

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CRAVEN, SITTING AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2001 IN THE COMMISSIONERS' ROOM OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 406 CRAVEN STREET, NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA. THE MEETING CONVENED AT 10:05 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman C.W. "Pete" Bland
Vice-Chairman Johnnie Sampson, Jr.
Commissioner Lee K. Allen
Commissioner Donald Phillips
Commissioner J. Harold Talton
Commissioner Albert H. Toon
Commissioner Charles F. Tyson, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT:

Harold Blizzard, County Manager
George B. Sawyer, Assistant County Manager
Richard F. Hemphill, County Finance Officer
Ray H. Moser, Human Resources Director
Gwendolyn M. Bryan, Clerk to the Board
James R. Sugg, County Attorney

Following the call to order, Commissioner Sampson moved to approve minutes of the July 2nd regular session and July 9th reconvened session, seconded by Commissioner Talton and unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION FOR REGIONAL WATER PROJECT

Water and Sewer Superintendent, Rusty Hayes, presented a request on behalf of the Eastern Carolina Council of Governments for the Board's consideration. The request was for a resolution endorsing negotiations between Eastern Carolina Council on behalf of counties within the Central Coastal Plain Capacity Use Area and private, commercial water sources. There was consensus among the members of the Board, as well as staff, that more information is needed prior to the Board's taking action on this request. It was noted that the County Manager has been appointed to this advisory committee and will bring back more information to the Board.

SUMMARY OF NEUSE RIVER SEWER DISTRICT SURVEY RESULTS

Results of the survey relative to a proposed sale of the Neuse River Sewer System to the City of New Bern were presented to the Board, as follows.

Neuse River Sewer System Ballot Results

YES – to transfer to the City of New Bern – 426- 59% of those returned

NO – do not transfer to the City of New Bern – 299-41% of those returned

TOTAL ELIGIBLE VOTES – 725-38%

Unsigned Surveys – 13 (6-Yes, 5-No, 2-No Vote)

Arrived after Deadline – 2-(Yes)

TOTAL RETURNED – 738

Mailed-1922 – Returned-738 – 38%

Commissioner Tyson noted that proposals and agreements now need to be negotiated with the City of New Bern. It was the consensus of the Board that Commissioners Bland,

Talton, Tyson, along with County Manager, Harold Blizzard, and Water and Sewer Superintendent, Rusty Hayes, will be involved in the negotiation with the City after the County Manager has met with the City Manager and established some parameters.

At 10:15 p.m. Commissioner Talton moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Sampson and unanimously carried.

Chairman C.W. "Pete" Bland
Craven County Board of Commissioners

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Clerk to the Board