

**STANLY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 5, 2011**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Lindsey Dunevant, Chairman  
Gene McIntyre, Vice Chairman  
Tony Dennis  
Jann Lowder  
Josh Morton

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Andy Lucas, County Manager  
Jenny Furr, County Attorney  
Tyler Brummitt, Clerk

**REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") met in regular session on Monday, December 5, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. The County Manager, acting as temporary chairman, called the meeting to order for the purpose of reorganization of the Board pursuant to NCGS 153A-39.

**ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The Commissioners took their seats and the County Manager opened the floor for nominations for Chairman in accordance with NCGS 153A-39. Commissioner McIntyre nominated Commissioner Dunevant for Chairman. Commissioner Dennis then moved to close the nominations and Commissioner Dunevant was declared Chairman for 2012 by unanimous vote.

**ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

The County Manager congratulated Chairman Dunevant and turned the proceedings over to him. Chairman Dunevant then opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman pursuant to NCGS 153A-39. Commissioner Morton moved to nominate Commissioner McIntyre for Vice Chairman, was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

## APPROVAL OF BONDS

Chairman Dunevant called for a motion to approve the following public official bonds:

<b>Bond Type</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>
Tax Administrator (Melia Miller)	\$100,000	June 30, 2012
Finance Officer (Toby Hinson)	\$100,000	June 30, 2012
Register of Deeds (Suzanne Lowder)	\$ 50,000	December 1, 2012
Sheriff (Rick Burris)	\$ 5,000	December 4, 2012

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the public bonds as presented, was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

## BOARD & COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Commissioner Dennis presented the following slate of nominees for the boards and committees for 2012:

Chairman, Economic Development Commission	Tony Dennis
Alternate, Economic Development Commission	Jann Lowder
Member, Board of Health	Jann Lowder
Member, Piedmont Behavioral Health Board	Josh Morton
Member, Social Services Board	Gene McIntyre
Member, Library Board of Trustees	Gene McIntyre
Member, Airport Authority	Tony Dennis
Alternate, Airport Authority	Lindsey Dunevant
Chairman, Fire District Commission	Tony Dennis
Member, Albemarle Downtown Development Commission	Josh Morton
Member, Senior Services Board	Josh Morton
Member, Rural Transportation Planning Organization (RPO)	Lindsey Dunevant
Alternate, Rural Transportation Planning Organization (RPO)	Gene McIntyre

Member, Stanly Water & Sewer Authority	Jann Lowder
Alternate, Stanly Water & Sewer Authority	Lindsey Dunevant

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to accept the assignments as read, was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE 2012 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to approve the meeting dates for the first and third Monday of each month, omitting the second meeting for the months of June, July, August, September and October, with the meetings being held at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. The meeting schedule for 2012 is as follows:

- Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>\*
- Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> and Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>
- Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup>\*\*
- Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>\*\*\*
- Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday, October 15
- Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

- \* Rescheduled due to holidays on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> (New Year’s Day) and Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> (Martin Luther King Holiday)
- \*\* Rescheduled due to July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday
- \*\*\*Rescheduled due to holiday on Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> (Labor Day)

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by a vote of 5 – 0.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Commissioner Dunevant announced that during any regular meeting of the Board, the County Commissioners in order to act in their capacity as Board of Governors for the Greater Badin Water & Sewer District, or for the Piney Point Water District may, in their discretion, recess a Commissioners’ regular meeting and reconvene as the Board of Governors of either of the

above two entities in order to conduct business matters related to that entity. The Chairman stated that this concluded matters related to the reorganization.

### **INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Commissioner Lowder.

### **APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to approve the agenda with two amendments: 1) Item # 4 – Utilities was pulled from the agenda until a later date, and 2) the addition of a resolution for a “Legislative Request to Introduce a Local Bill Requiring Voter Identification Prior to Voting in Local Elections” be added as Item # 5 (F). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by unanimous vote.

### **SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **ITEM # 1 – RETIREMENT AWARD PRESENTATION FOR KEITH WHITLEY, TAX ADMINISTRATION**

The Board took a moment to recognize Mr. Keith Whitley for his 34 years of service to the county in the Tax Mapping & Land Records department.

#### **ITEM # 2 – ANNUAL PRESENTATION OF THE AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

**Presenter: Marcie Spivey, Martin Starnes & Associates**

Ms. Spivey presented a power point presentation that included an overview of the county’s annual financial report. There were no significant findings or questioned costs as well as no material weaknesses or deficiencies noted in the audit.

Commissioner Dennis moved to accept the audit as presented, was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and passed with a vote of 5 – 0.

#### **ITEM # 3 – FINANCE – REFINANCE OF BB& T SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION LOAN**

**Presenter: Toby Hinson, Finance Director**

Mr. Hinson presented information pertaining to the request to refinance the current school construction loan with BB&T which has a current rate of 4.48%. Based on the current loan balance of \$11,631,580.00 and the new rate of 3.67% would result in interest savings of \$755,000.00 over the life of the loan with the maturity date remaining the same. There are no fees associated with the rate reduction.

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve BB&T to proceed with the refinance and was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **ITEM # 4 – UTILITIES**

**Presenter: Donna Davis, Utilities Director**

This item was pulled from the agenda.

#### **ITEM # 5 – CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes – Regular meeting of November 21, 2011
- B. DSS – Budget amendment #2012-13
- C. Register of Deeds – Memorandum regarding the destruction of marriage and health certificates in accordance with G. S. 51.9
- D. Tax Administration – Refund request for A. L. Lowder, Inc.
- E. RPO – Request approval of the amendment to the Stanly County Local Coordinated Plan originally approved on January 3, 2011
- F. Request approval of the attached resolution to “Request the Introduction of a Local Bill Requiring Voter Identification Prior to Voting in Local Elections.”

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to approve the above items as presented. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by a 5 – 0 vote.

Chairman Dunevant took a moment to recognize members of Boy Scout Troop 82 and Scout Master Mike Massey who were in attendance.

#### **POWERPOINT PRESENTATION REGARDING ALCOA’S PROPOSAL FOR THE RELICENSING OF THE HYDRO PROJECT**

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Dunevant gave a power point presentation which outlined Alcoa’s recent proposal to the County. The presentation was provided for the public’s information and in response to information recently released by Alcoa regarding the relicensing of the project.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals came forward to express their support of the County Commissioners regarding the Alcoa / Cleantech issue: Mike Snyder, Ron Bryant, Nancy Gotovi, Jimmy Dick, Chris Bramlett, Harold Greene, Dean Naujoks, Nancy Bryant and Lester Galloway.

Those speaking in favor of Cleantech and the need for jobs and to urge the Board to settle with Alcoa were Deanne Chandler, Charles Crawley, Dale Ward, Bill Harwood, Martha Garber, Vanessa Mullinix, and Jim Harrison.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Morton congratulated Chairman Dunevant and Vice Chairman McIntyre on their appointments.

There were no other comments.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Dennis moved to recess the meeting to closed session in order to consult with the County Attorney in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3) to discuss the 401 water quality permit intervention and to discuss economic development in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and passed by unanimous vote.

**RECESS**

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to recess the meeting until Friday, December 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Manager's Conference Room to meet with representatives of Cleantech. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed unanimously at 9:00 p.m.

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**Lindsey R. Dunevant, Chairman**

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**Tyler Brummitt, Clerk**