

MINUTES FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FY 2004-2005 WARREN COUNTY BUDGET HELD BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE ON JUNE 14, 2004 AT 6:00 P.M.

The meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Ulysses S, Ross. The following Commissioners were present: Clinton G. Alston, Weldon C. Capps, Jr., Janet Humphries and H.E. Luke Lucas. Others present were Loria D. Williams, County Manager, Charles Johnson, County Attorney and Susan W. Brown, Finance Officer.

Clerk to the Board Angelena Kearney-Dunlap read aloud the Notice of Public Hearing.

Citizen Comments were as follows:

Barry Richardson - Running as candidate for County Commissioner - addressed issues facing him, revisited sheriffs budget that was discussed in budget work session, because of the long response time by emergency responders the need for two more law enforcement personnel is justified.

Robby Ross - Churchill-FiveForks VFD - (referenced his comments during June 7, 2004 regular board meeting) questioned: 1) public safety allocations for nine (9) 1st Responder Departments; 2) Palmer Springs VFD allocation for mutual aid to county; 3) Churchill FiveForks request for \$5,000 for substation that has been built without Warren County assistance, Mecklenburg County, Va has contributed to substation regularly.

Pete Deschenes - Chairman Lake Gaston Association and Board of Directors for Lake Gaston Neighborhood Watch spoke in favor of additional law enforcement personnel.

Hank Haden - President Lake Gaston Chamber of Commerce - expressed appreciation for the Sheriffs Deputy stationed at the chamber. Encouraged Board's continued support of Sheriffs substation in the Lake area,

Roland Beauchaine - spoke in favor of more funding to the school system on a one-time basis. There's nothing better than improving our school system.

Chairman Ross adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm

/s/ Angelena Kearney-Dunlap
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