

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF GREENE

The Greene County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Tech Center. Present for the meeting: Chairman Bennie Heath, Vice Chairman James T. Shackelford, Jr., Commissioners Jerry Jones, Susan Blizzard and Antonio Blow, County Attorney Borden Parker, County Manager Kyle DeHaven, and Deputy Clerk Kathy Mooring.

A. Call to Order

Chairman Bennie Heath called the meeting to order and asked all present to rise as Commissioner Shackelford gave the invocation and led the Pledge to the Flag.

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B. Approval of the Agenda

Chairman Heath asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Jones asked that Personnel be added to the Closed Session.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Blizzard, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda with the addition of Personnel to Closed Session.

C. Consent Agenda

Chairman Heath asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- January 2, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Releases/Refunds
- Consideration of Late Applications for Elderly or Disabled Exclusion
- Monthly Taxes Collected Report

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackelford with corrections to item F3 in the January 2nd minutes, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

Refunds (NCVTS) (TAX & TAG)

Phillip Terry Forbes	\$31.10	Will Stallings Lane	\$29.60	Robert Lee Taylor	\$6.34
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Releases: Ad Valorem Tax

Phyllis Vandiford	\$42.00	Jimmie Meadows	\$42.00	Ernest L. Warters	\$42.00
Linda Edmundson	\$42.00	Linda Edmundson	\$210.00	Robert Edmundson	\$42.00
Robert Edmundson	\$84.00	Douglas McLawhorn	\$42.00	Gregory Alexander Baggett	\$42.00
Joyce Barnes Best	\$42.00	Fred M. Brann	\$42.00	Thomas Arthur Sugg	\$42.00
Thomas Arthur Sugg	\$42.00	Thomas Arthur Sugg	\$42.00	Thomas Arthur Sugg	\$84.00
Diane Edmundson Smith	\$42.00	Irvin Whitley	\$42.00	Sherry Davis Creech	\$42.00
Scott A. Brown & Connie G. Brown	\$42.00	Debra Beaman & James Fell	\$41.11		

Refunds: Ad Valorem Tax

Clay Ridge Farms, Inc. c/o Michael Hardy	\$42.00	Michael W. Hardy	\$84.00	Michael W. Hardy	\$42.00
Michael W. Hardy & Vanessa M. Hardy	\$42.00	Eva W. Sutton Heirs c/o Michael W. Hardy	\$42.00	Eva W. Sutton Heirs c/o Michael W. Hardy	\$42.00
Antonio Blow	\$42.00	Robert Edmundson	\$42.00	Don Bussell	\$42.00
Alan Smith	\$42.00				

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Fred Mitchel, Walstonburg. Mr. Mitchel asked about the audit report and had the county received it yet. Mr. Mitchel also asked where the county was on hiring a new finance officer. Chairman Heath advised that the audit report is not finished as of yet and that the hiring firm is narrowing down the list of candidates.

E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Sarah Stroud, Eastpointe. Ms. Stroud came to give a briefing to the Board of Commissioners concerning the changing landscape at Eastpointe.

2. Anthony Darden, American Legion Post 536. Mr. Darden asked for a building or space for the American Legion Post 536. They are still renting a space for their meetings and have no place to store their belongings. They also have no space for emergency meetings, etc. They really want a permanent home for their post.

F. COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager DeHaven's first order of business was to present a reappointment request from Greene Lamp to have Commissioner Shackelford reappointed to their Board of Directors.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Blow the Board voted unanimously to reappoint Commissioner Shackelford the Greene Lamp Board of Directors.

2. Mr. DeHaven next presented an update on the Wellness Center. Mr. DeHaven stated that he has been in touch with Mr. Moses the architect. The geotechnical work has been done for the utilities. Mr. Moses does not have a permanent timeline yet but is looking to advertise for a contractor in April 2018.

3. Mr. DeHaven then presented an update on the satellite EMS Station. He is looking at potential locations. He is looking at possibly complexing with another facility for possible storage areas. He is looking at an area within an 8 mile radius of all the areas that currently do not have EMS. Commissioner Blizzard asked about staffing of this facility. Mr. DeHaven stated they would have to hire 6 additional personnel. Commissioner Jones asked about trying to get Paramedics in the county and Mr. DeHaven has stated it is a matter of getting the needed training for the EMT's to ascend to the Paramedic level, Commissioner Jones asked for a report on this for the next meeting. Commissioner Blow asked about a timeline for this facility, Mr. DeHaven stated he has written a RFQ for an architect as they look for a location and he stated they could possibly piggy back with another county on the hiring of an architect. Commissioner Blizzard asked if our secondary PSAP station could be a part of this facility as well. Mr. DeHaven stated he would research it.

4. Mr. DeHaven then asked the Board about possibly doing a Retreat this year. The Board all seemed in favor of a retreat this year to set possible long term and short term goals for the county. Mr. DeHaven will work on this and get back to them about it at the next meeting.

G. County Attorneys Report and Recommendations

Mr. Parker noted he is working a few things. He has no fox trapping report yet, but hopes to have at the next meeting.

H. Commissioner's Report and Recommendations

Commissioner Blizzard wants the Commissioners to send a thank you note to the local DOT folks for all the hard work they have done and are doing for this next bout of weather.

Commissioner Blizzard also wanted to discuss the Senior Center – she went there today and she stated the senior center is in desperate need of the repairs and feels that the repairs need to be done now with money taken from the current budget. Commissioner Jones brought a motion to have the county manager get bids to repair the senior center now, second by Commissioner Blow.

A vote was taken and passed unanimously to have the County Manager request bids for senior center repairs.

Commissioner Blow noted he attended a meeting with LCC and the Rosenwald folks and Mr. DeHaven and feels the meeting went very well. He also wanted to thank the commissioners that attended the Martin Luther King Day celebration yesterday.

I. CLOSED SESSION – Economic Development and Personnel

On motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Blow the Board voted unanimously to go into closed session.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Blizzard the Board voted unanimously to come out of closed session.

J. ADJOURN

On motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Blow the Board voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting.

Bennie Heath, Chairman

Attest:

Kyle J. DeHaven, Clerk to the Board