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**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on September 19, 2011, at 5:50 p.m., Room A201, Justice & Administration Building, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Jack Debnam, Chairman
Doug Cody, Vice Chair
Charles Elders, Commissioner
Mark Jones, Commissioner
Joe Cowan, Commissioner

Chuck Wooten, County Manager
Evelyn Baker, Clerk to Board

Chairman Debnam called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose is to receive public input on the proposed application for the FY2011-12 Rural Operating & Assistance Program (R.O.A.P.).

Chuck Norris, Transit Director, stated Title VI forms are available. The application is recurring and the county is required to apply every year. The programs included are:

Elderly & Disabled Transportation Assistance (EDTAP) - transportation for elderly and disabled citizens	\$ 59,379.00
Employment Transportation Assistance (EMPL) - transportation for persons with employment related transportation needs	15,644.00
Rural General Public Program (RGP) - transportation to individuals who do not have human service agency assistance to pay for transportation and live in non-urbanized areas	54,326.00
Total	\$129,349.00

RGP funds require up to a 10% match that can be provided from fares, local funds or a combination of the two. Historically, RGP fares collected during the year cover the required match.

Public Comments: None

There being no public comments, Commissioner Elders moved to adjourn the public hearing. Commissioner Jones seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote and the hearing adjourned.

Attest:

Approved:

Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk

W. J. Debnam, Chairman