

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CRAVEN SITTING AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE CRAVEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY MARCH 2, 2009 IN THE COMMISSIONERS' ROOM OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 406 CRAVEN STREET, NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA. THE MEETING CONVENED AT 9:20 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Jason R. Jones
Vice Chairman Theron McCabe
Commissioner Lee Kyle Allen
Commissioner Perry M. 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
Jim Hicks, County Attorney

Following the roll call, Commissioner McCabe moved to approve minutes of the February 2, 2009 regular session meeting, seconded by Commissioner Sampson and unanimously carried.

FINDINGS OF TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM #2 – WATER SUPPLY SOURCE ALTERNATIVES

Jeff Adkins of McKim and Creed presented the findings of the Technical Memorandum No. 2 – Water Source Alternatives, and sought direction from the Board as to how to proceed. His briefing included:

- A comparison of average day demand projections to available water supply, indicating projected available supply shortfall
- Maps indicating available supplies of groundwater and surface water
- Evaluation of water supply alternatives: Trent or Neuse River, Castle Hayne or Pee Dee Aquifer
- Evaluation of cooperative options (New Bern and NRWASA) and quarry options (PCS Aurora and Clark)

He recommended the following actions to move forward, in addition to a preliminary timeline.

- Evaluate potential well field locations, water quality/yield and treatment requirements for the Castle Hayne Aquifer
- Pee Dee Aquifer data review to identify potential locations for 1-2 additional wells, but no more test wells at this time
- Discuss interim or permanent finished water purchases with the City of New Bern
- Consider potential discussion with Martin Marietta concerning Clark Quarry feasibility as a long-term option

Commissioner Sampson was in favor of seeking additional information by negotiating on the finished purchase so that the Board can make informed choices. Commissioner Jones indicated a preference for the County doing its own treatment and remaining independent of the municipalities.

Commissioner Sisk moved to authorize and direct the Water Superintendent and McKim & Creed to continue investigating options for Castle Hayne – Phase I and \$230,000 to cover two test sites at Carolina Pines. Commissioner Morris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously in a roll call vote.

At 9:55 p.m. Commissioner Sisk moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McCabe and unanimously carried.

Chairman Jason R. Jones
Craven County Board of Commissioners

Gwendolyn M. Bryan, Clerk to the Board