

MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 04, 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 2:30 PM on October 04, 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; Assistant County Manager, Renee Dickson; Finance Officer, Vicki McConnell; and Clerk to the Board, Sandra B. Sublett

Commissioner Atwater entered the meeting at 2:40 PM.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 2:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Chairman Emerson invited everyone present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance after which Commissioner Pollard delivered the invocation.

AGENDA

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

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Outz, to approve the Agenda. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Commissioner Morgan asked that Item #2, Consideration of a request to approve a JOCCA – Work First Program contract for the Fiscal Year July 01, 2004 – June 30, 2005 for the Department of Social Services be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Outz asked that Item #4, Consideration of a request to accept funds in the amount of \$19,896 from the State for the Health Department and consideration of a request to use a portion of the funding to support the reclassification of a 1.0 FTE Processing Assistant (PA) to a Public Health Nurse II be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to approve the Consent Agenda with the noted requests as follows:

1. **Minutes:** Consideration of a request for approval of Board Minutes for regular meeting held September 20, 2004 and work session held September 20, 2004

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

- ~~2. **Department of Social Services Contract:** Consideration of a request to approve a contract for the Fiscal Year July 01, 2004 – June 30, 2005 for the Department of Social Services as follows:~~

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- ~~1. **JOCCA Work First Program**~~

This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion.

3. **Road Names:** Consideration of a request from citizens to approve the naming of private roads in Chatham County as follows:

- A. Thompson Staley Lane
- B. Kay Lane
- C. Mockernut Road
- D. Marthas Vinyard Drive
- E. Lions Club Road
- F. Tortoise Shell Drive
- G. Mauldin Drive

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

- ~~4. **Funds Acceptance from State of North Carolina:** Consideration of a request to accept funds in the amount of \$19,896 from the State for the Health Department~~

This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion.

~~Consideration of a request to use a portion of the funding to support the reclassification of a 1.0 FTE Processing Assistant (PA) to a Public Health Nurse II~~

This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion.

5. **Additional Personnel for Department of Social Services:** Consideration of a request to accept funds in the amount of \$541,028.00 to be used for hiring nine Child Protective Service Social Workers for the Department of Social Services

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

6. **Resolution to Adopt Hazard Mitigation Plan:** Consideration of a request to adopt **Resolution #2004-45 to Adopt Hazard Mitigation Plan**, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

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

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Road Names:

Commissioner Morgan asked that more reference points be made with regard to maps when road names come to the Board for approval.

Funds Acceptance from State of North Carolina: Consideration of a request to accept funds in the amount of \$19,896 from the State for the Health Department

Consideration of a request to use a portion of the funding to support the reclassification of a 1.0 FTE Processing Assistant (PA) to a Public Health Nurse II

After discussion, Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan to approve the request to accept funds in the amount of \$19,896 from the State for the Health Department and to use a portion of the funding to support the reclassification of a 1.0 FTE Processing Assistant (PA) to a Public Health Nurse II. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MATTERS***Public Hearing:***

Public Hearing on Close-Out of 2000 Community Development Block Grant Capacity Building Grant: Public meeting to receive public comments on the close-out of the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Capacity Building Grant

The Chairman opened the floor for comments on the 2000 Community Development Block Grant close-out.

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

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to close the public hearing on the 2000 Community Development Block Grant. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Other Matters:

Closing of Certain Streets in the Village of Bennett: Consideration of a request to close certain unopened streets and alleyways (portions of Lane Avenue, Aycock Street, Buffalo Street, Liberty Street, Maple Street, Ward Street, and Scotten Street) in the Village of Bennett

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Atwater, to approve a request to close certain unopened streets and alleyways (portions of Lane Avenue, Aycock Street, Buffalo Street, Liberty Street, maple Street, Ward Street, and Scotten Street) in the Village of Bennett. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Commissioner Morgan asked that future requests of this nature proceed through the Planning Department and Planning Board for their consideration before they are brought to the Board of Commissioners for consideration.

Department of Social Services Contract: Consideration of a request to approve a contract for the Fiscal Year July 01, 2004 – June 30, 2005 for the Department of Social Services as follows:

1. JOCCA-Work First Program

After discussion, Commissioner Atwater moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to approve the JOCCA Work First Program contract for Fiscal Year July 01, 2004-June 30, 2005 for the Department of Social Services, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Soccer Field Request: Consideration of a request to convey land to Board of Education for use as soccer field

After considerable discussion, Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Outz, to table this item for discussion at a later date. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Southwest Chatham Park Operations: Consideration of a request to enter into a light lease with Musco Lighting for Southwest Park multipurpose field

After considerable discussion, Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Pollard, to meet at 5:30 PM on Thursday, October 7, 2004 prior to the scheduled meeting at Northwood High School to discuss this matter. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Southwest Chatham Park Fencing Bid Award: Consideration of a request to approve a bid award in the amount of \$11,993.00 to Bushranger Fence Company for baseball field fencing

This item was deferred for discussion on Thursday, October 7, 2004.

Southwest Chatham Park Tennis Court Construction Bid Award: Consideration of a request to award bid to lowest responsive bidder and to authorize chairman to execute a contract for tennis court construction and playground

This item was deferred for discussion on Thursday, October 7, 2004.

Southwest Chatham Park Playground and Volleyball Court Bid Award: Consideration of a request to award bid to lowest responsive bidder and to authorize chairman to execute a contract for playground and sand volleyball court

This item was deferred for discussion on Thursday, October 7, 2004.

FINANCE OFFICE

Budget Amendments: Consideration of a request to approve Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Budget Amendments

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, to approve the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 budget amendments, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

A discussion was held with regard to the Sheriff's Deputies working overtime for the Old Fashion Farmer's Day at Silk Hope and other special occurrences. Board members questioned if this was to be part of their "pay-for-performance".

MANAGER'S REPORTS

There were no Manager's Reports.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Additional Social Workers:

Commissioner Outz expressed concern with regard to the hiring of the nine additional social workers at the Department of Social Services, their benefits, and housing and asked if half that many could be hired.

It was explained that these are funds being provided by the State for a predetermined number of positions.

Review of Judicial Buildings:

Commissioner Atwater stated that Orange County has a group of people looking at various judicial buildings. He asked if the Board would allow him to find out how the group was composed so that a similar group from Chatham County could be sent to investigate such matters.

By consensus, the Board concurred.

Wastebasket for Ag Building:

Commissioner Morgan asked that a wastebasket can be placed in the Ag Building.

RECESS

Commissioner Morgan moved to recess the Regular Meeting for the scheduled Work Session after a ten-minute break. Commissioner Outz seconded the motion. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0), and the meeting was recessed at 3:50 PM.

Thomas J. Emerson, Chairman

ATTEST:

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