

July 6, 2010  
Board of Commissioners Meeting

The Duplin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, July 6, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building (224 Seminary Street), Kenansville, North Carolina.

Present: Chairman Cary Turner, Commissioners David Fussell, Frances Parks, Harold Raynor and Zettie Williams.

Absent: Commissioner Reginald Wells.

Also Present: Mr. Mike Aldridge, County Manager; Ms. Paige Marshburn, Administrative Officer; Ms. Teresa Lanier, Finance Officer; and Ms. Wendy Sivori, County Attorney.

Commissioner Turner gave the invocation.

The following reports were received by the board and are on file with the clerk:

E911 – June 2010  
Finance Office Activity Report – May 2010  
Inspections – 2010  
Managers Report – June 2010  
Outstanding County Tax - 2010

Motion was made by Commissioner Parks, seconded by Commissioner Williams, carried unanimously, to approve the Consent Agenda which included the following: Minutes – June 21 & June 30, 2010, Tax & Solid Waste Releases #7529 - #7532. Budget Amendment #002 - #016 (2010-2011). Commissioner Williams added to the agenda a request for information to be shared with the department heads on diversified enrollment in each department.

Mr. Aldridge presented Administrative Budget Amendments #L705 - #L725 (2009/2010), #A001 – (2010/2011) to be made part of the minutes.

Public Comments: None

Mr. Mark Eatman, Transportation Engineer with Transport Planning Branch appeared before the board to conduct a Public Hearing on Beulaville's Comprehensive Transportation Plan. This plan has been adopted by the town of Beulaville and request that it be adopted by the Board of Commissioners (See handout in minutes.)

Public Hearing was called to order at 9:25 a.m..

David Jones: Asked about the potential bypass going around Beulaville and how this would impact the economic business in Beulaville.

Mr. Eatman: It would be minimal impact.

Commissioner Raynor: Why on Lyman Road is the town limiting about 400 feet different going in the town versus coming out of the town?

Mayor Ken: Was not aware and could not answer, but would check on it.

Public Hearing was closed at 9:30 a.m.

Ms. Jerri Parker, North Carolina Department of Transportation, appeared before the board to discuss any road issues in Duplin County.

Commissioner Parks reported writing on signs on Malcom Road at the bridge.

Mr. Kenneth Smith reported that at the end of Lighthouse Road the stop sign is missing.

Commissioner Fussell asked if the road shoulders were fixed on Fire Tower Road in Rose Hill. Ms. Parks replied that they have been fixed.

Commissioner Raynor requested that slow down signs need to be put out on Cedar Fork Road where the church is located.

Commissioner Williams asked is there anything the Board of Commissioners could do about getting a caution light at Hwy 24 and the bypass. Ms. Parker said the DOT has done everything they know to do. Commissioner Williams suggested starting a petition. Ms. Parker will provide a name and address on where to send the petition to.

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Raynor, carried unanimously, for citizens of Duplin County to petition to the State of North Carolina DOT requesting caution lights at the intersection of Hwy 24 and the bypass.

Mr. Aldridge was asked to write the petition for signatures from citizens in Duplin County to the State of North Carolina DOT.

Ms. Ann Hunter reported that the sign on Pasture Branch on Hwy 50 is turned.

Mr. Kenneth Smith reported that the tile under Hwy 24 at the intersection between Hwy 24 & Hwy 41 is not sufficient accessing the water to flow through.

Mr. Mark Eatman requested for the board to approve the transportation plan and he would send the resolution later.

Motion was made by Commissioner Parks, seconded by Commissioner

Raynor, carried unanimously, to approve the transportation plan and send the resolution in at a later date per the request of Mr. Mark Eatman.

Mr. Ken Rau, Animal Advisory Group, appeared before the board and presented a power point showing the need, opportunity and the next step that needs to be taken for a new animal shelter in Duplin County. At this time the current facility will not continue to meet requirements of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. Stimulus money of 35% grant and 65% loan of the shelter are available. The application for the stimulus money has be completed and sent in before the end of the July. The Animal Advisory Board requests that the county manager submit the needed information to request funding to USDA by the end of next week. (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Fussell, seconded by Commissioner Parks. Commissioner Fussell requested that Ms. Teresa Lanier, Finance Officer, confirm the Event Center operating budget, debt service and the revenues to offset the expenses to be discussed at the next board meeting. Commissioner Turner and Fussell voted for. Commissioner Parks, Raynor and Williams voted against. Motion failed 3 to 2.

Mr. Mike Barnette appeared before the board to hold a public hearing on the 2008 CDBG IF HOOKUP (03-D-1915) closeout performance report, property disposition report, certificate of completion, and requested the board to authorize the finance officer and chairman to sign same (See handout in minutes.)

The Public Hearing began at 10:45 a.m.

Ms. Rebecca Judge asked if the grant paid the \$100 water hookup fee.  
Mr. Mike Barnette responded yes.

The Public Hearing closed at 10:50 a.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Parks, seconded by Commissioner Raynor, carried unanimously, to approve the 2008 CDBG IF HOOKUP (03-D-1915) closeout performance report, property disposition report, certificate of completion, and authorize the chairman to sign.

Mr. Barnette requested approval for the 2008 CDBG CR Program Replacement Housing amounts of \$78,000 for Ms. Ruth McCloud, \$78,000 for Ms. Peggy Graham, \$83,000 for Ms. Gladys Jackson, and requested the board to authorize the chairman and finance officer to sign same (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Raynor, seconded by Commissioner Williams, carried unanimously, to approve the 2008 CDBG CR Program Replacement Housing amounts of \$78,000 for Ms. McCloud, \$78,000 for Ms. Graham and \$83,000 for Ms. Jackson, and authorized the chairman and finance officer to sign same.

Mr. Barnette requested approval for the 2009 CDBG SSH Program Housing Replacement Contract Awards in the amount \$80,000 for Ms. Sarah Freeman and requested the board to authorize the chairman and the finance officer to sign same (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Raynor, carried unanimously, to approve the request for the 2009 CDBG SSH Program Housing Replacement Contract Award in the amount of \$80,000 for Ms. Sarah Freeman and authorized the chairman and finance officer to sign same.

Mr. Barnette requested approval for the 2009 CDBG SSH Rehabilitation Contract Awards in the amount of \$16,640 for repairs and \$5,500 for lead based paint removal for Ms. Lucy Brinson, \$13,352.75 repairs for Ms. Rosa Glaspie, \$26,885 repairs for Ms. Catherine Jones, \$38,670 repairs for Ms. Lillian Morrissey and requested the board to authorize the chairman and finance officer to sign same (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Parks, seconded by Commissioner Raynor, carried unanimously, to approve the 2009 CDBG SSH Rehabilitation Contract Awards in the amount of \$16,640 for repairs and \$5,500 for lead based pair removal for Ms. Lucy Brinson, \$13,352.75 repairs for Ms. Rosa Glaspie, \$26,885 repairs for Ms. Cathrine Jones, \$38,670 repairs for Ms. Lillian Morrissey, and authorized the chairman and finance officer to sign same.

Mr. George Futrelle, Airport, appeared before the board to present a contract with Campbell Oil & Gas Company and Duplin County Airport for fuel and oil purchases for the next three years and requests the board to authorize the chairman to sign (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Parks, seconded by Commissioner Williams, carried unanimously, to approve the contract with Campbell Oil & Gas Company and to authorize the chairman to sign.

As a result of the resignation by Mr. Adam Kennedy, Soil Conservation Tech, with Soil and Water Department effective July 2, 2010, Ms. Donna Rouse, Soil Conservation Director, request to advertise and fill this vacant position (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Raynor to advertise for a Soil Conservation Technician and the position does not have to be filled from within the county. Commissioners Parks, Turner, Raynor and Williams voted for. Commissioner Fussell voted against. Motion carries 4 to 1.

Mr. Aldridge requested to advertise for a vacant position in housekeeping.

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Parks to advertise for the vacant position in housekeeping. Commissioner Parks, Turner, Raynor and Williams voted for. Commissioner Fussell voted against. Motion carries 4 to 1.

Mr. Aldridge presented a contract with Ms. Sabra Duncan for programming services for 2010-2011 fiscal year. Ms. Duncan will only being called on

during an emergency basis that cannot be covered by current staff. Mr. Aldridge requested for the board to approve the contract and authorize the finance officer to sign. (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Fussell, seconded by Commissioner Parks to approve the contract and authorize the finance officer to sign same. Commissioners Parks, Fussell, Raynor and Williams voted for. Commissioner Turner voted against. Motion carries 4 to 1.

The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners sent a letter to the County Commissioners and County Manager informing them about the free registration fee for the annual conference in Pitt County on August 26 – August 29, 2010. This offer is for early registration and the deadline is July 26, 2010. Commissioner Fussell and Turner will be attending (See handout in minutes.)

Motion was made by Commissioner Fussell, seconded by Commissioner Williams to direct the county manager to work with the Pet Friends in Duplin County to do everything possible to get a new animal shelter in Duplin County and to get the applications in for any stimulus money that might be available. Motion was out of order.

Mr. Aldridge responded to a previous request on the outcome of a motion in April 2010 for the board of commissioners to rotate boards. The motion passed by a 5 to 1 vote.

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Raynor, carried unanimously, to adjourn until July 19, 2010 in the commissioner's room.

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Chairman