

**TOWN OF HOPE MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET**  
*FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2010*

**PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**JUNE 1, 2009**

Mayor Eddie Dees  
Mayor Pro Tem Bob Gorman  
Commissioner Tonzie Collins  
Commissioner Doris Luther  
Commissioner Eddie Maynor  
Commissioner Jackie Warner

Town Manager Randy Beeman  
Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk Connie Spell  
Finance Director John Ellis

May 29, 2009

Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners  
Town of Hope Mills, North Carolina

Dear Elected Officials:

The fiscal year 2009 - 2010 Town of Hope Mills's budget is presented for your consideration and adoption. Input of all the department heads was used in arriving at the recommended budget, and the budget document has been thoroughly reviewed by management. The budget is based on sound financial information.

The budget includes capital outlay items, highlighted below. The necessity for sound fiscal management does not allow full funding of all capital requests.

The following capital items requested in the General Fund are included in the 2009-2010 budget at a cost of **\$679, 319.00.**

- Governing Body – Land acquisition through Sandhills Area Land Trust
- Fire Department – Squad truck, SCBA air packs, Radios, SCBA air tanks, equipment for 8-firefighters through grant process
- Parks and Recreation - Vehicle, mower, fencing, small equipment
- Police Department – Desktop computers, Patrol vehicles
- Inspections Department - Vehicle
- Buildings and Grounds – Golf Cart (used), Mower attachment (bagger)
- Sanitation – Trash Carts, Dump Truck
- Service Garage – Vehicle, brake lathe, air-lift jack

The budget includes capital outlay appropriations in the Powell Bill Department is listed below at a cost of **\$529, 200.00**

- Airless striper, chain saw, multigas detector, bendable plugs, jackhammer, asphalt kettle, hydraulic boom mower, and funding for roadway improvements

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The budget includes capital outlay appropriations in the Stormwater Department are listed below at a cost of **\$30,000.00**:

- Vehicle and laptop with projector

There are no cost of living adjustments and the employee benefits remain the same. The town was able to reduce rising health costs by conversion to a different insurance provider with significant savings and improved benefits. The budget includes partial funding for 8 firefighters per grant guidelines of 10 percent, and includes one staff position in Recreation and Inspections.

The budget recognizes debt payments for **\$965,413.00** some of the debt payments are satisfied during the 2009 – 2010 budget year. The elected body began reviewing infrastructure and capital projects, desired to fund these projects during the fiscal year 2008 – 2009, and budgetary constraints did not provide funds. The 2009 – 2010 fiscal year budgets address several capital items included in the 2008 – 09 plan. Management continues review of capital improvement plan

The balanced fiscal year 2009 – 2010 budget is presented for your consideration .The town is included in the Cumberland County general reappraisal. In accordance with general statute 159-11, (e) the income neutral tax rate is **38.61** cents. The corresponding valuation generates revenue of **\$86,256.28** per penny based on the collection rate of 97.04 percent. The balanced budget utilized undesignated fund balance of **\$467,264.00**. In addition to the utilization of undesignated fund balance, the proposed tax rate for 2009-2010 is **.41 cents** and provides revenue in the amount of **\$3,536,507.00**. The projected fund balance available for appropriation will remain at current year level as of June 30, 2009.

The 2009-2010 budget is presented for your consideration. The budget hearing is established for **June 15, 2009** and the budget document is available for public review.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Beeman, Town Manager

**The Town of Hope Mills**  
**Manager's Recommended General Fund Budget**  
*For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010*

**Revenues**

Ad Valorem Taxes - Current Year	\$ 3,536,508
Ad Valorem Taxes - All Prior Years	23,750
Motor Vehicle Licenses - Current & Prior	46,000
Recreation Tax	431,000
Utilities Franchise Tax	440,000
Video Programming Distribution	177,000
Beer and Wine Tax	57,680
Sales Tax	2,126,900
Operating Transfer from Dam Capital Project	148,000
Building Permits and Fees	258,700
Sanitation Fees	709,000
Recreation Program Revenues	122,200
Proceeds from Installment Financing	479,541
Investment Earnings	55,000
Appropriation from Fund Balance	467,264
Miscellaneous	210,900
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 9,289,443</u></u></b>

**Expenditures by Department**

Governing Body	\$ 110,846
Administration	384,360
Elections	6,600
Finance	332,586
Tax Listings and Collections	75,000
Legal	35,000
Planning and Zoning	50,000
Public Buildings and Grounds	325,161
Public Works Director	119,672
Police	2,821,755
Animal Control	47,460
Fire	1,392,140
Inspections	258,830
Streets	208,000
Sanitation	740,139
Parks and Recreation	1,133,410
Service Garage	268,521
Special Appropriations	14,550
Debt Service	965,413
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 9,289,443</u></u></b>



**The Town of Hope Mills**  
**Manager's Recommended Powell Bill Fund Budget**  
*For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010*

**Revenues**

Powell Bill Street Allocation	\$ 323,782
Investment Earnings	15,600
Appropriation from Fund Balance	<u>503,480</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 842,862</u></u></b>

**Expenditures**

Departmental Expenditures	\$ 338,727
Roadways and Improvements	500,000
Debt Service	<u>4,135</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 842,862</u></u></b>

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**Town of Hope Mills  
 Manager's Recommended Capital Outlay and Personnel  
 2009 - 2010 Fiscal Year Budget**

Item Descriptions	Manager Recommended			
	Qty	Capital Outlay	Personnel	Total
<b>POWELL BILL FUND</b>				
Chain Saw	1	800		
Multigas Detector	1	1,200		
Bendable Plugs	1	1,800		
Airless Striper	1	4,200		
Jackhammer	1	4,200		
Asphalt Kettle	1	5,000		
Hydraulic Boom Mower	1	12,000		
Roadways and Improvements		500,000		
<b>TOTAL POWELL BILL FUND</b>		<b>529,200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>529,200</b>

**The Town of Hope Mills**  
**Manager's Recommended Stormwater Fund Budget**  
*For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010*

**Revenues**

Stormwater Fees	\$ 355,552
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 355,552</b>

**Expenditures**

Departmental Expenditures	\$ 275,552
Infrastructure Improvements	80,000
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 355,552</b>

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 Manager's Recommended Capital Outlay and Personnel  
 2009 - 2010 Fiscal Year Budget**

Item Descriptions	Manager Recommended			
	Qty	Capital Outlay	Personnel	Total
<b>STORMWATER FUND</b>				
Vehicle for Vacant Position		20,000		
Computer/Furn for Vacant Position, Laptop and Projector for Public Presentations		10,000		
<b>TOTAL STORMWATER FUND</b>		<b>30,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,000</b>