

MINUTES

January 5, 2012

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 AM on Thursday, January 5, 2012, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Governmental Center at 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina, for a regularly scheduled informational meeting.

PRESENT

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

Others Present

County Manager Robert Hyatt, County Attorney Chuck Frye, Assistant County Manager Zeb Hanner, Clerk to the Board Anne Burkhart, Soil and Water Director Andy Miller, Planning and Zoning Director Guy Cornman, Finance Director Jane Kiker, Transportation Manager George Hodges, Economic Development Director Steve Googe, External Services Director Rex Buck, Watershed Coordinator Scott Leonard, IT Director Joel Hartley

A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

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

B. INVOCATION

Vice Chairman Potts

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 Vice Chairman Potts and a second by Commissioner Don Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda. (Exhibit 1)

G. PUBLIC ADDRESS

H. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DECISION

1. Amendment to the Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance by Andy Miller, Soil and Water Director

The Board received a recommendation that the Board revise its Ordinance to match the new State Statute as to the eligibility requirements for participation and a recommendation that no changes be made to the Davidson County Ordinance in regard to recording conservation agreements.

The Board acknowledged that the item would be placed on the January 10, 2012 agenda to schedule a public hearing. (Exhibit 2)

2. Grant Application by Guy Cornman, Planning and Zoning Director and Cy Stober

The Board received a request for permission to submit an application for the Clean Water Management Trust Fund Grant. Mr. Cornman explained that the grant funding would enable the basin-wide water quality study that are comprehensive and do a thorough job of identifying the significant sources of pollutants as well as the types of pollutants. He noted that these studies also make recommendations on projects that can be carried out by partners in the community to help clean up the streams.

Mr. Stober presented a Power Point to exhibit plans for improvement in water quality that would take approximately two years. Mr. Cornman noted that he would like to have a water quality seminar in the Spring.

The Board agreed to place the CWMTF grant on the January 10, 2012 consent agenda for permission to submit the application to the Clean Water Management Trust Fund. (Exhibit 3)

3. Rezoning Applications by Guy Cornman, Planning and Zoning Director

The Board received information on the rezoning requests from Steve Everhart and Renee Leonard.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Potts and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to schedule a public hearing for February 6, 2012, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, of the Governmental Center, at 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina. (Exhibit 4)

4. Audit Presentation by Jane Kiker, Finance Director and J. P. Jones of Martin Starnes & Associates

The Board received a Power Point of Davidson County's Audit Report for FY2011 from J.P. Jones of Martin Starnes & Associates. Mr. Jones exhibited the sources of revenue and expenditures. He also presented the fund balance information and a synopsis of county activity across the State. (Exhibit 5)

5. Circulator Route in Lexington by George Hodges, Transportation Manager

The Board received the details of the Circulator Route in Lexington from George Hodges. Mr. Hodges noted the route would have 17 stops which are near the locations where people are being dropped off currently. He informed the Board of the cost savings with the fixed route in Thomasville with a reduction of ridership cost from approximately \$10.00 down to approximately \$3.00. He stated that the route will free up time and resources for transit services for the impaired and elderly. He further stated that the circular route allows some deviation from the route as opposed to the fixed route that has no deviations. Mr. Hodges stated it would run five days a week possibly 8:00 AM to 4:30-5:00 PM. (Exhibit 6)

I. CLOSED SESSION – Economic Development

On a motion by Vice Chairman Potts and a second by Commissioner Truell the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to go into Closed Session for Economic Development.

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 an Economic Development project and advised that the Board amend the agenda to schedule a public hearing to receive public comment on the project.

On a motion by Commissioners Truell and a second by Commissioner Yates the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to amend the agenda to schedule a public hearing.

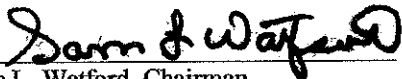
Steve Googe requested a public hearing for January 24, 2012, 7:00 PM, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, at 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina for consideration of a Golden Leaf Grant contract.

On a motion by Commissioner McClure and a second by Vice Chairman Potts the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to schedule a public hearing for January 24, 2012, at 7:00 PM, in the Commissioners'


Meeting Room, Governmental Center, at 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina for consideration of a Golden Leaf Grant contract.

J. ADJOURNMENT

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



Sam L. Watford, Chairman
Davidson County Board of Commissioners



Anne M. Burkhart, Clerk to the Board
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