

BUDGET COMMITTEE

October 14, 2013

5:15 PM

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**PRESENT:** Charlie Bayless, Tom Bowers, Nancy Brown, Steve Chambers, Pat Hicks, Lawrence Hodge, Russell Kyte and Harry Sisk.

The meeting was called to order by Harry Sisk.

Quorum present.

Motion made by Charlie Bayless, second by Tom Bowers to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion made by Steve Chambers, second by Lawrence Hodge to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

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- **Animal Shelter Donations:** Motion was made by Nancy Brown, second by Charlie Bayless to accept \$300 donated to the Animal Shelter during September 2013. Motion carried.
- **County Commission Travel:** Harry Sisk said a member of the Commission traveled to a meeting in Chattanooga. Mr. Sisk said there is nothing budgeted for Commission Travel. He requested an amendment to reimburse the Commissioner for travel expenses. John Lewis said his hotel costs were just under \$500. Nancy Brown stated while setting the budget it was agreed that no travel for Commissioners would be paid. Tom Bowers said cutting Commission travel was discussed in many meetings and workshops that Mr. Lewis attended. Mr. Bowers stated other Commissioners also had reservations for this meeting but canceled their plans. He said it would not be right to reimburse one Commissioner when others canceled their plans due to lack of funding. John Lewis said once his reservation was made he would have lost his money if he did not attend the meeting. Jo Ann Blankenship said she had to notify the hotel she would not be coming at least three days in advance to get a refund. John Lewis said he was not aware he could cancel with three days notice. John Lewis said the meeting in Chattanooga was for CTAS Training.
- **General Fund 101 Amendment #2 Items 1-16:** Motion by Nancy Brown, second by Charlie Bayless to approve General Fund Amendment #2. Motion carried.
- **General Purpose School Fund 141 Amendment #2 Items 1-2:** Motion by Nancy Brown, second by Steve Chambers to approve General Purpose School Fund Amendment #2. Motion carried.
- **General Purpose School Fund 141 Amendment #3 Items 1-2:** Motion by Tom Bowers, second by Charlie Bayless to approve General Purpose School Fund Amendment #3. Motion carried.
- **Federal Projects Fund 142 Amendment #1 Items 1-2:** Motion by Lawrence Hodge, second by Pat Hicks to approve Federal Projects Fund Amendment #1. Motion carried.
- **Federal Projects Fund 142 Amendment #2 Items 1-2:** Motion by Steve Chambers, second by Nancy Brown to approve Federal Projects Fund Amendment #2. Motion carried.
- **Health & Welfare Committee Request:** Jo Ann Blankenship said the Election Commission has requested an automated external defibrillator (AED) be placed in the Courthouse. The Health and Welfare Committee voted to purchase one AED for the Courthouse and one for the Annex. Ms. Blankenship said the total cost of each AED and mounting bracket is approximately \$2,000. When

asked where funds could come from, Finance Director Ingrid DeLoach said it would be appropriate to ask the Mayor if the purchase can come out of the Buildings and Grounds budget. It was decided EMA Director Andrew Worley will be asked to look for a grant to purchase two automated external defibrillators. Mrs. DeLoach will give an update on the purchase of automated external defibrillators at the October Commission meeting.

Adjourn to Nominating Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Christa Byrd

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Harry Sisk, Approved for File