

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 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, March 20, 2017 in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Lawhon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Vice Chairman Burleson giving the invocation and leading the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

ITEM # 1 – CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU PRESENTATION

Presenter: Chris Lambert, Executive Director for CVB

Mr. Lambert gave a brief presentation on the economic impact of tourism in Stanly County. The handouts provided included statistics from the Research Department of the U. S. Travel Association as it relates to direct visitor spending estimates, employment generated by tourism, and payroll and tax revenues as a result of visitor spending. At the end of the presentation, Mr. Lambert entertained questions from the Board.

The presentation was for information only and required no action.

ITEM # 2 – INVOLUNTARY MENTAL COMMITMENT TRANSPORTATION PLAN & SUPPORTING RESOLUTION

Presenter: Sheriff George Burris

On behalf of Carolinas Healthcare System – Stanly (CHS-Stanly), Sheriff Burris presented the request for Board approval of the involuntary mental commitment transportation plan and associated resolution of support. CHS would like to utilize the private contractor G4S Secure Solutions (USA) Inc. to provide transportation services for patients from their facility to facilities within and outside of Stanly County. It was noted that other counties within the CHS service area have taken action to approve this contract previously. Sheriff Burris noted that the service will be provided at no cost to the County and will also result in a direct and indirect cost savings for the Sheriff’s Office since officers within the department are currently providing this transportation service.

After a brief period of questions, Commissioner Lowder moved to approve the transportation plan and the associated resolution of support. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Burleson and passed by unanimous vote.

See Exhibit A

Resolution Supporting Involuntary Commitment Transport Services with Carolinas Healthcare System Hospitals

ITEM # 3 – 2017 SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION (SFR) GRANT - POLICY APPROVAL

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The County was recently awarded a SFR grant from the NC Housing Finance Agency in the amount of \$175,000 to assist low-to-moderate income homeowners with making needed repairs to their homes. In order to access the grant, the County is required to adopt a housing assistance policy as well as a policy related to procurement and disbursement of funds.

By motion Commissioner McIntyre moved to adopt the housing assistance policy and disbursement policy for the 2017 Single Family Rehab grant. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Burleson and carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 4 – CONSENT AGENDA

Presenter: Chairman Lawhon

- A.** Minutes – Recessed meeting of March 3, 2017 & regular meeting of March 6, 2017.
- B.** Facilities – Request the attached list of items be declared surplus and sold through Gov Deals.
- C.** Finance – Consider and approve the attached Stanly County Procurement Policy.

- D. Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for Eight Months Ended February 28, 2017.
- E. Library – Request the attached list of books be declared surplus and given to the Friends of the Library to be sold during the upcoming book sale.
- F. Solid Waste - Request approval of budget amendment # 2017-35.

Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Morgan. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

BOARD COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice Chairman Burleson noted that the next Regulatory Reform Committee meeting will be held in April with no specific date selected yet. He should know the exact date by the next Board meeting and will announce it then.

Commissioner Swain attended an RPO meeting the previous week where the Highway 52 project between Albemarle and Norwood was discussed as well as a second project involving safety changes to Highway 49 between Stanly and Cabarrus County. He also noted recent speed limit changes made to various roads in the county by the NCDOT for safety reasons.

Chairman Lawhon attended the Centralina Council of Governments meeting held in Charlotte the previous week where creative solutions to downtown housing were discussed. He also encouraged Board members to attend an upcoming conference hosted by Centralina COG on April 6th called “Creative Solutions for Thriving Communities.”

CLOSED SESSION

Vice Chairman Burleson moved to recess into closed session to consult with the county attorney in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3). His motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed unanimously at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURN

With no further discussion, Vice Chairman Burleson moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. Motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote at 7:57 p.m.

Bill Lawhon, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk