

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF VANCE

The Vance County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2010 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 Danny W. Wright, Commissioners Eddie L. Wright, Deborah F. Brown, R. Dan Brummitt, Terry E. Garrison, and J. Timothy Pegram.

Absent: Commissioner A. Scott Hughes.

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.

County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue gave the invocation.

The first item on the agenda was the annual meeting of the Composite Board consisting of the Board of Commissioners, the Chairman of the Board of Education and the Mayor of the City of Henderson. Ms. Margaret Ellis, Chair of the Board of Education, and Mayor Pete O'Geary were present.

It was noted that Henrietta Clark and Tom Hannon had submitted letters seeking re-appointment to the Vance County ABC Board for a three-year term. Ms. Clark also submitted a letter requesting re-appointment as Chair for a one-year term. An application seeking appointment was submitted by Eddie Vick.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt to re-appoint Henrietta Clark and Tom Hannon to the Vance County ABC Board for a three-year term. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, vote unanimous, to re-appoint Henrietta Clark as Chair of the Vance County ABC Board for a one-year term.

Public comments were heard next. Mr. Gary Morgan, Gateway CDC, gave an update of the REEF project, as well as other on-going projects, and introduced Gateway's new intern, Andrew Robertson. The Board thanked Mr. Morgan for the update and for the initiatives provided by Gateway.

The next item on the agenda was the Community Hero Award recognition. Chairman Wright recognized Reverend Frank Sossamon and presented him with a certificate and a check for \$25.00.

Chairman Wright stated that Reverend Sossamon is considered an area icon by most Vance County citizens as a result of his ministry in so many aspects of community life.

Frank is the pastor of South Henderson Pentecostal Holiness Church in Vance County. During his 25 years as pastor, the church has grown from 150 to 630 members. The church's ministry includes numerous outreach programs including a day care center, Pre-K program, After School Care, Learning Center, and a vibrant Youth Ministry program, all currently in full operation.

Rev. Sossamon has officiated and sung at many local weddings and funerals, conducted revivals, led community services, and participated in so many other events over his twenty-five years in Vance County. He has made several popular CDs and other recordings of gospel music that have touched the hearts of thousands of people. His special sense of humor has also enhanced his ministry.

Frank Sossamon served as Chaplain for the Vance County Sheriff's Office from 1985 to 2006. He also was at one time Chaplain for the Northern Vance High School football team. Currently, he serves as Chaplain Director of the Maria Parham Medical Center and is a member of the hospital's Ethics Committee and Rehabilitation Center Advisory Council. He is a member of the Vance County Judicial Attendance Council, the Vance County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, the Vance County 2010 Census Complete Count Committee, and the Vance County Project R.I.D.E. Community Advisory Panel (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere).

Recently, through the efforts of Crime Stoppers (which he chairs), the Board of Commissioners established 2010 as the Year of Community Watch in Vance County. His enthusiasm and persistence have contributed to the development of several new chapters of Community Watch, which is a tremendous asset for law enforcement agencies in the fight against crime. He encouraged the County Commissioners for the first time to establish a Community Watch Council that serves to link all the programs in the City and County together.

While the list of accomplishments can go on, perhaps one of the most important things to be said about Frank Sossamon is that he has a heart for his Lord and for the people of this community. He has been called to sing, conduct worship services, to dream, to be a visionary, preach revivals, develop lay leadership, and to be a spiritual leader. His passion and zeal are noteworthy and greatly appreciated. Chairman Wright stated that it is the pleasure of the Vance County Board of Commissioners to recognize Reverend Frank Sossamon as a true Community Hero.

Ms. Julie Reid, Council of Governments, was next on the agenda and presented two bid tabulation sheets for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program as follows:

Contractor	Walnut St.	Yancey Ln.	Cherry St.	Hillside Ave	614 Andrews	Cross St #2	College St.
Humphries Construction	91,676.00	89,496.00	160,730.00	84,490.00	102,648.00	88,900.00	94,631.04
Creek Construction	86,339.00	---	106,957.00	81,945.00	100,610.0	80,227.00	86,339.00
CHI Construction	120,000.00	125,700.00	133,900.00	115,800.00	123,590.00	110,832.00	119,000.00
Dickerson Builders	94,515.00	105,488.00	---	92,850.00	93,418.00	93,150.00	97,940.00
Lake Country Construction	135,955.00	143,980.00	158,974.00	126,769.00	147,287.00	126,769.00	135,955.00
Valley View Development	94,412.00	110,000.00	109,970.00	96,024.00	102,920.00	94,290.00	95,412.00
L.Roberts Repairs	104,000.00	---	---	96,700.00	128,590.00	96,700.00	104,000.00
Herman Rouse LLC	107,000.00	---	110,000.00	99,000.00	113,500.00	99,000.00	107,000.00
D.B. Williams	83,865.00	---	---	82,735.00	---	82,813.00	84,169.00

Ms. Reid recommended the bids be awarded to:

Walnut Street	D.B. Williams Construction	\$ 83,865.00
Yancey Lane	Humphries Construction	\$ 89,469.00
Cherry Street	Creek Construction	\$106,957.00
Hillside Avenue	Humphries Construction	\$ 84,490.00
614 Andrews Avenue	Dickerson Builders	\$ 93,418.00
Cross Street #2	Creek Construction	\$ 80,227.00
College Street	D.B. Williams Construction	\$ 84,169.00

Ms. Reid explained that the recommendation of Humphries Construction, the third lowest bidder for Hillside Avenue, is due to the fact that both the lowest bidder and the second lowest bidder are already being recommended for two other projects under this award.

A second bid tabulation for rehabilitation of two houses was presented as follows:

Contractor	309 College Street	317 Rockspring Street
Humphries Construction	174,560	138,216
Creek Construction	77,000	77,000
CHI Construction	163,640	136,770

Ms. Reid recommended the bids be awarded to:

309 College Street	CHI Construction	\$ 163,640
317 Rockspring Street	Humphries Construction	\$ 138,216

Ms. Reid explained that the bid from Creek Construction was not considered a responsible bid because the amount is 23.43% lower than the estimate. The recommendation of Humphries Construction, despite the small difference in bids, is to even out the number of awards to any one contractor.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt stated that some of these contractors are large builders and are capable of handling multiple projects. Ms. Reid responded that a policy has been adopted which states that no more than two projects at a time would be awarded to one contractor. In this particular case, three projects have been awarded to a single contractor, but all contractors have the required insurance and bonding. Commissioner Brummitt suggested that the policy be amended to one that is more consistent with performance rather than limiting contractors to two projects. He stated that it is not financially feasible to award a bid to the second or third lowest bidder when the actual lowest bidder is capable of handling multiple projects.

Attorney Jonathan S. Care expressed his concerns with changing a policy after bids have already been submitted. He recommended that if the Board decides to amend the policy, it should apply to future projects only. The bids presented tonight should be awarded according to the current policy. He suggested that the policy be clear-cut as far as determination of a responsible bid.

After further discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown to award the rehabilitation bids to Humphries Construction and CHI Construction as recommended. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt.

Commissioner Terry E. Garrison questioned what the market value is on these properties. Ms. Reid responded that the bids are high, and it is possible that the State may not approve these two bids because of the market value. The cost to rehab the houses may not be justified.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt questioned if it would not be less expensive to demolish the houses and rebuild. Ms. Reid responded that it would be less expensive, but the way that the NSP Budget was adopted, rehab monies can only be used for rehabilitation projects. The budget can be amended, but based on past experience, there is not enough time to do this.

The vote on the motion to award the rehabilitation bids to Humphries Construction and CHI Construction as recommended was unanimous.

Regarding the bid for demo and new construction, motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, vote unanimous, to accept the bids as recommended.

Chairman Wright directed the Planning/Environmental Committee to review the NSP Policy and bring a recommendation back to the full Board.

Jackie Sergent, Public Health Department, appeared before the Board to assist in presenting Eat Smart Move More Awards. Chairman Wright stated that the Board has partnered with the

Vance-Granville WoW Coalition (Working on Wellness) to create an annual Eat Smart Move More Award program in support of the statewide effort Eat Smart Move More North Carolina.

To be eligible for award consideration, County organizations must have created a sustainable policy or environmental change that makes it easier for those that influence to eat smart, move more, and/or avoid tobacco products. Organizations submitted a short application with a description of their activities. WoW members reviewed the summary descriptions to determine which projects were likely to have the greatest positive impact and thereby merit special recognition.

Ms. Sergent recognized the Henderson-Vance Trailblazers and presented representatives with a certificate for creating a walking trail in downtown Henderson and for enhancing awareness of opportunities to eat smart and move more.

Chairman Wright presented the following awards to:

Maria Parham Medical Center for expanding health options for employees through a comprehensive wellness program which includes a stairwell project to encourage using the stairs rather than the elevator; and for providing and labeling health dining choices to influence both employee and visitor food selection.

Franklin Vance Warren Opportunity for improving employee and client access to fitness opportunities by creating an onsite work-out space and for making health choices seem fun and natural for all participants.

Alliance Rehabilitative Care for integrating wellness into its system of care for all clients and for setting an example for fitness and health food choices by offering opportunities for both throughout the week.

Chairman Wright presented the following certificates to:

Five County Mental Health Authority for creating an onsite work-out space for staff, for implementing a policy to allow staff to exercise on work time, and for adding an Eat Smart Move More wellness tip to its regular newsletter.

Northern Vance High School for using high school students, staff, and community volunteers to reach out to younger students and give them an opportunity to learn and practice tennis skills.

Western Vance High School for enhancing activity opportunities by adding equipment for use in PE classes, and by adding a gravel surface to an existing walking trail, and by always finding a way around unexpected obstacles.

Ms. Sergent then presented a report on the State of the County’s Health. The report included statistics on mortality data, teen pregnancy & STDs, chronic disease, child fatality prevention, and drug abuse and gang activity. Also included was the child fatality prevention team report. Copies of the report may be obtained at the Granville-Vance Health Department.

As advertised, at 7:00 p.m., a public hearing was held to gain citizen input regarding the five-year update to the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Jordan McMillen, Planning Services Director, stated that the public hearing is a FEMA requirement and no Board action is needed. Once FEMA approves the update to the Plan, it will need formal approval by the Board of Commissioners.

As there was no one present who wished to speak on the matter, Chairman Danny W. Wright declared the public hearing closed.

Consent agenda items were addressed next. Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, that the following consent agenda items be approved as presented: Budget Transfer #1, June 2010 Refunds, May 2010 Rebates, June 2010 Ambulance Charge-Offs in the amount of \$3,865.19, June 2010 Monthly Reports received and filed, and the minutes of the June 7, 2010 regular meeting.

Commissioner Deborah F. Brown questioned why the monthly report from the Health Department was not included with the consent agenda items. She was told that according to the Public Health Director, the Health Department is no longer able to compile a monthly report due to changes in the State’s reporting system. Commissioner Brown stated that she would like to receive the report regardless of their new reporting system. County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue stated that he would be speaking with Dr. Drake regarding this matter.

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**Budget Transfer #1
General Fund**

**Fund 10 -
Extension Service**

Expenditures	Code	Increase	Decrease
Contracted Services	10-605-500045	2,850.00	
 Expenditures			
Salaries and Wages	10-605-500001		2,448.00
FICA	10-605-500005		217.00
Retirement Local Government	10-605-500007		185.00

Totals **\$ 2,850.00** **\$ 2,850.00**

Purpose: To transfer a portion of salaries and related benefits to contracted services to cover the cost of the EFNEP (Expanded Foods and Education Program) assistant.

Authorization: Vance County Board of Commissioners
July 6, 2010

REFUNDS
June 2010

Name	Year	Amount	Reason
Deborah Sullivan	2009	65.92	Vehicle Tax
Deborah Sullivan	2009	2.16	Fire Tax
Mildred A. Hale	2009	17.94	Vehicle Tax
Donna M. Satterwhite	2009	8.82	Vehicle Tax
Donna M. Satterwhite	2009	.30	Fire Tax
Clarence J. Pittman	2009	6.60	Vehicle Tax
Clarence J. Pittman	2009	.24	Fire Tax
David E. Waddell	2009	36.90	Vehicle Tax
David E. Waddell	2009	1.20	Vehicle Tax
Variety Wholesalers	2009	389.27	Vehicle Tax - 13 Vehicles
Randy Morrison	2010	56.65	Vehicle Tax
John A. Pendergrass	2010	10.80	Vehicle Tax
Stephen C. Stroud	2009	42.75	Vehicle Tax
GMAC Louisville PPC	2009	342.70	Vehicle Tax
Lewis W. Clayton, Jr.	2009	23.65	Vehicle Tax
Joseph Robinson	2009	4.50	Vehicle Tax
Lonnie Webb, Jr.	2009	61.60	Vehicle Tax
Durwood T. Watkins	2009	43.10	Vehicle Tax
David Jackson	2009	48.57	County Tax
Edith F. Nunnery	2009	18.20	Vehicle Tax
Rufus T. Hargrove	2009	36.48	Vehicle Tax
Steven C. Graham	2008-09	4.16	Fire Tax
Randy Morrison	2010	1.87	Fire Tax
John A. Pendergrass	2010	.36	Fire Tax
Joseph Robinson	2009	.15	Fire Tax
Lonnie Webb, Jr.	2009	2.03	Fire Tax
Rufus T. Hargrove	2009	1.20	Fire Tax
Total		\$ 1,228.12	Fiscal y-t-d - \$ 10,122.16

REBATES
May 2010

NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
Curtis & Sylvia Thompson	2009	58.55	Listing Correction
Total		\$ 58.55	Fiscal y-t-d - \$ 97,114.37

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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, Human Resources
See on file monthly report, Planning and Development
See on file monthly report, Tax Office
See on file monthly report, Veterans Service Office
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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:

Jail
Detention Officer

Department of Social Services
Social Worker III

911
Emergency Operations Specialist

Motion was made by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, vote unanimous, to approve the position requests as presented.

Human Resources Committee - Criminal Background Resolution Amendment. Ms. Johen reported that The State Bureau of Investigation approved a resolution from our Board of Commissioners in 2007 that allows the Sheriff's Office Designee to run criminal background reports on final applicants for employment using the State's DCI system. With the Volunteer Firefighters coming under the umbrella of the County's Fire Chief on July 1, she requested approval to amend the Resolution to include wording that allows the Sheriff's Office to run criminal background reports on final volunteer applicants for Fire and EMS as well as final applicants for employment.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, vote unanimous, approve the amended Resolution as follows:

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**VANCE COUNTY
CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK RESOLUTION**

This Resolution adopted by the Vance County Board of Commissioners is to provide a policy and procedures for conducting criminal history checks through SBI/DCI on final applicants for employment with Vance County. This resolution is adopted pursuant to the authority vested in Vance County by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina in Sections 153A-11 and 153A-12 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

1. In order to protect the citizens of the county and their properties, the procedures herein are established to provide for fingerprinting and criminal history checks on all final applicants for regular full and part-time positions, and Fire and EMS volunteers in the county government. Subject to Division (C) of this section, employment with the county may be denied for those persons convicted of any crime against a person, or crimes against property where intent is an element, or any drug or gambling related offense.

(A) The County Manager, or designee, may conduct an investigation of any final candidate for a regular full or part-time position with the county government and it shall be a pre-condition of employment that an applicant for such a position shall, upon request, provide fingerprints and all other necessary personal identification including a birth certificate, social security number and drivers license, if available, so that the County Manager, or designee may cause a thorough search to be made of local and state criminal records to determine if that applicant has a history of criminal convictions or the crimes enumerated above by use of the Division of Criminal Information Network (DCI).

(B) The Sheriff, or his designee, shall provide the findings from the use of the DCI to the County Manager, or designee, provided that all necessary agreements with the State Bureau of Investigations Division of Criminal Information have been executed.

(C) An evaluation of any crime for purposes of employment will take into account the nature and the circumstances of the offense and the time frame of the offense as it relates to the essential job functions and/or the overall position.

2. If this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Resolution which can be given separate effect and to that end the provisions of this Resolution are declared to be severable.

3. Any Resolution or any part of a Resolution in conflict with this Resolution, the extent of such conflict, is hereby repealed.

4. This Resolution is adopted in the interest of public health, safety, and general welfare of the inhabitants of Vance County, North Carolina, and shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED the 6th day of July, 2010.

Kelly H. Grissom (signed)
Clerk to the Board

Danny W. Wright (signed)
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

CERTIFICATION

I, Vance County Clerk to the Board, do hereby certify that the above is a true and original copy of the CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK RESOLUTION adopted and approved by the Vance County Board of Commissioners on the 6th day of July, 2010.

SEAL

Kelly H. Grissom (signed)
Clerk to the Board

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Human Resources Committee - Employee Bonus. Ms. Johen reported that the Human Resources Committee has endorsed an administrative procedure for the employee bonus that was recently approved with the 2010-11 budget. The administrative procedure outlines the details of how the bonus will be processed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright to approve the employee bonus administrative procedure as endorsed by the Human Resources Committee. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt and unanimously approved.

Public Safety Committee. Mr. Ayscue reported that the Public Safety Committee met on Wednesday, June 16 and discussed two items: improved coordination in the court system and fee collections for emergency medical services. Sheriff Peter White, District Attorney Sam Currin, and Kermit Ellis from the D.A.'s office met with the committee. There was lengthy discussion about habitual criminals being allowed back on the streets after very short periods of incarceration. There was agreement to obtain specific data that will help to establish a baseline for determination of how successful future collective efforts are in trying to improve this situation. Also, there was discussion about the inordinate amount of time that some inmates were being incarcerated before being tried. Mr. Ayscue stated that there will be further committee meetings with other court officials as efforts are made to reduce the number of habitual criminals on the street and to shorten incarceration time before trial as appropriate. Further, the committee met with County staff regarding EMS billing for services rendered on behalf of the local hospital. The Fire Marshal/EMS Chief will meet with hospital officials to discuss appropriate billing for services.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt stated that the Committee has interest in meeting with a representative from the Attorney's Association regarding case management.

Planning and Environmental Committee. Mr. Ayscue reported that the Planning and Environmental Committee met on Thursday, June 17 and discussed use of an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) process for selection of an engineering firm for the US #1 South Sewer Project, review of the updated land use plan, the High Speed Rail Project, a grant application for an economic development project, and the status of a dilapidated property project in Kittrell. The committee reviewed the RFQ for the sewer project and provided input. The committee directed that the RFQ should go to the Citizens Advisory Committee next and then be sent out to prospective engineering firms, with a staff recommendation to be made to the Planning and Environmental Committee. County staff and the Planning Board have made the necessary revisions to the existing Land Use Plan in order to qualify to have NC DOT redo the County's existing Thoroughfare Plan (now called Comprehensive Transportation Plan). The committee endorsed the procedure to have it submitted to the full Board of Commissioners on July 6 with the plan to take action in the August Commissioners' meeting. Discussion about the High Speed Rail Project (HSR) included concern

about the limited number of crossings inside and outside of City limits. An inadequate number of crossings can potentially create issues for public safety, school buses, businesses, and others. The staff will continue to monitor the situation and lobby for more crossings as appropriate. Endorsement of submission of an application for grant funds for an economic development project was sought and approved during the Board's special meeting held on June 21. A dilapidated property was previously approved by the Board of Commissioners for demolition if the property owner failed to act. It was determined that the County Attorney would be contacted for further information as to moving the project along.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt to receive and review the updated land in order to plan for adoption in the August meeting. This will allow DOT to proceed with its work on a Comprehensive Transportation Plan for the County. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

Technology Committee. Mr. Ayscue stated that the Technology Committee met on Friday, June 18 to discuss the strategy needed to implement the technology study undertaken by Enterprise Network Services. Chairman Wright recently appointed the committee members as Commissioners Brown, Brummitt, and Hughes, all Department Heads, and the County Manager. Mr. Ike Bunn of ENS presented several action steps which can begin quickly, most of which require action by Board of County Commissioners. They are as follows:

- Standardize email for all employees (except DSS)
- Contract with private firm to develop and host GIS website
- Contract with private firm for content management services (County website)
- Develop RFP for telephone system (VOIP)
- Develop RFP for Tax Office, Finance Office, and related functions
- Immediately recruit IT person with technical and management skills

Several subcommittees were established to further develop these action steps and recommendations are as follows:

- Authorize the Planning Services Director to contract with a private firm to develop and host a GIS website
- Authorize the County Manager to contract with a private firm for content management services, which includes all County websites
- Authorize staff to develop and distribute a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a telephone system
- Authorize staff to develop and distribute a Request for Proposals, the appropriate automated system for the Tax Office and the Finance Office, including addressing, mapping, etc.; and
- Establish the position and appropriate the necessary funding for employment of an in-house IT person.

After a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, vote unanimous, to approve all recommendations of the Technology Committee as presented.

Properties Committee. Mr. Ayscue reported that the Properties Committee met on Friday, June 18, and discussed the Vance Manor facility, the Armory, the old Southern National Bank Building, foreclosed properties, and the former teacherage/School central office. The committee wishes to offer the Vance Manor property to the parties identified in the recent study the opportunity to obtain a 90-day option for \$3,000 during which an offer to purchase must be made. The building will be sold to the highest of those bidders. They will have 30 days to initiate the option. Without an option being obtained, the County will proceed to otherwise sell the property.

Attorney Jonathan Care expressed his concerns that this recommendation does not comply with the way the statutes require a county to sell real estate. The County is not allowed to give preferential treatment to anyone to obtain an option to purchase.

After further discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt to seek offers on the Vance Manor property from the parties identified in the study for 30 days, and then open up to the general public to submit offers. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved.

Properties Committee - continued. Realizing that discussions have occurred in meetings of the Intergovernmental Committee regarding the Armory and old Southern National Bank building, the Properties Committee reinforces the strategy for each governing body to totally own one of the two buildings instead of both entities owning a half share of both pieces of property. Should either or both entities realize a profit with their building, 50% of the proceeds shall be paid to the other governing body. This would hopefully simplify the disposition of each property. Another item for the Intergovernmental Committee to consider relates to disposition of jointly owned foreclosure property. It would be appropriate to request that the City relay its ownership of the property to the County for final disposition. At such time that the property is sold, the County will prorate and remit any profits to the City. The County has requested an update of an architectural review of the former School central office building. Upon receipt of the report, the committee will discuss a plan for the building. The Committee recommended 1). The relinquishing of half ownership in either the Armory or the old Southern National Bank building to the City in return for full ownership of the other building, with the provision that should either or both entities realize a profit on the two

properties, 50% of the profit will be remitted to the other entity, and 2). Agree to the strategy of receiving the City's share of jointly owned foreclosure property, disposing of the property, and remitting a prorated share of any profits to the City.

Regarding the Armory and old Southern National Bank building, Attorney Care questioned how any maintenance costs would be factored into the equation - would those costs be deducted from the proceeds of the sale? The Board discussed this matter at length and decided that the buildings would be taken as-is and any costs associated with regular maintenance of either building would be the responsible of the owner and not deducted from the sale proceeds. Building improvements, however, would be deducted from the proceeds.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt to negotiate with the City to relinquish half ownership in either the Armory or the old Southern National Bank building to the City in return for full ownership of the other building, with the provision that should either or both entities realize a profit on the two properties, 50% of the profit will be remitted to the other entity, less any costs associated with building improvements. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

Regarding disposition of jointly owned foreclosure property, motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, vote unanimous, to receive the City's share of jointly owned foreclosure property, disposing of the property, and remitting a prorated share of any profits to the City.

Education Committee. Mr. Ayscue stated that the Education Committee met on Monday, June 21 after a tour of the new Clarke Elementary School. Several items were discussed including a dedication ceremony for Clarke Elementary School, QZABs and QSCBs, roof and hvac work at the Central Office, program updates, opening certain gymnasiums and libraries to children during the summers, and a commitment to improved communication and interaction between boards. The Education Committee will meet again in early to mid-September.

Pending Business

County Water Project. Mr. Ayscue reported that discussions continue with the City of Henderson for purchase of water and for operation and maintenance. *Phase 1A.* A total of 619 sign-ups have been received (out of 1,275 potential customers). Engineers are working to determine the best strategy for the County based on the sign-ups thus far. The engineers have met with several mobile home park owners to determine the optimal means of serving them. County staff and

engineers are reviewing various areas for location of an overhead water storage tank to serve this part of the District. *Phase 1B.* The Kittrell Water Association and USDA continue to work with KWA to apply for funding for Phase 1B later this year, consistent with action taken by the Commissioners in December 2009. *Phases 2A & 2B.* Funding from USDA Rural Development has been established for both of these phases. Phase 2A will be funded with \$2.2 million in loans and \$1.62 million in grants. Phase 2B has \$3.94 million in loans and \$1.99 million in grants. Three sign-up meetings for Phases 2A and 2B were held during April at Hicksboro Volunteer Fire Department, Western Vance School, and New Hope Elementary School. There was a significant amount of interest demonstrated during those sign-up meetings. The staff is planning a couple more sign-up meetings for early August. The end of August has been set as the deadline for interested citizens to sign up for service.

US #1 South Sewer Project. The County has been funded by the NC Rural Economic Development Center for a feasibility study for a sewer line to serve the US #1 South corridor. The \$44,000 project consists of the \$40,000 grant and \$4,000 of local match. Input from citizens and businesses along US #1 Highway South will be sought through the Citizens Advisory Committee, for which appointments were made by the Commissioners in the May regular meeting. A Request for Qualifications is being developed for distribution to engineering and/or planning firms, with Commissioners to approve the selection of a firm to conduct the study. The Planning & Environmental Committee has met and reviewed the RFQ, with the next step to be a meeting with the Citizens Advisory Committee to review the RFQ. A contract for the grant from the Rural Center is forthcoming.

Commissioner Deborah F. Brown requested that Subdivision Road Conditions be added to Pending Business Items beginning next month.

County Manager's Report

Warrenton Road Sewer Project. Mr. Ayscue reported that the work on this extended project has now been completed. The property owners along the route of the line have been notified that they are free to connect to City sewer service. The next step will be to dedicate the line to the City of Henderson.

Collective Bargaining. Mr. Ayscue stated that he received an email this afternoon from NACo stating that Congress passed a bill last week that forces states and local governments to engage in collective bargaining. It will go to the Senate next week for final approval. Traditionally, the County has gone on record opposing collective bargaining and Mr. Ayscue requested the Board to authorize a letter expressing its opposition.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt to authorize the Chairman to execute a letter to be faxed to our US Senators expressing Vance County's opposition to collective bargaining. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown and unanimously approved.

Miscellaneous

Appointment of Voting Delegate for NCACC Conference. Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, vote unanimous, to appoint Danny Wright as the County's voting delegate for the NCACC Conference in August.

Appointments. The following appointments were presented to the Board for consideration:

Airport Authority - 1 year term

Re-appoint Joe Mahaffey - appointed 10/2007

No other applications received.

Rural Transportation Advisory Committee - 2 year term

Re-appoint Danny Wright - appointed 02/2002

No other applications received.

Library Board of Trustees - 3 year term

Re-appoint Cornell Manning - appointed 07/1979

Mary Austell - appointed 01/2007

No other applications received.

Chairman Wright stated that he will not be able to serve out a two-year term to the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee. Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright to appoint Dan Brummitt to the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee for a two-year term. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, to re-appoint Joe Mahaffey to the Airport Authority for a one-year term, and re-appoint Cornell Manning and Mary Austell to the Library Board of Trustees to three-year terms.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Deborah F. Brown, vote unanimous, to enter into closed session to discuss personnel matters.

Upon return to regular session, and as there was no further business, motion was made by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, that the meeting be adjourned.

Approved and signed August 2, 2010.

Chairman