

**STANLY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 17, 2010**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Tony Dennis, Chairman  
Gene McIntyre, Vice Chairman  
Lindsey Dunevant  
Sherrill Smith

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Jann Lowder – Absent due to surgery

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) met in regular session on Monday, May 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order and Commissioner Smith gave the invocation.

**APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Vice Chairman McIntyre made the motion to add an appointment to the Economic Development Commission as agenda item # 3(B). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed by a 4 – 0 vote.

**ITEM # 1 – PLANNING & ZONING**

**Presenter: Michael Sandy, Planning Director**

**A. Adoption of the Stanly County Land Use Plan Revisions**

The proposed revisions to the Land Use Plan were presented previously during the April 19, 2010 meeting. The item was tabled until the second meeting in May to allow time for further study. It was now requested that the Board take action on the revisions to the plan.

Commissioner Dunevant commended the work of the Land Use Planning Committee and others involved in its development stating the proposed plan is better than the one the county currently has in place. However, he would not be able to support it as presented due to the plan designating highway corridors as growth zones.

Commissioner Dunevant read a brief statement stating the reasons he could not support it and requested the revisions not be approved.

Commissioner Smith stated the county needs growth now more than at any other time in history and by motion moved that the plan be approved as presented. His motion was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre. The plan was approved by a vote of 3 – 1.

Ayes: Chairman Dennis, Vice Chairman McIntyre, and Commissioner Smith  
Nos: Commissioner Dunevant

**B. Appointments to the Board of Adjustment**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the appointment of Richard Cosgrove as a Board of Adjustment member for a three year term beginning July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013, and Rebecca Carter as an Alternate for a three year term beginning July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013. His motion was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre and passed by unanimous vote.

**ITEM # 2 – CRIMINAL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (CJPP)**

**Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager**

Board approval was requested to approve the filing of the Application for Continuation of Implementation Funding for the CJPP in the anticipated amount of \$72,000. The application is submitted annually to the state in order to apply for continued funding of the program.

Motion to approve the application was made by Vice Chairman McIntyre and seconded by Commissioner Dunevant. The motion was passed by a 4 – 0 vote.

**ITEM # 3 – PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2010-11 MANAGER’S RECOMMENDED BUDGET**

**Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager**

Each Board member received a copy of the recommended annual operating budget for the FY 2010-11. Due to declining revenues and significant increases in insurance and retirement costs, the proposed budget includes layoffs, reduction of employee work hours, and an increased cost share of dependent health care being passed on to the employee. In addition, it was requested each department cut an additional two (2%) percent from their budget requests in preparation for the upcoming year.

Some of the other items highlighted during the presentation included:

1. Recommended property tax rate of \$0.67 per \$100 of valuation (no increase from the previous year) with all fire districts remaining unchanged with the exception of Ridgecrest Fire Department who has requested an increase of \$0.01 per \$100 in valuation.
2. Fee / Tax Increases including \$1.00 per household fee increase in Solid Waste due to the proposed \$2 per ton fee increase for use of the City of Albemarle’s landfill, and the addition of a \$35 permit fee to sustain funding for the abandoned mobile home removal program.

3. Personnel – no new positions are recommended.
4. Seven (7) capital projects were recommended at a total projected cost of \$261,924. These included replacement of two ambulances, new compactor container, Blue Prince Software purchase for Environmental Health, repaving of Senior Center parking lot, two (2) vehicle replacements and security system replacement for SCUSA, and replacement of four (4) vehicles for the Sheriff's Office.
5. Proposed 2.5% base rate increase for Stanly County Utilities and the Greater Badin Water and Sewer District.

The presentation was for information only and required no action from the Board.

### **ITEM # 3 (B) – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (EDC) APPOINTMENT**

**Presenter: Commissioner Smith**

It was requested the Board reappoint Walter Scott Booth to the EDC Board to represent the South (R) district for a two year term from January 31, 2010 - January 31, 2012.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the reappointment and was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **ITEM # 4 – CONSENT AGENDA**

**Presenter: Chairman Dennis**

- A. Minutes – Special meetings on April 26 and May 3, 2010 and regular meeting on May 3, 2010
- B. Tax Release & Discovery Report for April 2010
- C. Transportation – Budget amendment # 2010-51

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

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

The Board expressed their appreciation for the hard work completed by county staff and department heads in putting together the recommended budget.

Vice Chairman McIntyre stated he had attended an "after action review" over the weekend in which the purpose was to review the Forestry Service and local fire departments response to a recent fire at Morrow Mountain. He stated the event went well and both departments received a good report.

Commissioner Dunevant thanked everyone who voted during the primary and encouraged citizens to continue their participation in local government.

Chairman Dennis asked everyone to remember Commissioner Lowder and Roger Dick, both of whom had recently had surgery, and Allen Lawrence who would have surgery on Tuesday.

The County Manager stated that he and Vice Chairman McIntyre would be attending the County Assembly Day in Raleigh on Wednesday.

The County Attorney had no comment.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to recess to closed session to discuss a personnel issue in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business being brought forward, Commissioner Dunevant moved to adjourn the meeting until Monday, June 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed with a vote of 4 – 0 at 8:15 p.m.

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**Tony M. Dennis, Chairman**

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**Tyler Brummitt, Clerk**