

JULY 2, 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 Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the following Consent Agenda items approved:

- A. Minutes of meetings held on June 18 and June 25, 2001
- B. Tax Collector's Report for the month of June, 2001
- C. List of tax releases and refunds for the month of June, 2001

The following students of Franklin County Schools who participated in the Twenty-Eighth Annual International Whistlers Convention were in attendance and were presented a certificate of award commemorating their participation in the event: Teen Champions - Christian Leonard and Joshua Moore; Children Champions - First Place - Tre Cutchins, Second Place - Casey Aycock, Third Place - Laura Ann Green.

Ms. Becky Leonard, Allied Health Supervisor, Franklin County Health Department, was in attendance in order for the Board to recognize and congratulate her on her selection as the Employee of the Quarter for the quarter ending June 30, 2001. Ms. Leonard has been employed with the County since December, 1990.

Mr. Rick Seekins, Economic Planner, Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments, along with Mr. John Faulkner, Solid Waste Manager, to report to the Board on a project to develop a common approach to white goods disposal that will be more effective. The format proposes that the bids be solicited regionally and when a bid is received and accepted collectively, each County would then contract individually with the vendor. Mr. Seekins indicated that the proposals would be received on July 16, 2001 and that the Council of Government's Staff, the five county managers and/or their designees will then open and review all acceptable proposals on July 17, 2001. Mr. Seekins stated that this regional approach is the first time it has been used in the State. He further indicated that this regional approach to white goods disposal was due primarily to John Faulkner's efforts.

Mr. Charles McGougan, Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates, was in attendance to request the Board's approval of a Change Order and Final Adjusting for Roger Haddock Construction Company for Contract 7, Lake Royale Water Main Extension. Mr. McGougan stated that the Change Order reflected a decrease in the amount of \$35,555.00 due to final quantity adjustments.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve Change Order and Final Adjusting for Roger Haddock Construction Company in the decreased amount of \$35,555.00.

Mr. McGougan also updated the Board on the alternate route for the sewer line to the South Central Elementary School. Mr. McGougan stated that because of the scope of the work and the time frame the proposed US #401 Sewer System could not be constructed to be complete for the anticipated school opening in 2002. He estimated the cost of this project to be approximately \$2,864,281 and that did not include property acquisition of twenty-four acres.

Mr. McGougan requested the Board to authorize his firm to proceed with the engineering design services and construction administration services for the extension of the sewer line for the South

Central Elementary School along Flat Rock Church Road, Mays Crossroads Road and Hill Road ending at an existing county sewer main along Cedar Creek Road. The cost for the engineering design services would be

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\$44,136.00 and the cost for the construction administration services would be \$29,424.00.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried authorize the engineering firm of Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates to proceed with the engineering design services at a cost of \$44,136.00 and construction administration services at a cost of \$29,424.00, for the sewer main extension to serve the South Central Elementary School.

The following North Carolina Department of Transportation officials were in attendance to present the 2001-2002 Proposed Secondary Road Program for Franklin County: Mr. John Nance, Division Engineer; Mr. Wally Bowman, Deputy Division Engineer; Mr. Ricky Green, Division Maintenance Engineer; Mr. Scott Capps, District Engineer; Mr. Steve Winstead, Deputy District Engineer; Mr. Jonathan Tyndall, County Maintenance Engineer. The proposed program had been made available for public inspection and public comment was invited.

Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried concur with the following Secondary Road Improvement Program for 2001-2002 as recommended by the North Carolina Board of Transportation:

2001-2002 SECONDARY ROAD PROGRAM

Highway Fund Allocation	\$490,000
Trust Funds Allocation	<u>\$300,000</u>
Total Funds Available	\$790,000

Maintenance Operations: \$100,000

Funds to be used to supplement the maintenance budget for activities such as shoulder repair, spot stabilization, pipe replacement, safety projects, etc.

Highway Fund	\$60,000
Trust Fund	\$40,000

Reserve for Contingencies: \$120,000

Funds to be used for Right-of-Way, Surveys, Utility Relocations, Road Additions, School Bus Drives; Rural Fire Departments and Rescue Squads, Overdrafts, Property Owner Participation, and continuation down the priority list

Highway Fund	\$60,000
Trust Fund	\$60,000

Paving Program \$570,000

Paving of unpaved roads in priority order from the Rural and Residential/Subdivision priority lists. The Department will secure Right-of-Way; if right-of-way is unattainable on any

road, then the program will be extended down the priority lists until funds are expended.

Highway Fund	\$370,000
Trust Fund	\$200,000

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RURAL ROAD PAVING

<u>MAP</u>	<u>PRIORITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	<u>PREVIOUS FUNDING</u>	<u>CURRENT FUNDING</u>
1	28(97)	SR1248A, Joe from SR1253 to SR1249 (to complete funding)	1.50	\$50,000	\$200,000
2	29(97)	SR1634, Moore Pergerson Road from SR1633 to SR1002 (to complete funding)	1.10	\$160,000	\$120,000
3	1F	SR1410, Ed Faulkner Road from SR1407 to begin pavement	2.10	\$0	\$250,000

Program subject to availability of funding, right-of-way, and environmental review

SUMMARY OF 2001-2002 PAVING PROGRAM

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MILES</u>	<u>COST</u>
Total Maintenance Operations		\$100,000
Total Reserve For Contingencies		\$120,000
Total Subdivision Paving	0.0	\$ 0
Total Rural Road Paving	<u>4.70</u>	<u>\$570,000</u>
OVERALL TOTAL	4.70	\$790,000

Chairman Swanson stated that after review of applications received and after interviewing candidates for the position of County Manager that the Board had made an offer to former County Manager Raymond Boutwell and he had accepted. Mr. Boutwell's appointment will begin on August 13, 2001.

Mr. Jim Wrenn, Tax Administrator, was in attendance to present the annual tax settlement that reflects all sums collected by the Tax Collector's Office during the 2000-2001 fiscal year. This is a tentative settlement pending the final completion and acceptance of the annual audit.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne with all present voting "AYE" duly carried approve the tax settlement for the 2000-2001 fiscal year as presented by the Tax Administrator Jim Wrenn.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE"

duly carried Tax Collector Jim Wrenn authorized, empowered and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records filed in the office of collections and in the tax receipts herewith delivered in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth.

Chairman Swanson stated that the Finance Director had prepared the Budget Ordinance for the 2001-2002 Fiscal Year in accordance with instructions for changes from the Board during the budget deliberations. The final budget total calls for a rate of ninety-four and one-half cents per one hundred dollars valuation and a solid waste tax of eight cents per one hundred dollars valuation. The service district tax for volunteer fire departments varies from district to district based on the needs of the department.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, voting "AYE" Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Swanson, voting "NO" Commissioner Foy, Commissioner Strickland the Franklin County Budget Ordinance and Schedule of Fees & Charges for the 2001-2002 Fiscal Year adopted; a copy of the Budget Ordinance found in the Budget Ordinance Book.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried Commissioner Ball designated as the voting delegate for the Annual Conference of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners to be held August 9-12, 2001.

Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried Commissioner Swanson reappointed to serve a three-year term, expiring June 30, 2004, on the Social Services Board of Directors.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball, voting "AYE" Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Strickland, Commissioner Swanson, 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 General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (5) to consider real property acquisition.

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

County Attorney recommended the adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation of certain property for purposes of a landfill closure repair project. In order to complete the landfill closure repair project it is necessary that the County obtain title to the W. M. Freeman property which is directly adjacent to the Franklin County landfill.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting "AYE" duly carried adopt resolution entitled "**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF A LANDFILL CLOSURE REPAIR PROJECT**"; resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried that the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners scheduled for July 16, 2001, be canceled.

It was the consensus of the Board that no changes be made regarding the Franklin County Economic

Development Commission at this time.

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

ROBERT L. SWANSON, CHAIRMAN JEAN GORDON, CLERK