

AGENDA
CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2012
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2012 REGULAR SESSION

CHAIRMAN'S PRIVILEGE

1. PETITIONS OF CITIZENS
 - A. Alura McIlwean
 - B. Tony Michalek
 - C. Jerry Schill
 - D. Ray Griffin
2. TAX RELEASES AND REFUNDS: Ronnie Antry, Tax Administrator
3. REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION FOR CREATION OF CRAVEN COUNTY TARTAN
4. PLANNING DEPARTMENT REQUEST TO SET A CLOSEOUT PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FY 08 CDBG – JAMES CITY “ADD-ON”:
Chad Strawn, Assistant Planning Director
5. APPOINTMENTS
 - A. Deferred Appointments
 - B. Current Appointments
 - C. Upcoming Appointments
6. COUNTY ATTORNEY’S REPORT: Jim Hicks
7. COUNTY MANAGER’S REPORT: Jack Veit
8. COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS

CHAIRMAN'S PRIVILEGE

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenters: Mcllwean, Michalek, Schill, Griffin
Agenda Item No. 1
Board Action Required: No

PETITIONS OF CITIZENS

A. ALURA MCIWEAN

Ms. Mcllwean wishes to address the Board concerning a leash law.

B. TONY MICHALEK

Mr. Michalek will discuss Hurricane Irene.

C. JERRY SCHILL

Mr. Schill will present the resolution in Attachment #1.C. for the Board's consideration.

D. RAY GRIFFIN

Board Action: Receive information and consider requests

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: Ronnie Antry
Agenda Item No. 2
Board Action Required: Yes

TAX RELEASES AND REFUNDS

Craven County Tax Administrator, Ronnie Antry, will present the routine tax releases and refunds contained in Attachment #2 for the Board's approval.

Board Action: A roll call vote is needed to approve tax releases and refunds

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: _____
Agenda Item No. 3
Board Action Required: Yes

REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION FOR CREATION OF CRAVEN COUNTY TARTAN

Members of the District 2 Community Sub-committee for the Craven 300th Anniversary Celebration have been working with Mr. Brian Dobbs on creating a Craven County tartan. He created 4 possible designs for the 300th Birthday, and District 2 gathered a committee to help select the tartan, with input from the staff. Ms. Ila Grey White will be purchasing the material to make a 3x5 banner to either be placed in the County Courthouse or the County Administration Building. This is all being done as a gift to the County by these interested citizens; however, a resolution of support for their endeavor is needed in order to proceed through the registration for an official tartan. This is being done to recognize the Scottish contribution in the settlement of our area. Each registered tartan design is distinctly different from all other designs. Attachment # 3 contains an image of the chosen design, and the requested resolution, which explains the colors that were chosen.

Board Action: Consider resolution for adoption

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: Chad Strawn
Agenda Item No. 4
Board Action Required: Yes

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT REQUEST TO SET A CLOSEOUT PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE FY 08 CDBG-JAMES CITY "ADD-ON"**

The Planning Department is requesting that the Craven County Board of Commissioners set a required Closeout Public Hearing for April 16, 2012 at 8:30 am. The purpose of the public hearing is to review the budget and activities that have been accomplished through the County's FY08 CDBG-James City "Add-on" Program. The program activities are nearing completion and the County is in the process of closing out the program.

Board Action: Set a public hearing for the April 16th 8:30 a.m. Commissioners' meeting.

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: _____
Agenda Item No. 5
Board Action Required: Yes

APPOINTMENTS

- A. Deferred Appointments
- B. Current Appointments
- C. Upcoming Appointments

A. DEFERRED APPOINTMENT(S):

Craven County Clean Sweep Committee

AUTHORIZATION: Bylaws

MISSION/FUNCTION: To eliminate littering and promote recycling through education and ordinance enforcement.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS:
15

TYPE:
Civic, neighborhood, municipal, industrial
business, schools

QUALIFICATIONS (Special Skills, Professional Classifications, Affiliations, Limitations, etc.):

LENGTH OF TERMS: 3 Years

TERM(S) EXPIRING:

(There are six vacancies remaining.)

MEETING SCHEDULE: 3rd Wednesday of the months of March, June, September and
December

COMPENSATION: No Yes Specify: _____

Attachments:

Industrial Facilities Pollution Control Financing Authority

AUTHORIZATION: Bylaws

MISSION/FUNCTION: _____

NUMBER OF MEMBERS: _____

7

TYPE:

Qualified electors

QUALIFICATIONS (Special Skills, Professional Classifications, Affiliations, Limitations, etc.):

LENGTH OF TERMS: 6 Years

TERM(S) EXPIRING:

Dell Ipock (Appointed 1999)

Gray Lancaster (Appointed 1999)

(One of these seats has already been filled, leaving one vacancy)

MEETING SCHEDULE: Annual Meeting on 2nd Tuesday in October; otherwise, as needed

COMPENSATION: No : Yes Specify: _____

ATTACHMENT(S):

Board of Equalization and Review

AUTHORIZATION: NCGS 105-322

MISSION/FUNCTION: To examine and review the tax lists of the county for the current year; to hear any taxpayer, on request, with respect to the listing and/or appraisal of his property.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS:

7

TYPE:

Citizens

QUALIFICATIONS (Special Skills, Professional Classifications, Affiliations, Limitations, etc.):

LENGTH OF TERMS: Unlimited

MEETING SCHEDULE: 1st Monday in May; 2nd Monday in June

COMPENSATION: No Yes Specify: \$100/day (chairman); \$85/day (members)

Current Board of Equalization and Review:

James Findley (2003)

Lyle Lewis (2012)

George Norris (2012)

Ronald Saggio (2012)

Jimmy Smith (2009)

Jerry Stapleford (1999)

Drew Willis(1996)

B. CURRENT APPOINTMENT(S) - APRIL

Agricultural Advisory Committee

AUTHORIZATION: Local Ordinance

MISSION/FUNCTION: Administer provision of the Craven County Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance and perform other agricultural related tasks or duties assigned by the Craven Count Board of Commissioners.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS:

9

TYPE:

(See qualifications)

QUALIFICATIONS (Special Skills, Professional Classifications, Affiliations, Limitations, etc.):
1) resident of area Township representing; 2) agricultural landowner; 3) actively and directly involved in agricultural production on at least 10 acres of farmland 4) special interest, experience, or education in agriculture and/or rural land preservation

LENGTH OF TERMS: 3 Years

MEETING SCHEDULE: At the call of the Chairperson

COMPENSATION: No Yes Specify: _____

TERM(S) ENDING:: Jackie Amerson, Dale Dawson (Initial appointments 2009)

Zoning Board of Adjustment

AUTHORIZATION: General Statute 153-345

MISSION/FUNCTION: To hear and decide appeals from and review any order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official charged with the enforcement of the applicable ordinance; may permit special exceptions to zoning regulations if provided for in the ordinance.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS:
7

TYPE:
Representatives of each airport zoned area

LENGTH OF TERMS: 3 Years

MEETING SCHEDULE: Not Specified

TERM(S) ENDING: John Brazelton (Alternate), Gerald Teel, Alvin West (Alternate) (Initial appointments 2009)

Remarks from Planning Director:

Three appointments on the Zoning Board of Adjustment are due to expire in April. The general statute requires a representative of each airport zoning area to live within the zoned area and serve on the board (attached is a map that shows representatives from each area). Due to this board being established in 2009 and the considerable training that these board members have received, we are recommending reappointment of all three members. The Zoning Board of Adjustment hears appeals, variances and sets in an official capacity, the only appeal of their decision would come through the courts.

Attachment 5.B. – Zoning Area Maps Showing Appointees Location.

Recommendation: Reappointment of three Board of Adjustment Members (Gerald Teel, Alvin West – Alternate, John Brazelton – Alternate).

C. UPCOMING APPOINTMENTS:

May

Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Board: Kimsey Welch – Vocational Education (initial appointment 2002)

June

ABC Board: John “Curly” Brazelton (initial appointment 2000)

Eastern Carolina Council of Governments: James Walker (initial appointment 2011)

Economic Development Commission: Mike Epperson (initial appointment 2009)

North Carolina Eastern Region: Mark Griffin (initial appointment 2010)

Planning Board: Jessie White (initial appointment 1996)

Recreation Advisory Committee: Jeff Cannon (2002), Mike Marks (2001),
Dennis Smith (2009), Brad White (2006)

Coastal Carolina Airport Authority: Curtis Bare (1991), Royce Jordan (1997), Kenny Morris (2011)

Tourism Development Authority: Barbara Dotterer (hospitality; initial appointment 2007)

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: Jim Hicks
Agenda Item No. 6
Board Action Required: Yes

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

On March 9, 2012, the property located at 1125 Church Street, New Bern, was acquired jointly with the City of New Bern through a foreclosure for taxes and abatement liens. Based upon the percentage of liens and taxes owed, the City owns a 42.714% interest, and the County owns a 57.286% interest. Total taxes and abatement liens owed at the time of foreclosure were \$6,019.08, although only \$1,984.54 of this amount was taxes due to Craven County. The lot is approximately 0.04 acres.

The dwelling on the property is dilapidated, and the City will be demolishing it under its ordinances. The estimated cost of demolition and disposal is \$8,350.00. The City has inquired as to whether the County desires to pay its prorated cost for demolition (approximately \$4,780), or in the alternative whether the County would prefer to donate its interest to the City.

Attachment #6 is the City's request and other documentation. It is my opinion that should the County pay its portion of the demolition and subsequently sell the property, the County would not recover its demolition costs. Hence, I recommend that the County donate its interests in the property to the City of New Bern.

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: Jack Veit
Agenda Item No. 7

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Agenda Date: April 2, 2012
Presenter: _____
Agenda Item No. 8

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS