

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 2, 1976

The Board of Rowan County Commissioners met in a Regular Session in the Community Building, Salisbury, North Carolina at 9:00 a.m. The following members were present: Chairman Honeycutt, Eugene McCombs, Charlie Walters, Hall Steele and Bob Mauldin.

Chairman Honeycutt called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Upon a motion by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the minutes of January 5, 1976 were unanimously approved.

In reviewing the monthly reports, Mr. Steele moved to change the Social Services Department report to stipulate the hiring of a Typist I instead of Typist II. Mr. McCombs seconded with unanimous approval.

Mr. Steele moved to set the date for the local public needs assessment hearings on February 25 at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Building for the Mental Health, Health Department and Department of Social Services. Mr. Mauldin seconded with unanimous approval.

A letter from Ted D. Peeler, Mayor, Town of Faith, requested the Commissioners approval to extend the coverage of the building, plumbing and electrical code requirements of Rowan County to include the Town of Faith and to administer same ordinances through the County Inspection Offices. Mr. McCombs moved to approve this request and Mr. Walters seconded with unanimous approval. (attached)

Mr. Murdoch, County Manager, said the public hearing for the secondary road construction program for Rowan County will be February 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Red Room of the Community Building.

Upon a motion from Mr. Mauldin, seconded by Mr. McCombs it was unanimously approved for \$1,799.60 to be taken from the secondary roads funds to pave Earle Street-SR 1393 under the property owners participation policy.

The Following road petitions were approved on a motion from Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Steele:

Dog Wood Lane

Mr. Glenn Trexler, Tax Collector, announced that collections for January, 1976 totaled \$2,036,173.47. Mr. Trexler asked that the date of the lien sale for unpaid 1975 taxes be set for the first Monday in June. Upon a motion by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Walters, this date was approved with advertisement of the sale to be on the four previous weeks.

Mr. McCombs reported the following interest collected as of January 1976 on money appropriated but not yet spent:

School Fund	\$29,416.19
School Building	1,945.76
General Fund	59,945.25
Revenue Sharing	16,557.11
Debt Service	3,630.49
Rowan Tech Bonds	<u>66,638.29</u>
Total	\$178,133.09

Upon a motion by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Walters, the following refunds were approved: Attached

Mr. Doug Tennant, County Architect for the new County Office building, announced the following bids as received on January 28, 1976: Attached.

Mr. Tennant discussed with the Commissioners several ideas for cutting costs and requested permission to rebid the electrical and heating/air conditioning contracts. Mr. Walters moved to grant Mr. Tennant this authority and Mr. Mauldin seconded with unanimous approval. Mr. Tennant stated that he would ask for a 15 day extension on the general contract bid from Wagoner Construction Company and plumbing contract from Kannapolis Service Co.

Wallace Peeler, Tax Supervisor, gave the 1975 total valuation for Rowan county as follows:

Real	\$600,638,060
Personal	358,672,725
Utilities	136,274,134

The Commissioners gave Mr. Peeler the authority to enforce the deadline of November 1 for the elderly to apply for their tax exemption.

Mr. Peeler requested the following transfer: \$250 from 5935 to 5904.

Mr. McCombs moved that this request be granted and Mr. Mauldin seconded with unanimous approval.

Upon a motion by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. Mauldin the following refund was approved: Mid-State Equipment Company

Upon a motion by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Steele, the local board of equalization and review was approved to meet April 5 at 2:00 p.m.

The following new personnel were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. Steele:

Joanna S. Morris- Clerk II \$492/month
James H. Caudill – Agricultural Extension Agent \$538.91/month effective 1/1/76.
Bertha JoAnn Russell-Health \$773/month
Kay Mullis Hedrick-DSS \$470/month
Carolyn H. Patton-DSS \$590/month

Rodney A. Callaway was reappointed to a three year term on the Zoning Board of Adjustments upon a motion by Mr. McCombs and seconded by Mr. Mauldin.

A letter was received from the Town of Faith informing the Commissioners that a public hearing was held as required by law in forming a planning board to serve the Town of Faith and surrounding area. The Board is to consist of three members from inside the municipal limits and two members from an extraterritorial area. As requested by the Board of Alderman, Mr. McCombs moved to approve Bill Coble and Dennis Barger to serve as members from the extraterritorial area. Mr. Mauldin seconded the motion with unanimous approval.

In a letter from the Town of Cleveland, their Planning Board requested Commissioners to appoint two members for the Board from an outside area. Upon a motion by Mr. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, Jennings Nelson and Grady Hall were unanimously approved.

Upon a motion by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, E.L. Setzer and Bob Brunson were reappointed to another term on the Parks and Recreation Commission and Mrs. Dan Nicholas was appointed as a regular member.

Mr. Walters moved to approve a request from the Library Board to appoint two new members as trustees during the years when none of the present six member are up for appointment until there are a total of 12 on the Board. Mr. Steele seconded with unanimous approval.

Mr. Mauldin moved to renew the lease agreement with Percy Smith for the Old County Home Building from January 15, 1976 to January 15, 1977. Mr. Steele seconded with unanimous approval.

Upon a motion from Mr. Walters, and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, joint resolutions with the County and the Towns of China Grove and Landis for County enforcement of the Sedimentation Control Ordinance were unanimously passed. (attached)

The following refund was unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. McCombs and seconded by Mr. Mauldin:

O. H. Elliott- \$4.00

Seth Murdoch, County Manager reported that Mr. John Anderson of 104 Rocket Street in Morganton, was interested in selling his house and lot at 124 W. Kerr Street. Mr. Anderson said he would be willing to take \$9,750 for this property. Upon a motion by Mr. McCombs and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, it was unanimously approved to purchase this property with the money to come from contingencies.

Chairman Honeycutt suggested that the Personnel Committee meet with Mr. Dick Hardesty, Chairman Board of Elections, next Tuesday night, February 10 at 7:00 to discuss the distribution of funds taken in from municipal elections.

Upon a motion from Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Steele, a resolution was adopted for equal employment opportunity to be included in the Rowan County Personnel Policy Plan. (Attached)

Clarence Kluttz, County Attorney, told the Commissioners if they were interested in an ordinance controlling fire arms, it should be along the lines of a bill that was introduced to the Legislature. However, he stated that the bill did not pass and a public hearing should be held before passing a fire arms ordinance.

Mr. Kluttz said that the Environmental Protection Agency has put out a model noise ordinance. He stated that it is measured by decibels and would be very difficult to enforce.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10.

Respectfully Submitted,
Glenda Earnhardt, Clerk