

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2014**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Tony Dennis, Chairman
Lindsey Dunevant, Vice Chairman
Peter Ascitutto
Gene McIntyre
Josh Morton

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Andy Lucas, County Manager
Jenny Furr, County Attorney
Tyler Brummitt, Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") met in regular session on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order and Commissioner McIntyre gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Chairman Dennis requested that the public comment portion of the meeting be moved to the beginning of the agenda. By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to approve the agenda as amended and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Walter B. Hill American Legion Post 76 and Stanly County American Legion Fair Committee were present to reiterate their purpose which is to assist local veterans and provide financial support to the American Legion ball teams through funds raised by various events held during the year. Ms. Pattie Huneycutt introduced Post Commander Tommy Alley and Vice Commander Cal Massingale who noted several other groups who receive financial support including Boy Scout Troup 29, the Stanly County Agricultural Fairs, horse shows and the annual Stanly County Fair.

The presentation was for information only.

ITEM # 1 – RETIREMENT AWARD PRESENTATION FOR DONNA USSERY

The Board took a moment to recognize Ms. Donna Ussery who recently retired from Stanly County Soil & Water with thirty (30) years of service.

ITEM # 2 – PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2012 CDBG SCATTERED SITE HOUSING PROGRAM APPLICANTS

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

In November 2013, the Scattered Site Housing Selection Committee met and reviewed the applications received and information gathered by The Wooten Company. Based on the ranking and housing conditions, the following units were chosen by the committee and submitted for Board approval:

- 44421 Dale Road, Norwood, NC
- 299 South Kendall Street, Norwood, NC
- 32057 Chapel Road, Albemarle, NC
- 44677-A Fishcamp Road, New London, NC

It was requested the Board approve these four units in order to move forward with the rehabilitation of the first three (3) units and to allow for further research on the fourth unit located on Fishcamp Road.

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the four (4) units as recommended for the Stanly County FY 2012 Scattered Site Housing Program. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Morton and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 3 – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT’S RE-ACCREDITATION

Presenter: Dennis Joyner, Health Director

In December 2013, the Stanly County Health Department was awarded re-accreditation by the NC Local Health Department Accreditation Board. The department is one of 82 county health departments in North Carolina to be awarded this status which is required by North Carolina legislation to be completed every four (4) years. The Health Director commended the health department staff on their hard work and acknowledged the efforts of Nursing Director Patricia Hancock who was the accreditation coordinator.

The presentation was provided for information only.

ITEM # 4 – STANLY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY (SWSA) APPOINTMENTS

Presenter: Donna Davis, Utilities Director

Current SWSA members Terry L. Blalock, Don Brooks and William Rigsbee’s terms have either expired or are due to expire at the end of January. All three (3) have agreed to serve again if reappointed. It was requested the Board consider reappointing all three (3) with each serving a three (3) year term until 1/21/2017.

By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to approve all three (3) appointments and was seconded by Commissioner Dunevant. The motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 5 – PLANNING & ZONING – CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE COUNTY LINES FOR CABARRUS & STANLY COUNTIES

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

A resolution recognizing the map and line for Stanly and Cabarrus counties was presented for Board consideration and approval. The County Manager referenced a map and spreadsheet which highlighted the properties to be impacted by the new line. As the next step in the process, it was requested the Board approve the resolution.

After a brief period of discussion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the associated resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**STANLY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION
A RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOUNDARIES COMMON
WITH THE COUNTIES OF CABARRUS AND STANLY**

WHEREAS the North Carolina Geodetic Survey has been designated and funded by the North Carolina General Assembly to assist with the resurvey of ambiguous or uncertain county boundaries pursuant to GS 153A-18; and,

WHEREAS The North Carolina Geodetic Survey has resurveyed the Cabarrus and Stanly County line; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 Stanly County was approached by Cabarrus County and the North Carolina Geodetic Survey (NCGS) to reestablish the location of the Cabarrus-Stanly County line.

WHEREAS, pursuant to GS 153A-18, Keith Whitley, Special Boundary Commissioner for Stanly County has supervised the surveying, marking, mapping, and has acted as a liaison between Stanly County and the NCGS.

WHEREAS, it will take considerable time and effort for the Counties to properly divide and appraise each of the affected parcels, the effective date of this line will be January 1, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanly County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the County lines as shown on the plat titled "County Boundary Re-survey Plat For: THE CABARRUS-STANLY COUNTY LINE, Cabarrus County & Stanly County, North Carolina," and dated May 2013, as being the true boundary between the Counties.

Adopted the 21st day of January 2014.

Tony M. Dennis
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk to the Board

(SEAL)

ITEM # 6 – LOCUST/RED CROSS COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP) UPDATE

Presenter: Vice Chairman Dunevant

In October 2013, the Rocky River RPO staff provided an update on the proposed long-term comprehensive transportation plan improvements for the Hwy 24/27 corridor in the western portion of the county. At that time the County did not choose a particular route, but consensus was in support of a southern route due to utilities already being located south of Hwy 24/27.

Recently, Vice Chairman Dunevant and Commissioner Morton participated in meeting in Locust where the NCDOT presented additional information on the proposed improvements to bring the highway up to expressway standards. During the meeting, the City of Locust stated its preference in maintaining the current alignment that runs through the city, while Red Cross supported a northern alternative. Vice Chairman Dunevant again sought the Board's input on the proposed alignments in order to present this information at the next meeting on February 17, 2014.

After a period of discussion regarding the proposed routes, Board members reiterated their continued support of a southern route based on the reasons stated previously during the October 21, 2013 commissioners meeting.

ITEM # 7 – PRESENTATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS # 2014-17 AND #2014-18 FOR APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS TO COVER THE COSTS TO ASSESS THE OAKBORO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & BOND COUNSEL SERVICES

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The County Manager presented two budget amendments stating the purpose is to appropriate funds from retained earnings, the General Fund and the Utility Operating Fund for a total of \$110,000 to help cover the cost of assessing the Oakboro Wastewater Treatment Plant and bond counsel services provided by McGuire Woods, LLP.

By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to approve the budget amendments and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. Motion passed with a vote of 5 – 0.

ITEM # 8 – OAKBORO SEWER TREATMENT PLANT ACQUISITION RESOLUTION & DRAFT DEBT ASSUMPTION

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

A copy of the acquisition resolution and draft of the debt assumption agreement was included in the Board's agenda packet for review and consideration. The resolution is required by USDA and the Local Government Commission before acquisition of the sewer treatment plant and St. Martin Road waterline can be finalized. It was requested the Board approve the resolution as presented.

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the resolution. His motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant and carried by unanimous vote.

**See Exhibit A
Oakboro Sewer Treatment Plant**

Acquisition Resolution

ITEM # 9 – ARCHITECT CONTRACT FOR TARHEEL CHALLENGE ACADEMY PROJECT

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

County staff in cooperation with the NC National Guard recently issued an RFQ for architectural services for the Tarheel Challenge Academy project in New London. After a review of the bids received, it was recommended the County contract with MBAJ Architecture, Boomerang Design for these services. Board approval was requested to authorize staff to enter into a contract with MBAJ Architecture for the planning, design and construction management services associated with the project.

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to authorize staff to enter into a contract with MBAJ as requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morton and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 10 – BRANDING INITIATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

In conjunction with the City of Albemarle, the County recently issued a joint RFP for branding services for the County. Based on a review of the responses received, County staff recommended contracting with North Star at a cost of \$82,000. The County's cost of \$41,000 will be divided over two (2) fiscal years with \$29,300 funded during the FY 2013-14 budget and the remaining \$11,700 in FY 2014-15. The City of Albemarle plans to present a similar recommendation to their Board for approval on January 22nd.

Commissioner Ascitutto moved to authorize staff to enter into a contract with North Star for a County branding initiative contingent upon the City of Albemarle's approval as well. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 11 – FY 2014-15 BUDGET CALENDAR

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The County Manager presented a budget calendar which outlined the proposed schedule and various deadlines between now and the end of June.

After a brief review of the information, Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to approve the budget calendar as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. The motion carried by a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 12 – CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – Regular meeting of January 6, 2014

B. Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for Six Months Ended December 31, 2013

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the above items as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chairman Dunevant noted the Centralina Council of Governments annual report which was included in the commissioners’ agenda packets and encouraged Board members to review the information. He also informed the Board that he and Commissioner Ascitutto had toured several of the county schools the previous week with School Superintendent Dr. Terry Griffin and encouraged the other Board members to do the same.

Commissioner Ascitutto noted several items including his participation in a recent tour of the schools, a reminder to “like” the Stanly County Emergency Management Face Book Page and that he had attended the Martin Luther King breakfast over the weekend. He also encouraged citizens who have an interest in serving the community to consider running for one of the various offices in the upcoming local elections.

Chairman Dennis stated that he had participated in a tour of co-op in Burlington on Monday.

ADJOURN

There being no additional items presented for discussion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to adjourn the meeting. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Morton and passed by unanimous vote at 8:18 p.m.

Tony M. Dennis, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk