

The McMinn County Board of Commissioners met in Special *Called Session* on Friday, June 27, 2003, at 12:00 noon, in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McPhail.

2. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by County Executive John Gentry.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Jack Powers.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by Clerk Evonne Jones, as recorded:

David Crews - Present
Scoff Curtis - Present
Dale Holbrook - Present
Jack King - Present
Roger Masingale - Present
Gary Mason - Present
Bob Powers - Present
Jack Powers - Present
Owen Vincent - Present
Chairman J. W. McPhail - Present

5. FINAL APPROVAL OF THE FY 2003-2004 BUDGET

Commissioner Jack Powers, Chairman of the Budget Commiffee, presented the FY 2003-2004 Budget for final approval, including two resolutions enclosed. The first one (Resolution 03-095) makes appropriations for the various functions, activities, departments, institutions, offices and agencies of McMinn County, Tennessee for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004. Commissioner Jack Powers read the first paragraph and recommended approval.

MOTION made by Commissioner Jack Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Holbrook, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

David Crews - Aye
Scoff Curtis - Aye
Dale Holbrook - Aye
Jack King - Aye
Roger Masingale - Aye
Gary Mason - Aye
Bob Powers - Aye
Jack Powers - Aye
Owen Vincent - Aye
Chairman J. W. McPhail - Aye

The second resolution (Resolution No. 03-096), also attached as an enclosure, fixes the tax levy at \$1.90 on each \$100.00 of assessed taxable property within McMinn County for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2003.

MOTION made by Commissioner Jack Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Holbrook, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by roll call vote as recorded:

David Crews - Aye
Scott Curtis - Aye
Dale Holbrook - Aye
Jack King - Aye
Roger Masingale - Aye
Gary Mason - Aye
Bob Powers - Aye
Jack Powers - Aye
Owen Vincent - Aye
Chairman I. W. McPhail - Aye

Commissioner Jack Powers also requested approval of the following Legal Notice of McMinn County's Intent to Make Appropriations to Non-Profit but not Charitable Organizations:

LEGAL NOTICE

MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE INTENT TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS TO
NON-PROFIT BUT NOT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Per the requirements of T.C.A. 5-9-109, notice is hereby given that McMinn County intends to appropriate funds during FY 2003 - 2004 to the following non-profit but not charitable organizations for the purpose listed:

ORGANIZATION: McMinn County Economic Development Authority
AMOUNT: \$60,000.00
PURPOSE: Increase employment by promoting and recruiting industry to locate in or remain in County.

ORGANIZATION: Etowah Arts Council
AMOUNT: \$ 2,500.00
PURPOSE: To provide artistic and cultural resources to the students and residents of McMinn County.

ORGANIZATION: Athens Area Council for the Arts
AMOUNT: \$ 2,500.00
PURPOSE: To provide artistic and cultural resources to the students and residents of McMinn County.

ORGANIZATION: McMinn Regional Humane Society
AMOUNT: \$ 750.00
PURPOSE: Support of County-wide Spay/Neuter Program ORGANIZATION Tennessee

Overhill Heritage Tourism Project

AMOUNT: \$12,000.00
PURPOSE: Heritage Tourism Development and its relationship to Rural Economic Development
Issues

(Con't)

- ORGANIZATION: Sweetwater Creek Watershed District
AMOUNT: \$600.00
PURPOSE: To improve Water Management within the District.
- ORGANIZATION: Mouse Creek/Spring Creek Watershed District
AMOUNT: \$ 1,000.00
PURPOSE: To improve Water Management within the District
- ORGANIZATION: Junior Achievement of McMinn and Bradley County
AMOUNT: \$300.00
PURPOSE: To provide Business Related Experiences and Education in McMinn County Schools
- ORGANIZATION: Contact of McMinn, Meigs and Monroe Counties
AMOUNT: \$ 1,200.00
PURPOSE: To provide a 24-hour Help-Line for the Troubled, Lonely and Suicidal citizens of the County
- ORGANIZATION: McMinn Historical Society
AMOUNT: \$ 1,073.00
PURPOSE: Partial Support of Telephone and Internet Services

a As required by TCA 5-9-109 this appropriation was considered by the McMinn County Commission at their regular meeting on July 21,2003.

MOTION made Commissioner Jack Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Vincent, to approve this legal notice.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Commissioner Jack Powers expressed his appreciation for the cooperation from everyone during the budget process, and Chairman McPhail added his complimentary comments for the hard work done by the Budget Committee in particular. Chairman McPhail said that they thought some huge cuts would be necessary because of lack of State funding, but thanks to our State Legislators, not all cuts materialized. Mr. Gentry said it also helped that we didn't have to make any interest payments on loans due to the vision and discipline of past County leadership to be debt free.

6. APPROVAL OF BIDS AND PURCHASES

A. A Resolution to Approve and Award the Bid of Police Pursuit Vehicles.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve and award the bid for six police pursuit vehicles, as well as the bid summary and a letter of recommendation from Chief Deputy Tim Smith:

Resolution No. 03-097

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND AWARD THE BID OF POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government, goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriffs Department requests the purchase of five (5) Four Door Sedan vehicles and one (1) Four Wheel Drive Utility vehicle in order to properly carry out the functions of the department; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has followed the proper procedures in securing the bids; and

(Con't)

WHEREAS, Tim Smith Chief Deputy, McMinn County Sheriff Department has recommended the bid be awarded to Jackie Jones Ford of Cleveland, GA, the low bidder meeting specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this Commission does hereby approve awarding the bid of Police Pursuit Vehicles to Jackie Jones Ford.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Masingale, to approve this resolution.

There was some discussion concerning delivery time for these vehicles, and the timing of the State contract. Chairman McPhail asked when the State contracts for police vehicles would be available. Mr. Gentry stated that they most likely would be in September or even later.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Approve Payment of Inmate Medical Exuenses to Woods Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve payment of an inmate's medical expenses to Woods Memorial Hospital.

Resolutiqn No. 03-098

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES TO WOODS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

WHEREAS, County inmate Robin Marie Thomas experienced an acute case of pancreatitis and incurred a hospital bill in the amount of \$8,784.00; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Financial Management Committee Policies and Procedures, expenses over \$5,000.00 require County Commission approval.

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that the payment of medical expenses to Woods Memorial Hospital in the amount of \$8,784.00 be hereby approved.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Con't)

Mr. Gentry explained that because the patient was an inmate, TennCare did not cover treatment. Woods Hospital was able to reduce the bill to what TennCare would normally cover and Mr. Gentry recommends payment. Mr. Gentry also said that since TennCare has a much lower contracted rate of services, he feels that TennCare should still cover inmates *and* then bill us, or perhaps a law should be passed to allow counties to negotiate on TennCare rates. In response to a question from Commissioner Crews concerning Woods Hospital billing us for inmates at TennCare rates in the future, Mr. Gentry stated Woods Hospital agreed to the TennCare rate for this specific patient due to the size of the charge, but would continue the 15% discount on future charges.

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Crews, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Approve Requests for Emergency Purchase of Patrol Vehicle for McMinn County Sheriffs Department.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve requests for emergency purchase of patrol vehicles for the Sheriffs Department, along with a letter of recommendation explaining the reasons that this was an emergency purchase, as well as a requisition and a letter showing comparative prices. Mr. Luallen explained that they received an insurance check for a total loss of a vehicle during the flood for the same amount.

Resolution No. 03-099

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REQUESTS FOR EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF
PATROL VEHICLE FOR MCMINN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the immediate need for a road vehicle has arisen due to the fact of repairs and replacement of a number of current vehicles; and

WHEREAS, an insurance settlement check has been received in the amount of \$8,519 for a total loss of vehicle; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County Sheriffs Department Chief Tim Smith requests an emergency purchase of a patrol vehicle for Sheriffs Department not to exceed \$8,519.00; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Financial Management Committee Policies and Procedures, this expense is over \$5,000.00 requiring County Commission approval.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE MEETING IN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION ON THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this request be hereby approved.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

'Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Mason, and seconded by Commissioner Vincent, to approve this purchase.

Motion carried by voice vote with Commissioner Masingale abstaining due to his employment.

D. A Resolution to Approve Additional Period for the Semi-Annual Pharmacy Bid.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve an additional period for the semi-annual pharmacy bid. Mr. Luallen said that we have already extended it six months and this resolution will extend the bid on a monthly basis, until such time as these services can be awarded. The Commissioners were also provided a copy of the letter from Chief Deputy Tim Smith as well as a letter from the vendor agreeing to this month by month extension.

Resolution No. 03-100

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL PERIOD FOR THE SEMI-ANNUAL
PHARMACY BID

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the essential operations of county government, goods and services must often be let for bid; and

WHEREAS, the semi-annual pharmacy bid with I. H. S. has expired; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriffs Department has requested to renew the current bid on a monthly basis for medical supplies, non-prescription items and prescription drugs to the current vendor, I.H.S. Pharmacy until such time as these services can be awarded; and

WHEREAS, I.H.S. Pharmacy has agreed to extend the current bid for the additional period with no increase in price; and

WHEREAS, Tim Smith, Chief Deputy for McMinn County Sheriff has recommended the bid be extended on a monthly basis at the current prices with I.H.S. Pharmacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this Commission does hereby approve the recommendation of Chief Deputy Tim Smith.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Holbrook to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

E. A Resolution to Approve Funds for the Purchase of a Litter Truck for McMinn County.

Mr. Gentry presented and explained the following resolution to purchase a litter truck with Litter Grant Funds and insurance reimbursements for two vehicles lost during the flood as well an accident involving the litter truck. Mr. Gentry proposes to move the present litter truck, after repairs, to replace the Community Service truck which was lost during the flood.

Resolution No. 03-101

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LITTER TRUCK
FOR MCMINN COUNTY

WHEREAS, McMinn County currently participates in the Tennessee Department of Transportation Litter Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, a part of the Litter Grant Program provides funding to support litter pickup crews to beautify McMinn County roadsides, including the purchase and maintenance of a Litter Truck; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County wishes to purchase a crew cab litter truck to replace the existing truck; and

WHEREAS, this purchase of a Litter Truck will first be attempted through state and federal surplus, and if unable to acquire the vehicle through these means, the vehicle purchase will be put out for bid; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of this Litter truck for the McMinn County Litter Program will come from TDOT Litter Grant funds and insurance reimbursements, and is not to exceed \$12,500.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this Commission does hereby approve the request to purchase a crew cab litter truck, not to exceed \$12,500.00, the public welfare demanding it.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Vincent, and seconded by Commissioner Crews, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

7. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

A. A Resolution to Approve the Contract Between McMinn CounW and Woods Memorial Hospital

District for Medical Care at the McMinn County Justice Center,

Mr. Luallen presented and requested approval of the following resolution to approve the contract between McMinn County and Woods Memorial Hospital District for Medical Care at the McMinn County Justice Center. Mr. Gentry added that this contract was presented at the last County Commission meeting.

Resolution No. 03-102

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY
AND WOODS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT FOR MEDICAL CARE
AT THE MCMINN COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to enter into a contract with Woods Memorial District (WMHD) to perform medical care for inmates at the McMinn County Justice Center; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the contract allow for WMHL) to provide a licensed nurse or paramedic assigned go the Justice Center, and a licensed physician to render physical services to be delivered a minimum of one day a week to inmates; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County's obligation under such agreement regarding the licensed nurse or paramedic is in the amount of \$10.00 per hour regular time for FY 2003-04, \$14.00 per hour regular time for FY 2004-05, and \$18.00 per hour regular time for FY 2005~06, for the actual costs incurred by WMHD for medical supplies furnished to inmates, for the actual charges incurred by WMHD less 15% for laboratory procedures; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County's obligation under such agreement regarding the physician is in the amount of \$1500.00 per month for Physician's services as well as actual costs incurred toward any supplies used by the physician.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this Commission does hereby agree to approve this contract with Woods Memorial Hospital District for medical care the McMinn County Justice Center.

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to grant authority to the County Executive or his designee to carry out the duties of said contract.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Crews, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. A Resolution to Approve the Grant Agreement Between McMinn County and State of Tennessee Department of Health for Operation of the Health Department.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve the grant agreement between McMinn County and State of Tennessee Department of Health for operation of the Health Department.

Resolution No. 03-103

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY AND STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR OPERATION OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has previously entered into a grant agreement with the State of Tennessee Department of Health for the operation of the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the grant term will be from July 1,2003 to June 30,2004; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the grant shall be \$197,700 to be reimbursed to McMinn County by the State of Tennessee for the operation of the Health Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this Commission does hereby approve this contract.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Holbrook, and seconded by Commissioner King, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Approve Renewal of Contract with Sun Life Assurance Company for Life and AD&D Coverage.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve the renewal of contract with Sun Life Assurance Company for Life and AD&D coverage. Mr. Luallen said this is the same rate we have paid for several years and the only change to this is a three-year guarantee instead of a 2-year guarantee.

Resolution No. Q1.U14

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RENEWAL OF CONTRACT WITH SUN LIFE ASSURANCE
COMPANY FOR LIFE AND AD&D COVERAGE

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, the current contract with Sun Life Assurance Company will terminate June 30,2003; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County Finance Director, Jason Luallen, requests approval to renew the Life and AD&D Insurance Contract with Sun Life Assurance Company for a period of three (3) years July 1,2003 through June 30,2006 with no increase in rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF June, 2003 that this Commission does hereby approve this request from the Director of Finance.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Mason, and seconded by Commissioner King, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

D. A Resolution to Approve State Supplement/Reimbursement Contract for FY 2003-04.

Mr. Luallen presented the following resolution to approve State Supplement/Reimbursement Contract for FY 2003-04, and added that this is a yearly contract for juvenile services:

Resolution No. 03-105

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE STATE SUPPLEMENT/REIMBURSEMENT
CONTRACT FOR FY 2003-04

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County has previously entered into a contract with the State of Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth to receive funds to be disbursed for developing and improving juvenile court and community alternative to detention; and

(Cont'd)

WHEREAS, the present contract expires June 30,2003, it is necessary to renew the contract with McMinn County for the period July 1,2003 through June 30, 2004.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING iN SPECIAL CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003 that this Commission does hereby agree to enter into this contract with State of Tennessee, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth for period July 1,2003 through June 30,2004.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve this resolution.

Motion carded by voice vote.

E. A Resolution to Approve the Contract Between McMinn County and the State of Tennessee. Deoartment of Military. Tennessee Emergency Management Agency., for Funding of State Domestic Prenaredness Euiipment Program Grant.

Mr. Gentry said they have received notification that McMinn County would be receiving \$147,045.00 in grant funds for local operation of Homeland Security and requested approval of the following resolution:

Resolution No. 03-106

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN MCMINN COUNTY AND THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY, TENNESSEE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, FOR FUNDING OF STATE DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS EQUIPMENT PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS, in order to properly perform the duties of county government as prescribed by law, it is often in McMinn County's interest to enter into contracts with other entities; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires to enter into contract with Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to acquire \$147,045 in grant finding applicable to the purchase of equipment necessary for the local operation of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, McMinn County will not be required to provide matching funds. (Cont'd)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN CALLED SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003 that this Commission does hereby agree to enter into contract with Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to receive grant funding of \$147,045 for local Homeland Security operations.

AND FURTHERMORE RESOLVES to grant authority to the County Executive or his designee to carry out the duties of said contract.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner Vincent, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

8. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mr. Luallen requested approval of two budget amendments involving two different funds. Copies were provided to the Commissioners.

Fund: General Purpose School # 141			Date: June 17,2003	
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Reserve	Reserved for Education Edge	34384	1,600.00	
Education Edge	Other Supplies & Materials	71410-499		1,600.00

EXPLANATION: To budget funds from the education edge reserve used to purchase a computer system. Approved by the School Board Executive Committee June 19,2003

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Mason, to approve this budget amendment.

Commissioner Vincent commented that he feels that the full School Board should approve this and Mr. Luallen will express Commissioner Vincent's concerns to the School Board.

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

David Crews - Aye
Scott Curtis - Aye
Dale Holbrook - Aye
Jack King - Aye
Roger Masingale - Aye
Gary Mason - Aye
Bob Powers - Aye
Jack Powers - Aye
Owen Vincent - Aye
Chairman J. W. McPhail - Aye

Fund: Federal Projects E 142-Vocational Ed. 03.01 #352			Date: June 17,2003	
DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FOLIO	DEBIT	CREDIT
Vocational Educa- tion Program	Vocational Instruc. Equipment	71300-730	2,000.00	
Other Student	Travel	72 130-355		2,000.00

Support

EXPLANATION: To enter Budget Amendment No. 1 to the Voc. Ed. 03.01 Project that was approved by the state June 13, 2003. School Board Executive Committee Approval: June 19,2003.

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Ccommissioner Jack Powers, to approve this budget amendment.

Motion carried by roll call vote, as recorded:

David Crews - Aye
Scott Curtis - Aye
Dale Holbrook - Aye
Jack King - Aye
Roger Masingale - Aye
Gary Mason - Aye
Bob Powers - Aye
Jack Powers - Aye
Owen Vincent - Aye
Chairman J. W. McPhail - Aye

9. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution Authorizing McMinn County to Participate in the Water Line Extension Project on Old Hi2hwav 30 and County Road 124. Old Highway 30 ansI CounW Road 168. CounW Road 170k CounW Road 443. County Road 135 and 136. County Road 601. and State Highway 307.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolution authorizing McMinn County to participate in a water line extension project as described and added that the Development District highly recommends approval.

Resolution No. 03-107

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING McMINN COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WATER LINE EXTENSION PROJECT ON OLD HIGHWAY 30 AND COUNTY ROAD 124, OLD HIGHWAY 30 AND COUNTY ROAD 168, COUNTY ROAD 170, COUNTY ROAD 443, COUNTY ROAD 135 AND 136, COUNTY ROAD 601, AND STATE HIGHWAY 307

WHEREAS, McMinn County desires for all of its citizens to have access to safe and potable water; and

WHEREAS, Athens Utilities Board desires to participate in McMinn County's program for the installation of 6" water line on Old Highway 30 and County Road 124, Old Highway 30 and County Road 168, County Road 170, County Road 443, County Road 135 and 136, County Road 601, and State Highway 307; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of this project is \$280,300.00, the 20% portion to be funded by McMinn County being \$56,060.00; and

WHEREAS, the SE TN Development District, as administrator of the McMinn County Water Program, has reviewed the project and has recommended McMinn County participate in funding the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this board does authorize McMinn County to participate in the water line extension project at 20% of construction costs on Old Highway 30 and County Road 124, Old Highway 30 and County Road 168, County Road 170, County Road 443, County Road 135 and 136, County Road 601 and State Highway 307, and authorizes the County Executive to execute all documents and duties necessary for the proper completion of said project, the public welfare requiring it.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Bob Powers, to approve this resolution.

Motion carried by voice vote.

B. Resolutions to Recognize State Representative Bob McKee and State Senator Jeff Miller for Their Concern and Support of County Governments.

Mr. Gentry presented the following resolutions to recognize State Representative Bob McKee and State Senator Jeff Miller for their concern and support of county governments and Mr. Gentry expressed his thanks to them for understanding the importance of state funding to carry out county work.

Resolution No. 03-108

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE STATE REPRESENTATIVE BOB MCKEE FOR HIS CONCERN AND SUPPORT AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, the recent budget year in Tennessee has required numerous cuts in state funding; and

WHEREAS, as a part of Governor Phil Bredesen's budget cuts, a reduction of state shared revenues threatened to place an undue hardship on county governments; and

WHEREAS, State Representative Bob McKee, being aware of county governments' dependence on state shared revenue and the services funded by such revenues being performed by counties; and

WHEREAS, Representative Bob McKee used courage and wisdom in his efforts toward budget legislation in order for county governments across the state to continue to benefit from state shared revenues; and

WHEREAS, it is resolved that Representative Bob McKee be commended for his faithful service to the citizens of McMinn County and other counties across the State of Tennessee, and that his wisdom, dedication, and service as a state representative during difficult financial times have resulted in a continuance of state funding for county governments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, THAT THIS COMMISSION DOES HONOR AND COMMEND STATE REPRESENTATIVE BOB MCKEE FOR HIS SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE TENNESSEE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

Resolution No. ~

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE STATE REPRESENTATIVE BOB MCKEE FOR HIS CONCERN AND SUPPORT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, the recent budget year in Tennessee has required numerous cuts in state funding; and

WHEREAS, as a part of Governor Phil Bredesen's budget cuts, a reduction of state shared revenue and the services funded by such revenues being performed by counties; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Jeff Miller, being aware of county governments' dependence on state shared revenue and the services funded by such revenues being performed by counties; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jeff Miller used courage and wisdom in his efforts toward budget legislation in order for county governments across the state to continue to benefit from state shared revenues; and

WHEREAS, it is resolved that Senator Jeff Miller be commended for his faithful service to the citizens of McMinn County and other counties across the State of Tennessee, and that his wisdom, dedication, and service as a state senator during difficult financial times have resulted in a continuance of state funding for county governments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, THAT THIS COMMISSION DOES HONOR AND COMMEND STATE SENATOR JEFF MILLER FOR HIS SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE TENNESSEE STATE SENATE.

(Orig signed by John M. Gently)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)
County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Holbrook, to approve these resolutions.

Motion carried by voice vote.

C. A Resolution to Honor and Commend Bob Miller for His Service as Director of the McMinn County Emergency Management Agency.

Mr. Gentry read and presented the following resolution to Bob Miller for his service as Director of the McMinn County Emergency Management Agency. Mr. Gentry thanked Mr. Miller for his service to McMinn County as the Interim EMA Director and especially for his dedication during the May flooding.

Resolution No. 03-110

A RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND COMMEND BOB MILLER FOR HIS SERVICE AS DIRECTOR OF THE MCMINN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

WHEREAS, McMinn County Government has an Emergency Management Agency to provide effective and orderly government control and coordination of emergency operations and emergency response in McMinn County; and

WHEREAS, Bob Miller has acted in the capacity of EMA Director for McMinn County since 2000, and has been responsible for the organization, administration, and operation of the county EMA; and

WHEREAS, Bob Miller assumed the duties of EMA Director, in addition to his duties as Fire Chief of the City of Athens and as an active member of the local chapter of HAM Radio Operators (RACES); and

WHEREAS, Bob Miller has shown a genuine effort and concern for emergency management and response, especially during the 2003 flood, and his service, knowledge, and experience as EMA Director have benefited not only the City of Athens but also McMinn County as a whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, that this commission does hereby honor and commend Bob Miller for his service to McMinn County as EMA Director.

(Orig signed by John M. Gentry)
McMinn County Executive

Attest:

(Orig signed by Evonne Jones)

County Clerk

MOTION made by Commissioner King, and seconded by Commissioner Crews, to approve this resolution.

Chairman McPhail also expressed his appreciation to Mr. Bob Miller.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Bob Miller expressed his appreciation for the support he has received. He also urged the Commission to support its EMA Program and its new Director. Mr. Gentry then introduced Betty Hamby, the new Director.

10. ELECTIONS. APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

None.

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. COUNTY OFFICIALS. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

A. Comments by Commissioner King Regarding Public Safety Committee.

Commissioner King confirmed that there would be a Public Safety Committee meeting on Monday, July 21,2003 at 6:30 pm.

12. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

None.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION None.

14. Adjournment

There being no other business, Chairman McPhail declared the meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

McMinn County Clerk

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk Date

2 Enclosures:
Resolution 03-095
Resolution 03-096