

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2017**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Bill Lawhon, Chairman
Joseph Burleson, Vice Chairman
Scott Efirm
Janet K. Lowder
Gene McIntyre
Ashley Morgan
Matthew Swain

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, February 20, 2017 in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Lawhon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Commissioner McIntyre giving the invocation and leading the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

With no amendments to the agenda, Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve it as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed with a 7 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 1 – RETIREMENT AWARD PRESENTATION FOR JOHN “COOT” YOW

The Board took a few moments to recognize Mr. Yow for his years of service with the Stanly County Emergency Medical Services.

ITEM # 2 – APPROVAL OF THE NEW NAME FOR THE OLD CITY HALL ANNEX BUILDING

Presenter: Melanie Holles, Library Director

Ms. Holles was in attendance to request the Board’s approval of the name Stanly County History Center for the former City Hall Annex Building which will house the Stanly County Museum and the Margaret Johnson Heritage Room.

Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve the name as requested which was seconded by Commissioner Efird. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 3 – BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

A. Centralina Workforce Development Board (CWDB)

Due to the recent resignation of the EDC Director and retirement of the Stanly County Schools Superintendent, the CWDB requested the Board appoint two (2) new members to serve their unexpired terms until June 30, 2017. Included with the request were volunteer applications for Mr. Danny Poplin, Associate Superintendent with the school system, and Mr. Mark Donham, City of Albemarle Economic Development Director.

Vice Chairman Burleson stated that with the appointment being made by the County Commissioners, he felt it would be more appropriate to appoint the County's EDC Director as the Economic Development Representative and stated the County Manager would attend the meetings on an interim basis until a new EDC Director is in place. The Board members concurred.

Vice Chairman Burleson then moved to appoint Mr. Danny Poplin as the Public School Representative and the County's EDC Director with the County Manager as interim until a new EDC Director is in place as the Economic Development Representative. Commissioner Swain seconded the motion which carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

B. COMMUNITY NURSING HOME ADVISORY COMMITTEE

With seven (7) members of the Nursing Home Advisory Committee's terms expiring February 28, 2017, it was requested the Board appoint/reappoint seven (7) members to serve on it. Janell Hawkins, Christian Herring and Bill Rigsbee have agreed to serve again if reappointed. However Janice Abernathy, Sarah Grantier, Sue Turner and Glenna have requested not to be reappointed. Three (3) volunteer applications were submitted for the Board's consideration as replacements for those who have resigned.

It was the committee's request that Janell Hawkins, Christian Herring and Bill Rigsbee be reappointed for three (3) year terms; Dr. Johnnie Woodard appointed to replace Janice Abernathy, Charlanne Tippett appointed to replace Sue Turner and Sherry Poplin appointed to replace Sarah Grantier. No replacement was submitted for Glenna Hinson at this time.

Commissioner McIntyre moved to reappoint Ms. Hawkins, Mr. Herring and Mr. Rigsbee for a three (3) year term to expire on February 28, 2020, and appoint Dr. Woodard, Ms. Tippett and

Ms. Poplin for a one (1) year term until February 28, 2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morgan and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 4 – RESOLUTIONS SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL 12 (STANLY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES) & HOUSE BILL 14 (MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF TRUSTEES)

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

As requested by the Board, the County Manager prepared a resolution of support for each house bill and presented both for Board review and consideration.

With no discussion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve House Bill 12 and was seconded by Vice Chairman Burleson. Prior to the vote, Commissioner Lowder requested to abstain from voting due to serving on the State Community College Board of Trustees. Commissioner McIntyre withdrew his previous motion. Vice Chairman Burleson then moved to excuse Commissioner Lowder from the vote and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion passed by a 6 – 0 vote.

Commissioner McIntyre then restated his motion to approve the resolution of support for House Bill 12 and was seconded by Vice Chairman Burleson. Motion carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

See Exhibit A

Resolution in Support of House Bill 12 Related to the Appointment of Trustees to the Stanly Community College Board of Trustees

Chairman Lawhon called for a short recess at the request of Commissioner Swain who wished to confer with the County Attorney.

When the meeting was called back to order, Commissioner Swain stated that due to an upcoming job transition where his office will be located on the Montgomery Community College campus, he requested to be excused from voting as well. Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Morgan. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve the resolution of support for House Bill 14 and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. Prior to the vote, Commissioner McIntyre stated that by approving the resolution, Stanly County's intentions are not to interfere with Montgomery County's affairs but only support the concept of the resolution. Vice Chairman Burleson agreed with Commissioner McIntyre's comments adding that both are good bills that need to be supported.

Chairman Lawhon called for the vote. The motion passed by a 3 – 2 vote.

Ayes: Vice Chairman Burleson, Commissioner McIntyre and Commissioner Morgan.

Nos: Chairman Lawhon and Commissioner Efir.

See Exhibit B

Resolution in Support of House Bill 14 Related to the Appointment of Trustees to the Montgomery Community College Board of Trustees

ITEM # 5 – AGRICIVIC CENTER LOBBY EXPANSION – CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR FLOOR REPLACEMENT

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The initial scope of the Agri-Civic Center lobby expansion project did not call for the replacement of the entire floor within the existing lobby but simply transitioned the expansion area with carpet squares or laminate tile. The Friends of the Agri-Civic Center would like the County to consider replacing the entire floor in the Center with a new floating laminate floor and has committed \$25,000 of the total \$44,072 estimated cost to do so.

The other option would be to replace a portion of the existing tile area with a floating laminate floor which would be matched with the expansion area. The Friends of the Agri-Civic Center have not committed any funds to this option.

After a brief discussion, Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve the appropriation of the \$25,000 from the Friends of the Agri-Civic Center to offset the cost of replacing the entire floor. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed by unanimous vote.

On a second motion, Vice Chairman Burleson moved to authorize staff to amend the contract with Stokes Construction by \$44,072 to cover the estimated cost to replace the entire floor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Efir and carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

On a third motion, Vice Chairman Burleson moved to appropriate the remaining \$19,072 from General Fund balance reserves for the tile floor replacement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed unanimously.

ITEM # 6 – CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – Regular meeting of February 6, 2017.

B. Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for Seven Months Ended January 31, 2017

- C. Sheriff's Office – Annual review and approval of the medical plan for the Stanly County Detention Center.
- D. SCUSA Transportation – Request approval of the Transportation Advisory Board bylaws.

Commissioner Efird moved to approve the agenda items as presented with the motion seconded by Commissioner Morgan. Motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

BOARD COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Swain thanked the Friends of the Agri-Civic Center for the \$25,000 donation towards the floor replacement of the Ag-Center lobby as well as their work with the proposed livestock arena.

As commissioner representative on the Social Services Board, Commissioner McIntyre stated that DSS is trying to develop a new way to handle the in-take of food stamp applications more efficiently.

Vice Chairman Burleson stated that he had attended the Stanly Water & Sewer Authority (SWSA) meeting the previous week where a review of the annual audit was completed. Based on the information received, there were no issues or concerns noted and that the overall financial condition of the Authority continues to improve with the possibility of beginning the Stony Gap waterline project with the next year. Vice Chairman Burleson also attended the Regulatory Referendum Committee meeting on the afternoon of February 16th where several contractors were in attendance to provide feedback related to the county's inspections and zoning departments.

Commissioner Efird noted that he, Chairman Lawhon and Vice Chairman Burleson had participated in the Senior Center's Town Hall Luncheon the previous week where approximately eighty (80) senior citizens were in attendance and thanked Senior Services Director Becky Weemhoff for the invitation.

As commissioner representative on the Library Board, Commissioner Morgan stated that the new museum facility should be open soon.

Chairman Lawhon stated that he had attended the EDC meeting the previous week as well as the Centralina COG meeting in Matthews, NC where they reviewed the annual report and the

regional transportation plan. He reiterated Commissioner Efirm's comments regarding the Senior Center Town Hall Meeting and thanked them for the invitation.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Efirm moved to recess into closed session and was seconded by Commissioner Swain. The motion carried by unanimous vote at 7:38 p.m.

RECESS

With no further discussion, Commissioner Efirm moved to recess the meeting until Friday, March 3, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. for the Board's annual planning retreat in the airport conference room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swain and passed unanimously at 8:08 p.m.

Bill Lawhon, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk