

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF VANCE

The Vance County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Thursday, May 29, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room, Vance County Administration Building, 122 Young Street, Henderson, NC. Those Commissioners present were as follows: Chairman Danny W. Wright, Commissioners Dan Brummitt, Deborah F. Brown, Terry E. Garrison, A. Scott Hughes, and J. Timothy Pegram.

Absent: Eddie L. Wright

Also present were County Attorney Jonathan S. Care, County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue, Finance Director Steven C. Stanton, and Clerk to the Board Kelly H. Grissom.

Chairman Wright stated that the purpose of the special meeting was to receive the FY 2008-09 Proposed Budget Estimate.

County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue reported that the budget is presented, as required by law, prior to June 1. A budget hearing has been scheduled for Monday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Ayscue stated that as a result of the property revaluations, a revenue neutral tax rate has been identified in the budget message. The ad valorem revenue neutral tax rate is 80.19¢ and the fire revenue neutral tax rate is 2.61¢. This budget is presented with a 82¢ tax rate and a 3¢ fire tax.

Items included in this year's budget include partial funding for renovations at the Jail, the local share of the Warrenton Road sewer project, two new positions at the Sheriff's Office, four new positions at the Jail, and the second phase of the wage and classification study.

Concerning the Solid Waste fund, Mr. Ayscue noted that the State has passed a law stating that an assessment special surcharge of \$2.00 per ton will be charged beginning July 1. Rising fuel costs have significantly impacted this fund as well. The proposed solid waste household fee is proposed to increase by \$15.00 to \$110 per household.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt expressed his concerns in receiving the budget so late in the year. He stated that the Board needs more time to review the budget and asked that it be received earlier next year. Chairman Wright stated that the Board cannot take any formal action during this special meeting, but it can be discussed during the regular meeting of the Board in June.

At this time, Commissioner Eddie L. Wright was present.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner A. Scott

Hughes, vote unanimous, that the Board receive the FY 2008-09 Proposed Budget Estimate as presented.

The first two budget work sessions were set for Tuesday, June 3 and Wednesday, June 4 at 6:00 p.m.

As there was no further business, at 5:55 p.m. motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes that the meeting be adjourned. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

Approved and signed July 7, 2008.

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Chairman