

HAYWOOD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING – December 15, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mark S. Swanger convened the regular meeting of the Haywood County Board of Commissioners at 5:30 p.m. in the Historic Courtroom at the Haywood County Historic Courthouse, Waynesville, North Carolina, with Chairman Mark S. Swanger, Vice-Chairman J.W. “Kirk” Kirkpatrick III, Commissioners L. Kevin Ensley, Michael T. Sorrells and Bill L. Upton present. Staff members present were County Manager Ira Dove, County Attorney Leon M. “Chip” Killian, III, Finance Director Julie Davis, Public Information Officer David Teague, and Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk Candace Way.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Swanger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick offered the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Chairman Swanger opened the public comment session. Comments are generally limited to three minutes per individual, unless the speaker is representing a group for which the comment period may be extended to five minutes.

Monroe Miller addressed the Board expressing his concern on the transition process in the Tax Collector’s office. He expressed his view that the Board wrongly prevented Mr. Matthews from taking office, and wrongly appointed an Interim Tax Collector. He stated that there are two tax settlements and he wants to inspect both.

Tedd Carr addressed the Board. He stated that he has had interaction working with four of the law enforcement agencies in the county. He noted that everyone in these agencies are exemplary leaders and officers. He feels that Haywood County citizens should feel confident that if they ever get in a situation that they need to use our law enforcement agencies.

CONSTITUENT CONCERNS

Commissioner Upton stated that he stopped by the Courthouse this week to welcome Mr. Matthews and found Mr. Francis working with him. He said that this is what Haywood County is made of and shows what kind of people are in this county.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick agreed, noting the he has seen this all week long. He said that he is thankful for being in this county at Christmas.

Commissioner Ensley commented that he had received a complaint about trash being hauled to the Clyde recycle center without cover. Solid Waste Director, Stephen King

addressed the board and explained that according to General Statute, nothing can be blowing around in vehicles and must be secure. He noted that his department had actually handed out over 200 tarps in the past couple of years. He said that his department is trying to educate citizens in the proper transport of waste.

Commissioner Ensley also commented that the County is working on making the Tax Office the best it can be and is working on getting qualified employees in place of the good employees that have recently left. He noted that his daughter recently graduated from college out of county and has recently moved back, again showing what a great county this is.

Chairman Swanger remarked that the vast majority of the citizens are interested in our community improving and most try to be productive.

Commissioner Sorrells commented that during the time of the recent Board work session, his family was also welcoming his first grandchild, a 6 pound, 10 ounce girl. He also welcomed Mr. Matthews to the County and thanked Mr. Francis for working with him.

Chairman Swanger agreed, noting the Mr. Matthews has all of the commissioners' phone numbers and he may call them if he needs anything.

Mr. Matthews and Mr. Francis addressed the Board, and Mr. Matthews stated that last week had been great and Mr. Francis agreed stating that everything was going along good and they were getting along great.

ADMINISTRATIVE/AGENCY REPORTS

Brian Broom, CPA, Director DHG, LLP presented the Board with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended 6/30/14. He stated that he is required to report to the Board. Every year he provides the document, noting that they go beyond the minimum set requirements. He said that this report includes statistical and introductory sections. He commented that last year the County received the certificate of excellence for the 19th year. This year's CAFR is prepared with the same standards and should receive this award going forward next year. He commended the financial staff on the hard work in the preparation of this report.

He explained that the audit contains the required communications. He commented that there were no problems noted during the audit and it was a clean audit. He noted that deadline dates were all met, and there were no disagreements with management during the preparation. There were no restrictions or limitations during the scope of the audit.

He noted that the County was the recipient of federal and state funds receiving over \$500,000, thus requiring additional audits. He stated the County ended this year with an 18.6 million dollar total fund balance. Not all is available to be spent, the State only allows the County to spend what is available which is 12.5 million dollars. In comparison, the State gets concerned when a fund balance falls below 8%.

He explained that the County has increased the collection rate in property taxes, which is 96.85%. Much of this is contributed to the change of motor vehicle tax laws, and a chart is provided in the report benchmarking the County against peers and the state average. There is an increase in this rate this year and next year will see the same trending.

Chairman Swanger remarked that this validates the work of Ms. Davis and the Finance Office. Every year they have received the top award. He noted that that County has paid down a considerable amount of debt.

Commissioner Upton stated that he had scanned through the report, and it is very well done.

Commissioner Sorrells thanked the staff for the hard work. He commented that the Commissioners had made a commitment to strength Haywood County and this shows that they have done so.

Commissioner Ensley thanked Mr. Broom, noting that the overall picture is trending where we need to go.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick noted that this report shows a lot, noting that it will be on the website for the community to view.

Mr. Broom concluded the report noting that all departments that they visited were very well prepared and were very cooperative.

DISCUSSION / ADJUSTMENT TO AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Upton made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

1. Approval of November 17, 2014 regular meeting minutes and December 1, 2014 Organizational meeting minutes.
2. Approval of November Refunds, Releases, Amendments and Discoveries – Judy Hickman, Assistant Tax Assessor.
Ms. Hickman presented the report for November 2014 stating that there was nothing unusual to report.
3. Budget Amendments – Julie Davis, Finance Director
 - a. Health & Human Services - \$13,757 – Healthy Communities program.
Ms. Davis explained that the funding is from the State to help increase intervention by implementing training in this existing program.

HAYWOOD COUNTY
 BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
 FISCAL YEAR 2015

PER: _____
 JNL: _____

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
AD HLTH SV				
EDMED SUPP	115161-523000	2,500	13,757	16,257

which will result in a net increase of \$ 13,757 in the expenditures of the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
RESTR INTG ADULT HLTH	110050-451565	13,074	13,757	26,831

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this the 15th day of December, 2014

 Chairman
 Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: 
 Clerk to the Board

Explanation: Additional funds received from Healthy Communities to be used for an Action Plan to increase intervention by implementing outreach and training.

- b. Health & Human Services - \$3,298 – communication plan from Immunization Branch of Women’s and Children’s Health. Ms. Davis explained that this was additional funding from the State to implement a communications plan for this existing program.

HAYWOOD COUNTY
 BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
 FISCAL YEAR 2015

PER: _____
 JNL: _____

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Immunization Action				
Special PGM MT	115112-523100	440	3,298	3,738

which will result in a net increase of \$ 3,298 in the expenditures of the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
RESTR INTG ADULT HLTH	110050-451585	13,074	3,298	16,372

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this the 15th day of December, 2014

 Chairman
 Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: 
 Clerk to the Board

Explanation: Additional funds received from Immunization Branch for the implementing of the communication plan.

- c. Solid Waste Management - \$1,010,000 – property purchases in the Francis Farm Landfill area.
 Ms. Davis explained that this was from the fund balance in the Solid Waste Management fund to be used to cover potential land purchases for the Francis Farm Landfill project. This has been discussed in work sessions and prior meetings.

HAYWOOD COUNTY
BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

PER: _____
JNL: _____

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015

Section 1. To amend the Special Revenue Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
S/R Fund-Solid Waste Mgt.				
C/O- Land purchased and easements	244710-667000-47106	203,000	1,010,000	1,213,000

which will result in a net increase of \$ 1,010,000 in the expenditures of the Special Revenue Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Other financing sources:				
Appropriation of fund balance	240110-499991	1,214,428	1,010,000	2,224,428
			1,010,000	

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 15th day of December, 2014.


Chairman
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: 
Clerk to the Board

Explanation:
To appropriate an amount to cover potential land purchases at the Francis Farm Landfill

- d. Capital Project Fund - \$14,751 – Pisgah High School renovation project. Ms. Davis explained that this increase is for some architect and additional engineering fees in the project. Tracy Hargrove from Haywood County Schools addressed the Board and explained that this budget amendment should be the last in this project. He explained that when Duke merged with Progress Energy, their interpretation on the right of ways was different then Progress Energy. Because of this, some of the design had to started over. Ms. Davis noted that whatever funds are left over in this project will be used to make a debt service payment.

HAYWOOD COUNTY
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

PER: _____
JNL: _____

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the capital project ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014.

Section 1. To amend the Capital Project Fund - County building/repairs/construction projects, the expenditures are to be charge as follows:

Line Item	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
ADM/Lottery School Projects Fund				
<u>Piggah High School renovations project:</u>				
Professional services - architect & engineers	495662-519917-3LOT1	185,000	14,751	199,751
Contingency - PHS renovations	495662-599100-3LOT1	74,468	(14,751)	59,717
		259,468	-	259,468

which will result in a net increase of \$ _____ in the expenditures of the Capital Project Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget

Section 2. Copies of this amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this the 15th of December 2014.

ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board

[Signature]

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Chairman
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

Explanation: To appropriate an amount from contingency in the capital project fund to cover additional design and engineering fees.

- Approval to accept \$15,000 Training Exercise Grant for Emergency Management. Emergency Management Director, Greg Shuping and Waynesville Fire Chief Joey Webb addressed the Board.
Mr. Shuping explained that this is a large table top exercise along with a full scale exercise that will involve downtown Waynesville in an explosion and fire scenario. This is an exercise that will teach responders how to better respond and perform the skills that they know during a disaster, and to learn their vulnerabilities. Chief Webb noted that the participating agencies want to preplan and be ready in case of a true disaster.

5. Budget Amendment - \$15,000 – grant for Emergency Management exercises. Ms. Davis explained that this will be revenue coming in and will cover \$13,000 for the training and \$2,000 for the other exercise projects.

HAYWOOD COUNTY
BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

PER: _____
JNL: _____

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Haywood County that the following amendment be made to the budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Emergency Management				
Professional Services-Other	11 4375 51900 15TRN	-	13,000	13,000
Special Programs	11 4375 623100 15TRN		2,000	2,000

which will result in a net increase of \$ 15,000 in the expenditures of the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Restricted Intergovernmental				
Emergency Management	11 0060 443769 16TRN	-	15,000	15,000

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this the 15th day of December 2014

Mark Swanger
Chairman
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: *[Signature]*
Clerk to the Board

Explanation: To appropriate funds from The State of NC Department of Public Safety NC Emergency Management to conduct exercise and training activities that will be centered around a large explosion and fire in downtown Waynesville.

6. Mountain Projects Community Services Block Grant application for review by Commissioners. County Manager, Ira Dove explained that this Grant is an annual event, and is required to be presented to the Board of Commissioners for a 30 day review of the grant process. If there are any comments or questions, they can be forwarded to Mountain Projects.

NEW BUSINESS

Request approval of Settlement of Taxes collected July 2014 through December 6, 2014

Chairman Swanger recognized Interim Tax Administrator David Francis; Tax Collector, Mike Matthews and Finance Director, Julie Davis.

Ms. Davis stated that Mr. Francis, as the Interim Tax Collector, completed his collections on December 6, 2014. Since it would be over a week before the next Board meeting, he presented the settlement to her. According to statute, the settlement of taxes must be presented to the Board or the Finance Director. She stated that she was now presenting it to the Board and Mr. Francis would explain.

Mr. Francis said that during the transition period, controls were set up with auditors, Dixon Hughes and our auditor in the Finance office. Initially they were prepared to present the settlement on December 1, 2014 which was extended to December 6, 2014. The settlement of taxes is what was collected as of the last settlement which is July 1, 2014 to December 6, 2014. He noted that he and Mr. Matthews had reviewed the settlement, and he had explained to Mr. Matthews how the settlement work and internal controls. He stated that he has presented Mr. Matthews with the settlement. He presented the following information from the settlement:

- beginning receivables - 3.9 million.
- since December 6 ending receivable 25.8 million.
- collection of over \$100,000 in interest.
- payments of 22.193 million
- levy added in the amount of 44.2 million dollars.

Mr. Matthews stated that he has no questions at this time concerning any of this.

Mr. Francis and Mr. Matthews agreed that they both have done great during this transition and training period. They agreed that there is no animosity and are building a friendship. Mr. Francis stated that Mr. Matthews is doing a good job and is ready to work and learn.

Ms. Davis noted that this transition process went through an audit with both auditors. Auditors Dixon Hughes will be here in January to present.

Commissioner Ensley motioned to approve the Settlement of Taxes as collected July 2014 to December 6, 2014 as presented and was seconded by Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick. Motion passed unanimously.

Request approval of Padgett & Freeman Architecture design contract for the 911/EOC renovation project

Chairman Swanger recognized Facilities & Maintenance Director, Dale Burris. Mr. Burris explained that he negotiated the design fees between \$62,000 and \$65,000. The contract amount was agreed in the amount of \$61,500.

Chairman Swanger noted that this was approved by the Board in November to negotiate this contract.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick motioned to approve the Padgett & Freeman Architecture design contract in the amount of \$61,500 for the 911/EOC project and it was seconded by Commissioner Upton. Motion passed unanimously.

Request approval for an update to the Personnel Policy Manual

Chairman Swanger recognized Human Resource Director, Kathi McClure. Ms. McClure stated that there is one additional change to the Personnel Manual. The change is in Article III – Pay Plan and Conditions of Employment. The change would be in the authority and discretion level to allow the County Manager to consider additional increase above entry level salary when a qualified and experienced applicant would warrant additional entry level salary.

Chairman Swanger stated that the sentence “Additional adjustments may be made at the discretion of the County Manager but **should** not exceed the amount of salary budgeted in the current fiscal year for the position in question.” needs to be changed to “Additional adjustments may be made at the discretion of the County manager but **will** not exceed the amount of salary budgeted in the current fiscal year for the position in question.”

Commissioner Upton motioned to approve the update to the Personnel Policy Manual with the change noted from “should to will” as presented and it was seconded by Commissioner Ensley. Motion passed unanimously.

Request approval of adjustment in the Sheriff’s Office personnel wages

Chairman Swanger recognized Sheriff Greg Christopher; Finance Director, Julie Davis and Human Resources Director, Kathi McClure. Sheriff Christopher stated that as discussed in the commissioner’s work session, a pay study conducted on sworn deputies showed Haywood County at the bottom of the agencies near us. Our retention rate is suffering due to this. For every employee lost, there is an \$18,000 gap to cover in training. He stated that in exit interviews, the reason for leaving is almost always due to pay. There has not been a delay in services, but a lot of overtime is being paid out.

Chairman Swanger stated that this was discussed thoroughly during the work session.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick noted that surrounding counties were competitive with us and have often taken our staff after training. He stated that he is happy to support this adjustment and wants to keep people that we train.

Chairman Swanger commented that he thinks this will help. He also stated that the Board is certainly mindful that we have a lot of employees in the county and some salaries don’t measure up. He said that they are mindful of that and will take a look at this as time goes on. He noted that they will try to bring them into a competitive state.

Commissioner Sorrells stated that factoring into the increase is that there will be savings from the retention rate by not having to train new employees.

Commissioner Upton stated that hopefully the County can get back some of the people that have left.

Commissioner Ensley acknowledged that the County was in the lowest group and glad to invest in this change.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick motioned to approve the \$65,000 adjustment in the Sheriff’s Office personnel wages and Commissioner Ensley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Budget Amendment to cover increase to the Sheriff's Office staff wages

Chairman Swanger recognized Finance Director, Julie Davis. Ms. Davis explained that this budget amendment in the amount of \$65,000 was from contingency to cover the increases of wages. She noted that it is expected to see a huge savings in the additional help and overtime when implemented but it won't be seen until next year.

Commissioner Sorrells made a motion to approve the budget amendment as presented and seconded by Commissioner Ensley. Motion passed unanimously.

HAYWOOD COUNTY
BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

PER: _____
JNL: _____

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Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

Department line item	Account Number	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Sheriff's office:				
Salaries & Benefits	114310-512***	3,111,745	65,000	3,176,745
	see attached			
Contingency	119910-999100	3,111,745	(65,000)	3,046,745

which will result in a net increase (decrease) of \$ _____ in the expenditures of the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased as the money has been received:

Revenue	Acct. No.	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this the 15 of December, 2014.


Chairman
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board

Explanation:
To appropriate the amount necessary to increase the wages within the Sheriff's Office to reflect comparable amounts in the area.

Request approval of Resolution – Policy for the Payment of Solid Waste Tipping Fees

Chairman Swanger recognized County Manager, Ira Dove. Mr. Dove noted that this was discussed during the work session and read the resolution to the Board.

Chairman Swanger commented that the County can certainly waive the tipping fees on groups that are going around collecting trash.

Mr. Dove concurred noting that one of the groups had given away thousands of pounds of tomatoes to the community.

Commissioner Ensley motioned to approve the resolution as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Upton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MARK S. SWANGER, CHAIRMAN
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COUNTY MANAGER
IRA DOVE

LEON M. KILLIAN, III
COUNTY ATTORNEY

Resolution
Policy for the Payment of Solid Waste Tipping Fees

WHEREAS, the Haywood County Board of Commissioners receives requests to waive or pay tipping fees for solid waste collected by community groups, nonprofit agencies and others; and
WHEREAS, the Haywood County Board of Commissioners encourages the clean-up of streets, creeks and highways; and

WHEREAS, the County has entered into the expanded management phase of a contractual agreement with Santek Environmental Services to receive solid waste from 18 surrounding North Carolina counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Haywood County Board of Commissioners that the following policy is adopted with regard to the payment of solid waste tipping fees by the County:

1. That the County Manager may approve the payment of solid waste tipping fees for community, road, street, or waterways clean-up conducted by nonprofit organizations, civic groups, church groups and governmental organizations cleaning roadsides and waterways. Records of these requests and action taken will be kept on file in the County Manager's groups.
2. That the County Manager may, upon the receipt of a written request, approve the payment of solid waste tipping fees for community groups, nonprofit agencies and others, based on the following guidelines:
 - a. The requesting agency provides free or reduced-cost services to low-income citizens of Haywood County.
 - b. The majority of the agency's revenue is derived from donations and that payment of tipping fees would reduce the agency's potential to serve low-income citizens.
 - c. The agency demonstrates a commitment to recycling in its operations to assist the County in lowering the cost of solid waste operations and extending the life of the landfill.
3. That requests from community groups, nonprofit agencies and others for payment of tipping fees for construction or demolition materials will be made in writing and sent to the County Manager for consideration.
4. That any community group, nonprofit agency or other organization that is denied the payment of tipping fees by the County Manager may appeal the decision in writing to the Board of Commissioners.

This is the 15 day of December 2014.


Mark S. Swanger, Chairman
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Ira Dove, Clerk to the Board

Request appointment of one (1) member to the Tourism Development Authority Board – Town of Waynesville

Chairman Swanger recognized County Manager, Ira Dove. Mr. Dove stated that the County had received a letter from the Town of Waynesville seeking approval of the municipal seat recommendation of Sally Eason.

Commissioner Sorrells made a motion to approve the appointment of Sally Eason to the TDA Board – Town of Waynesville and was seconded by Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick. Motion passed unanimously.

Request appointment of one (1) member to the Tourism Development Authority Board – Town of Canton

Chairman Swanger recognized County Manager, Ira Dove. Mr. Dove stated that the County had received a letter from the Town of Canton seeking approval of the municipal seat recommendation of Carole Edwards.

Commissioner Sorrells made a motion to approve the appointment of Ms. Carole Edwards to the TDA Board – Town of Canton and was seconded by Commissioner Upton. Motion passed unanimously.

Request appointment of two (2) members to the Haywood County Fairgrounds Board

Chairman Swanger recognized County Manager, Ira Dove. Mr. Dove stated that the County had advertised and received several applications to the Haywood County Fairgrounds Board. Two applicants are current Fairgrounds Board members. One interview had been conducted prior to the meeting. Mr. Dove distributed paper ballots which were completed by the Board. Mr. Dove tallied the votes and Michael Gordon and Nancy Davis were elected. The votes were as follows:

Tedd Carr received two votes from Commissioner Sorrells and Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick. Nancy Davis received four votes from Commissioner Sorrells, Commissioner Upton, Commissioner Ensley and Chairman Swanger.

Michael Gordon received four votes from Commissioner Upton, Commissioner Ensley, Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick and Chairman Swanger.

Request appointment of one (1) BOCC Board member as the voting delegate to the 2015 Legislative Goal Conference

Chairman Swanger stated that he and Commissioner Upton were attending.

Commissioner Upton made a motion for Chairman Swanger to be the voting delegate to the Legislative Goal Conference and Commissioner Sorrells seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Ensley made a motion to enter into Closed Session for:

Attorney/Client Privilege G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3) and:

Acquisition of Real Property – G.S. §143-318.11(a)(5) identified by the County as PIN #8626-11-5397 commonly known as Farmview #4.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned from Closed Session.

Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick made a motion to approve the following terms of settlement of the Campbell worker's compensation case – cash payment of \$134,472, pay mediator, pay total Temporary Disability until the settlement is approved and all other incidents of agreement. Commissioner Upton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Ensley made a motion to authorize the County Manager and County Attorney to prepare a contract for and close on the purchase of the Stephens property adjacent to the Francis Farm Landfill as identified by the County as PIN #8626-11-5397 commonly known as Farmview #4 for a cash purchase price of no more than \$150,000. This will also resolve all purchases of land that the County needs to make for remediation of the Francis Farm Landfill.

Commissioner Upton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Swanger asked if there was any further business and there was none.

The commissioners wished all a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Sorrells made a motion to adjourn the regular Board meeting. Vice-Chairman Kirkpatrick seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

The time of adjournment was 6:59 p.m. The DVD is attached by reference to the minutes.

CLERK

CHAIRMAN

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