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BE IT REMEMBERED, that the County Commissioners of Carter County, Elizabethton, Tennessee, met in Regular Session on October 15, 2007, at 7:00 P.M. in the main courtroom of the Carter County Courthouse. Present and presiding were the Honorable Johnny Holder, Mayor/Chairman; the Honorable Keith Bowers, Jr., County Attorney; and the Honorable Mary Gouge, County Clerk. The following Commissioners were present: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong, Robert Davis and Robert Gobble.

ROLL CALL.....QUORUM PRESENT

PRAYER.....JEFF MCKINNEY

PLEDGE.....ROBERT DAVIS

The Clerk noted a "Disclaimer" statement from Commissioners Jim Whaley, L. C. Tester, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro and Ken Arney.



Carter County Commission

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF A REGULAR SESSION OF THE CARTER COUNTY COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all members of the Carter County Commission, to all residents of the County of Carter, Tennessee, and to all persons interested, that the Regular Session of the Carter County Commission will be held Monday, October 15, 2007, 7:00 p.m., Main Courtroom, Carter County Courthouse, 801 E. Elk Avenue, Elizabethton, Tennessee.

Agenda

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Opening Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Don Hurst, Carter County Tomorrow
- Public Comments
- Recognition of Elected Officials/Guests
- Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Notaries/Bonds
- Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
- Judicial Commissioner Appointment
- Civil Service Appointment
- Committee Re-organization
- Committee Reports/Recommendations
- Commissioner Comments
- Adjourn

All matters that may be normally considered by the Commission may be taken up and acted on at such meetings.

Johnny Holder, County Chairman
Carter County, Tennessee

Don Hurst, President of Carter County Tomorrow, addressed the Commission at this time giving an update on their activities. He stressed once again the need for a strategic long term plan for the County's water issues. He pointed out that water problems were not just in our area relating that Atlanta was almost dry and New Mexico was actually proposing running a water line from the Great Lakes to New Mexico, a pipeline that would extend through at least five states. He informed the Commissioners of the tentative agreement of the Borla Company to purchase the old Seaman's building off Interstate 26 at the Okalona exit and of a proposal for Carter County to partner with Johnson City in buying back part of the property. He stated that the plan called for a 60/40 split of the purchase of 75 acres of land for approximately \$1 million dollars, Carter County being responsible for \$400,000. He said that Borla was going to set up a manufacturing operation in part of the building and probably market the rest. He stated that this property was completely developed and would give Carter County another industrial park ready to go.

Several citizens addressed the Commission under Public Comments on the agenda. George Papantoniou was recognized by Jerry Pearman who voiced his concern over the billing system presently used by the Rescue Squad and the justification for the charges for their services. He asked that the Rescue Squad be accountable to the public claiming that they were funded by the public and not a private entity.

Ken Arney recognized Dr. Lee Miller representing the Hampton Utility District. He stated that at the advise of his attorney, he was taking the first step of opting the Hampton Utility District from the Watauga River Regional Water Authority's original Private Act by being there and asking the Commission the necessary steps that needed to be taken to be removed from the WRRWA. He cited the unreasonable surcharge of \$7.00 as the main reason for the utility district wanting to opt out of the WRRWA and presented a petition to the Commission asking them to take the necessary steps to remove Hampton Utility District from the Water Authority. Commissioner Ritchie then presented the same petition on behalf of the 1st Utility District asking that they also be opted out of the WRRWA.

Steve Lowrance recognized Pam Ward of Carter Marketing who requested payment in the amount of \$1,245 plus penalty and interest for the energy cells put in five (5) county vehicles per a verbal agreement with the former Financial Director, Jason Cody, as a fuel saving effort. She stated that payment had previously been requested and was denied by the Commissioners.

Jeff McKinney recognized Tammy Ward who stated that her opinion of the WRRWA issues was somewhere in the middle. She said that the people of the county needed and wanted to be educated and given answers to their questions on the issues and her mission was to put "people back in government". Nancy Brown recognized Jerry Poole who stated he had met several times with Michael Hughes, Director of the WRRWA, and said that the original intentions of the WRRWA's had gotten off track and that it appeared the Authority was not taking any action. Jerry Pearman informed the Commissioners that a meeting of all the Utility Districts was set for October 26, 2007, at which time they would discuss all their options and then act on their recommendation at another meeting 10 days later.

Mayor Holder recognized the elected and appointed officials in the audience by asking them to stand at this time.

Motion was made by Richard Tester, seconded by Jeff McKinney to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2007, meeting of the County Commission as presented. By voice roll call vote, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

Motion was made by Gebe Ritchie, seconded by Lynn Tipton to approve the election of the following Notaries as presented. By voice roll call vote, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

LOUELLA N. RANDOLPH
JENNIFER MARTIN
LORA S. HICKS
THERESA L. FLYNN
KENNETH PAUL MURPHY

TERESA A. STREET
SHIRLEY W. GENTRY
JACKLYN D. MORRIS
SHANNON TODD PERRY

At this time the election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the County Commission took place. Motion was made by Harry Sisk, seconded by Jo Ann Blankenship to re-elect Mayor Johnny Holder as Chairman. Motion was made by Gebe Ritchie, seconded by Jack Buckles for nominations to cease and Mayor Holder was elected as Chairman of the County Commission by voice roll call vote this October 15, 2007.

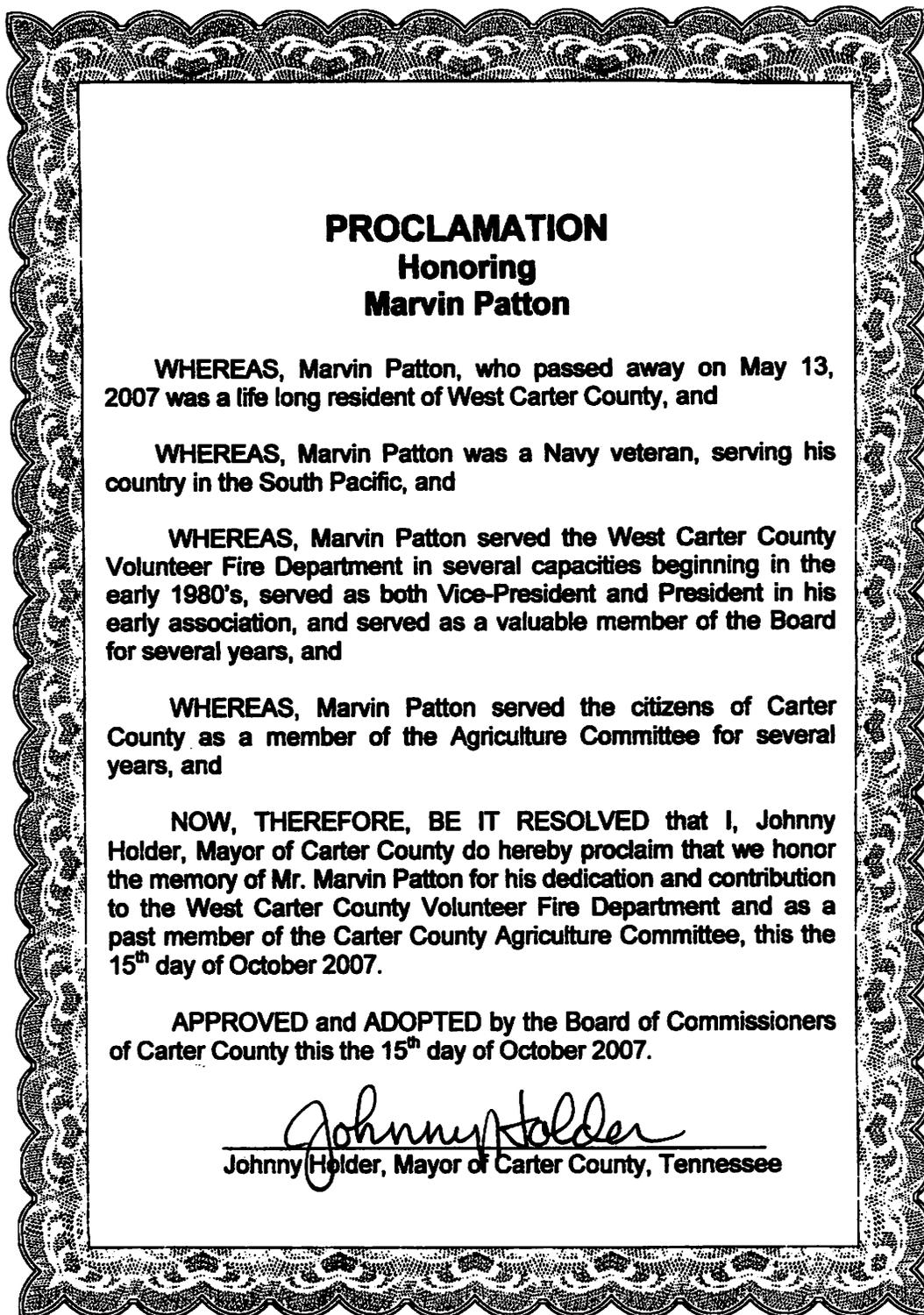
Motion was made by Jo Ann Blankenship, seconded by Harry Sisk to re-elect Lawrence Hodge as Vice-Chairman. Motion was made by Gebe Ritchie, seconded by Jack Buckles for nominations to cease and Lawrence Hodge was duly elected Vice-Chairman of the County Commission by voice roll call vote this October 15, 2007.

Motion was made by Jim Whaley, seconded by Robert Gobble to re-appoint Steve Galyon as a Judicial Commissioner. By voice call vote, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

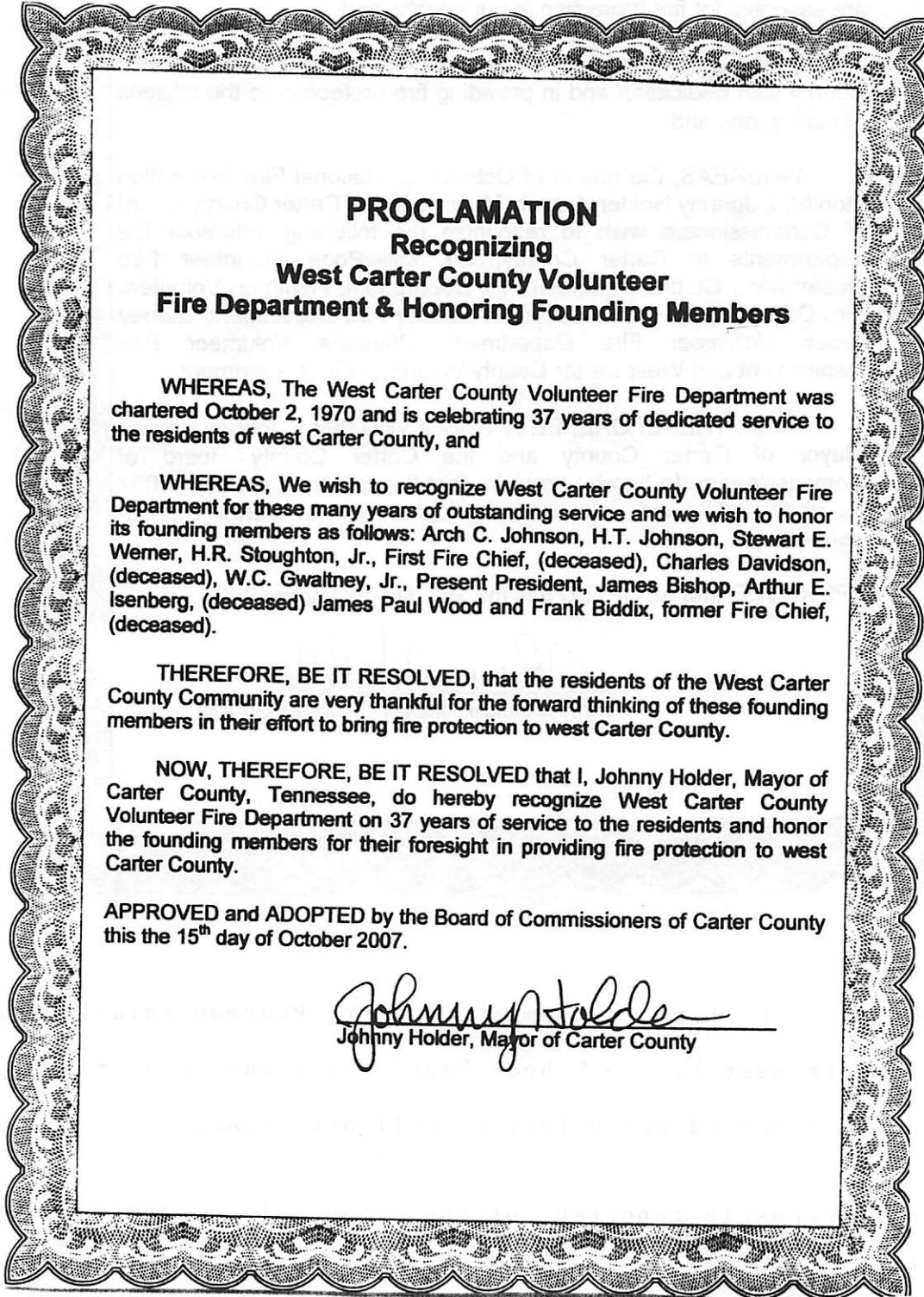
Motion was made by Harry Sisk, seconded by Jim Whaley to re-appoint Ronnie Trivett to the Civil Service Board. By voice roll call vote, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

At the request of Mayor Holder, motion was made by Jerry Pearman seconded by Harry Sisk to leave the Carter County Committees and Boards as they presently are until the January 2008 meeting at which time they would be reorganized. By voice roll call vote, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

The County Attorney was asked to read the following Proclamation honoring Marvin Patton and was presented to his widow.



The following Proclamation was read by the County Attorney recognizing the West Carter County Volunteer Fire Department and honoring their Founding members. The Proclamation was presented to a representative of their organization.



The following Proclamation was read by the County Attorney recognizing the Volunteer Fire Departments in Carter County and was presented to a member of their organization.

**Proclamation
Recognizing
Volunteer Fire Department
In Carter County, Tennessee**

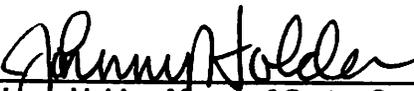
WHEREAS, the Volunteer Fire Departments in Carter County are essential for fire protection in our county, and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department volunteers serve Carter County with dedication and in providing fire protection to the citizens of our county, and

WHEREAS, the month of October is "National Fire Prevention Month", I, Johnny Holder, County Mayor and the Carter County Board of Commissioners wish to recognize the following volunteer fire departments in Carter County; Elk Mills/Poga Volunteer Fire Department, Central Volunteer Fire Department, Hampton Volunteer Fire Department, Roan Mountain Volunteer Fire Department, Stoney Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Watauga Volunteer Fire Department and West Carter County Volunteer Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Johnny Holder, Mayor of Carter County and the Carter County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim that the month of October 2007 be dedicated to the volunteer fire departments in Carter County, Tennessee.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 15th day of October 2007.



Johnny Holder, Mayor of Carter County

On behalf of the Finance Committee, Jerry Pearman related that at their last meeting the request by the School Board for funds to do repairs to Unaka Highschool had been denied and deferred until next year.

Jo Ann Blankenship reported for the Financial Management Committee, stating that Ernest Jackson would have the employee name tags in the near future. and updated them on the security cameras and internet status during a disaster. She said that Randal Lewis, Trustee, reported on the Tax Relief program. Jerome Kitchens, Financial Director, introduced them to two new employees, Jacklyn Lewis who will deal with purchase orders and John Thompson who will assist with payroll. She further stated that an update of the organizational chart for the committee and department was done and the job description of the Deputy Financial Director was approved. She further stated that sections 1.7 & 1.8 of the Operations Manual had been revised to require all purchases to be in writing and signed by the office head. Also the requirements for bids was changed to reflect \$10,000. A copy of their meeting minutes were passed out to each Commissioner.

.On recommendation of the Law Enforcement Committee, motion was made by Jim Whaley, seconded by Robert Gobble to return the hearse given to Carter County previously by Unicoi County back to Unicoi County for disposal. By voice roll call vote, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

On recommendation of the Law Enforcement Committee, motion was made by Jim Whaley, seconded by Jeff McKinney to have a contract drawn up and bid out for health care at the jail as they were now operating on a "proposal" with Dr. Daniel Paul. By voice roll call vote, motion duly carried this October 15 2007.

Commissioner Whaley related that the Sheriff's Department needed to have an auction to dispose of several vehicles. He made a motion, Jerry Pearman to allow the Sheriff to hold an auction of these vehicles and the money for the sale of these vehicles to go into the General Fund to be re-routed back into the Sheriff's budget. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble
NAYS: Nancy Brown & Ken Arney
PASSING: Jo Ann Blankenship
ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 20 ayes, 2 nays, 1 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

On recommendation of the Budget Committee, motion was made by Bill Armstrong, seconded by Lynn Tipton to approve the follow General Fund budget amendments Item #2 thru Item #17. (Item #1 was for information only.) Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble
NAYS: 0
PASSING: 0
ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 23 ayes, 0 nays, 0 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

Carter County General Fund 101

Budget Amendment # 3 2007-08

Item #1	58120	715	Land Purchase	\$ 420,000.00	Increase
	39000		Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 321,432.82	Decrease
	35110		Reserve for Industrial Property	\$ 98,567.18	Decrease
To allocate funds for purchase of 40% interest in property located next to EPIC facility for a joint industrial park with Johnson City.					
Item #2	58300	105	Director	\$ 1,000.00	Decrease
	58300	719	Office Equipment	\$ 1,000.00	Increase
To reallocate funds not needed due to late hire of Director to office equipment for purchase of computer.					
Item #3	41140		Cable TV Franchise	\$ 42,021.00	Increase
	52100	305	Audit Services	\$ 42,021.00	Increase
To recognize one half of collection from Charter Communication Audit to pay auditor per agreement. Total received- \$84,042 (Balance unallocated subject to direction from Commission)					
Item #4	44170		Refunds	\$ 433.20	Increase
	54210	335	Maint. & Repairs Jail	\$ 433.20	Increase
To recognize refund from Fastenal Co.					
Item #5	44170		Refunds	\$ 21,000.00	Increase
	54110	106	Sheriff's Deputies	\$ 21,000.00	Increase
To recognize State Supplement for Deputies					
Item #6	44170		Refunds	\$ 171.98	Increase
	51500	355	Travel Election Commission	\$ 171.98	Increase
To recognize refund from Holiday Inn Express					
Item #7	44170		Refunds	\$ 63.26	Increase
	54240	355	Travel Juvenile Services	\$ 63.26	Increase
To recognize refund from Sheraton Music City Hotel					
Item #8	44170		Refunds	\$ 200.00	Increase
	54110	196	Training: Sheriff's Office	\$ 200.00	Increase
To recognize training reimbursement from Carter Co Emergency Rescue Squad					
Item #9	44170		Refunds	\$ 1,059.84	Increase
	58130	599	Other Charges: Housing & Urban Dev	\$ 1,059.84	Increase
To recognize refund on Cash Bond					
Item #10	44170		Refunds	\$ 178,249.27	Increase
	58130	321		\$ 7,745.85	Increase
	58130	499		\$ 157,337.00	Increase
	58130	599		\$ 13,166.42	Increase
To recognize Tennessee Housing Agency HOME Grant					
Item #11	44170		Refunds	\$ 50.00	Increase
	54110	196	Training: Sheriff's Office	\$ 50.00	Increase
To recognize reimbursement for ammo used in training					
Item #12	46290		State of Tennessee	\$ 6,953.00	Increase
	54110	716	Law Enforcement Equipment: Sheriff's Office	\$ 6,953.00	Increase
To recognize COPS Grant					
Item #13	46290		State of Tennessee	\$ 15,000.00	Increase
	54110	716	Law Enforcement Equipment: Sheriff's Office	\$ 15,000.00	Increase
To recognize Fingerprint Machine Grant					
Item #14	44170		Refunds	\$ 100.00	Increase
	53900	194	Jury Fees: Other Administration of Justice	\$ 100.00	Increase
To recognize funds received re: State vs. Langley					
Item #15	48610		Donations	\$ 1,132.00	Increase
	54110	716	Law Enforcement Equipment: Sheriff's Office	\$ 1,132.00	Increase
To recognize donation for K-9 Unit					
Item #16	48610		Donations	\$ 25.00	Increase
	54110	716	Law Enforcement Equipment: Sheriff's Office	\$ 25.00	Increase
To recognize donation for K-9 Unit					
Item #17	44520		Insurance Recovery	\$ 11,653.35	Increase
	54110	718	Motor Vehicles: Sheriff's Office	\$ 11,653.35	Increase
To recognize insurance settlement for Matt Lunceford accident					

Motion was made by Bill Armstrong, seconded by Jerry Pearman to approve the following Solid Waste Fund amendments, Items #1 and #2. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L.C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble

NAYS: 0
 PASSING: 0
 ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 23 ayes, 0 nays, 0 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

**Carter County Solid Waste Fund 116
 Budget Amendment # 1 2007-08**

Item #1	44170	Refunds		\$ 255.48	Increase
	55754	336 Maintenance & Repair Equipment	\$ 255.48		Increase
To recognize refund from Stowers Machinery					
Item #2	44170	Refunds		\$ 12,365.59	Increase
	55754	322 Evaluation & Testing	\$ 12,365.59		Increase
To recognize payment of City of Elizabethton share of closed Landfill					

Total Solid Waste Amendments \$ 12,621.07 \$ 12,621.07

Motion was made by Bill Armstrong, seconded by Jerry Pearman to approve the following Highway budget amendment Item #1 as presented. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble

NAYS: 0
 PASSING: 0
 ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 23 ayes, 0 nays, 0 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

**Carter County Highway Fund 131
 Budget Amendment # 1 2007-08**

#1	44170	Refunds		\$ 3,000.00	Increase
	62000	404 Asphalt Hot Mix	\$ 3,000.00		Increase
To recognize reimbursement for paving at Roan Mt Waste Collection site					

Total Highway Department Amendments \$ 3,000.00 \$ 3,000.00

Motion was made by Bill Armstrong, seconded by Dickie Renfro, to approve the following School Department budget amendments Items #1 and #2 as presented. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L.C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble
 NAYS: 0
 PASSING: 0
 ABSENT: Robert Davis

**Carter County Schools Fund 141
 Budget Amendment # 2 2007-08**

Item #1	73300	169	Part-Time Personnel	30,962	Increase
	73300	201	Social Security	1,970	Increase
	73300	204	Retirement	1,351	Increase
	73300	210	Unemployment	205	Increase
	73300	212	Medicare	546	Increase
	73300	355	Travel	1,500	Increase
	73300	422	Food Supplies	8,670	Increase
	73300	429	Instructional Supplies	1,116	Increase
	73300	524	Staff Development	600	Increase
	46590		Other State Education Funds		38250 Increase
	47114		USDA - Other LEAPS Keenbug Reimbursement		8,670 Increase

To recognize Lottery Education Grant for Keenbug After School

Item #2	73300	105	Director	41,393	Increase
	73300	169	Part-Time Personnel	423,306	Increase
	73300	201	Social Security	28,811	Increase
	73300	204	Retirement	20,462	Increase
	73300	206	Life Insurance	30	Increase
	73300	207	Medical Insurance	9,000	Increase
	73300	208	Dental Insurance	240	Increase
	73300	210	Unemployment	1,720	Increase
	73300	212	Medicare	6,740	Increase
	73300	355	Travel	6,867	Increase
	73300	399	Other Contracted Services	7,480	Increase
	73300	422	Food Supplies	100,368	Increase
	73300	429	Instructional Supplies	17,760	Increase
	73300	524	Staff Development	9,273	Increase
	73300	599	Other Charges	6,918	Increase
	47590		Other Federal Through State		580,000 Increase
	47114		USDA - Other Carter Cares Reimbursement		100,368 Increase

To recognize Carter Cares After School Grant

Total General School Amendments

\$ 727,288.00 \$ 727,288.00

Motion was made by Bill Armstrong, seconded by Harry Sisk to reflect in the minutes an error in Section 7 of Resolution No. 471 recorded in County Commission Book #25, page 120-124. The Resolution stated that the delinquent County property taxes for the year 2007 will be apportioned to the various County funds and it should have read the property taxes for the year 2005. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester, Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble

NAYS: 0
PASSING: 0
ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 23 ayes, 0 nays, 0 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the delinquent County property taxes for the year 2005 and prior years and the interests and penalty thereon collected during the year ending June 30, 2008 shall be apportioned to the various County funds according to the subdivision of the tax levy for the year 2007. The Clerk and Masters and the Trustee are hereby authorized and directed to make such apportionment accordingly.

Commissioner Armstrong stated that the Budget Committee had voted to refer the matter of the payment of \$1,245 to Carter Marketing as requested by Pam Ward to the full Commission with no recommendation. Motion was made by Lawrence Hodge, seconded by Steve Lowrance to approve the payment for the energy cells. After much discussion, motion was made by Harry Sisk, seconded by Jerry Pearman to amend Commissioner Hodge's motion to allow the County Attorney and Mayor to meet with Ms. Ward to negotiate the penalty and interest she stated would be charged. Commissioner Whaley addressed Ms. Ward asking her that if it was voted on now to pay the bill would she settle for the initial \$1,245. She stated that she would and the motion to amend made by Harry Sisk was withdrawn. Roll call vote to pay the bill to Carter Marketing with the funds from the Contingency Fund.

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Jeff McKinney, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Jack Campbell & Robert Gobble

NAYS: Nancy Brown, R. L. Miller, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Richard Tester & Bill Armstrong

PASSING: Terry Montgomery

ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 13 ayes, 9 nays, 1 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this October 15, 2007.

The County Attorney read the Resolutions presented by the 1st Utility District and the Hampton Utility District asking for the Commission to allow them to take the proper steps to opt out of the WRRWA. Again after much discussion, motion was made by Gebe Ritchie, seconded by Jeff McKinney to approve the Resolution presented by the 1st Utility District. Motion was then made by Richard Tester, seconded by Bill Armstrong to TABLE Commission Ritchie's motion to allow the WRRWA and all the utility districts to attend the meeting of all concerned scheduled by Jerry Pearman on October 26, 2007, at 6:00 PM and report their findings back to the entire Commission. Roll call vote to TABLE as follows:

AYES: R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman, L. C. Tester
Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Charlie Bayless,,
Dickie Renfro, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester & Bill
Armstrong

NAYS: Jack Buckles, Gebe Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff McKinney
Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney, Larry McKinney & Robert Gobble

PASSING: 0
ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 14 ayes, 9 nays, 0 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried this
October 15, 2007.

Motion was made by Jim Whaley, seconded by Jerry Pearman for the County
to keep the position of Coroner in place. By voice roll call vote, motion duly
carried this October 15, 2007.

Richard Tester addressed the Commission at this time on his concerns
regarding the water issues. He urged the Utility Districts and the WRRWA to
attend the upcoming meeting and take is seriously. He urged them to work
to reach a common ground to meet the needs of all the people in the County
in an effort for our County to grow. He stated that everyone needed to be
informed of all situations and information that the Commissioners may be
made aware of but not necessarily the general public.

Motion was made by Gebe Ritchie, seconded by Steve Lowrance for the
WRRWA to be audited and that audit be made available for review at the
October 26, 2007, meeting. The audit is to include salaries, funds on hand, etc
Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Jack Buckles, Gebé Ritchie, Lawrence Hodge, Nancy Brown, Jeff
McKinney, R. L. Miller, Jim Whaley, Harry Sisk, Jerry Pearman,
L. C. Tester, Steve Lowrance, Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship,
Charlie Bayless, Dickie Renfro, Terry Montgomery, Ken Arney,
Larry McKinney, Lynn Tipton, Jack Campbell, Richard Tester,
Bill Armstrong & Robert Gobble

NAYS: 0
PASSING: 0
ABSENT: Robert Davis

There being 23 ayes, 0 nays, 0 passing and 1 absent, motion duly carried
this October 15, 2007.

On motion by Gebe Ritchie, seconded by Steve Lowrance and by voice
roll call vote, court adjourned.