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**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
FEBRUARY 21, 2011**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on February 21, 2011 at 5:45 p.m, Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

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| Present: Jack Debnam, Chairman | Chuck Wooten, Interim County Manager |
| Doug Cody, Vice Chair | Pat Parris, Assist Clerk |
| Mark Jones, Commissioner | Absent: Evelyn Baker, Clerk to Board |
| Charles Elders, Commissioner | Joe Cowan, Commissioner |

Chairman Debnam called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose was to receive public input on a proposed community transportation grant application to be submitted to the N. C. Dept. of Transportation.

Chuck Norris, Transit Dept. Director, stated the grant provides administrative and capital assistance to the county's transportation program. Administrative costs, the director's and administrative assistant's salaries/benefits are funded at 85% and capital is funded at 90%. The local share comes from fares and contracts generated from transit services. The total estimated amounts are:

| <u>Project</u> | <u>Total Amount</u> | <u>Local Share</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Administrative/Emp.Dev. | \$ 188,535.00 | \$ 28,280.00 (15%) |
| Capital (vehicles & other) | \$ 120,395.00 | \$ 12,040.00 (10%) |
| Advanced Technology | -0- | -0- (10%) |
| TOTAL | \$ 308,931.00 | \$ 40,320.00 |

PUBLIC COMMENTS. Marie Leatherwood of Sylva, spoke in support of the county transit service.

There being no further comments, Commissioner Jones moved that the public hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Elders seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Attested By:

Approved:

Pat Parris, Assistant Clerk to Board

W. J. Debnam, Chairman