

*Scotland County Board of Commissioners regular meeting
June 5, 2006, Commissioners Chamber, 1405 West Boulevard, Laurinburg*

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**Scotland County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting, June 5, 2006
Scotland County Complex, 1405 West Boulevard, Laurinburg, NC**

At 7 p.m., Chairman J.D. Willis called the regular meeting to order. Commissioners in attendance: Chairman Willis, Vice Chair Betty Blue Gholston and Commissioners John Alford, Leon Butler, Charles “Scoofer” Jordan and Clarence McPhatter. Commissioners not in attendance: Commissioner Joyce McDow, who was out of town. Staff in attendance: County Manager John A. Crumpton, Finance Officer/Assistant County Manager Kevin Patterson, County Attorney Edward Johnston and Clerk to the Board Ann W. Kurtzman. Chairman Willis delivered the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Forum

Mr. Bob Davis: Mr. Davis said the Commissioners should be guided by the wishes of the people, 3,000 of whom signed a petition against the siting of a regional landfill in the County. He reminded the Commissioners that those who opposed the landfill who sat on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee recommended that the County develop and operate its own regional landfill rather than contract with a private company.

Mr. Jim McMillan: Mr. McMillan said he was disappointed with the change of events. Mr. McMillan agreed with Mr. Davis that the County should take steps to operate its own regional landfill in an environmentally friendly way. Mr. McMillan said he is concerned about the Scotland County aquifer, which is diminishing. He asked the Commissioners not to allow a contaminant pollution-yielding business to be built on top of the County’s water.

Ms. Helen Livingston: Ms. Livingston said the solid waste industry targeted North Carolina to be the “next big trash state.” Ms. Livingston said she is optimistic that the State Legislature would provide Medicaid relief. She said she was “flooded” by the fiscal projections presented May 24 by Chairman J.D. Willis. She asked the County Manager to look again at the figures. She said the County has economic potential with spillover from the base realignment, a senior migration and Moore County. Ms. Livingston listed numerous positive things about Scotland County. She said she supports the State proposed landfill moratorium and suggested there is a need for more time to study the issue.

Mr. John Cooley: Mr. Cooley asked the Commissioners to protect Scotland County and look into other options for solid waste disposal. He said he is concerned about the groundwater in the Black Creek Aquifer, which must be protected.

Mr. Ron Riggins: Mr. Riggins thanked the Board for its concern for economic development and its decision to reopen discussion on a regional landfill and solid waste issues. He encouraged the Commissioners to move forward. He suggested the Commissioners contact other counties that host regional landfills to see if they are happy

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with the decision to do so. Mr. Riggins said if Richmond County hosts a regional landfill, Scotland County would endure the negatives and receive no revenue.

Mr. Phil Morgan: Mr. Morgan said landfills get everything in it and liners are not necessarily impermeable. He said what goes into a landfill could leak into the groundwater in an area located in the Sandhills. He said property value would tumble, and no one wants to live close to a landfill.

Mr. Murphy Evans: Mr. Evans said he is in favor of a regional landfill. He encouraged the Commissioners to negotiate a contract that is safe for the County. He said the operation would be great economic development opportunity for the County.

No one else spoke, and Public Forum was closed.

Chairman Willis presented Health Director Jane Murray with a plaque thanking her for 18 years of service to the County. Ms. Murray thanked the Commissioners for their support of the Health Department staff and public health.

Item 1. Public Hearing: FY 2006-2007 Proposed Budget

County Manager Crumpton said the proposed FY 2006-2007 budget has no increase in the tax rate. It includes a 3.5 percent cost of living raise for employees. 55.3 cents of the \$1.10 tax rate is designated for the school system. Mr. Crumpton said the budget was balanced using \$789,065 of Fund Balance appropriated to fund capital expenditures. He said \$550,000 of the Fund Balance appropriated comes from sales tax reserve for School Capital Expenditures. Mr. Crumpton said no Fund Balance was used to balance operational expenditures for the County. The total general fund budget is \$28,508,578. Mr. Crumpton said the tax base remains the same as in the FY 2005-2006 budget. Mr. Crumpton provided a page by page review of his Budget Message

Chairman Willis called the Public Hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or against the proposed budget.

Ms. Brenda Hunt, CEO, Borderbelt AIDS Resources Team (BART), came forward.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner Butler to excuse Commissioner Alford from participating in this portion of the meeting due to a possible conflict of interest. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Alford left the Chamber.

Ms. Hunt discussed BART and the service it offers to the estimated 30 HIV/AIDS clients in the County, a service once provided by the Health Department. Ms. Hunt said most BARTS funding comes from Medicaid, the Ryan White Foundation and private donations.

Ms. Hunt distributed a budget for review by the Commissioners. Ms. Hunt asked for the

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Commissioners to consider funding because the need for the service exists, and the cost of providing the service is more than BART has available. She said any funding would be appreciated to help satisfy the continued need.

Vice Chair Gholston said she felt there was a need for this program.

Motion was made by Vice Chair Gholston to approve \$18,000 in funding to the Borderbelt AIDS Resources Team for one year only.

Ms. Hunt discussed the difficulty of finding an affordable space in which to locate.

The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Alford returned to the meeting.

Ms. Linda McQueen, Executive Director, Hospice of Scotland County, asked the Commissioners to consider the local match of \$13,913 in FY 2006-2007 for the Council of Government's Home and Community Care Block Grant for Older Adults. Ms. McQueen said Hospice has administered the program since 2004 and has had to shift funds from the traditional hospice program to support the COG services. Ms. McQueen said this would probably be an ongoing request for funding if the program were to continue.

Chairman Willis said the Commissioners would take the request under advisement.

No one else came forward, and the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Commissioner Butler to approve the FY 2006-2007 Budget Ordinance of \$28,508,578, which reflects a \$.547 cents per \$100 valuation tax rate for the General Fund and \$9,855,913, which reflects a \$.553 cents per \$100 valuation tax rate for the School Fund for a total \$1.10 tax rate. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 2. Public Hearing: Planning and Zoning

Planning and Zoning Chairman Henry McLeod introduced rezoning application number 435-06 — **Chesley T. McQueen III** – Request to rezone 0.823 acres in accordance with the Scotland County Zoning Ordinance, Article IV from RA (Residential Agriculture) to HC (Highway Commercial). The property is located on Laurel Lane, Laurel Hill.

Mr. McLeod said the applicant wishes to build a private warehouse. Mr. McLeod said the Planning and Zoning Board recommends the application be approved and that a buffer not be required.

Chairman Willis opened the Public Hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or against the rezoning application. No one came forward, and the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner Butler to approve rezoning application number 435-06. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 3. Solid Waste Franchise First Reading

Chairman Willis said there would be no first reading of a solid waste franchise agreement at this meeting. The County Attorney is instructed to present a franchise agreement with a waste company by June 30.

Item 4. Interlocal tax collection agreement with the Town of Wagram

County Manager John Crumpton said the Town of Wagram approved the Interlocal Tax Collection Agreement presented to the Commissioners. He said the County is expected to achieve a 97.5 percent collection rate for the Town of Wagram, which would maximize the County's fees and the revenues for Wagram.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Commissioner McPhatter to approve the Interlocal Tax Collection Agreement with the Town of Wagram. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 5. Interlocal amended water agreement with the City of Laurinburg

County Manager Crumpton said the amended Interlocal Water Agreement with the City of Laurinburg covers the increased per bill monthly billing cost from \$2.50 to \$2.75 and the increased maintenance/service fee from \$5,000 to \$12,000. Mr. Crumpton said the agreement also designates the Operator in Responsible Charge (ORC), which is needed for permit certifications.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Commissioner Butler to approve the amended Interlocal Water Agreement with the City of Laurinburg. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 6. Consent Agenda

- a) **Approve minutes of the Board of Commissioners May 1, 2006 regular meeting; May 9, 2006 budget work session; and May 24, 2006 reconvened meeting.**
- b) **Approve Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommendation that one seat on its Board be reserved for a City of Laurinburg appointment.**
- c) **Approve Records and Retention Schedule for County Management.**
- d) **Approve Personnel Policy Resolution.**
- e) **Approve 2006 Clean Water Bond Resolution**

2006 Clean Water Bond Resolution

WHEREAS North Carolina's continued prosperity depends on protecting the State's water resources for current use and future generations, and

WHEREAS North Carolina is expected to grow by 3.5 million people to exceed 12 million by the year

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2030, placing pressures on the State's water resources and local water providers, and

WHEREAS North Carolina's businesses, traditional and emerging industries all depend on reliable supplies of clean water, reasonable utility costs and an attractive natural environment, and

WHEREAS the 1998 Clean Water Bonds delivered significant benefits to North Carolina communities and citizens, supporting 1,103 projects in 97 counties, which

- helped create or retain 42,000 jobs
- corrected major regulatory violations in 97 communities
- addressed failing septic systems and contaminated wells in 59 counties
- resulted in 50 communities receiving sewer service for the first time
- encouraged regional efficiencies, sound planning and conservation practices; and

WHEREAS North Carolina's public water, sewer and stormwater utilities will require investments totaling \$16.63 billion to keep pace with necessary improvements and population growth over the next 25 years, including \$6.85 billion in investments within the next five years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Scotland urges the North Carolina General Assembly to enact a \$1 billion bond bill in the 2006 session to fund construction and repair of urgently needed water, sewer and stormwater facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Scotland calls upon the Governor and the General Assembly to activate the State Water Infrastructure Commission to address the State's long-term water infrastructure needs with a visionary plan for sustained funding of water, sewer and stormwater system improvements.

Approved this 5th day of June, 2006

f) Approve allocations for FY 2006-2007 Home and Community Care Block Grant for Scotland County

Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner Alford to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 7. Presbyterian Park agreement

County Manager Crumpton said the Presbyterian Park agreement is for a term of five years, where either party could terminate the arrangement at any time without cause with a 30-day written notice.

Mr. Crumpton said the Church also asked that the hours of operation be changed so the park would be closed Saturdays and Sundays.

Motion was made by Commissioner McPhatter and duly seconded by Commissioner Alford to approve the Presbyterian Park agreement. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Before continuing to the next item, Chairman Willis referred to the sod being removed from the school football field and commented that perhaps the sod should have been made available to the

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County for its softball fields or that the County should have been made aware of the sod. County Manager Crumpton said Mr. Johnston would contact the School attorney regarding this issue.

Item 8. Transportation building bid submission(s)

EMS Director Roylin Hammond discussed the background of the funding from NCDOT for an addition to the Emergency Services Building. He said the grant has been carried forward over several years because circumstances did not allow the addition to occur.

Mr. Hammond said an extension from NCDOT was granted through August 31, 2006 to allow EMS to look at a modular option.

Mr. Hammond said COMARK Building Systems in Pembroke submitted the lowest bid for a modular structure classroom that has already been constructed with one ADA bathroom.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gholston to approve the proposal from COMARK Building Systems, Inc. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 9. Update from the Finance Officer/Assistant County Manager

Finance Officer/Assistant County Manager Kevin Patterson said total revenues as of May 31 are \$36.4 million while expenditures are \$30.6 million. He said several upcoming payments still must be made by the end of the fiscal year, which would significantly increase the expenditures. Mr. Patterson said he still believes the fiscal year will end under budget in expenditures.

Mr. Patterson said Lundin & Company is the lower of two bids for the County audit. Mr. Patterson recommended the County wait until the July 10, 2006 meeting to award the contract pending the outcome of the Lundin peer review from the State.

Mr. Patterson asked the Board to consider implementing the employee 3.5 percent cost of living allowance effective June 16, 2006, which would apply the entire COLA to checks received by employees July 31, 2006. The estimated cost of making the effective date two weeks earlier is \$20,000, said Mr. Patterson.

Motion was made by Commissioner Butler and duly seconded by Commissioner McPhatter to approve cost of living salary adjustment to made effective June 16, 2006. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 10. Appointments to Boards and Committees

Motion was made by Commissioner Butler and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gholston to reappoint Mr. Jeff Mercer (private sector), Mr. Joe Manis (private sector) and Mr. Frankie Stanley (organized labor) to two-year terms on the LRCOG Workforce Development Board. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Butler and duly seconded by Commissioner Jordan to appoint Mr. Ken Jackson to the Laurinburg/Scotland County Zoning Board. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Item 11. County Manager's Report

County Manager Crumpton said the Tourism Development Authority (TDA) proposed that the County hire a tourism/marketing director whose salary of about \$40,000 would be funded by the TDA. The marketing director would report to the County Manager or his designee, with hiring and firing made by the TDA.

Following some discussion, Chairman Willis suggested the Commissioners meet with the TDA to get some assurance the proposal would not cost additional County dollars down the road.

County Manager Crumpton discussed moving Adult Probation to Covington Street. He said some things must be done to the Covington Street facility to prepare Adult Probation for the move.

The Board of Commissioners by consensus authorized the County Manager to move forward with the plan to prepare the Covington Street building for Adult Probation.

County Manager Crumpton said he received inquiries from people who would like to purchase the old swing set at Central School.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Commissioner Butler to declare as surplus the swing set at Central School. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

County Manager Crumpton said staff in his office will begin to enforce its fee policy for information requests.

Mr. Crumpton asked the Commissioners to consider updating the rules and procedures for Public Forum. Chairman Willis suggested that nothing be done at this point.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner Butler to go into Closed Session held in accordance with N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.

Vice Chair Gholston left before the Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION RESUMED

Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner McPhatter authorizing the County Manager with assistance of the County Attorney to study the feasibility of developing a County-run landfill servicing Richmond, Hoke and Moore counties. Vote: For: Chairman Willis, Vice Chair Gholston and Commissioners Butler, Jordan and McPhatter. Vote: Against: Commissioner Alford. Motion approved.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner McPhatter to adjourn. Vote: Motion unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann W. Kurtzman
Clerk to the Board

J.D. Willis
Chairman

SCOTLAND COUNTY, NC, BUDGET ORDINANCE

JULY 1, 2006 – JUNE 30, 2007

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SCOTLAND COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

	Amount	Subtotals
<u>Section 1. General Fund Expenditures</u>		
<u>General Government</u>		
Governing Body	76,349	
Administration	697,164	
General Services	719,295	
Tax Department	586,420	
Board of Elections	228,472	
Register of Deeds	224,773	
Inspections	312,029	
Planning and Zoning	19,050	
Legal	49,125	
Court Facilities	100,000	
Public Buildings	947,130	
<i>Subtotal</i>		3,959,807
<u>Law Enforcement</u>		
Sheriff's Department	2,371,607	
Drug Fund	18,000	
Jail	1,310,476	
<i>Subtotal</i>		3,700,083
<u>Emergency Services</u>		
Emergency Medical Services	1,579,555	
<i>Subtotal</i>		1,579,555
<u>Public Health</u>		
General Health	1,001,795	
Jail Health	111,442	
Healthy Carolinians	24,581	

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Environmental Health	253,546	
Health Check	34,848	
Child Health	81,547	
Child Service Coordination	108,105	
Immunization	73,135	
Maternal Health	371,003	
Maternal care Coordination (MCC)	208,215	
Family Planning	383,015	
Adult Health (Health Promotion)	29,381	
BCCCP—Cancer Prevention	-	
Primary Care	41,278	
WIC	249,262	
WISE WOMAN	-	
Communicable Disease	56,100	
HIV	-	
STD	100,786	
TB	16,530	
Orthopedic	8,519	
Bioterrorism	59,526	
Animal Control	74,581	
<i>Subtotal</i>		3,287,195
 <i><u>Public Assistance</u></i>		
Department of Social Services	5,130,980	
Youth Services -- Detention	50,000	
Child Care	1,905,162	
Adoption Assistance	135,000	
AFDC	5,000	
Emergency Assistance	20,000	
Crisis Intervention	36,993	
Rest Home	459,560	
AFDC/Foster Care	300,000	
Medical Assistance/Medicaid	3,740,093	
Medical Transportation	120,000	
Blind Service	10,000	
Domestic Violence	10,823	
Transportation	481,548	
Veteran Service Office	49,491	
<i>Subtotal</i>		12,454,650
 <i><u>Parks and Recreation</u></i>		
Parks and Recreation	592,913	

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John Blue Cotton Festival	61,248	
Adult Athletics and Senior Events	50,000	
<i>Subtotal</i>		704,161
<u>Contributory Allocations</u>		
<u>Economic Development:</u>		
Chamber of Commerce	78,334	
Incentive Grants	304,000	
NC One Fund - Pass Through	125,000	
Southeastern Economic Development Corporation	3,960	
<i>Subtotal</i>		511,294
<u>Government Related:</u>		
Mental Health – Local Funds	72,920	
ABC Bottle Tax	8,000	
Cooperative Extension	151,798	
Cooperative Extension Grants	2,345	
Soil Conservation	113,380	
Rescue Squad	48,540	
Forestry Service	84,637	
Medical Examiner	29,500	
Lumber River Council of Governments	25,550	
Scotland Memorial Library -- Local	288,181	
Library State Grant	130,000	
Richmond Community College	98,750	
Criminal Justice Partnership Program Grant	150,000	
Home Community Care Block Grant -- LRCOG	300,000	
Historical Properties Commission	14,000	
Scots for Youth – OJJ Funds	155,000	
Juvenile Justice	5,000	
<i>Subtotal</i>		1,677,601
<u>Non-Government Related:</u>		
Literacy Council	6,000	
African American Heritage Committee	2,000	
Humane Society	74,309	
<i>Subtotal</i>		82,309
<u>Reserves:</u>		
Revaluation Reserve	108,334	
<i>Subtotal</i>		108,334

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Debt Service:

Debt Service	443,589	
Subtotal		443,589

TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: 28,508,578

Amount Subtotals/Total

Section 2. School Funding

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the School Fund for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007

School Funding Formula	9,855,913	
Capital Expenditures	550,000	
Debt Service	1,599,900	
Fines & Forfeitures Pass Through	400,000	
TOTAL SCHOOL EXPENDITURES:		12,405,813

TOTAL GENERAL FUND AND SCHOOL FUND EXPENDITURES: 40,914,391

Section 3. General Fund Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the General Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007:

Current Year Tax Levy - General	8,979,087	
Prior Year Taxes	775,000	
Property Taxes - Designated	9,855,913	
Local Option Sales Tax – Unrestricted	6,013,571	
Local Option Sales Tax – Restricted	1,524,738	
User Fees and Unrestricted Intergovernmental Revenues	2,549,927	
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues	10,427,090	
Program Grants and Retained Earnings	789,065	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE:		40,914,391

Section 4. Solid Waste Fund

Expenditures

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The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Personnel	547,066	
	Operating Expense	1,593,934	
	Capital Outlay	82,000	
	Transfer to General Fund		
TOTAL S/W FUND EXPENDITURES:			2,223,000

Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Sale of Recyclables and Tipping Fees	2,158,000	
	State White Goods/Tire Fees	65,000	
TOTAL S/W FUND EXPENDITURES:			2,223,000

Section 5. Water District I

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water District I Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Operating Expense	391,969	
	Capital Outlay	100,000	
	Debt Service	126,002	
TOTAL WDI FUND EXPENDITURES:			617,971

Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Water District I Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Water Sales and Tap Fees	507,000	
	Appropriated Fund Balance	110,971	
TOTAL WDI FUND REVENUE:			617,971

Section 6. Water District II

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water District II Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Operating Expense	169,720	
	Capital Outlay	-	

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	Debt Service	278,280	
TOTAL WDII FUND EXPENDITURES:			448,000

Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Water District II Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Grant	-	
	Water Sales and Tap Fees		
		448,000	
	Appropriated Fund Balance	-	
TOTAL WDII FUND REVENUE:			448,000

Section 7. Scotland County Fire Service District

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Scotland County Fire Service District Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Operating Expense	255,500	
	Capital Outlay	11,900	
TOTAL FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT TAX FUND EXPENDITURES:			267,400

Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Scotland County Fire Service District Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Tax Levy	208,900	
	Sales Tax	55,000	
	Investment Income	3,500	
TOTAL FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT TAX FUND REVENUES:			267,400

Section 8. 911 Emergency Communications

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Scotland County 911 Emergency Communications Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Personnel	10,104	
	Operating Expense	337,324	
	Reserve	45,000	
TOTAL 911 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FUND EXPENDITURES:			392,428

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Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Scotland County 911 Communications Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Fees	342,428	
	Appropriated Fund Balance	50,000	
TOTAL 911 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FUND REVENUES:			392,428

Section 9. Revaluation Fund

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Revaluation Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Personnel	41,474	
	Operating Expense	66,860	
TOTAL REVALUATION FUND EXPENDITURES:			108,334

Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Revaluation Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Interfund Transfer	108,334	
TOTAL REVALUATION FUND REVENUES:			108,334

Section 10. Canteen Fund

Expenditures

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Canteen Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Expenditures	25,000	
TOTAL CANTEEN FUND			25,000

Revenue

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Canteen Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007:

	Revenue	25,000	
TOTAL CANTEEN FUND REVENUES:			25,000

Section 11. Tourism Development Authority

Expenditures

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*The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Scotland County
Tourism Development Authority for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006,
and ending June 30, 2007:*

Expenditures	141,000	
TOTAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY EXPENDITURES:		141,000

Revenue

*It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Scotland
County Tourism Development Authority for the Fiscal Year beginning July
1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007 based on a 3% motel/hotel Occupancy
Tax:*

Revenue	141,000	
TOTAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REVENUES:		141,000

SECTION 12. PROPERTY TAX LEVY:

There is hereby levied an ad valorem property tax at the rate of \$ **1.10** per \$100 valuation of properties listed for taxes as of January 1, 2006. The property tax rate includes **\$.553** school tax and **\$.547** general government services tax. The levy and corresponding estimate for current year property tax collection is based on a projected **1,789,212,589** tax base and a prior year estimated collection rate of **97.0** percent on real property and **80.1** percent on motor vehicles.

There is hereby levied an additional \$.02 cent Fire Service Tax on all property outside the corporate limits of Wagram, Gibson, and Laurinburg, including property within the corporate limits of East Laurinburg, to fund volunteer fire departments. It is recommended that in the future this fire service tax never exceed \$.04 cents and that the Fire Service Fund Balance not exceed \$500,000. These policies are provided to give future guidance to the Budget Officer and for consideration by the governing body.

SECTION 13. PERSONNEL & COMPENSATION

FY 2006-2007 includes 3.5 percent cost of living adjustment for permanent County employees
FY 2006-2007 - County Commissioners annual compensation is \$9,084 for the Chairman and \$5,916 for each Commissioner.

SECTION 14. FEE SCHEDULES

Solid Waste

Fiscal Year 2005-06 tipping fees for the Solid Waste Management Fund shall be \$37.00 per ton for municipal and solid waste, \$33 per ton for construction and demolition, and \$18.00 per ton for yard waste. Fees for solid waste disposed at the six (6) recycling and solid waste collection centers shall be a minimum of six cents (.06) per pound, or fifty cents (.50) per bag. These fees shall be in effect from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, per the attached fee schedule.

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Inspections

PERMIT FEE PROVISIONS for the Scotland County Inspections Department have been adjusted for Fiscal Year 2006-07, as per attached fee schedule.

Water Districts I and II

Fee schedules attached.

Parks & Recreation

The Board has instituted youth participation fees for fiscal year 2006-07, as per attached fee schedule.

SECTION 15. BUDGET OFFICER

The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to review and process transfers of appropriations as stipulated below:

- a) He may transfer amounts between objects of expenditure within departments, without limitations and without a separate report.
- b) He may transfer amounts up to \$1,000 between departments lying within the same fund. In such cases, a separate report of such transfer shall be submitted to the County Commissioners at its next regular meeting.
- c) He may *not* transfer any amount between funds and may transfer no more than \$1,000 from the General Fund Contingencies Account.
- d) He shall provide the governing body with a Midyear Financial Review.
- e) He may, during the month of June, make any necessary interdepartmental budget transfers and amendments in order to close out the fiscal year. All such adjustments shall be reported to the governing body in a separate report.
- f) He may, with approval of the Finance Officer, transfer amounts between agency accounts supervised by a single department without limitation and without a separate report. These agency accounts include, for example, law enforcement, public health and public assistance.

SECTION 16. BUDGET ORDINANCE

This Budget Ordinance has been prepared in compliance with the Fiscal Control Act. Copies of the Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, Clerk to the Board, Finance Officer, and Tax Collector.

Adopted this the 5th day of June 2006