

AGENDA

SPECIAL HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013 - 6 PM

CALL TO ORDER

OPENING

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments are a time for the public to make comments to the County Commissioners. Comments should be kept to three (3) minutes or less and comments should be directed to the entire Board and not to individual members, the staff or to other members of the public. Comments requesting assistance will typically be referred to the County Manager for follow-up or for Board action at a future meeting.

ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- 1) Proposed FY2013-2014 Hyde County Budget Discussion Manager Rich
- 2) Map Recording Procedure Commissioner Fletcher
- 3) Request – Give County Car to Board of Education Manager Rich
- 4) Request – Use of Government Center Parking Garage for Arts & Craft Show .. Manager Rich
- 5) Resolution Opposing The USF&WS's Proposed Designation Of
Critical Habitat For The Northwest Atlantic Ocean Distinct Population Of
The Loggerhead Sea Turtle Manager Rich

CLOSED SESSION (if required)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public is invited to use this time to make comments to the County Commissioners on items discussed during this meeting and/or matters not discussed earlier in the meeting.

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**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: May 13, 2013
Presenter: Bill Rich, County Manager
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: PROPOSED FY2013-2014 HYDE COUNTY BUDGET DISCUSSION

SUMMARY: At its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 6, Manager Rich presented to the Board of Commissioners the remaining timeline for the budget process. A Special Meeting for the purpose of budget discussion was scheduled for today, Monday, May 13.

Commissioners have reviewed the proposed budget over the past week and will present questions and/or concerns about budget items at this time.

The Hyde County FY2013-2014 Budget will be presented to the Board for approval at its next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2013.

RECOMMEND: Discussion. No action required at this time.

Motion Made By: Barry Swind
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Vote: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

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Presenter: Commissioner John Fletcher
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: MAP RECORDING PROCEDURE

SUMMARY: Commissioner Fletcher has expressed concern over the length of time needed to record maps in Hyde County verses neighboring counties. He will recommend procedures to follow that could make recording a map in Hyde County more efficient.

RECOMMEND: Discussion and approval if required.

Motion Made By: Barry Swind
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Vote: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
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 John Fletcher

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Presenter: Bill Rich, County Manager
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: REQUEST – GIVE COUNTY CAR TO HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUMMARY: Hyde County administration department has a 2001 Ford Crown Victoria automobile that is no longer needed.

Manager Rich requests Board approval to gift this vehicle to the Hyde County Board of Education.

RECOMMEND: Discussion and approval.

Motion Made By: Barry Swind
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Vote: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

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Presenter: Bill Rich, County Manager
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: REQUEST – USE OF GOVERNMENT CENTER PARKING GARAGE FOR ARTS & CRAFT SHOW

SUMMARY: Beaufort County Arts Council with the assistance of Mattamuskeet Artisans Teaching, Training, Instructing and Educating (MATTIE) Arts Center will conduct its annual Arts & Craft Show in Swan Quarter on Saturday, October 26, 2013.

In the past, the Arts Council has used the Parking Garage at the Government Center and requests Board approval to do the same this year.

RECOMMEND: Discussion and approval.

Motion Made By: Barry Swind
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

Vote: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: May 13, 2013
Presenter: Bill Rich, County Manager
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: Resolution Opposing The USF&WS's Proposed Designation Of Critical Habitat For The Northwest Atlantic Ocean Distinct Population Of The Loggerhead Sea Turtle

SUMMARY: NC-20 counties have been asked to adopt "Resolution Opposing The USF&WS's Proposed Designation Of Critical Habitat For The Northwest Atlantic Ocean Distinct Population Of The Loggerhead Sea Turtle".

RECOMMEND: Adopt.

Motion Made By: Barry Swind
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher
 Earl Pugh, Jr.

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
 John Fletcher
 Earl Pugh, Jr.

Vote: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Anson Byrd
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Hyde County Board of Commissioners Resolution

Opposing the United States Fish & Wildlife Service's Proposed Designation of Critical Habitat for the Northwest Atlantic Ocean Distinct Population Segment of the Loggerhead Sea Turtle

WHEREAS, On March 25, 2013 nearly thirty-five years after listing the loggerhead sea turtle as threatened, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USF&WS) proposed to designate 740 miles of shoreline in six states as critical habitat, including 96 miles in North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, designation of critical habitat would impact a wide variety of coastal projects involving federal action (activities or programs of any kind authorized, funded, or carried out, in whole or in part, by federal agencies), including, but not limited to, coastal and inlet management activities, such as dredging and beach re-nourishment permitted, funded or implemented by the United States Army Corps of Engineers and hurricane recovery activities funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and,

WHEREAS, the USF&WS's specifically disclosed that special management considerations will be necessitated to address the following 12 threats to critical habitat that are quoted as follows; recreational beach use, beach driving, predation, beach sand placement activities, in-water shoreline alterations, coastal development, artificial lighting, beach erosion, climate change, habitat obstructions, human-caused disasters, and military testing and training activities; and,

WHEREAS, the special management considerations that will be required for the 12 threats identified by the USF&WS will likely include other federal actions such as the implementation of the Nation Flood Insurance Program, implementation of building codes, federal grants for public access and infrastructure improvements, and more; and

WHEREAS, these special management considerations therefore will unnecessarily and negatively impact the local, State, and federal economies; and the public's access and enjoyment of the beach; and,

WHEREAS, despite these far reaching impacts on the federal, state, and local economy, the USF&WS failed to include an economic analysis at the time of its proposed designation as stipulated in the Endangered Species Act; and,

WHEREAS, not only would designation of critical habitat for the loggerhead sea turtle result in more regulatory hurdles for federal coastal projects, the USF&WS ignored other successful measures already in place as coastal governments have constructed and maintain active shore damage reduction projects, which not only provide protection of and benefits to public and private infrastructure, small businesses, the tourism industry, public recreation, and state and local tax bases; but also maintain and enhance habitat for loggerhead sea turtles; and,

WHEREAS, these coastal storm damage reduction projects are conducted pursuant to stringent federal and state regulations that ensure habitat for threatened and endangered species, including the loggerhead sea turtle, is protected before, during and after these events; and,

WHEREAS, local volunteers, in coordination with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, also conduct a sea turtle management program whereby sea turtle activity is monitored daily during nesting season, and volunteers assist in protecting nesting sites and during hatching and assist in tending to and collecting data with respect to stranded turtles; and,

WHEREAS, if critical habitat is designated, some of these existing and successful programs will be burdened with additional and unnecessary regulations, and therefore will become more costly, which will increase the threat to the loggerhead sea turtle and its habitat.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hyde County Board of Commissioners is strongly opposed to the USF&WS's proposed designation of loggerhead sea turtle critical habitat along the shorelines of North Carolina as set forth in Document Number 2013-06458 of the Federal Register and will work with State and federal resources officials and elected representatives to ensure the proposed designation is in no manner included in the final rule.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the designation of critical habitat thirty-five years after the listing of the loggerhead sea turtle is the wrong management tool for the conservation of the species and the Hyde County Board of Commissioners will continue to support the protection and recovery of the loggerhead sea turtle by utilizing effective management guidelines and rules currently in place, while evaluating new practices as they develop.

ADOPTED, this the 13th day of May, 2013.

ATTEST: _____
Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board

Barry Swindell, Chairman