

COUNTY COMMISSION- REGULAR SESSION

DECEMBER 18, 2006

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT:

COUNTY COMMISSION MET PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT IN REGULAR SESSION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 2006, 9:00 A.M. IN BLOUNTVILLE, TENNESSEE. PRESENT AND PRESIDING WAS HONORABLE STEVE GODSEY, COUNTY MAYOR, JEANIE GAMMON, COUNTY CLERK AND SHERIFF WAYNE ANDERSON OF SAID BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,

TO WIT:

The Commission was called to order by County Mayor Steve Godsey. Sheriff Wayne Anderson opened the commission and Comm. James King, Jr. gave the invocation. Pledge to the flag was led by Comm. John McKamey.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AND ANSWERING ROLL WERE AS FOLLOWS:

CATHY L. ARMSTRONG	GARTH BLACKBURN
LINDA K. BRITTENHAM	"MOE" BROTHERTON
DARLENE R. CALTON	O. W. FERGUSON
CLYDE GROSECLOSE	TERRY HARKLEROAD
RALPH P. HARR	JOE HERRON
DENNIS HOUSER	SAMUEL C. JONES
ELLIOTT KILGORE	BILL KILGORE
	BUDDY KING
JAMES L. KING, JR.	R. WAYNE MCCONNELL
JOHN MCKAMEY	RANDY MORRELL
HOWARD G. PATRICK	MICHAEL SURGENOR
MARK VANCE	EDDIE WILLIAMS

23 PRESENT 1 ABSENT (Dwight King Absent)

The following pages indicates the action taken by the Commission on re-zoning requests, approval of notary applications and personal surety bonds, motions, resolutions and other matters subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion was made by Comm. Vance and seconded by Comm. Morrell to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2006 Regular Session of County Commission. Said motion was approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: DECEMBER 18, 2006

**THOSE SPEAKING DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT TIME WERE AS
FOLLOWS:**

NONE

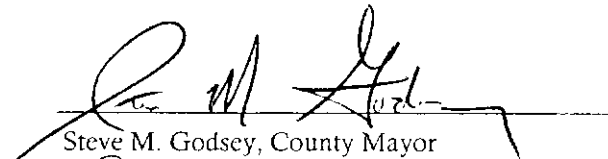
SULLIVAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Confirmation of Appointment

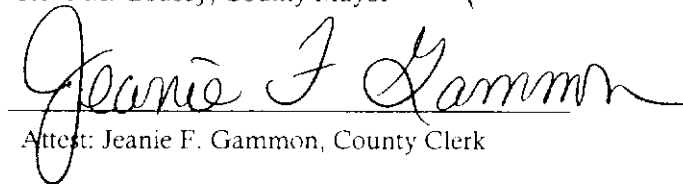
Whereas in accordance with the Regulations Governing Health and Safety Standards of Residential and Non-Residential Properties as adopted by Sullivan County, Sullivan County Mayor, Steve M. Godsey, hereby recommends in favor of appointing Mr. Lynn Stewart to serve as Enforcement Officer for the Sullivan County Health and Safety Board Board;

Now therefore, the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners hereby confirm the appointment of Lynn Stewart as Enforcement Officer for Sullivan County.

Confirmed this 18th day of December 2006.



Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor



Attest: Jeanie F. Gammon, County Clerk

Commission Action:

- ☒ Approved by Roll Call Vote
☐ Approved by Voice Vote
☐ Rejected on Vote

AYE	NAY	PASS	ABSENT
22	1	0	1

SULLIVAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

Presented By the Mayor of Sullivan County, Steve M. Godsey, and The Board of Sullivan County Commissioners of Sullivan County: Cathy Armstrong, Garth Blackburn, Linda Brittenham, James "Moe" Brotherton, Darlene Calton, O.W. Ferguson, Clyde Groseclose, Terry Harkleroad, Ralph Harr, Joe Herron, Dennis Houser, Sam Jones, Elliott Kilgore, W.G. "Bill" Kilgore, Dwight King, James "Buddy" King, James L. King, Jr, Wayne McConnell, John McKamey, Randy Morrell, Howard Patrick, Michael Surgenor, Mark Vance, and Eddie Williams.

PROCLAMATION To Recognize Ringside World Champion: Jared Reyes

WHEREAS, in August 1-5, 2006 at the Expo Center in Kansas City, Missouri, the world's largest amateur boxing tournament saw over 1400 boxers from all over the world competing in seventeen divisions in the 2006 Ringside World Championship tournament; and

WHEREAS, Jared Reyes of Piney Flats, Tennessee, had won his semi-final match in the five-day event at the KCI Expo Center and was now awaiting the judges' decision as he stood in the ring after three hard-fought rounds against Andres Guzman of Austin, Texas; and

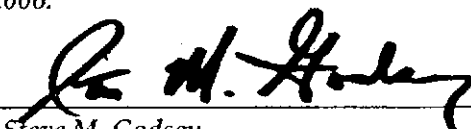
WHEREAS, Jared Reyes, fighting out of the Johnson City Athletic Club, a seventh grade student at Mary Hughes Middle School, was elated when the judges announced the 3-2 split decision that he had won the title match for the 11-12 year-old, 95-pound weight class division in the world championship match; and

WHEREAS, Reyes' coach, Levell McClintock said "this was a world championship tournament and we knew whoever we came up against would be very good, but it was Reyes' footwork that won that fight, being able to pivot and spin and stay out of the way"; and

WHEREAS, Reyes sports interests are avid in other areas as well; he was a running back in football, and currently plays basketball; he will be returning to the boxing arena in February to begin training for this summer's boxing events and tournaments; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, along with the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, do hereby commend Jared Reyes, 2006 Ringside World Champion, on his exceptional achievements.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of December 2006.


Steve M. Godsey
Mayor of Sullivan County

Sponsored by: John McKamey & Dwight King





CITY OF KINGSPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT

CRAIG DYE, CHIEF

130 Island Street
Kingsport, TN 37660
Office 423 / 229-9444
Fax 423 / 224-2528



To the Mayor and Commissioners of Sullivan County,

The Kingsport Fire Department wishes to thank you for all you do for us. This patch honors the September 11 heroes and we are giving it to you for helping us achieve our goals. We are the lead CBRNE (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosive) response team for Homeland Security District One. We should soon become Tennessee Task Force Three with TEMA for Tactical Rescue. The annual dollars and the Fire Engine dollars help us stay ahead. We mainly enjoy the fact that you support us from the heart.

It is an honor to serve you and the citizens of Sullivan County as your designated Hazardous Materials and Tactical Rescue Teams.

Thank you,

Craig Dye
Fire Chief

COUNTY OF SULLIVAN
ELECTION OF NOTARIES
November 20, 2006

PAMELA JANE ADKINS	JOHN D. GREGORY	SUSAN K. STEFFEY
DAVID M. ALTIZER	LENA A. GRIFFIN	DEAN E. TRENT
BUREDA F. ASHLEY	TIMOTHY DEAN HALL	EDNA MAE TURNER
MELANY A. AUSTIN	DAVID HAMMONDS	SUSIE D. VAUGHN
AMANDA E. BARGER	JAMES A. HATFIELD	JANICE H. WAGNER
MARY P. BARKLEY	GLORIA HOBBS	THERESA MARIE WEBBER
VICKY A. BARNETTE	JANICE L. HUMBLE	RACHAEL E. WILSON
APRIL D. BARRETT	KATHY M. JOHNSON	JOYCE EARLENE WOOD
ERNIE BENKO	VICKIE G. JOHNSON	
MARILYN D. BENTON	MARGARET A. KISER	
DONALD WAYNE BIRCH	JENNIFER KRAUSER	
DEIRDRE L. BLEVINS	PAULA L. LONG	
ANITA M. BREWER	GAYVERN M. MOORE	
DIANA L. CASTLE	KIM MORELOCK	
ANGIE COWDEN	M. MICHAEL MORRISON, II	
JANE CRAWFORD	MARK A. MULLINS	
SALLY B. CURETON	ROB NICAR	
KAREN DALE	DEBBIE J. PARKS	
J. WESLEY EDENS	REX PENDERGRASS	
JULIA B. ELDRIDGE	SIRENA S. PERRY	
ELIZABETH ENSOR	LYNDA L. PETERSON	
LINDA KAY EVANS	TARA L. PHILLIPS	
STEPHANIE FARLEY	GWENDOLYN PUGH	
E. KEITH FARMER	MILTON HIRAM RASH	
ANNETTE F. FLINN	TINA L. SLAUGHTER	
CRYSTAL FORBIS	DEBORAH E. SORRELL	
PHILLIP A. FRANKLIN	ELLEN STATZER SMITH	
RENEE D. GASKINS	TERESA MURRAY SMITH	

UPON MOTION MADE BY COMM. MCCONNELL
AND SECONDED BY COMM. VANCE TO
APPROVE THE NOTARY APPLICATIONS
HEREON, SAID MOTION WAS APPROVED BY
ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COMMISSION.
23 AYE, 1 ABSENT.

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN

APPROVAL OF NOTARY
SURETY BONDS

DECEMBER 18, 2006

PATSY W. BASS

DAVID L. CLARK

DONALD W. COLE

DEBORAH L. CORNS

EDNA A. HEGLAR

JACK W. HYDER, JR

JANET LYNN KING

LINDA TANNER

SANDIE TOLBERT

JOHNNY GLENN TRAVIS

UPON MOTION MADE BY COMM. MCCONNELL AND SECONDED BY COMM. VANCE TO APPROVE
THE NOTARY BONDS OF THE ABOVE NAMED INDIVIDUALS, SAID MOTION WAS APPROVED BY
ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COMMISSION. 23 AYE, 1 ABSENT.

QUESTIONS BEFORE THE COMMN.

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QUESTIONS BEFORE THE COMM.

QUESTIONS BEFORE THE COMM.	No. Resolutions				Records				No.				No.				No.			
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NAMES OF COMMISSIONERS	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay
Armstrong	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Blackburn	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Brittlenham	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Brotherton	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Calton	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Ferguson	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Groseclose	✓		✓		✓		✓		A				✓							
Hankleroad	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
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Herron	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Houser	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Jones	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Elliott Kilgore	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
W. Bill Kilgore	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Dwight King	A		A		A		A		A				A							
J. Buddy King	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
James L. King	✓		✓		✓		✓		P				P							
McConnell	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
McKamey	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Mannell	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Patrick	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Surgenor	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Vance	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓				✓							
Williams	✓		✓		✓		A		✓				✓							
	23 Aye	23 Aye	23 Aye	23 Aye	21 Aye								20 Aye							
	1 Abs	1 Abs	1 Abs	1 Abs	1 Abs								2 Nay							
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RESOLUTIONS ON DOCKET FOR DECEMBER 18, 2006

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Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 1
Administrative Budget
No. 2006-11-123
ATTACHMENT

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of November 2006.

RESOLUTION To Appropriate Funds to Staff Sullivan County Corrections Facility

Whereas, the new addition of the Sullivan County Jail upon completion will hold 240 inmates; and,

Whereas, the completion date is estimated February 28, 2007; and,

Whereas, the Sullivan County Corrections will need adequate training time for the new employees;

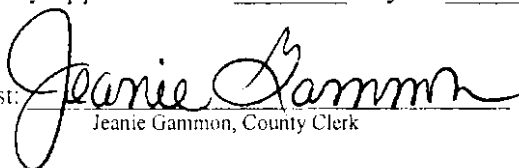
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby appropriate \$899,994.80 for the new employees as follows:

**1 Captain
1 Nurse
1 Maintenance Person
3 Cooks
19 Officers**

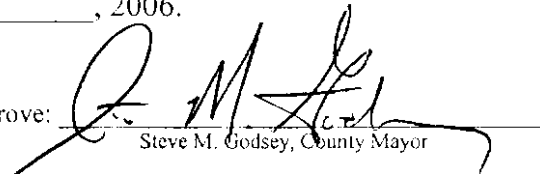
This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this 18 day of December, 2006.

Attest:


Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve:


Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: Joe Herron

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Wayne McConnell, James "Buddy" King, Terry Harkleroad

2006-11-123	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION	Approve 12-4-06	Approve 12-7-06	Approve w/ proposed amendment 12-5-06	Approve 12-18-2006 23A-1 Absent

Notes: 1st Reading 11-20-06;

Correctional Officer Orientation Training

Week One consists of the new employee reading General Orders, Policies and Procedures, TCI Standards, filling out paperwork for payroll, tour of Facility and Administration, issuing uniforms, and chemical weapon training.

Week Two-finish any reading they have not completed in the first week. Going for physical and psychological exam. They start with an FTO to train at each station.

Week Three- Each officer works three days in each station. Each new officer has four Guard Stations, three housing units, booking, work release, courthouse holding, roving in criminal court, roving in the facility. They have duties at each station they must complete and sign off in their training manual that they understand how to complete each task.

Week Four-they continue to work with their FTO to complete their training manual. They have approximately 555 tasks in the present facility they must complete and sign off they understand each task before they are assigned to a shift.

The new officers hired for the new facility will have a week of Basic In-Service to complete the first month.

*Most new employees that are called to work have other employee and require a 2-week notice to their former employer.

25 NEW JAIL EMPLOYEES						
		Uniform				
	CLASS	Cost	SALARY	YEARLY	BENEFITS	TOTAL
1	CAPTAIN	11 889.70	46,238.40		18,495.36	65,623.46
1	NURSE	8 237.00	29,785.60		11,914.00	41,936.60
1	MAINT.	6 275.00	24,627.00		9,850.80	34,752.80
3	COOKS	4 261.36	20,342.40	61,027.20	24,410.88	85,699.44
19	OFFICERS	6 16,904.30	24,627.00	467,913.00	187,165.20	671,982.50
TOTAL WITH 19 OFCRS./ NO SGTS.						899,994.80

AMENDMENT # 1
TO
RESOLUTION No. 2006-11-123

Submitted: 12-15-06

AMEND AS FOLLOWS:

The appropriation will be amended as follows:

BUDGET AMENDMENT		
<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		
54210	Jail	
100	Personnel	232,000.00
200	Benefits	62,388.40
300	Contracted Services	2,380.00
400	Materials & Supplies	31,600.00
451	Uniforms	18,567.36
<u>TOTAL</u>		<u>346,935.76</u>
<u>SOURCE OF FUNDING</u>		
39000	Fund Balance	346,935.76

Amendment submitted by Commissioner Herron

Commission Action:

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 2
Budget
No. 2006-12-125

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December, 2006.

RESOLUTION amending the 2006–2007 General Purpose School Budget for bonuses paid Department of Education Employees

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Department of Education Board approved amending the General Purpose School Budget for the following,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby authorize that the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners approve amending the General Purpose School Budget as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
	General Purpose School Fund	
39000.000	Undesignated Fund Balance	171,194.03
46590.000	Other State Revenue (Revenue)	+280,426.28
71100.114	Computer Repair Technicians (Expenditure)	+514.86
71100.116	Teachers (Expenditure)	+246,463.60
71100.163	Educational Assistants (Expenditure)	+21,753.06
71100.198	Non-Certified Substitute Teachers (Expenditure)	+643.60
71100.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+16,701.26
71100.204	State Retirement 6.13% & 14.640% (Expenditure)	+17,490.24
71100.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+3,905.94
71200.163	Educational Assistants (Expenditure)	+4,762.46
71200.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+295.27
71200.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+697.22
71200.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+69.06
72130.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+1,029.72
72130.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+63.84
72130.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+150.75
72130.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+14.93
72210.147	Truck Drivers (Expenditure)	+386.15

72210.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+1,029.72
72210.163	Educational Assistants (Expenditure)	+514.88
72210.189	Other Salaries and Wages (Expenditure)	+1,544.58
72210.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+215.47
72210.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+433.41
72210.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+50.39
72230.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+514.86
72230.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+31.92
72230.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+75.38
72230.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+7.47
72320.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+772.29
72320.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+47.88
72320.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+113.06
72320.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+11.20
72410.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+13,386.36
72410.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+829.95
72410.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+1,959.76
72410.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+194.10
72510.119	Accountants (Expenditure)	+1,287.15
72510.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+79.80
72510.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+188.44
72510.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+18.66
72610.166	Custodial Personnel (Expenditure)	+21,237.98
72610.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+1,316.75
72610.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+3,109.24
72610.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+307.95
72620.105	Supervisor/Director (Expenditure)	+257.43
72620.141	Foreman (Expenditure)	+1,287.15
72620.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+514.86
72620.167	Maintenance Personnel (Expenditure)	+14,930.94
72620.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+1,053.40
72620.204	State Retirement 14.640% (Expenditure)	+2,487.39
72620.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+246.36
72810.105	Supervisor/Director (Expenditure)	+3,630.88
72810.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+257.43
72810.189	Other Salaries and Wages (Expenditure)	+772.29


72810.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+288.96
72810.204	State Retirement 6.13% & 14.640%(Expenditure)	+373.32
72810.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+67.58
73100.119	Accountant (Expenditure)	+257.43
73100.147	Truck Drivers (Expenditure)	+257.43
73100.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+514.86
73100.165	Cafeteria Personnel (Expenditure)	+22,139.57
73100.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+1,436.50
73100.204	State Retirement 14.640%(Expenditure)	+3,391.98
73100.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+335.95
	Federal Projects Fund	
71100.163	Educational Assistants (Expenditure)	+9,782.34
71100.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+606.51
71100.204	State Retirement 14.640%(Expenditure)	+1,432.13
71100.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+141.84
71200.163	Educational Assistants (Expenditure)	+13,000.30
71200.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+806.02
71200.204	State Retirement 14.640%(Expenditure)	+1,903.24
71200.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+188.50
72210.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+257.43
72210.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+15.96
72210.204	State Retirement 14.640%(Expenditure)	+37.69
72210.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+3.73
72220.161	Secretaries (Expenditure)	+257.43
72220.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+15.96
72220.204	State Retirement 14.640%(Expenditure)	+37.69
72220.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+3.73
72710.142	Mechanics (Expenditure)	+514.86
72710.146	Bus Drivers (Expenditure)	+3,089.27
72710.201	Matching Social Security 6.20% (Expenditure)	+223.46
72710.204	State Retirement 14.640%(Expenditure)	+527.64
72710.212	Matching Medicare 1.45% (Expenditure)	+52.26

(1st Reading: December 18, 2006)


This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this 18 day of December, 2006.

Attest:


Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve:


Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: Commissioner Dennis Houser

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Commissioner Sam Jones

2006-12-125	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION		Approve 12-7-06	Approve 12-5-06	Approved 12-18-2006 23 Aye-- 1 Absent

Notes:



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Division of Resources and Support Services
Office of Local Finance
6th FLOOR, ANDREW JOHNSON TOWER
710 JAMES ROBERTSON PARKWAY
NASHVILLE, TN 37243-0373

PHIL BREDESEN
GOVERNOR

LANA C. SEIVERS, Ed.D.
COMMISSIONER

To: Mr. Glenn Arwood
Sullivan County School System

From: Elfreda Tyler, Director EBT

Date: September 15, 2006

Re: Bonus Funding

Chapter No. 963 of the Public Acts of 2006, better known as the Appropriations Act, appropriated \$21,200,000 "for the purposes of funding a one-time, flat-rate salary bonus for all licensed personnel within local education agencies for fiscal year 2006-2007. It is the legislative intent that each person eligible for such bonus shall receive an equal share". This Act states further that "it is the legislative intent that such bonus shall be paid on or about October 1, 2006".

Sullivan County submitted documentation to the Department of Education indicating that 957.40 licensed positions were eligible for the state bonus. Based on this information, \$246,463.60 was generated to pay the state bonus of \$257.43 to each eligible licensed position. In addition, \$33,962.68 was generated to pay the LEA's matching social security taxes, Medicare taxes, and retirement contribution. (For information concerning the withholding of Federal income taxes, refer to the *Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Services, Publication 15, Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide* pages 12 and 13.) Sullivan County's total bonus allocation is \$280,426.28. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) are not required to match state bonus funds, nor are LEAs prohibited from doing so.

Thank you for your dedication and leadership in providing a productive environment for teachers to teach and children to learn. If you or your staff has questions concerning the bonus payment, contact Wesley Robertson at (615) 253-0051 or Wesley.Robertson@state.tn.us.

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 3
Administrative/Budget/Executive
No. 2006-12-126

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December 2006.

RESOLUTION in Support of Restoring Football at East Tennessee State University

WHEREAS, ETSU has a long football tradition, when as East Tennessee State Normal School, it fielded its first football team in 1920 with the colors of navy blue and old gold, which were chosen in 1911; and

WHEREAS, during Coach Gene McMurray's tenure, the team won the Smoky Mountain Conference Championship in 1938, and the team's name changed to the Buccaneers in 1935; and in 1963, after several name changes, the college gained university status and became East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, the 1969 team, coached by John Robert Bell, had a record of 10-0-1, won the Ohio Valley and Conference Championship, and the team defeated Louisiana Tech, led by Terry Bradshaw, in the Grantland Rice Bowl in Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, the 1996 ETSU football team, led by Coach Mike Cavan, earned a record of 10-3 and participated for the first time in the NCAA Division IAA Playoffs, defeating Villanova in the first round; and

WHEREAS, Buc Football had its first-ever victory over a No. 1 ranked team in 2001 defeating Georgia Southern 19 to 16; and

WHEREAS, ETSU discontinued football in 2003, and the last football game was played at home on November 22, 2003, resulting in a victory over Citadel; and

WHEREAS, with the ending of its football program, ETSU lost its membership in the Southern Conference leaving a void in campus life with the remaining ETSU athletic teams losing the opportunity to regularly play traditional rivals; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners supports the return of collegiate football to East Tennessee State University and the opportunity to start a new collegiate football tradition, renew of old collegiate rivalries, renew collegiate spirit, and boost the development of competitive spirit, sportsmanship, academic excellence, and leadership qualities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Sullivan County Board of County Commissioner and Steve Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County that we hereby recognize and support ch Buc Football and Friends Foundation in its effort to restore football at East Tennessee State University.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this 18 day of December, 2006.

Attest: Jeanie Gammon
Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve: Steve M. Godsey
Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: James "Moe" Brotherton

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Sam Jones - All voting affirmative excluding McConnell

2006-12-126	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION		Approve 12-7-06	Approve 12-5-06	Approved 12-18-2006

23 Aye - 1 Absent

Notes:

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 4
Executive
No. 2006-12-127
ATTACHMENT

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December 2006.

RESOLUTION To Authorize the Adoption of the Sullivan County Road Atlas

WHEREAS, annually the Sullivan County Highway Department reviews the Sullivan County Road Atlas; and

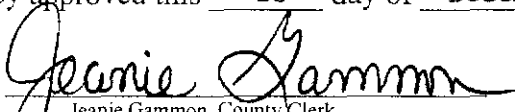
WHEREAS, attached hereto is a summary of revisions that are necessary to bring the Sullivan County Road Atlas up-to-date;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby adopts the Sullivan County Road Atlas as amended. (The Sullivan County Road Atlas in its entirety is on record and available in the Office of the County Mayor for review.)


This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this 18 day of December, 2006.

Attest:


Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve:


Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored by Commissioner: Ferguson

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Brittenham

2006-12-127	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION				Approved 12-18-2006 22 Aye - 2 Absent

Notes:

12/5/2006

ATLAS ADDITIONS

DATE	SUBDIVISION AND ROAD	C.D	TAXMAP	LENGTH	R.O.W.	CLASS	P.B. & Pg
Additions							
Feb-06	Allison Hills Subdivision Phase 2						
	Grovermont Place	20	123	0.30	50	1	52-97
Aug-06	Bakers Field Subdivision						
	Labrador Way	16	111	0.55	50	1	52-258
Jul-06	Allison Timbers Subdivision Section 2						
	Allison Timbers Road (extension) now 0.50	20	123	0.12	50	1	52-228
May-06	Crockett Landing Subdivision						
	Old Island Trail 0.27 Benmore 0.23	7	48	0.50	50	1	52-216
Mar-99	Lake Pointe Estates						
	Pointe Drive	20	122	0.45	50	1	50-112
	total gained from additions			1.92			
Deletions							
Dec-06	Chio Way map 92	annexed by Kingsport					-0.10
Dec-06	White Hawk Way map 92	annexed by Kingsport					-0.10
Dec-06	Running Deer Trail map 92	annexed by Kingsport					-0.15
Dec-06	Hilton Street map 92	annexed by Kingsport					-0.10
Jun-06	Rock Springs Road (part) map 105 now 2.85	annexed by Kingsport					-3.73
Jun-06	Edens View Road (part) map 48 now 0.25	annexed by Kingsport					-0.31
Jun-06	Eagle Point Drive (part) map 48 now 0.11	annexed by Kingsport					-0.22
Dec-06	Shadow Wood Lane map 92	annexed by Kingsport					-0.15
Jun-06	Bell Ridge (part) map 12 now 1.21	annexed by Kingsport					-0.14
previously	Marcum Avenue map 29	annexed by Kingsport					-0.05
previously	Mayfield Avenue map 12	annexed by Kingsport					-0.45
Jun-06	Brumley Street map 12	annexed by Kingsport					-0.03
						total	-5.53
Changes							
map 134	Range Road (length correction)	from 0.40 to 0.13					-0.27
map 124	Emily Blvd (left off atlas)						0.08
map 47	Old Stage Road (length correction)	from 1.67 to 1.10					-0.57
map 78	Rocky Branch Road (length correction)	from 1.00 to .80					-0.20
map 65	Old Camp Placid Road (left off atlas)						0.09
map 48	Benmore Drive (see Old Island Trail)						-0.23
name change							
map 48	Braemere Drive to Golf Ridge Drive						
map 48	Benmore Drive to Old Island Trail						
		total gain/loss from changes					-6.63
		total gain/loss from additions					1.92
		TOTAL MILEAGE GAIN/LOSS					-4.71

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 5
Administrative/Budget/Executive
No. 2006-12-129

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December 2006.

RESOLUTION To Authorize Ad Hoc Increases in the Retirement Benefits Payable to Certain Retired Employees of Employers Participating in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System Pursuant to Chapter 982 of the 2006 Tennessee Public Acts

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly enacted Chapter 982 of the 2006 Tennessee Public Acts; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2007, said Chapter increases the retirement allowance of each retired teacher, wildlife officer, state police officer, and state general employee in accordance with the following schedule:

Date of Retirement	Percentage Increase
Prior to 7/2/75	10.0%
7/2/75 – 7/1/77	7.5%
7/2/77 – 7/1/79	6.0%
7/2/79 – 7/1/81	3.0%
7/2/81 – 7/1/83	1.2%
7/2/83 – 7/1/85	0.9%
7/2/85 – 7/1/87	0.5%
7/2/87 – 7/1/89	0.3%

WHEREAS, the above increases are in addition to any other increase in retirement benefits provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 36, Part 7, and are calculated without regard to the maximum benefit provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 8-36-102 and 8-36-208(a); and

WHEREAS, said Chapter authorizes the chief governing body of any employer participating in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System pursuant to Title 8, Chapter 35, Part 2 of Tennessee Code Annotated to elect to provide the above ad hoc increases to its retired general employees including school and highway employees in accordance with such Chapter by adopting a resolution to accept the associated liability and costs to provide such increases; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County desires to provide its retired general employees with the above ad hoc increases in accordance with such Chapter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby elects to provide such benefits to its retired general employees including school and highway employees in accordance with Public Chapter 982 and agrees to accept the associated liability and costs thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this increase in benefits shall not be paid retroactively, but shall become effective the passage of this resolution.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this _____ day of _____ 20____.

Attest: _____
Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve: _____
Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: Eddie Williams
Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Joe Herron

2006-12-129	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION				

Notes:

First reading 12-18-2006;

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 6
Budget
No. 2006-12-129

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December 2006.

RESOLUTION To Appropriate Funds to Provide School Resource Officers for Sullivan County Schools

WHEREAS, the School Resource Officer Program (SRO) is an innovative approach to community service and is designed to establish a positive relationship between law enforcement and young people while fostering a safer learning environment; and the SRO Program is a nationally accepted concept with goals of reducing violence, deterring drug and alcohol use, and a general reduction in juvenile crime; and the SRO's are not just "cops on campus", rather they are positive role models who interact with students in a supportive manner; and they perform varied duties at each school, which are based on the needs of the students and teachers at the school where they are assigned; and

WHEREAS, an SRO is a certified law enforcement officer who is permanently assigned to provide coverage to a school; and the SRO is specifically trained to perform three roles: law enforcement officer; law-related counselor; and law-related education teacher; and the SRO is not necessarily a DARE officer (although many have received such training), security guard, or officer who has been placed temporarily in a school in response to a crisis situation but, rather acts as a comprehensive resource for his/her school; and

WHEREAS, recent incidents of violence and criminal activity occurring on school premises have been the subject of much discourse in the media and these incidents are not limited to high schools, but have been manifest on middle school campuses, as well; and

WHEREAS, the surrounding counties have implemented SRO's into their middle schools to promote safety and enhance instruction time; and

WHEREAS, the presence of a SRO and a law enforcement agency cruiser on a school's premises and the assignment to such a school of a SRO, with the authority to arrest those who violate the law, constitutes a substantial deterrent to violent acts and criminal activity at school;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, shall direct funds be appropriated to the budget of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department for the exclusive purpose of providing for the placement of four school resource officers, beginning immediately in the 2006-07 academic year, increasing the number of those officers from the four presently serving, to eight.

BE IT RESOLVED that the funding estimated to be in the amount of \$184,830.00 for an entire school year would be divided as follows:

- 25% - From the current budget of the Sullivan County Department of Education,
- 25% - From the current budget of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, and
- 50% - New funds from Account 39000 as allocated by the Sullivan County Commission.

BE IT RESOLVED that the assignment of those officers shall be stipulated by agreement of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office and the Sullivan County Department of Education. And that the Sheriff's Office and the Department of Education shall monitor the effectiveness of said program for a period of one year and then determine the status of said program.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this _____ day of _____ 20____.

Attest: _____
Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve: _____
Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: Dennis Houser

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Jones, Brotherton

2006-12-129	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION				

Notes:

First reading 12-18-2006;



Sullivan County Tennessee

Sheriff's Office

An Accredited Agency



WAYNE ANDERSON
SHERIFF

Calls To Sullivan County Middle Schools August 2005-Present

Zone 11	Holston Valley Middle School	37 Total Calls
Zone 7	Bluff City Middle School	125 Total Calls
Zone 7	Mary Hughes Middle School	134 Total Calls
Zone 9	Holston Middle School	103 Total Calls
Zone 5	Blountville Middle School	183 Total Calls
Zone 4	Ketron Middle School	39 Total Calls
Zone 12	Sullivan Middle School	66 Total Calls
Zone 10	Colonial Heights Middle School	73 Total Calls

The total number of calls will include Traffic which is part of a School Resource Officer's duties. The traffic is when the officer works a school zone.

If you need anything further, please do not hesitate to call me.

Thanks in advance.

Sincerely,

Lisa Christian, Chief Deputy

P. O. BOX 589
BLOUNTVILLE, TENNESSEE 37617

(423) 279-7500
FAX (423) 279-7516

December 14, 2006

TO: Commissioner Dennis Houser, Sullivan County

FROM: Chief Lisa Christian
Susan Arnold, Finance Director

SUBJECT: School Resource Officer Costs

Per your request, our projection of four School Resource Officer (SRO) wages, benefits and initial start-up cost is listed below:

Four deputies at average-Class "7" pay	(4 @ \$27,124.00)	
		108,496.00
Benefits (40%)		<u>43,399.00</u>
Total on-going cost		\$151,895.00
Initial start-up cost	Vehicles	
	Training 4,000	
	Uniform 1,500	
	Weapon <u>475</u>	(4 @ \$5,975)
		<u>23,900.00</u>
Total first-year cost of four SROs		<u>\$175,795.00</u>

SULLIVAN COUNTY TENNESSEE COMMISSION

December, 2006

Dear Commissioners:

For approximately one year a group of commissioners have tried to persuade Sullivan County Commissioners, Departmental Heads, and public officials the importance of appropriating funds to place School Resource Officers in Sullivan County Middle schools. In order to validate and substantiate this concept, I will set forth the reasons and explanations that corroborate this belief.

1. What is a SRO (School Resource Officer)?

He/She is a certified law enforcement officer who is permanently assigned to provide coverage to a school. The SRO is specifically trained to perform three roles:

- a) Law enforcement officer
- b) Law-related counselor and mentor, and
- c) Law-related teacher. The SRO is not necessarily a DARE officer or security guard assigned to a school for crisis intervention, but rather acts a comprehensive resource for the school.

2. What is the urgency of the hiring of SRO's?

- Recent incidents of violence and criminal behaviors have escalated on school premises, especially in the middle schools, on the national and local levels. Data generated by the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office states that the number of calls from middle schools have resulted in a total of 560 incidences since August 2005 to November 2006 in which an officer was dispatched to the specific school. Traffic violations were part of this total number, but the majority of calls were due to assaults, drug violations, possession of lethal weapons and other serious misbehavior.
- Sullivan County Board of Education and other systems have installed security cameras, mandated the use of school passes, provided training for staff development, initiated one door entrances and implemented many programs on substance abuse, conflict resolution and effective decision-making. However, school violence and serious juvenile crime continues to increase. The National Center for Juvenile Justice reports that 90% of the schools that utilize SRO's have reported a significant reduction in school violence and drug activity, while enhancing instructional learning.

3. What are some logical reasons for the placement of an SRO's in our middle schools?

- a. If the mere presence of an SRO or law enforcement agency cruiser saves one life or prevents a student from being physically assaulted or emotionally scarred, the dividends of placement of a SRO could never be measured.
- b. The cost for keeping an inmate in the Sullivan County jail is approximately \$12,000. If the presence or influence of one officer could keep one student from entering a life of crime, the investment would be justified financially.
- c. Program would than be more than cost effective if the time and expense were calculated by the dispatching of law enforcement officers and their vehicle to school premises.
- d. The placement of SRO's would not only establish a more positive approach between law enforcement and young people, but foster a safer learning environment and improve instructional time
- e. Determent of substance use, reduction in violence, and a general reduction in juvenile crime would be the immediate results of this program.
- f. SRO's would be positive role model who interact with students in a supportive manner.

4. How would the programs effectiveness be measured?

- The effectiveness of the SRO program would be informally measured through the monitoring of juvenile crime, school violence, and criminal incidents through the coordinated efforts of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office and the Sullivan County Board of Education

Your consideration and approval of this resolution would reaffirm that we believe the safety of our students is of utmost importance.

Sincerely,



Dennis Houser

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 7
Executive
No. 2006-12-130

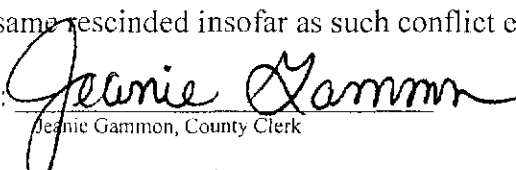
To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December, 2006.

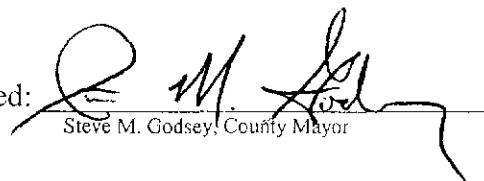
RESOLUTION Authorizing Abandonment of Excess Right-of-Way on Enterprise Road

WHEREAS, upon consideration of the petition of Ronald and Janice Humble and upon consideration of the recommendations of the Highway Commissioner, the Bristol Regional Planning Commission and the Executive Committee of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby approve the abandonment of excess right-of-way on Enterprise Road as shown on the attached map and specifically described in the attached written property description and the transfer of any and all rights of Sullivan County, Tennessee to the same to Ronald and Janice Humble. The County Executive is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to Ronald and Janice Humble a quitclaim deed conveying Sullivan County's interest to said property subject to said transfer being done at no cost to Sullivan County.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Attested: 
Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approved: 
Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored by Commissioner: Brittenham

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): McKamey, Calton, Ferguson, Blackburn, Houser, B. King

2006-12-130	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION				Approved 12-18-06 20 Aye, 2 Nay, 1 Pass, 1 Absent

Notes: **Amendment #1 made by Sponsor and approved with Resolution as follows**
"SULLIVAN COUNTY RETAIN A UTILITY AND STORMWATER EASEMENT OVER THE
ABANDONED RIGHT-OF-WAY"

Tax Map 96-J Group A Parcel 8.00

To find the point of beginning, begin at an Iron Pin, said pin being 111.40' from the centerline of Enterprise Road and in the Carter property line, Tax Map 96J-A parcel 7.00 Tract 11 of the Allen B. Lindamood S/D, thence with the Carter/Humble property line S 68° 01' 51"E 51.40' to an iron pin, THE POINT OF BEGINNING being the Westerly R.O.W. of Enterprise Road. Thence S 68° 01' 51" E, 25.00 to an iron pin, thence S 22° 14' 39" W, 114.73 to an iron pin, thence N 67° 45' 53" W, 25.00' to an iron pin, on the Westerly side of Enterprise Road, thence along the Side of the road N 22° 14' 39" E 114.62' to the point of beginning containing 0.065 +/- Acres, as shown on final map to be provided by Ronald D. and Janice D. Humble.

Attachment to Resolution No. 2006-12-130

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November 21, 2006

Ms. Ambre Torbett
Sullivan County Planning and Zoning
3411 Highway 126
Blountville, Tennessee 37617

Mr. Allan Pope
Sullivan County Highway Department
147 County Hill Road
Blountville, Tennessee 37617

SUBJECT: Proposed Partial Abandonment of Enterprise Road Right-of-Way
Immediately North of Rainbow Bridge Crossing, Boone Lake

Dear Ms. Torbett and Mr. Pope:

Last night, the Bristol Regional Planning Commission voted 7-0 to forward a favorable recommendation to the Sullivan County Commission for the partial abandonment of Enterprise Road right-of-way adjacent to the property of Ronald and Janice Humble. The attached staff report from the Planning Commission meeting explains the situation in more detail. The Planning Commission recommendation was in favor of abandoning a portion of the Enterprise Road right-of-way 25 feet deep and 114.62 feet wide, thus allowing for 35 feet from the proposed right-of-way line to the center of pavement of Enterprise Road. The recommendation also included retaining a utility and stormwater easement over the abandoned right-of-way.

Should the Sullivan County Commission vote to approve this proposed right-of-way abandonment, please send me a copy of the signed legislation for my file records. This will make research easier in the future should a question arise as to this right-of-way.

If you have any questions, please call me at (423) 989-5522.

Sincerely,

David N. Metzger
Transportation Planning Engineer

Enclosures

cc: Ronald and Janice Humble
Cross Land Surveying and Planning

Attachment to Resolution No. 2006-12-130

100 0 100 Feet

Boone Lake
South Holston River
(branch)

UNBUILDABLE AREA
BELOW ELEVATION 1390
(TVA FLOW EASEMENT)

PROPERTY OF RONALD and JANICE HUMBLE
TAX MAP 96-J, GROUP "A," PARCEL 8

PROPERTY OWNER REQUEST-GREEN and PINK AREAS (4,736 SQ FT)
STAFF RECOMMENDATION-GREEN AREA ONLY (2,865.5 SQ FT)

RIGHT-OF-WAY ABANDONMENT REQUEST
ENTERPRISE ROAD NORTH OF RAINBOW BRIDGE
SULLIVAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE Nov 2006

Excess Right of Way
To Be Abandoned

RAINBOW BRIDGE

ENTERPRISE RD

14462 FT

130 FT

160 FT

25 FT



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Tax Map 96-J Group A Parcel 8.00

To find the point of beginning, begin at an Iron Pin, said pin being 111.40' from the centerline of Enterprise Road and in the Carter property line, Tax Map 96J-A parcel 7.00 Tract 11 of the Allen B. Lindamood S/D, thence with the Carter/Humble property line S 68° 01' 51"E 51.40' to an iron pin, THE POINT OF BEGINNING being the Westerly R.O.W. of Enterprise Road. Thence S 68° 01' 51" E, 25.00 to an iron pin, thence S 22° 14' 39" W, 114.73 to an iron pin, thence N 67° 45' 53" W, 25.00' to an iron pin, on the Westerly side of Enterprise Road, thence along the Side of the road N 22° 14' 39" E 114.62' to the point of beginning containing 0.065 +/- Acres, as shown on final map to be provided by Ronald D. and Janice D. Humble.

Attachment to Resolution No. 2006-12-130

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 8
Administrative/Budget/Executive
No. 2006-12-131

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December 2006.

RESOLUTION To Authorize The Issuance Bonds in the Amount of \$50,000,000 for Sullivan County Schools

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has traditionally been a leader in education and economic growth; and

WHEREAS, our schools have many good students, teachers and supportive parents deserving of better facilities for the learning process to succeed; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of governing statutes provides for counties in Tennessee through their respective legislative bodies to issue and sell bonds of said counties for school purposes; and

WHEREAS, a \$50 million school bond based upon current ADA would be shared with the City of Kingsport for approximately \$13 million and the City of Bristol for \$9 million leaving approximately \$28 million for our County system to cover the cost of issuance, architectural fees and the necessary land acquisition for 2 schools.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby authorize the issuance of School Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000): making provision for the issuance, sale and payment of said bonds; establishing the terms thereof and the disposition of proceeds there from; and that one of the Schools shall be located in the Piney Flats area and the other in the Bloomingdale area of the county, each being located outside the planed urban growth area of any city.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Attest: _____
Jeanie Gammon, County Clerk

Approve: _____
Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: Ralph Harr

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Brotherton, Herron, E. Kilgore, D. King, B. King, Patrick, Williams

2006-12-131	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
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Notes: **First reading 12-18-2006;**

MOTION ON FLOOR

MOTION AS FOLLOWS:

“THAT WE GO AHEAD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF FUTURE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS FOR ALL THREE SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY FOR WHICH MONEY WAS APPROPRIATED FOR IN SEPTEMBER 2005 BY RESOLUTION #2005-08-073”.

INTRODUCED BY: JONES
SECONDED BY: NO SECOND

COMMENTS: NO ACTION TAKEN ON MOTION- MAYOR GODSEY TO GET WITH PURCHASING AGENT AND FOLLOW UP WITH REQUEST.

Sullivan County, Tennessee
Board of County Commissioners

Item 9
Administrative/Budget/Executive
No. 2006-12-132

To the Honorable Steve M. Godsey, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of December 2006.

RESOLUTION To Study the Possibility of Consolidating Governments of Sullivan County

WHEREAS, the County of Sullivan has three outstanding school systems and because of population shifts and the age of some buildings, each of the school systems are considering major renovation programs; and

WHEREAS, it has been estimated that the costs will exceed \$200 million dollars which will be passed on to the taxpayers of the County and the Cities of Bristol and Kingsport; and

WHEREAS, each of the systems have schools that are overcrowded and schools that are underutilized; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee is studying the ways that the State is funding education; and the State is considering a change in the State funding of school systems which will directly effect each of our school systems; and

WHEREAS, the population of Sullivan County is 153,000 which is divided into five different government entities: Bluff City, Bristol, Kingsport, Sullivan County, and Johnson City; and

WHEREAS, within those government entities, we have eight different sewer rates; at least eight different sewer tap-on fees; five different building and zoning fees; ten or more different water rates; five different tax rates; four different planning commissions; three different 911 offices; five different law enforcement agencies; plus twenty-four constables, and the Tennessee Highway Patrol; and

WHEREAS, many citizens, developers, and business owners are confused as from which government they must seek information, services, and approval of property enhancements; and

WHEREAS, it is time for the County Commissioners to initiate a study for consolidated government in Sullivan County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby reactivate the Consolidation Study Committee of 1987 to study the possibility of consolidating government for Sullivan County. Members of the committee that are no longer in Sullivan County or wish not to participate as a member of said committee will be replaced by County Commissioners or City Council members of the district showing a vacancy on said committee.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Hereby approved this _____ day of _____, 2006.

Attest: _____
Jeanne Gammon, County Clerk

Approve: _____
Steve M. Godsey, County Mayor

Sponsored By: John McKamey

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Wayne McConnell

2006-12-132	Administrative	Budget	Executive	County Commission
ACTION				

Notes: **First reading 12-18-2006;**

**AND THEREUPON COUNTY COMMISSION ADJOURNED UPON
MOTION MADE BY COMM. HARR TO MEET AGAIN IN REGULAR
SESSION JANUARY 16, 2007.**



STEVE GODSEY

COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

