

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 2, 2017**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Bill Lawhon, Chairman
Joseph Burleson, Vice Chairman
Scott Efir
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, October 2, 2017 in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Lawhon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice Chairman Burleson requested a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims of the recent mass shooting in Las Vegas followed by a closing prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

By motion, Commissioner Swain moved to add an award presentation by the American Legion Post Fair Board as Item # 2 followed by all remaining agenda items in the order listed. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Burleson and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 1 – PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Presenter: Tracy Davis, Outreach Committee Chair for The Esther House

For Board consideration and approval, Ms. Davis presented the proclamation declaring October 2017 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. She noted several recent and upcoming events sponsored by The Esther House as a means to educate and bring awareness to the issue.

By motion, Commissioner Efird moved to adopt the proclamation and was seconded by Vice Chairman Burleson. The motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

See Exhibit A
Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation

ITEM # 2 – PRESENTATION BY THE AMERICAN LEGION POST FAIR BOARD

Presenters: Cal Massingale, Commander of American Legion Post 76 & Stanly County Fair Manager; Doug Peterson, Post Adjutant; Marvin Bost, Owner of Marvin’s Fresh Farm House & Award Sponsor

Mr. Massingale introduced Mr. Peterson and Mr. Bost who joined him at the podium for the presentation. Mr. Massingale stated that a cheer competition was held the previous week at the fair where teams from Stanly, Cabarrus, Union and Anson counties participated. Albemarle High School Cheerleaders were awarded the People’s Choice Award and were invited to attend the commissioners meeting for the presentation. Mr. Massingale also thanked Commissioner Swain for his help in serving as the animal show manager during the fair.

No action was required from the Board.

ITEM # 3 – PRESENTATION CONCERNING REQUESTED CHANGES TO THE STANDARDS & POLICIES AT THE STANLY COUNTY AIRPORT

Presenter: Leighton Pressley, Pressley Aviation

Mr. Pressley did not attend the meeting for the presentation.

ITEM # 4 – PUBLIC HEARING TO REQUEST DESIGNATION OF A NO-WAKE ZONE IN THE AREA OF BEACH ROAD & PALMERVILLE ROAD

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

It was requested the Board hold a public hearing to receive public comment concerning the submittal of an application to the NC Wildlife Resources Commission to request the cove and canal area adjacent to Beach Road and Palmerville Road be designated as a No-Wake Zone. Additionally, Board approval of the associated resolution was requested as a show of support for the application. The County Manager noted that if approved, residents in the area have agreed to pay for the cost and maintenance of the buoy with no county dollars being used.

With no questions from the Board, Chairman Lawhon declared the public hearing open. During this time, Alan McLester, a resident of the area, spoke in support of the request. With no one else coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

By motion, Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve the resolution of support for the application as requested. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and carried by unanimous vote.

See Exhibit B

Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Stanly County

ITEM # 5 – NEW HANGAR DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION

Presenter: Ken Swaringen, Airport Director

Chad Vernon, Talbert Bright & Ellington Engineering

Mr. Swaringen and Mr. Vernon were present to provide details and answer questions concerning the Airport's proposed hangar development project. Currently, the airport has a shortage in the number of hangars available for rent with fifteen (15) aircraft on a waiting list and additional calls being received on a weekly basis. Mr. Swaringen stated that the addition of a new hangar would make the airport more competitive with regional airports of similar size and also help make the county more marketable. The proposed site for the new hangar is located behind the existing hangar and requires minimal site preparation since it was graded at the time the existing hangar was built. After a review of the design plans, the Airport Authority selected Option 1 which they feel provides the greatest flexibility and most effective use of the property. On behalf of the Airport Authority, Mr. Swaringen requested the Board consider funding the estimated \$2.6 million cost to move forward with construction of the new hangar.

The Board and staff participated in a discussion of the request that included the potential rental revenue, tax revenue and fuel sales generated by the new hangar versus the debt that would be incurred should the County approve the request.

As a next step, the County Manager recommended staff gather information related to the potential rental income based on ten (10) small aircraft, estimated fuel sales and tax revenue created by a new hangar compared to the debt payment incurred for the cost of the project. Once this information is received, the Board can make a more informed decision prior to incurring any expenses.

Vice Chairman Burleson stated his support of the project then moved to approve the County Manager's recommendation and requested this information be brought back to the Board's October 16th meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 6 – BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

A. Region F Aging Advisory Committee

Currently, the County has two (2) vacant Delegate positions on the RFAAC. With Mr. William Rigsbee, Jr. having recently submitted a volunteer application for this committee, it was requested the Board appoint him to fill one of the vacant Delegate positions for a two (2) year term which will expire June 30, 2019.

Vice Chairman moved to approve the appointment as requested and was seconded by Commissioner Swain. The motion passed with a 7 – 0 vote.

B. Norwood ABC Board appointment

The Board was informed of Mr. Chalmers Glenn’s request not to be reappointed to the Norwood ABC Board when his term expires on November 20, 2017. Therefore, it was requested the Board appoint a new member for a three (3) year term to expire November 20, 2020. With no applications on file, the appointment was tabled.

ITEM # 7 – “THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE” DAY PROCLAMATION

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The resolution was presented for Board consideration and approval in declaring Tuesday, November 7, 2017 as “Thank You For Your Service” Day to celebrate and honor Veterans for their service.

By motion, Commissioner Efirm moved to adopt the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Morgan. The motion passed unanimously.

**See Exhibit C
Proclamation
“Thank You For Your Service” Day
November 7, 2017**

ITEM # 8 – CONSENT AGENDA

Presenter: Chairman Lawhon

- A.** Minutes – Regular meeting of September 5, 2017 (minutes approved with a change noted on page 6 to reflect that the called recess began at 8:23 p.m. versus 8:53 p.m. as previously written.)
- B.** Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report For Two Months Ended August 31, 2017.

C. Sheriff's Office – Request approval of budget amendments # 2018-05 & 2018-06.

Vice Chairman Burleson moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swain and passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Boyd Huneycutt of Locust noted the volunteer application he had recently submitted to the clerk for the new combined health and human services board. With thirty (30) counties having completed the merger, Mr. Boyd requested any feedback that has been received from those counties. Chairman Lawhon directed Mr. Huneycutt to contact the County Manager for answers to his questions since the Board is not required to respond during public comment.

BOARD COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Morgan noted the American Legion Fair which was held at the Stanly County Fairgrounds the previous week.

Commissioner Efird asked everyone to continue to pray for the victims of the Las Vegas shooting and their families.

Vice Chairman Burleson encouraged everyone to continue to pray for all the recent hurricane victims in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico as well as the victims in Las Vegas.

Commissioner Swain noted that he and Chairman Lawhon had attended a workshop through Partnership for Children called "Crib to Career" at NC State University. Additionally, he also attended a President's Round Table discussion sponsored by Carolinas Healthcare System-Stanly Regional Hospital and an EDC Board meeting the previous week as well.

Chairman Lawhon noted his attendance at the "Crib to Career" workshop through Partnership for Children, and EDC meeting and seminar and a Centralina Council of Governments meeting in Charlotte.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice Chairman Burleson moved to recess the meeting into closed session in order to discuss a real estate transaction in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(5). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swain and passed by unanimous vote at 7:57 p.m.

ADJOURN

With no additional items presented for discussion, Commissioner Morgan moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Efirm. Motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote at 8:30 p.m.

W. D. Lawhon, Jr., Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk