# Approved 11/30/2010

# Minutes of Special Meeting of Thursday, July 22, 2010, at 3:00 P.M.

The Union County Board of Commissioners met in a special meeting on Thursday, July 22, 2010, at 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room, First Floor, Union County Government Center, 500 North Main Street, Monroe, North Carolina, for the following purposes: 1) to consider adoption of the FY 2010-2011 Budget; and 2) to receive a report from the County Attorney regarding the process for changing the composition of the Board of Commissioners and to consider adoption of a Resolution calling for the ballot measure. The following were

PRESENT: Chairwoman Kim Rogers, Vice Chairwoman Tracy Kuehler, Commissioner Allan Baucom, Commissioner A.

Parker Mills, Jr., and Commissioner Lanny Openshaw

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Al Greene, County Manager, Lynn West, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Jeff Crook, Senior Staff

Attorney, Keith Merritt, County Attorney, Kai Nelson, Finance Director, members of the press, and interested

citizens

At approximately 3:00 p.m., the Chairwoman convened the special meeting and welcomed everyone. She recognized Keith Merritt, County Attorney, to provide the Board with a report regarding the process for changing the composition of the Board of Commissioners.

# Resolution Calling Special Referendum to Increase the Membership of the Union County Board of Commissioners:

Mr. Merritt stated that at the June 21, 2010, meeting, the Board requested that the County Attorney and staff review the legal process necessary to hold a referendum to increase the number of County Commissioners from five to seven. He said that he reviewed the applicable statutes and met with John Whitley, the Board of Elections Supervisor, to determine the process and timeline for a referendum. Mr. Merritt said that the first consideration for it to be on the ballot in November is a Resolution from the Board

asking that the issue be included on the ballot must be delivered to the Elections Office no later than July 30, 2010. He explained that July 30<sup>th</sup> is the date that the Board of Elections sends its ballot information to the State for it to begin the electronic coding and putting together of the ballot, and the absentee ballots are sent out at the beginning of September. He stated that if the Board wants to move forward with the referendum, the Board will need to adopt the Resolution at today's meeting for the issue to be included on the November ballot.

He provided a draft Resolution for the Board's review. He stated that if the Board adopts a Resolution today, a copy would be sent to the Board of Elections and to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice, because pre-clearance is required by the Department of Justice for any referendum that would be placed on the ballot that would affect voting. Mr. Merritt pointed out that a review by the Department of Justice could take up to 60 days. He said that he did not anticipate there being an issue with the Department of Justice in regards to placing this matter on the ballot. He stated that if a change in the composition of the Board is approved by the voters in November, then at that point a second submission would be made to the Department of Justice. He explained that this would be a slightly more extensive application, because in essence information would have to be provided to the Department of Justice to show that there is no adverse effect on any voter's rights within the County.

Following Mr. Merritt's explanation, Vice Chairwoman Kuehler moved adoption of a Resolution Calling Special Referendum to Increase the Membership of the Union County Board of Commissioners, as set out in the Resolution.

Commissioner Baucom asked if the Department of Justice has input on whether this issue would be on the ballot in November. Mr. Merritt stated that the Department of Justice would have input as to whether or not the issue is on the ballot. He explained that if the Resolution is adopted, he would write a letter to the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, notifying it that the Board has requested that this issue be placed on the November ballot, and pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the County is asking for pre-clearance. He said that the Department of Justice would then have 60 days to approve or reject the request.

Commissioner Baucom further asked what would happen should the Department of Justice come back and not like the wording on the ballot. Mr. Merritt responded that this question had been asked of both the local officials and the Attorney for the State Elections Board, and the answer would be that they would simply not count the vote. He said that the issue would be on the ballot, but it would be a moot point.

Commissioner Baucom also questioned whether the Department of Justice would rule on anything other than the applicability of the issue being placed on the ballot. Mr. Merritt responded that it would not and it would not rule on the action itself. He

explained that would be the reason that a second submission would be required assuming that the voters approve a change in November in the composition of the Board.

There was discussion regarding the recommendation of the Governance Advisory Committee and the Board's action at its regular meeting of June 21, 2010.

Following the discussion, the motion passed by a vote of three to two. Chairwoman Rogers, Vice Chairwoman Kuehler, and Commissioner Openshaw voted in favor of the motion. Commissioners Baucom and Mills voted against the motion.

# RESOLUTION CALLING SPECIAL REFERENDUM TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Union County Governance Committee (the "Governance Committee") has spent a significant amount of time over the last year reviewing the composition of the Union County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") in order to make a recommendation as to whether any changes in the Board's composition should be made; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this review the Governance Committee made a recommendation to the Board at its June 21, 2010, meeting that the number of County Commissioners should be increased from five (5) to seven (7) members and that all seven members should be elected "at large" by all residents of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that the issue of increasing the number of County Commissioners from five to seven be placed on the ballot as a special referendum to be voted on by the citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, in placing the issue of altering the composition of the Board the Board must comply with N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-60.

#### NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS that:

| 1          |          | A specia  | l referendı | ım be calle  | d on the a | doption   | of the al | teration to | the structu | are of th | ne Board | and th | e follow | ng issue | be pla | aced o | on |
|------------|----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|--------|----|
| the ballot | t at the | general e | election to | be held on l | Novembe    | r 2, 2010 | as follo  | ows:        |             |           |          |        |          |          |        |        |    |

| "Shal | l the structure | of the board o | f commissioners | be altered to ir | ncrease the nu | mber of comm | issioners from | five (5) to se | ven (7)? |
|-------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------|
|       | **TO            |                |                 |                  |                |              |                |                |          |
|       | _ YES           |                |                 |                  |                |              |                |                |          |

NO"

2. If the citizens of the County vote in favor of increasing the number of commissioners to seven (7), then during the 2012 general election cycle there shall be an election to fill four (4) county commissioner seats, with the other three seats filled by the incumbent county commissioners who shall serve out the remainder of their four year terms.

Adopted this the 22nd day of July, 2010.

ATTEST:

s/Lynn G. West, Clerk to the Board

s/Kim Rogers, Chairwoman

# **Continuation of Budget Discussions:**

Chairwoman Rogers recognized Kai Nelson, Finance Director, to review the information provided to the Board during its budget discussions on June 19, 2010.

The following items were discussed:

- 1. State budget effect on Union County Public Schools resulting in the loss of approximately \$2.8 million in lottery funding;
- 2. Schools' Capital Improvement Program (CIP) savings of approximately \$5 million have been identified with a question regarding the sales tax. Sales tax could be several hundred thousand or it could be a half a million. The CIP savings totaling \$4.6 million could be used to balance this year's budget which puts the 2012 budget with a significant funding issue. Mr. Nelson pointed out that it is the aspect of using one-time revenue (CIP savings) in order to fund ongoing recurring capital outlay items.
- 3. Mr. Greene said that they had talked with the schools and asked that they help to identify \$1.6 million in savings and the County's concern about next year's budget. He stated that they also discussed the County's concern about the disappearance of the one-time revenue (CIP savings) that the schools have depended on for some time and how that

presents concerns about the ability to fund the schools' operating needs. He said that County staff expressed the concern that the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education need to work together and have an open dialogue in the coming year regarding what appears to be an imbalance in the schools' needs versus the County's ability to fund. He said that Dr. Davis understood this concern very clearly and indicated that he also thought that discussion should take place during the coming year.

4. Mr. Nelson reviewed the various budget solutions. He said that the first solution was contained in the Manager's recommended budget. He explained that it largely used the 2010 budget solution as its basis which had the tax rate and fire fees largely unchanged from 2009, some significant shortfall funding, and the sales tax situation where three of the fire districts received all of the sales tax and two fire districts received portions of the sales tax. He said that the Board had asked for two scenarios: one scenario was to increase the fire fees to the maximum and to reflect no shortfall payments for the fire tax districts. Mr. Nelson explained that the impact of this scenario was in the case of the fire fees, there was somewhat less of a shortfall and in the case of the fire tax districts, it eliminated the shortfall. He said that this scenario had a favorable impact of approximately \$150,000 on the recommended budget.

He stated that the Board had also asked for a second scenario which was the same in terms of maximizing the fire fee but eliminated subsidies to the fire tax districts totaling approximately \$150,000. He explained that this scenario saved the General Fund roughly \$300,000.

- 5. Mr. Nelson said that there were a number of recommendations in the budget with regard to adjusting tipping fees and convenience site collection fees in an effort to eliminate a \$400,000 to \$500,000 annual operating budget gap. He stated that staff is in the process of developing a Request for Qualifications for a study to determine operational efficiencies and making various fee adjustments, and, if the Board acts favorably on the study, then the recommended revisions can be made to the budget at that time. Mr. Nelson said that he thought there was an opportunity to modify the tipping fees and convenience site fees in this particular budget, but he did not think there is an opportunity in this budget to substantially change the way solid waste is financed.
- 6. Mr. Nelson noted that while staff has struggled to insure that it is a structurally balanced budget, this has been done by using one-time revenue sources for capital. He explained that one-time money is being used to purchase Sheriff's vehicles and other items. He said that while the general fund budget maintains a tax rate of sixty-six and one half cents, there are a number of structural issues that will be forwarded to the new year.

At approximately 4:45 p.m., the Chairwoman called for a five-minute recess. The meeting was reconvened at approximately 4:55 p.m.

There was lengthy discussion regarding funding of the fire departments with an increase in the fire fees to \$82.75.

In response to a question by Commissioner Openshaw regarding E-911 legislation, Mr. Nelson stated that this legislation provides the County with approximately one million dollars that can be used for any public safety need. He stated that this is one-time money. He said that the recommended budget contained \$345,000 which represents payment of year one of a five-year lease purchase payment to buy the public safety subscriber units. He further said that the subscriber units total \$1.4 million.

Commissioner Openshaw mentioned adding an extra employee in the Legal Department to help in expediting processing of contracts.

Mr. Crook stated that the Legal Department determines the work priorities unless someone tells them differently. He stated if someone tells them that something has to be done by a certain time, then the work is done by that time. Commissioner Openshaw acknowledged that Mr. Crook has been very responsive when he has talked with him when issues have arisen in the past. Mr. Crook said that the County Manager had mentioned something to him earlier similar to what Commissioner Openshaw was proposing, but he could not justify another employee in his department in the upcoming year given the County's budget constraints and when County employees have lost jobs. He assured that his department is doing the best it can, and he offered to make the effort with department heads soon to let him know if there are contracts or other legal issues that are pressing, and the Legal Department will work to complete those items as quickly as possible. He stated that it is often in knowing what the priorities are. He said that the Manager has agreed to allow him to retain outside assistance from Mr. Merritt's firm or elsewhere when needed. He expressed appreciation to Commissioner Openshaw for his offer, but reiterated that he would not ask to add another employee in the Legal Department this year.

At approximately 5:15 p.m., Mr. Greene asked that the Board allow time for staff to make the changes in the budget ordinance to reflect the Board's consensus. The Chairwoman recessed the meeting until 5:15 p.m.

At approximately 5:45 p.m., the Chairwoman reconvened the special meeting.

Mr. Nelson reviewed the changes that had been made in the draft budget ordinance during the recess: increase in the fire fees to \$82.75, solid waste adjustments, the tipping fee adjustment and elimination of the recycling credits.

Vice Chairwoman Kuehler moved to adopt the Budget Ordinance as presented and recorded below. The motion passed by a vote of three to two. Chairwoman Rogers, Vice Chairwoman Kuehler, and Commissioner Openshaw voted in favor of the motion. Commissioners Baucom and Mills voted against the motion.

Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Adopted Budget
Ordinance

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#### SECTION I. GENERAL FUND

A. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the GENERAL FUND for the operation of the county government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for this county.

#### General Government:

| Board of Commissioners    | 426,232   |            |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Central Administration    | 726,139   |            |
| County Dues & Memberships | 92,644    |            |
| Internal Audit            | 95,356    |            |
| Legal                     | 326,236   |            |
| Personnel                 | 659,704   |            |
| Finance                   | 903,949   |            |
| Tax Administration        | 3,449,401 |            |
| Court Facilities          | 1,936,922 |            |
| Elections                 | 769,020   |            |
| Register of Deeds         | 901,075   |            |
| Information Technology    | 1,698,904 |            |
| General Services          | 67,731    | 12,053,313 |
| Public Safety:            |           |            |

| Law Enforcement                                  |             | 20,148,434 |             |
|--|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Communications                                   |             | 4,034,314  |             |
| Homeland Security                                |             | 191,582    |             |
| Fire Services                                    |             | 838,899    |             |
| Inspections                                      |             | 1,327,908  |             |
| Outside Agencies                                 |             | 3,058,173  | 29,599,310  |
| Economic & Physical Development:                 |             |            |             |
| Planning   |             | 424,338    |             |
| Economic Development                             |             | 1,731,488  |             |
| Cooperative Extension                            |             | 1,108,343  |             |
| Soil Conservation                                |             | 78,530     |             |
| Outside Agency                                   |             | 77,909     | 3,420,608   |
| Human Services:                                  |             |            |             |
| Public Health                                    |             | 8,254,049  |             |
| Social Services                                  |             | 26,838,676 |             |
| Transportation and Nutrition                     |             | 1,783,418  |             |
| Veterans' Services                               |             | 284,602    |             |
| Outside Agencies                                 |             | 1,940,323  | 39,101,068  |
| Education:                                       |             |            |             |
| School Current Expense (See Section VIII. D.)    |             | 79,504,155 |             |
| School CE-Occupancy Costs                        |             | 213,501    |             |
| School Capital Outlay (See Section VIII. A., B., | & C.)       |            |             |
| Pay-Go & Bond Savings                            | 6,000,000   |            |             |
| Bond Savings                                     | (4,696,448) | 1,303,552  |             |
| School Debt Service                              |             | 47,562,959 |             |
| Community College                                |             |            |             |
| Debt Service                                     |             | 342,496    |             |
| Operations                                       |             | 1,100,000  |             |
| Outside Agency                                   |             | 2,250      | 130,028,913 |
| Cultural and Recreational:                       |             |            |             |
| Library  |             | 4,200,060  |             |
| Parks & Recreation                               |             | 1,638,819  |             |
| Outside Agencies                                 |             | 71,342     | 5,910,221   |
|  |             |            |             |

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B. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the GENERAL FUND for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

| Ad Valorem Taxes          | 153,732,900 |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Local Option Sales Tax    | 22,563,000  |
| Other Taxes               | 1,731,000   |
| Intergovernmental         | 29,483,200  |
| Functional Revenues       | 7,261,976   |
| Miscellaneous             | 4,269,578   |
| Fund Balance Appropriated | 1,681,878   |
|                           | 220,723,532 |

#### SECTION II. FIRE TAX DISTRICTS

- A. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the various FIRE TAX DISTRICT FUNDS for the operation of fire protection services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 with the chart of accounts heretofore established for this county.
- **B.** It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the FIRE TAX DISTRICT FUNDS for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

| Hemby Bridge  | 1,152,100 | Ad Valorem Taxes          |           | 991,684   |
|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |           | Local Option Sales Tax    | 158,249   |           |
|               |           | Fund Balance Appropriated | 2,167     |           |
|               |           |                           | 1,152,100 |           |
| Springs       | 363,815   | Ad Valorem Taxes          |           | 307,370   |
| -             |           | Local Option Sales Tax    | 48,245    |           |
|               |           | Fund Balance Appropriated | 8,200     |           |
|               |           |                           | 363,815   |           |
| Stallings     | 1,011,343 | Ad Valorem Taxes          |           | 882,443   |
| •             |           | Local Option Sales Tax    | 128,900   | •         |
|               |           | 2000. 00.00. 00.00 10.0   | 1,011,343 |           |
| Waxhaw        | 676,730   | Ad Valorem Taxes          |           | 613,000   |
| Vaxiav        | <u> </u>  | Local Option Sales Tax    | 63,730    | 010,000   |
|               |           | Local Option Sales Tax    | 676,730   |           |
|               |           |                           | 070,730   |           |
| Wesley Chapel | 1,384,031 | Ad Valorem Taxes          |           | 1,196,318 |
|               |           | Local Option Sales Tax    | 159,200   |           |
|               |           | Fund Balance Appropriated | 28,513    |           |
|               |           |                           | 1,384,031 |           |

# SECTION III. FEE SUPPORTED FIRE DISTRICTS

- A. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the FEE SUPPORTED FIRE DISTRICTS FUND for the operation of fire protection services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 with the chart of accounts heretofore established for this county.
- **B.** It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the FEE SUPPORTED FIRE DISTRICTS FUND for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

|                 | Public Safety:  | 1,783,881  |    | Fire Fees Fund Balance Appropriated | 1,768,898<br>14,983<br>1,783,881  |
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| SECTION IV.     | EMERGENCY TELEPHONE   | SYSTEM   |    |                                     |   |
|                 | the EMERGENCY TELI<br>for the emergency 911 s<br>beginning July 1, 2010 s | are hereby appropriated in<br>EPHONE SYSTEM FUND<br>services for the fiscal year<br>and ending June 30, 2011<br>hts heretofore established | B. |                                     | revenues will be available in the 'STEM FUND for the fiscal year g June 30, 2011. |
|                 | Public Safety   | 1,244,465  |    | Service Charges                     | 1,244,465   |
| SECTION V.      | WATER AND SEWER   |  |    |                                     |   |
|                 | the WATER AND SEWE  | are hereby appropriated in R FUND for the operation rvices for the fiscal year   | В. |                                     | revenues will be available in the r the fiscal year beginning July 1,             |

|              |     | beginning July 1, 2010 and endin with the chart of accounts hereto for this county.   |  |    |  |   |
|--------------|-----|---|--|----|--|---|
|              |     | Water & Sewer   | 27,188,671   |    | Fees for Services Miscellaneous  | 26,563,885<br>624,786<br>27,188,671         |
| SECTION VI.  | SO  | LID WASTE   |  |    |  |   |
|              | A.  | The following amounts are hereby the SOLID WASTE FUND for the waste services for the fiscal year 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 accounts heretofore established for  | operation of solid<br>beginning July 1,<br>with the chart of | В. | It is estimated that the following revisions SOLID WASTE FUND for the fiscal yearning June 30, 2011. |   |
|              |     | Solid Waste   | 4,683,901  |    | Fees for Services Miscellaneous IFT from Solid Waste Reserves  | 4,047,411<br>62,000<br>574,490<br>4,683,901 |
| SECTION VII. | STO | DRMWATER  |  |    |  |   |
|              | A.  | The following amounts are hereby the STORMWATER FUND for stormwater services for the fiscal July 1, 2010 and ending June 3 chart of accounts heretofore est county. | the operation of<br>I year beginning<br>0, 2011 with the     | B. | It is estimated that the following revision STORMWATER FUND for the fiscal and ending June 30, 2011. |   |
|              |     | Stormwater  | 286,669  |    | Transfer from Enterprise Fund  | 286,669                                     |

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#### SECTION VIII. SCHOOL BOND FUND-55 CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE FUND

- A. The following amounts are hereby amending the appropriation in the SCHOOL BOND FUND-55 (Capital Project Ordinance Fund) for education capital projects within the chart of accounts heretofore established for this county. Capital expenditures allocated to SCHOOL BOND FUND-55 are limited to Category I and III projects. Prior to expending these funds, UCPS shall provide the County with a project list detailing Category I and III projects.
- B. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the SCHOOL BOND FUND-55 (Capital Project Ordinance Fund). SCHOOL BOND FUND-55 revenues are limited to bond funded CIP project savings which accrue only to funded and bid construction projects.

Capital Projects

4,696,448

**Fund Revenues** 

4,696,448

| R  | The appropriations identified as Section I A. General Fund - School Capital in the amount of \$1,303,552 shall be allocated to   |
|----|--|
| ٥. | UCPS based on 115C-429(b) Category I (projects) and Category II (entire category) and Category III (entire category). Prior to   |
|    | expending these funds, UCPS shall provide the County with a project list detailing Category I, II and III projects. Additionally |
|    | Category I and Category II capital outlay appropriations reflected in the UCPS capital outlay fund pursuant to 115C-426 that are |
|    | not capitalized pursuant to governmental generally accepted accounting principles will be charged to School Current Expense with |
|    | a budget transfer from School Capital Outlay. Union County Finance Director is hereby provided the authority to make said budge  |
|    | transfers.   |

#### **SECTION IX.**

A. GENERAL FUND: That there is hereby levied for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011, the following county-wide rate of tax on each one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of taxable property situated in the County, as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2010, for the purpose of raising the revenue from current year's taxes, as set forth in the foregoing county-wide estimates of revenue, and in order to finance the foregoing county-wide appropriations:

| General Fund - County-wide Rate | .6650 |
|---------------------------------|-------|
|                                 |       |

B. SPECIAL DISTRICTS: That there is hereby levied for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011, the following Special District tax rate on each one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of estimated taxable property situated in each Special District, as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2009, for the purpose of raising the revenue from current year's taxes, as set out in the foregoing District estimates of revenue, and in order to finance the foregoing District appropriations:

| Hemby Bridge Fire Protection District  | .0476 |
|--|-------|
| Springs Fire Protection District       | .0300 |
| Stallings Fire Protection District     | .0428 |
| Wesley Chapel Fire Protection District | .0220 |
| Waxhaw Fire Protection District        | .0370 |

#### SECTION X. GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE FUND

- A. The following amounts are hereby amending the
- B. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the

| appropriation in the GENER PROJECT FUND (Capital Project O for various capital projects. | -         | GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECT FUFUND). | UND (Capital Project Ordinance |
|--|-----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| IT Infrastructure  | 774,000   |                                  |                                |
| Jail Control Systems   | 467,675   |                                  |                                |
| Jail Roof Replacement  | 605,727   |                                  |                                |
| Inspections Mobile Office  | 123,400   |                                  |                                |
| DSS Bus. Process Autom. Sys.   | 1,280,802 |                                  |                                |
| Sheriff's Office Vehicles  | 808,747   |                                  |                                |
| Jail HVAC  | 78,000    |                                  |                                |
|  | 4,138,351 | Transfer from General Fund       | 4,138,351                      |

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# **SECTION**

# XI. FIRE FEES

These fees will be collected by the County Tax Administrator's Office and remitted to the various fee supported fire districts by the Finance Department on a monthly basis. Remittances may not exceed the budgeted amount for any given department. In the event that revenues exceed expenditures, those funds shall be withheld and used in the next year's budget appropriation as a fund balance added to the appropriation from fees collected in that year. The fees are as follows:

| FIRE FEES 2010-2011 | Allens |        |        |          |          |         |       |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
|                     | Cross- |        | Beaver |          | Griffith |         | Lanes |
|                     | Roads  | Bakers | Lane   | Fairview | Road     | Jackson | Creek |

| Unimproved Land-per acre  |   | 0.033   | 0.025   | 0.030   | 0.024  | 0.029  | 0.027  | 0.033  |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| -minimum  | (10% of fee)  | 8.28  | 6.13  | 7.49  | 5.92   | 7.15   | 6.68   | 8.17   |
| Animal/Horticulture   | (20% of fee)  | 16.55   | 12.25   | 14.98   | 11.85  | 14.31  | 13.36  | 16.33  |
| Commercial < or = 5000 sq   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| ft  | (100% of fee)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Commercial > 5000 sq ft   | (200% of fee)   | 165.50  | 122.54  | 149.82  | 118.46   | 143.06   | 133.56   | 163.30   |
| Mobile Home   | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Duplex  | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Triplex   | (150% of fee)   | 124.13  | 91.91   | 112.37  | 88.85  | 107.30   | 100.17   | 122.48   |
| Other Family Dwellings  | (200% of fee)   | 165.50  | 122.54  | 149.82  | 118.46   | 143.06   | 133.56   | 163.30   |
| Cultural Facilities   | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Educational Facilities  | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Governmental Facilities   | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Religious Facilities  | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
| Fire Protection Facilities  | (same as SFD)   | 82.75   | 61.27   | 74.91   | 59.23  | 71.53  | 66.78  | 81.65  |
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|   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|   |   | New   | Provi-  | Sandy   | Stacks   |  | Union-   |  |
|   |   | Salem   | dence   | Ridge   | Road   | Stallings  | ville  | Wingate  |
| Percentage per request of m   |   |   |   | •   |  | Stallings<br>50.00%  |  | Wingate<br>82.75%  |
| Single Family Dwelling  | (max fee of   | Salem<br>82.75%   | dence<br>82.75%   | Ridge<br>72.14%   | Road<br>69.63%   | 50.00%   | ville<br>62.75%                                  | 82.75%   |
| Single Family Dwelling (SFD)  |   | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75  | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75  | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14  | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63  | 50.00%<br>50.00  | ville<br>62.75%<br>62.75                         | 82.75%<br>82.75  |
| Single Family Dwelling<br>(SFD)<br>Unimproved Land-per acre   | (max fee of<br>\$100)   | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033                                     | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033                                     | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029                                     | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028                                     | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020                                     | ville<br>62.75%<br>62.75<br>0.025                | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033                                     |
| Single Family Dwelling<br>(SFD)<br>Unimproved Land-per acre<br>-minimum   | (max fee of<br>\$100)<br>(10% of fee)   | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28                             | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28                             | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029<br>7.21                             | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028<br>6.96                             | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020<br>5.00                             | ville<br>62.75%<br>62.75<br>0.025<br>6.28        | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28                             |
| Single Family Dwelling (SFD) Unimproved Land-per acre -minimum Animal/Horticulture  | (max fee of<br>\$100)   | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033                                     | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033                                     | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029                                     | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028                                     | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020                                     | ville<br>62.75%<br>62.75<br>0.025                | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033                                     |
| Single Family Dwelling (SFD) Unimproved Land-per acre -minimum Animal/Horticulture Commercial < or = 5000 sq                            | (max fee of<br>\$100)<br>(10% of fee)<br>(20% of fee)                                   | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55                    | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55                    | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029<br>7.21<br>14.43                    | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028<br>6.96<br>13.93                    | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020<br>5.00<br>10.00                    | ville 62.75% 62.75 0.025 6.28 12.55              | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55                    |
| Single Family Dwelling (SFD) Unimproved Land-per acre -minimum Animal/Horticulture Commercial < or = 5000 sq ft                         | (max fee of<br>\$100)<br>(10% of fee)<br>(20% of fee)<br>(100% of fee)                  | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55                    | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75           | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029<br>7.21<br>14.43<br>72.14           | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028<br>6.96<br>13.93<br>69.63           | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020<br>5.00<br>10.00                    | ville 62.75% 62.75 0.025 6.28 12.55 62.75        | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75           |
| Single Family Dwelling (SFD) Unimproved Land-per acre -minimum Animal/Horticulture Commercial < or = 5000 sq ft Commercial > 5000 sq ft | (max fee of<br>\$100)<br>(10% of fee)<br>(20% of fee)<br>(100% of fee)<br>(200% of fee) | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75<br>165.50 | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75<br>165.50 | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029<br>7.21<br>14.43<br>72.14<br>144.28 | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028<br>6.96<br>13.93<br>69.63<br>139.26 | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020<br>5.00<br>10.00<br>50.00<br>100.00 | ville 62.75% 62.75 0.025 6.28 12.55 62.75 125.50 | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75<br>165.50 |
| Single Family Dwelling (SFD) Unimproved Land-per acre -minimum Animal/Horticulture Commercial < or = 5000 sq ft                         | (max fee of<br>\$100)<br>(10% of fee)<br>(20% of fee)<br>(100% of fee)                  | Salem<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55                    | dence<br>82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75           | Ridge<br>72.14%<br>72.14<br>0.029<br>7.21<br>14.43<br>72.14           | Road<br>69.63%<br>69.63<br>0.028<br>6.96<br>13.93<br>69.63           | 50.00%<br>50.00<br>0.020<br>5.00<br>10.00                    | ville 62.75% 62.75 0.025 6.28 12.55 62.75        | 82.75%<br>82.75<br>0.033<br>8.28<br>16.55<br>82.75           |

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Percentage per request of maximum Single Family Dwelling (max fe (SFD) \$100)

(max fee of \$100)

| Triplex                    | (150% of fee) | 124.13 | 124.13 | 108.21 | 104.45 | 75.00  | 94.13  | 124.13 |
|----------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Other Family Dwellings     | (200% of fee) | 165.50 | 165.50 | 144.28 | 139.26 | 100.00 | 125.50 | 165.50 |
| Cultural Facilities        | (same as SFD) | 82.75  | 82.75  | 72.14  | 69.63  | 50.00  | 62.75  | 82.75  |
| Educational Facilities     | (same as SFD) | 82.75  | 82.75  | 72.14  | 69.63  | 50.00  | 62.75  | 82.75  |
| Governmental Facilities    | (same as SFD) | 82.75  | 82.75  | 72.14  | 69.63  | 50.00  | 62.75  | 82.75  |
| Religious Facilities       | (same as SFD) | 82.75  | 82.75  | 72.14  | 69.63  | 50.00  | 62.75  | 82.75  |
| Fire Protection Facilities | (same as SFD) | 82.75  | 82.75  | 72.14  | 69.63  | 50.00  | 62.75  | 82.75  |

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**Fiscal Year 2010-2011** 

**Union County, NC** 

SECTION XII. WATER AND SEWER RATES

A. One-time Charges for New Service:

Capacity Water Sewer

|   | Meter<br>Size | Ratio<br>to 3/4 inch | User<br>Fees | User<br>Fees |
|---|---------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Capacity Fee - charged for                    |               |                      | •            |              |
| all   | 3/4"          | 1.00                 | \$ 500       | \$ 2,650     |
| new service (based on                         | 1"            | 2.52                 | 1,250        | 6,675        |
| meter size):                                  | 1.5"          | 5.01                 | 2,500        | 13,275       |
|   | 2"            | 8.01                 | 4,000        | 21,225       |
|   | 3"            | 22.54                | 11,250       | 59,725       |
|   | 4"            | 50.09                | 25,050       | 132,725      |
|   | 6"            | 70.12                | 35,050       | 185,825      |
| Water Tap Fee - charged                       |               |                      |              |              |
| for   | 3/4"          |                      | \$ 400       |              |
| county provided taps                          | 1"            |                      | 525          |              |
| (based on meter size):                        | 1.5"          |                      | 2,600        |              |
| ,   | > 1.5"        |                      |              |              |
|   | meter         |                      | Cost         |              |
|   | Line          |                      |              |              |
|   | Size          |                      |              |              |
| Sewer Tap Fee - charged                       |               |                      |              |              |
| for   | 4"            |                      |              | \$ 630       |
| county provided taps                          | 6"            |                      |              | 825          |
| (based on line size):                         | > 6" line     |                      |              | Cost         |
| Monthly Service Charges:                      |               |                      |              |              |
| ,   |               | Capacity             | Water        | Sewer        |
|   | Meter         | Ratio                | User         | User         |
|   | Size          | to 3/4 inch          | Fees         | Fees         |
| Base Facility Charge - fixed amount (based on | 3/4"          | 1.00                 | \$ 5.00      | \$ 9.25      |
| meter   | 1"            | 2.52                 | 12.60        | 23.31        |
| size):  | 1.5"          | 5.01                 | 25.05        | 46.34        |

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|                                | 2"              | 8.01              |    | 40.05  |   |    | 74.09  |    |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----|--------|---|----|--------|----|
|                                | 3"              | 22.54             |    | 112.70 |   |    | 208.50 |    |
|                                | 4"              | 50.09             |    | 250.45 |   |    | 463.33 |    |
|                                | 6"              | 70.12             |    | 350.60 |   |    | 648.61 |    |
| Monthly Volume (Usage) Charg   |                 | l Customers - per | Φ. | 0.45   | * | Φ. | 0.00   | ** |
| 1,000 gallons (monthly metered | d water usage): |                   | \$ | 2.45   | ^ | \$ | 3.30   | ^^ |

<sup>\*</sup> Monthly Volume (Usage) Charge, Residential 3/4" and Irrigation Meters - per 1,000 gallons (monthly metered water usage, rates are based on the stage of water restrictions in force):

| Monthly<br>Gallons | Stage I<br>No Water | Stage II<br>Water | Stage III<br>Water | Stage IV<br>Water |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Billed             | Restrictions        | Restrictions      | Restrictions       | Restrictions      |
| 0 - 3,000          | \$ 2.10             | \$ 2.10           | \$ 2.10            | \$ 2.10           |
| 3,001 - 8,000      | 2.45                | 2.45              | 2.45               | 2.45              |
| 8,001 -10,000      | 3.45                | 3.45              | 3.45               | 3.45              |
| 10,001 -15,000     | 5.45                | 8.18              | 13.63              | 19.08             |
| Over 15,000        | 9.45                | 14.18             | 23.63              | 33.08             |

<sup>\*\*</sup> A year round sewer billing cap is applicable to all metered water consumption over 12,000 gallons per month for residential customers using 3/4" meter.

# C. Payment Distribution:

Payments will be applied first to late charges or fees, then to sewer charges, and then to water charges.

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# SECTION XIII. SEVERABILITY

**A.** If any clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, appropriation, or section of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, it shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance or the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, appropriations, or sections.

This Budget Ordinance is adopted on July 22, 2010 and is to become effective July 1, 2010.

| BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| UNION COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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By: CHAIRWOMAN

With there being no further discussion, at approximately 5:50 p.m., Commissioner Openshaw moved to adjourn the special meeting. The motion passed unanimously.