

**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 16, 2013**

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, December 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order, gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance. Tate Daniels, Mayor of New London, reconvened the New London Town Council meeting of December 3, 2013.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

It was requested that Item # 4 be removed from the agenda and budget amendment # 2014-14 for the Senior Center be added as Item # 5 (D). Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 1 - RETIREMENT AWARD PRESENTATION FOR BRENDA S. BRUTON

The Board took a few moments to recognize Ms. Bruton who recently retired from the Stanly County Sheriff's Office with over twenty-one (21) years of service.

ITEM # 2 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – JOINT PUBLIC HEARING WITH THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON A PROPOSED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT FOR A WOOD PRODUCTS MANUFACTURER

Presenter: Paul Stratos, EDC Director

Mr. Stratos stated the purpose of the public hearing was to invite public comment on a proposed economic incentive agreement which will result in a five (5) year business development grant between Stanly County, the Town of New London and a wood products manufacturer. The grant will aid in the renovation of the building for a new recycling and distribution operation in the county. The company will invest approximately \$3.8 million and create twenty-four (24) new jobs.

With no questions from the Board, Chairman Dennis declared the public hearing open for the Board of County Commissioners. Having no one come forward to speak, the public hearing was closed. By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the proposed incentive agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto and carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Tate Daniels of New London then declared the public hearing open for the New London Town Council. Having no one come forward, the public hearing was closed. Commissioner Peak moved to approve the proposed incentive agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Chestnut. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Chestnut moved to adjourn the New London Town Council meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Mullis. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM # 3 – DISCUSSION REGARDING THE OLD CENTRAL SCHOOL PROPERTY

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

The City of Albemarle has offered to purchase the Old Central School property from the Stanly County Schools for \$150,000. Per NCGS, the school system must give the County the first right of refusal before disposing of the property. All proceeds from the sale must be used to reduce the County's bonded indebtedness or for school capital outlay purposes.

By motion, Commissioner McIntyre moved to allow the City of Albemarle to purchase the property. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Morton and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

ITEM # 4 – SELECTION OF A VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE NCACC LEGISLATIVE GOALS CONFERENCE

This item was pulled from the agenda.

ITEM # 5 – CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes – Reorganizational meeting of December 2, 2013**
- B. Tax – Refund request for Chicago Tube & Iron Co.**

- C. Finance – Request acceptance of the Financial Report for the Five Months Ended November 30, 2013
- D. Senior Center – Request approval of budget amendment # 2014-14

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Ascitutto. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

GENERAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

All the Board members wished everyone a safe and Merry Christmas.

CLOSED SESSION

By motion, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to recess the meeting into closed session to discuss economic development in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4). The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre and carried with a 5 – 0 vote at 7:12 p.m.

ADJOURN

With no further business presented, Commissioner Ascitutto moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunevant. The motion passed unanimously at 7:24 p.m.

Tony M. Dennis, Chairman

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk