

Organizational Meeting Minutes

**Board of County Commissioners
Hyde County**

Monday, December 4, 2017

Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. called the Organizational Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00p.m., on Monday, December 4, 2017, in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke Community Center using electronic conferencing equipment.

The following members were present on the mainland: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr., Vice-chairman Barry Swindell, Assistant County Manager Kris Noble; Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; Deputy Clerk Justin Gibbs; and, members of the public.

Commissioner Tom Pahl; County Manager Bill Rich; Attorney Fred Holscher; Public Information Officer Donnie Shumate and members of the public were present on Ocracoke.

Commissioner Ben Simmons attended via telephone.

Commissioner Dick Tunnell was absent.

Consideration of Agenda:

Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the December 4, 2017 Board of Commissioners Organizational Meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk with commendation of County Attorney Fred Holscher and appointment of County Attorney Franz F. Holscher moved to the January 8, 2018 Board meeting. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Consideration of Minutes:

Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the November 6, 2017 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by the Clerk with corrections on page 1, line 41 – power outage on Ocracoke but that Tideland-EMC PCL refunded approximately \$5,600.00 profit lost. And on page 6, line 15 – Vice-chairman Barry Swindell – attended Commissioner Planning Board, Health Board and meeting with Transit Director Board meetings. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Nominations and Appointments:

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners Lois Stotesberry called for nomination of Board Chairman.

Commissioner Swindell moved to nominate Commissioner Pugh for Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Chairman Pugh assumed his position as Chairman of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners and thanked the Board for his nomination.

Commissioner Simmons moved to nominate Commissioner Swindell for Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Commissioner Swindell moved to nominate Attorney Franz F. Holscher for a one-year appointment as County Attorney. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Attorney Fred Holscher will attend the January 8, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting for Franz Holscher.

Commissioner Simmons moved to re-appoint Lois Stotesberry for Clerk to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Commissioner Swindell moved to re-appoint Justin Gibbs, Rosemary Johnson and Donnie Shumate for Deputy Clerk(s) to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Oath of Office:

Brandy Pugh, Clerk of Court administered "Oath of Office" to Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; Deputy Clerks Justin Gibbs, Rosemary Johnson and Donnie Shumate.

Commissioner Swindell moved to close the Organizational Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Swindell, Pahl and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell. The meeting adjourned at 6:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 8th day of January, 2018.

Attest:


Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners


Earl Pugh, Jr.
Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

