

BUDGET COMMITTEE

March 10, 2014

5:15 PM

PRESENT: William Armstrong, Charlie Bayless, Tom Bowers, Nancy Brown, Steve Chambers, Sonja Culler, Lawrence Hodge, and Harry Sisk.

The meeting was called to order by Harry Sisk.

Quorum present.

Motion made by Tom Bowers, second by Sonja Culler to adopt the agenda with the addition of Animal Shelter requests and a General Purpose School request. Motion carried.

Motion made by Steve Chambers, second by Nancy Brown to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

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- **Animal Shelter Donations:** Motion was made by Nancy Brown, second by Sonja Culler to accept \$390.00 donated to the Animal Shelter during February 2014. Motion carried.

 - **Recommendation from Courtroom Security:** Finance Director Ingrid Deloach said the Courtroom Security Committee has requested to transfer up to \$6,798.86 from the courtroom security reserve for the purchase of a paging system. She stated the committee is in the process of obtaining additional quotes. The committee would like to get approval not to exceed the current quote, with the understanding if a quote is received at a lower price only the amount needed would be transferred from the reserve. Mayor Humphrey said T & M Communications is the NEC recognized provider for the phone system and they have control over the installation. He stated there is a possibility that T & M is the sole source provider. Mrs. Deloach said T & M sent in a letter stating they are an authorized dealer, not a sole source provider. She stated the Mayor does have the option to not allow anyone else work on the phone system because it is T & M's phone system. Mrs. Deloach said vendors will be requested to break down their quote by equipment and labor. Tom Bowers asked if this should be tabled until all quotes are received. Ingrid Deloach said if the motion was for up to a maximum amount of \$6,798.86 it would be fine to go ahead with the motion knowing the actual costs could be lower depending on quotes received.
Motion was made by Lawrence Hodge, second by Nancy Brown to approve up to \$6,798.86 to come from the Courtroom Security Reserve for the purchase and installation of a paging system. A voice roll call was as follows:

Bill Armstrong	Aye	Steve Chambers	Aye
Charlie Bayless	Aye	Sonja Culler	Aye
Tom Bowers	No	Lawrence Hodge	Aye
Nancy Brown	Aye	Harry Sisk	Aye

Seven ayes, one no. Motion carried.

- **General Fund 101 Amendment #6 Items 1-5:** Motion by Charlie Bayless, second by Sonja Culler to approve General Fund Amendment #6 for a total of \$2,408. Motion Carried

- **Federal Projects Fund 142 Amendment #4 with 1 Item:** Motion by Steve Chambers, second by Sonja Culler to approve Federal Projects Fund 142 Amendment #4 for a total of \$9,350. Motion carried

- o **Public Comments:** John Lewis asked what happened to the million dollars set aside to buy land for a new Valley Forge School. Mrs. Deloach said she believes a portion of those funds were used to build on to Unaka High School. John Lewis said he thought Unaka and Valley Forge both had a million dollars set aside. Tom Bowers said he believes Commission voted to let the Schools use that money for remodeling and repairs. Steve Chambers stated he thinks the Unaka project ran over and the School Board used the Valley Forge money on Unaka. Mrs. Deloach said she was not prepared to discuss this but she believes nothing was ever done with the Valley Forge money so it was given back.

John Lewis said the Cloudland Elementary School note will be paid off soon. He asked where that money will be put back in. Mrs. Deloach explained that Debt Service is not balanced, so the County is currently taking out of fund balance. She stated because Debt Service is not sufficiently funded now there will be no money available to move from Debt Service. She said the total coming off as far as expenditures is about \$930,000, but there is not adequate revenue coming into Debt Service.

Sam McKinney said he thinks there should be a note in the bookwork about the Cloudland note.

Nancy Brown said she has a constituent who wants to put in bids for mowing at the School System, and he is upset because the district he wants to bid on is not being bid out. Mrs. Deloach explained one district is being bid out because Range Elementary School was in that district and no longer is owned by the School System. She said the remaining districts are not being re-bid. Mrs. Deloach noted that Dr. Ward is looking at the mowing contracts and if the proper wording is not in the contracts for extension those districts will also be re-bid.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tom Bowers with a second from Steve Chambers. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christa Byrd

Harry Sisk,

Approved for File

① T & M Communications, LLC

Technology with Experience

116 East Elk Avenue Elizabethton, TN 37643 (423) 543-3130 Fax (423) 547-5930
E-mail Address: tmc@tmcnec.com

Contract

Carter County

Date: June 4, 2013

Paging Equipment

- 2 NEC PGD(2) – U10 External Adapter
- 21 Valcom P-REC Ceiling Speaker
- 2 Valcom 1AMP 24VDC
Telephone Software Upgrade
Set-Up Internal 911 Services
Labor

TOTAL INSTALLATION PRICE \$6,798.86

Terms: 50% with contract 50% upon completion

Accepted By _____
(Authorized Signature)

(Title)

Date: _____

This Contract is Valid for 30 days.

“Direct Line for Quality Hotline for Service”

ECCAS

135 Sycamore Shoals Road, Elizabethton, TN 37643
Phone: 423-547-6359 Email: animalshelter@cartercountyttn.gov

March 1, 2014

Carter County Budget Committee

RE: ECCAS Budget Amendments

On February 26, 2014, we picked up an injured dog. He suffered from a severe dog or wild animal attack with multiple punctures, extensive lacerations, and broken limbs. While he did not have identification, he was obviously well cared for and neutered. Due to his injuries, we transported him to a veterinarian clinic for emergency treatment and continued pain medication while we searched for his owner through newspaper and radio announcements. The owners were never located and he passed away at the clinic on March 1, 2014. The vet bill is \$742.49 to cover his treatment.

Please move \$743 from previous donations to Line Item 413 to cover this expense.

Thank you for considering this request.

April Jones, ECCAS Director



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March 6, 2014

Carter County Budget Committee

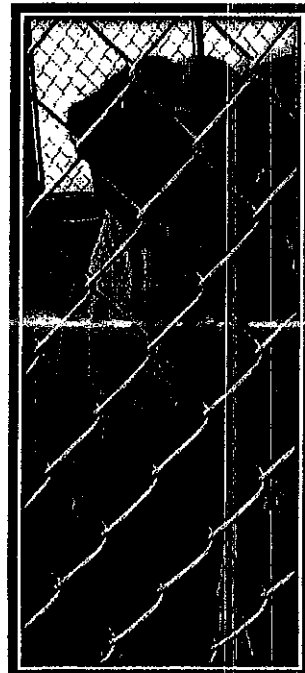
RE: ECCAS Budget Amendments

On February 12, 2014, we picked up a friendly, stray pit-bull terrier. As soon as she entered a kennel, a neighboring dog attacked her through the cage and bit off half of her right ear. As she was a stray and in the injury occurred in our care, we were obligated to seek treatment for her wound. The vet bill is \$136.58 to cover her treatment.

Please move \$137 from previous donations to Line Item 413 to cover this expense.

Thank you for considering this request.

April Jones, ECCAS Director



Carter County Schools
Federal Projects Fund 142
Budget Amendment #4

Item #1	71100-116-110	Teachers		\$	1,000.00	Decrease
	71100-189-110	Other Salaries & Wages	\$	4,500.00		Increase
	71100-195-110	Substitute Teachers		\$	1,000.00	Decrease
	71100-198-110	Non-Certified Substitutes	\$	1,000.00		Increase
	71100-201-110	Social Security	\$	1,000.00		Increase
	71100-210-110	Unemployment Compensation	\$	50.00		Increase
	71100-212-110	Employer Medicare		\$	7,350.00	Decrease
	71100-429-110	Instructional Supplies & Mtls	\$	1,740.00		Increase
	71100-499-110	Other Supplies & Mtls	\$	60.00		Increase
	72210-524-110	In Service/Staff Development	\$	1,000.00		Increase

Reallocate funds within the Focus Schools Grant.

Total		\$	9,350.00	\$	9,350.00	
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