

Special Meeting Minutes

**Board of County Commissioners
Hyde County**

Monday, February 18, 2013

Chairman Barry Swindell called the Special Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 18, 2013, in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke School Commons Room using electronic conferencing equipment.

The following members were present on the mainland: Commissioners Anson Byrd, Earl Pugh, Jr., Dick Tunnell and Barry Swindell; Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; and, members of the public. The following members were present on Ocracoke: Commissioner John Fletcher; Deputy Clerk Megan Shaw and members of the public.

Following opening prayer by Commissioner Pugh and pledge of allegiance, the meeting was called to order.

Agenda:

Chairman Swindell asked for any changes to the February 18, 2013 meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk.

Commissioner Byrd moved to approve the agenda as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Pugh seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Byrd, Fletcher, Pugh, Tunnell and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

Public Comments:

Chairman Swindell called for comments from the public.

Darlene Styron, Ocracoke – reported update on the Ocracoke to Hatteras ferry channel alternate route. She asked that recognition of Dare County's assistance with this project be sent.

Chairman Swindell also reported that Dare County paid for marking of the new channel.

Commissioner Fletcher reported the new ferry route will take approximately 1 and ½ hours.

There being no further comments from the public, Chairman Swindell continued the meeting.

Assistant Clerk:

Chairman Swindell introduced Ms. Rachel Cobb who will be appointed Assistant Clerk at the March 4, 2013 Board meeting. Rachel will assist with the electronic conferencing equipment on Ocracoke Island during Commissioners meetings.

Items of Consideration:

County Manager Position:

Commissioner Fletcher moved to enter into employment agreement with Mr. William D. (Bill) Rich to fill the vacant Hyde County Manager position, effective March 1, 2013; and to end Chairman Swindell's Interim Manager position, effective February 28, 2013. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Byrd, Fletcher, Pugh, Tunnell and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

Chairman Swindell informed staff in attendance that he and Mr. Rich would visit each department and tour County owned buildings on Tuesday, February 19, 2013.

Public Comments:

Chairman Swindell called for comments from the public.

Ken Collier, New Lake – requested a copy of the new County Manager’s contract.

Chairman Swindell stated that it would be available in the morning.

Closed Session (none)

Adjourn

Commissioner Fletcher moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Byrd, Fletcher, Pugh, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 4th day of March, 2013.



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



Barry Swindell
Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners



Attachments: (none)