

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2009**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Tony Dennis, Chairman
Gene McIntyre, Vice Chairman
Lindsey Dunevant
Jann Lowder
Sherrill Smith

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Andy Lucas, County Manager
Jenny Furr, County Attorney
Tyler Brummitt, Clerk to the Board

CALL TO ORDER

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) met in regular session on Monday, November 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order and Commissioner Dunevant gave the devotion.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the agenda as presented. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 1 – PUBLIC HEARING – STANLY COUNTY FARMLAND PROTECTION PLAN

Presenter: Lori Ivey, County Extension Director

At the previous meeting, Lori Ivey, Chester Lowder, and Phil Gottwals presented an overview of the Stanly County Farmland Protection Plan. It was now requested the Board hold a public hearing to allow public comment for or against the plan.

Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing open. During this time, Franklin Lee and Jane Lee Watson both addressed the Board in favor of the plan stating the importance of maintaining the farmlands, preserving open spaces, and at the same time the need to direct growth in appropriate ways for the future of the county. Both felt the plan provides the tools and steps necessary to accomplish this.

Having no one else come forward, Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing closed.

No action was taken by the Board. A request to approve the plan will be submitted at the December 7, 2009 meeting.

ITEM # 2 – HOMES OF HOPE HOMELESS SHELTER

Presenter: Carl Helms and Chris Story

Mr. Helms and Mr. Story provided updated information for the Homes of Hope which included the number of meals served, financial assistance provided, and funds spent on operational costs through October 2009. A request for an additional \$5,000 was made and the Board agreed to take this request under consideration.

ITEM # 3 – CONSENT AGENDA

Presenter: Chairman Dennis

- A. Minutes – Regular meeting on November 2, 2009
- B. Minutes – Special meeting on November 9, 2009
- C. Legal Dept. – Budget Amendment #2010-22
- D. Facilities – Budget Amendment #2010-21
- E. Sheriff’s Dept. – Request approval of an amendment to the Records Retention Schedule
- F. Tax Release & Discovery Report for September & October 2009
- G. Library – Request attached list of books be declared surplus and donated to the Friends of the Library to be sold in an ongoing book sale in the branch libraries
- H. EMS – Request approval of the NC Local Government Debt Setoff Clearinghouse Program Associate Rider

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre. The motion passed with a 5- 0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Economic Development Director Kevin Gullette briefed the Board on the success of the federal contracting symposium held in conjunction with Congressman Kissell’s office at the Agri-Civic Center the previous week. The symposium was designed to allow local businesses the opportunity to interact with different procurement agencies such as the NC Military Business Assistance Center and the potential to conduct business in the future. In total there were 35 contract service providers represented and 320 attendees, 30% of which were from Stanly County. Mr. Gullette expressed his appreciation for the Board’s support in addition to others who had helped organize the event.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Commissioner Smith expressed his appreciation to Kevin Gullette and Mary Morrison for their hard work in preparing for the symposium and congratulated them on its success.

Chairman Dennis, Vice Chairman McIntyre, Commissioner Dunevant, Commissioner Lowder, the County Manager, and County Attorney had no comments.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice Chairman McIntyre made the motion to go into closed session to consult with the county attorney to discuss APGI’s public records lawsuit and the County’s 401 water quality permit intervention in accordance with G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and passed by unanimous vote.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Vice Chairman McIntyre made the motion to adjourn the meeting until Monday, December 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously at 8:45 p.m.

Tony M. Dennis, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk