

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 16, 2011**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Josh Morton, Chairman
Jann Lowder, Vice Chairman
Tony Dennis
Lindsey Dunevant
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 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Morton called the meeting to order and Commissioner McIntyre gave the invocation.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

It was requested the closed session be amended to include economic development in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4). By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Lowder. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM #1 – PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2010 NC CDBG CONTINGENCY PROGRAM

Presenter: Michael Kepley, Grant Administrator for Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates

The purpose of the public hearing is for approval of an application to the NC Division of Community Investment funds under the 2010 NC CDBG Contingency Program and the associated resolution. The County will apply for a grant not to exceed \$200,000 to provide water taps and house connections to 80 low to moderate income households within the County.

Chairman Morton declared the public hearing open. Having no one come forward to speak for or against the application, the hearing was closed.

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the application to the NC Division of Community Investment. His motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Lowder and approved by a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 2 – FOLLOW-UP PRESENTATION OF THE INMATE HOUSING AGREEMENT

Presenter: Sheriff Rick Burris

A copy of the amended inmate housing agreement was included in the Board’s agenda packets for their review. Sheriff Burris was present to answer questions and requested the agreement be approved by the Board.

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the agreement as presented and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 3 – AWARD OF THE COUNTY LANDSCAPE CONTRACT FOR FY 2011-2012

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

Based on the five (5) bids received, it was requested the landscape contract for FY 2011-2012 be awarded to the low bid contractor, Husky Lawn Service in the amount of \$19,740.00.

Commissioner McIntyre moved to award the contract to Husky Lawn Service and was seconded by Vice Chairman Lowder. The motion passed with a vote of 5 – 0.

ITEM # 4 – BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

A. Norwood Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Norwood Town Board of Commissioners requested that Ms. Alice Ridenhour of 8845 Five Oaks Road, Norwood, NC be appointed to serve on the Norwood Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment.

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the appointment of Ms. Alice Ridenhour. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by unanimous vote.

B. CENTRALINA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (CWDB)

With the terms of Tom Ramseur and Sharon Scott expiring June 30, 2011, the Centralina Workforce Development Board requested both be reappointed for a two year term beginning July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2013.

Commissioner Dennis moved to reappoint Tom Ramseur and Sharon Scott for a two (2) year term and was seconded by Vice Chairman Lowder. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

C. PIEDMONT BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE BOARD (PBH)

It was requested that Barbara Whitley be reappointed to a second term on the PBH Board beginning July 1, 2011- June 30, 2014 (3 years).

By motion, Commissioner Dunevant moved to approve the reappointment. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

5. PRESENTATION OF THE MANAGER’S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FY 2011-2012

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

Each member of the Board received a copy of the recommended budget followed by a power point presentation given by the County Manager which provided a summary of the report.

Due to a decrease in revenues as well as an increase in health insurance premiums, worker’s compensation claims, unemployment insurance, mandated retirement contributions, and increased fuel expenses, it was requested each department cut an additional two (2%) percent from their budget requests in preparation for the upcoming year.

Some of the other items highlighted during the presentation included:

1. Recommended property tax rate of \$0.67 per \$100 of valuation (no increase from the previous year) with all fire districts remaining unchanged.
2. Proposed Fee Changes in the areas of Solid Waste, SCUSA Transportation, Library, Animal Control, Inspections, Planning & Zoning, and the addition of a 2.5% technology fee in Central Permitting.
3. No rate increase for Stanly County Utilities and the Greater Badin Water and Sewer District.
4. Personnel - A total of seven (7) full and/or part-time positions will be reduced or eliminated and two (2) positions frozen.
5. Capital Projects – Nine (9) projects at a total cost of \$238,252 were included in the recommended budget.

No action was required. The required public hearing will be held on Monday, June 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. to receive public comment on the proposed county budget.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Presenter: Chairman Morton

- A. Minutes – Recessed and regular meetings of May 2, 2011
- B. DSS – Budget amendment # 2011-32
- C. Tax Administration – Refund requests for Teresa Bunting, Justin Kent Smith, William J. Fowler, Donald & Barbara Bullock and Stokes Construction Co., Inc.
- D. Health Dept. – Budget amendment # 2011-31
- E. EMS – Budget amendment # 2011-33
- F. Tax – Request approval of the agreement between Stanly County and the Town of Stanfield for the collection of delinquent wastewater fees

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner McIntyre moved to recess the meeting in to closed session to discuss APGI’s public records request lawsuit and the County’s 401 water quality permit intervention in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3), and to discuss economic development in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunevant and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

ADJOURN

There being no further business brought forward, Commissioner Dunevant moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Dennis. The motion passed unanimously at 8:46 p.m.

Joshua J. Morton, Jr., Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk