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REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
106 HILLCREST DRIVE
SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA 27330

MAY 21, 2012

The regular meeting of the Lee County Board of Commissioners for the County of Lee, State of North Carolina, convened at 4 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room, First Floor, Lee County Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina, on said date. Commissioners present were Richard B. Hayes, Larry "Doc" Oldham, Charles T. Parks, Nathan E. Paschal, Linda A. Shook, and James K. Womack. Commissioner Robert T. Reives joined the meeting later.

Chairman Shook called the meeting to order and the following business was transacted:

Commissioner Oldham delivered the invocation.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The Board considered additions/changes to the agenda. Chairman Shook asked the Board to consider a resolution in support of Senate Bill 433 (local human services administration) and that it be added to the Consent Agenda, if the Board approved. Commissioner Hayes moved to add the Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 433 to the Consent Agenda. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

With no other changes made, Commissioner Oldham moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Hayes moved to approve the *Consent Agenda* which consisted of the following items:

- Minutes from the May 7, 2012 regular meeting,
- Tax Releases and Refunds for April 2012 (copy attached),
- Resolution designating the Captain of the Lee County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Division as the official authorized individual to make the County's recommendations on the issuance of ABC permits to the NC Alcoholic Beverage Commission (copy attached),
- One year Renewal Contract with the NC Department of Corrections for Inmate Labor for General Services – 6 inmates (copy attached),
- Acceptance of donated 2002 Chevrolet Venture to the Lee County Library,
- One year Renewal Contract with the NC Department of Corrections for Inmate Labor for the Health Department (Animal Shelter - 2 inmates), (copy attached),
- Approval of Motivational Interviewing Training funds for the Health Department in the amount of \$7,375 (copy attached),
- Budget Amendment # 05/21/12/15 (copy attached),
- Property and Liability Insurance Renewal with the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners,
- Workers' Compensation Insurance Renewal with the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners,
- Approval of Mr. Paul Billow with Womble Carlyle Sandridge and Rice, LLP as bond counsel for the COPs refinancing project (copy attached), and
- Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 433 (copy attached).

Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Shook, and Womack
 Nay: None
 Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Reives joined the meeting at this time.

No one signed up to speak during the *Public Comments* section of the meeting.

Dr. Bud Marchant, President of Central Carolina Community College provided the required paperwork to appear before the Board to discuss the proposed Continuing Education Building and expansion/renovations to the Dennis Wicker Civic Center. Members of the CCCC Board of Trustees in attendance were recognized. Dr. Marchant urged Commissioners to consider the CCCC budget recommendation to begin construction of a new Medical Arts Building and renovations to the Civic Center in the near future. No action was taken.

At this time Chairman Shook allowed Mr. Victor Ingram, Jr., to address the Board. Mr. Ingram stated he was a senior at Lee County High School and had been invited and accepted a spot on an all-star football team traveling to Australia with *Down Under Sports Tournaments* for the 24th *Down Under Bowl* this summer. Mr. Ingram stated he needed \$5,000 (\$2,500 of which has already been raised) for the overseas trip and he is asking for sponsorship and donations. All contributions must be turned in by May 31st.

Ms. Meg Moss, Director of Lee County Industries (LCI) provided the required paperwork to appear before the Board to discuss a new business venture and creation of new jobs at Lee County Industries. LCI is working with the Golden Leaf Foundation for an \$86,000 grant to implement the new program. Approximately \$240,000 will be needed over a two-year period from the Health Department to enter into an agreement with LCI to begin their scanning project. After discussion, Commissioner Reives moved that the County Manager contact Golden Leaf and see if Lee County can use funds repaid from the Frontier Spinning project for this new small business start-up program. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

The Board considered bids for the boiler and chiller replacement project at the Lee County Government Center. County Manager John Crumpton and General Services Director Russell Spivey stated the boiler and chiller replacement project includes replacement of the current 25 year old system. The following bids were received for said project and read on May 8, 2012:

McGraw-Morgan, Moseley, VA
Mechworks Contractors, Inc., Raleigh, NC
Southern Piping, Raleigh, NC
Jeff Hargett Mechanical Contractors, Greensboro, NC
Quate Industrial, Durham, NC

The chiller replacement project also included an alternate item to replace the existing 25 year old water pump that circulates chilled water throughout the Government Center.

Mr. Crumpton stated the low bidder for the chiller replacement project was Jeff Hargett Mechanical, Inc., (Greensboro, NC) at \$150,900 and low bidder for the boiler replacement project was Mechworks Mechanical Contractors, Inc. (Raleigh, NC) in the amount of \$55,000. After discussion, Commissioner Hayes moved to approve bids from Mechworks Mechanical Contractors (\$55,000 – boiler replacement) and Jeff Hargett Mechanical, Inc. (\$150,900 – chiller replacement) for the boiler and chiller replacement project at the Lee County Government Center. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Mr. Donald Andrews, Chairman of the Lee County Fire Advisory Board presented a recommendation from the Fire Advisory Board for the volunteer fire departments for FY 2012-13. At the May 14th budget work session Mr. Andrews discussed the redrawing of fire department service districts so approximately 1,000 additional structures throughout the County will be eligible for better fire ratings. Information was provided to the Board showing what each volunteer fire department requested in the upcoming budget and what the Fire Advisory Board recommended. Commissioner Reives moved to schedule a public hearing on the Fire Department FY 2012-13 budgets for the June 4th Commissioner's meeting. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

County Manager John Crumpton asked the Board to consider a revised summer meeting schedule for the months of July, August and September 2012 for Commissioner meetings. The revised meeting schedule would involve only one meeting a month, unless a special meeting should be required. The revised schedule would allow Commissioners and staff the opportunity to plan family vacation time. Commissioner Parks moved to approve the recommended summer meeting schedule for the following dates and times:

4 p.m., Monday, July 16, 2012,
4 p.m., Monday, August 20, 2012, and
4 p.m., Monday, September 17, 2012

All meetings will be held in the Commissioners' Room at the Lee County Government Center, First Floor, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina.

Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Assistant County Manager/Finance Director Lisa Minter presented the *Monthly Financial Report* for the month ending April 2012. No action was taken.

County Manager John Crumpton presented his *Monthly Report* to the Board, a copy of which is attached to these minutes and by this reference made a part hereof. No action was taken.

At this time the Board took a 10-minute recess. Upon returning, with all members present, the meeting resumed.

The Board at this conducted public hearings that had been advertised for this date and time.

The first public hearing was in reference to the *FY 2012-13 budget*. County Manager John Crumpton briefly outlined his proposed budget.

Chairman Shook opened the public hearing that had been advertised for this date and time.

The following spoke in reference to the FY 2012-13 budget:

- Ms. Anne Beal, 338 Beal Drive, Sanford - Principal at Tramway Elementary School. Ms. Beal asked that Commissioners approve a 1% supplement increase for school staff and the funding of curriculum coaches in the upcoming budget.
- Dr. Jeff Moss, Superintendent, Lee County Schools – stated that \$172,000 will have to be cut from the schools budget due to an increase in their health insurance if Commissioners did not fund their current budget request. He further stated that \$626,000 will have to be cut from their capital line item if the

recommended county budget is approved. Dr. Moss stated a total of almost \$4 million will have to be cut from the school budget in the upcoming year due to county and state cuts.

Chairman Shook closed the public hearing.

County Manager John Crumpton outlined the second public hearing advertised for the *FY 2013-17 Capital Improvements Program (CIP)*. Mr. Crumpton stated that \$20,295,505 in capital projects had been requested for the FY 2012-13 budget and \$5,839,805 was being recommended.

Chairman Shook opened the public hearing that had been advertised for this date and time.

The following spoke in reference to the recommended FY 2013-17 Capital Improvements Plan:

- Dr. Jeff Moss, Superintendent, Lee County Schools. Dr. Moss stated he would like to sit down with the Board and discuss the addition of a new elementary school within the next two years. He stated that growth will exceed 10,000 pupils in the next five years and the Board of Education may have to consider redistricting at the elementary level if no new school construction is scheduled in the next one to two years.

Chairman Shook closed the public hearing.

The third and final public hearing involved the *Rural Operating Assistance Program Grant* for Lee County Senior Services. Senior Services Director Debbie Davidson presented the following fund levels that have been allocated to Lee County for the NC Department of Transportation FY 2012-13 Rural Operating Assistance Grant application in the total amount of \$162,402.00:

Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance - \$63,292.00 with no local match required. These funds assist clients of Lee County Senior Services, Lee County Industries, and The Center for Independent Living, Dialysis patients and other elderly/disabled Lee County residents with needed transportation services.

Employment Funds - \$19,399.00 with no local match required. These funds assist Department of Social Services Work First clients, Workforce Development programs and other citizens in need of employment transportation.

Rural General Public - \$79,711.00 – minimum match – 10% fare charged to passengers. These funds will be used to transport the general public for various transit needs. Fare rates vary depending on pick-up and destination point of service.

Chairman Shook opened the public hearing that had been advertised for this date and time.

The following spoke in reference to the grant application:

- Debbie Davidson, Director of Lee County Senior Services – stated she was in favor of the grant application because all of this is state money that assists Lee County Industry (LCI) and Stevens Center clients.

Chairman Shook closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Womack moved to approve the *Rural Operating Assistance Program Grant* as presented. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Parks moved to go into closed session per North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a) (5) to discuss the purchase of real property from Dr. Paul Howard and Dr. Barbara James. The proposed purchase will consist of three (3) properties located at 128-134 S. Steele Street, 408 Summit Drive and 915 Wicker Street in Sanford, North Carolina. The property on Steele Street's intended use is by Central Carolina Community College for a Small Business Center, the 408 Summit Drive property and 915 Wicker Street property will be used as County office space. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

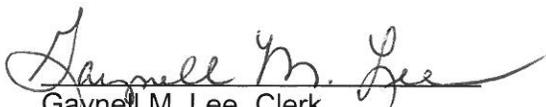
The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the Board was in closed session. Upon returning from closed session, with all members present, the regular meeting resumed.

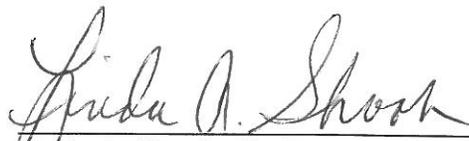
With no other business to come before the Board, Commissioner Parks moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hayes, Oldham, Parks, Paschal, Reives, Shook, and Womack
Nay: None

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

ATTEST:


Gaynell M. Lee, Clerk



Linda A. Shook, Chairman
Lee County Board of Commissioners