

November 10, 2008– Regular Session

The Swain County Board of Commissioners held a regular session on Monday, November 10, 2008. Present were Chairman Jones, Vice-Chair Lindsay, Commissioner Monteith, Commissioner Carson and Commissioner Moon.

Chairman Jones called the regular session to order. Commissioner Moon led with prayer and the pledge.

Adjust Agenda

Commissioner Monteith made a motion to adjust the agenda to better facilitate the meeting. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Minutes

Commissioner Moon made a motion to approve minutes from the August 11 regular session, August 25 public hearing-ROAP, August 25 public hearing-Sex Offenders Ordinance, August 25 special session and August 25 work session. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Public Comments

Comments were received from the following:

- Dodie Allen
- Michael Keener

Administrative Reports

Tax Collector’s Report:

Kevin King relayed the tax collection’s report to the Board for the month of October, 2008. Ad-Valorem tax receivable was reported at \$4,222,643.98. There was \$438,772.41 collected for the month. Total collections year to date were \$2,032,636.21. The tax collection percentage year to date was 39.32%. Total releases were \$3,361.20, total discoveries were \$2,854.46 and no refunds this month. Commissioner Moon made a motion to approve the Tax Collector’s report as presented. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Finance Report:

Vida Cody, Finance Officer, presented a report to the Board for the month of October, 2008. Mrs. Cody reported revenues for the month were \$1,254,547.43. Total revenue year to date is \$4,564,003.83. We have approximately 59.87% of revenues for 2008-2009 fiscal year. Expenditures for the month were \$1,346,019.35. Year to date we have expended \$3,849,715.17. We have paid out approximately 66.15% of the General Fund appropriations for 2008/2009 fiscal year. Commissioner Monteith made a motion to approve the Finance Officer’s report as presented. Vice-Chair Lindsay seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Action Items

Recreation Department-Comprehensive Master Plan: Commissioner Carson made a motion to accept the Comprehensive Master Plan as presented. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Budget Amendment #2: Commissioner Carson made a motion to approve the following budget amendment:

SWAIN COUNTY - BUDGET AMENDMENT #2

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the County of Swain, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of amending the adopted budget to reflect the following changes:

<u>Description</u>	Inc. Expenditures or Dec. Revenues	Inc.Revenues or Dec. Exp.
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General Fund

Administration

Contracted Services-DSS Project	1,016,000	
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Sheriffs Department		
Salary and Fringe	70,000	
Capital Outlay	150,000	
COPS Grant	100,000	
Uniform Allowance	4,000	
Finance Office		
Audit	9,000	
Emergency Management		
USAR Grant	90,000	
PARTF-Grant	20,000	
Chamber of Commerce		
Salary and Fringe	100,000	
EMS		
Capital Outlay	100,961	
<u>General Fund Revenue</u>		
Cops Grant		170,000
USAR Grant		90,000
PARTF Grant		20,000
Chamber of Commerce		100,000
Financing Proceeds		1,270,961
Appropriated Fund Balance		<u>9,000</u>
Total	<u>1,659,961</u>	1,659,961
 <u>USDA LEC Project</u>		
Expenses per Contract	3,000,000	
Loan Revenue		2,500,000
LEC Capital Reserve Fund		<u>500,000</u>
Total	<u>3,000,000</u>	3,000,000

As Clerk of the Board, I certify this budget amendment was approved by the Swain County Board of Commissioners in a Regular Session on November 10, 2008.

Cindi Woodard, Clerk to the Board

Vice-Chair Lindsay seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

NC Hwy. 28 Scenic Byway designation: Vice-Chair Lindsay made a motion to forward a letter of support to the Southwestern Rural Planning Organization designating NC Highway 28 as a Scenic Byway. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion. This item was approved with four voting aye and Commissioner Monteith voting nay.

New Business

Well Permit update: Linda White gave an update on well permits. Ms. White relayed this is mandated by the State, but the County received no funds from them. Revenues from these permits go toward the salary of the Environmental Health Specialist who has to make a minimum of 4-5 trips to each site where a well is being drilled. Ms. White also noted the number of wells being drilled was down 12% from this time last year.

Informal Discussion

Kevin King gave an update on the Law Enforcement Center noting a final inspection was given on November 5 with anticipation of moving inmates within the next two weeks. Mr. King also gave an update on the Senior Center and expected to receive more grant money within the next three months to go toward this project.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Monteith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindi C. Woodard,
Clerk to the Board
Swain County Commissioners

Glenn Jones,
Chairman
Swain County Commissioners