

HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

BUDGET HEARINGS FY2026

MAY 20, 2025 | 6:00 PM | TC COURTHOUSE

MINUTES

Members Present: 6/7

Landon Gulley, Chair

Bubba Gregory, Vice Chair

Beverly Atwood

Chris Gregory

Jerry Ford

Lesley Overman

Amy Thomas (*nvm*)

Members Absent: Will Dennis

Others in attendance: Clint Satterfield, John Kerr, Angie Williams, members of the Board of Education, coaching staff of the middle and high schools

Meeting was called to order at 6pm by Commissioner Gulley.

Tonight's focus is Fund 141 General Purpose Schools.

Fund 141 – General Purpose Schools

Proposed Revenues include an estimated 2¢ addition to Property Taxes. C Gregory referenced the revenues set in March 2025 by the Budget & Finance Committee and it was noted the amount at .4914 of the tax rate should be \$1,636,333. C Gregory proposed to set the Property Tax amount back to the Committee amount. Satterfield stated that the recurring revenue is needed to fund the coach supplements. A handout of the breakdown was supplied to the Committee. The rates for the supplements have been approved by the Board of Education.

Kerr addressed the Committee and opined that the Schools has the same issues as other department in losing quality staff to other counties. The Board felt the need to raise supplements after 13 years. R Atwood stated the schools were behind of what other counties pay. Atwood asked for each coach present to stand and state their sport(s).

Ford asked about the 46000 category in the Revenues and why the proposed amounts are less; Williams noted that grants received this year may not be available next year, this includes the Grade A funding that is being received in May and the ISM grant funding for vocational programs.

C Gregory agreed the coaches need recognition, however, the Committee is trying to find funding in all departments and cannot support the 2¢ increase that is being requested. Gulley noted that the increase to the volunteer fire and rescue groups from the previous night (May 19) would also equal about 2¢.

Motion by L Overman to approve 141 as presented; seconded by Atwood

FUND 141 RECOMMENDED

C Gregory abstained w/o cause

Hearings concluded at 6:49PM Ford, Gregory

ADJOURNED