

**MINUTES**  
**CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**AUGUST 21, 1995**

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The Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in regular session in the District Courtroom, located in the Courthouse Annex, Pittsboro, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting, at 7:00 PM, on August 21, 1995.

Present: Chair Uva Holland, Vice Chair Betty Wilson; Commissioners John Grimes, Margaret Pollard, and Henry Dunlap; County Manager Ben Shivar; County Attorney Robert L. Gunn; and Clerk to the Board Sandra B. Lee

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:05 PM.

**AGENDA**

The Chairman asked if there were additions, deletions or corrections to the Agenda.

The County Manager asked that “The Thompson Farm Road” be deleted from the Private Roads section on the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard to approve the Agenda with the noted request. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Chairman directed the Clerk to the Board to read the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as read by the Clerk. The Consent Agenda, with the vote on each item is as follows, and was read verbatim by the Clerk to the Board.

1. **Minutes:** Consideration of approval of Board Minutes for Regular Meeting held August 7, 1995

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

2. **Tax Releases:** Consideration of a request for approval of Tax Releases and Refunds, copies attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

3. **Solid Waste Disposal Fees Paid in Error:** Consideration of a request for approval of refunds for Solid Waste Disposal Fees paid in error, copies attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

4. **Proclamation #95-32 Recognizing the Role of the Family in Chatham County:**  
Consideration of approval of a proclamation recognizing the Role of the Family in Chatham County, a copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

5. **Private Roads:** Consideration of a request for the naming of the following private roads:

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|                         | 1) Amber Lane          |                     | 6) Harley Farms Hill Road |
|                         | 2) Cherokee Drive      |                     | 7) Hidden Field Lane      |
| 3) Cub Creek Drive Ext. |                        | 8) Harrington Drive |                           |
|                         | 4) Eventers Ridge Road |                     | 9) J. B. Morgan Road      |
|                         | 5) George Helen Circle |                     | 10) Matthews Drive        |

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

There was no one who wished to speak during the Public Input Session.

### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MATTERS**

#### ***Public Hearing***

#### **Redistricting**

The County Manager explained that several months ago, the Board of Commissioners scheduled the issue of redistricting for a public hearing. He stated that this action was taken as a result of a local bill adopted by the General Assembly which placed final decision on redistricting with the Commissioners, provided that a public hearing was held prior to the final decision; that the Board will be free at any time to adopt a redistricting plan; that the purpose of the public hearing was to solicit comments on proposed redistricting for Chatham County.

**John W. Butts**, PO Box 319, Siler City, NC, stated that in regard to County redistricting, each Commissioner is faced with a decision that has far-reaching ramifications regarding the citizens of Chatham County; that a number of smoke screens have been created for the Commissioners to try to hide behind; that the initial smoke screen was the issue of proportional representation; that another smoke screen is that the plan adopted by the school board is a Republican plan; that another smoke screen is that the Commissioners are bound by the decision of the out-going Board. He challenged the Commissioners to adopt the Board of Education plan already passed into law which he said offered fair representation to all of Chatham County and all of its citizens.

**Bessie Hedrick**, 2762 Hamp Stone Road, Siler City, NC, stated that she was interested in unifying Chatham County. She stated that she wanted the County to get together and take care of the districts which it has; that she feels that if the Commissioners exercise their prerogative, that they will come up with a plan for fair representation.

**Patrick Miller**, 108 Turtle Creek Road, Apex, NC, thanked the Board for the opportunity to express

his opinions concerning redistricting. He stated that he offered his support for the plan adopted by the school board; that the issues that are important to him in setting the district lines are: 1) Do they follow precinct lines? 2) Is the population properly balanced allowing for expected growth in appropriate areas of the County? 3) Do the districts for all elected County officials follow the same lines? He stated that when all is said and done, he wants the Commissioners to be able to say without reservation that they have done the best job they could do, and that they truly believe their decision is the best one for the citizens of Chatham County.

**Tony Antonelli**, 1957 Mays Chapel Road, Sanford, NC, Chairman of the Chatham County Republican Party, stated that the present plan was adopted two weeks after the elections in 1994; that they had no public input whatsoever; that there was no input from the other side of the County; that when this was done, a quarter of the voters in Chatham County were ignored; that this was a classic way of silencing the opposition; that there has to be harmony in the County in order to move the County forward; that the plan adopted totally broke down the integrity of the district; that the school board did not even adopt the same plan as the Commissioners; and that he supports the plan of the school board that maintains a rural district in Chatham County.

**Jim Diggs**, Route 6, Box 375, Chapel Hill, NC, stated that the Orange County people have always felt isolated from the government of Orange County because of the southern population control; that if a rural district is set out in the southern part of Chatham County, it will be isolated from the population of Chatham County and it will get out-voted every time unless the other four Commissioners see fit to cooperate; that the best way that the Commissioners will represent the County and give everyone fair representation is to district the County in somewhat a north-south situation to give the County representation of population in rural areas.

**Wayne Phillips**, Box 87, Bennett, NC, thanked Ed Holmes for giving the County the system which they now have. He stated that one district is primarily rural; that if the school board uses one plan, the Commissioners should use the same plan; that it helps in the rural areas to identify the elected officials.

**Will Heiser**, 225 Kentview Drive, Pittsboro, NC, thanked the Commissioners for holding the public hearing on redistricting. He stated that the present districts are unbalanced regarding population distribution by townships; that this has been brought about by the rapid expansion of the northeast section of the County; that the plan proposed by the Commissioners in 1994 was an attempt to redistrict based on precincts; that although this plan had a better balance of population, it groups together non-homogenous areas; that before any plan is adopted, he believes that the principles on which that plan is based should be agreed upon by all Commissioners and clearly enunciated to the public; that this policy should include: 1) combining like areas by precinct to obtain equal population representation; 2) providing at least one district to represent the rural, agricultural areas; 3) making the Commissioner districts and school board districts the same, as has been the practice in the past. He stated that as secretary of the school board, he knows that if the school board districts differ from the Commissioner districts, the preparation and handling of ballots for voting will be complicated by needing different ballots for Board of Education and Board of Commissioner elections, even in the same precinct. He recommended that the Commissioners adopt the school board plan for the Commissioner redistricting plan.

**Margie Ellison**, 40 Cedar Terrace, Chapel Hill, NC, stated that she had listened to the many references made to an east/west division that exists in Chatham County. She asked the Commissioners to consider plans that allow the County to be able to see themselves as a County operating in unison and one that works together; and that all citizens must be equally represented.

**Keith Brown**, 101 Tripp Road, Pittsboro, NC, helped advise the school board plan, stated that the plan adopted in November, 1994 addressed several of Chatham County's most pressing problems. He stated that the plan adopted divided the County among three districts; that Chatham County is plagued by division,

stereotypes, and rivalries by linking northern Chatham, Pittsboro, and southern Chatham; that the plan adopted takes a step toward breaking down the barriers that divide the County; and he asked that the Commissioners consider the plan adopted by the school board as a model for the Board of Commissioners' districts. He emphasized that this plan is merely temporary and that by the year 2000 the plan will not be suitable for the next decade. He stated that the school board plan accomplishes three goals: 1) It keeps the districts roughly even in population. 2) It keeps the number of Commissioners at the current level of five. 3) It preserves the predominately rural district in the southern part of the County. He presented the Commissioners with a handout which included a variation to the school board plan. He stated that this new plan addresses the problem in the western part of the County; that it will not require any Commissioner to face elections in the years 1998 and 2000, with the drawback being that it splits Siler City between two single-seat districts; that it is predicted that Chatham County will have a population of approximately 45,300 by the year 2000, an increase of 6,500 people over the 1990 total; that the bulk of the increase will be northern Chatham; that the lines will need to be redrawn to take these new residents into account; that among the choices that the County will face will be increasing the number of Commissioner seats to seven, eliminating the rural district, or transferring a seat from the western end of the County to the eastern end; that the County has five years in which to decide among them or to find new choices; that in any event, this time must be spent in building bridges among the various localities in Chatham and tearing down the barriers, stereotypes, fear, and mistrusts; and to be open to new ideas and situations.

**Barbara Sheppard**, Route 2, Box 228, Glendon Road, Siler City, NC, respectfully requested that the school board redistricting be considered so that all areas can be represented equally.

**Liz Cullington**, Route 6, Box 1126, Pittsboro, NC, spoke in favor of adoption of the current school board plan. She stated that she agreed with Parick Miller's comments; She added that although Commissioners are elected County-wide, they have to live in the district to run and feels that that is very important.

**Joe Everette**, 1468 Martha's Chapel Road, Apex, NC, stated that he supports the school board plan; that it is important to preserve the rural district; that if the geographic boundaries were not important, then everyone could run at large; that he lives in the north end of the County, his mother lives in the southern end, and he finds that the areas do not have a lot in common.

**Don Tarkenton**, PO Box 682, Siler City, NC, stated that he felt it was unfortunate that people had been talking about districts referred to as a Democratic plan, a Republican plan, a school board plan, or a County Commissioner plan as he did not feel that they were any of these things. He thanked Keith Brown for the time and effort he had put into coming up with a proposal that seems to be fair to all the citizens of Chatham County and meet many of the goals the citizens have addressed; that we have the opportunity to put behind personal considerations, considerations of a small group of individuals, families, corporations; that we have the opportunity to bring forth the convenience of the voting public and one that is fair to everyone; that whichever plan is chosen has to be convenient for the people of Chatham County because people must be encouraged to vote; that if there are two separate districts, one for the school board and one for the Commissioners, it will discourage the people from voting because it has been made difficult to understand. He encouraged the Commissioners to consider the plan adopted by the school board.

**Hubert Oakley**, 350 Polks Landing Road, Chapel Hill, NC, stated that in the 1990 census shows that 66.7% of the total growth in population of Chatham County was in District 1; that one district in the County actually lost population; that everyone thinks that the school board introduced their plan first; that the County Commissioners tried to choose a plan that would not put some of the Commissioners running for re-election against each other and that would keep the districts the Commissioners were in; that he believes that there should be five different districts; that the school board has done the same thing where no two school board

members are in the same district.

Commissioner Dunlap stated that this situation started after the Democratic Primary; that Mr. Oakley had introduced a resolution that was approved a year ago last March; that it was discussed several times; that there was an open meeting where people came to give their views on the subject; that Keith Brown needs to be given credit for all of the plans because he made a lot of plans; that the school board adopted their plan in January, 1995, after having seen it one week; that the Commissioners looked at their plan for quite a while; that as he listened, he was inclined to believe they are right; that at that time, the input received was leaning toward a different way and that he appreciates all of the interest shown.

Commissioner Grimes stated that in reference to the plan that was adopted by the school board, that if the plan was to be used as a plan for the Commissioners redistricting, then no sitting Commissioner would be running against another sitting Commissioner and neither would any sitting school board member be running against another sitting school board member; that the complaint he has heard in reference to the plan adopted at the November 21, 1994 Commissioners' meeting, was that if that plan had been adopted by the school board, in order to keep simplicity for the voters and the district voting lines the same, there would have been sitting school board members running against other sitting school board members; that the plan adopted by the school board puts no sitting member of the school board running against each other and if that plan was to be adopted by the Commissioners, no sitting Commissioner would be running against another sitting Commissioner.

The Chairman called for a five minute break.

## **PLANNING AND ZONING**

### **Chatham County Board of Adjustment**

**Request for a Variance from the Setback Requirements of the Chatham County Zoning Ordinance:** Consideration of a request by Phillip A. Moder for a variance from the setback requirements of the Chatham County Zoning Ordinance on lot number 84 Willow Way of Chatham Development in Baldwin Township

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Grimes, to recess as the Board of Commissioners and convene as the Board of Adjustment. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

The Chairman administered the oath/affirmation to those who wished to make public comment.

The Chairman recognized Senator Fred Hobbs in attendance and stated that he would be speaking to the Commissioners later in the meeting.

**Phil Moder**, 84 Willow Way, Chapel Hill, NC, stated that he rented his home with an option to buy; that he has made considerable improvements to the house; that he spoke with the realtor who told him that he could build a garage on the property; that he has obtained written permission from both of his neighbors who would be affected by the addition; that he needs a garage to complete the work on his house; that his neighbors are pleased that he has moved in because the property has been rented for twenty years.

**Gus Fraser**, 83 Green Tree Trail, Chapel Hill, NC, stated that he supports Mr. Moder and his request for variance; that he has no objections, and that he urges the Commissioners to approve this request.

**George McLean**, 85 Willow Way, Chapel Hill, NC, stated that he has no problem with the building

request; that when Mr. Moder moved in, the house was in a state of disrepair and he has worked to fix it up and that his own property value has been increased due to the repair; that the garage would be nine feet from his property line but would not be that close to his home due to his house being further away from the line.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to adjourn as the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

The Planning Director explained that no action was required at this time, but explained that if the Commissioners wanted to take action that they would need to do so as the Board of Adjustment.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap to recess as the Board of Commissioners and reconvene as the Board of Adjustment. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, to moved to make the required findings and approve the variance request. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, to adjourn as the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

### ***Zoning and Ordinance Amendments***

**Request for a Light Industrial Conditional Use District and a Conditional Use Permit for a Communications Tower:** Consideration of a request by Cliff Collins for a light industrial conditional use district and a conditional use permit for a communications tower for the Sprint Cellular Company on 3 acres on the south side of SR #1721 (Lystra Church Road) in Williams Township

Keith Megginson, Planning Director, stated that he had received a letter from Gary Eatmon, attorney representing Sprint Cellular, withdrawing their request from the Board for consideration. He explained that he had informed Mr. Eatmon that anytime action has been advertised for a public hearing, it would be considered a denial of the request. He stated that Mr. Eatmon said that he was aware of this fact and had no problem with it. He indicated that there was another site which would probably be pursued. The Planning Director stated that this same request can come before the Board at a later date since it is a conditional use request which is allowed under the ordinance.

**Request for a Light Industrial Conditional Use District with a Conditional Use Permit:** Consideration of a request by Neon Impressions/EMJ America for a light industrial conditional use district with a conditional use permit for assembly of machinery and goods from previously prepared parts and light manufacturing or processing not otherwise named on 6.78 acres on the east side of SR #1008 (Farrington Road) in New Hope Township

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to recommend that the five findings be made and that the request be approved as submitted with the following conditions:

- 1) The front setback shall be 100 feet.
- 2) That the applicant receive approval for the waste treatment system within 2 years of county zoning approval or the zoning reverts back to the original district of RA-40
- 3) The approval is for the specific types of businesses described and usages in the request

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**Request for an Amendment to the Chatham County Watershed Protection Ordinance and**

**Map:** Consideration of a request by Elizabeth Anderson for an amendment to the Chatham County Watershed Protection Ordinance and map to allow a light industrial use on 6.78 acres on the Seventh-Day Adventists property (Triangle School) on the east side of SR #1008 (Farrington Road) in New Hope Township

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to recommend that Section 302 (D)(1)(d) of the County ordinance be amended along with the watershed map to allow the 6.7 acres on S. R. #1008 belonging to the Seventh-Day Adventists to be used for light industrial use. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**Request for a Light Industrial Conditional Use District and a Conditional Use Permit for a Mini-Warehouse Board Storage Facility and Retainage of the Business District:** Consideration of a request by Raymond May and Heath May for a light industrial conditional use district and a conditional use permit for a mini-warehouse/boat storage facility and retainage of the business district on 7.24 acres on the northeast side of US #64 and SR #1700 (Mt. Gilead Church Road) in New Hope Township

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Grimes, to recommend the five findings be made and the request be approved with retainage of the business district zoning and as submitted with the following conditions:

- 1) The building setback from property lines and road right-of-way lines shall be a minimum of 50 feet.
- 2) Where trees do not already exist along property lines and road right-of-way lines, the applicant shall install trees at intervals no further apart than 50 feet except within the 150 x 150 sight triangle. Installation is required after improvements to US #64 are completed adjacent to the property.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

***Final Plat Review***

**Final Approval of Chatham Acres Subdivision:** Consideration of a request for final approval of Chatham Acres Subdivision consisting of 7 lots on 25 acres along SR #2175 (McLaurin Road) and SR #2180 (Dean Beavers Road) in Hickory Mountain Township

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to recommend the plat be granted final approval. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**- Solid Waste/Recycling Issues**

**- Contract For Administration of Wood Waste Mulching, Marketing, and Sale at the Chatham County Landfill:** Consideration of a proposed contract between Chatham County and the North Central Piedmont Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. (RC&D) for administration of wood waste mulching, marketing, and sale at Chatham County Landfill

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to approve the contract between Chatham County and the North Central Piedmont Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc.

(RC&D), pending final approval by the County Attorney, for administration of wood waste mulching, marketing, and sale at Chatham County's Landfill, a copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**Renewal of Agreement for Household Hazardous Waste Operations:** Consideration of a renewal of an agreement with Triangle J Council of Governments to perform contract administration for household hazardous waste operations as well as preparation of educational brochures and other related materials

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, to renew the contract authorizing Triangle J Council of Governments to perform contract administration for household hazardous waste (HHW) operations as well as preparation of educational brochures and other related materials, a copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

## **Water/Sewer Issues**

**Interim Report on the Sewer Feasibility Study:** Presentation of an interim report on the Sewer Feasibility Study

Fred Hobbs, Consulting Engineer with Hobbs, Upchurch and Associates, P.A. and State Senator, spoke with the Commissioners regarding some of the critical issues in determining the feasibility and viability of the sewer feasibility study that will become public policy. He stated that he would like, in order to complete the study, for the Commissioners to share their public policy opinions with either the engineer or the County Manager so that they can be incorporated into the final document. He stated that there are three things that will be used in making the final recommendation: 1) the issue of mandatory tap-ons in the area where sewer may be provided; 2) assessment fee - whether or not it is reasonable to charge certain costs or defer for a period of time but require payment at a point in time an assessment fee for the provision of this service; 3) the way the service will be provided whether by gravity (as most people are accustomed to) or whether it is by low-pressure (where the homeowner actually has a pump at his or her property) and the pump is pumping into a line of smaller diameter but under pressure; that it then must be determined if that level of service is adequate; that ownership and maintenance of the pump must be decided as to whether it is homeowner or County maintained; that meetings will take place beginning this week with interested and involved parties; that one meeting is with OWASA in adjoining Orange County and participation by the residents in the areas of Fearington, Governor's Club, and Carolina Meadows as they relate to treatment capabilities and population of those areas.

The Senator stated that his second purpose in attending the meeting was to answer any questions the Commissioners might have regarding actions taken or not taken by the legislature.

Commissioner Grimes asked about the assessment fee and whether it would be County wide or within the sanitation district.

Senator Hobbs explained that the assessment fee would be within the area where services are provided.

Commissioner Pollard asked about financial feasibility and density.

Senator Hobbs stated that without adequate density, particularly in sewer, largely because of treatment costs it is not viable in most cases to provide sewer; that it must be decided what Chatham County can afford to pay; that the cost/benefit must be decided as to what will allow this service to come on line.

Commissioner Wilson asked about scheduling talks with Cary along with those of OWASA,



Ferrington, Governor's Club, and Carolina Meadows.

Senator Hobbs stated that at the present, the areas that seem to be the most viable in terms of density are those that are closest physically to Chapel Hill or the Orange County OWASA, and/or to the existing Ferrington system, and/or the existing Governor's Club.

Commissioner Dunlap asked if the Public Works Director was apprised of the areas designated as economic development potential that would need waste water treatment.

Ray Greenlaw stated that it was a summary report of the infrastructure report sub-group of the original strategic planning process, dated June, 1993.

Commissioner Grimes asked about a source of revenue to pay for new school construction and stated that we are looking to the State for some help in that matter.

Senator Hobbs stated that he felt that there was consensus in both chambers regarding this matter. He stated that there is a school capital construction study commission that he feels will deal positively with the needs; that their task will be not only to come up with a volume of money but will also be to look at the issue of how that money will be distributed.

The Senator stated that when he goes back into the short session for an adjustment of the budget, he will look for funds to reimburse the County spent on the low-level radioactive waste investigation.

Commissioner Grimes stated that he hoped that a local sales tax referendum would be considered.

## **TAX COLLECTOR**

- **Contract with Town of Cary to Collect City Ad Valorem Tax:** Consideration of a contract with the Town of Cary to collect city ad valorem tax

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to remove the Contract with the Town of Cary for the collection of Cary city taxes from consideration. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

- **Fee Increase in the Chatham County Animal Control Ordinance:** Consideration of an increase in dog and cat adoption fees in the Chatham County Animal Control Ordinance

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, to approve the new adoption fees which include spaying/neutering to \$75 for dogs/puppies and \$65 for cats/kittens with \$25 of the funds being disbursed to the Health Department for keeping the animal and the remainder disbursed to the local veterinarian who performed the sterilization. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

## **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

**Nursing Home Reappointments:** Consideration of reappointments to the Nursing Home Advisory Committee

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Grimes, to reappoint John Cooper, Elizabeth Edwards, Ray Gooch, and Pat Harris to the Chatham County Nursing Home Advisory Committee. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MATTERS**

**Grievance Procedure for County Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):**  
Consideration of a grievance procedure for the County compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to adopt the Chatham County Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Grievance Procedure, a copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

## **MANAGER' S REPORTS**

The County Manager stated that the water plant remains on schedule and may come on line as early as December; that operation will probably begin the middle of October for a test run; and that the State Environmental Health Staff will be reviewing the process and procedure at that point. He stated that also during this time, the County will be chlorinating the 16" main line that runs from the plant up to the Jack Bennett area.

He stated that the new health building will probably be completed by the end of September. He encouraged that the Commissioners, if they were in the Siler City area, to stop and view it, that it is a very attractive building.

The Manager stated that the only work that has been done to date on the recycling center is some fencing put up at the Crutchfield Crossroads and Siler City sites; that hopefully grading work will begin this week at the two centers.

He reminded the Board of their next meeting which will be on Tuesday, September 5, 1995 due to the Labor Day Holiday. He also reminded the Board of the 7:30 A.M. meeting with Congressman Heineman on the same date at Jenny's Board Room, Fearrington Restaurant. He asked for topics which the Board would like to discuss with the Congressman. He stated that if this information could be given to him in advance, it would probably be helpful to the Congressman to be advised of these areas of interest.

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Commissioner Pollard asked about the progress on the study of impact fees.

The Manager stated that the RFPs have been developed; that the status is the same for the land development plan; that they will most likely go out to prospective bidders this week.

Commissioner Pollard asked that the issue of federal funds to be used to support public schools be on the agenda to discuss with Congressman Heineman.

Commissioner Wilson asked that another matter, payment in lieu of taxes should be on the agenda.

Commissioner Grimes stated that he had had citizens to call him voicing their concern that most people are having to apply for the same release within the tax assessors office on the motor vehicle release each year; that it appears that this is an extra cost to the County; that it may be causing a hardship and a lot of extra work on the part of the property owner. He asked that the Manager investigate the matter and see if there is a better way to reduce the number of requests that would reduce the number of motor vehicle value

releases.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

- Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson to go out of Closed Session and into Regular Session. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Grimes, that there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0) and the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 P.M.

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Uva R. Holland, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sandra B. Lee, Clerk  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners