

MINUTES

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HENDERSON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 15, 1992

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Henderson County Office Building.

Those present were: Vice-Chairman Vollie G. Good, Commissioner Hugh D. Randall, Commissioner William McKay, County Manager David F. Thompson, Assistant County Manager/Finance Director David E. Nicholson, and Clerk to the Board Elizabeth W. Corn. Absent was Chairman J. Michael Edney who was in court. Also absent were Commissioner F. Richard Baker and County Attorney Don H. Elkins. Mr. Elkins was in court and was expected to arrive late.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Vice-Chairman Good called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Randall led the pledge to the American Flag.

INVOCATION

D.P. Smotherman, Senior Minister of the First United Methodist Church, gave the invocation.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes of the April 6 meeting were presented for review. Commissioner McKay made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

David Thompson added item "H" under New Business, Resignation of the Forest Ranger. He also informed the Board that he would have some changes for them in up-coming meeting dates.

PUBLIC INPUT

No-one had signed up to speak.

GREEN RIVER MANAGEMENT BOARD

David Thompson addressed this item. Per the Board's instructions, the request from the Green River Management Board for funding in the amount of \$950.00 to assist in law enforcement along the Green River was rolled over to this meeting.

Mr. Thompson reviewed background information with the Board. There was some discussion. The item was rolled due to the fact that our Chairman was not in attendance and he was to contact the Chairman in Polk County.

NOMINATIONS

1. Vice-Chairman Good reminded the Board of two (2) vacancies on the Jobs Training Partnership Act Committee. There were no nominations at this time so the item was rolled to the next meeting.

2. Vice-Chairman Good reminded the Board of two (2) vacancies on the Nursing Home/Domiciliary Home Advisory Committee. There were no nominations at this time so the item was rolled to the next meeting.

Letters were sent out to each Nursing Home, Rest Home, and Domiciliary Home in the area asking for recommendations for membership. Only one recommendation has been received back.

HEALTH ACTION COMMITTEE/COUNTY EMPLOYEE PICNIC

David Thompson informed the Board of a County Employee Picnic that the Health Action Committee has planned for Thursday, May 14, 1992 at 6:00 p.m. at Jackson Park. This would be a pot luck meal for employees and employee's spouses and children.

Minutes of the last Health Action Committee were presented which describe the proposed event in detail. The Health Action Committee is a subcommittee of the "Wellness Program". David Thompson requested permission to schedule the event.

Vice-Chairman Good marked his calendar and stated that he hoped all the Commissioners would try to attend.

CBA TASK FORCE FUNDING

David Nicholson informed the Board that the Henderson County CBA Task Force for Fiscal Year 1992-93 has recommended that our Youth Development's New Hope Youth Shelter receive \$66,502.00 and Trend's Early Intervention Program receive \$19,353.00. Because we need to notify the State, this item would need early budgetary approval.

The recommendation was based on a projected reduction in CBA funds from the State of \$2,021.00. Recommendation was that the two programs share equally in the loss of grant monies.

Commissioner Randall made the motion to approve the recommendation from the Henderson County CBA Task Force for Fiscal Year 1992-93. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

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PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF FIRE MARSHAL DEPARTMENT

David Thompson reviewed a job description and advertisements for the proposed position of a County Fire Marshal. He developed the job description after reviewing descriptions for the same position that existed in other Counties and utilizing the input that the Fire Commission had previously provided to the Board. David Nicholson and David Thompson met with Martin Harris (Chairman of the Fire Commission) recently to review the position description and modified it further at that time.

David Thompson had included copies of legislation in the agenda book that the Fire Commission was established under and also the legislation that pertains to the establishment of the Fire Marshal position. Mr. Thompson stated that this item was mainly for review and would be on the agenda May 4 when he will seek approval.

NOTIFICATION OF VACANCIES

1. Vice-Chairman Good informed the Board of one vacancy on the Land-Of-Sky Regional Council Advisory Council on Aging.
2. Vice-Chairman Good informed the Board of two vacancies on the Hospital Board of Trustees.
3. Vice-Chairman Good informed the Board of four vacancies on the Job Training Partnership Act Committee (JTPA).
4. Vice-Chairman Good informed the Board of one vacancy on the Social Services Board.
5. Vice-Chairman Good informed the Board of one vacancy on the Solid Waste Haulers Association.

These vacancies will appear for nominations on the next agenda.

ROAD PETITIONS

One Road petition has been received from the residents on Old Asheville Highway, SR#1533. The residents are asking that the road be paved.

The Clerk was directed to forward this petition on to N.C. DOT as is normally done.

BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH THE STAFF ATTORNEY'S DEPARTMENT

David Nicholson reviewed the Budget Amendment with the Board. \$15,898 would need to be transferred from Contingencies to create the Staff Attorney's Department. This would be sufficient to create that department and carry it through June 30, 1992. As part

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of this budget amendment, Lisa Merrick would be transferred from Administration to the Staff Attorney's Department.

Commissioner McKay made the motion to approve the budget amendment as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

EDUCATIONAL MEDIA COMMITTEE REFERENDUM UPDATE

David Thompson informed the Board that the Educational Media Committee is a joint undertaking of the Chamber of Commerce, Blue Ridge Community College, and the City and County Schools. They have requested that the Commissioners be at the new Upward School Site today by 11:30 for the ground breaking ceremony and then afterwards go to East Henderson High School Cafeteria for lunch. Dan Lunsford, Charlie Byrd, and David Sink would bring the Board up to date on their construction projects after lunch.

RESIGNATION OF THE HENDERSON COUNTY FOREST RANGER

David Thompson informed the Board of an agreement between the N.C. Association of County Commissioners and the Department of Environmental Health and Natural Resources (Division of Forest Resources). The agreement is that they will advertise at the state level for a new forest ranger to replace Mr. Koontz here in Henderson County. After they advertise and receive applications through the Employment Security Commission, they will forward the applications to the Board of County Commissioners. From those applications the Board of Commissioners should submit three that are fully qualified for the position back to the state.

CHANGES IN SOME UP-COMING MEETING DATES

April 28, 1992 Public Hearing @ Blue Ridge Fire Department has been cancelled. We need to resolve with Blue Ridge some of the boundary descriptions.

April 23, 1992 Public Hearing @ Mills River Fire Department will be held as planned.

EAST FLAT ROCK ZONING - Mr. Thompson has set up some times that staff could be available for individual Commissioners or the entire Board to go to the area with staff to see some of the concerns of the residents.

He will supply a listing of some times that staff will be available.

April 22, 1992 Joint District Meeting in Waynesville, District 16 & 17 through the Association of the County Commissioners. David has signed up to attend as well as Angela Skerritt, Commissioner McKay, and Liston Smith. 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

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May 20, 1992 @ 2:00 p.m. N.C. DOT Secondary Road Public Hearing.

June 10, 1992 LEGISLATION BRIEFING in Raleigh, noon - 7:30 p.m.
A very important meeting! Mr. Thompson highly recommends attendance
by all Commissioners.

July 8-11, 1992 National Association of County Officials Annual
Conference. Information received thus far will be put into your
boxes for your review and consideration.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner McKay made the motion for the Board to go into
Executive Session as allowed under General Statute 143-118.11 to
discuss the following matters:

- A. To discuss the acquisition of real property.
- B. To consult with the County Attorney to the
extent that confidentiality is required.
- C. To discuss a personnel matter.

All voted in favor and the motion carried.

The County Attorney arrived during Executive Session.

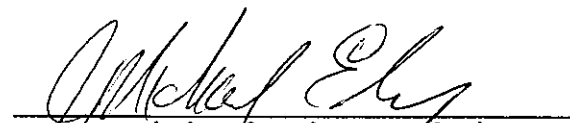
Commissioner Randall made the motion for the Board to go out of
Executive Session. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Commissioner McKay made the motion to adjourn the meeting being
there was no further business. All voted in favor and the motion
carried.

ATTEST:



Elizabeth W. Corn, Clerk



J. Michael Edney, Chairman