

Budget Committee

March 8, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Present: Robert Acuff, Ronnie Trivett, L.C, Tester, Isiah Grindstaff, Ross Garland,
John Lewis, Kelly Collins, Sonja Culler

Absent: Al Meehan

Call to order: Meeting called to order by Chairwoman, Sonja Culler

Roll Call: Quorum Present

- Approve Agenda: Motion made by John Lewis, seconded by Ronnie Trivette to approve the agenda as presented. By voice vote, motion carried.

- Approval of minutes of February 12, 2018 meeting: Motion made by Ross Garland, seconded by John Lewis to approve the minutes as presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	L. C Tester	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

- Public Comments:

No Public Comments

- Mr. Tester addressed the committee by asking to step down from the Budget committee and asked that Isaiah Grindstaff take his place until September. Mr. Ward, Mr. Tester, and Mr. Grindstaff from the 6th district were all in agreement.

- Motion was made by John Lewis to accept L. C. Tester's request to step down and Isaiah Grindstaff take his place until September, seconded by Ronnie Trivett

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	L. C Tester	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

Motion Carried

- Old Business:

2018 - 2019 Calendar Change

Budget meeting date changed from May 28th to May 29th because of Memorial Day

- New Business

Sheriff Requested to Reserve Revenue

No Action taken

- Annual Inflation Adjustment for Elizabethton/Carter County Sanitary Landfill Amendment, Permit #SNL100000186. Adjusting the amount from \$2,008,671.23 to \$1,887,532.90.

Motion made by Ronnie Trivett to accept the Annual Inflation Adjustment for Elizabethton/Carter County Sanitary Landfill Amendment, Permit #SNL100000186 Adjusting the amount from \$2,008,671.23 to \$1,887,532.90, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent	
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye	
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye	
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye	Motion Carried

- On Behalf of Buildings and Grounds, Isaiah Grindstaff requested \$2,000.00 for a survey to be done for the county leasing land from TDOT, off on Hwy 67. Mr. Grindstaff stated that in order to determine what part of the property the county would lease or parts that may be excluded, a survey has to be completed. Mayor Humphrey obtained quotes from approx. \$1800.00 to \$2000.00. Christi Byrd asked if this could be done for \$1900.00 because she could use money from the Judgement Fund that was \$1900.00 and rarely used. Therefore not having to take any money from Fund Balance.

Motion made by John Lewis to give \$2,000.00 to Buildings and Grounds for the survey, seconded by Ronnie Trivett. After discussion that if they could do the survey for \$1900.00 no money would be taken from Fund Balance, Mr. Lewis amended his motion to \$1900.00 coming from line item Judgement Fund, seconded by Ronnie Trivett. Robert

Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye Motion Carried

- Representing Financial Management Committee Danny Ward requested that Michael Kennedy be compensated while he is the interim Finance Director until position is filled.

Motion made by Ronnie Trivette to compensate Michael Kennedy as Director of Finance for the interim period only, with the annual salary being \$67,107.04 the adjustments being made while Mr Kennedy is serving as interim. Seconded by Ross Garland.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Nay
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye Motion Carried

- On Behalf of Financial Management, Danny Ward requested that an adjustment be made of \$17,958.43 to bring the salary of the new Finance Director to \$81,700.00 for

upcoming interviews. The committee felt in order to proceed with the interviewing process the salary needed to be raised to a trustee's level.

Motion made by Ronnie Trivett to raise the salary, \$17,958.43 to a total of \$81,700.00 of the New Finance Director coming from Fund Balance, Seconded by Ross Garland.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent	
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye	
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Nay	
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye	Motion Carried

- Sonja Culler and Robert Acuff addressed the committee about compensating Christa Byrd for any work that may be called upon her to do during the transitioning time of new Finance Director and/or Interim Director. Danny Ward stated that he would take that back to the Financial Management Committee.
- Robert Acuff presented a draft on a Tax Increment Incentive Program. Information provided in Commissioner's packet. Mr. John Hartman discussed this with the commission and will be at the March 19th meeting to explain and review the agreement again.

Motion made by Ross Garland and seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to place the Tax Increment Incentive Program on the March 19th Carter County Commission agenda.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent	
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye	
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye	
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye	Motion Carried

- Unfunded State Mandate

Robert Acuff proposed that Attorney Hardin draft a resolution to the General Assembly to look at the law known as TCA 8-24-102 establishing the minimum compensation for county officials. This Unfunded State Mandates for elected officials was raised 4.66% this year, (excluding commissioners) and he ask that they lift the mandates for rural counties. Acuff stated that it is not fair to ask rural counties with dwelling tax bases to raise these salaries when the state is going to fund them.

Motion made by Isaiah Grindstaff to have Attorney Hardin draft a resolution to the General Assembly to lift the state mandate known as TCA 8-24-102.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent	
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye	
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye	
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye	Motion Carried

- Donation List

Motion made by Robert Acuff to accept the donations to the Carter County/Elizabethton Animal Shelter and suggest using a spreadsheet with estimated dollar amount, seconded by Ronnie Trivett

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent	
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye	
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye	
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye	Motion Carried

- General Fund 101 Budget Amendment #1,#2,#3,#4,#5,#6 Motion made by Ross Garland, seconded by Robert Acuff to approve as presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

- Solid Waste Fund 116 Budget Amendment #1- Recognize Insurance Recovery Motion made by Robert Acuff seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve as presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

- Drug Fund 122: Budget Amendment #9 - Recognize donation for K-9 expenses. Motion made by Robert Acuff seconded by Ross Garland to approve as presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

- Sports and Recreation Fund 123 Amendment #2 - Allocate remainder to Parks & Rec Fund Balance for FY18-19 projects. Motion made by Ronnie Trivett seconded by John Lewis to approve a presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye

Sonja Culler Aye Kelly Collins Aye

- General Purpose School Fund 141 Amendment #10, Items #1 thru #5. Motion made by Kelly Collins seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve as presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

- Food Service Fund 143 Amendment #1. Motion made by John Lewis seconded by Kelly Collins to approve as presented.

Robert Acuff	Aye	Al Meehan	Absent
Ronnie Trivett	Aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	Aye
Ross Garland	Aye	John Lewis	Aye
Sonja Culler	Aye	Kelly Collins	Aye

- Motion made by Isaiah Grindstaff, seconded by John Lewis to adjourn meeting. Vote by voice roll call, motion carried.

Submitted by Kelly Collins

Sonja Culler, Chairperson
Approved for file