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**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
JUNE 4, 2012**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on June 4, 2012, at 1:50 pm, Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 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
Pat Parris, Clerk to Board
J. K. Coward, County Attorney

Chairman Debnam called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose is to receive public input on the proposed application for the FY2012-13 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. Historically the EDTAP and RGP funds have been awarded to Jackson County Transit to provide transportation services to the general public, the elderly and disabled population. Employment funds have been awarded to the Jackson County Department of Social Services to purchase gas vouchers, pay vehicle insurance, vehicle repairs and trips, but due to recent changes in the State Management Plan these funds can now only be used for trip related services. The period of performance for the ROAP funds is July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. The programs are:

Elderly & Disabled Transportation Assistance (EDTAP)	\$ 58,296
Employment Transportation Assistance (EMPL)	11,785
Rural General Public Program (RGP)	63,853
Total	\$133,934

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 Jones moved to adjourn the public hearing. Commissioner Elders seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote and the hearing adjourned.

Attest:

Approved:

Patsy C. Parris, Clerk

W. J. Debnam, Chairman