

JULY 6, 2000

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met in regular session at 7:30 P. M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room located in the County Administration Building with the following Commissioners present: Chairman George T. Wynne, Vice Chairman Robert L. Swanson, Commissioner Harry L. Foy, Jr., Commissioner James T. Moss, Jr., Commissioner Edward Strickland.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the following Consent Agenda items approved:

- A. Minutes of meetings held on June 19 and June 28, 2000
- B. Tax Collector's report for June, 2000
- C. Tax Releases and Refunds for June, 2000

Mr. John Faulkner, Solid Waste Manager since August, 1992, was in attendance and recognized by the Board as the Employee of the Quarter for the quarter ending June 30.

Ms. Pat Goddard, Tax Administrator, was in attendance to present the annual tax settlement for the Board's consideration. Ms. Goddard stated that the tax settlement reflected all sums collected by the Tax Collector's Office during the fiscal year and is a tentative settlement pending the final completion and acceptance of the annual audit to be performed by an independent accounting firm.

Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve the annual Tax Settlement as of June 30, 2000, as presented by the Tax Administrator.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried charge the Tax Administrator with the responsibility for collecting the current year's levy and all unpaid taxes from prior years.

Ms. Lucy Allen, Mayor, Town of Louisburg; along with members of the Louisburg Town Council, was in attendance to discuss water related issues with the Board. Mayor Allen requested that the Board establish a Water District governing areas served by the new County water lines and that all cost of residential service provided to that district be borne by the customers served. Mayor Allen further requested that a joint meeting between the Louisburg Town Council and the Board of Commissioners be set in order to discuss this and other water issues.

Ms. Brenda Robbins, Administrator, Town of Youngsville; along with members of the Youngsville Town Commissioners, was in attendance to discuss water related issues with the Board. Ms. Robbins stated that it was unfair for the County to impose an \$8.00 connection charge on connections that belong to the Town of Youngsville. She stated that the Town had had a water contract with the County for eighteen years and were already customers and did not want to pay additional taxes for the County water lines. Ms. Robbins further requested that the Town be allowed to have Hampton Village, 180 unit apartment complex being built in the Town limits, as a water customer because it was residential.

Chairman Wynne stated that the Board would conduct meetings with the Town of Louisburg and the Town of Youngsville to discuss concerns regarding water issues.

Mr. John Faulkner, Solid Waste Manager, was in attendance to present and request approval of the Solid Waste Management Plan for the ten year period ending 2010. Mr. Faulkner stated that this plan and subsequent updates are required by the State and provides directions for the disposal and collection of solid waste, recycling and litter prevention.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried adopt resolution entitled "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE PLAN", copy of the resolution attached and made a part of these minutes.

County Manager Leary discussed the Board's approval to accept an offer from Dr. Dhurva Kumar to purchase the county-owned facility in Bunn which is presently utilized as the Bunn Medical Center. Mr. Leary stated that Dr. Kumar's offer was \$136,500, and the time allowed for an upset bid has expired. Mr. Leary further stated that that no upset bid was received and the Board could now choose to accept the offer of purchase from Dr. Kumar.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried accept the offer of purchase in the amount of \$136,500 received from Dr. Dhurva Kumar for the Bunn Medical Center facility and direct the County Attorney to proceed with preparing the deed and arrange for the closing.

County Manager Leary discussed with the Board the proposed water rates and the contract amendment received from the City of Henderson on June 28. Mr. Leary stated that the Board may wish to consider an alternative rate and revised contract amendment that would reflect an alternative schedule.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried that after review of proposal received from the City of Henderson that the County submit an alternate proposal whereby Franklin County will accept the currently proposed rate structure for a period of six months provided the City begins immediately to secure a loan consisting of 20 year financing at a fixed rate through revenue bonds or other means of financing at the lowest rate possible; new rates shall be set utilizing the methodology for rate calculations contained in the original contract based on the new fixed rate established and amortized over a twenty year period; in addition to and contingent with the proposal the City will agree to amend the original contract to allow the sale of water by Franklin County directly to the Town of Wake Forest in an amount of 500,000 gallons per day until such time as Wake Forest is able to secure an alternate long-term water source, but in no event for a period in excess of ten (10) years; the County Manager to be frequently and periodically apprised as each phase of progress occurs with the new financing arrangements

County Manager Leary reviewed with the Board the following bids received on Tuesday, June 27, for the construction of the parking lot at the rear of the Courthouse Annex:

Base Bid Alt. 1 Alt. 2

Nu-Tech Paving \$78,498.50 +4,760.00 +21,590.00

415 Cooke Road

Louisburg, NC

S. T. Wooten

P. O. Box 20

Hendersonville, NC \$89,915.00 2,450.00

Mr. Leary stated that Ms. Susan Hatchell, Landscape Architect, was recommending that the Board award the bid to Nu-Tech Paving Company at a cost of \$78,498.50.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss, voting "AYE" Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Moss, Commissioner Strickland, Commissioner Wynne; voting "NO" Commissioner Foy award the bid for the construction of the parking lot to the apparent low bidder, Nu-Tech in the amount of \$78,498.50.

County Manager Leary discussed with the Board a proposed policy for reimbursement of costs for extending county-owned utility systems by outside interests. Mr. Leary stated that the policy provides an opportunity for outside interests to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred for a period of time during which partial or complete reimbursement may occur.

Consideration of the adoption of this reimbursement policy was tabled until the first meeting of the Board in August.

Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried Commissioner Moss designated a voting delegate for the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' Conference scheduled for August 10-13, 2000.

Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, voting "AYE" Commissioner Moss, Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Strickland, Commissioner Wynne; voting "NO" Commissioner Foy the Board went into Closed Session pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (6) to consider the qualifications of a prospective public employee and pursuant to 143-318.11 (a) (3) to consult with the County Attorney.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the Board reconvened into regular session.

Chairman Wynne stated that no action necessary as a result of the Closed Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the that the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners scheduled for July 17 be canceled.

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

GEORGE T. WYNNE, CHAIRMAN JEAN GORDON, CLERK