

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 18, 2013**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

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 Monday, March 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman McIntyre called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman McIntyre took a moment to recognize members of the North Stanly TARS (Teenage Republicans) who were in attendance and thanked them for coming.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

With no adjustments to the agenda, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the agenda as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Dunevant. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 1 – PRESENTATION OF THE SECONDARY INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

Presenter: Dr. Terry Griffin, Stanly County Schools Superintendent

Dr. Griffin presented an overview of a proposed new curriculum that will possibly be implemented in the county schools starting this fall. Based on a recent survey of high school juniors and seniors, the top five areas of interest are health and medical fields, arts, engineering and technology, and public service. Based on these results, the school system plans to increase the number of higher level course offerings to meet the wide range of student interests and

develop alternate methods of instruction in addition to the traditional methods currently being used. One of the changes to be implemented involves creating specialized learning sites at each of the four high schools that will offer advanced studies in those areas of interest in addition to the core curriculum already being offered. The plan will be implemented over the next four (4) years with additional academies being added as the budget and finances allow.

The presentation was for information only and required no action.

ITEM # 2 – HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Presenter: Dennis Joyner, Health Director

A. Appropriation of Funds from Home Health’s FY 2012-13 Budget

Due to several staff nursing vacancies in the area of Home Health, it was requested the Board allow the Health Department to appropriate \$50,000.00 from the Health Department Home Health Fund Balance to contract with an agency for two home health nurse positions for this fiscal year.

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the request and was seconded by Commissioner Ascutto. The motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

B. Small Animal Housing Units Agreement

Animal Control has two small-animal housing units that are currently not in heavy use. It was requested the Board allow Animal Control to enter into an annual agreement to allow the Humane Society to use these units at no cost. The units will remain the property of the County and will be returned to the Animal Shelter should these units be needed during the year.

By motion, Commissioner Ascutto moved to allow Animal Control to enter into an agreement with the Humane Society for the use of these units. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 3 – PLANNING & ZONING

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

It was requested the Board approve the interlocal agreements for the City of Locust and the Town of New London which will allow the County to provide zoning code enforcement for these municipalities. The term of the agreements will be from March 18, 2013 – June 30, 2014 and will renew automatically unless terminated by either party.

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve both interlocal agreements and was seconded by Commissioner Ascutto. The motion passed by a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 4 – CONSENT AGENDA

- A.** Minutes – Board retreat of February 22 and regular meeting of March 4, 2013
- B.** Library – Request approval of budget amendment # 2013-30
- C.** Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for Eight Months Ended February 28, 2013
- D.** Health – Request approval of budget amendment # 2013-31

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the above items as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Dunevant. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Graves, a writer for the Stanly News & Press, took a moment to thank the Board and staff for their cooperation and willingness in helping him report on the county issues over the past several months. Mr. Graves will be leaving the newspaper due to a position he recently accepted with the Morganton News Herald beginning April 1st.

GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Dunevant noted that at a recent meeting of the Centralina Council of Governments Executive Board, they had received an update on the status of “Connect Our Future” project. As part of the project, Commissioner Dunevant informed the Board of the RealityCheck2050 event scheduled for June 4, 2013 and requested the Board submit the names of anyone they feel may be interested in attending.

Commissioner Dennis stated that Economic Development had recently hosted an ally appreciation event at Dennis Vineyards which was well attended.

Commissioner Ascitutto reminded everyone of the Outdoor Bonanza sponsored by the Albemarle Downtown Development taking place on Saturday, March 23rd. Commissioner Ascitutto also noted he had participated in a tour of the Badin Business Park and the Electronics Recyclers International, Inc. facility in the past week.

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner Dunevant and second by Commissioner Dennis, the Board entered into closed session to consult with the County Attorney in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3) to discuss the 401 water quality permit intervention and APGI’s public records requests lawsuit. The motion carried by unanimous vote at 7:42 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman McIntyre stated that no action was taken other than to direct staff to continue to negotiate with Alcoa towards a settlement of the 401 water quality certificate.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Dunevant moved to adjourn the meeting. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and carried with a 5 – 0 vote at 8:47 p.m.

Gene McIntyre, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk