

Meeting Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Hyde County

November 21, 2011

Chairwoman Sharon Spencer called the Regular meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 PM on Monday, November 21, 2011 in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke School Information Highway Room using electronic conferencing equipment. The following members were present on the mainland: Commissioners Anson Byrd, Sharon Spencer and Dick Tunnell; Attorney Fred Holscher; County Manager Mazie Smith; Deputy Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; and members of the public. The following members were present on Ocracoke: Commissioner Darlene Styron; Deputy Clerk to the Board Jamie Tunnell-Carter; and, members of the public. Commissioner Barry Swindell was absent.

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

Agenda:

Chairwoman Spencer asked for any changes to the November 21, 2011 meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk.

Commissioner Tunnell moved to approve the agenda as presented by the Clerk with the addition of Item 6 (a) – Ocracoke Travel Trailer Ordinance Amendment – First Reading. Ms. Styron seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:

Ayes – Byrd, Spencer, Styron and Tunnell
Nays – None
Absent - Swindell

Consideration of Minutes:

Chairwoman Spencer asked for approval of meeting minutes.

Commissioner Byrd moved to approve the November 7, 2011 Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:

Ayes – Byrd, Spencer, Styron and Tunnell
Nays – None
Absent - Swindell

Public Comments:

Chairwoman Spencer called for comments from the public.

There being no comments from the public, Chairwoman Spencer continued the meeting.

Other Matters:

Proposed Calendar for 2012

County Manager Smith presented a proposed calendar of Board of Commissioners meetings and official holidays for county employees for 2012. Adoption of the calendar by official resolution will serve as the official notice of regular meetings as directed by General Statute § 143-318.12.

Commissioner Tunnell moved to adopt “RES 2011-12-01 – Resolution of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners Establishing Regular Meeting Dates”. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:

Ayes – Byrd, Spencer, Styron and Tunnell

Nays – None

Absent – Swindell

CLERK’S NOTE: A copy of “RES 2011-11-01 – Resolution of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners Establishing Regular Meeting Dates” is attached herewith as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Hyde Transit Board Member Appointment

County Manager Smith reported that Beverly Paul, Director of Hyde County Transit requests that Sterling Tripp of the NC Employment Security Commission be appointed to the Hyde County Transit Board of Directors.

Commissioner Tunnell moved that after confirmation of no conflict with residency from County Attorney Fred Holscher to appoint Sterling Tripp to the Hyde County Transit Board of Directors. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:

Ayes – Byrd, Spencer, Styron and Tunnell

Nays – None

Absent - Swindell

Engelhard Sanitary District Update

Chairwoman Spencer reported that Earl Pugh, Jr., Murray Ballance and Mark Harris have agreed to serve on the Engelhard Sanitary District Advisory Committee. The Committee held its first meeting on Monday, November 14, 2011.

Ms. Spencer commended Kris Noble and Clint Berry for work done to compile information and for meeting with DENR.

Ms. Spencer also reported that the Division of Natural Resources (DENR) has provided the Sanitary District with the necessary requirements to be in compliance with the Notification of Violation/Moratorium it received on November 18, 2011. DENR also issued an Order of Consent, which allows the Engelhard Sanitary District five years to make the necessary repairs/changes as long as the Sanitary District keeps DENR informed of its progress. The Engelhard Sanitary District is required to run a notice of the Moratorium in the newspaper.

Grants Administrator Kris Noble reported that she is exploring funding assistance options to pay for the necessary repairs.

County Attorney Fred Holscher will prepare an Interlocal Agreement between the Hyde County Board of Commissioners and The Engelhard Sanitary District.

Ocracoke Travel Trailer Ordinance Amendment – First Reading

County Manager Smith presented “An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 36, Subdivisions, Of The Hyde County Code By Replacing In Its Entirety Section 36-181, Campers And Travel Trailers As Accessory Uses To Provide Affordable Seasonal And Year-round Housing.”

Bill Rich of Ocracoke stated that temporary residency is needed on Ocracoke Island with concern to protect the environment.

County Manager's Report:

County Manager Smith announced that the new Hyde County website will be up on Tuesday, November 22nd and invited citizens to visit the site www.hydecountync.gov; she commended employees for work done on numerous County projects. Ms. Smith recognized Alice Keeney, County Planner/Developer for being named "Outstanding Rural Leader of The Year" at the NC Rural Center Conference on November 16-17; and Christopher Williams, owner of Chris' Grocery in Swan Quarter and The Red and White Grocery in Engelhard who spoke at the conference.

Closed Session: (none)

Supplemental Information:

Department Reports

Health Department & Animal Control
Finance
Inspections
Tax Department

Other Information

Albemarle Commission Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes – October 20, 2011
Hyde County Hotline Newsletter
Ocracoke Mosquito Control Budget

Calendar Notes

November

11-24, 25-2011 Thanksgiving Holiday (County offices closed)
11-28-2011 Hyde County Airport Committee Meeting – 1:30p.m. – Engelhard Airport

December

12-05-2011 Public Hearing on NC 12 – 4:00p.m. – Dare County Municipal Building
Board of Commissioners Meeting – 6:00p.m.
12-06-2011 Public Hearing on NC 12 – 4:00p.m. – Rodanthe/Waves/Salvo
Community Building
12-07-2011 Employee Holiday Brunch (floating) – 10:00a.m. – noon – Swan Quarter
Volunteer Fire Department
12-23-2011 Christmas Holiday
12-28-2011 County Offices Reopen

January 2012

01-02-2012 New Year's Day Holiday
01-03-2012 Board of Commissioners Meeting – 6:00p.m.
01-16-2012 Martin Luther King Holiday
01-17-2012 Board of Commissioners Meeting – 6:00p.m.
01-23-2012 Hyde County Airport Committee Meeting – 1:30p.m. – Engelhard Airport

Commissioner Byrd moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Styron seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:

Ayes – Byrd, Spencer, Styron and Tunnell
Nays – None
Absent - Swindell

Chairwoman Spencer commended Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Administrator Jerry Hardison and Environmental Health Coordinator Hugh Watson for work done on the Ocracoke Travel Trailer Ordinance Amendment.

Budgetary Matters:

Budget Transfers

Health Department – BR No. 13-2012 - \$4,000.00; Hyde County Health Department has entered into an agreement with Beaufort County Health Department to assure care management services for Medicaid-eligible children, age birth through the 5th birthday residing in Hyde County in the form of Care Coordination for Children (CC4C). This budget revision reflects funding either received or anticipated to be received from the NC Division of Public Health since July 1, 2011 that will be passed on to Beaufort County Health Department. This revision does increase the budget for CC4C (formerly CSC), but reflects a pass through of funds until the Department of Public Health (DPH) begins sending the funds directly to Beaufort County Health Department.

Health Department – BR No. 13-2012 - \$6,250.00; Hyde County Health Department has entered into an agreement with Beaufort County Health Department to assure care management services in the form of Pregnancy Care Management (PCM) to Medicaid-eligible women residing in Hyde County. This budget revision reflects funding either received or anticipated to be received from the NC Division of Public Health since July 1, 2011 that will be passed on to Beaufort County Health Department. This revision does increase the budget for PCM (formerly MCC), but reflects a pass through of funds until the Department of Public Health (DPH) begins sending the funds directly to Beaufort County Health Department.

Commissioner Byrd moved to approve Budget Revision No. 13-2012 and No. 14-2012. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:

Ayes – Byrd, Spencer, Styron and Tunnell

Nays – None

Absent – Swindell

County Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Styron – reported that she attended the Salt Water Connections last week along with Manager Smith. Issues addressed at the meeting included water quality, affordable housing and needs of the County. Ms. Styron also reported that Re-entry tags had been distributed.

Commissioner Byrd – had nothing new to report.

Commissioner Tunnell – reported that he attended the Marine Fisheries Commission meeting at Fort Macon. Mr. Tunnell spoke about refuges at the meeting and stated that the Board needs to follow this issue in order to protect agriculture and fishing in Hyde County. He also reported that the Marine Fisheries Commission voted 10 to 1 to continue the Strategic Habitat Plan for Pamlico Sound. Dr. Louis Daniel from Dare County voted against the plan. Mr. Tunnell also attended the Mid-East Commission meeting and reported that HUD is in desperate need of funds.

Commissioner Spencer – reported that she attended the Albemarle Commission – Sea Level Rise meeting and stated that it is critical that the Board has input on this issue; and, that Workforce Development offices are now located in Engelhard. Ms. Spencer congratulated Brad Gurganus on his new position as the new ferry “Swan Quarter” Captain and Harold Thomas as new Director of the NC Ferry Division. Ms. Spencer stated that the Engelhard Christmas Parade is on Saturday, December 10th at 5:00 p.m. and that she plans to ride in the parade. Ms. Spencer encouraged fellow Board members to attend the Hyde County Hotline Christmas Gala on Saturday, December 3rd at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 5th day of December, 2011.


Lois Stotesberry, Deputy Clerk
Hyde County Board of Commissioners




Sharon Spencer, Chair
Hyde County Board of Commissioners

Attachments:

Exhibit A – “RES 2011-12-01 – Resolution of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners
Establishing Regular Meeting Dates”

Resolution No. 2011-12-01

RESOLUTION OF THE
HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESTABLISHING REGULAR MEETING DATES

WHEREAS, pursuant to NCGS 153A-40, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners have elected to adopt a meeting schedule by resolution so that its members and the public may know when Regular meetings of the Board are to be held;

WHEREAS, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners adopted Rules of Procedure on October 6, 2008, calling for Regular meetings on the first and third Monday of each month, except in August and December or as otherwise provided;

WHEREAS, this schedule of Regular meetings may be altered periodically by the Board of Commissioners by Resolution or other appropriate action of the Board;

WHEREAS, nothing in this Resolution shall preclude the Hyde County Board of Commissioners from holding Special or Emergency meetings as such may be allowed by law;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to begin all calendar year 2012 regular board meetings at 6:00 p.m.; and,

WHEREAS, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners utilizes an electronic meeting system for the simultaneous audio and/or video conduct of Regular meetings on both the Mainland and Ocracoke, the sites of such electronic meetings being as follows unless an alternative location is posted on the door of the meeting site:

- "Government Center" means the Multi-Use Room in the Government Center, 30 Oyster Creek Road, Swan Quarter, NC.
- "Ocracoke" means the Commons Area, Ocracoke School, 1 Schoolhouse Road, Ocracoke, NC.
- * means the meeting date is on Tuesday.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hyde County Board of Commissioners adopts the following schedule for regular Board meetings:

January 3, 2012 *	January 17, 2012 *
February 6, 2012	February 20, 2012
March 5, 2012	March 19, 2012
April 2, 2012	April 16, 2012
May 7, 2012	May 21, 2012
June 4, 2012	June 18, 2012
July 2, 2012	July 16, 2012
August 6, 2012	
September 4, 2012 *	September 17, 2012
October 1, 2012	October 15, 2012
November 5, 2012	November 19, 2012
December 3, 2012	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Clerk is hereby directed to post a copy of this Resolution on the courthouse bulletin board and to publish a summary in the *Coastland Times* newspaper on or before December 30, 2011.

Duly adopted this the 5th day of December, 2011.


Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Deputy Clerk to the Board