



Chatham County, NC

Meeting Minutes

Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

6:00 PM

Siler City Town Hall Courtroom

Budget Public Hearing

Regular Session - 6:00 PM - Siler City Town Hall Courtroom

Present: 4 - Chairman Jim Crawford, Vice Chair Diana Hales, Commissioner Walter Petty and Commissioner Mike Dasher

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Karen Howard

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Crawford welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

[17-2139](#)

Public Hearing to receive public comments on the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Recommended Budget

Attachments: [RecommendedBudgetPresentation--BOCInitialPresentation Final](#)

County Manager Renee Paschal gave a presentation to the Board. (Presentation attached)

Chairman Crawford opened the hearing.

Rev. Albert Redick asked about the impact fee legislation. Chairman Crawford explained that the legislation has not passed yet and the budget would have to be shuffled if it ends up being passed.

Chairman Crawford closed the hearing.

MANAGER'S REPORTS

The County Manager stated she was contacted by someone who is interested in purchasing Henry Siler School. They are interested in converting the school into office space. She stated the developer the County has already been in discussions with would do arts focused senior affordable housing. She asked the Board if they wanted her to proceed with pursuing the affordable housing. The Board directed the County Manager to look into what the other interested party would offer before proceeding with affordable housing.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Dasher thanked staff for the birthday wishes. He asked if planning has a mechanism for putting together a priority list when development plans come before them. The Board agreed that the Comprehensive Plan and a Unified Development Ordinance would help Planning and other departments prioritize their work.

Vice Chair Hales stated the Climate Change Advisory Committee worked with the Abundance Foundation to put on a Climate Carnival last Saturday. She thought it was a good event.

Chairman Crawford stated the Affordable Housing Task Force met last week and he looks forward to their next meeting.

Commissioner Petty stated he is very proud of the work staff did on the budget.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Petty, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, to approve going out of the Regular Session and convening in Closed Session to discuss matters relating to economic development. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Petty and Commissioner Dasher

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Howard

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Petty, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Petty and Commissioner Dasher

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Howard