

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF VANCE

The Vance County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Monday, February 17, 2014 at 12:00 noon in the Commissioners' Conference Room, Vance County Administration Building, 122 Young Street, Henderson, NC. Those Commissioners present were as follows: Chairperson Deborah F. Brown, Commissioners Archie B. Taylor, Jr., Dan Brummitt, Terry E. Garrison, Thomas S. Hester, Jr., and Gordon Wilder.

Absent: Commissioner Eddie L. Wright.

Also present were County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue, Finance Director David C. Beck, and County Attorney Jonathan S. Care.

Chairperson Deborah F. Brown gave the invocation.

The purpose of the special meeting was to enter into closed session to discuss a property matter and convene as the Water District Board to discuss a water matter.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Gordon Wilder, vote unanimous, to enter into closed session to discuss a property matter.

Upon return to open session, Attorney Jonathan S. Care stated that an offer has been received on a house in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (203 N. College Street, Henderson) from Sandra J. Ragan for the full list price of \$65,000. He noted that the contract will be amended to itemize all appliances that are to be installed in the house. Those include a stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, and front loading washer and dryer. Attorney Care noted that the contract has not yet been signed by Ms. Ragan due to inclement winter weather last week. He suggested that any action taken by the Board be subject to receiving a fully executed contract from the buyer.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to accept the Offer to Purchase for 203 N. College Street, Henderson, in the amount of \$65,000 subject to inclusion of an itemized listing of the appliances and receiving a fully executed Offer to Purchase from the buyer, Ms. Sandra J. Ragan. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr. and unanimously approved.

Attorney Care stated that there are five NSP houses remaining for sale. He suggested that the Board consider allowing the Planning and Environmental Committee to approve the sale of these houses to avoid having to call several quick meetings of the full Board. The Board discussed this matter and directed the staff and/or the Planning and Environmental Committee to

develop appropriate guidelines/parameters and bring a recommendation to the full Board for approval.

Water District Board

Chairperson Deborah F. Brown called the Water District Board to order.

Mr. Ayscue reported that the Water Planning Committee met last week to review the brochure that is to be mailed out to residents in Phase 2 as well as discuss reducing the after-construction capacity charge from \$2,000 to \$500.

Mr. Mike Meyers, Envirolink, explained that a capacity charge is used as a mechanism to recoup an investment that has been put into a utility, per customer. Vance County's investment is approximately \$6,000 per customer.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt stated that revenues have not been projected from capacity fees and have not been calculated into the five-year growth plan. He suggested that the Board consider suspending the capacity charge in order to make the system cash flow in the future. He also suggested that the Board look into a fee schedule for commercial use and meter size. The Committee recommended that the capacity charge be reduced to from \$2,000 to \$500.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt to reduce the capacity charge from \$2,000 to \$0 and the brochure should indicate that the \$2,000 capacity charge applies to non-residential use only. This motion died for lack of a second.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr. to reduce the after-construction capacity charge for a residential or three-quarter inch water meter from \$2,000 to \$500 subject to the County Attorney's interpretation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Archie B. Taylor, Jr. and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr., vote unanimous, to close the Water District Board.

As there was no further business, at 1:00 p.m., motion was made by Commissioner Gordon Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr., vote unanimous, that the meeting be adjourned.

Approved and signed March 10, 2014.

Deborah F. Brown (signed)
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson