

MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RECONVENED MEETING FROM SEPTEMBER 07, 2004
SEPTEMBER 13, 2004

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 9:00 AM on September 13, 2004 to continue with their recessed meeting from September 07, 2004.

Present: Chairman Tommy Emerson; Vice Chair, Carl Outz; Commissioners Margaret Pollard, Bob Atwater, and Bunkey Morgan; County Manager, Charlie Horne; County Attorney, Robert L. Gunn; and Clerk to the Board, Sandra B. Sublett

The Chairman called the recessed meeting from September 07, 2004 to order at 9:00 AM.

WATER ISSUES

Resolution Calling for a Special Bond Election in Northwest Chatham County Water District:

The County Attorney read the “Resolution Calling for a Special Bond Election in the Northwest Chatham Water District” in its entirety on whether to issue \$9.3 million in water bonds.

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Outz, to adopt **Resolution #2004-42 Calling for a Special Bond Election in the Northwest Chatham Water District**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

A question and answer period ensued.

The Chairman called for a vote. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Tim Carpenter, Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates engineer, explained that the previous sewer study identified a specific area; that it was mostly in north Chatham and how to address the needs of those subdivisions for waste disposal by either land application, sending waste to Pittsboro, sending waste to OWASA, or building a new plant; that the sewer study about which they are now talking is to establish where a plant can be located if there can be a discharge; that a waste water discharge is a “beast” that can drag on longer; that those are the biggest issues of where a plant can be sited, what kind of regional cooperation can be received, and where and if a discharge can be received; that it is a little different in scope; that this is more for the discharge side of it than it is merely the collection; and that if the areas can be identified where a plant can be placed, then an option can be given to developers.

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to adopt **Resolution #2004-43 to Apply for a Capacity Grant Through the NC Rural Center** as discussed at a prior Board of Commissioners’ meeting. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0). The resolution is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

Mr. Carpenter explained that the following resolution is to be used in applying for some

additional low-interest loans to fund the western transmission main; that all of the up-front work has been done; that the plans are complete; that the EA is complete; that having gone through a year of answering questions for the Pea Ridge line and knew what the questions were going to be for the western transmission so they have already been incorporated into the text of the report; that if the resolution is sent off by September 30th, based on their readiness to proceed criteria, their money could be available, in hand, by early spring; that this is consistent with the plan that the western transmission main would be started approximately three months after the Pea Ridge Road line; that the timing could work out if they are able to receive the money.

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Atwater, to adopt **Resolution #2004-44 Authorizing the Filing of an Application With the State of North Carolina**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Commissioner Atwater moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to authorize the Chairman to sign the application and execute all necessary documents thereto for the USDA loan money for water projects. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC. APPEAL

Commissioner Outz asked if there had been any negotiations with regard to Honeywell Industries. He stated that he felt that by the time the County hired an attorney and went to court, it would cost a lot of money; that he thinks the County is fair; and that everyone should pay their fair share, but that if negotiations could work it out, he thought it would be beneficial to do so.

The County Attorney explained that the issue was before the State Property Tax Commission. He stated that when the County-hired expert's decision is in, it would be appropriate to explore the possibility of negotiation.

PITTSBORO ETJ WATER

Commissioner Pollard asked if there had been contract negotiations for water within the Pittsboro ETJ.

The County Manager explained that he was expecting the Town of Pittsboro's minutes pertaining to water within the Pittsboro ETJ.

KAISER ROTH

Commissioner Morgan asked if the sale of the Kaiser Roth building sale had been consummated. He asked that the County Manager follow through on this matter.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to go out of Regular Session and into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing potential land acquisition. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

REGULAR SESSION

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to go out of Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

ADJOURMENT

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Atwater, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0), and the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM.

Thomas J. Emerson, Chairman

ATTEST:

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