

Hyde County Board of Commissioners' Special Called Meeting
May 29, 2007
Minutes

A Special Called Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Vice -Chairman Tom Davis on May 29, 2007 at 3:30 PM in the O.A. Peay Conference Room. Board Members present were Chairman Charles Spencer; Tom Davis; Alice Armstrong; Barry Swindell and Gene Ballance.

Also present were Carl Classen, Interim County Manager, County Attorney Sid Hassell, Clerk Connie Burleson, and Finance Officer Janet Dodge.

Chairman Spencer called the meeting to order.

Agenda Amendment

Mr. Davis moved to amend the agenda to include Prison Sprayfield Project and Acting EMS Coordinator, to which, Mr. Swindell seconded. Hearing no further discussion, Chairman Spencer called for a vote. The motion passed upon the following vote: Aye – Commissioners Armstrong, Ballance, Davis, Swindell and Chairman Spencer; No – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

Prison Sprayfield Contract – Central Builders

Mr. Davis moved to advance funds from General Fund to cover payout to Central Builders for the Prison Sprayfield Project in the amount of \$80,436.60, to which Mr. Swindell seconded. Hearing no further discussion, Chairman Spencer called for a vote. The motion passed upon the following vote: Aye – Commissioners Armstrong, Ballance, Davis, Swindell and Chairman Spencer; No – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

Acting EMS Coordinator

Mr. Davis moved to increase Acting EMS Coordinator Mary Armstrong's current salary 10% not to exceed \$600 total, to which Ms. Armstrong seconded. Hearing no further discussion, Chairman Spencer called for a vote. The motion passed upon the following vote: Aye – Commissioners Armstrong, Ballance, Davis, Swindell and Chairman Spencer; No – None; Absent or Not Voting – None.

Budget Workshop

Areas of Discussion were as follows:

- Solid Waster Fees
- Freezing all currently vacant positions
- Reduce three County positions
- Only use \$500,000 of General Reserve
- Sheriff Department staff
- No property tax increase
- Employee Housing on Ocracoke
- Jail Facility Public Safety Center
- Granting elected officials authority to transfer between line items within budget
- No vehicle purchases until vehicle replacement/disposal plan approved by Commissioners

Sheriff Mason discussed his issue with proposed budget. Salaries, Funds to purchase dogs, capital outlay for vehicle purchases, and funds for equipment

Greg Todd, School Superintendent discussed bottom line figure to maintain current school expenses \$250,000 above current expenses.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Connie Burleson, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

Approved this 4th day of June, 2007:

Charles Spencer, Chairman,
Hyde County Board of Commissioners