

MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION, NOVEMBER 15, 1999

The Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in the Henry H. Dunlap, Jr. Building, Classroom, located in Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 5:00 P.M. on November 15, 1999.

Present: Chair Rick Givens; Vice Chair Uva Holland; Commissioners Margaret Pollard and Carl Outz, County Manager, Charlie Horne; County Attorney, Robert L. Gunn; Finance Officer, Vicki McConnell; and Clerk to the Board, Sandra B. Lee

Absent: Commissioner Gary Phillips

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 5:05 PM.

Agenda:

- 1. Joint Meeting with Planning Board**
- 2. Recreation Master Plan**
- 3. Closed Session on Land Acquisition**

Joint Meeting with Planning Board:

By consensus, the Board of Commissioners set, January 11, 2000, as the date on which to hold a joint meeting with the Planning Board.

Recreation Master Plan:

Tracy Burnett, Recreation Director, summarized the HSMM recommendations. She stated that the first is an option of developing four community parks, one each at Northeast, Northwest, Southwest, Southeast Chatham; that if they decide to fund this effort through a bond referendum, it could cost approximately four million dollars; that the second option is to develop the four parks plus an aquatic center, centrally located, which would cost approximately eleven million dollars; and that the third option is to develop the four community parks plus a district community center with a gym which would cost approximately seven million dollars. She asked if the Board was interested in having developers participate in a “payment-in-lieu-of” method which would require developers to pay a certain amount of money to help support the recreational funding support.

After considerable discussion, the Board asked for further information with regard to the different facets involved in a bond referendum and “fees-in-lieu-of” for development costs before a decision is made on this issue.

By consensus, the Board agreed to send a letter to the Governor of the State of North Carolina, asking for a meeting between he, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Board of Commissioners to discuss the fees paid by the State to the County for land in Chatham County used for building Jordan Lake. A copy of the letter is

attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

CLOSED SESSION

- Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to go out of Regular Session and convene in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing possible land acquisition. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

REGULAR SESSION

- Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to go out of Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

Property Tax Exemption:

Bob Gunn, County Attorney, explained that he has received notice from the Property Tax Division of the State of North Carolina that the Pittsboro Christian Village request for tax exemption has been denied.

ADJOURNMENT

- Commissioner Outz moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to recess the work session to the District Courtroom for the regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners' meeting. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0), and the meeting was recessed at 6:15 PM.

Rick Givens

ATTEST:

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