

**STANLY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 18, 2016**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

T. Scott Efird, Chairman  
Bill Lawhon, Vice Chairman  
Peter Ascitutto  
Joseph Burleson (Arrived at 7:02 p.m.)  
Tony Dennis  
Janet K. Lowder  
Gene McIntyre

**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, April 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Efird called the meeting to order, gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Chairman Efird requested a closed session be added to the agenda to discuss a real estate transaction in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(5). Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the agenda as amended and was seconded by Commissioner Lowder. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**ITEM # 1 – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER PROCLAMATION**

**Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager**

For Board consideration, the County Manager presented the proclamation declaring May 5, 2016 as a National Day of Prayer.

Commissioner Ascitutto moved to approve the proclamation and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion passed with a vote of 7 – 0.

**See Exhibit A - 2016 National Day of Prayer**

**ITEM # 2 – CONSENT AGENDA**

**Presenter: Chairman Efirm**

- A. Minutes – Regular meeting of April 4, 2016.
- B. Sheriff's Office – Request approval of the detention center medical plan as required each year.
- C. Finance – Request approval of the attached vehicle tax refunds for March 2016.
- D. Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for Nine Months Ended March 31, 2016.
- E. Health Dept. – Request approval of budget amendments # 2016-32 and #2016-33.

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and the motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

**BOARD COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Burleson invited everyone to the Arbor Day Festival in Norwood the following weekend.

Commissioner McIntyre noted that he had attended the Senior Center's Volunteer Banquet on Thursday evening where more than 200 were in attendance. He commended the staff and volunteers on their hard work throughout the year as well as in preparing for the event.

Vice Chairman Lawhon reiterated Commissioner McIntyre's comments noting that the volunteers do a great job of supporting the Senior Center and that the center is something the county can be proud of. As a positive economic indicator, he noted that building permits have increased by 86% for the first quarter of this year versus the same period last year which means the building industry is becoming busy again and indicates a 53% increase in values as well. He also provided local manufacturing statistics noting that in the United States, 10.6% of people are employed in manufacturing, in North Carolina it is 12.6%, in the Charlotte region it is 13.6% and in Stanly County it is 14.9%.

Commissioner Ascitutto stated he had attended the Albemarle Downtown Development Commission meeting earlier in the day. During the meeting, Pfeiffer University President Dr. Colleen Perry Keith noted that Pfeiffer is looking to purchase the old Winn Dixie building in Albemarle to possibly house the university's occupational therapy and physician's assistant

programs which will include more than two hundred (200) students and seventeen (17) professors.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Dennis moved to recess into closed session to discuss a real estate transaction in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(5). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and passed by unanimous vote at 7:08 p.m.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

After returning to open session, Commissioner Burleson moved that the Board take the following action:

Approve the County's intent to purchase the Town of Stanfield's fifty percent (50%) undivided interests in the Big Lick sewer transmission line and associated assets contingent upon the following:

1. NC DENR approval of ownership and permit name change
2. NC DOT approval of encroachment name change

The Board also authorized staff to negotiate any changes to the asset purchase agreement and assignment of easements in the best interest of the County, and authorized the Chairman or Vice Chairman (if Chair not available) to execute the asset purchase agreement and any associated easement assignments contingent on the aforementioned items.

Commissioner Dennis seconded the motion which then passed by unanimous vote.

### **RECESS**

Vice Chairman Lawhon moved to recess the meeting until Monday, May 16, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. for a joint dinner meeting with the Library Board of Trustees in the Albemarle Main Library Meeting Room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and carried by unanimous vote at 7:20 p.m.

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**Terry Scott Efird, Chairman**

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**Tyler Brummitt, Clerk**