

State of North Carolina

Minutes

County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioner's met in special session on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mars Hill Public Library, Mars Hill, N.C.

In attendance were Chairman Wayne Brigman, Vice-Chair Sue Vilcinskis, Commissioner Jim Baker, County Manager Allen Lamberson and Clerk Darlyne Rhinehart.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Brigman.

A financial update was given by Darlyne Rhinehart.

The Board heard from Matt Burge, CFA with Stephens Inc. regarding his qualifications as a financial advisor and his expertise on Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB).

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Brigman.

The Board heard from Allen Lamberson, Lee Hoffman, Will Hoffman, and Lynn Bowles regarding the possibility of purchasing 80 acres of property adjoining Bailey Mountain for the purchase price of \$675,000.00. Lynn Bowles informed the Board that a PARTF grant application is due January 31, 2014 if the Board makes the decision to pursue this purchase. If the County is successful with the grant application they would receive one-half of the purchase price and would have three years to raise the remaining funds. The Hoffman family is willing to steer a fund raising campaign for the balance left after grant funding.

County Manager, Allen Lamberson, provided updates on Barnard Park and maintenance of county building issues. He also updated the Board on the Women for Women Grant application.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskis, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 7th day of January, 2014.

Madison County

By: 
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart

Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom, Madison County Courthouse, Marshall, NC.

In attendance were Chair Sue Vilcinskis, Vice-Chair Jim Baker, Commissioner Bill Briggs, Commissioner Wayne Brigman, Commissioner Hall Moore, County Manager Allen Lamberson, County Attorney Donny Laws and Clerk Darlyne Rhinehart.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

I.

Attorney Laws opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair.

Commissioner Vilcinskis nominated Commissioner Brigman. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Moore.

Commissioner Baker nominated Commissioner Vilcinskis. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Briggs.

Commissioner Briggs nominated Commissioner Baker. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Baker.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to cease nominations.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Wayne Brigman as Chair was Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Vilcinskis and Commissioner Brigman. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Baker and Commissioner Briggs.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Sue Vilcinskis as Chair were Commissioner Baker and Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Vilcinskis, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Brigman.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Jim Baker as Chair was Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Vilcinskis and Commissioner Brigman.

Chair Brigman opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair.

Commissioner Moore nominated Commissioner Vilcinskis. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskis.

Commissioner Briggs nominated Commissioner Baker. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Baker.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Commissioner Vilcinskas, were Commissioner Brigman, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Vilcinskas. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Briggs and Commissioner Baker.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Commissioner Baker, were Commissioner Briggs and Commissioner Baker. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Brigman.

Commissioner Moore nominated Darlyne Rhinehart for the position of Clerk. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to cease nominations.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Darlyne Rhinehart for the position of Clerk were Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Brigman and Commissioner Briggs.

Commissioner Moore nominated Donny Laws for the position of County Attorney. Nomination was seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to cease nominations.

Voting in the affirmative for the nomination of Donny Laws for the position of County Attorney were Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Vilcinskas and Commissioner Brigman. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Baker and Commissioner Briggs.

Upon motion from Chair Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted 4 to 1 to name Chair Brigman, Allen Lamberson and Darlyne Rhinehart to be the authorized signers of all county issued checks. Voting in the affirmative were Chair Brigman, Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Baker.

II.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda with the following additions: 1. FEMA, 2. Cooperative Extension.

III.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2013 and December 05, 2013 meetings upon the removal Paragraph 4 of Item: XIII.

IV.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to move Brittany Green from part time to full time at 911.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to move a Resolution dealing with the disposal of property at the Solid Waste Department to the January meeting.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to name Regina Sams and Gaylyn Johnson to the Land-of-Sky Senior Services Advisory Council.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted 4 to 1 to adopt a resolution for the county's Cafeteria Plan effective January 1, 2014. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Vilcinskas, Chair Brigman and Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Baker.

V.

Karen Kiehna appeared before the Board to provide update on Community Development Block Grant activities.

VI

Dr. Ron Wilcox, Superintendent of Madison County Schools, appeared before the Board to request funding in the amount of \$20,000.00 to provide matching grant funds. With this funding the Board of Education would be able to provide a resource officer in each of the elementary schools for the remainder of this school year.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted 4 to 1 to approve \$20,000.00 in matching grant funds to the Board of Education. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Briggs and Chair Brigman. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Baker.

VII.

Upon recommendation from Sallie Klipp, Library Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Linda McCracken to the Library Board of Trustees for a three year term.

VIII.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted 4 to 1 to amend the agenda to include an appointment to the Mountain Area Workforce Development Board. Voting in the affirmative were Chair Brigman, Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Briggs and Commissioner Moore. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Baker.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted 4 to 1 to appoint Robin Kraft to the Mountain Area Workforce Development Board. Voting in the affirmative were Chair Brigman, Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Baker.

IX.

Upon motion from Commissioner Briggs, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted 4 to 1 to strike a request from Jan Shepard, Health Director, to enter into an agreement with UniFirst. Voting in the affirmative was Commissioner Vilcinskas. Voting in the negative was Chair Brigman, Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Briggs and Commissioner Moore.

Upon motion from Commissioner Briggs, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted 4 to 1 to approve Dr. Reese Steen, Dr. Bruce Frost, Carol Dixon and Sue Vilcinskas for Board of Health Members. Voting in the affirmative were Chair Brigman, Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Baker and Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Moore.

Upon motion from Chair Brigman, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to discuss a personnel recommendation from Mrs. Shepard in closed session.

X.

County Manager, Allen Lamberson, updated the Board on tax collection efforts and budget.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of employing a part-time person in the Tax Office during the "busy" season.

Mr. Lamberson discussed with the Board excess property at the Library and how to dispose of the property in a legal manner.

Mr. Lamberson discussed with the Board the County Personnel policy and the benefits of inclusion of an overtime policy for disasters.

The Mission Hospital lease was discussed.

Mr. Lamberson updated the Board on plans to expand cooking at the Madison County Jail.

Ross Young discussed with the Board the water problem he is dealing with at the Cooperative Extension Service building. Mr. Young also discussed Madison Farms.

Mr. Lamberson updated the Board on efforts to receive a Women for Women grant through the Community Foundation of NC.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted 3 to 2 to approve a Civil Engineer Proposal from AMEC for FEMA related activities. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Vilcinskas, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Baker and Chair Brigman.

XI.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to approve Budget Amendment #06.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the November 2013 Property Tax Refunds/Releases and Vehicle Tax Releases.

XII.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters.

XIII.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

XIV.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to employ Courtney J. Krieger as Part Time Nutritionist II with the Health Department.

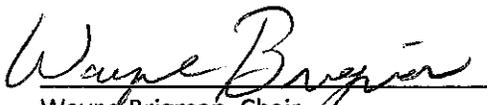
Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to employ Jaime Lunsford in the IT Department.

XV.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 10th day of December, 2013.

MADISON COUNTY

By: 
Wayne Brigman, Chair
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk