

MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 06, 2006

The Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in the Agricultural Building Auditorium, 45 South Street, located in Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 9:00 AM on March 06, 2006.

Present: Chairman Bunkey Morgan; Vice Chair, Tommy Emerson; Commissioners Patrick Barnes, Mike Cross, and Carl Outz, County Manager, Charlie Horne; County Attorney, Robert L. Gunn; Assistant County Manager, Renee Dickson; Finance Officer, Vicki McConnell; and Clerk to the Board, Sandra B. Sublett

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 9:00 AM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

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Chairman Morgan invited everyone present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance after which he delivered the invocation.

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AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

The Chairman asked if there were additions, deletions, or corrections to the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Emerson moved, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda as follows:

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1. **Minutes:** Consideration of a request for approval of Board Minutes for regular meeting held February 20, 2006 and work session held February 20, 2006

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

2. **Road Names:** Consideration of a request from citizens to approve the naming of private roads in Chatham County as follows:

- A. Burnette Mountain Lane
- B. James Road
- C. Add Road
- D. Rocky Road
- E. Mikayla Lane

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

3. **Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Budget Amendments:** Consideration of a request to approve Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Budget Amendments, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

4. **Haw River Trail Memorandum of Understanding:** Consideration of a request to approve the Haw River Trail Memorandum of Understanding, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

5. **Mowing Services Contracts:** Consideration of a request to approve contracts for mowing of County-owned properties 1) Phil Marsh d/b/a G.G. Marsh for Waste Management Properties; and 2) Collins Landscaping Maintenance for public building properties and water utilities properties, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

6. **Department of Social Services Contract:** Consideration of a request to approval contract for mediation services with Deep River Mediation, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

7. **Debt Write-Off for Central Permitting Department:** Consideration of a request to approve a debt write-off for the Central Permitting Department, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

There was no one present who wished to make public comments.

The Chairman wished Don Metcalf, Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, a “Happy Birthday” and thanked him for the job he does for the County.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Scheduling of Public Hearing on Copeland Request: Consideration of a request to schedule another public hearing on a request by William R. Copeland for a Conditional Use Permit for eating and drinking establishments on 5.6 acres, located at northwest quadrant of the intersection of US Highway #64 and Big Woods Road in New Hope Township

Chairman Morgan explained that at the last Board of Commissioners’ meeting, there was a planning and zoning issue that was tabled due to a question which arose regarding holding an additional public hearing on it; that Commissioners Emerson and Barnes, the County Attorney and County Manager and Planning Director met to discuss the issue; that the issue has been resolved with the application which showed a letter from a utility company that provides waste water; that the application also stated that it could do either/or; that it could go through the utility or use on-site waste water disposal and the application included a soil scientist review which indicated good soil on the property to take care of it; and that they feel as though the request has been taken care of and an additional public hearing is not warranted.

This request will return to the Board at their March 20, 2006 Board of Commissioners’ meeting.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Mid Carolina Workforce Development Board: Consideration of a request to appoint a member to the Mid-Carolina Workforce Development Board by Commissioner Outz (1)

Commissioner Outz moved, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to appoint Bill Lowery, 189 Pleasant Court Pittsboro, NC, to the Mid Carolina Workforce Development Board.

After considerable discussion, Commissioner Outz deferred his appointment to the Mid Carolina Workforce Development Board until a later date in order to determine if the appointment is a “job specific” appointment.

Recreation Advisory Board: Consideration of a request to appoint one (1) member to the Recreation Advisory Board by Commissioner Barnes

Commissioner Barnes deferred his appointment to the Recreation Advisory Board until the March 20, 2006 Board of Commissioners’ meeting.

Child Fatality Prevention Team: Consideration of a request to appoint one (1) member to the Child Fatality Prevention Board

Commissioner Cross moved, seconded by Commissioner Emerson, to appoint Mary Linker, PO Box 130, Pittsboro, NC, to the Child Fatality Prevention Team. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

Human Relations Committee:

Commissioner Emerson stated that he had appointed Mrs. Scotten to the Human Relations Committee; that he had told her that this committee met during the evening hours; that this was not the case and that she was unable to attend day meetings; that he would like to replace Mrs. Scotten as his appointment with her husband, David.

Commissioner Emerson moved, seconded by Commissioner Outz, to appoint David Scotten, 131-A Fletcher Siler Road, Siler City, NC, to the Human Relations Commission. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

MANAGER’ S REPORTS

The County Manager reported on the following:

Legislative Delegation Meeting:

The Legislative Delegation Meeting will be held Tuesday, March 07, 2006 in the Dunlap Classroom at 8:00 AM.

Board of Education Meeting:

There will be a joint meeting with the Board of Education to be held on Monday, March 13, 2006 in the Horton Middle School Conference Room at 6:00 PM.

Chairman Morgan asked that the Board receive a copy of the schools preliminary budget prior to their joint meeting.

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS

Affordable Housing Task Force:

Commissioner Cross stated that as a result of the work of the Affordable Housing Task Force, the Town of the Pittsboro adopted a resolution supporting the efforts of the Task Force. He read the resolution in its entirety. He stated that everyone is aware of the sewage problem on which they are working; that this was a very positive resolution; that they would like to proceed with contacting land

owners and see if the possibility of purchasing the land they have proposed exists; that they want each step they take to come before the Board; that unless there is an objection, they will proceed.

A copy of the resolution is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

Commissioner Cross stated that Lee County had formed a partnership with HUD, USDA Rural Development, and NC Housing and Finance Association; that they have a committee meeting on March 07, 2006; that they have planned to hold a partnership luncheon on either May 19, 2006 or June 2, 2006 at which time they can do a ceremonial letter with those State and federal agencies, to the towns within Chatham County, and the Chatham County Board of Commissioners; that hopefully at that same time, present a check from Briar Chapel for \$100,000 to the County for affordable housing; that they are now waiting on Congressmen David Price and Bob Etheridge to reply to those dates at which time one will be selected; that it will either be the week before or the week after Memorial Day.

By consensus; the Board agreed.

RECESS

Commissioner Outz moved, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to recess the regular meeting to the scheduled work session. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0), and the meeting was recessed at 9:21 AM.

Bunkey Morgan, Chairman

ATTEST:

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