

**STANLY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 23, 2012**

**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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") met in regular session on Monday, January 23, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chairman Dunevant called the meeting to order and Commissioner Morton gave the invocation.

**APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to approve the agenda with the addition of the NC Governor's Crime Commission Technology Grant presented by Sheriff Rick Burriss as Item # 5 and the Consent Agenda as Item # 6. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

**ITEM # 1 – PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE CLOSE OUT OF THE 2009 CDBG SCATTERED SITE HOUSING PROJECT (09-C-2006)**

**Presenter: Michael Walser, Grant Administrator for Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates**

The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comment concerning the close out of the 2009 Scattered Site Housing Project through the NC Department of Commerce, Division of Community Investment. With grant funds in the amount of \$433,119.00, a total of fourteen (14) homes and forty-one (41) low to moderate income individuals benefited by having their homes either rehabilitated, emergency repairs completed and two relocations completed.

Chairman Dunevant declared the public hearing open. Having no one come forward to speak for or against, the hearing was closed.

No action was required of the Board on this item.

**ITEM # 2 – PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2011 & 2012 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS**

**Presenter: Michael Walser, Grant Administrator for Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates**

The public hearing was required in order to receive citizen input regarding the use of CDBG funds from the NC Department of Commerce and the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development within Stanly County.

Chairman Dunevant declared the public hearing open. With no one coming forward to speak, the hearing was closed.

No action was required of the Board.

**ITEM # 3 – BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

**A. Board of Equalization & Review**

**Presenter: Melia Miller, Tax Administrator**

By motion, Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to approve the following appointments:

- Martha Cranford to serve the unexpired term of Reba Smith until December 31, 2013
- Vickie Long to serve a four (4) year term until December 31, 2015 to fill the seat vacated by Anita Blair
- Reappoint Jerry Burluson to a four (4) year term until December 31, 2015

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and passed by unanimous vote.

**B. Centralina Economic Development Commission**

**Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager**

Commissioner Lowder moved to approve the following appointments:

- Reappoint EDC Director Paul Stratos to a three (3) year term until 2015
- Appoint Commissioner Tony Dennis to serve as an elected official for a three (3) year term until 2015 with Commissioner Dunevant as the alternate.

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

**C. Town of Oakboro's Board of Adjustment Outside Alternate Member**

**Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager**

The Town of Oakboro requested Renae Little be reappointed as an Outside Alternate member of Oakboro's Board of Adjustment for a three (3) year term until January 1, 2012.

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the reappointment of Ms. Little, the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre and passed by unanimous vote.

**D. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

**Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager**

Current EDC Board members Paul Childress and Cindy Beane's terms expired on January 31, 2012. Both are eligible for reappointment and have agreed to serve again.

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to reappoint Paul Childress and Cindy Beane, each for a two (2) year term until December 31, 2014. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Lowder and passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

**ITEM # 4 – FINANCE – PRESENTATION OF THE MARTIN STARNES & ASSOCIATES CONTRACT FOR THE 2011-2012 COUNTY AUDIT**

**Presenter: Toby Hinson, Finance Director**

Included in the Board's agenda packet was a copy of the proposed contract from Martin Starnes & Associates for audit services during the FY 2011-2012. The total fees to perform this audit will be \$49,000.00 which is \$2,200.00 less that last fiscal year due to Finance staff taking on the responsibility of preparing the AFIR.

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the contract with Martin Starnes & Associates for FY 2011-2012, was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

**ITEM # 5 – SHERIFF'S OFFICE – NC GOVERNOR'S CRIME COMMISSION TECHNOLOGY GRANT**

**Presenter: Sheriff Rick Burris**

The Stanly County Sheriff's Office in partnership with the Albemarle Police Department and with the support of District Attorney Reese Saunders sought Board approval to apply for a \$60,000.00 technology grant. These funds will be used to jointly purchase computer equipment (hardware and software) that will allow the agencies to search for digital evidence on suspect computers, cell phones, and other digital storage devices. A portion of the grant funds will also be used for officer training costs and continued technical support from the forensic software companies.

The grant requires a 25% match of \$15,000.00 from the grantees which will be shared between the Sheriff's Office and the Albemarle Police Department at \$7,500.00 each. Since these monies are included in this year's budget, no new funds are needed.

Commissioner Lowder moved to approve the application to the NC Governor's Crime Commission Technology Grant and the required matching funds. Her motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by unanimous vote.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes – Recessed meetings of October 31, 2011, December 1, 2011, December 9, 2011 and emergency meetings of December 13, 2011, December 14, 2011, December 15, 2011 and regular meeting of January 9, 2012.
- B. Finance – Request acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report For Six Months Ended December 31, 2011
- C. Tax – Refund requests for American Fiber & Finishing and Eston G. West, Sr.

By motion, Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the above items as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre and passed unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

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

Chairman Dunevant reminded everyone of the Stanly County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting on Monday, January 30, 2012 and encouraged Board members to attend.

There were no other comments.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to recess the meeting to closed session 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 APGI's public records lawsuit, and to discuss a personnel issue in accordance with G. S. 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by unanimous vote.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

By motion, Vice Chairman McIntyre moved to approve a base salary of \$100,000.00 for the County Manager effective February 3, 2012. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis and passed by unanimous vote.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business presented, Commissioner Morton moved to adjourn the meeting, was seconded by Vice Chairman McIntyre and the motion passed with a 5 -0 vote at 8:12 p.m.

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**Lindsey Dunevant, Chairman**

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**Tyler Brummitt, Clerk**