

## **MINUTES**

**May 27, 2003**

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 27, 2003, at 7:00 P.M., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, Lexington, North Carolina for a regularly scheduled meeting.

### PRESENT

Commissioners: Chairman Fred C. Sink, Vice Chair Priscilla Hege, Cindy Akins, Billy Joe Kepley, Don Truell, Dr. Max Walser, Sam Watford

County Manager Robert C. Hyatt, County Attorney/Clerk to the Board Stephen C. Holton, Social Services Director Catherine Lambeth, Senior Services Director Kathryn Gentry and Donna Campbell, Human Resources Director Keli Greer, Safety/Risk Management Coordinator Mark Holzer, Finance Director Jane Kiker, Budget Officer Zeb M. Hanner, Fire Marshal Perry Tyler, Transportation Director Zeb F. Hanner, Purchasing Director Dwayne Childress, Economic Development Executive Director Steve Googe, East Davidson DECA Club President Sheena Sowers and Vice President Kerry Donovan

### A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Fred Sink called the meeting to order and welcomed guests.

### B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Max Walser

### C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### D. RECOGNITION

Chairman Sink recognized Ryan Curry of the Davidson County Council of Chambers.

Chairman Sink also recognized Senior Services Director Kathryn Gentry and Donna Campbell and presented them with an award from the North Carolina Division of Aging, in conjunction with Older Americans Month, for 29 years of service to older North Carolinians and their families.

Vice Chair Hege recognized and congratulated two East Davidson DECA Club members, President Sheena Sowers who is the daughter of Commissioner Cindy Akins, and Vice President Kerry Donovan. Vice Chair Hege noted that they both attended a two-day state-wide leadership conference in Raleigh and led the club to win a Silver Chapter of Distinction Award for having an active local chapter.

She further noted that a trip to national competition began with the development of a research paper with the topic being *social responsibility in business environment*. She stated that the two students selected Thomasville Furniture Industry as the local business for research and determined ways the business could be more socially responsible to the community. Vice Chair Hege reported that they then went to the State DECA competition and won third place in the General Marketing Research Event. Vice Chair Hege then noted that this placement presented the opportunity for them to attend the International DECA Competition in Orlando, Florida where they won a Proficiency Certificate which placed them in the top 40%.

E. REGISTER FOR PUBLIC ADDRESS

Chairman Sink noted the register for Public Address.

F. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Akins the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda with the addition of Attorney/Client to Closed Session.

(Exhibit 1)

G. PUBLIC ADDRESS

None

H. ITEMS FOR DECISION/INFORMATION

**Consent Agenda**

On a motion by Commissioner Walser and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted 6-1 to approve the consent agenda; Commissioner Billy Joe Kepley voted "No."

1. Minutes

The Board approved the minutes of May 1, 2003 and May 13, 2003.

2. Tax Report of Refunds by Joe Silver, Tax Administrator

The Board approved the Tax Report of Refunds for April 2003. (Exhibit 2)

3. Budget Amendments by Zeb M. Hanner, Budget Officer

The Board approved the following budget amendments:

*County Manager Administration* – line item transfer of \$11,078 to cover shortfalls in certain line items.

*Fire Marshal* - line item transfer of \$4,800 to cover shortfalls on certain line items.

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*Social Services* – transfer of \$190,000 for purchase of equipment and upgrade of DTI  
(Imaging upgrade and maintenance).

*Garage* – transfer of \$1,600 from Supplies to Capital Outlay to purchase a wire welder.

*Library* – Line item transfer of \$2,425 to cover shortfalls on certain line items.

*Register of Deeds* – Receipt of appropriation of \$37,359 from State Mandated  
Preservation/Technology Funds.

*Senior Services* – receipt of HCCBG funds of \$9,700, grants of \$2,500, and donations of  
\$730 for various line items.

*Sheriff* – transfer of \$8,000 from Capital Outlay to Maintenance & Repair to cover radio  
repairs and installations. (Exhibit 3)

4. Reclassification and Addition to the Pay Plan by Keli Greer, Human Resources Director

The Board approved the reclassification of a Social Worker III position to a Staff  
Development Specialist II and the addition of a Staff Development Specialist II position to the pay plan.

(Exhibit 4)

**Deliberation**

5. Resolution Authorizing Davidson County Transportation to Enter into an Agreement with  
the North Carolina Department of Transportation by Zeb F. Hanner, Transportation Director

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted  
unanimously 7-0 to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Davidson County Transportation to Enter into an  
Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation to enable execution of the grant  
agreement for the project for repairing and replacing of office windows and resurfacing and paving of the  
parking lot to improve the existing facility for Davidson County Transportation at a total cost of \$44,959,  
with NCDOT providing 90% (not in excess of \$40,463) and the County to provide 10%. (Exhibit 5)

6. Surplus Property by Dwayne Childress, Purchasing Director

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner Akins the Board voted  
unanimously 7-0 to declare the list of items submitted as surplus property, set a date of sale for June 14,  
2003 beginning at 9:00 A.M. until finish at the Davidson County Service Complex on North Main Street,

and grant authority to the Purchasing Director to add or delete minor items on the list as needed.

(Exhibit 6)

7. Pyrotechnics Permits by Perry Tyler, Fire Marshal

On a motion by Commissioner Kepley and a second by Vice Chair Hege the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve applications for pyrotechnics permits for High Rock River Rats at High Rock Boat Dock Marina on July 4, 2003, Lexington Parks & Recreation at Finch Park on July 4, 2003, RELAY FOR LIFE at Davidson County Fairgrounds on May 30, 2003, and the Hi-Toms Ballgame Finale at Finch Field off National Highway outside the fence and behind the field on May 31, 2003. (Exhibit 7)

8. Memorandum of Understanding – Three County Regional Greenway System by Commissioner Billy Joe Kepley

On a motion by Commissioner Walser and a second by Commissioner Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Memorandum of Understanding in Support of a Three-County Regional Greenway System between Rowan County, Cabarrus County, Davidson County, City of Salisbury, Town of China Grove, Town of Landis, Town of Spencer, and City of Kannapolis, a collaborative effort to expand and enhance the regional natural landscape. (Exhibit 8)

9. Property and Casualty Insurance by Zeb Hanner, Budget Officer

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner Akins the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the property and casualty insurance with the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Risk Pool at a premium of \$755,162 for FY2003-2004. (Exhibit 9)

10. Davidson County Proposed Budget FY2003-2004 Message by Robert C. Hyatt, County Manager

The Board received the Davidson County Budget Message and highlights of the Proposed Budget FY2003-2004 from County Manager Robert Hyatt with a proposal of one and one-half cent increase in property tax valuation.

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Kepley the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to set a public hearing for June 10, 2003, 7:00 P.M., Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina.

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Walser the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to hold a budget work session immediately following the informational meeting on June 5, 2003. (Exhibit 10)

11. North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Legislative Goals – Priority by Commissioner Billy Joe Kepley

The Board received the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' list of priority legislative goals from Commissioner Billy Joe Kepley. Commissioner Kepley then noted the three priority concerns of the association: 1) Medicare, 2) 911, and 3) revoked sales tax. Vice Chair hege expressed concerns with protection of promised reimbursements to counties. (Exhibit 11)

I. CLOSED SESSION – Economic Development, Personnel, Attorney/Client

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to go into Closed Session for matters of Economic Development, Personnel, and Attorney/Client.

Return to Open Session

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Akins the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to return to Open Session.

County Attorney Holton reported discussion of Economic Development, Personnel, and Attorney/Client with no action taken.

J. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Vice Chair Hege and a second by Commissioner Walser the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adjourn.

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Fred C. Sink, Chairman

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Stephen C. Holton, Clerk to the Board

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