

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 3, 2014**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Tony Dennis, Chairman
Lindsey Dunevant, Vice Chairman
Peter Ascitutto
Gene McIntyre
Josh Morton

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, November 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order and Commissioner McIntyre gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

With no amendments to the agenda, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve it as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 1 – SCUSA TRANSPORTATION SERVICES – FY 2015-2016 COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (CTP) APPLICATION

Presenter: Gwen Hinson, Transit Director

Ms. Hinson provided a brief review of the request to apply for funds under the FY 2015-2016 CTP prior to the public hearing. Below is the breakdown of the allocations to be received by the county:

- 1)** Administrative Funds (estimated request of \$226,006) with a 15% local match estimated at \$33,901 which will be used to cover the salaries and benefits for three (3) full-time and one (1) part-time positions, vehicle insurance, drug testing, daily office operations, etc.

- 2) Capital Funds (estimated request of \$67,199) with a ten percent (10%) local match estimated at \$6,720 for the replacement of one (1) vehicle, vehicle lettering, five (5) computers, one (1) desk chair and two (2) transmissions for Light Transit Vehicles.

It was requested the Board hold the required public hearing and approve the resolution to apply for, receive and administer the CTP funds for the Transportation Services Department.

Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing open. With no one coming forward, the hearing was closed.

Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to approve the application and receipt of these funds with all funds to be administered by the Transportation Services Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and passed unanimously.

ITEM # 2 – PLANNING & ZONING

Presenter: Michael Sandy, Planning Director

A. ZA 14-04 - Rezoning Request for Willie D. Lawhon, Jr.

Mr. Lawhon requested that a 0.79 acre parcel of land (Tax Record 7158) located on the east side of NC 24/27 Highway, approximately 150 feet north of the intersection of Converse Road, be rezoned from R-20 to GB (General Business) for commercial use. The Planning Board forwarded the request with a favorable recommendation due to the property being located in a growth area and the rezoning being in compliance with the Stanly County Land Use Plan.

Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing open and with no one coming forward, the hearing was closed.

By motion, Commissioner Morton moved to approve ZA 14-04 as requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

B. ZA 14-05- Rezoning Request for Jeff Pickett

Mr. Pickett requested that a 16.86 acre portion of a 21.36 acre tract of land (Tax Record 5269) located on the west side of Gurley Road, approximately 900 feet north of the intersection of Hearne Road, be rezoned from RR(Rural Recreation) to RA (Residential Agricultural). The purpose of the request is to allow livestock and a greenhouse on the property. The Planning Board forwarded the request with a favorable recommendation due to the subject property being rezoned for agricultural purposes and being in compliance with the Stanly County Use Plan.

Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing open. With no one coming forward, the hearing was closed.

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the rezoning request and was seconded by Commissioner Morton. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

C.ZA 14-06 – Rezoning Request for Curtis & Laverne Smith

Mr. and Ms. Smith submitted a request to have two (2) parcels of land (Tax Records 22116 and 22398) located on the west side of NC Hwy 24/27 at Dorothy Road rezoned from NB and RA (Residential Agricultural) to R-20. The purpose is to allow the property owners to increase the density in order to give their children portions of the property. The Planning Board forwarded this request with a favorable recommendation due to the property being located in a growth area and the requested change being in compliance with the Stanly County Land Use Plan.

Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing open and with no one coming forward, the hearing was closed.

Commissioner Morton moved to approve rezoning request ZA 14-06 and was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. Motion carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

D. Board of Adjustment Appointments

Mr. Todd Swaringen and Dr. John Eckman’s second terms expired on June 30, 2017. It was requested that both be reappointed to serve a third term to expire June 30, 2017.

Commissioner Ascitutto requested this item be tabled in order to verify that there are no additional volunteer applications on file for the board. Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to table the item and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 3 – HEALTH & EMS DEPARTMENTS LOCAL PREPARATION EFFORTS CONCERNING EBOLA

**Presenters: Dennis Joyner, Health Director
Brian Simpson, EMS Director**

For the Board’s information, Health Director Dennis Joyner and EMS Director Brian Simpson took a few moments to provide an update on the County’s local preparation and planning efforts related to the disease.

This presentation was for information only and required no action.

ITEM # 4 – SOCIAL SERVICES REQUEST TO ESTABLISH TWO NEW IMC II POSITIONS

Presenter: Tammy Schrenker, DSS Director

The Department of Social Services requested permission to establish two (2) new full-time positions in the Income Maintenance Unit due to a significant increase in the number of case loads in recent years, difficulties with the NC FAST system and the additional work functions added due to Health Care Reform. The current Income Maintenance staff has worked overtime to keep up with the demand and do not anticipate a decrease in the work load in the near future. Board approval was requested to establish these two (2) new positions and approve the associated budget amendment # 2015-12 to increase the expenditures line item for salaries, benefits, data processing supplies.

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the new positions and approve the associated budget amendment. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and carried unanimously.

ITEM # 5 – UTILITIES / GREATER BADIN WATER & SEWER DISTRICT (GBWSD)

Presenter: Donna Davis, Utilities Director

A. Badin Water Rehab Projects Parts A & B

Stanly County has been awarded grant, loan and principle forgiveness funds for the construction of a new waterline in the Greater Badin Water & Sewer District. Part A will be funded by the USDA-Rural Development program and Part B by the NC DENR State Revolving Fund thus requiring two (2) project ordinances for the required fiscal management of the projects. Board approval was requested for the project ordinance and budget amendments 2015-13 and 2015-14 to create Fund 612 for the Part A project, as well as approval for the project ordinance and budget amendment 2015-15 to create Fund 613 for the Part B project.

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve both project ordinances and the corresponding budget amendments as requested. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

**See Exhibit A
Greater Badin Water & Sewer District
Project Ordinances for the
Badin Water Rehabilitation Project Part A & B**

Chairman Dennis requested the Board recess the Board of County Commissioners meeting and reconvene as the Greater Badin Water & Sewer District. Vice Chairman moved to do so and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

B. Greater Badin Water & Sewer District

The Greater Badin Water & Sewer District plans to update its “Water Sale and Supply Agreement” and “Maintenance Agreement” with Stanly County Utilities prior to the start of the Badin Water Rehab projects. The Utilities Director requested authorization to sign the agreement on behalf of the District via an authorizing resolution.

Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to approve the authorizing resolution as requested and was seconded by Commissioner Morton. Motion carried by a 5 – 0 vote.

Commissioner McIntyre then moved to recess the meeting of the Greater Badin Water & Sewer District, and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and passed by a vote of 5 – 0.

**See Exhibit B
Authorizing Resolution to Allow the Utilities Director
to Sign the “Water Sale and Supply Agreement” and “Maintenance Agreement”**

on Behalf of the Greater Badin Water & Sewer District

C.Stanly County Utilities

Stanly County Utilities plans to update its “Water Sale and Supply Agreement” and “Maintenance Agreement” with the GBWSD prior to the start of the rehab projects. It was requested that an authorizing resolution be approved which would allow the County Manager to sign this agreement on behalf of the county.

Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to approve the authorizing resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**See Exhibit C
Authorizing Resolution to Allow the County Manager
to Sign the “Water Sale and Supply Agreement” and “Maintenance Agreement”
on Behalf of the County**

ITEM # 6 – STANLY COUNTY FIBER-BUILD RFP

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

Previously the Board directed staff to proceed with the development of an RFP to more clearly define the cost of a proposed fiber loop to connect the County’s three (3) new emergency radio system tower sites with MCNC’s open access fiber network in Midland. Enclosed for Board consideration was the proposed scope of work and cost to develop and administer the RFP.

Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to authorize staff to enter into a contract with ECC Technologies for the proposed RFP development and administration and amend the EDC’s budget to cover the \$12,000 cost. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 7 – STANLY COUNTY BUILDING RE-USE GRANT RESOLUTION FOR PROJECT UTILITY

Presenter: Paul Stratos, EDC Director

The EDC recommended the County support the efforts of a new economic development project seeking to locate and / or expand in Stanly County. Project Utility is considering an existing building for its location and will seek funding through the building re-use grant funds from the NC Department of Commerce. A five percent (5%) match from the County is required in the amount of \$12,000. The company plans to invest \$1.8 million and create twenty (20) new jobs. Board approval was requested for the resolution of support for the building re-use application and the County’s financial match commitment.

Vice Chairman Dunevant moved to approve the resolution as well as the \$12,000 financial commitment. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 8 – PERSONNEL RESOLUTION – TRAVEL AMENDMENT POLICY

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

An amendment to the County’s current travel and subsistence policy was submitted for Board consideration. The changes will limit the meal reimbursement amount to the following amounts and would be effective January 1, 2015.

- Breakfast \$ 8.00
- Lunch \$11.00
- Dinner \$15.00

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the proposed amendment and was seconded by Commissioner Morton. Motion passed with a vote of 5 – 0.

ITEM # 9 – CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – recessed meeting of October 13, 2014 and regular meeting of October 20, 2014.

By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to approve the above items as presented. His motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner McIntyre reminded everyone of Election Day on Tuesday and to get out and vote.

Commissioner Ascitutto stated that all the town meetings went well and noted several topics of discussion included the schools, ebola concerns and the proposed sales tax referendum.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner McIntyre moved to recess the meeting into closed session and was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant. Motion carried unanimously at 7:51 p.m.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant. The motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote at 8:08 p.m.

Tony M. Dennis, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk