

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, JANUARY 7, 2013. THE MEETING CONVENED AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Scott C. Dacey
 Vice Chairman Thomas F. Mark
 Commissioner Lee Kyle Allen
 Commissioner Theron L. McCabe
 Commissioner Johnnie Sampson, Jr.
 Commissioner Jefferey S. Taylor
 Commissioner Steve Tyson

STAFF PRESENT:

Jack B. Veit III, County Manager
 Gene Hodges, Assistant County Manager – Operations/Facilities
 Richard F. Hemphill, Assistant County Manager – Finance/Administration
 Gwendolyn M. Bryan, Clerk to the Board
 Aaron Arnette, County Attorney Associate

Following an invocation by Commissioner Sampson and the Pledge of Allegiance, the Chairman presented the following additions to the agenda:

- Kelly Beasley – inserted after petitions of citizens to make a presentation
- Cassidy & Associates – inserted to follow Ms. Beasley to provide an update
- Resolution to welcome Governor McCrory

Commissioner Mark moved to approve the agenda, as amended, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and unanimously carried.

The Chairman called for any corrections to the minutes, there being one from Commissioner Sampson to add his approval of Commissioner McCabe's use of his travel funds.

Commissioner Mark moved to approve the minutes, as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Sampson and unanimously carried.

Chairman Dacey presented a plaque to Commissioner Lee Kyle Allen in recognition of his service as Chairman of the Board from December 2011 to December 2012.

PETITIONS OF CITIZENS

Shelton Toler presented a request for consideration of a road closing of a section of Hoke Street on behalf of Number 7 Township Fire Department. He stated that the street is a dead end, and the Fire Department wishes to get about 80 feet closed to avoid random traffic, such as people coming in and turning around. Commissioner Allen moved to draft a resolution to approve the road closing; according to appropriate administrative process, ascertaining consent of affected citizens. Commissioner Taylor moved to set a public hearing for February 4, 2013, seconded by Commissioner Mark and unanimously carried.

Lynda Johnson, 1210 Colony Drive, Apt. 49, spoke advocating the use of Jesus' name in prayer to open all meetings.

Ray Griffin of Vanceboro spoke about prayer in public service.

CRAVEN COUNTY TARTAN

Kelly Beasley, District 2 representative to the Craven 300th Committee, made a presentation of the Craven County Tartan, donated by Ila Grey White of the Craven 300th District 2 sub-committee. The tartan, framed with the certificate of registration and the Board's resolution, will be displayed in the Craven County Administration Building.

CASSIDY & ASSOCIATES UPDATE

Terry Paul of Cassidy & Associates emphasized that BRAC does not just close bases but also expands bases. He stated that new money has come forth in the last year to expand Cherry Point operations. Shawn Edwards stated that the President is likely to make another request for a BRAC round for 2015 and 2017. He stated that he will provide more detailed briefing at their community meetings on January 8.

GOVERNOR PAT MCCRORY RESOLUTION

Commissioner Mark moved to adopt the following resolution to welcome Governor McCrory during his January 8 visit to Craven County, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and unanimously carried.

Resolution #2013-1

**RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING AND WELCOMING
GOVERNOR PATRICK MCCRORY**

WHEREAS, Patrick Lloyd “Pat” McCrory served with distinction as Mayor of North Carolina’s “Queen City” from 1995 – 2009; and

WHEREAS, his life in public service began when he was elected to the Charlotte City Council in 1989; and

WHEREAS, he will continue this legacy of excellence in public service as the 74th Governor of North Carolina, succeeding Craven County’s Beverly Perdue; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2013, in recognition of the 300th Anniversary of the founding of Craven County and his love and deep appreciation for the history of North Carolina, he chose to make Craven County among his first official visits as Governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, Craven County, which was also home to North Carolina’s second governor, Abner Nash, and its first American born governor, Richard Dobbs Spaight, is honored to welcome Governor Pat McCrory and congratulates him on his achievement.

FURTHER, Craven County extends best wishes to Governor McCrory as he embarks upon this new endeavor, and looks forward to working with him and his team in the coming years.

Adopted this 7th day of January, 2013.

TAX RELEASES AND REFUNDS

Craven County Tax Administrator, Ronnie Antry, presented the following requests for tax releases and refunds for the Board’s approval. Commissioner Sampson moved for their approval, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried in a roll call vote. Mr. Antry reminded the Board and the public that beginning with July 2013 license renewals, registrations and taxes will be billed together by Department of Motor Vehicles.

Credits

TAXPAYER NAME	TICKET#	AMOUNT
ABBA, BARBARA; PULLEY, HUBERT ADJUSTMENT FOR SENIOR RECYCLE	2012-0091752	\$24.00
ANDREWS, DEBRA CANNON DID NOT OWN 1/1/2012	2012-0091688	\$911.86

BECTON, TYRONE LABON CORRECTING APPRAISAL ERROR	2012-0003885	\$154.69
BELLO, JOSEPH REDUCED VALUE PER BILL OF SALE	2012-0091630	\$481.97
BROWN, MICHAEL & DENISE DID NOT OWN 1/1/2012	2012-0007179	\$193.04
BROWN, ROGER R & MARGARET SMIT APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0007229	\$81.97
BURELLE, TIMOTHY NORMAN DID NOT OWN 1/1/2012	2012-0091696	\$250.39
CAPPS, WILLARD H JR & CYNTHIA APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0091697	\$648.32
CARMICHAEL, LEON K & DEBORAH P APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0009047	\$54.77
CAROLINA CREEK LLC APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0009090	\$3,282.90
CAROLINA CUSTOM CONSTRUCTION NOT IN BUSINESS 1/1/2012	2012-0090499	\$80.48
COPELAND, NICHOLAS ALLEN & KIM MIL ½ MO ECC 5-8-14	2012-0012001	\$13.75
CWCC OF CRAVEN COUNTY LLC 48 APARTMENT UNITS UNOCCUPIED SINCE 6-30-2011	2012-0013463	\$1,728.00
DISBROW, HOPE KEA DID NOW OWN 1/1/2012	2012-0015298	\$408.43
FRIENDLY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATI NOT IN BUSINESS 1/1/2012	2012-0090691	\$51.70
HANES, THEODORE L & MONA T APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0024160	\$734.38
HOOKS-BECKER, CHARLOTTE PER BILL OF SALE	2012-0027714	\$64.10
JENKINS, NICOLE C DWELLINGS UNOCCUPIED SINCE 2007	2012-0029778	\$72.00
LONES, LINWOOD LEE & LINDA S DID NOT OWN PARCEL 1/1/2012	2012-0030781	\$13.07
KASELIS, MICHAEL MILITARY EXEMPTION	2012-0031397	\$99.35
KEMPPAINEN, KARL M & LYNDA S DID NOT OWN 1/1/2012	2012-0091712	\$740.33
LRH DEVELOPMENT LLC APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0035423	\$789.81
MOSSMAN, JAMES ANDREW BOAT BILLED AND PAID IN WAKE COUNTY	2010-0037051	\$60.75

NARDOZZI, ANTHONY S DID NOT OWN 1/1/2012	2012-0091662	\$775.50
RIGGS, CHARLES LEWIS & EVELYN DWELLING UNOCCUPIED SINCE 2010	2012-0048343	\$36.00
SCOTT, ELIZABETH HALL PER BILL OF SALE	2012-0091670	\$95.65
TIMERLANDS EAST LLC ORDERED BY BOE 12/4/2012	2012-0057065	\$187.04
TIMBERLANDS EAST LLC ORDERED BY BOE 12/4/2012	2012-0057064	\$80.23
TIMBERLANDS EAST LLC ORDERED BY BOE 12/4/2012	2012-0057063	\$142.25
TURNER, WILLIAM NORMAN DWELLING UNOCCUPIED SINCE 2007	2012-0058208	\$36.00
VARNER, ALETA MAE CONTINUOUSLY UNOCCUPIED SINCE 2009	2012-0058896	\$36.00
WELLS, WAYNE E SR & KIMBERLY H DWELLING UNOCCUPIED SINCE 2009	2012-0060634	\$36.00
WEYERHAEUSER REAL ESTATE ANNEXATION EFFECTIVE 12/11/2012	2012-0061270	\$247.05
WHITFIELD, ROSANA DWELLING UNOCCUPIED SINCE 1998	2012-0061901	\$36.00
WIGGINS, LILLA VACANT SINCE 2009	2012-0062334	\$36.00
WOLFE COMMUNICATIONS INC OUT OF BUSINESS 1/1/2012	2012-0091343	\$77.81
YORK, FRANKIE L & KATHY L DWELLING UNOCCUPIED 2010	2012-0064430	\$36.00
YORK, LEE FRANKLIN & KATHY DWELLING VACANT SINCE 2007	2012-0064434	\$36.00
	38 – CREDIT MEMO(S)	\$12,833.59
<i>Refunds</i>		
BEST, STEPHEN HENRY ANNEXATION EFF 11/13/12-REL FIRE	2012-0004660	\$9.75
BRIGHT, MILDRED K APPRAISAL ERROR	2012-0006448	\$24.66
BRIGHT, MILDRED K APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2011-0006430	\$25.49
BRIGHT, MILDRED K APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0006449	\$15.79

BRIGHT, MILDRED K APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2011-0006431	\$24.64
MCCORMACK, JOSEPH ERROR IN BOAT DEPRECIATION	2012-0090308	\$79.17
SADLER, DONATELLA APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0050081	\$145.50
STALLINGS, WILLIE A & JANE J ANNEXATION EFF 10/23/12-REL FIRE	2012-0053967	\$2.48
TOLER, JOYCE D & LOUIS EARL DOUBLE BILLED-PERS & REAL SAME ACCT	2012-0057277	\$98.32
TYSON & PARROTT FAMILY TRUST APPRAISAL ERROR CORRECTION	2012-0058429	\$72.07
	10 – REFUND(S)	\$497.87

FY10 CDBG CLOSE-OUT

The Planning Department requested that the Craven County Board of Commissioners set a Closeout Public Hearing for January 22, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing the budget and activities that have been accomplished through the County’s FY10 CDBG-Contingency Program. Commissioner McCabe moved to set a public hearing for January 22, 2013 at 8:30 a.m., as requested, seconded by Commissioner Mark and unanimously carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Assistant County Manager of Finance/Administration, Rick Hemphill, presented the following budget amendments for the Board’s approval. Commissioner McCabe moved to approve the amendments, as presented, seconded by Commissioner Sampson. Commissioner Tyson offered an amended motion to approve the budget amendments, as presented, except one for DSS Mandated Services, and to have Assistant DSS Director, Alfreda Stout, come before the Board to discuss this budget amendment at the Board’s next meeting. Chairman Dacey requested more clarification before taking action. Commissioner McCabe withdrew his motion. Commissioner Taylor seconded the amended motion, which carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

Convention Center

REVENUES	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURES	AMOUNT
101-8201-369-36-00	\$7,830.00	101-8201-430-27-00	\$7,830.00
TOTAL	\$7,830.00	TOTAL	\$7,830.00

Justification: Funds to cover the expense of the sports brochure for the CVC.

DSS 7295 Senior

101-7295-336-39-00 General Donations	\$435.00	101-7295-450-32-31 Donation Senior	\$435.00
TOTAL	\$435.00	TOTAL	\$435.00

Justification: Budget amendment needed due to \$435.00 received in addition to the \$500.00 anticipated for regular senior donation for the current fiscal year.

Health/Home & Hospice

101-6502-371-02-00	\$31,000.00	101-6502-440-40-00	\$ 4,000.00
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Medicare		Contractual Services	
		101-6502-440-32-08	\$23,000.00
		Medical Supplies	
		101-6502-440-25-02	\$ 4,000.00
TOTAL	\$31,000.00	TOTAL	\$31,000.00

Justification: In 101-6502-440-40-00 Contractual Services, the department requested \$6,600 but given \$1,600.00. The department has provided services to more patients this year requiring the department to cover more labs than last year. 101-6502-440-32-08 Medical Supplies: Physicians are now using pleurex vacumes on patients for swelling of the abdomen and will cost \$60 per day. The department has also had more days of care requiring to cover expenses for medical supplies for a longer period per patient. The days of care last year were 5,354. This year there have been 3,417 days of care already. Last year at 5 months only 50 patients were seen. This year at 5 months, 80 patients have been seen. The department requested \$4,000 in 101-6502-440-25-02 Mileage Reimbursement and were only given \$2,000. The department has seen more patients for more days of care requiring more travel as well.

Soil Conservation

101-4104-348-33-00	\$108,869.00	101-4104-420-40-00	\$130,000.00
Grant-NCDENR		Contractual Services	
		101-0560-400-96-87	\$(21,131.00)
		Hurricane Irene	
TOTAL	\$108,869.00	TOTAL	\$108,869.00

Justification: Estimated cost for Craven SWCD Stream Debris Removal is \$130,000. NC Dept of Agriculture and Consumer Services has awarded Craven County \$108,869 of NCDENR funding toward this project.

DJJDP/JCPC

101-0564-348-65-00	\$1,000.00	101-0564-450-91-65	\$1,000.00
DJJDP – Teen Court		DJJDP – Teen Court	
TOTAL	\$1,000.00	TOTAL	\$1,000.00

Justification: Additional state funding for Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Program. Teen Court awarded \$1,000 for Teen Court Summit.

DJJDP/JCPC

101-0564-348-10-00	\$11,728.00	101-0564-450-91-01	\$11,728.00
DJJDP – Administration		DJJDP – Administration	
TOTAL	\$11,728.00	TOTAL	\$11,728.00

Justification: Additional state funding for Juvenile Crime Prevention Council program. JCPC Administration was awarded \$11,728, which will be transferred to develop approved programs at a later date.

County Manager, Jack Veit, stated that in the future department heads will be asked to come and discuss any grant related budget amendments that they have submitted for approval.

APPOINTMENTS

Industrial Facilities Pollution Control Financing Authority

Chairman Dacey presented the name of Lloyd Taylor for consideration at the Board’s next meeting.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Chairman Dacey announced that the program director has presented three names for consideration at the Board's next meeting.

Fire Tax Commissioners

It was the consensus of the Board to defer these appointments until the Board's next agenda.

Commissioners' Appointments

It was the consensus of the Board to defer these appointments until the Board's January 22 work session.

New Bern-Craven County Public Library

It was the consensus of the Board to defer appointment to the expiring term of Kenneth Brinson. Commissioner Mark stated that he will call to see if Mr. Brinson is interested in continuing to serve.

Promise Place

Commissioner Taylor moved to defer these appointments, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried.

Upcoming Appointments

The Board was apprised of the following upcoming appointments to boards and committees:

February

- Craven Aging Planning Board
- Firemen's Relief Fund Board
- Fire Tax Commissioners
- Nursing Home Advisory Committee
- Zoning Board of Adjustment

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT*Sale of 6634 Old US Highway 70 – Tuscarora-#9-45-042 (prior tax foreclosure)*

The County received an offer to purchase this property from Awesome Blessings, LLC for \$4,200. The total of taxes and costs foreclosed on was \$1,997.82. The Board of Commissioners agreed to tentatively accept the offer, and it was therefore published for upset bids. No upset bids were received. Commissioner Mark moved to accept the offer of \$4,200 and direct staff to execute the appropriate documents, seconded by Commissioner Tyson and unanimously carried.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager, Jack Veit, reminded the Board of the January 22 work session to discuss a Hospice matter and New Bern MPO. He stated that another work session for February or March is recommended to consider Commissioners' By-laws and Redistricting.

He announced that the County received a check for \$125,000 from the Department of Commerce to support military efforts.

He stated that he was approached by Wilmington Wood Energy Company to purchase wood chips resulting from Hurricane Irene. Commissioner Mark recommended accepting the offer because it would be a value to the County. Saving the material for use at the landfill may not be beneficial, as the landfill cover may not come to fruition before the material degrades over time. It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with negotiations.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Allen thanked the Board for his recognition plaque and wished all a happy and prosperous new year. He stated that the new laws raising taxes on people who own gas stations will cause them to recoup their increased costs from customers.

Commissioner McCabe stated that he is thankful for another year.

Commissioner Sampson commented that gas prices are going up and groceries will go up as a result. He reported on the reading of the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, which was attended by about 200 people. He encouraged others to read it.

Commissioner Taylor announced a blood drive on Wednesday January 16 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Emerald Golf Club. He expressed condolences to Dennis Holton on the loss of his father.

Commissioner Tyson spoke about the plaque on the Spaight tomb and commented that Madam Moore is also buried there. He stated that he will provide the rest of the story at the next meeting.

Chairman Dacey read a memo that he distributed to the Board which he would like to address at the next meeting. He stated that the Sheriff is requesting use of the Clarks Court room and recommends appointment of a special work/study group concerning the issue, including: David McFadyen, Scott Thomas, Terri Sharpe, Ben Alford, Walter Mills, New Bern Chamber representative, defense attorney and non-voting members: Jerry Monette, Jack Veit, and a Commissioner representative.

The Chairman requested that an opinion be sought from the UNC School of Government as to whether a legislative act is necessary regarding the county seat issue, or if it can be addressed administratively.

At 8:25 p.m. Commissioner Tyson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and unanimously carried.

Chairman Scott C. Dacey
Craven County Board of Commissioners

Gwendolyn M. Bryan
Clerk to the Board