

APRIL 16, 2001

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 Robert L. Swanson, Vice Chairman George T. Wynne, Commissioner John R. Ball, Commissioner Harry L. Foy, Jr., Commissioner Edward G. Strickland.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the minutes of meetings held on March 27, 2001 and April 2, 2001, approved with the following amendment to the minutes of the meeting on April 2, 2001:

"strike the portion of the motion approving and authorizing the execution of Lease Between Franklin County, North Carolina and Franklin County Board of Education; the motion to reflect the approval and authorization to execute "RESOLUTION APPROVING FINANCING TERMS".

Mr. Foster Norman, Director, Area Mental Health Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Program of Vance, Warren, Granville and Franklin Counties, was in attendance and updated the Board regarding Mental Health System Reform. Mr. Norman discussed the changes as proposed in House Bill 381 and Senate Bill 374 and the impact these changes would have on the County. This system reform would dismantle the current area program and would group five counties with one county being the administering county that would make decisions for all in the multi-county arrangement; the local program would a county department and all employees would be county employees; counties responsible for paybacks to Medicaid; would make the county at risk for increased legal action because of the high-risk environment; county would assume all budget and personnel responsibilities. Mr. Norman stated that reasons for the proposed changes were accountability, both fiscal and programs; some programs do not have good working relationship with the county manager/county commissioners.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, voting "AYE" Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Strickland, Commissioner Swanson, voting "NO" Commissioner Foy adopt resolution entitled "RESOLUTION REGARDING MENTAL HEALTH/ DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES/ SUBSTANCE ABUSE SYSTEM REORGANIZATION"; a copy of the resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Franklin County Board of Education received bids on February 21, 2001, for the construction of the South Central Elementary School. At a meeting conducted on March 1, 2001, the Board of Education awarded the bid to H. G. Reynolds Company, Inc., Henderson, NC, in the amount of \$8,521,863.00. It is necessary for the County to ratify award of bid by the Board of Education to H. G. Reynolds Company, Inc.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne with all present voting "AYE" duly carried ratify award of bid by the Board of Education to H. G. Reynolds Company, Inc. in the amount \$8,521,863.00.

Mr. Chuck Murray, Finance Director, was in attendance to request approval of Project Budget Ordinances for South Central Elementary School and the Hunters Place Pump Station. He also requested approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment Numbers 12 & 13.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve project budget ordinance entitled "PROJECT BUDGET ORDINANCE SOUTH CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL"; copy found in the Budget Ordinance Book.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve project budget ordinance entitled "PROJECT BUDGET ORDINANCE HUNTERS PLACE PUMP STATION"; copy found in Budget Ordinance Book.

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

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve BUDGET ORDINANCE NUMBER THIRTEEN (13); copy found in the Budget Ordinance Book.

The Board discussed approval of a proposed reimbursement contract between the County and Jackson Road, L.L.C., Sanford W. Bailey, Developer. This contract is pursuant to the Franklin County Policy On Reimbursement For Extension Or Improvement To County-Owned Utility Systems which was adopted on August 7, 2000, which would allow developers to expedite the expansion of County water and sewer by paying for the capital costs necessary to effect said expansion. Jackson Road, L.L.C. is developing Traylee Subdivision and must extend lines for service along Holden Road from the east side of Horse Creek just beyond intersection of Holden Road and Jackson Road. The project cost is \$140,000 with a ten year payback.

Upon motion by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve Reimbursement Contract between Franklin County and Jackson Road, L.L.C., Sanford Bailey pursuant to the Franklin County Policy On Reimbursement For Extension Or Improvement To County-Owned Utility Systems.

At the meeting on April 2, 2001, the Board approved certain documents regarding the financing of the South Central Elementary School. A lease between the County and the Board of Education must also be approved as part of the financing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve and authorize the execution of the Lease between Franklin County and the Franklin County Board of Education for the South Central Elementary School.

Mr. Ronnie Goswick, Economic Development Director, appeared before the Board to discuss request for an extension of a water line to three new industries, Atlantic Coast Cabinets, Neuse Tile & Capital Ceramics, on Weathers Street located in the Youngsville Commerce Center. Mr. Goswick stated that the cost for the installation of approximately 1,000 feet of 8" water line would be \$20,000. Mr. Goswick further explained that the industries are making the request based on the use of the Franklin County Water & Sewer Extension Policy and according to the Tax Office taxes paid for a seven year period would total \$196,595 - the maximum amount that the County could spend for water and sewer. Previously, the County had allocated \$150,000 to install a sewer line to serve the three companies.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried pursuant to the Franklin County Water & Sewer Extension Policy approve the allocation of \$20,000 to be used for the installation of approximately 1,000' of 8" water line to serve Atlantic Coast Cabinets, Neuse Tile & Capital Ceramics located on Weathers Street in the Youngsville Commerce Center.

Mr. Goswick also discussed with the Board the proposed routes for the sewer project that will serve the

South Central Elementary School on Flat Rock Church Road. Mr. Goswick stated that the proposed route of Flat Rock Church Road to Mays Crossroads Road to Cedar Creek Road, a distance of seven miles, would cost \$400,000 - \$600,000.

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Mr. Goswick requested the Board to allocate \$2,500 to obtain the services of Hobbs Upchurch & Associates, to provide an estimate on the cost of routing the sewer lines down US Highway 401 to provide the sewer service to the South Central Elementary School. Mr. Goswick stated that this route would enable the County to provide sewer service to a larger number of residents and would establish a working relationship with the Town of Louisburg. After discussion, the Board requested that Mr. Goswick try to obtain the services of Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates at no charge to provide the cost estimate for routing the sewer down US Highway 401.

The Board discussed the appointment of a representative to serve on the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Board. Previously, Commissioner Ball had been appointed to serve, but the meeting date for the Chamber presented a conflict for him and he was unable to serve.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried Acting County Manager Angela L. Harris appointed to represent the Board on the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball voting "AYE" Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Swanson, Commissioner Strickland, voting "NO" Commissioner Foy the Board went into Closed Session in order that the Board may consider the performance of a public employee and the qualifications of a prospective public employee pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (6) and to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industry in the area pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11 (4).

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

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

There being no further business to come before the Board, adjournment recorded at 10:30 P. M.

ROBERT L. SWANSON, CHAIRMAN JEAN GORDON, CLERK