

BUDGET COMMITTEE  
November 10, 2014  
6:00 P.M.

Passed  
Jan. 12, 2015

APPROVED

**Present:** Buford Peters, Nancy Brown, Ronnie Trivett, L.C. Tester, Ross Garland, Sonja Culler, Robert Carroll

**Absent:** John Lewis

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Sonja Culler.

The roll was called by Secretary Ross Garland.

Quorum present.

- **Adopt Agenda:** Motion was made by L.C. Tester, second by Ronnie Trivett to accept adjusted Agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, second by L.C. Tester to approve minutes from the October 13, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.
- **Judge Keith Bowers:** 1) Request Line Item transfer of \$2,691.25 from YSO Budget to Sessions Court to hire a part-time assistant for his General Sessions/Youth Service office, due to illness: Motion made by Ronnie Trivett, second by Nancy Brown to approve reallocation of funds to hire clerical need. All ayes. Motion passed. 2) Judge Bowers also mentioned some repairs and upgrades to Courtroom that have improved appearance, and commended Sessions Clerk Blankenship and the Sheriff's Office for their help in the process. They anticipate future repairs and services still needed in Courtroom.
- **Public Comments:** No public comments were made.
- **Animal Shelter Donations:** Motion was made by Nancy Brown, second by L.C. Tester to accept \$842.00 donated to the Animal Shelter during October 2014. Motion carried.
- **Landfill Committee Grant:** Landfill Committee Chairwoman Bobbie Gouge-Dietz requested \$6,116.00 to cover a 20% match fee necessary to receive a State Grant of \$24,464.00. Funds will be used for purchase of (22) 8 yd. dumpsters, and (2) 40 yd. dumpsters for cardboard and paper recycling purposes. New proposed dumpster sites at local businesses and Volunteer Fire Departments. Currently, 80 similar dumpsters are in place throughout County. Funds not required until after the new year, and Grant will be reimbursed. Ronnie Trivett made motion, second by L.C. Tester, to move \$6,116.00 from General Fund to cover cost of required matching funds. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Landfill Equipment Need:** Landfill Director Benny Lyons will use \$8,300 from his current budget to purchase new motor (Long block, head, turbo, pistons) for Landfill Compactor. Repairs should require little equipment downtime and parts are warranted through Caterpillar.
- **Sheriff's Department Amendment Request:** Chief Deputy Parrish requests amendment to realign salary lines to reflect actual personnel on Payroll. Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, second by L.C. Tester to reallocate \$311,841.74 within Sheriff's Dept. and Jail budgets to correct salary lines. No new money. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Jail Cameras Purchase:** Chief Parrish requests a withdrawal of \$17,000 from their Reserve Account of \$106,000 to purchase advanced jail cameras. Improved cameras and necessary equipment will eventually allow for less jail staff and implement an indirect supervision facility. Motion was made by Nancy Brown, second by Robert Carroll, for Sheriff's Dept. to transfer funds from within their budget to purchase advanced cameras and equipment. No new money. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Jail Maintenance and Medical Claims Allowance:** No monies in Sheriff's budget are available for Jail maintenance and Medical Claims. Monies were previously cut to meet Budget Committee requests. Recommendations would require \$40,000 for Maintenance Line and \$61,000 for Medical Claims line. Funds were stated to be available from unused Medical Insurance money to cover costs of needed funds. Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, second by L.C. Tester to transfer funds to Jail Maintenance line and Medical Claims line. All ayes. Motion carries.
- **Youth Club Contribution Designations:** Finance Director Deloach expressed her concerns on allocation process of \$3,700 in funds designated for Youth/Cultural/Athletic Clubs. Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, second by Nancy Brown that all (8) Commission districts be represented and money be dispersed by acting Budget Committee Commissioner. All ayes. Motion passed.

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- **General Fund 101-Amendment #5: Item #1** recognize and reallocate '13-'14 reimbursement from BOE for SRO's  
**Item #2:** Recognize and reallocate 1<sup>st</sup> quarter reimbursement from BOE for SRO'S  
**Item #3:** Reallocate funds from reserve for purchase of vehicles.  
**Item #4:** Reallocate funds from Byrne Grant for purchase and installation of cruiser laptops.  
**Item #5:** Recognize reimbursement from Synergy/MSHA.  
**Item #6:** Recognize TGFOA Scholarship for Finance Department employee.  
**Item #7:** Reallocate funds for Tobacco Settlement Grant.  
**Item #8:** Reallocate funds for Monument Insurance Premium.  
**Item #9:** Reallocate funds received for spay/neuter services.  
**Item #10:** Allocate funds for purchase and installation of paging system.

No new money. **Total:** \$465,232.19

Motion made by Buford Peters, second by L.C. Tester to accept General Fund 101-Amendment #5. All ayes. Motion carried.

- **Solid Waste Fund 116-Amendment #1:** Reallocate funds for purchase of forklift. Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, second by L.C. Tester to accept Solid Waste Fund 116-Amendment #1. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Drug Control Fund 122-Amendment #2:** Reallocate funds for the purchase of cameras for cruisers. Motion made by Ronnie Trivett, second by L.C. Tester to accept Drug Control Fund 122-Amendment #2. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Highway Fund 131-Amendment #2:** Allocate proceeds from sale of Dozer and Loader to purchase new equipment. Motion made by Ronnie Trivett, second by Nancy Brown to accept Highway Fund 131-Amendment #2. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **General Purpose School Fund 141-Amendment #3: Item #1:** Recognize Special Education High Cost Reimbursement  
**Item #2** Reallocate funds for SRO contract that was not billed during the '13-'14 Budget Year.

**Total:** \$269,284.66

Motion made by L.C. Tester, second by Buford Peters to accept General Purpose School Fund 141-Amendment #3. Sonja Culler passed on her vote. Motion carried.

- **Federal Projects Fund 142-Amendment #2:** Motion made by Ronnie Trivett, second by L.C. Tester to accept Federal Projects Fund 142-Amendment #2. Sonja Culler passed on her vote. Motion carried.
- **Commission Discussion:** Commissioner Tester discussed the need to pay two months wages to Mr. Tom Little who filled in as Judicial Commissioner. Salary was approximately \$330 per month. Motion made by Ronnie Trivett, second by Nancy Brown to pay Mr. Little owed wages for fill-in duties. Motion carried.
- **WCCVFD Assistance Grant:** West Carter Co. Volunteer Fire Department would like to utilize the Matching Grant Fund for \$3,000 to purchase \$6,300 worth of equipment. Motion made by Ronnie Trivett, second by Nancy Brown to allow WCCVFD the \$3,000.00 in matching funds. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Motion to adjourn made by Ronnie Trivett, second by Buford Peters. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Garland

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Sonja Culler,                      Approved for File