

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
ROWAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 15, 1996 - 7:00 P.M.
COMMISSION MEETING ROOM, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

PRESENT: J. Newton Cohen, Chairman
Jim Neely, Vice-Chairman
Tom Webb, Member
Todd Arey, Member
Steve Blount, Member

The County Manager, Finance Director, County Attorney and Clerk to the Board were also present. Chairman Cohen called the meeting to order and Commissioner Webb gave the invocation.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

* Commissioner Webb commended paramedics Michelle Dudley and Jerry Tysinger for their work in transporting a patient. Commissioner Webb stated he had received high praises from the citizen that had been transported for the paramedics professional attitude and work.

* Commissioner Blount asked to have a closed session for an economic development discussion.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Chairman Cohen asked if a member wished to pull any item from the consent agenda for discussion. Commissioner Blount moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The consent agenda consisted of the following items:

- (a) Approval of Capital Project Ordinance for Industrial Park Financing Package
- (b) Approval of Minutes from 3/21/96 and 3/22/96 meetings
- (c) Approval of Refunds totaling \$109.00

- (d) Approval of Resolution Establishing April 14-20, 1996 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Commissioner Webb read the Public Safety Telecommunicators Week Resolution.

REQUEST FROM CENTRALINA FOR CONTRIBUTION FOR NATIONAL REGIONAL COUNCILS CONFERENCE:

Mr. Russell explained a letter received from Centralina requesting a one time appropriation to help offset expenses to be incurred when Charlotte hosts the regional councils national conference. Commissioner Blount moved for approval of the \$860.00 request. Commissioner Neely seconded and the motion carried.

REQUEST FOR BRIDGE AT DAN NICHOLAS PARK:

Parks Director Jim Foltz stated that Parks Board Chairman Steven Brown had written a letter to the North Carolina Department of Transportation requesting bridge 89 be moved to Dan Nicholas Park instead of being torn down. He requested the Board to write a letter asking for the bridge to be placed at the park. He stated the County would then take over maintenance of the bridge. Commissioner Webb moved to write a letter from the Board requesting the bridge be placed at Dan Nicholas Park. Commissioner Blount seconded adding he was concerned about what the actual cost to the County would be for site preparation and maintenance. He asked to write the letter stating this concern. The Chair called for the vote and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Foltz added that the train was 95% complete and invited the Board to visit the site.

PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENT TO ROWAN COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE:

Commissioner Webb moved to open the public hearing for comments on the proposed amendment to the alcoholic beverage ordinance. Commissioner Blount seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Citizens who addressed the Board concerning this issue were:

Don Hamilton-stated this would open up all county properties to serve alcohol.

There being no further comments offered, Commissioner Arey moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Neely seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Blount then moved to adopt the amendment to section

3.2 of the Alcoholic Beverages Ordinance. Commissioner Webb seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4/1 with Chairman Cohen voting against.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

City of Kannapolis - Commissioner Blount moved to approve the City Kannapolis' request to reappoint Frank Corriher to the Kannapolis Planning Board. Chairman Cohen seconded and the motion carried.

City of Salisbury - Commissioner Blount moved to appoint Toby Morgan and Allen Brown as extraterritorial alternates to the City's zoning board of adjustment. Commissioner Neely seconded and the motion carried.

Centralina Development Corporation - Commissioner Arey moved to appoint William Kennedy, William Lombard and Chairman Cohen to the CDC and there being no further nominations the motion passed unanimously.

Atwell Volunteer Fire Department - Commissioner Blount moved to appoint Robin McLaughlin to the board of trustees for the fire department. Chairman Cohen seconded and the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: ROAD NAME CHANGES:

Commissioner Blount moved to open the public hearing for comments on the proposed road name changes of Freeze Meadow Road, Old Walter Farm Road and Beaten Path. Chairman Cohen seconded and the motion carried. There being no comment offered Commissioner Neely moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Blount seconded and the motion carried. Commissioner Webb moved to approve the road name changes. Commissioner Blount seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Webb moved to enter closed session in order to discuss economic development. Commissioner Blount seconded and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Upon conclusion of closed session Commissioner Neely moved to return to open session. Commissioner Blount seconded and the motion carried.

SHERIFF'S HEALTH SCREENING POLICY:

Jail Administrator Tim Bost presented a comprehensive health screening policy for the detention center. The plan was developed in conjunction with the direct supervision plan. He stated that Health Director John Shaw and Dr. Gary Fink had worked on the plan and had reviewed the final draft. Commissioner

Blount moved to approve the plan. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There being no further business Commissioner Arey moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Neely seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Dickinson,
Clerk to the Board