

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF VANCE

The Vance County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room, Vance County Administration Building, 122 Young Street, Henderson, NC. Those Commissioners present were as follows: Chairman Dan Brummitt, Commissioners Eddie L. Wright, Deborah F. Brown, Terry E. Garrison, A. Scott Hughes, J. Timothy Pegram, and Danny W. Wright.

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 Eddie L. Wright gave the invocation.

Christine Mackey, United States Census, appeared before the Board and gave an overview of the 2010 Census Campaign. She explained that the census is a count of all US residents - both citizens and non citizens. Residents will receive a questionnaire in March 2010 either by mail or hand delivery. Those forms are due back to the Census Bureau by April 1, 2010. Census workers will personally visit homes that do not return their questionnaire by the deadline.

Census data are used to determine federal governmental locations; to determine locations for retail stores, schools, hospitals, new housing developments, and other community facilities; and to determine boundaries for state and local legislative and congressional districts.

Ms. Mackey requested the Board to adopt a proclamation in support of the 2010 Census and to form a Complete Count Committee to emphasize the importance of census participation. A Complete Count Committee is normally headed by the highest elected official in the County, or by a member of the Board of Commissioners. It is recommended that sub-committees are also formed in areas of government, education, faith-based organizations, media, non-profit groups, etc.

Motion was made by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, vote unanimous, to adopt the following proclamation supporting the 2010 Census:

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**Proclamation
Vance County Board of Commissioners
2010 Census Partner**

WHEREAS, an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents' well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, day care centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and achieving an accurate and complete count of the nation's growing and changing population; and

WHEREAS, more than \$400 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based, in part, on census data;

WHEREAS, census data help determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and often is used for the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils and voting districts; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Census creates jobs that stimulate economic growth and increase employment; and

WHEREAS, the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law.

Now, therefore, we **PROCLAIM** that Vance County is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2010.

As a 2010 Census partner, we will:

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2010 Census and disseminate 2010 Census information to encourage those in our community to participate.
2. Encourage people in our community to place an emphasis on the 2010 Census and participate in events and initiatives that will raise overall awareness and ensure a full and accurate census.
3. Support census takers as they help our community complete an accurate count.
4. Create or seek opportunities to collaborate with other like-minded groups in our community by participating in Complete Count Committees and/or utilizing high-profile, trusted voices to advocate on behalf of the 2010 Census.

Signed this 5th day of October, in the year 2009.

Signature: R. Dan Brummitt (signed)

Title: R. Dan Brummitt, Chairman Board of Commissioners

Organization Name: Vance County

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Terri Hedrick, Vance County Appearance Commission, was next on the agenda along with Anne Bunch and Marion Perry. They recognized Maria Parham Medical Center for its anti-litter efforts and its promotion of recycling. Ms. Hedrick explained that Maria Parham Medical Center has completed the process through the NC Department of Transportation's Adopt-A-Highway Program to adopt Ruin Creek Road. Through this program, the hospital and its staff members are committed to assist in keeping the roadside clean and attractive. Ms. Hedrick also noted that the hospital began a comprehensive recycling program to have employees and visitors recycle items including aluminum cans, plastic bottles, glass containers, newspapers, magazines, and office paper. With approximately 750 employees and hundreds of visitors each day, the hospital's recycling efforts have far-reaching effects.

President of Maria Parham Medical Center, Mr. Bob Singletary and Vice President, Mr. Mickey Foster were present to accept the recognition.

Chairman Dan Brummitt stated that the reduction of the amount of solid waste continues to be a very important matter, and he thanked Maria Parham Medical Center for taking a leadership role in that process.

At this time, Chairman Brummitt called the Vance County Water District Board to order for the purpose of discussing water matters. Mr. Tim Carpenter of Hobbs Upchurch and Associates appeared before the Board and presented a time-line for approval as follows:

Vance County Water District Customer Sign-Up and Preliminary Project Implementation General Time Line			
Task and Completion Dates			Notes
1	Appoint Citizen Advisory Committee to Obtain Sign-ups on a Local Level (Direct Reports to the County Manager)	10-5-09 to 10-19-09	Appoint by at Least the 2 nd October Board of Commissioners Meeting
2	Send Mass Mailing of the Sign-up Forms to the Phase 1A Service Area Residents	10-1-09 to 10-15-09	October 1st 2009 Use the Range of Monthly Water Bills in this Mailing
3	Community Sign-up Drives (Public Meetings at Local Meeting Spaces in Phase 1A) and Door to Door	10-15-09	Begin the Sign-up Meetings in October
4	Conduct Door to Door Surveys for Sign-ups (Members of Committee and Possible Part-Time Hired Staff)	10-15-09 to 11-30-09	Start in November after October Sign-up Drives
5	Evaluate Sign-ups to Date and Provide Recommendations	11-1-09 to 12-30-09	
6	Additional Evaluation of Sign-ups to Date and Provide Recommendations to County	12-30-09	
7	Continue Sign-up Period if Needed	1-1-10 to 2-28-10	
8	Begin Construction	2-1-10	

A cover letter addressed to residents of the water district and a water user agreement were also distributed to the Board.

Commissioner A. Scott Hughes noted that homeowners would be responsible for costs associated with running water lines from the main line meter to their homes. He asked if there were any possibilities in assisting homeowners with financing these costs. Mr. Carpenter replied that there are grants available through USDA and CDBG for qualifying individuals. County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue stated that the Planning and Environmental Committee had recommended a three-pronged

approach to this matter which includes 1) Pursuit of grants; 2) USDA funding; and 3) Voluntary assessments.

Commissioner Deborah F. Brown expressed her concerns with the verbiage on the user agreement that states the owner will be billed monthly once the system is operational, even if the owner is not connected and has no water usage. Mr. Carpenter stated that this refers to the dry tap sign-ups that choose not to pay the \$800 up front. He stated that he would change the agreement to clarify the dry tap sign-ups.

The Board discussed the cover letter and Water User Agreement at length and made several changes in order to make it easier to understand.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright to adopt the general time-line as presented, approve the cover letter and user agreement as amended, and approve the three-pronged approach as recommended by the Planning and Environmental Committee. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison and unanimously approved.

Mr. Carpenter then requested approval to proceed with applying for USDA grant funds in the amount of \$1 million for Phases 2A and 2B of the water project.

After a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to approve the submission of a USDA grant application for Phases 2A and 2B in the amount of \$1 million. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ayscue stated that it is recommended that a citizen committee be formulated for each phase of the water project. He suggested that whomever the commissioner is whose district is within the phase area, be responsible for establishing the committee for that particular phase.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright to allow commissioners being affected by said phase to appoint a citizen committee to assist with sign-ups. This motion was seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ayscue reported that the County is having discussions with the Kittrell Water Association regarding Phase 1B. Kittrell Water Association has expressed an interest in providing service to customers in Phase 1B. The Planning and Environmental Committee will formulate a recommendation regarding this matter.

At this time, Chairman Dan Brummitt adjourned the Water District Board.

Nancy Smith, Henderson Collegiate Charter School Board Chair, was next on the agenda and requested the use of Clark Street Elementary School as a temporary, three-year site for the new

Henderson Collegiate Charter School. She stated that the permanent location for the Charter School will be Zene Street as part of the proposed REEF Project. Dr. Cornelius Cathcart, Charter School Board Member, spoke on the matter and stated that the new Charter School is designed to target low socio economic and minority students - students that, statistically speaking, would most likely drop out of public schools as they grow older. Mr. Eric Sanchez, Charter School Board Member, stated that the school will use innovative approaches to energize students and prepare them for college.

The Board informed Ms. Smith, Dr. Cathcart and Mr. Sanchez that the reason Clark Street Elementary School will become vacant is because of its poor condition. There would need to be extensive renovations to the building before it could be used. Representatives stated that they are aware of the building's condition, and they have engaged the help of an architect for this matter.

Commissioner Terry E. Garrison suggested that a written proposal be submitted to the Board stating the nature of the request - how much space is needed, how long the space will be needed, and how the repair needs will be addressed.

Chairman Brummitt asked the Charter School representatives to prepare a plan of action and submit to the Properties Committee, at which time, the Committee will communicate with the Board of Education in order to coordinate the request.

County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue reminded the Board that the Boys and Girls Club has also expressed interest in the use of this building. Ms. Smith responded that she has been in contact with the Boys and Girls Club and they are in agreement to utilize the property jointly.

Jordan McMillen, Vance County Planning, appeared before the Board and requested approval to submit a grant application with North Carolina Division of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance (DPPEA) for an Abandoned Manufactured Home Abatement Program in the amount of \$40,000. This program would assist property owners in the removal of abandoned manufactured homes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to approve the submission of the Abandoned Manufactured Home Abatement Program grant application. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved.

Mr. McMillen then presented the monthly report for Vance County Planning and Development. He stated that the report has been re-designed in order to read easier. Mr. McMillen explained the new format of the report and answered questions from the Board.

Motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes to receive and file the August and September monthly reports for Planning and Development. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright and unanimously approved.

Chairman Brummitt stated that Sam Watkins, scheduled for 7:15 p.m., has withdrawn his request to appear before the Board.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, vote unanimous, that the following consent agenda items be approved as presented: Budget Amendments #6 through #8, September 2009 Refunds, September 2009 Ambulance Charge-Offs in the amount of \$1,347.70, September 2009 Monthly Reports received and filed, and the minutes of the September 8, 2009 regular meeting, the September 22, 2009 special meeting, and the September 22, 2009 Joint City County special meeting.

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**Budget Amendment #6
General Fund**

**Fund 10 -
Sales Tax Revenue**

Revenues	Code	Increase	Increase
Sales Tax 1%	10-345-434500	4,321.00	
Expenditures		Increase	Increase
Contracted Services	10-440-500045		4,321.00
Totals		\$ 4,321.00	\$ 4,321.00

Purpose: To record Tax Reduction Specialists fees for additional sales tax refunds.

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**Budget Amendment #7
General Fund**

**Fund 10 -
911 Emergency**

Expenditures	Code	Increase	Decrease
Capital Outlay	10-621-500074	16,920.00	

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
Contingency	10-999-500099		16,920.00
Totals		\$ 16,920.00	\$ 16,920.00

Purpose: To record approved expenditure for additional antenna combiner and installation of new control stations for 2008 Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

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Budget Amendment #8
General Fund

Fund 10 -
Interdiction Funds

Expenditures	Code	Increase	Increase
Telephone & Postage	10-517-500011	3,500.00	
Supplies	10-517-500033	3,680.00	
Police Dog	10-517-500056	19,800.00	
Revenues		Increase	Increase
Interdiction Funds	10-359-435917		26,980.00
Totals		\$ 26,980.00	\$ 26,980.00

Purpose: To record expenditures for telephone service and supplies and purchase of two police dogs with interdiction funds.

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REFUNDS
September 2009

Name	Year	Amount	Reason
Kenneth Clark	2008	18.42	Vehicle Tax
Michael J. Nicholas	2008	4.42	Vehicle Tax
Michael J. Nicholas	2008	3.76	Vehicle Tax
Michael J. Nicholas	2008	29.36	Vehicle Tax
Wendy Ray	2008	32.86	Vehicle Tax
Samuel D. Jones	2008	10.35	Vehicle Tax
Earl W. Ellington	2009	26.53	Vehicle Tax
Silas L. Henderson	2008	2.18	Vehicle Tax
Bob L. Cunningham	2008	53.56	Vehicle Tax
Artis L. Allen	2008	4.45	Vehicle Tax
Denise Williams	2008	20.55	Vehicle Tax
Leroy S. Anderson, Jr.	2009	5.74	Vehicle Tax
Melissa H. Brown	2009	11.22	Vehicle Tax
Rufus Hargrove	2008	12.88	Vehicle Tax
Doris J. McBride	2008	21.82	Vehicle Tax

Name	Year	Amount	Reason
Russell Robertson, Jr.	2008	4.98	Vehicle Tax
Nichole P. Berry	2009	20.58	Vehicle Tax
Ronnie E. Allen	2009	1.62	Vehicle Tax
Jiljo Jose	2009	23.10	Vehicle Tax
Krista B. White	2009	37.38	Vehicle Tax
Kenneth Clark	2008	.60	Fire Tax
Michael J. Nicholas	2008	.14	Fire Tax
Michael J. Nicholas	2008	.12	Fire Tax
Michael J. Nicholas	2008	.96	Fire Tax
Wendy Ray	2008	1.08	Fire Tax
Earl W. Ellington	2008	.84	Fire Tax
Silas L. Henderson	2008	.08	Fire Tax
Artis L. Allen	2008	.15	Fire Tax
Leroy S. Anderson, Jr.	2009	.21	Fire Tax
Melissa H. Brown	2009	.36	Fire Tax
Russell Robertson, Jr.	2008	.16	Fire Tax
Nichole P. Berry	2009	.70	Fire Tax
Krista B. White	2009	1.68	Fire Tax
Total		\$ 352.84	Fiscal y-t-d - \$ 1,076.26

See on file monthly report, 911 Emergency Operations
 See on file monthly report, Administrative Ambulance Charge-offs
 See on file monthly report, Department of Social Services
 See on file monthly report, Fire and Ambulance Service
 See on file monthly report, Human Resources Department
 See on file monthly report, Public Health Department
 See on file monthly report, Tax Office
 See on file monthly report, Veterans Service Office

Finance Director's Report

Sale of Surplus Personal Property. Finance Director Steven C. Stanton requested the Board to declare a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria, along with its two light bars, as surplus property in order for it to be sold to the Town of Norlina.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright to declare the 2005 Ford Crown Victoria, along with its two light bars, as surplus and allow the Finance Director to sell said property to the Town of Norlina. This motion was seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes and unanimously approved.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Human Resources Committee - Position Vacancies. Argretta Johen, HR Director, requested the Board to allow filling the following position vacancies which have been endorsed by the Human Resources Committee:

Sheriff's Office
Detective Sergeant

Department of Social Services
Social Worker II

Reallocate an Income Maintenance Caseworker Supervisor II position to an Income Maintenance Caseworker II position.

Jail
Detention Officer

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to fill the position vacancies as requested and approve the reallocation of an IMC Supervisor II position to an IMC II position. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved.

Commissioner Deborah F. Brown stated that the Human Resources Committee agreed to move the Human Resources Monthly Report from the Consent Agenda to Committee Reports and Recommendations along with additional information as requested.

At this time, Commissioner Deborah F. Brown made the following statement: "I do not support the manner in which the personnel actions were taken to fill the new Fire Marshal and EMS position, and I do not support it for the following reasons. Since we have established the Human Resources Committee, which I've been a part of since the inception, the procedures that we have used for hiring department heads have not been consistent and then when Vance County applicants are deemed qualified, and I emphasize qualified for positions, they should be afforded opportunities by Vance County to grow and develop their skills accordingly. Be that as it may, I do pledge to support the new EMS Director and Fire Marshal, and I plan to support all efforts to improve the Fire and EMS service within our county. The challenge is great and the obstacles are real, very real, but working together, I know we can be successful in achieving our objectives and goals. Failure to achieve anything less than the best service for our citizens can and should not be an option".

County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue introduced Mr. Harold Henrich as the new EMS Director/Fire Marshal for Vance County. Mr. Henrich stated that he respected Commissioner Brown's comments and he stated that it is an honor to be selected for this newly created position. He stated that he and his officers will strive for no less than excellence and looks forward to working with everyone for the betterment of Vance County.

Commissioner A. Scott Hughes asked that the Public Safety Committee meet in the near future with Chief Henrich and also the new EMS Medical Director, Dr. Charlton. Chief Henrich stated that he is scheduled to meet with the Firefighters Association and will be attending the

Volunteer Department meetings as well. He is also scheduled to meet with Dr. Charlton this week.

The Board thanked Chief Henrich for his remarks and looks forward to working with him in the future.

Ms. Johen stated that there was an item endorsed by the Human Resources Committee last month, but she was unable to attend the Board meeting. That was the vacation accrual and taking rate for the Fire and EMS employees. The Board decided to address this matter during next month's meeting after Chief Henrich has had a chance to review it.

Planning and Environmental Committee - Water Project. This committee met on Thursday, September 24 to discuss matters related to the Water Project and Economic Development. Tim Carpenter and Fred Hobbs proposed a time line for sign-ups for Phase 1A of the Water Project. Also, it was recommended that Hobbs Upchurch provide temporary staff to assist in the sign-up process, which is an item eligible for reimbursement through USDA funding. It was determined that as soon as sign-ups for Phase 1A were completed, that the temporary staff proceed on with sign-ups for Phase 1B. It was further discussed that a meeting with USDA has been scheduled to pursue additional grant funding. Further, another meeting with the City of Henderson was being set up for the next week. Commissioner Danny Wright expressed concern about some citizens being able to afford connections between the water line and their homes. Commissioner Garrison suggested a three-pronged approach to help with this problem: 1) Pursuit of grants; 2) USDA funding; and 3) voluntary assessments. In addition, it was reported that Chairman Brummitt, the County Manager, and others had met with representatives of the Kittrell Water Association regarding Phase 1B. KWA is possibly interested in providing service to some or all customers in Phase 1B. The Committee directed the Manager to closely coordinate with KWA. This matter was addressed earlier during this meeting.

Planning and Environmental Committee - Farmers' Market. Mr. Ayscue noted that the Board of Commissioners referred this project to the Planning & Environmental Committee as a result of a presentation made by representatives of the Farm Bureau. The Committee expressed full support for the project and the Manager asked that a planning committee be identified for approval by the Commissioners in its October 5th meeting. The planning committee will be charged with the task of identifying a site, pursuing funding, etc. Mr. Ayscue presented a recommended list of committee members for approval. He stated that one member of that committee should be a county commissioner.

Commissioner Deborah F. Brown made a motion to approve the proposed planning committee to identify potential sites and other matters related to the establishment of a Vance County Area Farmers' Market. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright.

Commissioner Danny W. Wright amended the motion to include appointing Commissioner Deborah F. Brown as the commissioner to serve on said committee. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

The Board appointed Mr. Pete Burgess as interim chair of the planning committee until the committee meets formally.

Planning and Environmental Committee - EDC Recommendation for Lease of BB&T Building. This item was stricken from the agenda.

Pending Business

County Water Project. Mr. Ayscue reported that the Planning & Environmental Committee met with staff and engineers regarding recommendations that will be made to allow the project to proceed. Those recommendations were addressed by the engineer, Tim Carpenter, earlier during this meeting. Discussions have progressed between the County and the City regarding arrangements to purchase water and contracting with the City for operation and maintenance of the system. Further, the County has met with representatives from the Kittrell Water Association to coordinate proceedings for Phase 1B. County staff and engineers met with USDA Rural Development staff to discuss funding opportunities for Phases 1B, 2A, and 2B as well as available options in coordinating with the Kittrell Water Association for Phase 1B.

Warrenton Road Sewer Project. Mr. Ayscue noted that bids for this project were approved by the Board of Commissioners in its September meeting. Contracts have been executed and the engineer is prepared to proceed with the pre-construction conference once easement agreements are signed by the property owners. The work is anticipated to be completed within 120 days once construction begins.

Building Reuse Project. Mr. Ayscue noted that the County was awarded a \$25,000 pre-development grant from the NC Rural Economic Development Center for the purpose of studying the former Vance Manor building and developing a building use plan. Work on this project is well under way. An environmental site assessment is being completed and other work is in progress. It is anticipated that the work will be completed within 90 days.

Chairman Dan Brummitt asked the County Manager to include two new items on future pending business items - Technology Study and Efficiency Study.

County Manager's Report

Schools - ADM Funds. Mr. Ayscue stated that in its September 14th meeting, the Board of Education approved a request of ADM funds in the total amount of \$47,720. As with all applications for these funds, the Board of County Commissioners must also approve the requests.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, to approve the request of the Board of Education for ADM funds in the total amount of \$47,720 for renovation work at ten (10) different schools.

Schools - QSCB I Re-Application. Mr. Ayscue noted that in September, Commissioners approved an amended application for \$2,365,370 of Qualified School Construction Bond funds, subject to final approval by the County. Such funds will allow multi-purpose facilities to be constructed at four different schools. The State has approved the amended application as requested. QSCB funds are no-interest bonds and must be issued by December 31st.

Commissioner Terry E. Garrison made a motion to authorize the staff and Education Committee to review the request(s) and then work with the Schools to formulate a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright and unanimously approved.

Jail Renovations - Change Order #2. Mr. Ayscue reported that during recent renovation work at the Jail, it was determined that some of the HVAC units do not have duct smoke detectors to cut off fans in the event of a fire. The Henderson Fire Chief reviewed the fire alarm system and has recommended that the smoke detection equipment be installed. Architect Surapon Sujjavanich has requested that Commissioners approve the change order in the amount of \$15,583.

Motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, vote unanimous, to approve the Change Order as requested by the architect for installation of smoke detectors at the Vance County Jail in the amount of \$15,583.

Grant Application for Rural Center Funds - Water. Mr. Ayscue stated that the NC Rural Economic Development Center has \$22 million of Clean Water Partners' Infrastructure Program funding available for water and sewer projects. Applications are due by October 15, 2009. If awarded, these funds can be used for the County Water District.

Commissioner Terry E. Garrison made a motion to authorize the staff and engineers to develop an application for grant funding in the amount of \$1 million to the NC Rural Economic Development Center. Further, adopt a resolution to authorize execution of related documents by the Chairman and/or County Manager. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved:

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AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION
by the
Vance County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, in the summer of 2007, the North Carolina General Assembly included a \$100 million appropriation to the North Carolina Rural Economic Development Center in the FY 2007-2009 state budget, for the purpose of making grants to rural communities in need of water and wastewater infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, Vance County has a need for and intends to construct a water supply and distribution system project described as a new water distribution system including transmission lines, overhead storage, hydrants, and related appurtenances; and

WHEREAS, the Vance County Board of Commissioners intends to request grant assistance from the Supplemental Grants Program for the project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VANCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

That Vance County will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a grant.

That Vance County will provide for efficient operation and maintenance of the project on completion of construction thereof.

That R. Dan Brummitt, Chairman, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Vance County with the NCREDC (Rural Center) for a grant to assist in the construction of the project described above.

That R. Dan Brummitt, Chairman, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the Rural Center may request in connection with such application or the project; to make the assurance as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That Vance County has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to the grants pertaining thereto.

This, the fifth day of October, 2009.

R. Dan Brummitt (signed)
R. Dan Brummitt
Chairman, Vance County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Kelly H. Grissom (signed)
Kelly H. Grissom
Clerk to the Board

Grant Application for Rural Center Funds - Sewer. Mr. Ayscue noted that last month, the Board of Commissioners authorized the staff to submit an application for a planning grant through the NC Rural Center in the amount of \$40,000 which requires a 10% match (total of \$44,400). A resolution is also required for the submission of the application which is due on October 6th.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous to approve the following resolution to be submitted with the application:

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION
by the
VANCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Capacity Building Grants Program

WHEREAS, The 2008-2009 Rural center appropriation has authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of planning for construction of wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection systems, and water supply systems, water conservation projects; and

WHEREAS, Vance County has need for and intends to plan for the construction or rehabilitation of a publicly-owned treatment works or an alternate wastewater system, for wastewater collection systems or for water supply and distribution systems, project described as: Assess the feasibility and cost of installing a sewer system(s) along the US Hwy 1 corridor from the Bearpond area to the Town of Kittrell; and

WHEREAS, Vance County intends to request grant assistance from the Capacity Building Grants Program for the project;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF VANCE COUNTY:

That Vance County will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a grant.

That R. Dan Brummitt, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Vance County with the NCREDC (Rural Center) for a grant to assist in the planning for construction of the project described above.

That R. Dan Brummitt, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the Rural Center may request in connection with such application or the project; to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That Vance County has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to the grants pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 5th of October, 2009 at 122 Young Street Suite B., Henderson, North Carolina.

R. Dan Brummitt *(signed)*
Signature of Chief Executive Officer

Chairman, Board of Commissioners
Title

ATTEST:

Kelly H. Grissom *(signed)*
Clerk (seal)

Planning Retreat. Mr. Ayscue noted that County Commissioners have agreed to have a Fall Planning Retreat. There has been informal discussion about scheduling it in late October. However, the Economic Development Commission has set a planning retreat for October 27-28, with a request that County Commissioners and City Council members attend the all-day retreat on Tuesday, October 27. In light of the EDC retreat, Commissioners may wish to set its planning retreat for early November, perhaps the second or even third week in the month.

The Board set its Fall Planning Retreat date for Thursday, November 12.

Introduction of EMS Director/Fire Marshal. This matter was addressed earlier during this meeting.

Miscellaneous

Appointments. Motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, vote unanimous, that the following appointments be approved as presented:

Vance County Appearance Commission - three year term
Re-appoint Terri Hedrick and Anne Bunch
No other applications received.

Tourism Development Authority - three year term
Appoint Peggy Mason to fill vacant position.
No other applications received.

Commissioner A. Scott Hughes asked if it would be appropriate to place the entire agenda package on the County's website prior to the board meeting. He was advised that the County Manager's Office does not have the capabilities of scanning such a large document. Commissioner Hughes volunteered to scan the document himself and forward to the Clerk to the Board so that she can upload the document to the website.

Commissioner Terry E. Garrison stated that he appreciated Commissioner Hughes' offer and suggested that the staff look into the matter and formulate a solution.

At this time, motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Upon return to open session, and as there was no further business, at 9:40 p.m., motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, vote unanimous, that the meeting be adjourned.

Approved and signed November 2, 2009.

Chairman