

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
APRIL 22, 1986

The Board of Rowan County Commissioners met in a Special Called Meeting in the Community Building on April 22, 1986 at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present: Commissioner Jamima DeMarcus, Commissioner Harry Sifford, Commissioner J. Newton Cohen and Chairman Hall Steele. Absent: Commissioner Richard Messinger.

Chairman Hall Steele called the meeting to order and Commissioner Sifford opened with prayer.

County Manager, Tim Russell told Commissioners that 103 county employees participated in the 12 mile March-of-dimes walk-a-thon on Saturday, April 19 and raised \$5,526.00. Mr. Russell said the county took 3rd place in consideration of number of employees walking and amount of money raised. Commissioners were impressed with the number of prizes that will be turned over to the Donnelly Home from proceeds from the walk. Chairman Steele said the walk-a-thon is a big step toward trying to communicate county government to the public. Mr. Koontz, Director of the Social Services Department thanked the walkers for the prizes and again extended an invitation to the Board to visit the newly remodeled Donnelly Home. Chairman Steele said the Donnelly Home had received 38 new children since January 1, 1986.

Mr. Russell briefed Commissioners on dates and places of upcoming events that would involve them.

Commissioner Sifford made a motion to authorize the Chairman to enter into the contract with Dewberry and Davis for incinerator project subject to deletion in some of the conditions. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded with unanimous approval. The proposal is fixed at \$7,300. The consulting firm will study a proposal by C&H Waste Engineers to build an incinerator here to burn garbage from Rowan, Davie and Iredell counties.

Commissioner DeMarcus moved that McCabe's Restaurant be awarded the Food Catering Contract. Commissioner Sifford seconded with unanimous approval. Commissioners had deferred this matter in order to find out if McCabes had adequate insurance coverage.

Terry Barber, REMAS Director, talked to Commissioners about a contract with Rowan Memorial for training program for REMAS. Mr. Barber said the contract had been reviewed by County Attorney, Clarence Kluttz and he had given his approval. Mr. Barber said twenty of his twenty-nine staff members would receive training in intravenous therapy in the Emergency Department of the hospital. The other nine will take it at a later date. Mr. Barber said they must spend eight hours in the emergency room then the Medical Examiner's Office will have to give their approval before certificates are issued to certify on the EMT-Intermediate level. Commissioner Sifford made a motion to enter into the contract with Rowan Memorial Hospital. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion that we accept the Master Plan for Airport Improvement Program and authorize the Chairman to sign and the County Manager to attest the appropriate resolution. Commissioner Sifford seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioner Cohen made a motion to proclaim the week of May 4-10, 1986 as National Extension Homemakers Week throughout Rowan County. Commissioner Sifford seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioner Sifford moved that we give Rowan County citizens an opportunity to pay for the Southern Bell 911 Service as presented at .28 cents per month for fifteen months. Commissioner Cohen seconded with an amendment to set the charge at .50 monthly. Commissioner Sifford accepted the amendment and the motion was unanimous. The cost for the printing and mailing of the ballots, is an estimated \$18,000.00.

Mr. Russell told Commissioners that as of today he had not heard from Owen Kugel in regard to a letter that had been sent offering him a 90-day extension from April 1 through June 30, 1986 providing that \$25,000 be reimbursed to the county upfront in two weeks - deadline 21st. day of April, 1986. Mr. Russell told Commissioners that he had received three legitimate inquiries of potential purchasers for the Post Office. Commissioners agreed to instruct County Manager to contact these persons who have shown interest in the Post Office and see if they are willing to make a cash deposit and then go out for

sealed bids asking for \$300,000 leaving the door open to Mr. Kugel.

Mr. Russell said Mr. Wayne Ashworth, Emergency Management Director had been contacted by the Rescue Squad to hold the Ambulance Ordinance again in order to make some more changes. Commissioners deferred this ordinance again.

Commissioners agreed on combination day/night meetings for budget hearings which is as follows:

- Tuesday, May 20: 9:00 A.M.-----4:00 P.M.
- Wednesday, May 21: 9:00 A.M.-----4:00 P.M.
- Thursday, May 22: 7:00 P.M.----10:00 P.M.
- Tuesday, May 27: 7:00 P.M.----10:00 P.M.
- Wednesday, May 28: 1:00 P.M.---- 5:00 P.M.
- Thursday, May 29: 9:00 A.M.---- 4:00 P.M. (REVIEW)

County Manager told Commissioners that the State has reviewed and accepted the erosion and sedimentation control plan which had been submitted for the new Rowan County Agricultural Center on the Old Concord Road.

County Manager said a letter had been received from Mr. Hefner saying that he is in support of extension bill that gets to House floor of impact of losing revenue sharing will have on local government. He is doing what he can on behalf of revenue sharing.

County Manager talked about a letter concerning proposal to revise tax discount and prepayment policy. Mr. Russell said this proposal would eliminate pre-payment of taxes before June 30 and allow citizens to pay in July and receive 2.5% discount. Mr. Russell said we could not act on this now since Commissioner Messinger is absent.

Commissioner DeMarcus asked permission to do some planting around the community building using free labor, asked Commissioners to look into it.

Commissioner DeMarcus said she had followed thru with finding out if City of Kannapolis had any intention of sharing

in the Baker's Creek Park Project. She gave Commissioners their suggested ratio budget:

Cabarrus County....	55%--\$21,617.20
Kannapolis.....	20%--\$ 7,860.80
Rowan County.....	25%--\$ 9,826.00

Commissioner Cohen reported that trustees at the jail were washing private cars. Commissioners agreed to inform the Sheriff.

Commissioner Sifford made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a matter of litigation. Commissioner Cohen seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioner Cohen made a motion to come out of Executive Session and back into Regular session. Commissioner Sifford seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioner Sifford made a motion that we authorize Attorney Malcolm Blankenship to negotiate a settlement in the case of Roberta Peeler in the amount of \$1,200.00. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded with unanimous approval.

Commissioners were encouraged to attend the Groundbreaking Ceremony of the new Agricultural Building on Wednesday, April 23, 1986 at 10:00 A.M.

Commissioner Sifford said he would like to name it before the groundbreaking.

Chairman Steele said it should be named to reflect something other than Agriculture.

Commissioner DeMarcus said to defer it; to ask for suggestions from citizens.

There being no further business, Chairman Steele adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda L. Honeycutt, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners