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MINUTES OF THE LEE COUNTY
FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

October 9, 2012

The Lee County Fire Advisory Board met on October 9, 2012 at Lee County Emergency Services Conference Room, located at 225 S Steele Street, Sanford, North Carolina.

The following members were present:

- Donald Andrews, Jr.
- Royce Gaines
- Linda Shook
- Gary Gilliam
- Larry Kelly
- David Vann
- Richard Holshouser
- Shane Seagroves, Ex officio member

Others present:

- David Nance

Chairman Donald Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved, as presented, by a motion made by Gary Gilliam; seconded by David Vann; unanimous vote.

The floor was opened for nominations for the positions of Chairman and Vice Chairman. For Chairman, Larry Kelly made a motion to re-elect Donald Andrews; seconded by Royce Gaines. There was no discussion and the motion unanimously carried. For Vice Chairman, Linda Shook made a motion to re-elect Larry Kelly; seconded by Richard Holshouser. There was no discussion and the motion unanimously carried.

Donald Andrews gave an update on the fire service districts. The Board of Commissioner's approved the creation of fire service districts as presented by the Fire

Advisory Board at their July 16th, 2012 meeting and maps showing redrawn fire service district lines have been submitted to the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Moving forward in the process, public notices have to be sent and a public hearing scheduled; letters will have to be distributed to each property owner in the fire districts. The anticipated timeframe for these districts to be effective is July 1, 2013.

A discussion regarding information in reference to the issuance of sales tax distribution to the City of Sanford and Town of Broadway for the next fiscal year was led by Chairman Andrews. The Evergreen Performance Audit, recently completed for the county, recommended a change from the current per capita method (population-based) of sales tax revenue distribution to an ad valorem method using a formula based on local tax base values. There are concerns from Sanford and Broadway leaders about a possible 6-cent and 12-cent property tax increase if the distribution is changed. Ms. Shook commented that it would be best to wait and see what the revaluation does.

The Budget Plan for FY2013/2014 will continue to be processed in the same format as in the past. Larry stated that the fire departments need to know about service districts ahead of budget time.

Therefore being no further business to come before the Fire Advisory Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. by a motion made by Larry Kelly; seconded by Gary Gilliam; unanimous vote.

Donald Andrews, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:

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Nancy Veroni, Secretary