

MARCH 20, 2000

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met in regular session at 7:30 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 meeting held on March 6, 2000

B. Proclamation proclaiming the week of April 20-27, 2000, 4-Way Test Week

Ms. Dorothy Hersey, Executive Director, KARTS, was in attendance to review and seek the Board's endorsement and approval of the updated Transportation Development Plan. The update of this plan as it relates to public transportation is required every two years in order for KARTS to have continued eligibility for financial assistance from the Public Transportation Division of the Department of Transportation.

Upon motion by Commissioner Strickland, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried upon the recommendation of the Executive Director of KARTS approve the updated Community Transportation Services Plan for KARTS.

Mr. Robert Preddy, a resident of Inglewood Drive and spokesman for other residents in that area, was in attendance and requested the Board's approval of a citizen participation paving project for Inglewood Drive. The petitions had been reviewed and certified by the Tax Administrator as representing 75% of the property owners who own at least 75% of lineal front footage along Inglewood Drive. The estimated cost to bring the road to state standard to become part of the state system is \$66,797.41. The financing of the project is requested to come from existing resources and recovering the cost through an assessment of property owners on a lot by lot basis over a five year period. In order to proceed with the project, a preliminary assessment resolution must be adopted, and a public hearing held for the purpose of receiving comment on the resolution before finally determining to undertake the project.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Moss with all present voting "AYE" duly carried contingent upon pre-approval from the Department of Transportation that when Inglewood Drive is brought to state standards it will be incorporated into the state highway system and upon obtaining the rights-of-way from all property owners, direct the County Attorney to prepare the preliminary assessment resolution which would include a date for a public hearing on the matter.

Mr. Bob Winters and Ms. Lee Robinson, residents of Lake Royale, appeared before the Board to request that the recently adopted water rate schedule for that community be reduced.

Dr. John Ball, Chairman of the Land Use Plan Update Committee, was in attendance to present to the Board the following recommendations of that Committee in order to accomplish effective implementation of the updated Comprehensive Land Use Plan:

- Immediately develop an experienced full-time planning department staff including, at a minimum, the following positions: Director, Long-Range/Strategic Planner, Current Planning/Land Use Controls Planner, GIS (Geographic Information System) Technician and Administrative/Clerical position.
- Separate the planning and inspections functions into individual departments.
- Provide adequate hardware and software support.

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- Ensure that the Planning Staff reports solely to the County Manager.

Dr. Ball also added the following items that he feels are necessary in order to implement the Comprehensive Land Use Plan:

- That the GIS System be made available for use by other departments especially the Planning Department.
- Consider an increase in user fees as a means of additional revenues to effectively implement the Land Use Plan.
- That the Planning Staff be compensated in a manner that would enable the County to retain a competent staff.

Upon motion by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NUMBER TWELVE (12); copy of the amendment found in the Budget Ordinance Book.

The Board discussed Change Order Number GC-1 for the Youngsville Library. The Change Order is recommended by the architect and results in an increase in the contract price of \$5,818.00 for the sealing of wells and improvements to the subgrade. The Board directed County Manager Leary to request that the architect be present at the Board's regular meeting on May 1, 2000, to discuss the cost of sealing two wells and the presentation of the change order for approval after the fact.

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 performance of a public employee.

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.

There being no further business to come before the Board adjournment recorded at 9:00 P. M.

GEORGE T. WYNNE, CHAIRMAN JEAN GORDON, CLERK