

CARTER COUNTY
BUDGET COMMITTEE

June 11, 2018

6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Robert Acuff, Al Meehan, Ronnie Trivett, Isaiah Grindstaff, Ross Garland John Lewis,
Sonja Culler and Kelly Collins

ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: Sonja Culler, Chairwoman

ROLL CALL: Quorum Present

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- ADOPT AGENDA: Motion was made by Robert Acuff, seconded by Al Meehan to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the Animal Shelter's request for a reserve fund added under Old Business. By voice roll call vote motion carried.
 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Kelly Collins, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2018, meeting with the correction that Isaiah Grindstaff was sitting in for L. C. Tester and Mike Hill for Al Meehan. By voice roll call vote motion carried. A "nay" voice was noted by John Lewis.

Motion was made by Ross Garland, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2018, meeting. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

Robert Acuff	pass	Al Meehan	aye
Ronnie Trivett	aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	aye
Ross Garland	aye	John Lewis	nay
Sonja Culler	aye	Kelly Collins	aye

- PUBLIC COMMENTS: Roy Livingston stated he had been told the county was "in the hole" \$439,000 from last year and then was quoted \$1.5 million by the Financial Director. It was explained from the 9.03 tax increase, 5 cents would cover the \$439,000 deficit and the other 4 cents would cover any inflated expenses for the 2018-2019 budget.
- OLD BUSINESS: Chairwoman Culler stated the request for a reserve fund from the Animal Shelter needed to be revisited. The request was to set up a reserve fund of any balance left in their budget at the end of the year for the future expense of repair to the HVAC at the shelter. She stated the blueprints had just been received but a dollar amount for the repairs was still unknown. Motion was made by Robert Acuff, seconded by Kelly Collins to approve the reserve account. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

On behalf of the Sheriff's Department, Chief Parrish requested that the additional revenue brought in from the housing of Federal prisoners for the U.S. Marshall's Service be put in a reserve account to pay overtime for the deputies and to upgrade and improve the communications infrastructure at the Sheriff's Department. Chief Parrish stated the reserve would be for amounts over \$900,000 that the county required from the Sheriff's Department yearly to pay their bills. Motion was made by Dr. Acuff, seconded by Kelly Collins to establish

a reserve/restricted fund balance account for revenue (in excess of \$900,000 annually/\$75,000 monthly) from boarding federal and state prisoners. The restricted funds are to be used by the Sheriff's Department to pay overtime/redeem accumulated comp time and purchase a new communications system. Funds can only be spent as they are requested from the Budget Committee and approved by the full commission. County Commission can choose to utilize any of these restricted funds in emergency situations for purposes other than those described above. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

Robert Acuff	aye	Al Meehan	pass
Ronnie Trivett	aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	pass
Ross Garland	aye	John Lewis	nay
Sonja Culler	aye	Kelly Collins	aye

- NEW BUSINESS: John Hartman, City of Elizabethton Director of Planning and Economic Development, presented an Incentives Policy. The intent of this policy is to help provide last-dollar incentives to businesses and companies responsibly and with minimal impact to current tax payers in order to encourage the location and expansion of these businesses and companies in Elizabethton and Carter County as well as to advance and grow the economy in Elizabethton and Carter County and provide capital investment to attract additional businesses and companies to this local area. Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Robert Acuff to present "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN INCENTIVES POLICY TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN BUSINESSES IN CARTER COUNTY" to the full Commission. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

- Motion was made by Robert Acuff, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve the May 2018 donations to the Animal Shelter in the amount of \$310.00, the Drug Fund in the amount of \$288.33 and the Parks and Rec in the amount of \$200.00. By roll call vote, motion duly carried.

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

- Motion was made by Robert Acuff, seconded by Ross Garland to approve the Walmart donations for the month of May for the Animal Shelter in the amount of \$1,458.94 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ross Garland, seconded by Robert Acuff to approve General Fund 101, Budget Amendment #12, items #1 thru #31 in the amount of \$391,270.19 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

Robert Acuff	aye	Al Meehan	aye
Ronnie Trivett	aye	Isaiah Grindstaff	aye
Ross Garland	aye	John Lewis	nay

Sonja Culler aye Kelly Collins aye

- Motion was made by John Lewis, seconded by Al Meehan to approve the 2018 Annual Inflation Adjustment of the Financial Assurance for the Carter County Demolition Landfill, Permit No. DML100000094 as required by the Regulations of the Division of Solid Waster Management as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by John Lewis, seconded by Ross Garland to approve Amendment #4 to Health Services Agreement between Carter County, TN and Southern Health Partners, Inc. as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Kelly Collins to approve Solid Waste Fund 116, Budget Amendment #3, Items #1 thru #2 in the amount of \$118,482.84 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Al Meehan to approve Health Department Fund 117, Budget Amendment #5, Items #1 thru #2 in the amount of \$19,419.00 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Al Meehan to approve Drug Fund 122, Budget Amendment #12, Items #1 thru #3 in the amount of \$10,894.63 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Kelly Collins to approve Sports and Recreation Fund 123, Budget Amendment #4, Item #1 in the amount of \$550.00 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by John Lewis to approve Highway Fund 131, Budget Amendment #8, Items #1 thru #2 in the amount of \$229,871.00 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Robert Acuff, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve General Purpose School Fund 141, Budget Amendment #13, Items #1 thru #19 in the amount of \$590,448.25 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Robert Acuff, seconded by Kelly Collins to approve Federal Projects Fund 142, Budget Amendment #6, Items #1 thru #3 in the amount of \$150,206.56 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Ross Garland, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff to approve Food Service Fund 143, Budget Amendment #2, Item #1 in the amount of \$40,426.72 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.3

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

- Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Al Meehan to approve Head Start Fund 145, Budget Amendment #1, Item #1 in the amount of \$128,440.26 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Motion was made by Isaiah Grindstaff, seconded by Al Meehan to approve General Debt Service Fund 151, Budget Amendment #2, Item #1 in the amount of \$16,200.00 as presented. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

- Chief Parrish requested to inform the committee of a potential maintenance issue in the future due to the replacement of the two (2) boilers at the jail. Captain Smith stated TCI required all items such as boilers, kitchen appliances and such be of workable service and documentation had to be provided stating this to maintain certification. He said the jail maintenance crew had repaired the boilers several times, but they were of poor design and would at some point have to be replaced. He said he had been quoted a price of \$70,000 for their replacement. Chief Parrish recommended that \$70,000 from the projected \$109,000 board bill for July be set aside

to pay for the boilers in a maintenance account. Motion was made by John Lewis, seconded by Ronnie Trivett to set aside the \$70,000 in reserve for the repairs from the board bill money in July. By roll call vote as follows, motion carried.

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

Chairwoman Culler informed the committee the budget for the fiscal year 2018-2019 had been publicized and the Public Hearing would be on Monday, June 18, 2018, at 5:00 P.M. Prior to the regularly scheduled Commission meeting. She stated TCA requires a request to speak be filed, but in the past she had allowed taxpayers to speak without a request.

As there was no other business, motion was made by John Lewis to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzi Wallace

Sonja Culler, Chairwoman