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BUDGET WORK SESSION
OF THE
LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
106 HILLCREST DRIVE
SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA 27330

JUNE 8, 2015

The Budget Work Session of the Lee County Board of Commissioners for the County of Lee, State of North Carolina, convened at 6 p.m. in the Gordon Wicker Conference Room, First Floor, Lee County Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina, on said date. Commissioners present when the work session was called to order was Amy M. Dalrymple, Dr. Ricky D. Frazier, Robert T. Reives, Timothy S. Sloan, and Kirk D. Smith. Commissioner Andre Knecht arrived at 6:25 p.m., and Commissioner Larry "Doc" Oldham was absent due to being out of town on vacation. Staff in attendance included County Manager John Crumpton, Assistant County Manager/Finance Director Lisa Minter, and Clerk to the Board Gaynell Lee.

Chair Dalrymple called the work session to order.

Commissioner Frazier delivered the invocation.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

At this time the Board heard presentations from the following non-profit organizations that had requested funding in the upcoming budget:

HAVEN in Lee County, requested \$12,000, County Manager recommended \$10,000. Susan King, Executive Director of HAVEN stated their mission is to help hurting people heal from abuse to end domestic violence and sexual assault through community education, intervention, and prevention. Ms. King stated HAVEN will use any funds received from the County as matching funds for State and Federal grants.

Lee County Industries (LCI), requested \$7,500, County Manager recommended \$5,000. Mike Gilmore, Director of LCI stated his organization provides people with disabilities the services needed to be independent and productive. Any funding received from the County will supplement their Vocational Rehabilitation program.

Boys & Girls Club of Sanford/Lee County, requested \$32,000, County Manager recommended \$10,000. Dana Petty, Interim Director stated their mission is to inspire and enable all young people to realize their full potential as responsible, caring and productive citizens. Any funding received from the County will be used for transportation of Lee County students to the Boys & Girls Club facilities for a safe, positive afterschool environment. Funds will also help continue the impact of life enhancing programs and character development experiences.

Family Promise of Lee County, requested \$5,000, County Manager recommended \$2,500. Fredrika Cooke, Executive Director stated the mission of Family Promise of Lee County is to provide homeless families with shelter and meals and comprehensive, compassionate support services that will enable them to transition from homelessness to stable affordable housing. Any funding received from the County will be used for case management and support services to homeless children and their parents. Staff will assist each family with developing a case management plan, which includes goals that range from 7 days to 12 months.

Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action, requested \$6,000, County Manager did not recommend any funding. Marie Watson, Executive Director stated their mission is to work with low income persons by using coordinated efforts and representation from the disadvantaged, public and private sectors to help persons become self-sufficient. Any funds received from the County will be used to offset expenses where program funds are unavailable or not part of a line item. Funds are also used to assist clients when funds are unavailable.

Maggie's Outreach Community Economic Development Center, requested \$15,000, County Manager recommended \$2,500. Ophelia Ray, CEO and Founder stated their mission is to improve the academic achievement, self-esteem and social competence of at-risk youth. Any funding received from the County will be used to purchase a 15-passenger vehicle to provide transportation to youth referred from the Lee County Court System to Maggie's Outreach Youth Enrichment Center "Road to Success" mentoring program.

The Salvation Army of Lee County, requested \$20,000, County Manager recommended \$2,500. Chris Kelley, Service Center Director stated their mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. Any funding received will be used to assist people in breaking the cycle of poverty and help them become self-sufficient and productive members of the community. The organization would like to establish Individual Development Accounts (IDA's) for low income people in Lee County which is a matched savings account that will help low-income workers build financial assets for the purchase of a home, pursuit of post-secondary education or specialized training, or start or expand a small business.

Temple Theatre Company, Inc., requested \$28,760, County Manager recommended \$5,000. Peggy Taphorn, Director, stated their mission is to entertain, enrich, enlighten, and educate audiences of Central North Carolina through the art of live theatre. Any funding received will be used to enhance the Temple's youth programs, with the primary focus being on upgrading the facilities (especially the Education building located at 126 Carthage Street).

Lee County Arts Council, Inc., requested \$3,000, County Manager recommended \$2,000. Lorraine Fera, Director, stated the Arts Council believes that art is good business with three primary goals; (1) enable local artists to bring their work to the public through grants, free/low cost public events and local exhibits/community events; (2) bring music, dance, poetry, painting and sculpture of local artists to the citizens of Lee County at low/no costs through events and exhibits, and (3) to give local artists a market for their work. Any funding received will be used to revive the pottery industry in Lee County and fund more classes both for students and adults interested in learning to create traditional pottery.

The Board considered a Resolution naming a portion of the US 421 By-Pass in memory of Don Buie. Commissioner Smith read the Resolution and moved approval, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes and by this reference made a part hereof. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

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**Resolution by Lee County Board of Commissioners
Requesting the Board of Transportation
to Name a Portion of the 421 By-Pass
from US 1 to the Merge at Cumnock Near the Deep River**

WHEREAS, the late Don Buie, was a life-long conservationist living in Lee County; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie was an admirer and naturalist of the Deep River region for many years; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie was a strong advocate of the preservation of all natural resources and wildlife, especially in the state of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie was a dedicated leader for many years of youth and strived to advance youth skills in all areas, especially in scholarly education and in the North Carolina Wildlife Commission's Youth Hunter Safety Program; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie, a committed Christian and Certified Lay Pastor, for many years spoke at churches throughout Lee County, admonishing all hearers toward a good and successful life; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie was a faculty member and leader of Central Carolina Community College; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie was a member and leader of the Lee County Wildlife Club who led the group in outreach to the community in a number of effective programs; and

WHEREAS, Don Buie was a leader in the Central Carolina Paddlers, a canoeing group that led the region in river expeditions along Carolina rivers; and

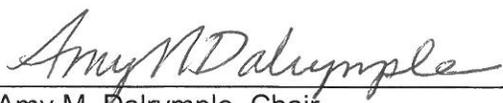
WHEREAS, Don Buie was a collector of books, documents and other paraphernalia relating to the history of the region, and often spoke to various groups concerning events and people involving the early settlers of the area, the industrial development along rivers of North Carolina, and the American Revolutionary War and Civil War.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lee County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that the Board of Transportation name the portion of the 421 by-pass north from US 1 to Cumnock merge with US 421, the DON BUIE HIGHWAY.

Adopted this 8th day of June 2015.

ATTEST:


Gaynell M. Lee, Clerk to the Board


Amy M. Dalrymple, Chair
Lee County Board of Commissioners

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Reives, Sloan, and Smith
Nay: None
Absent: Oldham

The Chair ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Frazier moved that Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action be funded \$3,000 in the upcoming budget. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Reives, and Sloan
Nay: Knecht and Smith
Absent: Oldham

The Chair ruled the motion had been adopted by a four to two vote.

Chair Dalrymple moved to reduce funding for the Salvation Army from \$2,500 to \$1,000 and increase funding for the Boys & Girls Club from \$10,000 to \$11,500. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Reives, and Sloan
Nay: Smith
Absent: Oldham

The Chair ruled the motion had been adopted by a five to one vote.

Chair Dalrymple moved to go into Closed Session to discuss a personal matter per North Carolina General Statute §143-318.11(a) (6). Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Reives, Sloan, and Smith
Nay: None
Absent: Oldham

The Chair ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the Board was in Closed Session. Upon returning from Closed Session, Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the results were as follows;

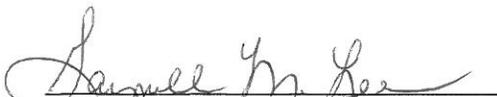
Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Reives, Sloan, and Smith
Nay: None
Absent: Oldham

The Chair ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Amy M. Dalrymple, Chair
Lee County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Gaynell M. Lee, Clerk to the Board