

December 5, 2016

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: Chairman Sidney E. Dunston, Vice-Chairman Cedric K. Jones, Commissioners John M. May, Harry L. Foy, Jr., David T. Bunn, Michael S. Schriver and Shelley L. Dickerson.

Chairman Dunston called the meeting to order and turned the meeting over to County Attorney Pete Tomlinson to conduct the Election of Officers.

## 1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Tomlinson opened the floor for nominations for Chairman.

Commissioner May nominated Commissioner Jones to serve as Chairman. With no further nominations received, nominations were closed. The nomination duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE." Commissioner Jones was elected to serve as Chairman by acclamation.

Mr. Tomlinson then opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Dickerson nominated Commissioner Dunston to serve as Vice-Chairman. With no further nominations received, nominations were closed. The nomination duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE." Commissioner Dunston was elected to serve as Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

Mr. Tomlinson turned the meeting over to Chairman Jones who then asked the Board to consider approval of the consent agenda.

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

The following items were approved.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. November 21, 2016 Minutes
- B. Releases, Adjustments, Refunds, and Tax Collection Report
- C. Public Officials and Employee Bonds

## 3. 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. No comments were offered.

## 4. UPDATE: OLD JAIL PROJECT

Maury York and Felix Allen provided an update on behalf of the Tar River Center for History and Culture.

Mr. Allen stated the roof has been replaced, but the biggest delay are windows. He said several local craftsmen have been located to do the work which has delayed completion of the building approximately six months. He noted the Town of Louisburg will remove the fence surrounding the old jail.

Mr. Allen said the project is near budget and that fundraising remains in process. Completion is expected in Spring, 2017.

Mr. York added that Perry Glass Company has agreed to donate glass for some of the windows in the jail which will make them more secure than in the past. He said the new windows will mirror the style of the existing windows. He thanked the Board and staff for its support.

No action was requested or taken.

## 5. APPOINTMENTS

### Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

The Board was asked to consider appointing Onnie Mitchell-Burrell to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council to serve as an at-large member.

Commissioner Dunston made a motion to appoint Onnie Mitchell-Burrell to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council to serve as an at-large member. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bunn and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

## 6. OTHER BUSINESS

No additional business was discussed.

## 7. 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 of its next meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

**Commissioner Foy:** Commissioner Foy asked for an update on a request to extend hours Wi-Fi is available at Franklin County libraries. He was informed the hours have already been extended.

**Commissioner Bunn:** No comments were offered.

**Commissioner May:** Commissioner May commented on his participation in the recent Christmas parade in Louisburg sponsored by the Greater Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.

**Commissioner Jones:** Commissioner Jones noted his participation in recent holiday parades in the communities of Franklinton and Louisburg.

**Commissioner Schriver:** Commissioner Schriver thanked the citizens for electing him to serve as commissioner.

**Commissioner Dunston:** Commissioner Dunston thanked the Board and citizens for allowing him to serve as Chairman in 2016.

**Commissioner Dickerson:** Commissioner Dickerson commented on her attendance at many community holiday parades and said she looks forward to serving as commissioner.

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

- Mrs. Harris noted the hospital licensure application had been completed and submitted ahead of schedule with the assistance of the county's legal team.

- The Economic Development Team is working on a project with CGI to update a series of videos that showcase Franklin County on the homepage of its website. The project is part of a renewed partnership with the company. CGI produced the first series of videos for the county three years ago. The videos come at no cost to the county and will be compatible with all mobile devices.
- Mrs. Harris provided an update on a citizen concern regarding control of the local coyote population. She directed the citizen to the website of the North Carolina Wildlife Commission where contact information of damage control agents are listed to assist with trapping. She encouraged the citizen to be mindful of subdivision regulations and town ordinances as well.

At approximately 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Bunn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Schriver. The motion duly carried approval with all present voting “AYE.”

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Cedric Jones, Chair

Kristen G. King, Clerk to the Board

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