

April 1, 2013

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met for its Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Conference Room located in the County Administration Building with the following Commissioners present: Vice-Chairman Sidney E. Dunston, Commissioners David T. Bunn, Harry L. Foy, Jr., and John M. May. Chairman E. Shane Mitchell and Commissioners Cedric K. Jones and Don Lancaster were absent.

Vice-Chairman Dunston called the meeting to order and asked the Board to consider a 10 minute recess for the purpose of calling to order the Board of Equalization and Review.

Commissioner May made the motion to recess, seconded by Commissioner Bunn. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Vice-Chairman Dunston called to order the meeting of the Board of Equalization and Review.

Commissioner May then made a motion to adjourn the Board of Equalization and Review, seconded by Commissioner Bunn. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Commissioner Foy made a motion to reconvene the Board's regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bunn. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Vice-Chairman Dunston asked the Board to consider approval of the consent agenda.

Commissioner May made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Bunn. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

The items approved follow.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. March 18, 2013 Minutes
- B. Spring Litter Sweep 2013 Proclamation
- C. County Government Month 2013 Proclamation
- D. Consider scheduling a meeting of the 2013 Board of Equalization and Review on April 8th at 6pm

Item 1-B

**SPRING LITTER SWEEP 2013
A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation organizes an annual spring statewide roadside cleanup to ensure clean and beautiful roads in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the spring 2013 **LITTER SWEEP** roadside cleanup will take place April 13 to April 27, 2013, and encourages local governments and communities, civic and professional groups, businesses, churches, schools, families and individual citizens to participate in the Department of Transportation cleanup by sponsoring and organizing local roadside cleanups; and

WHEREAS, Adopt-A-Highway volunteers, Department of Transportation employees, Department of Correction inmates and community service workers, local government agencies, community leaders, civic and community organizations, businesses, churches, schools, and environmentally concerned citizens conduct local cleanups during **LITTER SWEEP** and may receive certificates of appreciation for their participation; and

WHEREAS, the great natural beauty of our state and a clean environment are sources of great pride for all North Carolinians, attracting tourists and aiding in recruiting new industries; and

WHEREAS, the cleanup will increase awareness of the need for cleaner roadsides, emphasize the importance of not littering, and encourage recycling of solid wastes; and

WHEREAS, the 2013 spring cleanup will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program and its 5,815 volunteer groups that donate their labor and time year round to keep our roadsides clean; and

WHEREAS, the **LITTER SWEEP** cleanup will be a part of educating the children of this great state regarding the importance of a clean environment to the quality of life in Franklin County;

NOW, THEREFORE, the **Franklin County Board of Commissioners**, does hereby proclaim April 13 to April 27, 2013 as the **SPRING LITTER SWEEP** in Franklin County, and encourages citizens to take an active role in making their communities cleaner.

PROCLAIMED this the 1st day of April, 2013.

Item 1-C

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH - APRIL 2013 "SMART JUSTICE: CREATING SAFER COMMUNITIES" A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving more than 300 million Americans; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, county governments are often the entity providing both direct and indirect services to enhance the lives residents and are responsible for maintaining public safety and the efficient use of local tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, currently more than 13 million individuals are booked into county jails each year and more than 700,000 individuals are booked into state and federal prisons; and

WHEREAS, National Association of Counties President Chris Rodgers is encouraging counties to promote effective community corrections programs across the country through his 2012-13 "Smart Justice" presidential initiative; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 2013 as National County Government Month and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

PROCLAIMED this the 1st day of April, 2013.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

This was the time set aside by the Board of Commissioners to allow individuals five minutes to address the Board on issues concerning the County.

Roger Lytle, 571 Williams White Road, Zebulon, NC

- Regarding a previous request, Mr. Lytle asked when the Code of Ethics will be placed online as well as the Procedures for Meetings of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. He also asked if the Ethics document would be corrected like he suggested removing the word "democracy" and replacing it with "republic." County Manager Angela Harris stated she had no problem working with the Clerk to see that the ethics document is placed online, but stated it would not be altered unless the Board of Commissioners took action to do so.

3. APPOINTMENTS

The Board was asked to consider the following appointments.

A. Board of Adjustment

The Board was asked to consider appointing Armenta Eaton as Commissioner Jones' appointment to the Board of Adjustment.

In the absence of Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Foy made the motion to appoint Armenta Eaton, seconded by Commissioner Bunn. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

B. Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunity, Inc. Board of Directors

Commissioner David Bunn was asked to select an alternate (representing a County Commissioner) on the Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunity, Inc. Board of Directors.

Commissioner Bunn nominated Jeremy Neal. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Foy and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

C. Library Board

An appointment was needed to the Library Board. (Commissioner Lancaster)

Commissioner Lancaster will make an appointment at a later date.

D. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

An appointment was needed to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. (Commissioners Mitchell)

Commissioner Mitchell will make an appointment at a later date.

E. Tourism Development Authority

An appointment was needed to the Tourism Development Authority. (Commissioner Bunn)

Commissioner Bunn will make an appointment at a later date.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

No additional business was discussed.

5. BOARD, MANAGER AND CLERK'S COMMENTS

This was the time set aside for the Board of County Commissioners, the County Manager, and the Clerk to the Board to report on various activities. The Board may also discuss other items of interest.

County Clerk Kristen G. King: Ms. King reminded the Board it will next meet at 6:00 P.M. on Monday, April 8, 2013 as the Board of Equalization and Review.

Commissioner Lancaster: Commissioner Lancaster was absent.

Commissioner Jones: Commissioner Jones was absent.

Commissioner Mitchell: Commissioner Mitchell was absent.

Commissioner Dunston: No comments were offered.

Commissioner Bunn: No comments were offered.

Commissioner May: Commissioner May attended the following:

- United Way Recognition Breakfast where Jerry Ritch was recognized as Volunteer of the Year.
- Social Services Board meeting where the proposed budget was reviewed
- Electronic Pollbook demonstration
- Retirement reception for Elections Supervisor Amy Southerland

Commissioner Foy: Commissioner Foy attended a recent demonstration offered by Board of Elections regarding Electronic Pollbooks. He encouraged the County's Information Technology Department to look over the information to adequately ensure safeguards for encryption codes. Commissioner Foy also asked for an update on the County's E911 project. County Manager Angela L. Harris stated a conference call was held last Friday with a representative of the Federal Communications Commission that has been working in the County. Representatives from Harris and Kimball were also part of the call. She said another frequency will be assigned to Franklin based on interference experienced from Virginia State Police. She stated there had also been interference with Alamance County, however the issue has now been resolved and Alamance is now narrow band compliant.

County Manager Angela L. Harris: Mrs. Harris commented on the following.

- Distributed information about the 40th anniversary of the Whistler's Convention
- Boys and Girls Club fundraiser on April 8, 2013 from 4-7 P.M.
- Miracle League of Franklin County recently received media coverage on WRAL-TV
- Congratulated Board of Elections Director Amy Southerland who worked with Franklin County since 1994

At approximately 7:12 P.M., Commissioner Bunn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner May. The motion duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

E. Shane Mitchell, Chair

Kristen G. King, Clerk to the Board