MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION, MARCH 12, 1997

The Board of Commissioners ("the Board") of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in a work session in the Central Carolina Community College, Conference Room, 764 West Street, Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 1:00 P.M. on March 12, 1997.

Present: Chairman Margaret Pollard, Vice Chair Betty Wilson; Commissioners John Grimes, and Henry Dunlap; County Manager, Charlie Horne; and Assistant County Manager, Reneé Dickson

Commissioner Uva Holland was absent from the meeting.

The work session agenda was outlined as follows:

AGENDA:
I) Introductions and Proposed Agenda
II) Resolution: Green Level Incorporation
III) Chatham County Utilities
IV) EMS Contract
V) Weyerhaeuser
VI) Next Steps
VII) Adjournment

The Commissioners discussed the various issues and the following motions were made:

WATER SYSTEM MASTER PLAN

Jeff Hughes, Public Works Director, led a discussion regarding restructuring of the water system Master Plan and the proposed methodology for revising the plan. Until the restructuring is completed, the staff is to be considering the "business side" of the Master Plan as to where and at what cost the water lines can be extended. Staff is to present financing options.

Commissioner Dunlap moved, seconded by Commissioner Pollard, that the existing Water Advisory Board formulate a plan for restructuring the Water Advisory Board and to present the plan to the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).
Once the Advisory Board has been restructured, the Master Plan is to be presented to the Water Committee for “public policy input” and the Water Committee will then make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

Ray Greenlaw, Chairman of the Chatham County Water Advisory Committee, asked for guidance from the Board as to where the system should be developed.

The Board asked for the staff and the consultant to develop proposals/options.

GIS WATER SYSTEM MAPPING

Jeff Hughes, Public Works Director, reviewed a proposed agreement between the State and Chatham County.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Grimes, to approve eleven thousand dollars ($11,000.00) to be appropriated from the water utility fund balance to be designated for use in the participation of the water system mapping project. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

A discussion was held as to an addition to the subdivision ordinance requiring that infrastructure be submitted in an Autocad format to layer onto the County’s GIS system and encourage the towns to do likewise.

JORDAN LAKE ALLOCATION

Jeff Hughes, Public Works Director, updated the Board on the Chatham County Jordan Lake allocation request.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Grimes, to move forward with the Jordan Lake allocation process. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

SEWER FEASIBILITY STUDY

Jeff Hughes, Public Works Director, asked for guidance and direction from the Commissioners on the following: 1) revised scope of study; 2) review process; 3) approval of study; and 4) implementation of recommendations.

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, to table the sewer feasibility study until a later date. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR GREEN LEVEL SELF-DETERMINATION

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to adopt Resolution #97-11 in Support for Green Level Self-Determination, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EXTENSION OF THE WHITE GOODS DISPOSAL TAX

Jeff Hughes, Public Works Director, stated that in February, the Environmental Review Commission refused to recommend extending the sunset clause on the White Goods Disposal Tax. He explained that after July 1, 1998, counties will no longer receive State funds to pay for white goods disposal programs; that this tax provides much needed funds to North Carolina counties to conduct white goods disposal and illegal dumping prevention programs. He recommended adoption of the “Resolution Supporting Extension of the White Goods Disposal Tax” to be sent to the legislators and members of the Senate Finance Committee expressing support for Senate Bill #124.

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to endorse Resolution #97-12 Supporting Extension of the White Goods Disposal Tax, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

SENATE BILL #153 AND HOUSE BILL #242 REGARDING SCRAP TIRES

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, to endorse Senate Bill #153 and House Bill #242 both regarding scrap tires. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

SOCIAL WORKER II POSITION IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Dunlap moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson to approve a Social Worker II position in the Health Department, in the Fiscal Year 1997-98 with the understanding that the funding at this point is for one year only. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

WORK SESSION

By consensus, the Board set the afternoon of April 7, 1997 as a date for a work session. It was decided that no Commissioners’ meetings would be held on April 1, 1997 or April 16, 1997.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Grimes moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried four (4) to zero (0), and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.
Margaret Bryant Pollard, Chair

ATTEST:

Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners