

OCTOBER 15, 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.

Mr. Cedric Jones, Cooperative Extension Director, was in attendance in order for the Board to recognize and congratulate him on his selection as the Employee of the Quarter for the quarter ending September 30, 2001. Mr. Jones has been employed with the County since 1979.

The following individuals were in attendance in order for the Board to recognize and congratulate them on their nomination for the Governor's Award For Outstanding Volunteer Service: Lillian Benton; Betty Edwards; Disaster Action Team & Shelter Team (George Franke); Friends of the Youngsville Library (Joanne Trogdon); James Grove; Elmar Holmes; Mary Jane Jennings; Norman Kelly; Amanda Lynn Kidd; Wyatt McGhee; Earl Perry; Woman's Club of Pilot (Laura Brickhouse); Brenda Robbins; Jane House;

Proper notice having been given this is the time and place set for a public hearing to receive comment on the use of \$22,679 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Funds. The exact amount of the grant is \$20,618 federal funds and \$2,291 matching local funds for a total of \$22,909. The Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Board met on September 24, 2001, and recommended that the block grant funds be used for various items of equipment as requested by the Sheriff's Department.

Chairman Swanson declared the public hearing open and called for comments and hearing none declared the public hearing closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Foy with all present voting "AYE" duly carried upon the recommendation of the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Board that the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Funds in the amount of \$22,909 be used for various items of equipment as requested by the Sheriff's Department.

Proper notice having been given this is the time and place set for a public hearing to receive public comment on the appointment of a representative from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the Town of Bunn to the Town's Planning Board. Mr. Phillip Jefferies, the current appointee, indicated his desire to be reappointed.

Chairman Swanson declared the public hearing open and called for public comments and hearing none declared the public hearing closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried the following reappointment made to the Bunn Planning Board:

Phillip Jefferies
reappointed three-year term expiring September, 2004

The following individual made informal comments to the Board:

- 1) Ms. Mary Jane Jennings, 566 Jones Chapel Road, Louisburg, NC appreciates the recognition of volunteers; digital cameras for use by tax office personnel would make job easier; she lives in historical house; neighbor has land in conservation program;

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Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne with all present voting "AYE" duly carried that Ms. Jennings be allowed to make comments for one additional minute.

Feels that the Board should conduct a work shop to insure all the information is correct

Mr. Pat Young, Project Manager, Holland Consulting Planners, was in attendance to request the Board take certain actions relating to the County's Crisis Housing Assistance Program. Funds for this program are available for housing replacement and rehabilitation of housing damaged by Hurricane Floyd. The funding for this program is awarded through the North Carolina Redevelopment Office and this agency requires approval of the following items relating to the Crisis House Assistance Program: Local Economic Benefit Plan; Temporary Relocation Policy; Program Assistance Policy; Rehabilitation Contract & Grant Award Policy; Citizen's Participation Plan and Financial Management Resolution. These documents have been included in one resolution to be collectively adopted by the Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried adopt resolution entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES AND POLICIES FOR THE HURRICANE FLOYD STATE CRISIS HOUSING ASSISTANCE (CHA) PROGRAM; copy of the resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Crisis Housing Assistance Program requires the preparation of thirty-year preliminary opinion of title for each unit to be rehabilitated and/or replaced, recordation of deeds of trust on each property and the provision of minimal general legal advice. Bids were solicited and proposals were received from Norman & Gardner; Jolly, Williamson & Williamson and McFarlane Law Office. Holland Consulting Planners, recommends that the County award this bid to McFarlane Law Office based on the fact that this firm committed to the completion of all title opinions required within ten business days and had a competitive fee. All legal costs will be paid from Crisis Housing Assistance and no cost to the County.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried upon the recommendation of Holland Consulting Planners accept proposal submitted by McFarlane Law Office for contract legal services related to the Crisis Housing Assistance Program and authorize Holland Consulting Planners to issue a notice to proceed.

Mr. John Faulkner, Solid Waste Manager, was in attendance in reference to proposals solicited for the purchase of one flatbed truck with a liftgate. As part of the proposal a 1990 Ford 350 Custom, 5.8L engine flatbed with liftgate with 143,681 miles and one Ford 600, 7.0L engine flatbed with liftgate, 43,659 miles Mr. Faulkner stated that he only received one proposal from Griffin Ford Mercury, Inc. for a Ford 450 Super Duty Truck at a cost of \$28,590.00. The amount offered in trade for the Ford 350 was \$1,000 and \$1,200 for the Ford 600. Mr. Faulkner recommended that the County only trade in the Ford 350 and continue to use the Ford 600. The final cost of the Ford 450 Super Duty Truck minus the trade would be \$29,790.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried upon the recommendation of the Solid Waste Manager accept proposal received from Griffin Ford Mercury, Inc. for a Ford 450 Super Duty Truck at a cost of \$29,790.

Mr. Jim Wrenn, Tax Administrator, appeared before the Board to request that the Board consider the

request for an additional tax clerk in the collection office. Mr. Wrenn stated that in his opinion additional staff would help greatly with the tax collection rate.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting "AYE" duly carried that consideration of an additional tax clerk in the Tax Collection Office be tabled until a work session on the matter can be held.

Commissioner Ball reported on the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Annual Planning Conference that he attended on October 10. He stated that he was very pleased at the planning issues that were discussed at the conference and commended the staff.

Commissioner Wynne reported that the E-911 Committee had conducted two meetings and a document requesting proposals needed for the update of the County's Public Safety Communications has been created and the County Attorney was reviewing. The Board will discuss funding at a work session.

Commissioner Foy reported that Ms. Sandra Wood had been appointed the Interim Health Director and that the Health Board was taking applications for the Health Director position.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried that the Chairman of the Franklin County Fire Chiefs Association be appointed to serve on the Enhanced 911 Committee.

The Board of Commissioners adopted a Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative and Continuing Transportation Planning and the Establishment of a Rural Transportation Planning Organization for the local governments of Region K. The Department of Transportation overlooked including a provision that would authorize the Council of Governments to be the recipient of any funds appropriated. As a result, it is necessary that the Board adopt an amendment to include this provision.

Upon motion by Commissioner Strickland, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting "AYE" duly carried adopt an amendment to the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR COOPERATIVE, COMPREHENSIVE AND CONTINUING TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RURAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION to include a provision that would authorize the Council of Governments to be the recipient of any funds appropriated.

The Board reviewed a request received from Sheriff Robert Redmond requesting that retiring Deputy Sheriff Robert Burger be allowed to purchase his service revolver. The revolver must be declared surplus and made available for purchase by the retiring officer for \$1.00 or for an amount equal to the original purchase price as determined by the Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Wynne with all present voting "AYE" duly carried declare Service Revolver Colt Mark IV Serial Number FR08291 surplus and allow it to be offered for sale to Mr. Robert Burger for \$1.00.

The Board discussed the need for the creation of a committee to begin work on a proposed Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance. The purpose of this committee would be to advise policy makers on existing and future infrastructure needs and solutions for future growth concerns. Members of this committee should represent a wide range of concerned citizens and elected officials in addition to staff from various departments.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting

”AYE” duly carried adopt resolution entitled “RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GROWTH MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE”; copy of resolution attached and made a part of these minutes.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Strickland the following individuals be appointed to serve on the Growth Management Task Force (Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance):

School Board Representative
Planning Board Representatives
 Ralph Edwards, Chair
 Bill Wallace
 Roger Moulton
County Commissioner Edward Strickland
Home Builders Association Representative
Elected Official Representative to represent four municipalities

STAFF - EX-OFFICIO

Schools Tommy Piper
Finance Director Chuck Murray
Water & Sewer Director Clee Nowell
Planning Director Matt Livingston
Economic Development Director Ronnie Goswick
Managers Office Angela L. Harris

Upon motion by Commissioner Foy, seconded by Commissioner Strickland with all present voting “AYE” duly carried amend motion to add Henry Nelms to the Growth Management Task Force as a Planning Board representative.

Upon motion by Commissioner Strickland, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, voting “AYE” Commissioner Strickland, Commissioner Wynne, Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Swanson, voting “NO” Commissioner Foy the Board went into Closed Session pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11 (3) to consult with the County Attorney regarding the condemnation of the Freeman Heirs property at the Franklin County Airport and Landfill.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting “AYE” duly carried the Board reconvened into Regular Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ball, seconded by Commissioner Swanson with all present voting “AYE” duly carried settle the Freeman Heirs condemnation of Landfill property of 43.291 acres in consideration of monies paid into the Clerk of Court’s Office of \$352,490 subject to the rights of sellers to reserve marketable timber with time frame to be set after consultation with County engineers and subject to standard requirements for timber operations as drafted by the County Attorney.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wynne, seconded by Commissioner Ball with all present voting “AYE” duly carried that the Board conduct a work session on Friday, November 9, 2001, beginning at 12:00 Noon, with the first two hours in Closed Session to review applications received for the County Manager position.

There being no further business to come before the Board, adjournment recorded at 9:30 P. M.

ROBERT L. SWANSON, CHAIRMAN JEAN GORDON, CLERK