUNT	PER CAPITA County	PER CAPITA Pop. Grp Average
PROPERTY TAX	\$16,312,820	\$ 360	\$ 386
SALES TAX	5,656,088	125	146
OTHER TAX	699,635	15	37
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	6,880,890	152	280
SALES AND SERVICE	3,128,254	69	140
DEBT PROCEEDS	500,000	11	71
OTHER	799,076	18	79
	<u>\$33,886,771</u>	<u>\$ 749</u>	<u>\$ 1,130</u>



STOKES COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES - 2001-2002



FUNCTION	AMOUNT	PER CAPITA County	PER CAPITA Average
EDUCATION	\$9,199,902	\$ 203	\$ 326
DEBT SERVICE	2,929,404	65	80
HUMAN SERVICES	9,855,395	218	275
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	3,223,493	71	94
PUBLIC SAFETY	6,875,948	152	159
OTHER	2,810,369	62	196
	<u>\$34,894,511</u>	<u>\$ 771</u>	<u>\$ 1,130</u>