

Manager Steen requested approval to proceed with the purchase of the computer for the Health Department.

The Board discussed the funding request.

The Board unanimously agreed to direct County Manager Steen to proceed with the purchase of the equipment for the Health Department and return a budget amendment to the Board on May 29, 2007.

Board of Education Request

Commissioner Carroll moved to make a formal request to the Board of Education from the Board of Commissioners for the following information:

- State and Federal Planning Allotments for 2007-08
- Most recent State and Federal Allotment Revisions for 2006-07
- Summary of 2006-07 expenditures in State PRC 31, 68/69, 72 (personnel by position, materials, technology, staff development, etc)
- Summary of all permanent positions by PRC
- Analysis of Current Expense and Capital Outlay Fund Balances (Start with amount shown in audit, then show restrictions, appropriations, etc. to arrive at available Fund Balance for use in 2007-08)

Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board unanimously agreed to include a due date with the request of May 31, 2007.

Fire Department Contracts

Commissioner Carroll requested that the following be included in the proposed fire department contracts particularly in the service district:

The fire departments are not to incur any long term debt that is expected to be paid off with tax revenues without the prior consent of the Fire Commission and the Board of Commissioners.

The Board discussed the proposed fire department budgets being submitted to the county manager, current debts of the fire departments, current capital expenditures being purchased by fire departments, and Fire Commission Guidelines approved in 2002.

Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins noted that some departments request a tax exempt certificate to be completed by the Board for the purchase of equipment/buildings, most do not.

Clerk Bullins explained the fire budget procedure, which was followed before the approval of Fire Commission Guidelines in 2002.

The Board unanimously agreed to direct the County Manager to insert the following statement upon approval of the County Attorney into the proposed fire contracts for the May 29th meeting:

- The fire departments are not to incur any long term debt that is expected to be paid off with tax revenues without the prior consent of the Fire Commission and the Board of Commissioners

The Board reiterated the valuable service provided to the citizens of Stokes County by the Volunteer Fire Departments and the intent of the Board is to enter into an agreement with the fire departments that contains good public policy.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Inman entertained a motion to adjourn the special meeting.

Commissioner Lankford moved to adjourn the special meeting.

Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Darlene M. Bullins
Clerk to the Board

J. Leon Inman
Chairman