

Hyde County Board of Commissioners' Meeting

June 6, 2005

Minutes

The Hyde County Board of Commissioners held its regular meeting on Monday, June 6, 2005 at 7:00 PM in the Mattamuskeet School Cafeteria.

Board members present were:

Bea Emmert, Chair Charles Spencer, Vice-chair Nathan Sears
W. Mack Carawan, Jr. Jane Hodges

Staff members present were:

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, Doug Gibbs led with prayer and Bea Emmert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the agenda as amended. Sid Hassell, County Attorney and Amanda Schmidt were added to the Agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the minutes of the May 2, 2005 meeting as amended. The Budget Ordinance for the County Courthouse and Public Safety Building included the NC General Assembly allocation for 8 Million dollars. The total project is 9.5 Million dollars

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the minutes of the May 16, 2005 meeting as amended. The \$200,000 allotted for the old courthouse will only cover minimum repairs such as the stairs, elevator and bathrooms.

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the minutes of the May 23, 2005 meeting as amended. Sheriff L. B. Johnson attended the closed session for personnel matters. Two deputy positions will allow salary comparable to years of experience. Finance Office Clerk grade 12 comparable to similar in County. Salary Pay Plan will not include steps but minimum, medium and maximum based on years of experience.

Budget Revisions and Transfers

Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the following Budget Revisions and Transfers as submitted.

			Decrease	Increase
Home Health	50.5800.4900	Homemaker	\$28,000	
	50.5800.4712	Contract Good Health		\$28,000
	50.5800.7503	Computer Software Update	\$ 500	
	50.5800.2100	Rent		\$ 500
Tax Depart	10.4600.3300	Department Supplies	\$ 1,650	
	10.4600.7400	Equipment		\$ 1,650
Soil & Water	10.6060.3200	Office Supplies	\$ 500	
	10.6060.3100	Gas, Oil & Tires	\$ 225	
	10.6060.1400	Travel	\$ 125	
	10.6060.7400	Equipment		\$ 850
			Increase	Increase
Elections	10.3460.0037	List Maintenance Grant	\$ 230	
	10.4300.3300	Departmental Expense		\$ 230

Airport Advisory Committee Appointment

Mr. Melvin Collins submitted his resignation to the Airport Advisory Committee. The Board tabled the appointment until the June 20, 2005 meeting.

Clint Berry, Water Department

Mr. Berry updated the Board on the accomplishments of the Water Department. The Hyde County Water Department received the Spirit Award for Region One, from the NC Rural Water Association. Region One consists of 25 Counties.

Preserve Phase I Preliminary Plat

Ms. Margaret Gray presented the Preserve Phase I Preliminary Plat and requested conditional approval from the Board. The Attorney informed the Board that County Planner Alice Keeney and Environmental Health Specialist Hugh Watson recommended the Board postpone approving the Plat until permits for sewer have been received from the Division of Water Quality. The Board took no action.

Wysocking Bay Subdivision Final Plat

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Bea Emmert with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Wysocking Bay Subdivision Final Plat upon all required conditions being met.

Pungo District Hospital Lease Agreement for Hydeland Home Care

Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Lease Agreement with Pungo District Hospital for the Belhaven work station for Hydeland Home Care.

CDBG-Revitalization Strategies Project Ordinance

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adopted the FY05 CDBG-Revitalization Strategies Project Ordinance.

CHAF – County Attorney Sid Hassell – Elsie Jones

Elsie Jones received a house under the CHAF Program. Two tracts of land are included with the Deed of Trust. Ms. Jones is requesting that one tract of land be released. County Attorney Sid Hassell recommended the County release the tract opposite the location of the home. Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board accepted the recommendation of the County Attorney and released the tract of land that is not occupied by the house.

Hyde County Airport

1. **Safety Preservation Program** – Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the approved the resolution agreeing for NC DOT to provide and oversee safety improvements on the operational surfaces of the Hyde County Airport.
2. **Fixed Based Operator Request for Proposals** – 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 Request for Proposal for a Fixed Base Operator for the Hyde County Airport.
3. **Talbert & Bright Work Authorization** – 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 Work Authorization with Talbert & Bright to provide design services and prepare plans and specs for the Airfield Lighting Rehabilitation and PAPI Installation project at the Hyde County Airport.
4. **State Aid to Airports Certification of Funds** – 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 Certification of Local Funds for Federal Grant Number 36237.57.2.1. The grant combines the unused amount from 2003(\$104,900) and all of the 2004 Vision 100 funds (\$150,000). The required County matching funds is \$28,322.00.

Public Hearing Proposed Hyde County 2005-06 Budget

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board opened the Proposed 2005-06 Public Hearing at 8:00.

Comments received as follows:

Tax rate 71.5 cents

Water rates will increase July 1 \$3.50 per month to the minimum fee

School appropriation increase of \$22,500 in capital outlay over current year

Solid Waste Fees \$150 residential and \$1000 commercial

Charles Spencer requested the Board listen to comments from Joe Sadler regarding his position if he appears before the Board.

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Bea Emmert with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board closed the Proposed County 2005-06 Budget Public Hearing at 8:30 PM.

Manager's Business

Connie Burluson presented several items to the Board

1. **Orientation of Newly Selected 21st Century Communities Representatives** – Bea Emmert and Alice Keeney will attend the workshop on June 23 & 24, 2005 in Raleigh.
2. **Contract Award Elvira Cooper Rehabilitation** – Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board awarded the CDBG-Scattered Sites Rehabilitation Contract for Elvira Cooper to Braxton Home Improvement low bidder for \$16,730.
3. **Aerial Photography for Selected Tier One NC Counties** – Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board agreed to send letters to representatives requesting support for funding of the federal grant to conduct new aerial photography and digital orthophotography for selected Tier One NC Counties.

Public Comments

The meeting opened to receive public comments.

Linda Booker thanked the County for Welcoming her to the community.

Information Items given to Board

- Letter From South Carolina Governor Tim Pawlenty to Governor Easley RE: Preserve America

- Letter From Yolanda Abram RE: Hurricane Act 2005 CHAF Program
- Memo From Hugh Watson RE: Indoor Air Quality Complaint Sheriff/Dispatcher's Office
- Letter From Wayne Clark, Ocracoke RE: Hyde County Board Appointments
- Letter to Wayne Clark from Bea Emmert RE: Board Appointments
- Resolution Adopted by Hyde County Chamber of Commerce Supporting Conducting a Study of the Suitability and Feasibility of Establishing the Northeastern North Carolina Heritage Area in North Carolina
- Letter From Hyde County Chamber of Commerce to NC DOT Supporting the Ocracoke Bike Trail
- Information From Northampton County RE: Medicaid Advocacy Efforts
- Letter to Anthony Roper RE: Ocracoke Island Bridge Replacement/ EMS Transporting
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- Letter From Dorcas Oakley RE: Ocracoke Convenience Site Hours
- Letter to Dorcas Oakley from Bea Emmert RE: Ocracoke Convenience Site Hours
- Ocracoke Jail Inspection
- Letter from Governor Easley RE: Local Planning and Management Grant Awarded to Hyde County for \$24,750
- Ecosystem Planning News
- Ocracoke Planning Advisory Board Minutes
- Letter to US Department of the Interior From Virginia Luizer Re: Cape Hatteras Outer Bank's Group Application of Endangered Species Act and Resource Management

Adjournment

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

_____ Clerk _____ Chairman
 Hyde County Board of Commissioners