

MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 02, 2000

The Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in the Agricultural Auditorium Building, 45 South Street, located in Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 10:00 AM on October 02, 2000.

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

Absent: Commissioner Carl Outz

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

AGENDA

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

The County Manager asked that a Closed Session be added to the end of the Agenda for the purpose of discussing possible litigation, personnel, and contracts.

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland to approve the Agenda with the noted request. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

1. **Minutes:** Consideration of approval of Board Minutes for meeting held September 18, 2000

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

2. **Refunds on Regular Tax Bills:** Consideration of a request for approval of refunds on regular tax bills paid in error, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

3. **Resolution for Addition to Secondary Road System – Hillside Dairy Road:** Consideration of a request for approval of **Resolution #2000-33A for the Addition of Street or Road to the**

North Carolina System of Secondary Roads – Hillside Dairy Road (SR #1511), attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

4. **Resolution Recommending the Endorsement of Legislative Goals for the 2001 Session of the General Assembly to the Association:** Consideration of a request for approval of **Resolution #2000-34 Recommending the Endorsement of Legislative Goals for the 2001 Session of the General Assembly to the Association**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

5. **Resolution Setting Time and Place of Commissioner Calendar for Year 2001:** Consideration of a request to approve **Resolution #2000-35 Setting the Time and Place of its Regular Meetings for the Chatham County Board of Commissioners for Calendar Year 2001**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

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There was no one present who wished to make public comments.

RESOLUTION HONORING WAYNE KIRTS

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Resolution Honoring the Service of Wayne Kirts: Consideration of a **Resolution Honoring the Service of Wayne C. Kirts on the Occasion of His Tremendous Efforts for Chatham County Travel & Tourism**

Commissioner Holland moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to approve a **Resolution #2000-36 Honoring the Service of Wayne C. Kirts on the Occasion of His Tremendous Efforts for Chatham County Travel & Tourism**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

JOCCA PRESENTATION

Chatham County Teen Court: Presentation on Chatham County Teen Court by JOCCA

Sandra Sanchez, Executive Director of JOCCA gave a brief synopsis about how the Chatham County Teen Court came into existence stating that the Teen Court project will provide an alternative system of juvenile justice which will offer young offenders opportunities to complete structured levels of sentencing such as community service, restitution, counseling, conflict resolution, letter of apology to victims, drug testing, and tutorial sessions; that the purpose of the program is to provide a venue for swift, constructive sentencing for first-time youth offenders while lessening the actual caseload of the formal court system; that middle and high-school aged youth may request or be referred to Teen Court for such misdemeanors as communicating threats, intimidation and harassment, shoplifting, larceny, simple assault with no serious injury, possession of drugs or alcohol, vandalism, and other appropriate misdemeanor offenses; that the

process for Teen Court begins when the coordinator receives a referral from law enforcement, Juvenile Services, SRO, DA or judge; that if deemed appropriate, the offender will be contacted to set-up an appointment with both the youth and his/her parent/guardian(s); that at the interview, the parties must sign an agreement for voluntary participation with the understanding that no criminal charges will be pursued on the offense if the juvenile successfully completes all Teen Court requirements; that at this time, rules and regulations for the program are discussed and a Teen Court appearance date is set.

Faye Hall, JOCCA Employment and Training Director, explained that Teen Court, started in 1998, provides a hands-on environment where teens learn from their mistakes, gain valuable life skills, and are empowered to change their lives and help their peers change for the better; that Teen Court also provides opportunities for community youth that may be interested in pursuing careers in law enforcement and justice, while helping deter their peers from becoming involved in criminal activity; that student volunteers serve as jurors, defense attorneys, prosecuting attorneys, bailiffs, and clerks of court; that youth offenders have to admit guilt and accept responsibility for their actions before they appear in Teen Court; that Teen Court hearings are a proven tool in the fight against rising juvenile crime rates; that recidivism among youth served by Teen Court is low, believed to be less than ten percent nationally; that it is a cost effective alternative to traditional methods of juvenile justice and is believed to be instrumental in keeping youth out of trouble; that juvenile offenders can keep their record clean by fully complying with the Teen Court sentence; that youth gain greater respect for authority, other people, and property; that Teen Court empowers teens with decision making opportunities and restores youth offenders to their community.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Adult Care Home Committee: Consideration of a request to appoint a member to the Adult Care Home Committee

Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to appoint Marjorie Newby, 328 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Siler City, NC, to the Adult Care Home Committee. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

Work First Designee: Consideration of a request to appoint a Commissioner or their designee to the Work First Committee

Chairman Givens moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to appoint Robert Hall as the Board of Commissioners' designee to the Work First Committee. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

Strategic Plan Steering Team Appointments: Consideration of a request to appoint members to the Strategic Plan Team

Commissioner Pollard appointed Frankie Matthews, 828 Lane Jordan Road, Siler City, NC, to the Strategic Plan Steering Team.

Commissioner Phillips appointed Bruce Alexander, 5334B Castle Rock Farm Road, Pittsboro, NC, to the Strategic Plan Steering Team.

Water Committee Appointment: Consideration of a request to appoint a member to the Chatham County Water Committee by Commissioner Pollard

Commissioner Pollard appointed Gary Cox, PO Box 241, Goldston, NC, to the Chatham County Water Committee contingent upon the resignation of Mr. Jim Diggs from the Water Board.

Orange-Person-Chatham Mental Health Board:

Commissioner Holland appointed Marva Price, 85 Fearington Post, Pittsboro, NC, to the Orange-Person-Chatham Mental Health Board.

MANAGER' S REPORTS

Resolution Declaring Surplus and Authorizing the Sale of Said Property:

Chairman Rick Givens moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to approve **Resolution #2000-37 Declaring Surplus and Authorizing the Sale of Said Property**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

Surplus Auction Items:

Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to declare a 1984 Ford 600 Series truck with dump [stake body with lift gate], Asset #2693 and a 1988 White Truck, front loading garbage truck, Asset #2429 as surplus and to sell the items at auction. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0). A list of the surplus property is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

Removal of Item from Surplus List:

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to approve the removal of the 1986 Ford Crown Victoria from the surplus list. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

There were no Commissioner reports.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Givens moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to go out of Regular Session and convene in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing possible litigation, personnel, and contract negotiations. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

REGULAR SESSION

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

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Phillips moved, that there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Pollard seconded the motion. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0), and the meeting was adjourned at 11.49 AM.

Rick Givens, Chairman

ATTEST:

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