

Special Meeting Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Hyde County

April 26, 2010

Chairman Tom Davis called the Special meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order at 3:08 PM on Monday, April 26, 2010 in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke School Commons Area using electronic conferencing equipment. The following members were present on the mainland: Commissioners Anson Byrd, Ken Collier, Tom Davis, and Sharon Spencer; County Attorney Sid Hassell; Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; and members of the public. The following members were present on Ocracoke: Commissioner Gene Ballance; Deputy Clerk to the Board Jamie Tunnell; and, members of the public.

Agenda:

Chairman Davis asked for any changes to the April 26, 2010 meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk.

Commissioner Byrd moved to approve the agenda as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Collier seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Ballance, Byrd, Collier, Davis, and Spencer; Nays – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

County Manager Position:

Chairman Davis introduced Mr. John E. Whitehurst, Project Manager, North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) who will serve as a resource person for Hyde County during the County Manager application, interview, and hiring process.

John E. Whitehurst:

Mr. Whitehurst notified the Board that he is a part-time employee of the NCACC and a part-time employee of Hobbs Upchurch & Associates.

Mr. Whitehurst explained possible options for consideration by the Board:

Option 1 – Hire a part-time interim manager from a pool of retired county managers through NCACC.

Option 2 – Appoint an interim manager selected from staff (Finance Officer or Clerk to Board) and contract with a retired county manager from NCACC pool for consultant services.

Hearing no objection, Chairman Davis directed that Mr. Whitehurst recruit one or two retired county managers to work for Hyde County on a consultant basis with technical knowledge of the position and budget preparation experience.

Closed Session

Commissioner Byrd moved to enter closed session in accordance with NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) – Personnel Matters. Mr. Collier seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Ballance, Byrd, Collier, Davis, and Spencer; Nays – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

The Commissioners entered closed session at 3:30 P.M.

Commissioner Byrd moved to return from Closed Session. Mr. Collier seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Ballance, Byrd, Collier, Davis, and Spencer; Nays – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

The Commissioners entered regular session at 3:37 P.M.

Commissioner Collier moved to appoint Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry as Interim County Manager until the vacancy can be filled. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Ballance, Byrd, Collier, Davis, and Spencer; Nays – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

Chairman Davis appointed Commissioners Ken Collier and Sharon Spencer to serve on the interview panel for a potential part-time county manager.

Mr. Whitehurst reported that a balanced budget proposal should be presented to the Board in a timely manner.

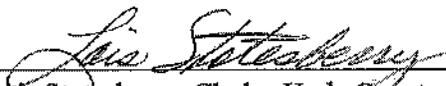
Finance Officer Jessica Gibbs reported that the proposed budget is near completion and that budget workshops will be scheduled.

Chairman Davis moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Ballance, Byrd, Collier, Davis, and Spencer; Nays – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

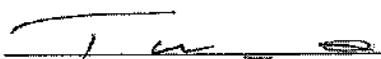
The meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 3rd day of May, 2010.



Lois Stotesberry, Clerk - Hyde County Board of Commissioners



Tom Davis, Chairman - Hyde County Board of Commissioners