



Chatham County, NC

Meeting Minutes

Board of Commissioners

Monday, December 7, 2020

6:00 PM

Agriculture & Conference Center

Regular Session - 6:00 PM - Agriculture and Conference Center

Present: 5 - Chair Mike Dasher, Vice Chair Diana Hales, Commissioner Jim Crawford, Commissioner Franklin Gomez Flores and Commissioner Karen Howard

INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Howard asked everyone to pause for a moment of silence after which she invited everyone present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Howard called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Judge Sherri Murrell administered the oath of office to newly elected Commissioners Franklin Gomez Flores, Mike Dasher, and Karen Howard.

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

A motion was made by Commissioner Crawford, seconded by Commissioner Howard, to elect Mike Dasher as Chair of the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Dasher, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Crawford, Commissioner Gomez Flores and Commissioner Howard

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Commissioner Howard thanked staff who worked with her as chair over the last year. She believes the staff more than rose to the challenges of 2020.

Chair Dasher thanked Commissioner Howard for her amazing service over one of the most difficult years faced by this Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gomez Flores, seconded by Commissioner Howard, to elect Diana Hales as Vice Chair of the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Dasher, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Crawford, Commissioner Gomez Flores and Commissioner Howard

APPROVAL OF AGENDA and CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that the Agenda and Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Dasher, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Crawford, Commissioner Gomez Flores and Commissioner Howard

21-3703

Vote on a request to approve purchase of a used dozer and authorize the County Manager to sign the agreement.

Attachments: [Spec Sheet.pdf](#)
[Sales Order.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Contract, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Dasher, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Crawford, Commissioner Gomez Flores and Commissioner Howard

End of Consent Agenda

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

No one signed up to speak.

BOARD PRIORITIES

21-3704

Vote on a request to approve a resolution declaring 2021 the Semiquincentennial of Chatham County

Attachments: [250th Anniversary Resolution.docx](#)

Community Partners Analyst Hilary Pollan introduced reenactor Mr. Gary Simpson. Mr. Simpson as Mr. John Brookes read the resolution into the record.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hales, seconded by Commissioner Howard, that this Resolution #2020-51 declaring 2021 the Semiquincentennial of Chatham County, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Dasher, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Crawford, Commissioner Gomez Flores and Commissioner Howard

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk to the Board Lindsay K. Ray thanked the Board and the County staff for supporting her while she worked full time and went to school full time. Now that she has graduated with her bachelors she looks forward to spending more time with her family and friends.

MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Dan LaMontagne congratulated Clerk Lindsay Ray on completing her bachelor's degree and Karen Howard, Mike Dasher, and Franklin Gomez Flores on their elections. Mr. LaMontagne announced Nick Haffele as the new MIS Director. Mr. LaMontagne presented Commissioner Crawford with a plaque from Triangle J Council of Governments in recognition of his time as the Chairman of the Board of Delegates.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Howard acknowledged that Dr. Derrick Jordan was leaving his position as Chatham County Schools Superintendent and stated she looked forward to continuing to have a good relationship with the School Board under the next Superintendent.

Commissioner Gomez Flores stated he was honored to join the Board and looked forward to working with staff.

Commissioner Crawford stated that the Council on Aging received a grant to improve their facility. They expect to outgrow the current building in five to ten years.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Chair Dasher, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Dasher, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Crawford, Commissioner Gomez Flores and Commissioner Howard