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ITEMS APPROVED AND ACTION TAKEN BY THE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 23, 2012

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The Lee County Board of Commissioners, meeting in regular session at 6 p.m., Monday, January 23, 2012, took action on the following items:

The following items were approved on the **CONSENT AGENDA**:

- A. Minutes from the January 9, 2012 regular meeting,
- B. FY 2012-13 Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Services Block Grant Program Application,
- C. Tax Releases and Refunds for December 2011,
- D. Agreement for Administrative Services for 2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project,
- E. Approval of revised Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) membership roster,
- F. Budget Amendment # 01/23/12/07,
- G. Revised Board of Health Operating Procedures,
- H. Approval of additional Administration monies from the State for the Health Department in the amount of \$3,918, and
- I. Approval of additional DEHNR Planning funds for the Health Department in the amount of \$8,343.00.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Pursuant to N.C. General Statute 153A-52.1, the floor was opened for *Public Comments*. The following spoke and were allowed 3 minutes to make their presentation:

1. Mr. Keith Clark, 212 Acorn Drive, Sanford

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Conducted the following public hearings for the Lee County Senior Services Center:

- A. Public hearing for FY 2012-13 Community Transportation Application Grant.
- B. Public hearing for Elderly and Disabled Federal Grant application for Transportation
- C. Public hearing for Fare Rates Increase for COLTS to increase all local fare rates from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per trip for all Lee County residents.

Upon completion of the public hearings, all items were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Heard an update and presentation from the Sandhills Center and representatives from Daymark Recovery in reference to mental health matters. No action was taken.
- B. Discussed revisions to the Public Records Request Policy and Procedures. Action was deferred for one month in order to give the County Attorney time to research further.
- C. Approved a request for the County Manager to request copies of all monthly financial reports from the Lee County Board of Education.
- D. Voted to send a written request to Representative Mike Stone and Senator Bob Atwater to appear before the Board of Commissioners to discuss the proposed new redistricting maps and how it will impact Lee County.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Monthly Financial Report for month ending December 2011 was presented – no action taken.
- B. Approved Budget Calendar for FY 2012-13.
- C. County Manager John Crumpton presented his Monthly Report which addressed the following:
 - 1. Springsted Consultants have completed preliminary work on the Pay Classification Plan and are reviewing all data before the draft is presented in February. The timetable is still to present this item to the Board at the second meeting in March.
 - 2. Evergreen Solutions has submitted the County's draft performance audit report to staff for review. Evergreen is still trying to get follow up information from the Lee County School system to complete their draft report.
 - 3. Courthouse renovations project is almost out to bid. Bid advertisements are going out on January 22nd with a pre-bid conference scheduled for January 31st. Bids are due February 21st and will be considered at the first meeting in March. The Architect is reviewing the Jail electrical system issue and is working on a recommendation to pull this piece out of the bid documents to bid separately. This will allow this part of the project to go forward without certain permits that are normally required with a larger project. It will still take approximately 90 – 120 days to get the new electrical system installed in the Jail.
 - 4. The SBTDC is still working on the development of a Strategic Plan for Economic Growth for the County, with work taking longer than originally estimated. The workshop has been pushed back to the end of February or early March at this time. The goal of the process is to develop a plan that will guide the County in the coming years that will enable us to help retain and grow wealth in the County.
 - 5. A budget simulation exercise entitled "Bottom Line" has been scheduled with the School of Government for March 8th from 9 until 12:00 noon in the Gordon Wicker Conference Room at the Lee County Government Center. Invitations will be sent shortly to invite a select group of individuals to participate in the exercise, along with Commissioners. After the School of Government work session, discussion on goal setting with the Commissioners for the 2012-13 budget will be discussed.
 - 6. A retirement reception for former County Attorney K. R. Hoyle will be held Wednesday, January 25, 2012 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the McSwain Center.

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