

MINUTES

August 14, 2007

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 P.M., on Tuesday, August 14, 2007, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina for a regularly scheduled meeting and public hearing.

PRESENT

Commissioners: Chairman Fred McClure, Vice Chairman Don Truell, Larry Allen, Billy Joe Kepley, Larry Potts, Dr. Max Walser, Sam Watford

County Manager Robert Hyatt, Assistant County Manager Zeb M. Hanner, County Attorney Robert Hedrick, Tax Administrator Joe Silver, Planning and Zoning Director Guy Cornman, Public Works Director Rex Buck, Risk Management Coordinator Jim Price, Human Resources Director Jim Tysinger, IT Director Joel Hartley, Clerk to the Board Anne M. Burkhart, Purchasing Director Dwayne Childress, Veterans Administrator Boyd Morgan, Social Services Director Keith Johnson, Health Director Layton Long, Parks and Recreation Director Charles Parnell, 911 Director Terry Bailey, Finance Director Jane Kiker, Economic Development Director Steve Googe

A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Fred McClure called the meeting to order and welcomed guests

B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Billy Joe Kepley

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. RECOGNITION – Special Recognition

1. Recertification of Senior Centers as Centers of Excellence

Angela Devito and Thessia Everhart were recognized by Chairman McClure for the Recertification of the Senior Center as Centers of Excellence. (Exhibit A)

2. NC Associations of Aging Employee of the Year Award

Angelo Devito was recognized by Chairman McClure for her award from NC Associations of Aging for Employee of the Year. (Exhibit B)

3. Award of Financial Reporting Achievement

Jane Kiker was recognized by Chairman McClure for the Award of Financial Reporting Achievement. (Exhibit C)

E. REGISTER FOR PUBLIC ADDRESS

Chairman McClure noted the register for public address.

F. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda with the addition of I.15. School Facility Needs and Closed Session for Economic Development, Personnel, and Attorney/Client (Exhibit 1)

G. PUBLIC ADDRESS

Barney Hill spoke in opposition of the Rural Operating Assistance Program grant.

H. PUBLIC HEARING – Rural Operating Assistance Program

On a motion by Vice Chairman Truell and a second by Commissioner Potts the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to open the Public Hearing to receive public comment on the submittal of application for the Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) grant.

Zeb F. Hanner, Transportation Director, spoke in support of the application and presented details for the proposed funding.

Guy Cornman spoke in support as Chairman of the Transportation Advisory Board.

Mary Ann Brown, Coordinator of Special Olympics Program in Davidson County, spoke in support of the program and noted the importance of it to the clients in the program.

Barney Hill spoke in opposition to the ROAP grant and made reference to his comments in the meetings of June 27, 2000, and June 26, 2001, which were also in opposition to the ROAP grant application.

Health Director Layton Long spoke in support of the program and its service to citizens who need healthcare and have no transportation.

Social Services Director Keith Johnson spoke in support of the program and grant application noting the use by Medicaid receipts and the Work First participants.

Kathryn Spencer Warren spoke in support of the program and the grant application.

Interim Senior Services Director Catherine Lambeth spoke in support of the program and explained its benefit to provide transportation to meals and add quality to the lives of seniors.

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to close the public hearing.

On a motion by Commissioner Walser and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the submittal of application for the Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) grant. (Exhibit 2)

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION/INFORMATION

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted 6-1 to approve the consent agenda; Commissioner Kepley voted “No.”

Consent

1. Minutes

The Board approved the minutes of June 26, 2007 and August 2, 2007 Commissioners' Meetings and May 7, 2007 and June 4, 2007 Planning and Zoning Public Hearing.

2. Budget Amendments by Zeb M. Hanner, Assistant County Manager

The Board approved budget amendments for the Sheriff's Department, Social Services, Fire Marshal, State Fund/Humane Society, Davidson County Schools, Cooperative Extension, Lake Thom-A-Lex, Robert Segal, Health, Recreation, Inspections, Veterans and 911. (Exhibit 3)

3. Tax Year-End Disclosure Statement and Revaluation and Summation by Joe Silver, Tax Administrator

The Board approved the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Annual Settlement Statement and Revaluation Summation. (Exhibit 4)

4. 2008 Meeting Schedule

The Board approved the 2008 Meeting Schedule and adopted the accompanying Resolution.
(Exhibit 5)

5. 2008 Holiday Schedule

The Board approved the 2008 Holiday Schedule. (Exhibit 6)

6. Reclassifications by Jim Tysinger, Human Resources Director

The Board approved reclassifications for Computing Support Technicians I, II, and III.

(Exhibit 7)

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

The Board approved the Tax Report of Refunds for June and July 2007. (Exhibit 8)

8. IP Phone Purchase by Joel Hartley, IT Director

The Board approved the purchase of 180 IP telephones (Mitel 5340) including installation and programming in the telephone system with the price to include a 10% discount as stated in the annual maintenance contract with the funding to come from the telephone internal service charge fund.

(Exhibit 9)

Deliberation

9. Proclamation – K-14 Awareness by Barry Sink, Davidson Vision

On a motion by Chairman McClure and a second by Commissioner Potts the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the Proclamation proclaiming August 2007 as “K-14 Awareness Month” in Davidson County. (Exhibit 10)

10. Appointments

On a motion by Commissioner Walser and a second by Commissioner Kepley the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to reappoint Vickie Holder to the Davidson County Community College Board of Trustees.

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Vice Chairman Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to reappoint Dean Vick and Gayle Whitehead to the Piedmont Behavioral Healthcare Board. (Exhibit 11)

11. Safety and Wellness Recommendation by Jim Price, Risk Management

On a motion by Commissioner Watford and a second by Vice Chairman Truell the Board voted 4-3 to approve The Safety and Wellness Program as proposed and to be reviewed in one year; Commissioners Kepley, Potts, and Allen voted “No.” (Exhibit 12)

12. Schedule Public Hearing for NC Secondary Roads by Guy Cornman, Planning and Zoning Director

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to schedule a public hearing to receive public comment on the submittal of the NC Secondary Roads Program Plan on September 25, 2007 at 6:00 P.M. In the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina. (Exhibit 13)

13. Schedule Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment Application by Guy Comman, Planning and Zoning Director

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to accept a zoning amendment application from Darren Hunter of Hunter Land Development Company, refer it to the Planning Board for its review and recommendation, and schedule a public hearing for September 10, 2007, 7:00 P.M., Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina to receive public comments. (Exhibit 14)

14. Professional Services Contract for Construction Phase Services – South-Central Sewer Project, Phases I & II by Rex Buck, Public Works Director

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Vice Chairman Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Professional Services Contract for Construction Phase Services – South-Central Sewer Project, Phases I & II with the City of Lexington. (Exhibit 15)

15. School Facilities Needs by Commissioner Max Walser

Commissioner Walser passed out information on the current costs of school facilities. He noted his disappointment that Legislature gave the school bond no consideration. He asked for the support of the Board.

CLOSED SESSION – Economic Development, Personnel, Attorney/Client


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

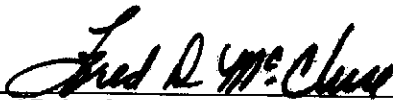
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner Walser and a second by Vice Chairman Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to return to Open Session.

J. ADJOURNMENT

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


Anne M. Burkhart, Clerk to the Board
Davidson County Board of Commissioners


Fred D. McClure, Chairman
Davidson County Board of Commissioners