

MINUTES

January 11, 2011

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at 7:00 PM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina for a regularly scheduled meeting.

PRESENT

Commissioners: Chairman Sam Watford, Vice Chairman Larry Potts, Cathy Dunn, Billy Joe Kepley, Fred McClure, Don Truell, Todd Yates

County Manager Robert Hyatt, Assistant County Manager Zeb Hanner, County Attorney Chuck Frye, Clerk to the Board Anne Burkhart, Tax Administrator Joe Silver, Human Resources Director Jim Tysinger, Planning and Zoning Director Guy Cornman, Senior Services Director Thessia Everhart-Roberts, Social Services Director Dale Moorefield, IT Director Joel Hartley, TRIP Director William Deal

A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Sam Watford called the meeting to order and welcomed guests.

B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Fred McClure

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. RECOGNITION

E. REGISTER FOR PUBLIC ADDRESS

Chairman Watford noted the register for public address.

F. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Dunn and a second by Commissioner Kepley the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda with the addition of I.6. Smart Start Update and Closed Session for Personnel, and the deletion of a duplicated item, H.10 Time Warner Agreement. (Exhibit 1)

G. PUBLIC ADDRESS

Barney Hill addressed the Board, suggesting removal of Greenway Project from the consent agenda. He then suggested "killing the project." Mr. Hill stated his opposition to the Greenway Project.

William Deal addressed the Board in favor of the TRIP Master Plan.

H. ITEMS FOR DECISION/INFORMATION – *Consent*

On a motion by Commissioner McClure and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted 6-1 to approve the consent agenda with the transfer of H.11. and H.12. to the deliberation agenda;

Commissioner Kepley voted “No.”

1. Minutes

The Board approved the Minutes of December 6, 2010 and December 14, 2010.

2. Budget Amendments by Zeb Hanner, Assistant County Manager

The Board approved budget amendments for Senior Services, Spay/Neutering, Cooperative Extension, Library, Public Works, and Health Department. (Exhibit 2)

3. Time Warner Service Agreement

The Board approved the Time Warner Service Agreement. (Exhibit 3)

4. One NC Fund Grant – Local Government Grant Agreement & Company Performance

Agreement Davidson County/Moran Foods, Inc.

The Board approved the One NC Fund – Local Government Grant Agreement & Company Performance Agreement Davidson County/Moran Foods, Inc. (Exhibit 4)

5. Appointments

The Board approved the appointment of Barbara Barnes to the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee, the reappointment of Joyce Floyd, Carol Cartner, Janice Hooks, and Beth Silver to the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee, the reappointment of Tim Temple to the Board of Adjustments, and the reappointment of Rod Kcuik to the Board of Health. (Exhibit 5)

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

The Board approved the Tax Report of Refunds for December 2010. (Exhibit 6)

7. Reclassification by Jim Tysinger, Human Resources Director

The Board approved the reclassification of a Social Worker I, grade 62, to an Income Maintenance Caseworker II, grade 62 in the Social Services Department. (Exhibit 7)

8. Award of Badge and Service Weapon to Retiring Lt. Ricky L. Skeen

The Board approved the awarding of a badge and service weapon to retiring Lt. Ricky L. Skeen, of the Sheriff's Department. (Exhibit 8)

9. Release of Easements by Chuck Frye, County Attorney

The Board approved the Release of Easements for correction of easements previously acquired for the Pilot Sewer Project. (Exhibit 9)

10. Contract for Telephone Services - Deleted

Deliberation

11. Abbotts Creek Greenway Pilot Project

Commissioner Truell asked for discussion of the Abbotts Creek Greenway Pilot Project. Guy Corman responded to questions about the construction and maintenance of the trail. Robert Hyatt noted that the Board will be consulted before any commitments are made. Discussion followed.

On a motion by Commissioner Kepley and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted 5-2 to accept the grant award of \$241,000 for the Abbotts Creek Greenway Pilot Project with the understanding that questions with Lexington be cleared up, Commissioners Truell and Yates voted “No.” (Exhibit 10)

12. Revisions to Davidson County Substance Abuse Policy by Jim Tysinger, Human Resources Director

Jim Tysinger reviewed revisions of the Davidson County Substance Abuse Policy.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Potts and a second by Commissioner Truell, the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Revised Davidson County Substance Abuse Policy. (Exhibit 11)

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION/INFORMATION - Deliberation

1. Sewer Service Extension to I-85/US64

Ben Palmer, of Davis-Martin-Powell Engineering, reviewed the results of the study and the cost estimates for sewer service extension to I-85/US64. Discussion followed. Commissioner Yates emphasized that service industries may be attracted to the area and there is room for much needed growth to improve the economy and bring jobs to the area.

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner McClure the Board agreed by consensus 7-0 to discuss the item at the Commissioners’ retreat (funding of \$602,500 in 2010-2011 budget for the I-85/US64 Sewer Service Extension Project). (Exhibit 12)

2. Schedule Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment Applications by Guy Corman, Planning and Zoning Director

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Vice Chairman Potts the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the scheduling of a public hearing for February 7, 2011, at 7:00 PM, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina to consider a new rezoning request in the name of Jeffrey and Donna Leonard in Arcadia Township.

(Exhibit 13)

3. Performance-Based Budgeting Report by Zeb Hanner, Assistant County Manager

Zeb Hanner shared the results of the 2010 year's progress. He noted that the work of county department heads on this program has resulted in the increase in the county's fund balance. (Exhibit 14)

4. Approval of Documentation for Economic Development Incentive Project with Timco Aerosystems, Inc.

On a motion Commissioner McClure and a second by Commissioner Kepley the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to table the approval of the documentation until the January 25, 2011 meeting.

5. Legislative Goals by Commissioner Fred McClure

Commissioner McClure asked for discussion of priorities for legislative goals. Commissioner McClure noted that he will be representing the Board at the Legislative Goals Conference to be held January 20-21, 2011, at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Research Triangle Park. Commissioner McClure explained that each of the goals in the packet distributed to the Board will be voted on at the conference. The Board agreed to communicate their priorities to Commissioner McClure. (Exhibit 15)

6. Smart Start by Vice Chairman Larry Potts

Vice Chairman Potts expressed his concerns with lack of Commissioner representation on the Smart Start Board and noted that he will address the issue at the State level. Vice Chairman Potts acknowledged that the Director of the Department of Social Services and the Director of the Health Department are on the Smart Start Board.

CLOSED SESSION – Personnel

On a motion by Commissioner McClure and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to go into Closed Session for Personnel.


RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

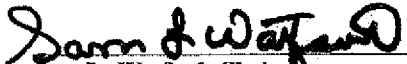
On a motion by Vice Chairman Potts and a second by Commissioner Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to return to Open Session.

County Attorney Chuck Frye reported discussion of Personnel in Closed Session with no action taken.

J. ADJOURNMENT

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


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


Sam L. Watford, Chairman
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