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**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON  
JUNE 15, 2009**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on June 15, 2009, at 6:00 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian T. McMahan, Chairman	Ken Westmoreland, Co. Mgr.
Tom Massie, Vice Chair	Darlene Fox, Finance Director
Joe Cowan, Commissioner	Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk to Board
William Shelton, Commissioner	
Mark Jones, Commissioner	

Chairman McMahan called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose is to receive public input on the proposed FY2009-2010 Budget and opened the floor for public comment.

Darlene Fox, Finance Director, stated the Home & Community Care Block Grant for Older Adults for FY2009-10 is \$294,973.00 for Dept. on Aging, Transit and WestCare expenses.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

(1) Roger Clapp, Director, Watershed Assoc. of the Tuckasegee River, requested that the Board consider an appropriation to his organization. WATR, basically a volunteer organization, helps keep streams clean and stream banks stable and healthy.

(2) Greg Hall, Chairman, Airport Authority, stated that the Authority needs a local match in the amount of \$16,667 in order to be eligible for a \$250,000 federal grant. Grant funding is needed for two safety projects: (a) the fuel tank is unsafe and has been at the airport since it was built 35 years ago; (b) the present hangar is a combination of main and maintenance hangar and has been neglected over the years and needs to be replaced with t-hangars. There are 56 names on the hangar waiting list. Rents from t-hangars and fuel sales should make the airport self-sufficient.

There being no further public comments, Commissioner Shelton moved that the public hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Jones seconded the Motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Attested By:

Approved:

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Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk

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Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman