

## MINUTES

### LENOIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**September 02, 2014**

The Lenoir County Board of Commissioners met in open session at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 02, 2014, in the Board of Commissioners' Main Meeting Room in the Lenoir County Courthouse at 130 S. Queen St., Kinston, NC.

Members present: Chairman Craig Hill, Vice-Chairman Jackie Brown and Commissioners, Roland Best, Mac Daughety, Reuben Davis, Eric Rouse, and Linda Sutton.

Members Absent: None

Also present were: Michael W. Jarman, County Manager, Tommy Hollowell, Assistant County Manager, Martha Martin, Finance Officer, Vickie F. King, Clerk to the Board, members of the general public and news media.

Chairman Hill called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00a.m. Ms. Brown offered the Invocation and Mr. Rouse led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION:**

Mr. Victor Kosinski, Work Force Solutions Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Specialist thanked the board for the opportunity to speak. Mr. Kosinski stated the 2014 Lenoir County Veteran's Fair will take place on Friday, September 12, 2014, from 9:00am – Noon at the Vernon Park Mall. Mr. Kosinski stated different vendors will be onsite providing valuable information to Veterans and family members. Mr. Kosinski stated although the fair is geared toward veterans, it is open to the public. Mr. Kosinski stated Workforce Solutions, JobLink (WIA), NC Division of Veterans Affairs, Kinston Community Health Center, Eastpointe, NC Veterans Home, Social Security Administration, Lenoir County DSS, Select Staffing, Resource Manufacturing, and SALUTE, are just a few of vendors assisting with the fair. Mr. Kosinski stated there will be a total of 32 vendors on site. Mr. Kosinski asked the Commissioners to help spread the news regarding the upcoming event. Mr. Kosinski stated this is the third year the Veteran's Fair has been available in Kinston. Mr. Kosinski stated by providing the information early he hoped the fair will get veterans involved and they will have a good turnout. Mr. Kosinski thanked the Board for the opportunity to discuss the Fair and stated any veteran can benefit from the event. Mr. Kosinski stated he would be glad to answer any questions the Board might have. Mr. Hill stated he appreciates the efforts and the help Mr. Kosinski is doing for our veterans. Mr. Hill stated he certainly supports our veterans and appreciates their service. We will continue to publicize this event.

Mr. Guy Basden, a career Fire Fighter and retired Fire Marshall, stated he was honored and very proud to be able to share information regarding the 911 memorial service. Mr. Basden stated the event will take place Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 10:00am at Pearson Park.

Mr. Basden stated the ceremony will honor Emergency Services personnel, individuals who have served, or currently serving in any organized emergency services, or were killed during the September 2001 attack on America. Mr. Basden stated he hopes this year's 911 celebration will be another successful event. Mr. Basden stated many people were affected by the tragedy that took place on that dreadful day. Mr. Basden stated the committee will kick off this year's event with a presentation ceremony at Pearson Park. Mr. Basden stated a lot of planning has gone into the memorial and it's expected to be great program. Mr. Basden stated the keynote speaker will be a career educator out of the New York City Lindbrook Fire District. Mr. Basden stated Mr. Mike Chiaramonthe has been in Emergency Services for over 45 years, and served as Chief for three years. Mr. Basden stated Mr. Chiaramonthe was a Volunteer Fire Fighter during the time of 911. Mr. Basden stated Mr. Chiaramonthe was one of the responders to the 911 tragedy. Mr. Basden stated it will be a very moving day and feels Mr. Chiaramonthe will be able to bring the reality of the event back to the present day. Mr. Basden stated he also hoped Mr. Chiaramonthe's speech will leave the community with a renewed dedication and recommitment, a new sense of what's needed to reinforce our own boarders, because September 11<sup>th</sup> was a day we will never forget. Mr. Basden asked the commissioners to come out and witness a real patriotic event that will make one proud to be an American. Mr. Hill thanked Mr. Basden for keeping this event in the forefront of our thoughts, and hopes that many of the commissioners are able to attend.

Dr. Steven Mozingo, Superintendent of Lenoir County Public Schools, thanked the board for the opportunity to come and share a vision they've been working on for about two years. Dr. Monzingo stated this project is a much better way to provide technology for our students and schools. Dr. Mozingo stated this was a dream come true for him as an educator, trying to provide the best education for the children in Lenoir County. Dr. Mozingo stated because we are in a technology driven world, each child should have the opportunity to learn in the way they lives their lives. Dr. Mozingo stated they are ready to move forward with the first phase of a three phase process. Dr. Mozingo stated Phase One will be providing a lap top computer and iPads for all teachers k-12 and for students k-5. Dr. Mozingo stated each student will have an iPad, which they would use as their primary resource for learning. Dr. Monzingo stated we have to realize that we have filled a back pack for children with books for years and it probably cost \$400-\$500 dollars. Dr. Mozingo stated, now they can purchase these devices at about the same price. Dr. Mozingo stated with the devices the children are literally open to the world, having access to the library of congress and more. Dr. Mozingo stated with a device this size they have far exceeded anything they can send home with a child. Dr. Mozingo stated Phase Two would provide technology for students in grades 6-8 and the final stage will be with students in grades 9-12. Dr. Mozingo stated at that point the resources will become tight and he would appreciate the opportunity to sit down with the commissioners to discuss ways to accomplish the last phase. Dr. Mozingo stated \$250,000.00 will come from text book allocations. We feel this is a better way to invest in our students. \$300,000.00 will come from E-Rate Funding, \$250,000.00 will come from indirect costs with Federal Fund Projects, and \$400,000.00 will come from Title 1 Elementary Funds. Dr. Mozingo stated the principals have voluntarily given up this money for this project, because it replaces the need to buy technology for individual schools. Dr. Mozingo stated the approximate total is \$3,934,796.80. Dr. Mozingo stated they have purposely over allocated funds because there will be a few contingencies they have to deal with. There are no local county monies involved in this appropriation.

Dr. Mozingo stated the school systems are currently under a tight time frame to sign the contract. Dr. Mozingo stated he has a drop dead date of September 20<sup>th</sup> to get the lease to Apple Corporation. Dr. Mozingo stated the date is important because LCPS are receiving discounts on the covers needed for the iPads. Dr. Mozingo stated he did not want to put anything in the hands of the children unless they had some type of protection. Dr. Mozingo stated if the September 20<sup>th</sup> deadline passes, the schools will lose the chance of getting the \$150,000.00 discount. Dr. Mozingo stated hopefully his board will be able to approve it tonight. Dr. Monziogo stated he is asking the commissioners to consider their time frame. Dr. Mozingo stated he realized the commissioners had another meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>, but that would only give him five days to process the lease. Dr. Mozingo asked the board to consider he is dealing with a mega corporation, Apple, and he's getting a little nervous with the short time frame. Dr. Mozingo stated if the board can't approve the resolution today he understands, because he does not want the board to do something they are not comfortable with; however, if there is any chance of getting this approved today, it would be appreciated. Dr. Mozingo stated their attorney drafted the resolution for the board's consideration. Dr. Mozingo stated as he has spoken with Mr. Jarman. He stated this is the county's resolution and since it is the county's resolution, you're also free to reword it however you like. Dr. Mozingo stated he understood Mr. Jarman has some concerns with the very last statement that says "Now therefore be it hereby resolved, that the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners agrees to appropriate sufficient funds to the Lenoir County Board of Education in ensuing fiscal years to meet the Apple, Inc. contract obligations". Dr. Mozingo stated he felt like our issue could easily be solved and the county will have a much higher comfort level if you added "agrees to appropriate sufficient funds not to exceed the current appropriation". Dr. Mozingo stated Lenoir County already appropriates 9 times the amount that it would take to pay the lease. Dr. Mozingo stated he is very comfortable with that statement being added, because it doesn't change the purpose or the usefulness of the resolution. Dr. Mozingo stated the school board does not anticipate using any local money at this point for the lease. He will be utilizing State and Federal Funds. Dr. Mozingo stated he gave Mr. Jarman a complete copy of the agreement the Board of Education will look at and consider tonight. Dr. Mozingo apologized for the late arrival of the information.

Mr. Hill stated he felt Dr. Mozingo touched on one of the issues they both have and the discomfort with the rush, especially since he received the lease agreement this morning when he entered the Commissioners' room. Mr. Hill stated he did understand and he has been involved with the process all the way through. He feels strongly this is the right direction to head. Mr. Hill stated it's the board's decision if we are ready to approve this resolution based on the current information. Mr. Jarman stated he has been up front with Dr. Mozingo. The county received the resolution last Thursday and at that time I voiced my concerns to him. Mr. Jarman stated he had concerns and he agrees with what Dr. Mozingo said, it could be as simple as an additional statement. Mr. Jarman stated in its current form, it reads like the board is committing the total funding of this. Mr. Jarman stated Dr. Mozingo has been very upfront that this is not the intent, but it is a business decision and what he and I might feel may not be what this board feels. Mr. Jarman stated Dr. Mozingo and I, along with several on this board, may not be in place when somebody else comes along and sees where the board agreed to appropriate sufficient funds to meet the Apple contract, and to them that's a \$4 million commitment. Mr. Jarman stated he understands Dr. Mozingo's time line. Mr. Jarman stated we received the resolution on Thursday and later received the schedule of fees.

Mr. Jarman stated on Thursday he contacted the County Attorney, Bob Griffin, who also felt very strongly this could be committing the board to four million dollars worth of additional funds, which is not the school board's intent. Mr. Jarman stated he also contacted the School of Government and has not heard back from them as of yet. Mr. Jarman stated basically what he told the School of Government was that this board was willing to assist the schools in moving forward with this project, but we needed them to help with some wording in the resolution. Mr. Jarman stated it needed to be clear since we were talking about our existing funds. Mr. Jarman stated the law and general statutes state for them to move forward with this kind of lease, that you as a board have to commit that the funds are there. Mr. Jarman stated he is ok with committing because the county already commits \$9.9 million, but we don't want to be committing to new funds. Mr. Jarman asked the School of Government to review it because we would like to support the project. Mr. Jarman stated we need the School of Government to approve the wording so we can move forward. Mr. Jarman stated he needed to hear from the School of Government and our attorney and get some comfort knowing we are not committing our tax payers to an additional \$4 million over the \$9.9 million. Mr. Hill stated to be mindful of where we stand and the fact we are trying to build a strong relationship with the school system. Mr. Hill stated we are working hard moving in that direction and whatever action we take today, he hopes won't be viewed as damaging that relationship. Mr. Hill stated he thinks it a great project so he would like to bring it up and see if the board is ready to move on with it, or is more discussion needed, or should it be tabled until the next meeting. Mr. Hill told Dr. Mozingo he understands that tabling it will put the school in the same position that we were placed in this morning, trying to look at something we were not prepared to do. Mr. Daughety asked if we tabled it and if they received the information in a reasonable period of time, can we call a special meeting? Ms. Sutton asked could the board allow Mr. Jarman to get the answers he needs and give the board time to look at the contract? Ms. Sutton stated having served on the school board, she does not feel comfortable with the commissioners approving something that has not been approved by the school board and she would like for our attorney to go over the contract and get the resolution where it needs to be. Ms. Sutton asked can it be approved based on contingency or something? Mr. Jarman stated the board can have a special called meeting stating the specific purpose of the meeting, and that is the only business you can conduct. Mr. Jarman stated he felt something of this magnitude justified a special called meeting, but passing it contingent upon changes being made would then put having discussions among ourselves and coming up with an answer. Mr. Jarman stated he felt this should be a highly public process for the commissioners due to the nature of what needs to happen. Mr. Jarman stated he would suggest going with a special called meeting and discuss it publicly, where everybody can hear what you are saying. Mr. Jarman stated at the end of the day, the general statutes states "contracts for capital outlay expenditures or approved by a resolution adopted by the board of county commissioners shall bind the board of county commissioners to appropriate sufficient funds in ensuing fiscal years to meet the amount to be paid in the contract in those years". Mr. Jarman stated the board is committing to fund it, so we need the School of Government to help us word it correctly. Ms. Sutton made a motion to table with a second by Mr. Daughety. Mr. Hill stated he appreciated the candor from Dr. Mozingo. He appreciates the fact Dr. Mozingo mentioned at Phase Three they need to sit down and continue this conversation. Mr. Hill stated it may be in the budget process, because they need to have that information way out in front, so our public knows and we as commissioners know. Mr. Hill stated in order to complete the project at some point, they need to look at how we are budgeting our school system.

Ms. Sutton stated they have already been confronted with where the money coming from, so that will be a good time to have discussions so people will understand and know. Mr. Hill told Dr. Mazingo he appreciates all of his staff's work on this project. Mr. Hill stated he appreciates his time and as soon as they can get to the point where the managers and the board are comfortable, we will have a special called meeting to address this matter. Mr. Jarman stated he wanted everyone to be keenly aware of our current situation. This is Phase One and we have had discussions about Phases 2 and 3, which will be about two years from now. Mr. Jarman stated that Phase 3 could involve budget and revenue issues, and if you're looking at a million dollars being added to the budget, you may need to look at different revenue sources. Mr. Jarman stated maybe talking about the sales tax, but to think we have two years to talk about this doesn't leave much time. Mr. Jarman stated if you did it immediately, it would be two years by the time the revenue comes in. Mr. Jarman stated these discussions with the school board and among yourselves needs to happen now. Mr. Jarman stated this is just the reality of it what we are dealing with. Mr. Jarman stated it sounds nice and it sounds like the third phase is way in the future, but the time to discuss it is now. Mr. Hill stated they had some discussion about sitting down with the school and doing some long range planning within the next month, so we can begin to see where we are with capital. Mr. Hill stated we hope to have some very candid conversations about that as we move forward, and we are looking forward to working together.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting: August 18, 2014.
2. Budget Ordinance Amendment: General Fund: Finance/Process Funds: \$76.08.: Decrease.
3. Resolution Approving the Releases and Refunds to the Individuals Listed Herein.
4. Budget Ordinance Amendment: Trust and Agency Fund: Innovative Approach to Literacy (IAL): \$1,512.50.: Increase.

Upon a motion by Ms. Brown and a second by Ms. Sutton, the consent agenda was unanimously approved.

#### **BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS/RESOLUTIONS**

Item No. 5 was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: Trust and Agency Fund: Finance/Innovative Approach to Literacy: \$2,550.00. Decrease. Tammy Kelly, Cooperative Extension Director, stated this amendment is to adjust the Innovative Approach to Literacy Grant to match actual amounts received and expended. Ms. Kelly stated Cooperative Extension received the Literacy Grant as a supplement. Ms. Kelly stated the \$2,550.00 was budgeted in the FY14-15 budget process, but should not have been budgeted. Ms. Kelly stated the balance to be received will be allocated at the time of receipt of funds. Ms. Kelly stated she is currently making plans for the Lenoir County Fair from September 16-21, 2014. Ms. Kelly stated at the next meeting she will introduce Cooperative Extension's new employee who started today. Upon a motion made by Mr. Best and second by Mr. Davis, Item No. 5 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 6 was a Resolution to approve a purchase order for Tony's Tree Service. Bill Ellis, Parks & Recreation Director, stated trees at the Neuseway Nature Center and campground have not been trimmed in the past four years. Mr. Ellis stated Tony's Tree Service will trim the trees and carry all debris to the landfill. Mr. Ellis stated this will allow the motor homes to continue to use the campground as well as help the playground and train area to look maintained. Upon a motion by Ms. Sutton and a second by Mr. Daughety, Item No. 6 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 7 was a Resolution to approve a purchase order for Turf Planer of Carolina. Bill Ellis, Parks & Recreation Director, stated the little league baseball fields at Southwood, Moss Hill, Banks and LaGrange are in need of the lip around the grass arc to be planed. Mr. Ellis stated this maintenance is needed so the playing field can be leveled and made safer. Mr. Ellis stated Turf Planer of Carolina is the only vendor in North and South Carolina that has a machine that can remove the lip without removing the sod. Mr. Ellis stated the machine is able to cut the lip out without damaging the field so the fields are up to par, as well as providing safety for the children. Mr. Ellis stated they needed to add about 10 more spots to the current 32 spots at the campground at the Nature Center. Mr. Davis asked if they had to do a lot of advertising for the campground? Mr. Ellis stated none at all, most of the campers have relatives in Lenoir County, some are ones that have just purchased a RV and want to test, some are construction workers in the area, and a lot are weekenders coming for ball tournaments. Upon a motion by Ms. Brown and a second by Mr. Best, Item No. 7 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 8 was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: General Fund: Public Buildings: \$30,250.00. Increase. Martha Martin, Finance Director, stated this amendment is to re-appropriate funding for the demolition of the building at 220 to 228 E. Gordon Street. Ms. Martin stated the project was approved in FY13-14, but the actual work will be completed in FY14-15, so it is necessary to re-appropriate the funding to cover the expenses. Upon a motion by Ms. Sutton and a second by Mr. Daughety, Item No. 8 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 9 was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: School Construction Fund: Series 07 & Series 08 Bonds: \$72,623,866.60. Decrease. Martha Martin, Finance Director, stated per auditors' request, we should remove the appropriations for prior school year construction projects that have been closed out for several years. Ms. Martin stated these projects are in a no-close fund; therefore, all funds are automatically re-budgeted each year. Reversing the original budget information will clean up the year-end reporting. Upon a motion by Ms. Brown and a second by Mr. Best, Item No. 9 was unanimously approved.

Mr. Hill stated this is one of the things the board should pay attention to. Mr. Hill stated we should all look at this figure. Mr. Hill stated when we look at zones and growth. These are the things the board needs to know and be aware of. It is our history and where we are going.

Item No. 10 was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: Emergency Telephone System Fund: Emergency Telephone System: \$4,142.00.: Decrease. Martha Martin, Finance Director, stated this budget amendment is to decrease appropriations by the State E911 Board. Ms. Martin stated when the budget was compiled it was based on an estimation given to the county in December 2013 by the E-911 Board. Ms. Martin stated the final appropriation amount was not sent until May 2014, which was after the budget had been compiled and two business days prior to the adoption of the county's FY14-15 budget. Upon a motion by Ms. Brown and a second by Mr. Davis, Item No. 10 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 11A was a Resolution to approve a purchase of Radio Codeplug Flash Upgrade: Motorola: \$58,000.00. Roger Dail, EM Director, stated for the past two years, Lenoir and Jones County officials have been working on a merger of the Lenoir and Jones County E-911 Communication Centers. Mr. Dail stated a portion of the project involved an upgrade from the existing analog radio system to a new P25 digital radio system. Mr. Dail stated in order for the radios to operate on the new P25 digital radio system they will need to be reprogrammed with new codeplugs. Upon a motion by Mr. Daughety and a second by Mr. Best, Item No. 11 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 11B was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: Fire Districts: Finance/Fire Protection: \$58,000.00. Increase. Roger Dail, EM Director, stated the budget amendment is to appropriate funding for the upgrade of radios for all Fire Departments, including the City of Kinston. Mr. Dail stated the approval of this one time funding will assist the Fire Departments with the upgrades to their radios. Upon a motion by Mr. Daughety and a second by Mr. Best, Item No. 11 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 12 was a Resolution to approve the remount of a 2010 Chevrolet 4500 Wheeled Coach Ambulance Box: Select Custom Apparatus: \$63,963.28. Roger Dail, EM Director, stated in recent years the Department has not been able to always purchase new ambulances because the new trucks are very expensive, so he feels it is better to do a remount rather than a new purchase. Mr. Best asked Mr. Dail, didn't the board recently approve a resolution like this one and could the same thing happen again, where the amount would increase and he would have to resubmit the resolution? Mr. Dail stated yes if they detected damage they would contact him. Mr. Dail stated with other incident the vehicle was wrecked, so it's possible. Mr. Davis asked did it make a difference with this box coming off a Chevrolet and the new chasis is a Ford? Mr. Dail stated it would not make a difference. Upon a motion by Ms. Sutton and a second by Ms. Brown, Item No. 12 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 13 was a Resolution to approve the transfer of ownership of canine Smokey. Chris Hill, Sheriff, stated the canine named Smokey was in service until July of 2014. Sheriff Hill stated Smokey came to their department in 2008, and the average life span of a Belgian Malinois is 12 to 14 years and retirement occurs when the animal is between 8 to 10 years of age.

Sheriff Hill stated it is customary when a canine retires to transfer ownership of retiring canines to their handler. Upon a motion by Mr. Best and a second by Ms. Sutton, Item No. 13 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 14 was a Resolution to approve the hiring of two Deputy Sheriff Resource Officers: \$171,004.44. Chris Hill, Sheriff, stated Lenoir County Public Schools system has secured funding through a grant to pay for two additional officers. Sheriff Hill stated the school system has indicated they will continue to fund these positions beyond the grant period. Sheriff Hill stated School Resource Officers play a vital role in managing criminal behavior at these schools and protecting both students and staff while they are on school grounds. Upon a motion by Mr. Davis and a second by Mr. Daughety, Item No. 14 was unanimously approved.

Ms Brown asked if the new officers be at different schools or stationed at one particular school? Sheriff Hill stated the officers will be stationed at one particular school.

Item No. 15 was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: General Fund: DSS: \$22,613.00. Increase. Susan Moore, DSS Director, stated the budget amendment is to adjust the new budget to the final state allocations received for the new budget year. Upon a motion by Mr. Sutton and a second by Mr. Best, Item No. 15 was unanimously approved.

Item No. 16A was a Resolution to approve a contract with Northwoods Consulting Partners and One Source as well as purchase orders with various vendors: \$694,414.00. Susan Moore, DSS Director, stated the Lenoir County Department of Social Services (DSS) is in dire need of an updated technology solution. Ms. Moore stated due to the increasing caseload, the need for a Case Management Documentation system will be instrumental to ensure the safety of children in Lenoir County by allowing Social Workers to focus less on paperwork and more on what really matters. Ms. Moore stated without the approved purchase, DSS will need to hire at least three to four additional Social Workers to meet the growing demands of Child Protective Services within Lenoir County. Ms. Moore stated the technology will help DSS streamline the process for Social Workers and clients. Ms. Moore stated the number of reports DSS is receiving regarding the neglect and dependency of children is dramatically up. Ms. Moore stated in the month of May, the Social Workers had four times the amount of cases they were normally handling, which leads to Social Workers' burnout. Ms. Moore stated Social Workers worked on Saturdays just to complete paperwork, and in addition to Saturdays, they worked at night as well. Ms. Moore stated every hour the Social Worker spends in the field must be documented, which consists of many forms. Ms. Moore stated forms and paperwork take up a huge piece of the Social Workers day. Ms. Moore stated it's a tough job looking for possible solutions to meet the needs of the people, and to see what could be done to make a difference. Ms. Moore stated when she began to talk with DSS directors regarding systems for her department, they all recommended Laserfiche and Northwoods systems. Ms. Moore stated their response was the system will keep DSS from having to add more Social Workers, and cut down on the time Social Workers have to spend in the office between home visits.

Ms. Moore stated Social Workers spend 43% of their time with documentation. Ms. Moore stated the projected cost is \$694,414.00 and one of the immediate impacts is it will reduce overtime of the Social Workers. Ms. Moore stated with the new system the Social Workers will be able to use face time or skype instead of having to go back and forth to the office to make reports with supervisors. Ms. Moore stated the money will come from enhanced Medicaid and administrative reimbursements, not taking any money from the county.

Mr. Jarman stated one of the reasons they are impressed with the Northwoods system is because their staff came and did visits with the DSS staff to identify areas of need. Mr. Jarman stated Northwoods will be an asset to DSS. Ms. Brown stated two of Northwoods representatives are in the audience, Dustin Eubanks and Rich Bowens. Mr. Jarman stated Ms. Brown and Ms. Sutton are in agreement with the system because they are on the DSS Board and had the opportunity to hear the presentation from Northwoods. Mr. Jarman stated we talked about the fact of looking at the new technology and we saw this as an opportunity without putting any tax dollars in it. Mr. Jarman stated over 50% of the counties are already using an outside source to improve their department. Ms. Moore stated she feels like this is the right time to move forward with a paperless department. Upon a motion by Ms. Sutton and a second by Ms. Brown, Item No. 16A was unanimously approved.

Item No. 16B was a Budget Ordinance Amendment: DSS: \$689,181.00. Increase. Susan Moore, DSS Director, stated the amendment is to appropriate funding for the Northwoods Human Services Software Solutions and all applicable components needed to implement and maintain the software. Ms. Moore stated the State of NC will reimburse Lenoir County \$283,052.00 for allowable costs. Ms. Moore stated the reimbursement amount from Medicaid will be paid at a rate of 75% rather than the normal 50%. Ms. Moore stated the increased reimbursement amount from Medicaid will cover all but \$5,233.00, which is already budgeted.

Mr. Jarman stated anytime the county can make an advance in technology, the first thing that happens is he speak with Joey Bryan, MIS Director. Mr. Jarman stated the MIS staff is doing a great job and they are handling matters well. Upon a motion by Ms. Sutton and a second by Ms. Brown, Item No. 16B was unanimously approved.

Item No. 17 was a Resolution approving appointments of citizens to boards, commissions, etc. Upon a motion by Ms. Brown and a second by Mr. Best, Ms. Beth Heath and Ms. Wanda Hall were re-appointed to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Board; Ms. Victoria Kosinski was appointed to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Board. Since this was the 1<sup>st</sup> appearance for Mr. Terrence Body, Danielle Howell and Audrey Tyson, no action needed at this time.

<u>BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION</u>	<u>APPLICANT/CURRENT MEMBER</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRATION</u>
<b>Juvenile Crime Prevention</b>	Ms. Beth Heath (Re-Appointment) Ms. Wanda Hall (Re-Appointment) Ms. Victoria Kosinski <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Appearance</b>	2016 2016 2016

Item No. 18 was information from Mr. Mike Jarman, County Manager. Mr. Jarman stated the first item was for a bid received on County property. Mr. Jarman requested the Board to decline the bid of \$300.00 for property at 706 Chestnut Street, in Kinston in hopes the bidder will up the bid.

Mr. Jarman stated effective September 1, 2014, the Landfill and Recycle Sites have new hours of operation.

Mr. Jarman stated the Landfill and Recycle Sites hours have changed in trying to accommodate the citizens. Mr. Jarman stated Landfill hours are as follows: 8:00-4:30 Monday through Saturday and Recycle Sites hours are 7:00 – 5:00, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 8:00 – 6:00, Tuesday and Thursday.

Ms. Sutton stated the meetings regarding the Hwy 70 Corridor had a fair crowd at the Kennedy Home location and Southwood’s location had a very good turnout, good reception and dialog. Ms. Sutton stated they are moving at a very slow pace, so you can tell it’s not being done in a hasty move. Ms. Sutton stated she attended the Wayne County transportation meeting and they have posted their data on the NCDOT Website.

Mr. Hill encouraged the members to look at the NCDOT Website, and send any questions to the appropriate individuals so they can answer. Mr. Hill stated that is one of the things the board needs to focus on because it will have a huge impact.

Mr. Hill reminded the board to forward goals to him by the next meeting and he will submit the information by the deadline to the NCACC.

Mr. Hill stated he attended the Volunteer Captains’ Fire Association meeting and they are in the early stages of looking into grant dollars for air packs. Mr. Hill stated he requested they keep the board informed and aware of their situation. Mr. Hill stated currently they are passing several air packs around the County to see which are compatible. . Mr. Hill stated it appeared they are working together and doing great work. Mr. Hill stated it was a well attended 3 hour meeting covering a lot of details.

Mr. Hill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie F. King  
Clerk to the Board

Reviewed By

Michael W. Jarman  
County Manager