

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CRAVEN MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COMMISSIONERS' ROOM OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 406 CRAVEN STREET, NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA, ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006. THE MEETING CONVENED AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Chairman Perry L. Morris
- Vice Chairman Johnnie Sampson, Jr.
- Commissioner Lee Kyle Allen
- Commissioner George N. Brown, Jr.
- Commissioner M. Renée Sisk
- Commissioner Leon C. Staton
- Commissioner Steve Tyson

STAFF PRESENT:

- Harold Blizzard, County Manager
- Ray H. Moser, Assistant County Manager
- Richard F. Hemphill, County Finance Officer
- Gwendolyn M. Bryan, Clerk to the Board
- James R. Sugg, County Attorney

Following an invocation by Commissioner Sampson and the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Sisk moved to approve the minutes of September 18, 2006 regular session, seconded by Commissioner Staton and unanimously carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Tax Releases and Refunds

Craven County Tax Administrator, Ronnie Antry, submitted the following tax releases and refunds for the Board's approval. Commissioner Sampson moved for their approval, seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously carried in a roll call vote.

Credits

TAXPAYER NAME	TICKET #	AMOUNT
ARTHUR, GUY JR & ARTHUR, JAMES CORRECTING MAPPING ERROR	2006-0090161	\$505.87
AVERY, JUDY K CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2006-0001897	\$168.99
AVERY, JUDY K CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2004-0001811	\$141.18
AVERY, JUDY K CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2005-0001889	\$185.65
BANKS, JOHN W INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE PITT CO	2006-0090866	\$1,351.90
BINDER, MICHAEL & GISELA CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0004468	\$1,083.68
BRIDGE POINTE DEVELOPMENT LLC ANNEXED INTO CITY OF NEW BERN	2006-0005930	\$39.80
BRITT, CHARLES P DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0006190	\$1,617.10

BROWN, JESSIE LEE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT. #501520	2006-0006595	\$46.03
BUCKMAN, SANDRA S & RICHARD K CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0007360	\$1,083.68
COMPASS GROUP LATE PENALTY NOT APPLICABLE	2006-0011043	\$103.27
COMPASS GROUP LATE PENALTY NOT APPLICABLE	2006-0011042	\$10.97
COMPASS GROUP LATE PENALTY NOT APPLICABLE	2006-0011041	\$8.43
CONE, EARL C JR INOCRRRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE CARTERET CO	2006-0011062	\$20.68
CUTHRELL, VAN W DID NOT OWN 01/01/2001	2001-0011721	\$47.52
CUTHRELL, VAN W DID NOT OWN 01/01/2000	2000-0011608	\$50.17
CUTLER, DANIEL CLERICAL ERROR IN PLACING THE VALUE ON MOBILE HOME	2004-0091444	\$207.11
CUTLER, DANIEL CLERICAL ERROR IN PLACING THE VALUE ON MOBILE HOME	2005-0012593	\$195.78
DAVID, JONATHAN & DAVID, BENJA CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0013297	\$1,083.68
DICKEY, FAYE N TRUSTEE & DICKE CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0090304	\$1,790.77
DICKEY, FAYE N TRUSTEE & DICKE CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0014364	\$1,505.79
DOTY, SHAWN A & CATHY P INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 8 N	2006-0014949	\$148.56
DUCKETT, DAVID & TINA DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #13696	1999-0091669	\$53.94
DUCKETT, DAVID & TINA DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #13696	2000-0013800	\$50.45
DUCKETT, DAVID & TINA DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #13696	2001-0013952	\$58.95
DUCKETT, DAVID & TINA DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #13696	2002-0014099	\$54.09
DUCKETT, DAVID & TINA DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #13696	2003-0014099	\$49.80
DUCKETT, DAVID & TINA DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #13696	2004-0014452	\$45.65
DUCKETT, TINA & LAWRENCE DID NOT OWN 01/01/2005	2005-0015034	\$40.82

DUCKETT, TINA & LAWRENCE DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0015271	\$37.52
EPAR PARTNERSHIP DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0016681	\$9.11
EPAR PARTNERSHIP DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2005-0016469	\$12.98
EPAR PARTNERSHIP DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2004-0015790	\$13.50
EPAR PARTNERSHIP DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2003-0015492	\$14.26
EPAR PARTNERSHIP DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2002-0015406	\$15.30
ERDMANN, KLAUS & CHRISTEL NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO. 01/01/06	2006-0016707	\$5.32
EXECUTIVE ARROW INC CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2006-0016995	\$175.18
FLICK, BRIAN K & KARLA H CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0018009	\$1,083.68
GREEN, PATRICIA & REUTEMANN, J CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0021751	\$1,083.68
GREEN, PATRICIA & REUTEMANN CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0021752	\$1,0863.68
HARDY, SAMUEL D & TARA CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0023176	\$37.08
HARGETT, GREGORY F & DAPHENEE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #39687	2006-0023283	\$407.60
HARGETT, MONICO JERMAL MOBILE HOME BILLED AS REAL PROPERTY FOR 2006	2006-0023347	\$290.89
HAWLEY, DAVID & MIA INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 8 N	2006-0024506	\$3,743.03
HICKMAN, TIMOTHY H PROPERTY VACANT	2006-0025245	\$30.26
LAPEN, KENNETH CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0031680	\$1,083.68
LETCHWORTH, OTIS RONALD ADJUSTING VALUE PER BILL OF SALE	2006-0090899	\$68.99
MAYBERRY, OID C INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 8 N	2006-0034982	\$94.13
MEDI HOME CARE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #64789	2006-0090555	\$503.25

MITCHELL, HORACE LEE PROPERTY VACANT	2006-0037319	\$32.00
MOBLEY, KEVIN L INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 8 N	2006-0037429	\$85.23
NAVPLAN INC NOT IN BUSINESS 01/01/2006	2006-0039247	\$18.82
NEUSE BUILDERS OF NEW BERN INC CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR – WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0039549	\$174.46
NEUSE BUILDERS OF NEW BERN INC CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR – WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0039552	\$174.46
NORTHUP, ERNEST H & BETTE L & CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0040336	\$1,083.68
PARADISE HOME DESIGN NOT IN BUSINESS 01/01/2006	2006-0090621	\$242.00
PEAK TRAILER SALES & LEASING I DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0090629	\$101.30
PETRONIS, ROSALIE K & PETRONIS CREDITING SCE REMOVED IN ERROR	2006-0042137	\$212.86
PHILLIPS, KIMBERLY & TIM DID NOT OWN 01/01/2005	2005-0041633	\$117.24
PHILLIPS, KIMBERLY & TIM DID NOT OWN 01/01/2005	2006-0042299	\$105.15
RICKS, MILLIE H DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0044926	\$28.55
RICKS, MILLIE H DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0090937	\$10.87
ROSS, CONRAD M JR & JANET L CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0045943	\$335.40
SKEMP, JOHN HESS DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0091379	\$120.91
SPICUZZA, JAMES A & AMY L & CORRECTING APPRAISAL EREROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0049772	\$1,083.68
SPICUZZA, JAMES A & AMY L & CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0049773	\$1,083.68
STARR, PETER & LINDA CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0050185	\$1,083.68
THOMAS, JOHNNIE JR & THOMAS, W CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR – WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0052473	\$1,083.68
WILLIAMS, ERNEST CHARLES PROPERTY VACANT	2006-0058303	\$32.00
ZACHEWICZ, GERALD J & NANCY CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR-WILL BE REBILLED	2006-0090854	\$710.59

70 – CREDIT MEMO (S) \$29,463.67

Refunds

BROWN, JESSIE LEE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #501520	2002-0006236	\$61.21
BROWN, JESSIE LEE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #501520	2003-0006233	\$55.69
BROWN, JESSIE LEE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #501250	2004-0006312	\$50.69
BROWN, JESSIE LEE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #501520	2005-0090596	\$48.40
PUFFER, ROBERT C INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 7 G	2006-0043502	\$193.98
THOMAS, JERRY & ADELAIDE CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2006-0052454	\$322.32
TOPPERCER, ADAM & LAURA CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2006-0053199	\$107.43

7 – REFUND (S) \$839.72

Budget Amendments

Craven County Finance Officer, Rick Hemphill, submitted the following budget amendments for the Board’s approval. Commissioner Sampson moved for their approval, seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously carried in a roll call vote.

Pass Through

REVENUES	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURES	AMOUNT
101-0564-348-36-00 The Mighty Tau Inc	\$175.00	101-0564-460-96-07 The Mighty Tau	\$175.00
TOTAL	\$175.00	TOTAL	\$175.00

Justification: Carryover grant from FY 2006 – Governor’s Crime Commission for after school arts program.

Cooperative Extension

101-4207-349-55-00 SHIIP	\$3,100.00	101-4207-420-32-40 Office Supplies	\$1,000.00
		101-4207-420-24-0 Meeting Expenses	\$700.00
		101-4207-420-73-21 Capital Injet Printer	\$1,400.00
TOTAL	\$3,100.00	TOTAL	\$3,100.00

Justification: Contract approved by the Department of Insurance to supplement the Senior’s Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP).

Cooperative Extension – Smart Start

101-4242-348-59-00	\$1,153.00	101-4242-420-32-40	\$1,153.00
Smart Start PAT		Other Supplies	
TOTAL	\$1,153.00	TOTAL	\$1,153.00

Justification: Smart Start approved additional funds to be added to the Parents as Teachers contract.

5016/State Grant Pan Flu/Health

101-5016-348-67-00	\$17,500.00	101-5016-440-24-00	\$1,000.00
State Grant/Pan Flu		Meeting Expense	
		101-5016-440-25-0	\$1,500.00
		Travel/Training	
		101-5016-440-27-0	\$1,500.00
		Advertising	
		101-5016-440-32-08	\$4,500.00
		Medical Supplies	
		101-5016-440-32-40	\$5,000.00
		Other Supplies	
		101-5016-440-40-40	\$4,000.00
		Contract Services	
TOTAL	\$17,500.00	TOTAL	\$17,500.00

Justification: Additional funding from the State in support of Pandemic Influenza. Funds will be utilized to further accomplish and extend Phase I efforts and focus on priorities and critical tasks identified by CDC such as pandemic preparedness planning, medical surge capacity development, mass prophylaxis, isolation and quarantine and communication. Critical tasks are related to prevention, detection and planning, investigation.

Health/Hospice Telemonitoring

101-6503-369-13-00	\$12,800.00	101-6503-440-40-00	\$12,800.00
Hospice Telemonitoring		Contractual Services	
TOTAL	\$12,800.00	TOTAL	\$12,800.00

Justification: Craven County Health Department Foundation will be funding the monthly expense of renting telemonitoring equipment for this fiscal year. The cost has been calculated as \$1,280 per month for 10 remaining months.

Health/Refugee Health

101-6704-348-47-00	\$2,100.00	101-6704-440-40-00	\$2,100.00
State Grant		Contractual Services	
TOTAL	\$2,100.00	TOTAL	\$2,100.00

Justification: Additional State funding has been released to offset the cost of language line interpreter services.

DSS 7231 TANF

101-0000-399-01-00	\$1,398.00	101-7231-450-33-00	\$1,398.00
Fund Balance		Refunds	
TOTAL	\$1,398.00	TOTAL	\$1,398.00

Justification: Budget amendment needed to return unspent funds for the ROAP grant (DOT funds) from fiscal year 05-06.

DSS 7231 TANF

101-7231-349-23-00	\$11,108.00	101-7231-450-39-35	\$11,108.00
TANF Staff & Ovhd		TANF Domestic Viol.	
TOTAL	\$11,108.00	TOTAL	\$11,108.00

Justification: Additional funds given for the TANF Domestic Violence grant. Funds are 100% Federal, no County match.

DSS 7291 Mandated

101-7291-349-10-00	\$307,509.00	101-7291-450-39-26	\$307,509.00
Day Care Combined		Child Day Care	
101-7231-349-26-0	\$11,643.00		
CCDF Admin			
101-00-399-01-0	\$(11,643.00)		
Fund Balance			
TOTAL	\$307,509.00	TOTAL	\$307,509.00

Justification: Funding authorization from the State for regular subsidy day care and the administration funds are higher than the original State estimates. There is no County match.

DSS 7291 Mandated

101-7291-349-32-00	\$32,928.00	101-7291-450-23-04	\$32,928.00
Energy CIP/CPL/STW		Crisis Intervention Program	
101-7221-349-22-00	\$15,847.00	101-7201-450-40-50	\$15,847.00
Serv Staff & Ovhd		Contracted Employees	
TOTAL	\$48,775.00	TOTAL	\$48,775.00

Justification: Second half of funding for Crisis Intervention Program received, also Energy Asst. funds to help with costs for Low Income Energy Assistance Program temps. Funds are 100% Federal, no County match.

Schools Debt Service

275-0000-329-00-00	\$472,500.00	275-8500-492-80-11	\$850,500.00
Interest		D/S Interest	
275-00-348-68-0	\$378,000.00		
Lottery			
TOTAL	\$850,500.00	TOTAL	\$850,500.00

Justification: Budget interest and lottery proceeds to cover interest expense on the new \$18.9 million loan.

Subdivision for Approval

Craven County Planning Director, Don Baumgardner, submitted the following subdivision for the Board’s approval. Commissioner Sampson moved for its approval, seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously carried in a roll call vote.

Joseph M. Freemon Division – Final: The property, owned by Joseph Freemon and surveyed by Atlantic Survey, is located in Township 7 on Old Cherry Point Road. The

subdivision contains one lot on one acre of land is proposed to be served by County water and City of New Bern sewer. The Planning Board reviewed and recommended the subdivision for final approval.

Request to Set Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permit

The Planning Board made a request to the Board to set a public hearing for October 16, 2006 to hear comments regarding a conditional use permit for the following property:

- Owners: Tyson and Brabble, LLC
- Address: 221 Kale Road
- Parcel ID: 7-108-3-039
- Current Zoning Designation: Airport Development Zone, Mixed Use
- Current Use: Vacant
- Proposed Use: Commercial/Business Use

Commissioner Sampson moved to set a public hearing for October 16, 2006, as requested, seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously carried in a roll call vote.

PETITION OF CITIZEN

Mr. Ralph Culbert, General Manager of AmbuMed recounted the history of AmbuMed's previous attempts to acquire an ambulance franchise in Craven County when a franchise was released by Convalescent Transports, Inc. The request was denied because AmbuMed was not licensed to operate in North Carolina at that time. Franchisee, Coastline Care, Inc. is now seeking to transfer 100% of its ownership to Eastern Shore Acquisition in circumstances that Mr. Culbert asserted are similar. He appealed that AmbuMed should be next in line for the next available franchise based upon their prior denial because AmbuMed is now licensed to operate in North Carolina. Emergency Services Director, Stanley Kite, highlighted differences in the two sets of circumstances stating that Coastline Care, Inc. and Eastern Shore Acquisition are both existing licensed services; however, in the previous circumstances Convalescent Transport, Inc. had gone into receivership and AmbuMed was not licensed to operate in North Carolina. In addition, AmbuMed was seeking to establish as a new company and it did not fit within the definition of service provider as outlined in the Craven County ordinance. He stated that AmbuMed has since resubmitted its application for a franchise through the correct process and has been established as an approved provider. In contrast, the existing service of Coastline Care would continue.

PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 07 CDBG CONCENTRATED NEEDS GRANT PROGRAM

Chip Bartlett of Holland Consulting Planners updated the Board on the current funding cycle for the CDBG Concentrated Needs Grant program. He stated that due to uncertainty of federal funds the funding cycle for these grants has been diminished from two years to one year and the basic grant amount increased from \$700,000 to \$850,000 for the current cycle. He advised the Board that the target area for the previous cycle in Bridgeton had not been funded and that area is a possible candidate for the current grant cycle. He recommended a collaborative approach, possibly with Habitat for Humanity and other potential partners, which would make Craven County's grant application more creative and more competitive. He also recommended that the commitment from the County in the amount of its match, be increased from \$50,000, which was appropriated in the last cycle, to \$75,000 as a minimum for the current cycle in order for the County to remain competitive in the application process. The grant application includes 13 rehabilitated units, four on-site replacements and 12 demolitions.

At 7:18 p.m. Commissioner Sisk moved to go into public hearing, seconded by Commissioner Tyson and unanimously carried. There were no speakers from the public and following some inquiries to Mr. Bartlett by Commissioners, Commissioner Brown moved to close the public hearing at 7:26 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Tyson and unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Community Coalition Against Family Violence

The names of Clifford Parsons and Ann Etchberger Carter were submitted by the Community Coalition Against Family Violence for consideration. Commissioner Brown moved to approve the recommended appointments of Ms. Carter and Mr. Parsons, seconded by Commissioner Sampson and unanimously carried with Mr. Parsons and Ms. Carter being appointed by acclamation.

Fire Tax Commissioner – Vanceboro

The Vanceboro Rural Volunteer Fire Department submitted the name of George Ewell for consideration of an appointment to a vacancy created by Gus Kite's death. Commissioner Morris moved, and Commissioner Staton seconded, to accept the recommendation of the appointment of Mr. Ewell to replace Mr. Kite. Mr. Ewell was appointed by acclamation.

EMS MATTERS

Coastline Care Ownership

Assistant Emergency Services Director, Tim Harvey, presented Coastline Care, Inc.'s request to transfer ownership to Eastern Shore Acquisition, as allowed by Craven County's Ambulance Franchise Ordinance with Board approval. Commissioner Sampson moved to accept the recommendation of the EMS Advisory Council to allow the transfer of Coastline Care, Inc. ownership to Eastern Shore Acquisition. It was stressed that the company would continue to do business as Coastline Care, Inc. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and carried unanimously.

Elite Medical Transport

The EMS Advisory Council reported on a favorable vote to approve placement of Elite Medical Transport, Inc. on the list of eligible service providers, pending an opening. Commissioner Sisk moved to approve the recommendation of the EMS Advisory Council to add Elite Medical Transport to the list of approved providers for a franchise when one becomes available, seconded by Commissioner Staton and unanimously carried.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Tyson noted the ever increasing traffic along the Highway 70 East corridor in Township Seven and discussed with Commissioner Sisk the progress of the Highway 70 Corridor Committee.

Commissioner Sisk noted the upcoming 25th Anniversary Celebration of River Bend.

Commissioner Staton noted that the County is attempting to respond to mosquito problems in District Five.

Commissioner Allen announced that the General Assembly has mandated that all health departments in North Carolina be accredited.

Commissioner Sampson appealed to citizens to keep up pressure for continued lowering of gas prices.

Commissioner Morris acknowledged Leadership Craven members who were in attendance.

At 7:45 p.m. Commissioner Staton moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously carried.

Chairman Perry L. Morris
Craven County Board of Commissioners

Gwendolyn M. Bryan, Clerk to the Board