

HEALTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

April 24, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Smyrna Health Department

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Rhonda Allen  
Commissioner Carol Cook  
Commissioner Will Jordan  
Commissioner Jeff Phillips  
Commissioner Chantho Sourinho  
Commissioner Brad Turner  
Commissioner Jeff Jordan, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess  
Dana Garrett  
Jeff Sandvig  
Veronica Buchanan  
LouAnn Robichaud  
Harry Gill  
Lisa Nolen  
Scotty Caroom  
Toni McDaniel  
Becky Shelton

Chairman J. Jordan presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Cook moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

COMMUNITY CARE REPORT:

The Committee was provided the April 5, 2012 minutes of the Community Care Board. Following discussion,

"Commissioner J. Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Community Care report. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORT:

Lisa Nolen presented the Special Projects report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner W. Jordan moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Special Projects report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT:

Superintendent Harry Gill first addressed the Committee regarding an energy efficient water upgrade proposal from Excel Energy advising during his tenure as Superintendent he has pushed energy efficient projects such as the geo thermal heating and cooling, energy efficient lighting as well as smaller building envelopes and repurified water systems on football fields. Mr. Gill advised the next step is to replace lower efficiency commodes and sinks and presented a proposal from Excel Energy Group at a cost of \$1,461,013 to replace lower efficiency commodes and sinks which should produce major savings in water and sewer bills. Mr. Gill advised the project could be funded by Rutherford County issuing seven year notes or bonds that would be paid off with General Purpose School Funds like used for the lighting and light sensor projects. Alternatively Excel Energy will provide financing at 3.9% for seven years. No grants are available for this project. The projected savings in water and sewer bills would cover interest and principal costs in about eight years. Scotty Caroom with Excel Energy Group advised the changes are not required in every school, just inefficient facilities and 30% were efficient in some of the newer schools and renovation projects. Every faucet and toilet has been tested. Excel will replace 1,000 toilets and has a savings guarantee with the program like the lighting program previously implemented. The program restricts the flow of water in sinks with some having foot pedals but they do not lose water pressure.

Mayor Burgess advised he thought money should be found internally and not borrowed or go to the bond fund as this will pay itself back and suggested the 4.5¢ capital maintenance improvement

budget. Superintendent Gill advised the capital maintenance improvement monies are already committed to other projects.

Commissioner W. Jordan questioned if the project had to be bid. Superintendent Gill advised per Jeff Reed this was professional services so it does not have to be bid. Mr. Sandvig advised there is a specific provision in the Code that applies to this so the School Board is comfortable not bidding.

Mr. Caroom advised the project would be completed in three months using 35 employees. Additionally, there is no issuance cost if financed through Excel at the 3.9%. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Allen moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to endorse the concept of Excel Energy to replace \$1,461,013 in lower efficiency commodes and sinks and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Mr. Sandvig next presented an amendment in Fund 177 totaling \$181,586 reducing the account Committed for Capital Projects (formerly fund balance) by \$165,485 to fund most of the \$180,086 in remaining expenditures for 2010/11 projects that had open purchase orders as of June 30, 2011. \$16,101 in additional 2011/12 property tax revenues balance the amendment and cover an additional \$1,500 in Trustee's commission expenditures.

Unlike the Building Program Fund, open purchase orders in this fund are closed at the end of the fiscal year. The \$180,086 is the amount of the open 2010/11 purchase orders which need to be put back in the expenditure lines that were used to complete the projects in 2011/12. The amendment also reallocates \$13,266 in current year equipment for the McFadden renovation and \$1,940 in current year engineering services for the Kittrell water treatment project. The amendment funds \$180,086 in completed 2010/11 projects, an additional \$1,500 in Trustee's commission and adjusts two 2011/12 projects by \$15,206. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to amend \$165,485 from the account Committed for Capital Projects and \$16,101 in additional 2011/12 property tax revenues in order to fund \$180,086 in remaining expenditures for 2010/11 projects that had open purchase orders as of June 30, 2011, \$1,500 in additional Trustee's commission and to amend \$15,206 in current year projects as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The next amendment was in fund 143, Centralized Cafeteria 2011/12 adding a net \$2,329,546 in revenue to the budget and an additional \$2,177,423 in expenditures. The largest change is \$1,400,000 in USDA Commodities Revenue which is offset by a \$1,400,000 expenditure for USDA Commodities. This is a reporting change requested by the State. The other increases and decreases adjust the budget for changes in the reimbursement amounts and the operating costs of the cafeterias. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Allen moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Jordan, to amend the 2011/12 Fund 143 budget by \$2,329,546 in net revenues and \$2,177,423 in expenditures as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The next amendments were in General Purpose School Budget Amendment. The first reallocated \$29,717 in the state-funded Coordinated School Health grant. Staffing changes were made this year which freed up funds for materials, supplies and equipment for the program. No new funds or positions are included in the amendment. The next amendment reallocates \$28,780 within already budgeted State retirement to the major functions where it is needed. No new funds or positions are included in this amendment. Following discussion,

"Commissioner J. Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to (1) amend \$29,717 in expenditures within the state-funded

Coordinated School Health grant as presented and (2) amend \$28,780 in already budgeted State retirement as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Chairman J. Jordan advised he wanted to thank Mr. Lee and Mr. Clardy for the tour of Stewart's Creek High School and he appreciated their time and efforts.

Mr. Sandvig next provided a copy of the first draft of the School Board 2012/13 budget given to the School Board advising an updated version will be provided before the next meeting. The main difference will be in insurance. \$269,000,000 in revenue is anticipated. Mr. Sandvig advised the Governor's budget provides for a raise of 2 1/2% on the State teacher portion.

The next Health & Education Committee meeting will be May 22 at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board offices with the Budget Committee for review of the School Board 2012/13 budget.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Dana Garrett presented the Health Department report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner W. Jordan moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Health Department report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Garrett advised the State Commissioner of Health had visited both Rutherford County facilities and was very complimentary of the County's support and progressive programs.

The Committee was next provided a No Cost Contract with the State of Tennessee, Department of Health for the completion of the construction/renovation of the Smyrna Health Department facility. This contract did not involve funding for the project. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Cook moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the No Cost Contract with the State of Tennessee, Department of Health for completion of the construction/renovation of the Smyrna Health Department facility. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee next toured the Smyrna Health Department being advised the new addition will include a large classroom, two smaller classrooms and provides for eighteen new parking spots. WIC and food stamps are now usable at the Farmer's Market both in Murfreesboro and at the one held at the Smyrna Health Department. Mayor Burgess advised there is no more room available at the current Smyrna site for anymore additions.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman J. Jordan declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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JEFF JORDAN, Chairman