MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION, OCTOBER 18, 1999

The Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in the Pittsboro Public Library, located in Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 4:00 P.M. on September 20, 1999.

Present: Chair Rick Givens; Vice Chair Uva Holland; Commissioners Margaret Pollard, Carl Outz, and Gary Phillips; County Manager, Charlie Horne; County Attorney, Robert L. Gunn; Assistant County Manager, Renée Dickson; and Finance Officer, Vicki McConnell

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:00 PM.

AGENDA:

1) Latino Issues in Chatham County – Nolo Martinez
2) NCCUI Mexico Visit
3) Work Shop on Alternative Wastewater Systems for December 6, 1999
4) Joint Meeting with Library Board

LATINO ISSUES IN CHATHAM COUNTY

H. Nolo Martinez, stated that he was appointed by Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. over a year ago as the Director of Hispanic/Latino Affairs. He presented facts regarding immigration in the United States and expressed concern with regard to the impact the interest in immigration, by the Board of Commissioners, has had on the Latino community.

NCCUI MEXICO VISIT

A visit by officials to Mexico was discussed.

WORK SHOP ON ALTERNATIVE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

This item was postponed until a later date.

JOINT MEETING WITH LIBRARY BOARD

Mr. Selby Gration, Library Board Chairman, welcomed those in attendance and presented introductory remarks.

Mr. David Kalbacker, Library Board Vice-Chairman, speaking on behalf of the Library Board, stated that the libraries continue to provide important, badly needed resources and services to Chatham County residents. He spoke of the levels of activity at the libraries during the last several years and in particular, last year. He stated that they are highly aware of the continued growth in the County and the concurrent demand for library services, especially in the areas of the County experiencing the most rapid growth. Mr. Kalbacker
stated that the library has a responsibility to keep pace with technology and provide equal access for all residents. Several library board members echoed his comments and confirmed the crowded, cramped conditions that currently exist in all locations and their desire for a library facilities assessment/needs study to be done to provide direction for library services in the County for several years to come.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Givens moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to go out of Regular Session and convene in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing property acquisition. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

REGULAR SESSION

Commissioner Outz moved, seconded by Commissioner Holland, to go out of Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Pollard moved that there being no further business to come before the Board, the Work Session be adjourned. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

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Rick Givens, Chairman

ATTEST:

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