

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF

ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ADJOURNED MEETING

MARCH 12, 1984

The Board of County Commissioners met in Adjourned Session in the Community Building, Salisbury, North Carolina at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present: Chairman Hall Steele, Jamima DeMarcus, Harry Sifford, Jim Sides and Jim Cohen.

Chairman Steele called to order and Commissioner Sides opened with prayer.

Chairman Steele then opened the Public Hearing and called on Mr. Ken Horton, District Engineer from Winston-Salem with the Department of Transportation to present their proposal of the Secondary Road Program to Commissioners and interested citizens attending the meeting. Mr. Horton introduced members of the Transportation Department who were with him: Mr. W. Frank McCray, Wade E. Hoke, Charles A. Kluttz, Jr., Don Honeycutt and Ed Lockhart.

Mr. Horton stated that the money for the secondary roads construction program comes from the 1 3/8 cents gasoline tax and the county's allocation is based on its number of miles of unpaved roads. He said he used a rating sheet to determine priority roads; the road with the highest number of points goes to the top. Mr. Horton presented the following program:

1) (a) Add 4" Base and Pave (20' pavement) Flat Road Extension- SR 1210, from SR 1211 to Dead End,- 0.80 Mile (Priority #3)-----	\$30,400.00
(b) Grade, Drain, Base and Pave (18' Pavement) Dead End Road- SR 1482 off Unity Church Road, from SR 1355 to Dead End- 0.70 Mile (Priority #4)-----	64,000.00
(c) Grade, Drain, Base and Pave (18' Pavement) Roseman Road- SR 2550, from SR 2547 to Dead End- 0.53 Mile (Priority #5) -----	50,000.00
(d) Grade, Drain, Base and Pave (18' Pavement) Chandler Road- SR 1806, from SR 1735 to Dead End- 0.70 mile (Priority #6)-----	61,000.00
<u>Property Owners' Participation Projects:</u> -----	60,000.00
11) Widen Lentz Road- SR 1337, from 16' pavement to 22' pavement, from US29-601 to I-85 Bridge- 0.60 mile-----	35,000.00
Widen Grace Church Road- SR 1503, from 16' pavement to 22' pavement, from SR 1509 to SR 1506- 1.00 mile----	35,000.00
Widen Needmore Road- SR 1984, from 16' pavement to 22' pavement, from NC801 for a distance of 1.00 mile-----	35,000.00
III) <u>Spot Improvement:</u>	
(a) Ray Troxler Road- SR 2369- Replace Bridge #343 with one (1) X 79" C.M.P.A.-----	17,500.00
<u>Spot Stabilization:</u>	
Spot stabilization of various roads in County-----	57,500.00
IV.) <u>Road Additions:</u> (approximately 5%)-----	25,000.00

V. CONTINGENCIES: (approximately 6%)-----\$26,334.00

Total for the Proposed Secondary Road  
Program for 1984-1985-----\$496,734.00

Mr. Horton explained the bridge replacement determining factors to Commissioners; and gave them their three options of viewing the program: 1- To concur with the above construction program, 2- Take no action 3- Make recommendations for deviation except paving project. Must vote at a later meeting if they do that. Another meeting would have to be called.

Mr. Horton said that this priority list was prepared early in 1983 and that a new book would have to be prepared for next year. Commissioner Sides asked, "if any funds were left over from any one of the projects, could these funds be allocated to Morgan Road improvements"? Mr. Horton said they would have to go to the next road on the list and then obtain right-of-way.

A citizen attending the meeting spoke up and said he felt like Morgan Township was being deprived and that Townships should be considered.

Commissioner Cohen made a motion to go on record with DOT to not allow growth development or other priority things happening that would push Morgan Road down the scale. Commissioner Sides seconded. Commissioner Sifford said he was also concerned about Morgan Road being pushed down- but there could be a change in plan- but recommended that #1 priority be given to Morgan Road. Commissioner Cohen said he would withdraw his motion to go along with Commissioner Sifford. Commissioner Sifford made a motion that Morgan Road be given #1 priority for next year. Commissioner Cohen seconded. The motion passing with Chairman Steele voting NO. He said he would have to face these people next year.

Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion that the Commissioners concur with the proposed list as presented by DOT. Commissioner Cohen seconded with unanimous approval. (attached)

A citizen asked where St. Matthew Church Road stood for widening. Mr. Horton said it was high on the priority list.

Commissioner Sides said he wanted to go on record not to wait until next year - if any one of these projects falls thru- within a reasonable length of time (6 mos.) that DOT allocate these funds to issue a work order for Morgan Road!

Commissioner DeMarcus said after November Election- there would be a new administration and they might not use this list.

Mr. David Knox expressed his concern for road #1745- located in the Western part of the County.

Chairman Steele said in building a new building for the Agricultural people, the Commissioners needed all the information they could get so he called on David Knox and Harold Caudle to talk to them. Mr. Knox said they were not unhappy with their present location; but in the longrun, they may become a congested area. He said the Agricultural Office would be the logical office to move out. They would have a greater accessibility for clients on the Old Concord Road and have a new facility for designing a new room for their computer. Commissioner Sifford cautioned Mr. Knox on their limit figured for space under the present proposal. He told him there was 13,920 sq. ft. set for construction of a new auditorium.

Mr. Doug Tennent, Architect, and Commissioners discussed two options for housing the Department of Social Services. Commissioner Sifford favored expanding the existing Social Services Department facilities for approximately \$481,840. Commissioner Sides and Commissioner Cohen said they could support the expansion if it could be done by eliminating the extra square feet that the Department would not need, with that, the cost would be a lot cheaper. Commissioner Cohen said if they could not do this, he would go along with Commissioner DeMarcus, in favor of building a new building on the Old Concord Road. Commissioner Sides and Mr. Tennent discussed giving the Social Services 6,800 as opposed to 6,984 sq. ft. Commissioner Sides made a motion to build 6,984 sq. ft. at \$40 a sq. ft. Commissioner Sifford said he could go along with this if it were amended to add an additional 6,800 of unfinished space and to go out for bids to do the construction. Because of so much confusion concerning the figures and space, Chairman Steele asked Commissioner Sides to confer with Mr. Tennent and to come back Thursday, March 15 at 4:30 to proceed with the findings.

Commissioners deferred board appointments to the Industrial Development Committee until Thursday's Adjourned Meeting.

Commissioner DeMarcus moved that the County School's request for line item transfers be approved. Commissioner Sifford seconded with unanimous approval. (attached)

The County Manager presented Amendment No. 1 to the grant agreement for Rowan County Airport, Project No. 5-37-0064-01 which clarifies the parcel numbers and incorporates a revised Exhibit "A" dated January 1984 for acquisition of airspace for clear zones at the Airport. Commissioner Sifford moved that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Amendment on behalf of Rowan County. Commissioner Cohen seconded with unanimous approval. (attached)

The County Manager advised the Board that IBM personnel had contacted him and stated that a new system 38 computer was out that was 25% faster and cost less than the one they had bid and was available to the county with the same delivery date. Commissioner Sifford moved that the County Manager be authorized to sign new contracts reflecting these changes. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion that the Commissioners participate in the Volunteers Award Program with Mrs. Betty McCrary chairing it. Commissioner Sifford seconded with unanimous approval.