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

FEBRUARY 4, 2013

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The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Lee, State of North Carolina, convened at 6 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room, Lee County Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina, on said date. Commissioners present were Amy M. Dalrymple, Dr. Ricky D. Frazier, Dr. Andre Knecht, Charles T. Parks, Kirk D. Smith, and James K. Womack. Commissioner Robert T. Reives was absent due to health issues.

Chairman Parks called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Womack delivered the invocation.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The Board considered additions/changes to the Agenda. Commissioner Womack asked that discussion on delinquent 2012 real property tax liens be moved from the *Consent Agenda* to *New Business*. With no other changes made, Commissioner Frazier moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

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

- Minutes from the January 16, 2013 Strategic Growth Work Session,
- Minutes from the January 22, 2013 regular meeting, and
- Change to the Lee County Personnel Policy for Overtime Compensation

Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

At this time, Commissioner Frazier introduced an exchange student from China that was visiting in Lee County for a week.

Pursuant to N. C. General Statute 153A-52.1, Chairman Parks opened the floor for *Public Comments*. The following signed up to speak and were allowed 3 minutes for comments:

1. Richard Hayes, 2004 Vantage Pointe, Sanford (opposition to Resolution for second amendment),
2. Ann McCracken, 520 Maplewood Drive, Sanford (opposition to Resolution for second amendment),
3. Ed Underwood, 3309 Westcott Circle, Sanford (opposition to Board purchasing Apple Ipad's for a paperless agenda – should consider alternative devices), and
4. Gladys McAuley, 2100 Eveton Lane, Sanford (opposition to Resolution for second amendment).

At this time, Community Development Director Bob Bridwell gave the Board an update on the April 2011 tornado reconstruction. It was stated that there are 2 remaining structures damaged from the storm that need to be demolished. One structure is inside the City of Sanford and the second is located at 2008 Rice Road which is outside the City limits. The property owner, who lives out of County, has notified Community Development that he does not have the funds to demolish the structure but will be glad to work with the County on a repayment schedule so he can retain ownership of the property. Mr. Bridwell stated he had received bids from 4 vendors for demolition services. His recommendation to the Board was for the Commissioners to appropriate \$2,375 to demolish the structure (2008 Rice Road) and recoup the repayment by an agreement with the property owner. After discussion, Commissioner Dalrymple moved to allow Mr. Bridwell and County Attorney Neil Yarborough to work with the owner to demolish the structure located at 2008 Rice Road, work out a loan payment plan with the property owner, and appropriate \$2,375 from Fund Balance to pay for demolition services. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

The Board considered the purchase of a new cargo van for the General Services Department. General Services Director Russell Spivey asked the Board's approval to purchase a new 2013 Ford E250 extended length cargo van from State Contract. If approved, the van will replace a 1995 model and be purchased from Capital Ford in Raleigh in the amount of \$23,570.00. Funds in the amount of \$24,000.00 were approved in the FY 2012-13 budget for this purchase. Commissioner Womack moved to approve the purchase of a new 2013 Ford E250 cargo van for the General Services Department as stated above. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Nay: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

The Board considered Budget Amendment # 02/04/13/11. Finance Director Lisa Minter presented said Budget Amendment which appropriated funds to Social Services for the salary of 1 full-time IMC II position in the Food & Nutrition Unit (\$16,607) and \$23,256 for 3 temporary IMC-Tech positions for approximately 4 months. The Budget Amendment also included a \$500 donation to the Animal Shelter for the purchase of a pressure washer. Commissioner Knecht moved to approve *Budget Amendment # 02/04/13/11* as presented, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes and by this reference made a part hereof. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

The Board considered an Electronic Records Policy for the Lee County Finance Office. Finance Director Lisa Minter stated the Finance Office began using Laserfiche to scan and store copies of accounts payable checks and invoices during FY 2008. The system has proven to be a very useful and reliable program. A policy has been developed to allow the office to stop storing duplicate copies of checks and invoices that have been scanned. Records retention policies require that invoices be kept for 3 years past the completion of the audit. Ms. Minter stated that with the policy, they can destroy invoices after they have been scanned and a sampling of scans has been done to check for accuracy. Based on the amount of space they now have, the plan is to keep copies of the current year's invoices and one prior year. After discussion, Commissioner Smith moved to approve the *Electronic Records System Policy for the Lee County Finance Office*, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes and by this reference made a part hereof. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

The Board discussed a paperless agenda proposal presented by County Manager John Crumpton. Mr. Crumpton stated that Chairman Parks asked him to look into the use of Ipad's for agenda management. Currently the Clerk to the Board makes twelve sets of paper agenda's for each meeting. A copy of the completed agenda is copied to a PDF file for public review. This PDF file can be copied onto the Ipad in "Goodreader", which will allow the user to read and make notes in the file. This process will save time and money for the staff and County. Mr. Crumpton stated that the City of Sanford and the Lee County Board of Education are already using this system. IT Director Kyle Edwards showed Board members various functions the Ipad had during a power-point presentation. Funds for the Ipad's and setup cost will be transferred from Fund Balance if approved. Commissioners can have the option of purchasing the Ipad themselves or leaving the units as County property. Commissioner Womack suggested that the Board discuss and analyze what the Board wants and needs and to look at the full range of needs. Commissioner Parks stated that everyone needed to think about the matter and see what they would be comfortable with and to give IT Director Kyle Edwards feedback so he can look at different devices. No action was taken.

The Board considered a Resolution presented and moved for approval by Commissioner Smith *To Preserve and Defend the United States Constitution and the North Carolina Constitution relating to gun control; a Resolution in support of the Second Amendment*. County Attorney Neil Yarborough had

revised the Resolution that was sent out in the agenda package because he had concerns the way the original Resolution was written. After much discussion, Commissioner Knecht called for the motion, and upon a vote of Commissioner Smith's motion to approve the revised Resolution, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes and by this reference made a part hereof. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: Dalrymple and Frazier  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted by a 4 to 2 vote.

The Board considered a contract for the Clyde Rhyne Road Project. County Manager John Crumpton asked the Board to approve Contract #1 with The Wooten Company for professional (engineering) services for the Clyde Rhyne Road Project at the Lee County Industrial Park. The contract includes bidding requirements, contract requirements, economic development administration requirements, project special provisions and technical specifications for the project. Total cost of this portion of the contract is \$97,113.87. After discussion, Commissioner Womack moved to approve Contract #1 with The Wooten Company in the amount of \$97,113.87 for professional (engineering) services, a copy of which is attached to these minutes and by this reference made a part hereof. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

The Board discussed the listing of 2012 delinquent real property tax liens that had been pulled from the Consent Agenda at the beginning of the meeting. Commissioner Womack stated he would like the complete list of delinquent accounts to be posted on the County website prior to being listed in *The Sanford Herald*. After discussion, Commissioner Womack moved that the 2012 delinquent real property tax liens be posted on the County website for 2 weeks prior to listing in *The Sanford Herald*. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

County Manager John Crumpton stated the he and Clerk would be holding an orientation session for newly elected Commissioners on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at the Summit Office Building.

All Commissioners wished Commissioner Reives and his wife, Ruth, a speedy recovery from recent health issues.

Commissioner Smith moved to go into closed session to consult with the attorney to protect the attorney-client privilege per North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a) (3). Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

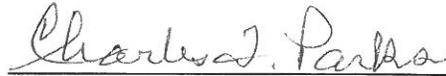
Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay: None  
Absent: Reives

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, except Commissioner Reives, the regular meeting resumed.

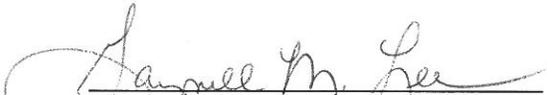
With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Dalrymple moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dalrymple, Frazier, Knecht, Parks, Smith, and Womack  
Nay; None  
Absent: Reives

The Chairman ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

  
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Charles T. Parks, Chairman  
Lee County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

  
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Gaynell M. Lee, Clerk to the Board