

AGENDA
Craven County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
Monday, February 18, 2008
8:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 4, 2008 REGULAR SESSION

1. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Budget Amendments
 - B. Tax Releases and Refunds
 - C. Health Fee Changes
 - D. NCACC Resolution
 - E. Mosquito Control Contract
 - F. Farming Lease
 - G. Cove City Fire/Rescue Grant
2. PUBLIC HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
3. HEALTH DEPARTMENT RESOLUTION: Dr. Robert Monteiro, Chairman, Craven County Health Board
4. UPDATE ON ZONING INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS: Dale Holland, Holland Consulting Planners
5. CONVENTION CENTER SPACE RENTAL FEES: Sandy Chamberlin, Convention Center Director
6. COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Jim Hicks
7. COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT: Harold Blizzard
8. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
9. CLOSED SESSION

**CONSENT AGENDA
(A roll call vote will be required)**

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Craven County Finance Officer, Rick Hemphill, submitted the following budget amendments for the Board's approval.

Amendments: Health – Multiple Departments – Budget \$ 15,181 additional State funds from a random moment time study to cover client supplies in Maternity, Family Planning, Child Health and Medical Services.

Health – Home Health Foundation – Budget \$ 10,000 in additional funds passing through the County to the Home Health Foundation .

B. TAX RELEASES AND REFUNDS

Craven County Tax Administrator, Ronnie Antry, submitted the routine tax releases and refunds contained in Attachment #1.B. for the Board's approval.

C. HEALTH FEE CHANGES

At its meeting of February 11, 2008, the Board of Health recommended the schedule of adjustments contained in Attachment #1.C. to fees in Dental, Home Health and Hospice. It is required that charges be equal to or greater than the rates paid by Medicaid and Medicare in order to receive full reimbursement for services. Attached are adjusted rates that will bring the Health Department's fee schedule into compliance. Approval of the Commissioners is requested.

D. NCACC RESOLUTION

In recognition and celebration of *100 Years of County Unity*, the theme of NCACC's centennial, the NCACC Board of Directors adopted a joint resolution and instructed staff to distribute it to all counties.

The NCACC Board of Directors also requests that all counties consider adopting the joint resolution locally, with a certified copy returned to the NCACC for its centennial records. (See Attachment #1.D.)

E. MOSQUITO CONTROL CONTRACT

Attachment #1.E. contains a copy of the Mosquito Control Contract between Fairfield Harbour and the State. Each year, the Board is requested to authorize the Chairman to execute the contract on behalf of Fairfield Harbour, allowing the grant funds, which have been sought by Fairfield Harbour, to flow through the County.

F. FARMING LEASE

The Board of Commissioners is requested to approve the lease of approximately 30 acres of land located at the Judicial Center property on Clarks Road to Kenneth Nobles for the purpose of farming. The lease would be for one year at \$75.00 per acre. The Board is requesting to allow staff to develop an appropriate lease and allow the Chairman to sign when completed.

G. COVE CITY FIRE/RESCUE GRANT

Cove City is requesting authorization to re-direct approved Fire/Rescue EMS Grant, as detailed in Attachment #1.G.

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Presenter: _____

Agenda Item No. 2

PUBLIC HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

A public hearing is set for February 18, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. to hear comments regarding the parcel located at 226 Kale Road. The owner is KLASCO, LLC, and the property's proposed use is for 6 commercial units. The zoning designation is airport development –mixed use zone. The project has been reviewed and is recommended for approval. (See Attachment #2)

Agenda Date: February 18, 2008
Presenter: Dr. Robert Monteiro
Agenda Item No. 3

HEALTH DEPARTMENT RESOLUTION

At its meeting of February 11, 2008, the Board of Health passed the attached resolution “urging the Craven County Board of Commissioners to make all Craven County owned buildings tobacco free”. (See Attachment #3.)

The Chairman of the Board of Health, Dr. Monteiro, will address the Board of Commissioners regarding this resolution.

UPDATE ON ZONING INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

Dale Holland from Holland Consulting Planners Inc. will be updating the Board of Commissioners regarding the two zoning informational meetings that were held in January and February. Included in the slide show is a list of concerns from the citizens and how they rank in importance and a potential zoning area map. (See Attachment #4.)

Zoning Ordinance Consideration

- Simplified Ordinance
- Establish two zoning districts, a residential and a commercial district.
- Allow nonconforming single family residential uses to expand.
- Allow multifamily, industrial and manufactured home parks to exist as conditional uses.
- Require site plans for commercial establishments.

Next Step

- Planning Board to draft Zoning Ordinance and a presentation to the Board of Commissioners.

Agenda Date: February 18, 2008
Presenter: Sandy Chamberlin
Agenda Item No. 5

CONVENTION CENTER SPACE RENTAL RATES

Convention Center Director, Sandy Chamberlin, will present proposed 2009 space rental rates for approval, as detailed in Attachment #5.

Agenda Date: February 18, 2008
Presenter: Jim Hicks
Agenda Item No. 6

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT – FOX TRAPPING REQUEST

At its February 4 meeting, the Board of Commissioners heard a request for an amendment to state law that would authorize the trapping and sale of foxes in Craven County from December 15 through February 28 each year. On May 1, 2000 the Board of Commissioners approved a similar request and asked its local Legislative Delegation to support an amendment authorizing fox trapping in Craven County. It is understood that the proposed legislation was never introduced because there was never a local public hearing that may have resolved what some perceived to be a controversial issue, although a public hearing was not required.

As of December, 2007 there were thirty-three (33) counties in North Carolina with authorized fox trapping seasons which are as follows: Ashe, Alamance, Anson, Beaufort, Bladen, Brunswick, Burke, Caswell, Chatham, Chowan, Clay, Columbus, Cumberland, Edgecomb, Franklin, Gates, Graham, Granville, Halifax, Harnett, Henderson, Hoke, Hyde, Johnston, Moore, Person, Pitt, Roberson, Rockingham, Scotland, Stokes Tyrrell, and Vance. Because local laws are not published statewide and must be obtained by contacting each county individually, staff has been able to collect only 2 laws from 5 counties which are shown as Attachment #7.

Should the Board of Commissioners choose to request local legislation authorizing fox trapping in Craven County, it is suggested that the Board consider conducting a public hearing on this matter before submitting a request to its local Legislative Delegation. Attachment #7.A. is a sample of the proposed legislation being requested.

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Presenter: _____

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COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Agenda Date: February 18, 2008

Presenter: _____

Agenda Item No. 9

CLOSED SESSION

The Board will be requested to go into closed session for discussion under attorney/client privilege, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3). While in closed session, the Board will be requested to approve previous closed session minutes.