

State of North Carolina

County of Madison

Minutes

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom, Madison County Courthouse, Marshall, NC.

In attendance were Chair Sue Vilcinskas, Vice-Chair Jim Baker, Commissioner Bill Briggs, Commissioner Hall Moore, Attorney Donny Laws and Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk.

ITEM: 1

Motion from Commissioner Moore to move Item 10 from the agenda to public comment failed with a vote of 2 to 2. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Vilcinskas. Voting in the negative were Commissioner Baker and Commissioner Briggs.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda with the following additions: Allen Lamberson – Board Appointments, Tax Update, Community Housing Coalition Challenge, and Thank You Letters.

ITEM: II

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2013 and the May 24, 2013 meetings.

ITEM: III

Karen Klehna appeared before the Board to present an update on the Scattered Site Grant.

ITEM: IV

Jay Tipton appeared before the Board to request permission to build additional baseball fields on property owned by the County at the Fairgrounds.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to instruct the County Manager to consult with all individuals, affected parties and entities and to include a proposal and cost of building the fields and to have this item placed on the July agenda.

ITEM: V

Upon recommendation from Gerald Tomberlin, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Tomberlin as the County's Agent of Record rescinding the appointment of Rick Scarboro as agent.

ITEM: VI

Upon recommendation from Jan Shepard, Health Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve a contract with NC Alliance as it relates to the innovation Approaches Grant.

Upon recommendation from Jan Shepard, Health Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a contract with AeroFlow pending modifications by the County Attorney.

Upon recommendation from Jan Shepard, Health Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to employ Melinda Morriow as a Physician Extender I.

Mrs. Shepard's request for permission to recruit for a vacant full time dental assistant was tabled to the July meeting.

Upon recommendation from Jan Shepard, Health Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to employ Laura Llewellyn as a Public Health Nurse II.

ITEM: VII

Upon recommendation from Sallie Klipp, Library Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to permit Mrs. Klipp to advertise, interview and employ a temporary substitute.

Mrs. Klipp reported to the Board that the Library Services and Technology Grant supported by the NC State Library had been approved on May 25, 2013 and will take effect July 1, 2013. The goal of the grant is to provide computer/digital training to women involved in domestic violence. The Friends of the Mars Hill Library and the Friends of Madison County Library met the required match.

Mrs. Klipp reported that E-Rate Central had been successful in requesting a waiver from the Federal Communications Commission. E-rate funding provides 80% of the cost of library Internet access from French Broad EMC. Had the waiver been unsuccessful the loss in revenue to the county would have been \$7,000.00.

ITEM: VIII

Upon recommendation from Jim Huff, Landfill Director, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve a grant from the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Assistance and Outreach for \$15,679.00 for the purchase of two additional electronic recycling trailers, seventy-five rolling recycling carts and ten information centers for the collection centers. Matching cost for the County is \$3,920.00.

ITEM: IX

A request from Ryan Cody, Inspections Director, to fill vacancies on the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustments was tabled until the July meeting.

Upon motion recommendation from Ryan Cody, and upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker the Board voted 3 to 1 to approve a new fee schedule effective July 1, 2013. Voting in the affirmative were Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Baker, and Commissioner Vilcinskis. Voting in the negative was Commissioner Briggs.

ITEM: X

The Board heard from Pet Orthmann regarding the financial transactions of H&M Construction related to the construction of the new jail.

ITEM: XI

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve an agreement with Mission Hospital, Inc. to provide emergency medical services to the County. The agreement begins July 1, 2013 and is effective through June 30, 2017.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a resolution adopting a policy for mutual assistance with other law enforcement agencies. The resolution was recommended by Sheriff Buddy Harwood.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve a waiver and release of liability form to be used by the Madison County Department of Community Services.

Alien Lamberson, County Manager, updated the Board on tax collection efforts.

A request from Mr. Lamberson to name members to the Farmland Preservation Board was tabled to the July meeting.

Mr. Lamberson updated the Board regarding the work performed during the flooding in Hot Springs.

Upon recommendation from Alien Lamberson, County Manager, and upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve a grant award challenge with Community Housing Coalition.

ITEM: XII

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve Budget Amendment #12, Part A and Part B.

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the attached Property Tax Releases, Vehicle Tax Releases, and Tax Refunds.

The Board received the Financial Report for the month of May.

ITEM: XIII

Upon motion from Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session to discuss pending litigation and personnel issues.

ITEM: XIV

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

Upon motion of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 11th day of June, 2013.

MADISON COUNTY

By: _____
Sue Vilcinskas, Chair

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart
Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk