

**PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**MAY 18, 2009**  
**OTHERS PRESENT**

Johnny Myrl Lunsford  
Jimmy B. Clayton  
Kyle W. Puryear  
B. Ray Jeffers - ABSENT  
Samuel R. Kennington

Heidi York, County Manager  
Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Person, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, May 18, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' meeting room in the Person County Office Building.

Chairman Lunsford called the meeting to order and asked Commissioner Clayton to lead in prayer and Commissioner Kennington to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Jeffers was absent for the May 18, 2009 meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 FEDERAL TRANSIT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SECTION 5311 NON-URBANIZED GRANT APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear, **seconded** by Commissioner Clayton and **carried** to open the public hearing to consider the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Federal Transit Capital Assistance Section 5311 Non-Urbanized Grant Application to be submitted to the NC Department of Transportation.

Person Area Transportation Administrative Support Assistant, Rhonda Long requested approval of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Federal Transit Capital Assistance Section 5311 Non-Urbanized Grant Application to be submitted to the NC Department of Transportation. Ms. Long noted the allocation of grant funds would be 100% federally funded, requiring neither local match nor a match from the NC Department of Transportation.

No citizens spoke in favor or in opposition at the public hearing.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton, **seconded** by Commissioner Puryear and **carried** to close the public hearing.

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A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton, **seconded** by Chairman Lunsford and **carried** to approve the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Federal Transit Capital Assistance Section 5311 Non-Urbanized Grant Application to be submitted to the NC Department of Transportation as presented.

Capital Budget Summary:

	Requested	Approved
Replacement Vehicles	\$31,350	\$31,350
Expansion Vehicles	\$0	\$0
Associated Capital	\$0	\$0
Facility Improvements	\$231,685	\$231,685
Facility Construction	\$0	\$0
Advanced Technology	\$0	\$0
Preventive Maintenance	\$31,000	\$31,000
Mobility Maintenance	\$0	\$0
Grand Total ARRA Capital	\$294,035	\$294,035

**DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton, **seconded** by Commissioner Puryear and **carried** to approve the agenda.

**INFORMAL COMMENTS:**

Sheriff Dewey Jones announced the Sheriff's Department has applied for a 2009 Justice Assistance Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice in which the State receives 60% and local law enforcement receives 40% of funds allocated requiring no local match of funds. Person County is eligible for \$46,438 to be used to update and/or replace equipment however; this allocation cannot be used to supplement current funds.

Mr. Al Hancock, of 187 Ellis Pleasant Drive, Leasburg, stated he is the Commander of the Person County Chapter #72 of Disabled American Veterans and spoke on behalf of Person County Veterans strongly disagreeing with the elimination the Veterans Service Officer as proposed by the County Manager for Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear, **seconded** by Commissioner Clayton, and **carried** to approve the minutes of May 4, 2009.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear, **seconded** by Commissioner Clayton, and **carried** to approve the Administrative Reports for the Airport, Detention Center, Emergency Medical Services and Inspections.

**CONSIDERATION FOR RENEWAL OF THE HYCONEECHEE REGIONAL LIBRARY CONTRACT FOR 2009-2010:**

Ms. Lucinda Munger, Hyconeechee Regional Library Director appeared before the Board to request renewal of the contract agreement between the Hyconeechee Regional Library System and the counties of Caswell, Orange, and Person. Ms. Munger noted the Hyconeechee Regional Library System is currently in a contract agreement with the counties of Caswell, Orange, and Person and the renewal of the contract for the fiscal year 2009-2010 reflects no change in the content of the current 2008-2009 contract. Ms. Munger further noted that State aid funds anticipated for Person County in the amount of \$117,590 in 09-10 are the source of funding under which the regional office responsibilities are executed.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear, **seconded** by Commissioner Kennington, and **carried** to approve the renewal of the contract agreement between the Hyconeechee Regional Library System and Person County.



**Hyconeechee Regional Library System  
P.O. Box 8181  
Hillsborough, NC 27278  
(919) 245-2528**

**CONTRACT**

This **CONTRACT**, made this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2009 is by and between the Hyconeechee Regional Library System, herein after referred to as the (Regional System), and the Counties of Orange, Person and Caswell (Counties);

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, The Regional System is organized within the framework of the North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 160A, Article 20, Part 1 and,

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the original Regional System is to provide for the administration of library services within the region which consists of the Counties of Orange, Person, and Caswell and;

**WHEREAS**, The Regional System desires to have the libraries currently operating within the Regional System to function as County departments within the county of location of each respective library and,

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**WHEREAS**, the Counties of Orange, Person and Caswell have expressed a willingness to allow the libraries to function as County departments;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Regional System and the Counties of Orange, Person and Caswell agree as follows:

1. **Purpose**- This contract is to provide for the operation of each library located in the system as a department of the County of location and to provide for the assignment of fiscal management functions related to the Regional System's assets to the Orange County Financial Services Director.
  
2. **Responsibilities of the Regional System** - The Regional System will remain organized with the statutory framework referred to above and it shall be the duty of the Regional System to:
  - A. Maintain a Board of Directors consisting of nine (9) members with three representatives from each participating County.
  - B. Meet at least once per quarter and conduct special meetings as required for transaction of Regional System business.
  - C. Designate the Orange County Library as the Regional System Headquarters and the Orange County Financial Services Director as Regional System's Fiscal Agent.
  - D. Adopt an annual balanced budget no later than May 31<sup>st</sup> for all regional funds received from North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources and for all other grants and/or donations received from agencies or individuals for Regional System purposes. This budget must include appropriations to each County within the region for library operations. The County appropriations will be divided by three and disbursed evenly. Regional expenses such as personnel, operations and fiscal service fees, will be charged back evenly to each County. Funds appropriated to the Counties cannot be reduced without the approval of the Boards of Commissioners for each County.
  - E. Insure that all regional reporting requirements to the State and Federal governments, as well as, any and all other grantors are met.
  - F. Insure that all existing and future Regional System materials and assets are made available for use throughout the region.
  
3. **Responsibilities of the Counties** - It shall be the duty of the County to:
  - A. Operate the libraries under the same rules, regulations, ordinances and any and all other procedures under which the departments of the Counties are required to operate.
  
3. **Responsibilities of the Counties** – Continued
  - B. Insure that all Library employees are treated as employees of the respective Counties and receive compensation and benefits packages accordingly.

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- C. Prepare quarterly reports for the Regional System to include information pertinent to library operations and expenditure of regionally appropriated funds and make all library records available for inspection by the Regional System or its respective at all reasonable times.
- D. Insure that disbursements made on behalf of the libraries from State, Federal and other restrictive sources are in accordance with all required provisions.

4. **Responsibilities of the Fiscal Agent and Financial Officer** - The Fiscal Agent and Financial Officer for the Regional System will be the Finance Director of Orange County and it shall be his or her duty to:

- A. Provide accountability for the Regional System’s financial assets in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.
- B. Receive, deposit, disburse and invest the Regional System’s funds in accordance with the guidelines contained in section 4-A above.
- C. Prepare monthly financial statements for the Regional System and present these statements to the Regional Director.
- D. Insure that Regional System funds are audited annually as required within the guidelines contained in Section 4-A above.
- E. Insure that all fiscal reports required by grantor agencies are prepared and submitted on a timely basis.

5. **Term, Termination and Renewal** - This **Contract** is for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. This Contract may be terminated by either party with six months notice prior to June 30. This Contract may be renewed annually for July 1 through June 30 fiscal years by action of the Regional System Board of Directors and by the Board of County Commissioners for the Counties.

Caswell County Commissioner	Date
Person County Commissioner	Date
Orange County Commissioner	Date

**CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION DELAYING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A REAPPRAISAL OF PROPERTY IN PERSON COUNTY:**

Tax Director, Russell Jones told the Board the current real estate market is unstable and sales are still slow. Mr. Jones stated a delay in the revaluation from January 2, 2010 to January 1, 2011, should allow time for the market to adjust, and the county/taxpayer will not be locked in to a value that is incorrect (either too high or too low) until the next revaluation cycle noting values can only be adjusted for market reasons during a revaluation cycle. Mr. Jones explained the current assessment rate (2005 values) is 95%, based on a sales ratio randomized sampling. The sales ratio is the comparison of actually sales price and the tax value. This indicates that our 2005 values, on average, are only off by 5% noting values are higher today than they were in 2005; however there has been a recent decline in values. Mr. Jones stated a revaluation is not needed at this time, since values are so close to current market value. Equalization occurs when our sales ratio falls below 90% in either a 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, or 7<sup>th</sup> year of the revaluation cycle. Since this will be the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the revaluation cycle, equalization is not an issue. This issue is the one of the main reasons that Person County changed to a shorter cycle back in the 80's. Mr. Jones stated the sales ratio has been audited by the North Carolina Department of Revenue and found to be accurate and recommended delaying the revaluation so that the taxpayers are allowed to keep the 2005 tax values for another year and to alleviate some of the uncertainty concerning property tax bills.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Kennington, **seconded** by Commissioner Clayton, and **carried** to adopt the Resolution delaying the effective date of a reappraisal of property in Person County.

**A RESOLUTION DELAYING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A REAPPRAISAL OF  
PROPERTY IN PERSON COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, General Statute 105-286 mandates a reappraisal of property at least every eight years; and

**WHEREAS**, General Statute 105-286(a)(2) Authorizes a Board of County Commissioners to advance the period so that a reappraisal occurs more often than every 8 years; and

**WHEREAS**, once an advanced reappraisal occurs, it has the effect of resetting the next required reappraisal for eight years after the advanced reappraisal; and

**WHEREAS**, Person County has advanced its reappraisal period so that the last reappraisal occurred on January 01, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, Person County's next mandated eight year reappraisal is required for January 01, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, Person County had planned to have an advanced reappraisal effective for January 1, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, the Person County Board of Commissioners feel that a revaluation for January 1, 2010 should be delayed due to the unstable real estate market and that the 2005 tax assessments are fair and equitable; and

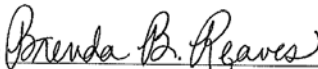
**WHEREAS**, to implement the planned reappraisal scheduled for January 1, 2010 would add substantially to the financial stress and uncertainty of the citizens of Person County.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PERSON COUNTY THAT:**

- 1- The scheduled reappraisal for an effective date of January 1, 2010 is hereby revoked and rescinded.
- 2- Pursuant to the authority granted in General Statute 105-286(a)(2), the next scheduled reappraisal for Person County is set for an effective date of January 1, 2011, and Person County will return to a four year revaluation cycle thereafter.
- 3- A copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Property Tax Division of the North Carolina Department of Revenue and to the City of Roxboro.

Adopted this 18 day of May, 2009.

By:   
Johnny Myrl Lunsford, Chairman  
Person County Board of Commissioners

Attest:   
Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

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**REQUEST APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PLANNING FEE INCREASES:**

Planning and Zoning Director, Paula Murphy requested the Board to review and approve the proposed fee increases noting zoning fees have not been increased since September 1, 2002. Ms. Murphy asked the Board to consider items such as rezoning, special use permits, text amendments, etc., that require a minimum of four public hearing advertisements at a typical average cost of \$45 per ad, as well as mailing notices to surrounding property owners (from 2 to over 100) are required not mentioning the time spent by staff, the County Attorney, the Planning Board and the County Commissioner's. Ms. Murphy noted reports have to be completed, copies made and mailed, involving long distance phone calls and site visits to the property. Ms. Murphy feels the County is currently losing money with the current rezoning fee of \$150. Ms. Murphy researched surrounding counties and each is distinctly different. Many counties charge a flat fee for a service but then add additional charges either per acre, per unit in addition to charging advertising fees, public notice fees, technology fees, etc. noting the information in the list of surrounding counties illustrates the charges but does not show the actual cost of the additional fees for the extra services. Ms. Murphy stated many counties are considering fee increases and feels that it is proper that the person requesting services should bear the burden of the cost and not the tax payers.



ZONING FEE SCHEDULE FOR OTHER COUNTIES AND  
CURRENT AND PROPOSED FEES FOR PERSON COUNTY

	ALAMANCE		DURHAM		GRANVILLE		ORANGE		WARREN		PERSON	
											CURRENT FEES	PROPOSED FEES
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT			\$1,725.00		\$900+\$25 per acre				\$150.00		\$150.00	\$250.00
REZONING	\$300.00		Res. \$ 1,435 Comm. \$5,000		\$965+\$25 per acre		Res. \$500 non-res \$2,000		\$150.00		\$150.00	\$250 + \$10 PER ACRE
OFF PREMISES SIGN ALL OTHER SIGNS			\$182.00		\$40.00		\$25-\$10 Per acre				\$25.00	\$200.00
SITE PLAN			Staff Review Only \$158				non-res. \$1,000				\$25.00	NO FEE
SPECIAL USE PERMIT			\$2,488.00		\$2400+\$25 per acre		\$1,000+\$10 per acre		\$150.00		\$150.00	\$250 + \$10 PER ACRE
SUBDIVISION												
MINOR		\$50-\$200/PER LOT			\$50-\$10/per lot exceeding \$25		\$200.00				\$25+\$10 PER LOT	SAME
MAJOR		\$100-\$200/PER LOT	\$4,000+\$25 per lot		\$1,100+\$25 per lot		\$250+\$5 per lot Fees \$500+\$5 per lot				\$200+\$10 PER LOT	SAME
FINAL SUB PLAY APPROVAL	\$21.00		\$700-\$25 per lot				\$250.00				NO FEE	\$200.00
REVISION TO APPROVED SUBDIVISION (IE PHASING REQUESTS)											NO FEE	\$100.00
VARIATION TO SUB ORDINANCE											\$100.00	\$200.00
VARIANCE	\$150.00		\$1735 (others \$877 sf		\$685.00		Res \$300 non-res \$500		\$150.00		\$150.00	\$250.00
TEXT AMENDMENT			\$3,905.00				\$350.00		\$150.00		\$150.00	\$250.00
ZONING PERMITS 12X10' STRUCTURES OR LARGER							SFD \$50				\$25.00	\$40.00
ALL OTHER PERMITS STRUCTURES BUILT WITHOUT PERMITS							Multi-dwelling \$30+\$25 per unit Comm. \$3,000+\$30/1,000 sf				\$25.00	\$22.00
HOME OCCUPATION											NO FEE	DOUBLE FEE
APPEALS							\$90.00				\$25.00	\$30.00
VESTED RIGHTS											\$150.00	\$250.00
BOND REVIEW											\$150.00	\$250.00
STREET RENAMING			\$677.00								\$25.00	\$30.00
REV TO APPROVED SUB (IE PHASING REQUESTS)											NO FEE	\$200.00
REVIEW FEE EXCEEDING DENSITY LEVELS IN WATERSHEDS	\$50.00										NO FEE	\$100.00

PERSON COUNTY ZONING  
PALLA MURPHY  
PLANNING DIRECTOR  
MAY, 2009

REVENUE COMPARISONS							
JULY 1, 2008-FEBRUARY 28, 2009 (*with 20% reduction on structure permits)							
	PERMITS ISSUED	EXISTING FEES	EXISTING FEE TOTAL	PROPOSED FEES	PROPOSED FEE TOTAL	DIFFERENCE	
SPECIAL USE PERMIT	2	\$150.00	\$300.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$200.00	
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT	1	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$100.00	
VARIANCE REQUEST	1	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$100.00	
17X10' STRUCTURES/ LARGER ZONING PERMITS	98	\$25.00	\$2,450.00	\$40.00	\$3,920.00	\$1,470.00	
ALL OTHER PERMITS	25	\$25.00	\$625.00	\$25.00	\$625.00	\$0.00	
STRUCTURES BUILT WITHOUT PERMITS			\$0.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	
FINAL SUBDIVISION APPROVALS	3			\$200.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	
HOME OCCUPATION	5	\$25.00	\$125.00	\$30.00	\$150.00	\$25.00	
TOTAL PROPOSED PROJECTION WITH INCREASE ON FEES FOR THE ABOVE APPLICATIONS						\$2,575.00	

Paula Murphy  
 Planning Director  
 Monday, May 11, 2009

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Kennington, **seconded** by Commissioner Clayton, and **carried** to approve the Planning and Zoning Fee Schedule fee increases as presented to be effective immediately.

## **BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves requested Board consideration for citizen applications received in response to an advertisement on April 1, 2009 for current board and committee vacancies. The boards and committees that had no response will be re-advertised.

Applications presented for consideration for Board appointment are as follows:

### Animal Control Advisory Committee

Unspecified Term: 1 Citizen At Large Position Available

Cathy Williams reapplied for the vacant seat.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear, **seconded** by Commissioner Kennington, and **carried** to appoint Cathy Williams to the citizen at large position on the Animal Control Advisory Committee for an unspecified term.

### Home Health and Hospice Advisory Committee

3-Year Term: 1 position designated for a Nurse

Carolyn Turner is requesting reappointment and has served on this committee for many terms.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton, **seconded** by Commissioner Puryear, and **carried** to reappoint Carolyn Turner to the Home Health and Hospice Advisory Committee seat designated for a nurse.

### Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

1 position available for a person under the age of 21 for an initial one year term.

Applications were received from Deondre J. ("DJ") Lester and Joseph Dale Parrish.

By show of hands, Commissioners Kennington and Chairman Lunsford voted in favor of Deondre J. (DJ) Lester and Commissioners Puryear and Clayton voted in favor of Joseph Dale Parrish thereby ending in a tie. After Board discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to delay this appointment until the next regular scheduled Board meeting on June 1, 2009.

## **REQUEST TO SET A DATE AND TIME FOR UPCOMING COMPETITIVE BOARDS AND COMMITTEES' INFORMAL INTERVIEWS:**

Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves requested the Board to schedule a date and time to hold the informal interviews for applicants of competitive boards and committees resulting from June 30, 2009 term expirations. Ms. Reaves recommended holding the informal interviews at 5:30 p.m. on July 6, 2009, prior to the regular scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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It was the consensus of the Board to hold the informal interviews for the competitive boards and committees on July 6, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

Finance Director, Amy Wehrenberg presented and explained the following Budget Amendment.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Clayton , and a second by Commissioner Kennington and majority vote, the Board of Commissioners of Person County does hereby amend the Budget of the General Fund(s) on this, the 18th day of May 2009, as follows:

<u>Dept./Acct No.</u>	<u>Department Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
		Incr / (Decr)
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<i>General Fund</i>	
	Public Safety	40,601
	Culture and Recreation	20,370
	Human Services	43,707
	<i>Person Industries Fund</i>	496
 <u>REVENUES</u>	 <i>General Fund</i>	
	Intergovernmental Revenues	90,653
	Other Revenue	21,715
	Fund Balance Appropriated	(7,690)
	<i>Person Industries-Special Revenue Fund</i>	
	Intergovernmental Revenues	496

Appropriate: NC OneMap Framework Orthophotography Imagery Cost-Share Program funds (\$7,690); donations to the Recreation, Arts & Parks (\$21,715); Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) funds received for the transportation costs associated with the Rural Grant Program (\$5,137), the Council on Aging (\$14,825), the Chrysallis Foundation (\$13,785), Group Homes (\$8,096), DSS WorkFirst Program (\$1,864), and Person Industries (\$496); further reductions in the State Grant for the Public Library (-\$1,345); and GREAT Grant funds for 2008 (\$40,601).

**PRESENTATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010 PROPOSED BUDGET:**

County Manager, Heidi York gave the Board an overview of the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Proposed Budget.

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### Recommended Budget

Fiscal Year 2009-2010



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### Where We Began



- Requested Amount: \$67,773,442
  - ➔ \$5.7 million out
  - = 15.5 cents on the tax rate
- FY 08-09 Adopted Budget: \$66,569,729
- FY 09-10 Proposed Budget: \$61,342,486
  - ➔ Reduced spending by more than \$5 million from last year

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## Questions to consider:



- Are our services needed? Mandated?
- Are we making a difference?
- Are our programs cost effective?
- Are we good at what we do?
- Can we continue doing more with less?

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## Current Situation



- Revenues: dwindling & uncertain
- Cannot continue providing same services without increases in revenues
- Exceeded capacity to continue at same level
- Relied on fund balance for recurring & operating
- Generous employee benefits
- Growing workforce
- Program expansion
- Not sustainable

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## Opportunity



- New leadership
- New budget process
- Assess services and reducing spending
- Ideally: no tax increase; no reduction in services; no lay-offs; no fund balance for recurring expenses

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## Revenues



- Overall, down 8%
- No tax rate increase
- Collection rate of 96.5%
- One penny will generate \$370,560
- Sales Tax down 14%

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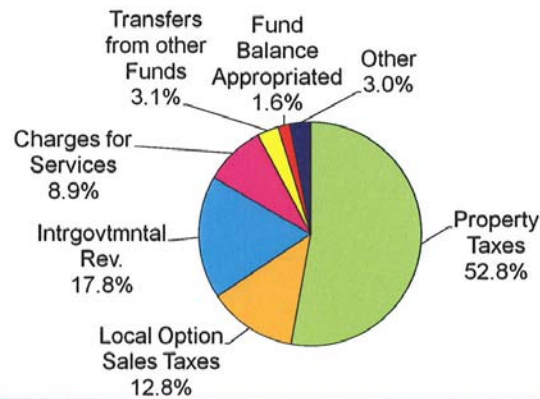
## Revenues



- Property Tax & Sales Tax
  - No Solid Waste Fees
  - No Fire District Taxes
  - No School District Taxes
  - No Impact Fees
- Delay Revaluation

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## General Fund Revenues FY10



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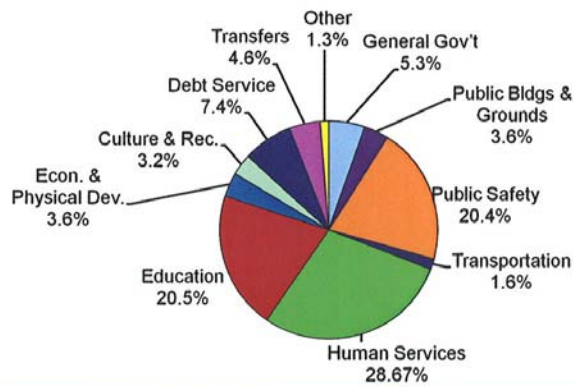
## Expenditures



- 5% cut for all county departments
- Actual average cut 8.3% for departments
- No new positions
- Capital items: four sheriff vehicles; one ambulance
- Material Recovery Facility:  
almost \$150,000 in operating expenses  
almost \$100,000 in debt service

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## General Fund Expenditures FY10



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## PCS Budget Recommendation



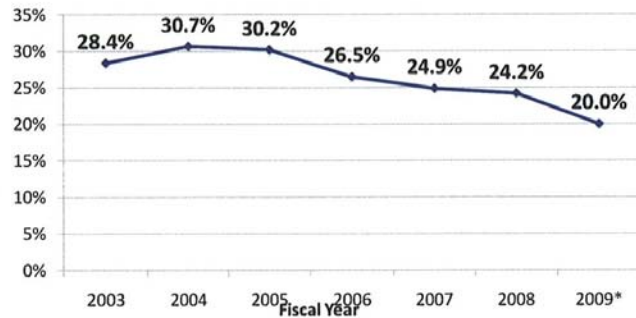
- Current expense appropriation: \$8,861,567
- Plus capital appropriation: \$268,400
- Included in CIP: \$2,580,000
- Sales Tax appropriation: \$1,560,983 reserved for school debt

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## Fund Balance



Fund Balance as a % of Total Expenditures



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## Fund Balance



- FY 08-09 Appropriation: \$3,237,782
- FY 09-10 Recommendation: \$837,182  
to be appropriated in DSS and Public Health

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## Services



- All operating budgets reduced
- Outside agencies cut 10%
- Inspections
- Library
- Recreation, Arts, Parks
- Custodial Services
- Fire Services
- Economic Development
- Veteran's Services
- Animal Control

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## Reductions in Positions



- Inspections- 1 FTE (vacant)
- Health Department- 3 FTEs (2 vacant)
- Economic Development- 2 FTE (1 vacant)
- Veteran's Services/EMS- 1 FTE
- Person Industries- 1 FTE (vacant)
- Custodial Services- 1 FTE (vacant)
- Fire Marshal's Office- .4 FTE
- Register of Deeds- 1 FTE (Nov.)

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## Additional Cost Saving Measures



- Furloughs
  - Each day saves: \$62,000 — 5 days saves: \$310,000
  - Proposed days: 2009: July 2; Sept. 4; Dec. 28  
2010: April 8 & May 28
  - Proposed unpaid holidays for public safety positions:  
2009: July 3; Sept. 7; Dec. 24  
2010: April 9 & May 31
  - Grant an additional 5 days annual leave
- Longevity Program: suspend for one year
  - Savings: \$287,000

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## Nonprofits



- 13 Applications Received
- Total Amount Requested: \$453,552
- Amount Funded FY08-09: \$216,520
- Amount Proposed FY09-10: \$195,133

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Organization	Requested	Recommended
AnimalKind, Inc.	\$5,625	\$0
Animal Protection Society of PC	\$5,000	\$0
HEALED, Inc.	\$40,127	\$0
Outreaching with Helping Hands	\$100,000	\$0
PC Council on Aging	\$135,000	\$121,000
PC Museum of History	\$27,000	\$22,703
PC Partnership for Children	\$14,800	\$10,000
PC Re-Entry Partnership	\$4,000	\$0
Volunteer Center of PC	\$4,000	\$0
Roxboro Development Group	\$24,000	\$17,100
PC Group Homes, Inc.	\$50,000	\$21,330
Roxboro Area Chamber of Commerce	\$4,000	\$3,000
Roots & Wings, Inc	\$40,000	\$0

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## Public Hearing



FY09-10 Budget Hearing

Monday, June 1, 2009

7:00pm

Commissioners' Meeting Room

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## Budget Worksessions



- Recommend three sessions, more if needed
- Scheduling options:
  - May 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Week of June 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Week of June 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> if needed

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## Budget Adoption



Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am  
Commissioners' Meeting Room

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## For Further Information:



- Office of the Clerk to Board
- County Manager (597-1720)
- Finance Department
- County's website:  
[www.personcounty.net](http://www.personcounty.net)

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County Manager, Heidi York requested the Board to schedule at least three budget work sessions. The consensus of the Board was to meet on May 28, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. with an informal public comment 10-minute period with the main topic of discussion to be the functional area of services affected by the position cuts. The second budget work session will be held on June 2, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. and the third budget work session will be held on June 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Commissioner Lunsford thanked the County Manager for her presentation as well as County Staff for their work and input assisting the County Manager prepare the proposed budget.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

There was no further report from the County Manager.

**COMMISSIONER REPORT/COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Clayton had no report.

Commissioner Puryear thanked the County Manager for her effort in presenting a proposed budget that is balanced and reiterated to the citizens that this proposed budget is a recommendation to the Board with options for discussion.

Commissioner Kennington gave the group an update on the effort toward developing a Person County Strategic Plan. Commissioner Kennington stated he had contacted Person County native, Randy Hester, Professor at the University of California at Berkley. Professor Hester offered four graduate students to work on this project, who have pulled together statistical information and developed plans that can viewed after the meeting in the County Manager's office. The four graduate students will be visiting Person County and holding a Person's Futures Conference on July 1, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., at City Hall where they would like to interview a minimum of 25 people program questions related to a sense of community. Commissioner Kennington asked each commissioner to plan to attend as well as to solicit 5 people each that would be willing to be interviewed.

**RECESS:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton, **seconded** by Commissioner Puryear, and carried at 10:30 a.m. to recess the meeting until May 28, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

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Brenda B. Reaves  
Clerk to the Board

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Johnny Myrl Lunsford  
Chairman

**May 18, 2009**