

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

December 5, 2012

8:30 am

APPROVED

PRESENT: Jo Ann Blankenship, Tom Bowers, Jack Perkins, Pat Hicks, Russell Kyte, Mayor Humphrey and Dr. Kevin Ward.

The meeting was called to order by Jo Ann Blankenship.

Quorum present.

Motion made by Pat Hicks second by Mayor Humphrey, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tom Bowers, second by Russell Kyte to approve the October 3, 2012 minutes. Motion carried.

Old Business

- **Update on Saratoga:** Finance Director Ingrid Deloach stated she had spoken with a Saratoga representative the previous day. She has not seen any changes to the Financial Management Software since Saratoga purchased Bridge Computers. Mrs. Deloach received an invoice for \$0.00 showing a Saratoga employee had made a change to the financial records without prior approval from the Finance Director. This issue has been discussed with Saratoga management. Saratoga will be conducting a technology review in the following week in the Finance Office.

New Business

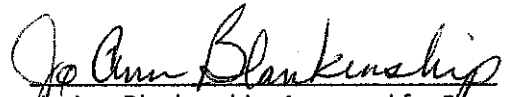
- **Property Tax Update:** Trustee Randal Lewis stated 20% of property taxes for the current year have been collected to date. Randal said the partial payment system is being used and is greatly appreciated by taxpayers. He also reminded the committee tax relief is available to elderly or disabled homeowners with a household income of under \$26,830.
- **Employee Wellness:** Brandon Walters from Trinity Consulting presented an employee wellness program. The program presented included three phases on implementation and would reward healthier employees through lower employee contributions towards health insurance. Trinity Consulting believes such a program would reduce healthcare premiums over time.
- **Recent Bids:** Finance Director Ingrid Deloach reviewed a list of recent bids.
- **County General Update:** Mayor Humphrey stated the recent bomb threat revealed a need for emergency planning. He stated changes have been made to the phone system to alert all offices in the event of an emergency. Mayor Humphrey and EMA Director Andrew Worley are continuing to look for ways to improve response to an emergency and will be holding a training session in the near future. Mayor Humphrey received a verbal resignation from Commissioner Richard Renfro due to his relocation. Mr. Renfro advised the Mayor that a formal resignation letter was in the mail. Mayor Humphrey also discussed the proposed fish hatchery and its impact on the local and state economies.

- **County Highway Department Update:** Jack Perkins said The Highway Department has gotten a lot of work done this year and have finished paving on Siam Road. Mr. Perkins also added they are hoping for a mild winter.
- **County Schools Department Update:** Interim Director of Schools Dr. Kevin Ward said the virtual spray booth recently purchased by the CTE Department is a very good addition to the program. This spray booth will allow students to get hands on experience painting vehicles without the need to purchase paint and should result in a savings over time. Dr. Ward said Cloudland High School has started raising fish. This will provide valuable knowledge and experience for the students. Lastly, Dr. Ward said the CTE department will be purchasing a 3-D CAD printer that will assist in the current CAD program.
- **Tom Bowers:** Reported a day work program is still being looked into to relieve overcrowding at the jail. Mr. Bowers also said he had received complaints not being able to see the road at night in Lynn Valley.
- **Pat Hicks:** Stated he was appreciative of the Trinity Consulting presentation.
- **Russell Kyte:** Stated he is getting calls about the stop sign on Long Hollow Road.
- **Public Comments:** Roy Livingston asked if flu shots were free to anyone at the Health Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Christa Byrd

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Jo Ann Blankenship, Approved for File