

## Task Force shares findings with school board

By Florence

The Community Task Force on Reducing presented their findings to the Area County Board of Education Wednesday.

Task force leader Dr. Jerry Adams spoke to the board after it met before breakfast between June 26 and June 28.

Today is a primary concern, according to Adams, President of the Alliance for Better Schools.

"There are no ride-free options here. My hope is that they will add shuttle service and they'll make the best use of the money in any way that they can," Adams said. "The meeting is an exercise in listening more."

"Someone wants their



Republican candidate for U.S. Senate Bill Hagerty talks with supporters at a campaign stop at Maynardville Area Office Tuesday.

# Bill Hagerty stumps

and said the office was mostly unimpaired during months. Operating the office on greatly reduced funds last August to save the county for a year. The annual payroll for himself and his employees is about \$1.5 million, mostly generated by filing fees. He said all employees are essential in running the office.

After meeting with Mayor Glenn, Justice and Finance at County Court, he said they decided to request a loan of \$1.5 million, which Adams said he would use as needed.

"We're not short \$1.5 million but don't want to go back and ask for more if more is needed," he said, adding, "We're pretty tight." Adams said the amount was requested because he was concerned how long it would take to get the money. He said the money will be paid back.

On the May County Court session, Adams said the resolution authorized "an inter-