

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, DECEMBER 3, 2007. THE MEETING CONVENED AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Johnnie Sampson, Jr.
Vice Chairman Jason R. Jones
Commissioner Lee Kyle Allen
Commissioner Theron McCabe
Commissioner Perry L. Morris
Commissioner M. Renée Sisk
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 Morris moved to approve minutes of November 19, 2007 regular session, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Election of Chairman

The Chairman turned the meeting over to County Attorney, Jim Sugg, for the election of a Chairman. Mr. Sugg opened the floor for nominations. Commissioner Sampson nominated Commissioner Jason Jones for Chairman. There were no other nominees and Commissioner Morris moved to close nominations and accept Commissioner Jones' election as Chairman by acclamation, seconded by Commissioner Sampson and unanimously carried.

Election of Vice Chairman

Following the oath of office as Chairman, Commissioner Jones opened the floor for nominations of Vice Chairman. Commissioner Sampson nominated Commissioner Theron McCabe. There were no other nominations and Commissioner Morris moved to close nominations and accept Commissioner McCabe's election as Vice Chairman by acclamation, seconded by Commissioner Sampson and unanimously carried, followed by administration of the oath of office to the newly elected Vice Chairman.

Appointment of Commissioners to Boards and Committees

The Chairman asked that the appointments of Commissioners to boards and committees be deferred until the next meeting in order to gain input from other members of the Board.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Chairman announced that the Board would need to appoint a County Attorney. Jim Sugg, who has been the Craven County Attorney for more than thirty years, was asked to make comments. He stated that he had asked not to be considered for reappointment; however, his service has been a privilege. He indicated that he would still be ready to support the new County Attorney and to serve the County in any way. Commissioner Allen nominated Mr. Jimmy Hicks as County Attorney. There were no other nominations and Commissioner Sampson moved to close the nominations and appoint

Mr. Hicks as County Attorney by acclamation, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried.

The Chairman presented the following resolution for the Board’s adoption, which was unanimously adopted by motion of Commissioner Sampson, seconded by Commissioner Morris.

**RESOLUTION
 RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
 JAMES R. SUGG
 AS CRAVEN COUNTY ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, James R. Sugg was appointed Craven County Attorney on December 1, 1969 and served continuously until December 19, 1994; and

WHEREAS, he was reappointed on December 7, 1998 and served for an additional nine years until his decision to decline consideration for reappointment on December 3, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sugg has been steadfast in upholding the best interests of the County during his tenure as County Attorney, always promoting the general welfare of the citizens served with the highest ethical standards; and

WHEREAS, his statewide activities, including terms in the North Carolina General Assembly and as President of the North Carolina Association of County Attorneys, have enhanced his effectiveness as a local public official; and

WHEREAS, James R. Sugg has rendered service to Craven County for nearly 35 years with the utmost integrity, loyalty and commitment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Craven County Board of Commissioners that the Board salutes James R. Sugg for his outstanding work on behalf of Craven County and expresses great appreciation for his dedication to Craven County citizens and government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Craven County Board of Commissioners wishes Mr. Sugg the best as he pursues all of his interests for which he will now have more time.

Adopted this 3rd day of December, 2007.

The Chairman then presented a plaque to Mr. Sugg in appreciation of his service.

CONSENT AGENDA

Budget Amendments

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

Health/Plan Flu#814

REVENUES	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURES	AMOUNT
101-5016-348-67-00	\$17,500.00	101-5016-440-40-00	\$7,000.00
State Grant-Plan Flu #814		Contractual Services	
		101-5016-440-25-0	\$2,000.00
		Travel and Training	
		101-5016-440-32-40	\$8,500.00
		Other Supplies	

TOTAL	\$17,500.00	TOTAL	\$17,500.00
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Justification: These funds were recently released by the state for Pandemic Influenza. Funds will be utilized to carry out the performance indicators and benchmarks requested in the State’s Agreement Addendum. Our contractor will be responsible for fulfilling all of the contract agreements and has currently started on the updated version of the Pandemic Flu strategy plan. The purpose of pandemic preparedness exercises is strongly encouraged during this interval to identify plan strengths and gaps. LHDs are encouraged to plan exercises in collaboration with existing partners including other government agencies such as emergency management, neighboring jurisdictions, private sector businesses and non-governmental organizations.

Health/Healthy Carolinians

101-6604-349-20-00	\$12,048.00	101-6604-440-40-00	\$4,375.00
State Grant		Contractual Services	
		101-6604-440-25-0	\$424.00
		Travel/Training	
		101-6604-440-24-0	\$1,100.00
		Meeting Expense	
		101-6604-440-27-0	\$500.00
		Advertising	
		101-6604-440-32-40	\$901.00
		Other Supplies	
		101-6614-440-27-0	\$2,000.00
		Advertising	
		101-6624-440-27-0	\$800.00
		Advertising	
		101-6624-440-32-40	\$500.00
		Other Supplies	
		101-6624-440-40-0	\$1,000.00
		Contractual Services	
		NEW LINE ITEM NUMBERS	
		101-6604-440-22-0	\$175.00
		Telephone Expense	
		101-6604-440-32-01	\$273.00
		Office Supplies	
TOTAL	\$12,048.00	TOTAL	\$12,048.00

Justification: When budget was originally submitted it was unknown that the state would award an additional \$12,048 grant to our Healthy Carolinians program. Grant money will be used to pay JoAnn Gottsleben (ENRICH Executive Director – 50/50 split with Pamlico County), sponsor Craven Obesity Initiative, Craven Community Health Assessment Data Analysis, educational materials, and associated operating expenses.

DSS 7201 Admin/7231 TANF

101-7231-349-28-00	\$10,027.00	101-7201-450-40-00	\$10,027.00
Staff & Overhead		Contractual Services	
TOTAL	\$10,027.00	TOTAL	\$10,027.00

Justification: Funds received for the purpose of improving foster care caseworker retention, recruitment and ability to access the benefits of technology. Craven County DSS intends to utilize this allocation to fund a contracted Social Worker I position to supervise foster care visits as well as provide transportation. Funds are 100% federal, no County match.

Tax Releases and Refund

Craven County Tax Administrator, Ronnie Antry, submitted the following tax releases and refund for the Board's approval. Commissioner Morris moved for their approval, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously approved in a roll call vote.

Credits

TAXPAYER NAME	TICKET#	AMOUNT
ALBERTINI, FRANK & CAROLYN DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091386	\$568.26
ARGENTARY, ROB NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO 01/01/2007	2007-0091390	\$3,207.38
ARMSTRONG, RICKY L NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO 01/01/2007	2007-0091391	\$54.02
BABB, DEMETRICE M & TAMARA C DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091392	\$932.58
BIEZEN, MAARTEN VAN DER & KARE DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #53154	2007-0091404	\$182.51
BONNICI, ANTHONY M VALUE ADJUSTED PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091407	\$353.62
BOOTH, DANIEL DID NOT OWN 01/01/07	2007-0091408	\$171.81
BRIMAGE, BERTHA DELORES CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0090272	\$507.83
BUCKL, WERNER A BOAT HAS NO TAX SITUS IN CRAVEN COUNTY	2007-0091417	\$1,677.50
BURKE, JOHN M DOUBLE BILLED ACCT #1050800	2007-0091418	\$362.34
CAMPBELL, GERALD DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091420	\$249.61
CAROLINA CREEK LLC DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0008719	\$380.64
CARRUTHERS, CHRISTOPHER S & DOUBLE BILLED ON SAME ACCOUNT	2007-0008964	\$1,308.48
CARTER, BRUCK E & JUNKO S NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO 01/01/07	2007-0091423	\$1,677.50
CASEY, ROBERT J & PATRICIA I VALUE ADJUSTMENT PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091425	\$328.25
CAVANAUGH, JOSEPH L & MARIANNE DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091426	\$636.12
CHEESMAN, JOHN B & MORAG JEAN DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091428	\$63.28

CLAYTON, PAUL VALUE ADJUSTED PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091429	\$698.54
CRAWFORD, EDWIN JAMES R DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091431	\$96.70
CRONAN, THOMAS L INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE CARTERET COUNTY	2007-0091433	\$3,585.12
DAW, LLOYD DID NOT OWN 01/01/07	2007-0091439	\$243.15
DAY, RICHARD M TRUSTEE DOUBLE BILLED ON ACCT #51414	2007-0091440	\$989.78
DFS EQUIPMENT HOLDINGS LP CORRECTED APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0014686	\$49.64
FERNANDEZ, JOHN NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO 01/01/07	2007-0091453	\$460.47
FRANKLYN, KARL MILIT ½ VAL. KARL 07 LES-NY ECC-12/13/09	2006-0018638	\$110.41
GASKINS, LINWOOD H CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0020512	\$40.50
GREEN, PHILLIP CLERICAL ERROR ON VALUE	2007-0091457	\$80.27
HANES, THEODORE L & MONA T DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0023563	\$5.92
HODGE, RONALD G & ELIZABETH M MILITARY-HIS NAME ONLY 07 LES-FL ECC-06/15/09	2007-0091462	\$138.00
IRVING, DAVID G & LISA M MILITARY-HIS NAME ONLY 07 LES-FL ECC-02/07/2008	2007-0091272	\$217.22
JARVIS, JOHN DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0091472	\$215.12
JOHNSON, STEVEN G DID NOT OWN 01/01/2004	2004-0027493	\$11.96
JOHNSON, STEVEN G DID NOT OWN 01/01/2005	2005-0028412	\$10.58
JOHNSON, STEVEN G DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0028764	\$8.88
LALONDE, ROBERT A & MARIA L INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 7-G	2007-0032200	\$92.32
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091320	\$279.99
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091321	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091322	\$282.19

MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091324	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091325	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091326	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091327	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091328	\$282.75
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091329	\$283.31
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091330	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091331	\$282.75
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091332	\$283.89
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091333	\$283.89
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091334	\$283.89
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091335	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091336	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091337	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091338	\$282.19
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091339	\$281.63
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091340	\$279.43
MACINNIS, GEORGIA P & PARROTT CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0091323	\$282.19
MANSFIELD, JOSEPH J & NANCY M CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0035154	\$100.35
MCLAWHORN, BOBBY A & MICHELLE VALUE ADJUSTED PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091494	\$144.91

MORGAN, WHITNEY VALUE ADJUSTED PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091500	\$496.44
NUTTALL, SIMON ASHLEY & TANYA CORRECTED VALUATION ERROR	2007-0091504	\$432.11
PFAFF, CHRISTIAN INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE GUILFORD CO	2007-0091505	\$423.58
PHILIP, DOUGLAS FISHER DOUBLE BILLED ON ACCT #18888	2007-0091506	\$157.52
PHOTOGRAPHY BY LARRY CONLEY IN INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 8N	2007-0090760	\$226.57
PIEHL, JR CHRISTIAN FREDERICK NOT IN CRAVEN COUNTY 01/01/2007	2007-0091508	\$554.40
ROCHELLE, LINDA DID NOT OWN 01/01/2002	2002-0042852	\$210.12
ROCHELLE, LINDA DID NOT OWN 01/01/2003	2003-0043214	\$287.81
ROCHELLE, LINDA DID NOT OWN 01/01/2004	2004-0043757	\$237.87
ROCHELLE, LINDA DID NOT OWN 01/01/2005	2005-0045043	\$246.99
ROCHELLE, LINDA DID NOT OWN 01/01/2006	2006-0091342	\$218.67
ROCHELLE, LINDA DID NOT OWN 01/01/2007	2007-0047117	\$195.29
SIMCHUK, PETER MILITARY-HIS NAME ONLY 07 LES-WA ETS-01/31/2013	2007-0091523	\$306.50
SIMPSON, CHARLES E DOUBLE LISTED ON ACCT #49419	2007-091524	\$54.62
SMITH, R DIXON & MADELINE B INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE CARTERET COUNTY	2007-0091527	\$234.85
SMITH, TOMMY D DOUBLE BILLED WITH ACCT #0009518	2007-0050909	\$301.19
STARK, NATHANIEL WADE MILITARY-HIS NAME ONLY 06 LES-MO DD-214 05/24/06	2006-0091778	\$32.81
STARK, NATHANIEL WADE NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO 01/01/2007	2007-0051790	\$25.90
STARLING, STEPHEN D NOT IN CRAVEN COUNTY 01/01/07	2007-00915633	\$1,650.66
STATEHAM, GEORGE M VALUE ADJUSTED PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091534	\$227.04
THE HANCOCK SECURITY GROUP LLC CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0090932	\$184.80

THOMPSON, ROBERT & CAROLE D VALUE ADJUSTED PER BILL OF SALE	2007-0091542	\$232.33
THURBER, JOE PROPERTY IN WAKE CO FOR 2007	2007-0091543	\$88.70
WEATHERLY, ERIC NOT LOCATED IN CRAVEN CO 01/01/2007	2007-0091557	\$347.58
WELLS, WAYNE E SR & KIMBERLY H VACANT PROPERTY	2007-0058023	\$36.00
WETHERINGTON, JOHN HAYDEN & CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0058357	\$55.80
WYNN, SANDRA & BROWN, GWEN WY CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2007-0061619	\$36.00
	85 – CREDIT MEMO (S)	\$33,391.53

Refund

GREEN, PHILLIP DAVID INCORRECT SITUS-SHOULD BE 7n	2007-0022344	\$159.19
	1- REFUND (S)	\$159.19

Request to Set Public Hearing for Changes to the Naming and Addressing Ordinance

The Planning Board requested that a public hearing be set for December 17 at 8:30 a.m. to hear comments regarding proposed changes to the Craven County Naming and Addressing Ordinance. Commissioner Morris moved to set a public hearing for December 17 at 8:30 a.m., as requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried in a roll call vote.

Military Family of the Quarter Resolution

The Board was requested to adopt the following resolution recognizing the Family of Sergeant Richard M. Evans as Military Family of the Quarter. Commissioner Morris moved to adopt the following resolution, as requested, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously adopted in a roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING THE FAMILY OF
SERGEANT RICHARD M. EVANS
AS MILITARY FAMILY OF THE QUARTER**

WHEREAS, Sergeant Richard M. Evans serves as the Assistant Imagery Chief for an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point; and

WHEREAS, he is responsible for the training, mentoring and development of the Marines in his work section, spending countless hours ensuring that each Marine is properly trained and prepared for one of the most deployed squadrons in the Marine Aviation; and

WHEREAS, in December 2006, Sgt. Evans further cemented his position as the top Noncommissioned Officer in the unit by competing and winning the Squadron and Control Group Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter boards; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Evans has served as a Scout Leader in the local community for the past three years, selflessly giving up his limited time preparing young people to make ethical and moral choices by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law; and

WHEREAS, his wife, Vanessa, is a dedicated wife and mother to their three children, Taylor (14), Nathaniel (10) and Richard (2), while also devoting her time serving on the PTA, Parent Advisory Board for Tucker Creek Middle School Band Boosters, as well as being the Key Volunteer Coordinator for the Squadron.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Craven County Board of Commissioners recognizes the Family of Sergeant Richard M. Evans for their superior display of military and family values, a positive image and model for all to emulate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Craven County Board of Commissioners congratulates them on being selected Military Family of the Quarter.

Adopted this the 3rd day of December, 2007.

Recreation Matter

Recreation Director, Jan Parker, requested that the Board approve the bid award for the irrigation work at West Craven Park site to the low bidder, Bennett’s Irrigation for \$65,822. Commissioner Morris moved to approve the bid award for the irrigation work at West Craven Park to Bennett’s Irrigation for \$65,822, as requested, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously approved in a roll call vote. Following is a tabulation of the bids received:

Reeds Landscapes	\$ 87,000.00
Turf Master of Goldsboro	\$ 94,750.00
Bennett’s Irrigation	\$ 65,822.00
Fire & Rain	\$112,375.00
McMillen Landscaping	\$109,575.00
Landscapes of New Bern	\$ 67,050.00

PETITIONS OF CITIZENS

Larry Paul

Mr. Larry Paul presented a petition to the Board for its support in seeking a local rule limiting roadside hunting on SR 1862. The Board received the petition of residents along the road and directed staff to research the subject and refine the wording. Once that is completed, the Board will set a public hearing.

The following citizens spoke in opposition to the placement of the Judicial Center:

- Albert Cox*
- Charlie Simmons*
- Annie Scott*
- Sandra Simmons*

Mr. O’neal Simmons had requested to speak, but did not appear.

UPDATE ON FIBER OPTIC PROJECT AND WIRELESS OPTIONS

Information Technology Director, Dennis Holton, presented an update on the School Fiber Optic and Wireless Project, and presented three options for proceeding, as follows:

1. Providing wireless to four schools, fiber to West Craven High and redundancy for the entire fiber network. Total for this option is \$497,468 and there is

\$450,000 in the project. Some additional funding would be required from other sources.

2. Provide wireless to four schools and fiber to West Craven High. Total for this option is \$407,468 and is within the \$450,000 in the project. This does not provide a backup plan when fiber cuts occur.
3. Provide wireless to four schools and redundancy for the entire fiber network. Total for this option is \$290,000, well within our \$450,000 project amount.

Commissioner Morris expressed preference for option #1, and Commissioner Tyson suggested that negotiations could be initiated with the school board for securing the \$47,468 of the cost of option #1 above the budgeted amount of \$450,000. The Board was advised that a contingency remains in the project budget in the amount of \$125,000. Commissioner Morris moved to approve option #1 and to approve a contract addendum with Corning Cable Systems. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. County Manager, Harold Blizzard, stated that consideration of including the libraries in the project was deferred, and staff was directed to continue researching and return to the Board with firm numbers. Mr. Holton announced that no justification could be found for activating fire and rescue sites at this time, and the Board concurred.

APPOINTMENTS

Economic Development Commission

The Board received information that the terms of Al Coley, Mickey Corcoran, Steve Redd and Michael Sullivan are due to expire on the Economic Development Commission. Commissioner Morris moved to reappoint Mr. Coley, Mr. Corcoran and Mr. Sullivan and to appoint Scott Ralls to replace Steve Redd. There were no other nominations and Commissioner Sampson moved to close nominations and make the appointments by acclamation, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried.

Havelock Library Board

The Board was advised of the expiring terms of Lossie Carter and Pat Coleman, but deferred the appointments.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

The County Manager indicated that he would be requesting a closed session at the end of the meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

All of the Commissioners congratulated and thanked Mr. Sugg for his many years of service as County Attorney.

Commissioners also congratulated the New Bern High School Bears for going to the State Championship.

Commissioner Tyson reminded everyone of a fundraiser to benefit wounded warriors on December 12.

Commissioner Sampson introduced a letter received from Mr. Chuck Tyson asking that fallen serviceman, Steven Jewell, of Craven County, be honored with a resolution to his family and his name being placed on the monument at the courthouse. During discussion, it was acknowledged that there may be additional sons and daughters of Craven County who have lost their lives in the current conflict in Iraq. Issues involved with adding names to the monument were also discussed. Commissioner Tyson moved that a resolution be passed for the Jewel family in recognition of their son's service, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Commissioner Allen offered an amendment to include every service member who was a resident of Craven County at the time of death, seconded by Commissioner McCabe. Commissioner McCabe was asked to get names

from the Civilian Military Community Council. County Manager, Harold Blizzard, recommended that the Veterans Council be engaged to help set criteria and do research to ensure that no eligible service personnel are omitted. Commissioner Morris suggested that the staff be directed to proceed with the appropriate contacts. The amended motion carried. Commissioner Tyson re-introduced the original motion that a resolution be prepared for the Jewell family immediately while the research is being concluded in regard to others. Commissioner Morris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Commissioner Allen presented a complaint from a citizen in Carolina Pines concerning a fire alarm siren at the Carolina Pines Fire Station that goes off at random hours during the day and night. County Manager, Harold Blizzard, was asked to contact the citizen to explain why this occurs.

Commissioner McCabe moved that the Board adopt the following SR 2 Road Addition Resolution for Pine Cliff Road. Commissioner Sampson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
REQUEST FOR ADDITION TO STATE MAINTAINED SECONDARY ROAD
SYSTEM**

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF Craven County Government

Road Description A portion of Pine Cliff Road (1300 feet) in the Harlowe Community within Twp 2 at the intersection of Shadyview Beach Road

WHEREAS, the attached petition has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Craven requesting that the above described road, the location of which has been indicated in red on the attached map, be added to the Secondary Road System; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that the above described road should be added to the Secondary Road System, if the road meets minimum standards and criteria established by the Division of Highways of the Department of Transportation for the addition of roads to the system.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Craven that the Division of Highways is hereby requested to review the above described road, and to take over the road for maintenance if it meets established standards and criteria.

CERTIFICATE

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Craven at a meeting on the 3rd day of December, 2007.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on this the 3rd day of December, 2007.

Commissioner McCabe also asked that the following resolution be adopted to submit to Craven County's Legislative Delegation supporting their funding of improvements to Pine Cliff Road, seconded by Commissioner Morris and unanimously carried.

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING REQUEST TO FUND
IMPROVEMENTS TO PINE CLIFF ROAD**

WHEREAS, Pine Cliff Road in Craven County must be upgraded in order to meet an acceptable standard for state maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has committed \$21,000 toward the total project cost of \$37,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Craven County Board of Commissioners petitions its legislative delegation to identify and designate funds to cover the remaining \$16,000 of the project costs.

Adopted this 3rd day of December, 2007.

Commissioner Jones reported on his attendance at the Farm Bureau Convention and recognized Mrs. Jane Sugg and her family for supporting the County Attorney for so many years.

At 8:45 p.m. Commissioner Sisk moved to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3), seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried.

At 9:00 p.m. the Board returned to regular session and the County Attorney announced no action had been taken. Commissioner Sisk moved to recess until 9:00 a.m. on December 12, seconded by Commissioner Morris and unanimously carried.

Chairman Jason R. Jones
Craven County Board of Commissioners

Gwendolyn M. Bryan
Clerk to the Board