

MINUTES

October 28, 2003

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, October 28, 2003, at 7:00 P.M., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, Lexington, for a regularly scheduled meeting.

PRESENT

Commissioners: Chairman Fred Sink, Vice Chair Priscilla Hege, Cindy Akins, Billy Joe Kepley, Don Truell, Dr. Max Walser, Sam Watford

County Manager Robert Hyatt. County Attorney/Clerk to the Board Robert Hedrick, Finance Director Jane Kiker, Budget Officer Zeb M. Hanner, Tax Administrator Joe Silver, Cooperative Extension Director Robert Lopp, Transportation Director Zeb F. Hanner, Purchasing Director Dwayne Childress, Human Resources Director Keli Greer, Tax Administrator Joe Silver, Mental Health Director Dr. Harold Frontz, Bob Segal, Lexington City Schools Superintendent Dr. Becky Bloxam, Russ Eagle, Debbie Allman, Hal Routh

A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Fred Sink called the meeting to order and welcomed guests.

B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Max Walser

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. RECOGNITION

Chairman Sink requested that Finance Director Jane Kiker come forward and be recognized. The Board recognized Mrs. Kiker for a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, which is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting. Chairman Sink noted that the attainment of this award represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. (Exhibit A)

E. REGISTER FOR PUBLIC ADDRESS

Chairman Sink noted the register for public address.

F. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Kepley the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda. (Exhibit 1)

G. PUBLIC ADDRESS

None

H. RESCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – Community Transportation Program Grant Application

On a motion by Commissioner Watford and a second by Vice Chair Hege the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to reschedule the public hearing for the Community Transportation Program Grant Application for Wednesday, November 12, 2003, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Davidson County Governmental Center, Lexington. (Exhibit 2)

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION/INFORMATION

Consent

Commissioner Kepley requested that I.2. Tax Report of Refunds and I.3. Budget Amendments be removed from the Consent Agenda.

On a motion by Commissioner Watford and a second by Commissioner Akins the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve items I.1. Minutes and I.4. Performance Management on the Consent Agenda.

1. Minutes

The Board approved the Minutes of October 14, 2003.

4. Performance Management Project by Zeb M. Hanner, Budget Officer

The Board approved the 2003-2004 measures for the Performance Management Project.

(Exhibit 3)

Deliberation

2. Tax Report of Refunds for September, 2003 by Joe Silver, Tax Administrator

On a motion by Commissioner Kepley and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Tax Report of Refunds for September 2003. (Exhibit 4)

3. Budget Amendments by Zeb M. Hanner, Budget Officer

On a motion by Commissioner Kepley and a second by Commissioner Truell, the Board voted

unanimously 7-0 to approve the budget amendments with the direction that a letter be sent to Rick Lanier to be shared with members of the US Motto Committee inquiring if the committee would be willing to reimburse the County for the \$10,000 insurance deductible on the "In God We Trust" lawsuit.

The Budget amendments approved are as follows:

Cooperative Extension – establishment of horticulture and field crops accounts with \$5,000 each.

Library – accept \$9,114.64 additional E-rate Funds to purchase computer supplies.

Recreation – transfer \$4,000 to summer playground program and \$1,600 to department supplies.

Contingency – transfer \$10,000 to General Liability for deductible for "In God We Trust" lawsuit.

(Exhibit 5)

5. Improvements to Charles England School by Superintendent Becky Bloxam

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Walser the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the request for \$710,021.95 to address the immediate needs at Charles England School.

(Exhibit 6)

6. Animal Control Ordinance by Robert Hyatt, County Manager

On a motion by Commissioner Akins and a second by Commissioner Walser the Board voted 5 to 2 to schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, November 25, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, Lexington to receive public comment and input on the proposed Animal Control Ordinance and to extend the Moratorium on Exotic Animals to end at 12:00 A.M. on November 25, 2003; Commissioner Kepley and Commissioner Watford voted "No." (Exhibit 7)

7. Reduction in Force for Mental Health by Keli Greer, Human Resources Director

On a motion by Commissioner Akins and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Reduction in Force for Mental Health. (Exhibit 8)

8. Debt Set-Off by Zeb M. Hanner, Budget Officer

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt a resolution to enter into the Debt Set-Off Program and contract for one year with Bob Segal to do the program. (Exhibit 9)

9. Capital Improvements by Zeb M. Hanner, Budget Officer

On a motion by Commissioner Walser and a second by Vice Chair Hege the Board voted

unanimously 7-0 to approve the Capital Improvements Plan (four-year working document required for grant qualification) and present it to the Rural Center in order to collect grant funding. (Exhibit 10)

10. Appointments

On a motion by Commissioner Akins and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to appoint Zeb M. Hanner as Ex-Officio, and reappoint Guy Smith, Robert Team, Jr., and Deric Skeen to the Airport Authority.

On a motion by Commissioner Akins and a second by Vice Chair Hege the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to appoint Misty Hartwell to the Davidson County Child Protection/Fatality Prevention Team in the law enforcement position. (Exhibit 11)

11. Agreement by City of Thomasville and Davidson County by Robert C. Hyatt, County Manager

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Agreement by City of Thomasville and Davidson County for the Pilot Community County Sewer Project. (Exhibit 12)

Pilot-Reeds Sewer

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner Walser the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to proceed with executing the contracts and move forward with the project (Terry's Plumbing on the Pilot Sewer and HC Utilities on the Reeds Sewer) to take advantage of the current bids.

(Exhibit 13)

Food Drive – Benefit Senior Services

Commissioner Truell apprised the Board of the Food Drive initiated by Donald Swink with benefits to go to Davidson County Senior Services.

J. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adjourn.

Fred C. Sink, Chairman
Davidson County Board of Commissioners

Robert C. Hedrick, Clerk to the Board
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