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**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
APRIL 18, 2005, 2004**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on April 18, 2005 at 6:00 p.m., Room A201, Justice & Administration Building, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian T. McMahan, Chairman
Roberta Crawford, Vice Chairman
Joe Cowan, Commissioner
Eddie Madden, Commissioner
Conrad Burrell, Commissioner
Kenneth L. Westmoreland, County Manager
W. Paul Holt, Jr., County Attorney
Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk to the Board

Chairman McMahan called the hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public input on the proposed application for a Rural Operating & Assistance Program.

The application is recurring and the county is required to apply every year. The funds are made available to counties through a formula allocation and county government is the only eligible applicant for the funds. The total FY05-06 allocation for Jackson County will be \$87,438 which includes \$42,232 for the Elderly & Disabled, \$40,645 for the Rural General Public, and \$4,461 in Work First Funds. The Rural General Public funds require up to a 10% match that can be provided from fares, local funds or a combination of the two.

There being no public comments, Commissioner Madden moved that the public hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Burrell seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote and the hearing adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Attested By:

Approved:

Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman