



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 13

DATE OF MEETING: June 20, 2016

REQUESTED BY: Katherine C. Brafford, Finance Director

SHORT TITLE: Budget Amendment to Re-align Budget within the Emergency Telephone System Phone to Agree with Requirements of the NC 911 Board and to Appropriate Additional Funding Expected from the 911 Board within this Fiscal Year to Cover Expenditures for an Emergency Backup System.

BACKGROUND: The Emergency Telephone System in the Pender County 911 Center was in dire need of replacement. The NC 911 Board would not approve funding to cover replacement of the phone system until the County had an approved backup plan. The Sheriff thought that the Fund had enough fund balance to cover a lease for a new system when he asked the BOC for approval to execute a lease agreement for Creekridge Capital back in September of last year. At that time, the County's FY 2015 audit had not been finalized. A recent review of the financial reports indicated that the fund was going to be in a deficit situation at the end of the fiscal year if something was not done. Sheriff Smith, the 911 Center Director, Missy Ezzell, and County Finance Director, Kathy Brafford, went to Raleigh on June 1st and met with the Director of the NC 911 Board, Richard Taylor, and two of his staff members. The County presented its case and Mr. Taylor agreed that the County needed the extra funding for this fiscal year and assured us that an additional appropriation would be given us in this year – and also agreed to increase funding for subsequent years. This amendment will appropriate the expected additional funding which the County expects to receive prior to June 30th of this fiscal year.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the budget amendment.

The foregoing Ordinance, upon motion of Commissioner _____ and second by
Commissioner _____, and having been submitted to a roll call vote and received the
following votes: YES Votes: _____ NO Votes: _____ ABSTAIN: _____
was approved _____ denied _____ on this the 20th day of June, 2016:

George R. Brown, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:

Melissa Long, Clerk to the Board

