

JANUARY 20, 1998

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met in regular session at 7:30 P. M. in the Judge Hamilton H. Hobgood Courthouse Annex with the following Commissioners present: Chairman James G. Hardy, Vice Chairman James T. Moss, Jr., Commissioner Harry L. Foy, Jr., Commissioner Robert L. Swanson, Commissioner George T. Wynne.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the minutes of the meeting held on January 5, 1998, approved.

The Board recognized and presented a certificate of appreciation to Mrs. Hilda Best upon her retirement after thirty-seven years as an employee of the Department of Social Services.

Mr. Bob Taylor of the independent CPA firm of Holden, Moss, Knott, Clark and Taylor, presented and reviewed with the Board the audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1997. Members of the Board questioned Mr. Taylor regarding accounting standards which are followed in conducting an audit of this nature.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Moss, voting "AYE" Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Moss, Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Hardy; voting "NO" Commissioner Foy, accept the audit report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1997, as presented by the independent CPA firm of Holden, Moss, Knott, Clark and Taylor.

Chairman Hardy distributed copies of a statement which had been prepared for the Board's review in response to an opinion in the Editorial Section of the January 17, 1998, edition of **THE FRANKLIN TIMES** regarding the removal of former Tax Collector Donnie Rudd from office for failing to adhere to proper procedures in carrying out the duties and responsibilities of his office. The Chairman stated that the statement was intended to set the record straight and to provide additional information to the public regarding this matter. Following the Board's review of the statement, Chairman Hardy read it aloud in its entirety.

Proper notice having been given, this is the time and place set for a public hearing to receive comments from the public on proposed amendments to the section of the Unified Development Ordinance which relates to watershed water supply.

Chairman Hardy declared the public hearing open and recognized Mr. Boyce Cheek, Planning Director, who stated that the proposed amendments were a result of revised Water Supply Watershed Protection Rules in 1995 by the Environmental Management Commission and the State of North Carolina is requiring that Franklin County's ordinance relating to the Watershed Water Supply be amended. Mr. Cheek also discussed the affect of each amendment on the existing ordinance.

Chairman Hardy called for public comments and the following people spoke:

1) Mr. Dave Woodard

very concerned with the quality of the drinking water; lot sizes too small; waste disposal of towns and cities are not doing adequate job of preventing pollution, hog farmers are not the problem; concerned with future

generations if streams and rivers are polluted

- 2) Ms. Mary Jane Jennings, 566 Jones Chapel Road, Louisburg, NC serves as a member of the Watershed Review Board; purpose is to make language conform across the state; amendments are required by the state; there are serious water problems in the County; septic tanks are a real problem

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Chairman Hardy called for further comments and hearing none declared the public hearing closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried upon the recommendation of the Franklin County Planning Board and as required by the State of North Carolina approve ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISION OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, CHAPTER FOUR, OVERLAY DISTRICTS, ARTICLE 11, FRANKLIN COUNTY WATERSHED PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT**"; copy of amending ordinance found in Unified Development Ordinance Book.

Mr. Chuck Murray, Finance Director, appeared before the Board to request approval of budget ordinance amendments number 14, 15 and 16.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NUMBER FOURTEEN (14); copy of amendment found in Budget Ordinance Book.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NUMBER FIFTEEN (15); copy of amendment found in Budget Ordinance Book.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NUMBER SIXTEEN (16); copy of amendment found in Budget Ordinance Book.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried upon a request from Mr. C. W. Strother, Tax Assessor, and pursuant to General Statute 105-307 that the tax listing time period be extended through the end of February, 1998.

County Manager Leary advised the Board of a request received from the Fixed Based Operator at the Franklin County Airport for an indication of the Board's willingness to consider an amendment to the agreement dated May 1, 1997, which provides for the County to lease ground for the construction of hangars to facilitate the fixed based operations. The amendment would modify the current agreement to enumerate additional amenities which would result in increasing the ground lease by approximately 7,000 square feet.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the Board indicated its willingness to consider the Fixed Based Operator's request for an amendment to the current agreement that would provide for an additional 7,000 square feet of ground lease and that the formal amendments to the agreement be presented when prepared.

Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried accept and forward a petition for Addition to State System for Ryan's Run, Extension of SR 1193, Youngsville Township, to the North Carolina Board of Transportation for their consideration.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss, voting "AYE" Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Moss, Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Hardy, voting "NO" Commissioner Foy the Board go into closed session pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (6) and 143-318.11 (a) (3) in order that the Board may consider the qualifications of a prospective employee and to consult with its attorney regarding litigation.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the Board reconvened into regular session and Chairman Hardy stated that no action was necessary as a result of the closed session.

There being no further action to come before the Board, adjournment recorded at 10:00 P. M.