

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 19, 2014**

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

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, May 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order, Vice Chairman Dunevant gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL/ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Chairman Dennis requested that resolution “HB 1107 – Request for Legislative Delegation Support” be added as agenda item # 6 and the consent agenda moved to item # 7. By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to approve the agenda as amended and was seconded by Commissioner Morton. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

PROCEEDINGS

Chairman Dennis requested Vice Chairman Dunevant conduct the rest of the meeting and turned the proceedings over to him.

ITEM # 1 – JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL (JCPC) ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

Presenter: Jackie DeSantis, Stanly County JCPC Chairperson

As part of the annual certification, it was requested the Board approve the list of individuals to serve on the JCPC for FY 2014-15 and accept the \$1,000 received from the state into the JCPC budget.

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the JCPC members and accept the \$1,000 into the JCPC budget. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascutto and carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 2 – STANLY COUNTY SCHOOLS BUDGET PRESENTATION

Presenters: Dr. Terry Griffin, Superintendent

Bill Josey, Director of Finance & Auxillary Services

Dr. Griffin and Mr. Bill Josey presented the Superintendent's recommended budget for FY 2014-15. Due to expected state budget cuts of \$286,321, the proposed budget included reductions of \$320,000. Other reductions noted during the presentation included:

- Elimination of one building level administration position
- Continued energy and efficiency savings
- Reduction in textbooks transfer
- Fewer Chromebooks needed for middle schools next year versus high schools last year

Additionally, several one-time requests included in the proposed budget were:

- Instructional supplies for science labs (elementary, middle & high schools)
- Reading materials for library and classrooms (elementary, middle & high schools)
- Start-up funds for an athletic trainer and supplies for each high school

Continued funding was requested for the following:

- Salaries for teachers to work at a career development center
- Addition of cross country as a middle school sport
- Increase teacher assistants hours from 7.5 to 8 hours per day
- Addition of two positions for lead teachers in middle /high schools for career development and curriculum
- One additional school nurse
- One additional social worker to aid in truancy reduction

Based on the budget presented, the school system requested an additional \$696,169 in funding over the previous fiscal year. The presentation was followed by a brief period of questions from the Board. No action was required.

ITEM # 3 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – CONSIDERATION OF AN ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT FOR GLOBAL PACKAGING SOLUTIONS, INC.

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

For Board consideration and approval, the County Manager presented an economic incentive agreement for Global Packaging Solutions, Inc. (Project Flex) in Oakboro, NC. If approved the

agreement will provide a thirty percent (30%) tax incentive for a five (5) year term based on the company's capital investment of \$1,080,000 and will create a minimum of five (5) new jobs during that time. It was requested the Board hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed agreement.

Vice Chairman Dunevant declared the public hearing open. With no one coming forward, the hearing was closed.

By motion, Commissioner Ascitto moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Morton. The motion carried with a vote of 5 – 0.

ITEM # 4 – PRESENTATION OF THE 2014-15 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The County Manager's presentation provided a review of the recommended budget for the next fiscal year. Several of the items noted during the presentation included:

- The FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget provides more than \$56,039,749 in total funding which is a 1.05% increase from the previous year based on a recommended property tax rate of \$0.67 per \$100 of valuation
- Of the total recommended budget, 76% has been appropriated for mandated services such as social services, public health, debt service, law enforcement and education
- Several of the major expenditures noted (\$50,000 or more) include: increased employee health insurance premiums of \$173,907, increase for school resource officers of \$172,754, an annualized merit increase from FY 2013-14 of \$160,000, a one-time classroom materials and supplies grant for schools of \$150,000, increase for employee COLA (1%) of \$156,000, increased funding for the Stanly County Schools of \$95,709, increase for deferred facility maintenance of \$125,000, increase for Elections laptop and printer replacement of \$64,500.
- In the area of human capital management, it is recommended that one (1) vacant Customer Service Representative's position in the Tax Office be eliminated, one (1) new position is recommended for a new part-time/temporary position for DSS to aid in the processing of Medicaid and Food Stamp applications, and the hours increased for both an existing part-time/temporary DSS income maintenance caseworker and one (1) Tax Office administrative support position.
- Of the total \$1.19 million in capital projects and improvement requests submitted, a total of sixteen (16) projects at a total cost of \$487,981 were included in the budget. Several of the recommended projects included vehicle replacement for the Sheriff's Department, Facilities, Environmental Health, and Planning & Zoning, as well as funding for Elections laptop and printer replacement, replacement of EMS defibrillator heart monitors, and funding for additional repairs and maintenance for Facilities.
- Several of the fees noted included an increase in the annual solid waste fee from \$67 to \$68, a Fire Marshal's plan review process fee, an Inspections express plan review process fee, orchestra pit filler relocation fee, and increased adoption fees for animal control.

- A minimum three percent (3%) increase in water and sewer rates based on the proposed rate increases by the City of Albemarle and the Town of Norwood.

The budget presentation was given for information only and required no action by the Board.

Due to Commissioner Morton being unable to attend the Board meeting on June 2nd, Commissioner McIntyre moved to change the next meeting date and public hearing date for the budget to Monday, June 9th. The motion was seconded by Chairman Dennis and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 5 – STANLY COMMUNITY COLLEGE (SCC) BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTMENTS

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

Current SCC board members, Nadine Bowers and Daisy Washington's terms will expire on June 30, 2014. It was requested the Board appoint or reappoint two (2) members to the SCC Board of Trustees with each to serve a four (4) year term until June 30, 2018.

By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to reappoint Nadine Bowers and appoint Anita Owens-Scott and was seconded by Chairman Dennis. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 6 – HB 1107 – CONSIDERATION OF THE REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION SUPPORT RESOLUTION

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

A resolution of support for HB 1107 was presented for the Board's consideration and approval. The bill calls for the incremental increase in Lottery funds to the Public School Building Capital Fund in FY 2014-15 at 27%, FY 2015-16 at 33% and in FY 2016-17 and thereafter at 40%.

Chairman Dennis moved to approve the resolution as presented and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

See Exhibit A

HB 1107 - Request for Legislative Delegation Support

ITEM # 7 – CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes – Regular meeting of May 5, 2014, recessed meeting of May 5, 2014 and recessed meeting of May 7, 2014.
- B. Facilities – Request approval of budget amendment # 2014-37

- C. Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for Ten Months Ended April 30, 2014
- D. Finance – Consider and approve the attached vehicle tax refunds
- E. SCUSA Transportation – Request approval of the attached change in wording to the Stanly County Substance Abuse Policy
- F. E-911 – Request approval to establish the Stanly County Local Radio Communications Council (RCC)
- G. Utilities – Request approval of budget amendment # 2014-38

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Ascitutto seconded the motion which passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chairman Dunevant referenced the “Stratified Strategic Transportation Corridors” map he recently received at a Rocky River RPO meeting noting that Stanly County was not included in the proposed statewide and regional transportation corridors. He reiterated the importance of providing local input to the NCDOT in order for Stanly County not to be left out in the decisions being made for future regional transportation needs.

Commissioner Morton thanked the Board for changing the date of the next regular meeting to Monday, June 9th in order for him to be able to attend.

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner McIntyre and seconded by Chairman Dennis, the Board entered into closed session to discuss economic development in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4) and a personnel issue in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(6). His motion carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

ADJOURN

With no further discussion, Chairman Dennis moved to adjourn the meeting until Monday, June 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed unanimously at 8:52 p.m.

Tony M. Dennis, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk