

MINUTES

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HENDERSON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 1, 1991

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Henderson County Office Building.

Those present were: Chairman J. Michael Edney, Vice-Chairman Vollie G. Good, Commissioner F. Richard Baker, Commissioner Hugh D. Randall, Commissioner William McKay, County Attorney Don H. Elkins, Interim County Manager Jerry D. Myers, Finance Director David E. Nicholson, Clerk to the Board Elizabeth W. Corn, Avalina Merrill (in training), and the news media.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chairman Edney welcomed all in attendance. He especially welcomed two boy scouts in the audience who are working on their community service badges.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner McKay led in the pledge to the American Flag.

INVOCATION

Rev. Jimmy Cox of Naples Baptist Church gave the invocation.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes were presented for review of the March 13 Commissioners' Meeting. Minutes were presented for review of the March 20 Commissioners' Meeting.

Commissioner Good made the motion that the minutes be approved as corrected. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

Chairman Edney added item "F" under New Business, Budget Amendment.

PUBLIC INPUT

No one had signed up to speak tonight.

FIRE COMMISSION REPORT/Martin Harris

Chairman Edney recognized Mr. Harris. Mr. Harris had presented a proposal to the Board last Wednesday at a workshop meeting. Since the Board has had time to review that proposal he asked if they had any questions, they did not. The proposal was for the

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establishment of a Henderson County Fire Marshall and the office of Fire Code Inspector.

Chairman Edney stated that since this involves county financial backing, Mr. Harris will probably be invited back during the budget process.

AMERICA'S PRIDE

Chairman Edney recognized the two sponsors that are in attendance tonight, Glenda Lancaster and Dottie Watson. Ms. Lancaster addressed the Board and introduced three young ladies who are members of America's Pride, Aaron Smith, Stacy Hardin, and Carol Hooker. Each of these ladies came forward and spoke briefly about their recent trip to the International Drug Prevention Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. Each of the adults and young people who attended the conference brought back with them ideas and information that they will be able to share with those that did not attend the conference. Ms. Lancaster thanked the Board for being a part of helping sponsor the trip.

1. Aaron Smith- Miss Smith is a freshman at Rugby Junior High School. Miss Smith spoke of the recent conflict in the middle east and said how it brought our nation together. She said that we can win the war on drugs also but we must be united and all work together toward this end.

2. Stacy Hardin- Miss Hardin is a student at Flat Rock Junior High School. She stated that drugs and alcohol are a major problem in the junior high schools. The slides and films she viewed at the conference made a big impact on her life.

3. Carol Hooker- Miss Hooker is a 9th grade student at Rugby Junior High School. She spoke on the legalization of marijuana and the increased crime rate that would come with legalization. She is against the legalization. She informed the Board that statistics are decreasing by small numbers but we can't stop now, we must continue the war against drugs. She reminded us all that many teen-agers and adults are doing drugs for love and acceptance, if we reach out and give them the love and acceptance they long for then the drug use will stop and the war on drugs will be won.

Dottie Watson then addressed the Board, thanking them on behalf of all the PRIDE students that attended the conference and others that did not attend but will benefit from what was learned there.

CONTINUATION GRANT APPLICATIONS

Mr. Myers informed the Board of two applications for funds from the Governor's Crime Commission for continuation grants. These are grants that were started last year and continuing this year with one more year remaining. Mr. Myers stated that Henderson County

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is fiscally and legally responsible for the administration of these funds, therefore they flow through our Finance Office. He stated that it has been the Board's policy in the past that once grant applications are approved, we indicate to the recipient of the grant that once the grant funds are no longer available the county will not be responsible for continuation funding from general county funds.

Mr. Myers recommends approval of both these grants for continuation funding.

Commissioner Baker made the motion to approve the submitting of grants for both Mainstay and Focus. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

BOARD OF ELECTION CONTRACTS

Chairman Edney asked Mr. Elkins if he had reviewed the contracts. Mr. Elkins stated that he had and they appear to be in order.

One contract is between the Henderson County Board of Elections and the City of Hendersonville. The other is between the Henderson County Board of Elections and the Town of Fletcher. There was some discussion.

Commissioner McKay made the motion to approve the Fletcher contract in view of the upcoming April 16 election. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

The contract with the City of Hendersonville will be rolled until the next Commissioners' meeting.

NOTIFICATION OF VACANCIES

Chairman Edney informed the Board of 5 vacancies on the Nursing Home/Domiciliary Home Advisory Committee.

NOMINATIONS

1. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 2 vacancies on the Blue Ridge Community College Board of Trustees. There were no nominations so the item was rolled to the next meeting.

2. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 2 vacancies on the EMS Council. Both of the members whose terms are expiring have indicated a willingness to serve again if nominated.

Commissioner Good made the motion to reappoint both Terry Lane and Karen Morris to the EMS Council. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

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3. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 2 vacancies on the Hospital Board of Trustees.

Commissioner Baker made the motion to reappoint Mrs. Edward Smith to fill one of those vacancies as she has indicated her willingness to serve again. All voted in favor and the motion carried. The second vacancy was rolled to the next meeting.

4. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 3 vacancies on the JTPA-Job Training partnership Act Committee or PIC.

Commissioner Baker made the motion to reappoint both Mr. John Murdock and Mr. Liston Smith to fill two of those vacancies. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

The other vacancy was rolled to the next meeting.

5. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 1 vacancy on the Jury Commission, Mrs. Blanche Mann who has indicated she is willing to serve again.

Commissioner Baker made the motion to reappoint Mrs. Mann to the Jury Commission. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

6. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 2 vacancies on the Land of Sky Regional Council Advisory Council on Aging.

Commissioner Randall made the motion to reappoint David Nicholson to fill one of these vacancies. All voted in favor and the motion carried. The other vacancy was rolled to the next meeting.

7. Chairman Edney reminded the Board of 2 vacancies on the Library Board of Trustees. Both Mr. Fitzsimmons and Mr. Willis have indicated that they are willing to serve again.

Commissioner McKay made the motion to reappoint both these gentlemen to the Library Board of Trustees. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

Mr. Nicholson informed the Board that this budget amendment will bring three pots of money together into one pot, to give him a better handle on the money. The three are the capital reserve fund (sales tax), the state public school fund (ADM fund), and the Bond Proceeds.

There was much discussion. Commissioner Good made the motion to approve the budget amendment, allowing the Finance Director to combine these monies. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

MUD CREEK WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

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The Henderson County Board of Commissioners adjourned as Board of Commissioners and convened as Mud Creek Water & Sewer District Board.

The Mud Creek Water & Sewer District Board adjourned and reconvened as Henderson County Board of Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner McKay made the motion for the Board to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Commissioner McKay made the motion for the Board to go out of Executive Session. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Edney recessed the meeting until noon on Wednesday, April 3. The Board will meet at that time for a workshop.

ATTEST:

Elizabeth W. Corn
Elizabeth W. Corn, Clerk

J. Michael Edney
J. Michael Edney, Chairman

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