

THE SHELBY COUNTY COUNCIL

MARCH 28, 2002

THE SHELBY COUNTY COUNCIL MET ON THURSDAY MARCH 28, 2002 AT 6:00 P.M. PRESENT WAS COUNCIL MEMBERS MCCLAIN, RIGGINS, HOPKINS, CARMONY, KARMIRE, EBERHART AND THE AUDITOR. COUNCILMAN KASTER WAS ABSENT.

THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS TO DISCUSS STATE BUDGET REDUCTIONS. THE STATE APPROVED BUDGET WAS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,420,224.00. THE COUNCIL REQUESTED A 10% BUDGET REDUCTION FOR ALL OFFICES IN THE GENERAL FUND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$942,022.40. THE OFFICES PRESENTED \$341,849.99 IN VOLUNTARY REDUCTIONS.

JUDGE SANDERS REPRESENTED THE OFFICE HOLDERS AND STATED THAT THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT THE COUNTY IS OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE BASIC SERVICES AND FURTHER CUTS WOULD REDUCE THESE SERVICES.

JUDGE SANDERS WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE WAS LAYOFF'S WHO WOULD DECIDE? WHAT WAS THE LONG TERM IMPLICATIONS, AND THE IMPACT OF A HIRING FREEZE?

PRESIDENT CARMONY SAID THE COUNCIL HAD TO DECIDE WHAT WAS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY, VOTERS, AND EMPLOYEES. PRESIDENT CARMONY SAID THE COUNCIL NEEDED A PACKAGE FOR A LONG TERM PLAN FOR THE COUNTY.

THE GENERAL CONSENSUS WAS TO REVIEW REVENUES, AND INCREASE THE SERVICE CHARGES AS THE STATUE ALLOWS.

PRESIDENT CARMONY SAID THAT THE COUNCIL WILL TAKE THIS UNDER ADVISEMENT FOR ONE WEEK AND WILL RELEASE A STATEMENT.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY HOPKINS, SECOND KARMIRE, VOTE 6-0.

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MARGARET L. BRUNK
SHELBY COUNTY AUDITOR