

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners' Meeting
January 17, 2006
Minutes**

The Hyde County Board of Commissioners held its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Ocracoke School Gymnasium.

Board Members present were:

Bea Emmert, Chair	Charles Spencer	Alice Armstrong
Jane Hodges, Vice-chair	Nathan Sears	

Staff members present were:

Kevin Howard, County Manager
Sid Hassell, County Attorney
Connie Burlison, Clerk to the Board

Media present were:

Nikie Mayo, The Coastland Times
Doug Gibbs, The Washington Daily News

Chair Emmert called the meeting to order, Charles Spencer led with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Upon motion made by Alice Armstrong, seconded by Nathan Sears, with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the agenda as amended. The following items were added:

- Budget Transfer Emergency Medical Services
- Budget Revision Administration
- Budget Revision Social Services
- Ocracoke School Addition Project Ordinance
- FY 05 CDBG – SA Project Ordinance Amendment to #136
- NC Step Demonstration Application

Public Comments

The meeting was opened to receive public comments. Comments were received on the following topic:

- Ocracoke School Addition Project and additional needed funds to complete project
- David Tolson -- updated the Board on the progress of the project and asked assistance with additional funding.
- George Ortman – Stated the need for additional funds
- Gwen Austin – introduced student government president
- Student government president -- introduced student government body
- William Howard – Courthouse Building on voting ballot
- High School English Teacher– School center of community funding for addition right thing to do
- Citizen – Most County funds are spent on Solid Waste, Law Enforcement and Social Services
- Adam Burlison – Need to consider students and their potential
- John Fletcher – Pay as you go would not work for solid waste. Should not build a courthouse we can not afford to maintain.
- Citizen – Need to put children first to keep positive attitudes
- Alton Balance – Need to allot for time on agenda for public comment
- Cheryl Balance – Need to purchase new ambulance to replace old unit. Request Board of Commissioners set up time to meet with Ocracoke Health Center Board.

Approval of Minutes December 19, 2005

Upon motion made by Charles Spencer, seconded by Jane Hodges, with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the December 19, 2005 minutes as submitted.

Budget Revisions and Transfers

Upon motion made by Charles Spencer, seconded by Nathan Sears, with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Budget Revisions and Transfers as submitted:

Budget Revisions

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(FO USE)			LINE ITEM ACCOUNT NAME /		
BR #	DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT #	EXPLANATION	DEBIT	CREDIT
16	ADMINISTRATION	104200.7400	EQUIPMENT	\$4,000.00	
		103350.0000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		\$4,000.00
			INCREASE BUDGET--FUNDS REIMB BY CAPITAL PROJECTS (#002553)CDBG SA #05-I-1383 ADM FOR COPIER/PRINTER PURCHASED		
17	SOCIAL SERVICES	106140.0027	CRISIS INTERVENTION-STATE (DISASTER)	\$3,720.00	
		103470.0022	CRISIS INTERVENTION		\$3,720.00
			INCREASE BUDGET-FUNDING AUTHORIZATION #1 DISASTER CIP FUNDS		

Budget Transfers

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14	EMERGENCY MEDICAL	105920.4500 109990.0001	CONTRACT SERVICES CONTINGENCY TO COVER BELHAVEN FIRE & RESCUE BILLING & COST REPORT PREP MAXIMUS	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00

Local Government Infrastructure Grant/Ocracoke School Addition Grant #2A26-2HC Project Ordinance

Upon motion made by Nathan Sears, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adopted the Local Government Infrastructure Grant/Ocracoke School Addition Grant #2A26-2HC Project Ordinance.

FY05 Community Development Block Grant Supplemental Assistance Project Ordinance

Amendment #136

Upon motion made by Nathan Sears, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adopted the FY05 Community Development Block Grant Supplemental Assistance Project Ordinance Amendment #136.

NC Rural Center Application to Designate NC Small Towns Economic Prosperity Demonstration (NC STEP) for Swan Quarter

Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NC Rural Center Application to Designate NC Small Towns Economic Prosperity Demonstration (NC STEP) for Swan Quarter

Rudy Austin – Taxes and Courthouse Building

Mr. Austin introduced Leonard Meeker to address the tax issue. Mr. Meeker requested that the Board support a resolution asking the General Assembly to allow taxes to be based on actual use of property.

Mr. Austin addressed the issue of borrowing funds to complete the courthouse and public safety center and his opposition to borrowing the funds.

Manager's Business

Mr. Howard presented several issues to the Board.

1. **Appointment to Department of Social Services Board** – Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board appointed Alice Armstrong to replace W. Mack Carawan, Jr. on the Department of Social Services Board.
2. **Appointment to Mid East Regional Housing Authority** – Upon motion made by Bea Emmert, seconded by Alice Armstrong with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board reappointed Jane Hodges to the Mid East Regional Housing Authority.
3. **Budget Revision CDBG-RS Project FY 4 Grant #05-C-1379** – Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the CDBG-RS Project Year 4 Budget Revision as submitted.

Informational Items

- Capital Improvements Plan Workshop
- December Animal Control Report
- December EMS Report
- Minutes Soil and Water Conservation District December 15, 2005
- December 2005 Tax Collection Report
- Dean Burbage Inspector Letter of Resignation
- Letter To National Trust for Historic Preservation Re: Mattamuskeet Lodge
- Draft Minutes for January 3, 2006 for review for adoption on February 6, 2006

Adjournment

Upon motion made by Charles Spencer, seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:10PM.

Clerk _____ Chairman
Hyde County Board of Commissioners