

MINUTES
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2009

The Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on January 12, 2009 at the Citizens Center, Commissioners Room, 115 W. Main Street, Lincolnton, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting, at 6:30 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Alex E. Patton, Chairman
Bruce Carlton, Vice Chairman
George Arena
James A. Klein
Carrol Mitchem

Others Present:

George A. Wood, County Manager
Jeffrey A. Taylor, County Attorney
Amy S. Atkins, Clerk to the Board
Kelly Atkins, Building and Land Development Director
Randy Hawkins, Zoning Administrator
Susan McCracken, Social Services Director
Erma Deen Hoyle, Parks and Recreation Director
Steve Gilbert, Public Works Director
Barry McKinnon, Sr. Utility Engineer
Leon Harmon, Finance Director

Call to Order: Chairman Patton called the January 12, 2009 meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to order.

Invocation: Reverend J. V. Allen, Boger City Wesleyan Church, gave the Invocation. Chairman Patton led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda: Chairman Patton presented the agenda for the Board's approval.

UPON MOTION by Commissioner Carlton, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as presented.

AGENDA

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6:30 PM Call to Order

6:31 PM Invocation – Rev. J.V. Allen, Boger City Wesleyan Church

6:32 PM Pledge of Allegiance

1. 6:33 PM Adoption of Agenda

2. 6:34 PM Consent Agenda

- Tax Requests for Releases – More than \$100
 - November 16 – December 15, 2008
- Waived fees
 - Leadership Lincoln – Hesed House Fundraiser
- Approval of Minutes
 - January 5, 2009

3. 6:35 PM Public Comments

4. 6:50 PM Recommendation from Planning Board – Randy Hawkins
ZMA #568 Jonathan Avery, applicant (Parcel ID# 14663) A request to rezone 1.7 acres from R-SF (Residential Single-Family) to R-T (Transitional Residential). The property is located on the west side of Fringewood Lane about 500 feet north of Hwy. 27 in Howards Creek Township.

5. 7:00 PM Motion to Authorize an Additional DSS Income Maintenance Caseworker at no cost to Lincoln County – Susan McCracken

6. 7:10 PM Motion to Approve the sewer flow allocation policy for Killian Creek WWTP proposed by the County Manager in his January 6, 2009 Memorandum, and authorize the Public Works Department to accept requests for these flow allocations immediately – George Wood

7. 7:20 PM PARTF Application – Block Smith Gymnasium – Erma Deen Hoyle

8. 7:30 PM Tub Grinder Bid Approval – Steve Gilbert

9. 7:40 PM Capital Project Report – Steve Gilbert

10. 7:45 PM Finance Officer's Report

11. 7:50 PM County Manager's Report

12. 7:55 PM County Commissioners' Report

13. 8:00 PM County Attorney's Report
 14. 8:05 PM Vacancies/Appointments
 15. 8:10 PM Calendar
 16. 8:15 PM Other Business

Recess to January 15, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at Gaston College, 201 Highway 321 South, Dallas, NC for the purpose of discussing the Hwy 150 West Corridor Plan with COG and Surrounding Cities and Counties

Consent Agenda: UPON MOTION by Commissioner Carlton, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

- Tax Requests for Releases – More than \$100
- November 16 – December 15, 2008

NAME	YEAR	A/C NO	AMOUNT
Barefoot, Kristie Danielle	2006	0147047	\$223.21
Barlowe Brothers LLC	2007	0207897	\$233.18
Barton, Paul Robert	2007	0178163	\$110.39
Black, Augustus Melton	2007	0206855	\$206.63
Cochcroft, Roy Leicester III	2007	0142093	\$107.54
Congregation of Our Lady Help	2007	0081840	\$171.32
Cool Springs Enterprise Inc.	2007	0064013	\$420.09
Earl, Steven Dwayne	2007	0102363	\$201.15
Grant, Teddy Lee	2007	0104312	\$170.23
Hamel, Scott William	2007	0178001	\$116.23
Hopkins, Charles D	2007	0167611	\$180.06
Howard, Kathleen Susanne	2007	0207825	\$117.94
Kelley, Kathy Campa	2007	0166744	\$198.19
Kelley, Patrick Cecil	2006	0089129	\$100.50
Lemelin, Claude Junior	2007	0198688	\$108.35
McCombs, Joseph Arthur	2007	0153385	\$120.16

Mofrad, Pirooz Saboortinat	2007	00877285	\$146.42
Pellegrino, Joseph Michael	2007	0204804	\$186.03
Pierce, Raymond Hugh III	2007	0185407	\$130.09
Smith, Wayne Barry	2007	0102318	\$201.13
Surgeon, Emmalue Evans	2007	0129092	\$103.09
		TOTAL	\$3,551.93

NAME	YEAR	A/C NO	AMOUNT
Cameron, Jonathan	2007	0204896	\$130.02
Dellinger Susie	2000	41073	\$111.14
Kolarczyk, Thomas M	2007	0169328	\$123.99
Luttrell, Steve M	2007	16641	\$127.73
Trinity Lawn Care	2007	0199130	\$149.60
Wright, James	2007	0189680	\$310.65
		TOTAL	\$953.13

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Public Comments: Chairman Patton advised that this was the time the Board of Commissioners would receive comments from the citizens regarding any matter they desired to address.

Being no one wishing to speak, Chairman Patton declared the public comments section closed.

Recommendation from Planning Board – Randy Hawkins:

Zoning Map Amendment No. 568 – Jonathan Avery, applicant: The Planning Board voted 9-0 to recommend approval.

UPON MOTION by Commissioner Carlton, the Board voted 5-0 to approve Zoning Map Amendment No. 568 – Jonathan Avery, applicant.

Motion to Authorize an Additional DSS Income Maintenance Caseworker at no cost to Lincoln County – Susan McCracken: Susan McCracken stated that an additional Income Maintenance Caseworker is needed to work in family and children's Medicaid and Foodstamps. She stated that she does not need any additional money, just approval to hire this position.

UPON MOTION by Commissioner Arena, the Board voted unanimously to approve the motion to authorize an additional DSS Income Maintenance Caseworker at no cost to Lincoln County.

Motion to approve the sewer flow allocation policy for Killian Creek WWTP proposed by the County Manager in his January 6, 2009 Memorandum, and authorize the Public Works Department to accept requests for these flow allocations immediately – George Wood: Mr. Wood presented the policy on flow allocations in Killian Creek WWTP.

UPON MOTION by Commissioner Klein, the Board voted unanimously to approve the motion to approve the sewer flow allocation policy for Killian Creek WWTP as proposed in the County Manager's January 6, 2009 Memorandum, and to authorize the Public Works Department to accept requests for these flow allocations immediately.

PARTF Application – Block Smith Gymnasium – Erma Deen Hoyle: Erma Deen Hoyle requested the Board's authorization to apply to the Parts and Recreation Trust Fund for funding for the renovation of the Block Smith Gym. Total estimated cost of the renovation is \$480,000. PARTF grants are 50/50 matching grants, with the applicant providing one-half of the costs of the project to match the PARTF monies.

Commissioner Klein stated that he cannot support the request at this time.

Commissioner Mitchem stated that he believes existing projects should be completed before any new ones are started.

Commissioner Carlton stated that he believes the County should apply for the grant only if the City will pick up 50% of the tab.

Chairman Patton stated that he believes the County should fix the building or get rid of it.

A MOTION by Commissioner Carlton to proceed with the PARTF Grant, approaching the City of Lincolnton for half of the funds required.

VOTE: 3 – 2 AYES: Carlton, Arena, Paton

NOES: Klein, Mitchem

Tub Grinder Bid Approval – Steve Gilbert: Mr. Gilbert stated that on January 6, 2009 sealed bids were opened for the purchase of a tub grinder to replace one that was destroyed in a fire at the landfill late last year. The insurance settlement of \$146,000 for the old unit will go toward this purchase, thereby offsetting a portion of the cost. The bidders were given the option of submitting a price for a new unit or a used model with no more than 2,500 hours. The following bids were received:

	New	Used
Morbank Inc.	\$537,800	\$498,950
Winn, MI		
Vermeer Mid-Atlantic, Inc.	\$584,645	\$537,195 (1)
Charlotte, NC		\$547,195 (2)

H & E Equipment Services Statesville, NC	\$537,719	No bid
Public Works & Equipment Monroe, NC	\$539,544	\$480,589

The bids and specifications for each machine have been reviewed by Public Works staff, and it is recommended that the bid for a Vermeer unit from Vermeer Mid-Atlantic in Charlotte be accepted at the bid price of \$537,195.

UPON MOTION by Commissioner Arena, the Board voted unanimously to approve the bid for a Vermeer unit from Vermeer Mid-Atlantic in Charlotte at a price of \$537,195.

Capital Project Report – Steve Gilbert: Steve Gilbert presented the Capital Project Report.

Finance Officer's Report: Leon Harmon presented the Finance Officer's Report.

County Manager's Report: George Wood presented the County Manager's Report.

He informed the Board of the Leadership Lincoln meeting Wednesday afternoon. He stated that the 2010 budget process was started last week.

County Commissioners' Report: Chairman Patton reminded the Board of the groundbreaking at the new Airport Terminal Thursday afternoon.

County Attorney's Report: Jeff Taylor did not have anything to report.

Vacancies/Appointments: **UPON MOTION** by Commissioner Carlton, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Gisella Aparicio-Busse to the Centralina Workforce Development Board, Cathy Davis to the Gaston Community Action and Connie Zmijewski to the JCPC.

Calendar: Chairman Patton presented the February 2009 calendar.

Recess: **UPON MOTION** by Commissioner Carlton, the Board voted unanimously to recess to January 15, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at Gaston College, 201 Highway 321 South, Dallas, NC for the purpose of discussing the Hwy 150 West Corridor Plan with COG and Surrounding Cities and Counties.

Amy S. Atkins, Clerk
Board of Commissioners

Alex Patton, Chairman
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