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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held a meeting on, April 22, 2013 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: David V. Hutchins
 W.S. "Sam" Dickson
 Dr. Tom Littrell
 Joshua A. Hendrick
 Phil D. McCraw
 Ralph "Bob" Martin
 Gary Larowe, County Administrator

Mr. Hutchins called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. He told that it has been a beautiful day and he hopes everyone has enjoyed it. He led in invocation and pledge.

SCHOOL TRANSFER

Mr. Larowe told that this is the roof repair at St. Paul and the CIP for this year and next year to install the swipe key and security system. He told that this will be the Board's commitment towards safety and security of the schools.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing, the Board approved an allocation in the amount of \$364,670 to the school for safety and roof repair expenditures.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Martin made the declaration that he is a public school employee and this does not affect him more than it does anyone else and he is able to vote contentiously.

Mr. Dickson made the declaration that he is a public school employee and this does not affect him more than it does anyone else and he is able to vote contentiously.

(Order)

CANA FIRE FUND REQUEST

Mr. Larowe told that we get Fire Funds from the State and those can be used for purchasing of equipment for fire departments. He told that Cana would like to use this as a onetime amount for the purchase of a brush truck for the fire department and they will make up the difference.

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Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing, the Board approved the use of fire funds in the amount of \$20,500 for Cana Fire.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

IDA TRANSFER

Mr. Larowe told that this has already been approved and we held a public hearing but this is to bring it to your attention for transparency purpose. He told that we approved the transfer of \$1.75 to the IDA for the purchase of the buildings and the cash flow for the Natural Gas. He told that they are working on the last bore for the gas line and however we have bills due and this would end up helping to cash flow that. He told that we have an invoice to Mohawk that can go out once the line is complete. He told that this has already been approved once he just wanted to bring it to your attention.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing the Board approved a transfer to the Carroll County IDA in the amount of \$250,000.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

SOCIAL SERVICES ADDITIONAL REQUEST

Mr. Larowe told that this is for the CSA Program and the last request was for \$154,000 and it was not acted on and this is for \$127,000. He told that the closer we get to the end of the year it may go down but if we keep waiting they may not be able to pay the bills and would have to have an emergency meeting

Mr. Martin asked if the net effect pulls it down.

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Mr. Larrowe told that we put in the CSA Coordinator and at the last financial statement that he say we have saved \$109,000 versus last year's expenditures so that was a savings. He told that everyone is working very diligently to get those numbers down.

Mr. Dickson told that one of the main concerns is there was close to 55 foster kids and the average is around 30. He told that no one gets turned away and several have been adopted and they are down to 29 so that is very good.

Mr. Hutchins asked if all of those were in state.

Mr. Dickson replied yes. He told that the one in New York is in the final stage of adoption now.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing the Board approved the Social Services allocation in the amount of \$127,000.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED FY14 COUNTY BUDGET

Mr. Hutchins told that purpose of the public hearing and opened it at 7:10 p.m.

Ms. Mary McGrady told that she lives in Laurel Fork and told that contrary to a statement in the Carroll News on April 17th that there is no tax increase. She told that the proposed 68 cents up from 59.5 cents is a difference of 8.5 cents and that is an increase of 14.29%. She told that on April 5th the Patriot Newspaper reported that the average real estate tax is 62 cents. She told that the City of Galax, our neighbor is proposing a 2 cent increase and by comparison even if Hillsville does not increase the total tax on a \$100,000 home in the Town of Hillsville would be \$860 compared to \$690 in the City. She told that adjoining Towns and Counties are considering line by line on what can be cut or eliminated and perhaps you have done that but the newspaper did not address it. She told that Hillsville Rescue Squad which received partial government funding over a long period of time discontinued their services with over \$36,000 in the treasury and asked if the board has considered that there may have been services or agencies on the expense side of the budget that may be overfunded or need no funding. She told that the proposed budget is no doubt legal but is it fair. She told that real estate that had the same value as last year will have the full impact of the 14.9 % increase. She told that in 2009

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there was only one other higher than us. She told that once it reaches it will stay there for many years. She told that she hopes you consider what is fair to everyone and adjust accordingly. She told that she appreciates the way it was divided but that is a large sum.

With no one else to speak the public hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF FY14 SCHOOL BUDGET

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing the Board approved and appropriated the fiscal year 2014 CCPS budget by category as follows:

Instruction	27,861,730
Administration, Attendance, and Health	1,604,461
Pupil Transportation Services	2,973,311
Operation and Maintenance Services	3,985,407
School Food Services and Other Non-Instructional Operations	1,553,059
Facilities	0
Debt and Fund Transfers	0
Technology	1,678,629
Contingency Reserves	0
Total School Operating Expenditure Summary	39,656,597

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Martin made the declaration that he is a public school employee and this does not affect him more than it does anyone else and he is able to vote contentiously.

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(Order)

APPROVAL OF FY14 CONSTRUCTION BUDGET

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing the Board approved and appropriated the Construction Fund Budget in the amount of \$419,633.

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Mr. Hutchins	Yes
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APPROVAL OF FY14 FOOD SERVICE BUDGET

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing the Board approved and appropriated the Food Services budget in the amount of \$2,503,462.

VOTES

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Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
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APPROVAL OF FY14 TEXT BOOK BUDGET

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. McCraw and passing the Board approved and appropriated the School Textbook fund in the amount of \$326,000.

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Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes

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Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

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Mr. Dickson asked if we need to say anything about the water park.

Mr. Larowe told that we have ended up selecting a company and they have not been notified yet. He told that we are trying to find locations within the budget that we could end up paying for the fees. He told that we want to make sure that we have some funding.

Mr. Dickson told that we looked at two companies and he thought they were both good. He told that if we can come up with the money he thinks they will do good.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. McCraw, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board adjourned.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

Chairman

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Clerk