

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom, Madison County Courthouse, Marshall, NC.

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brigman.

I.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda with the following 7. B. Linda Lamp – WNC Communities.

II.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2014 and the May 9, 2014 minutes with the correction to the April 08, 2014 minutes striking the phrase “and to send this item back to the Board of Health” from Item VII, paragraph 3.

III.

The Madison County Schools FFA Agriculture Issues team appeared before the Board to do a presentation that will be presented at the state convention in June.

IV.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to approve a request from Dr. Ron Wilcox for the expenditure of 40/42 Funds in the amount of \$43,109.00.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve Dr. Wilcox’s request to expend \$170,500.00 in lottery funds for the purchase of 15.75 acres of land adjoining Madison Middle School. Commissioner Baker was recused from the vote.

V.

Sandy Stevenson appeared before the Board to present the Annual Report of the Madison County Visitor Center for 2013.

VI.

Upon recommendation from Connie Harris, DSS Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a resolution proclaiming that May 11, 2014 through June 15, 2014 is Vulnerable and Elder Abuse Awareness month in Madison County.

Upon recommendation from Mrs. Harris, and upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement between Madison County Department of Social Services, Smoky Mountain Center LME/MCO and RHA Health Services, Inc.

Upon recommendation from Mrs. Harris, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to approve a software maintenance contract amendment with Maximus Consulting Services, Inc. pending approval of the 2014-15 budget.

VII.

Robin Merrell, Attorney with Pisgah Legal Services, appeared before the Board to provide an update of services performed for Madison County residents by Pisgah Legal Services and to request that Pisgah Legal Services be considered for funding in the 2014-15 budget ordinance.

VIII.

Linda Lamp and Mike Ford with WNC Communities appeared before the Board to discuss what WNC Communities is and what it offers to the mountain region of North Carolina.

IX.

County Manager Allen Lamberson discussed with the Board the Early College Building for Madison County Schools.

Mr. Lamberson provided an update on the low wealth funding for the school system.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Lamberson, and upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a letter of support for the Spring Creek Community in their application to Advantage West for funding in the amount of \$20,000 for commercial kitchen equipment. The County's match for this grant if approved would be in-kind only.

Mr. Lamberson informed the Board that Mary Ruth Fowler had resigned her position on the A-B Tech Board of Trustees. Mrs. Fowler's term does not expire until June 30, 2016.

Chairman Brigman opened the floor for nominations to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Fowler. Commissioner Baker nominated Bruce Briggs. Commissioner Vilcinskas nominated Frances Ramsey. There were no other nominations.

Motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Briggs to name Bruce Briggs to fill this vacancy failed on a vote of 2 to 3. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Baker and

Commissioner Briggs. Voting in the negative were Chairman Brigman, Commissioner Vilcinkas, and Commissioner Moore.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted 4 to 1 to name Frances Ramsey to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Fowler. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Vilcinkas, Commissioner Moore, Chairman Brigman, and Commissioner Baker. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Briggs. Note: Commissioner Baker did not vote and therefore it is an affirmative vote.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to re-appoint Nan Wise and Katie Webb to the Nursing Adult Care Advisory Board for a term of 4 years each.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to appoint J. C. Wallin to the Housing Authority Board for a term of 5 years, and to appoint A. C. Honeycutt and Clayton Willis to the Mars Hill Board of Adjustment for a term of 3 years each.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Briggs, the Board voted unanimously to notice in the local paper the proposed Ebbs Chapel lease.

Mr. Lamberson reported to the Board that CHC (Community Housing Coalition) had received \$40,000 in HOME Funds.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Chairman Brigman, the Board voted unanimously to declare a truck with the Landfill as surplus property.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chair to sign an agreement with Craggy Prison regarding inmate labor.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinkas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the loan modification with BB&T upon striking the phrase "or any of them, and any other officers, agents and employees of the County" from Section 4 of the resolution.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Briggs, the Board voted 3 to 2 to approve a resolution preserving QSCB funds for Madison County. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Vilcinkas, Commissioner Briggs, and Commissioner Moore. Voting in the negative were Chairman Brigman and Commissioner Baker.

X.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinkas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve Budget Amendment #11.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve the April, 2014 Property Tax Releases and Vehicle Tax Releases.

The Board received the Smoky Mountain Center fiscal monitoring report for the quarter ended March 31, 2014.

XI.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, attorney client privileges and legal matters.

XII.

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

XIII.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to Jeffrey Hyder as mapper with the Tax Office.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to move Courtney Krieger from part-time status to permanent full-time status.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to move Sarah Stewart from temporary status to part-time status with Community Services.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to move Crystal Meadows from temporary status to permanent full-time status with Community Services in a Social Worker position.

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

This the 13th day of May, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: See Vilcinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart

Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

State of North Carolina

Minutes

County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in Room #26 of the Administrative Offices, 5707 Hwy 25/70, Marshall, NC.

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brigman.

I.

The Board heard from Jim Huff, Solid Waste Director; Dr. Ron Wilcox, Superintendent of the Madison County Schools; and from Connie Harris, Social Services Director regarding their 2014-2015 budget proposals.

II.

Upon motion from Commissioner Briggs, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 14th day of May, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Sue Vilcinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

State of North Carolina

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County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Thursday, May 15, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Madison County Sheriff's Office, Medical Park Drive, Marshall, NC.

In attendance were Chairman Wayne Brigman, Commissioner Jim Baker, Commissioner Bill Briggs, Commissioner Hall Moore, County Manager Allen Lamberson, and Clerk Darlyne Rhinehart. Absent was Commissioner Sue Vilcinskas.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brigman.

I.

The Board heard from Buddy Harwood, Sheriff and Michael Garrison, Chief Deputy of the Madison County Sheriff's Office; Teresa Ogle, 911 Director; and Regina Sams, Community Services Director regarding their 2014-2015 budget proposals.

II.

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

This the 15th day of May, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Sue Vilcinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

State of North Carolina

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County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room, Madison County Sheriff's Office, Medical Park Drive, Marshall, NC.

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brigman.

I.

The Board heard from Lori Ray, Tax Collector; Susan Rector, Register of Deeds; and Jan Shepard, Health Director regarding their 2014-2015 budget proposals.

II.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskas, seconded by Commissioner Briggs, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 22nd day of May, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Sue Vilcinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

State of North Carolina

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County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. in Room #26 of the Administrative Offices, 5707 Hwy 25/70, Marshall, NC.

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

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Vilcinskis.

I.

The Board heard from Sam Lunsford, Animal Control Supervisor, regarding a request from Billy and Angela Davis that due to special circumstances that they be allowed to receive payment for comp and holiday time already earned.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskis, the Board voted unanimously to approve the payment of comp and holiday hours already built up by Billy and Angela Davis and that the Finance Officer move funds to cover this expense from the lapsed temporary salary line within the Transportation Operating budget.

II.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskis, the Board voted unanimously to purchase a semi-tractor for the Solid Waste Department in the amount of \$7,750.00.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Briggs, the Board voted unanimously to purchase a new 2013 work truck for the Maintenance Department in the amount of \$46,000 and directed the Finance Officer to amend the budget from lapsed salaries to cover a portion of this expense.

III.

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

This the 28th day of May, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Sue Ulevinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Monday, June 2, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in Room #26 of the Administrative Offices, 5707 Hwy 25/70, Marshall, NC.

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brigman.

I.

The Board discussed the capital needs of the Madison County Board of Education proposed building project at A-B Tech Madison Campus, the Madison County Board of Education Early College Campus location, and the capital improvement needs list for the schools.

II.

The Board set the date of Wednesday, June 4, 2014 to discuss the proposed 2014-2015 budget. The meeting will be held at Room #26 of the Administration Offices at 5:00 p.m.

III.

Upon motion from Commissioner Vilcinskis, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session to discuss personnel matters.

IV.

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

V.

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

This the 2nd day of June, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Sue Wilcinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk

State of North Carolina

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County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in Room #26 of the Administrative Offices, 5707 Hwy 25/70, Marshall, NC.

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brigman.

I.

The Board discussed departmental budget requests for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to direct the Finance Officer to move \$153,756.00 from the Capital Outlay Fund to the General Fund to be then paid to the Madison County Board of Education to address the low wealth issues; to move \$100,000 from the Capital Outlay Fund into a new separate bank account for Courthouse repairs and renovations along with any unexpended funds in the current line item budget to be rolled into that account at June 30; to move \$180,945.00 in a new separate bank account for the purpose of purchasing new voting machines for the Board of Elections as mandated by the state.

II.

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

This the 4th day of June, 2014.

MADISON COUNTY

By: Sue Vilcinskas, Vice Chair
Wayne Brigman, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk