

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF VANCE

The Vance County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room, Vance County Administration Building, 122 Young Street, Henderson, NC. Those Commissioners present were as follows: Chairman Eddie L. Wright, Commissioners Terry E. Garrison, Deborah F. Brown, R. Dan Brummitt, Thomas S. Hester, Jr., J. Timothy Pegram, and Gordon Wilder.

Absent: None.

Also present were County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue, Finance Director Steven C. Stanton, County Attorney Jonathan S. Care, and Clerk to the Board Kelly H. Grissom.

Commissioner 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 the Water District Board to discuss a grant opportunity for water sign-ups.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to enter into closed session to discuss a property matter.

Upon return to open session, motion was made by Commissioner Gordon Wilder for the Board to reconsider action taken in the May 2, 2011 meeting regarding property acquisition for the Tourism Development Authority. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison that the Vance County Board of Commissioners provides an advancement of Tourism funds over a five year period on a basis of \$100,000 year one (FY 11-12), \$100,000 year two (FY 12-13), \$100,000 year three (FY 13-14), \$45,000 year four (FY 14-15), and \$53,000 year five (FY 15-16) for Tourism land acquisition purposes. Also, authorize the County Attorney and the County Manager to work with the Tourism Development Authority to complete any necessary documents in writing prior to the disbursement of any funds. The total amount advanced will be \$398,000. Part of the \$100,000 per year will be the \$66,000 per year that the Board had previously agreed to pay the Tourism Development Authority. No other agreements concerning funds are affected by this action. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr. and unanimously approved.

At this time, Chairman Wright called the Water District Board to order to discuss a grant opportunity for water sign-ups.

Mr. Jordan McMillen, County Planning Director, explained that an opportunity with the engineering firm Dewberry and Davis has become available to assist with door-to-door sign-ups for Phases 2A and 2B of the water project. The firm has received federal grant funding for the Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project which may be used to assist Vance County with sign-ups. The County will not receive funding but will receive engineering services at no cost.

Mr. McMillen requested the Board's approval of a community enrollment request in order to receive services from Dewberry and Davis.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr. to proceed with engaging the services of Dewberry and Davis to assist with door-to-door sign-ups for Phases 2A and 2B of the water project. This will be at no cost to the County. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt questioned if this would affect our current engineering firm, Hobbs Upchurch & Associates. Mr. McMillen responded that there is no connection between the two firms and should not pose a problem with Hobbs Upchurch.

Commissioner Terry E. Garrison suggested that the motion be amended to include verbiage that Dewberry and Davis coordinate with Hobbs Upchurch and Associates throughout the process.

Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr. and Commissioner Deborah F. Brown accepted the amendment to the motion and vote was unanimous.

As there was no further business, at 4:50 p.m., motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Thomas S. Hester, Jr., vote unanimous, that the meeting be adjourned.

Approved and signed June 6, 2011.

Eddie L. Wright (signed)
Eddie L. Wright, Chairman