

**MINUTES**  
**CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 04, 1996**

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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 10:00 A.M. on November 04, 1996.

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

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 10:05 A.M.

**AGENDA**

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

Charlie Horne, County Manager, asked that consideration of a Law Enforcement Block Grant be added to the Agenda as Item #9A, Formation of a Solid Waste Advisory Committee be added to the Agenda as Item #9B, and a Closed Session for the purpose of discussing litigation be added to the Agenda as Item #12.

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 Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, 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 October 21, 1996

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

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

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

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

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

4. **Private Roads:** Consideration of a request from citizens for the naming of private roads in Chatham County

(1) Arthur Alston Road                      (5) Robert Alston Drive

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| (2) | Beausol Lane   | (6) | Rocky Falls       |
| (3) | C. Morris Lane | (7) | The Last Road     |
| (4) | O'Daniel Trail | (8) | Thomas Mill Drive |

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

5. **Resolution #96-40 to Release County's Share of Economic Development Monies from State Budget Office:** Consideration of a resolution to release County's share of Economic Development monies from the State Budget Office, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof

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

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

- There was no one present who wished to make public comment.

### **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program Grant Funds:** Consideration of a request to apply for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program grant funds from DEHNR, Division of Maternal and Child Health

Wayne Sherman, Health Director, explained that the proposal at hand is to develop a teen center in Siler City which would provide a safe haven for youth during after school hours, weekends, and summers; that the effort is being spear-headed by the Coalition for Adolescent Health, which has been in existence since 1991, to address the problem of teen pregnancy; that a variety of programs would be offered including job training, tutoring, recreation, clubs, and health education; that the health education component would be conducted in small groups and would focus on responsibility to one's self and others in regard to sexuality, relationships, and general conduct.

Maria Hitt, Health Educator, distributed a hand-out with statistics showing the number of teens giving birth within Chatham County. She stated that the grant is on a five-year funding cycle; that the County could receive up to \$75,000 in the first year of the funding cycle to be used to establish the teen center site, hire staff and purchase materials for programs; that funding for subsequent years would be used to continue the project; that this grant requires a local match of 20% in the first budget year, 10% in the second year, 25% in the third year, 45% in the fourth year and 50% in the fifth year; that matching funds can be in-kind, but as the cycle progresses, cash matches will be necessary. She asked for permission to apply for the grant and endorsement of same.

She informed the Commissioners of the public forum to be held on this matter at the Wrenn Library on November 19, 1996 at 7:00 PM.

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to defer action on this matter until the December 2, 1996 Board of Commissioners' meeting. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

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

**Commissioner Retreat Date:** Consideration of dates on which to reschedule Commissioner retreat

By consensus, Commissioners set November 19-20, 1996 and December 4-5, 1996 as their first and second choices respectively, to hold their Commissioner retreat with the meeting place to be confirmed.

**Payment of Clerk Compensatory Time:** Consideration of payment of Clerk compensatory time

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to authorize the payment of all accumulated compensatory time for the Clerk to the Board and appropriate \$3,600 from unappropriated fund balance for this purpose. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**Participation in the North Carolina Performance Measurement Project:** Consideration to participate in the North Carolina Performance Measurement Project for Medium-sized Cities and Counties ("the Project")

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to authorize the County to participate in the North Carolina Performance Measurement Project for Medium-sized Cities and Counties and appropriate \$3,000 to finance the project. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

- **Local Law Enforcement Block Grant:** Consideration of a request to set a date on which to hold a public hearing on the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program

- Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to set November 18, 1996 as the date for a public hearing to be held on the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to appoint the following five members to the Sheriff's Department Block Grant Advisory Board:

Joan Cunningham	(District Attorney's Office)
Dianne Buckner	(Clerk of Court's Office)
Darlene Cooley	(Chatham County Schools)
Pete King	(Chatham County Department of Social Services)
Sheriff Don Whitt	(Chatham County Sheriff's Department)

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

**MANAGER'S REPORTS**

The County Manager informed the Commissioners of the following:

**PUBLIC WORKS**

- *Recycling Issue*

- **Resolution Regarding Formation of a Permanent Chatham County Solid Waste Advisory**

## Committee

John McSween, Chairman of the Chatham County Waste Management Task Force, stated that since 1987, Chatham County has been addressing solid waste issues through the combined efforts of its volunteer citizen's organization, the Chatham County Waste Management Task Force, and County officials. He stated that County-wide recycling and resource recovery systems have been put in place; that the green box method of trash collection has been replaced by a staffed Collection Center system; that educational curriculum and recycling programs have been developed and instituted in all the County's public schools; that the original County landfill has been closed and new facilities for the handling of yard waste, household hazardous waste and large household appliances will soon be constructed there; that with the successful implementation of these programs and with the opening of the last two staffed Collection Centers, many of

the initial tasks of the Chatham County Waste Management Task Force were accomplished; that they now believe the Chatham County Waste Management Task Force needs to be transformed into a permanent Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

He stated that he envisioned this committee to be an advisory board to the Chatham County Board of Commissioners; that as such, it would provide a public forum for the development of a comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for Chatham County and assist in the selection of the County's own goals for the reduction of solid waste as set forth in House Bill #859; that membership would include a representative from the twelve areas and townships serviced by the twelve staffed Collection Centers to ensure the equitable representation of the entire County.

He respectfully requested that the Board of Commissioners pass the resolution and bylaws for the formation of a Chatham County Solid Waste Advisory Committee. He also asked that the Commissioners be prepared to name people to serve on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

Mark Frye, Department of Environmental Health and Natural Resources, Waste Management Division, praised the efforts of the Commissioners in closing the landfill and opening the collection centers. He stated Senate Bill 111 mandated a number of things from counties; that each County has to prepare a ten-year comprehensive waste reduction plan; that counties are being asked to form committees with county-wide public representation; that by the year 2001, a 40% waste reduction goal has been requested by the State; that a resolution and plan to implement must be done by July, 1997; that after that date, the plan will be reviewed to see that requirements are addressed by the County; that it is important to start now to build committees and he will be glad to provide plan assistance.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to adopt the **Resolution #96-41 Regarding Formation of a Permanent Chatham County Solid Waste Advisory Committee**. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

### Boards and Committees

- The Manager stated that he had sent to the Commissioners a list of County committees; that the staff is now trying to get a grasp of committee member tenures, and their expiration dates, etc. He asked that the Commissioners review the list and give feedback on any committee elimination, etc.

### Strategic Plan

- The Manager stated that at the November 4, 1996 Strategic Plan Update Workshop held prior to the Board of Commissioners' meeting, Commissioners had expressed interest in rescheduling another work

session to take more detailed looks at the Strategic Plan; that Commissioners asked that three examples be created to show how there would be a complete integrating of the plan with a process to resolve one of the goals; that the date the Strategic Plan Committee would like for the Commissioners to consider is that of Monday, November 25, 1996.

Commissioners asked that the meeting be tentatively rescheduled for Tuesday, November 26, 1996 with date to be confirmed at the November 18, 1996 Commissioner Board meeting.

Jeannie Garten stated that the Strategic Plan Committee was encouraged by the workshop and thanked the Commissioners for the in-depth questions proposed by them. She stated that the committee selected three goals which they feel will answer some of the tough questions raised dealing with water and waste water, public acceptance of land use planning, and farm preservation. She informed the Commissioners of a meeting held with Mayors Devinney, Gaines, and Fitts, Siler City Town Manager, Joel Brower, and

County Manager Charlie Horne at which time they expressed a favorable response and pledged their leadership and support for the Strategic Planning effort to date; that there are plans now underway to go to each of the town boards and provide them with updates. She stated that they will be going to Bennett School on November 7, 1997 from 6:30-8:00 PM for a public hearing.

### **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS**

#### **- Certified Municipal Clerk Certification:**

Commissioner Wilson commended the efforts of Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board, upon completion of a two-year Certified Municipal Clerk certification course. She presented the Clerk, on behalf of the Board, with a large, beautifully-carved, wooden angel, and stated that because the Commissioners felt that the Clerk was "their angel"... the gift was appropriate, but that as a second thought, the Clerk "might need a guardian angel to watch over her".

The Clerk thanked the Commissioners for their generosity and thoughtfulness and expressed her pleasure at serving the Board of Commissioners.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

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

### **REGULAR SESSION**

- Commissioner Pollard 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 Pollard, 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 11:38 A.M.

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Uva R. Holland, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners