

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ROWAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 17, 2001 – 7:00 PM
J. NEWTON COHEN SR. ROOM, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

Present: Steve Blount, Chairman
Gus Andrews, Vice-Chairman
Arnold Chamberlain, Member
Frank Tadlock, Member
Leda Belk, Member

The County Manager, the Clerk to the Board and the Finance Director were also present.

Chairman Blount called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Chairman Blount called for a moment of silence for those injured and deceased in the September 11, 2001 tragedies at the World Trade Center, Pentagon and at the Pennsylvania crash site.

Commissioner Chamberlain provided the Invocation by referencing the Bible and a heartfelt prayer for the recent terrorist attacks against the United States. Commissioner Tadlock led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:

Chairman Blount reassured the public that Rowan County Government, specifically the EMS Department, the Rowan County Sheriff's Department, the Volunteer Fire Departments, the Telecommunication's Department, are all well trained and ready to deal with problems that could effect our community. Chairman Blount read from a recent editorial and part of a letter he recently wrote to his son in "boot camp" in the Marine Corps.

Commissioner Tadlock added his feelings for the recent tragedy and stated he is proud to see American becoming more united. Commissioner Tadlock read "God Bless America".

Commissioner Chamberlain added how thankful he is to be an American, a North Carolinian, a Rowan Countian and a Christian.

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING TERRORIST ATTACKS AND SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE U.S.:

John Holshouser, County Attorney, read the Resolution condemning terrorist attacks and supporting the President of the United States.

Commissioners Andrews and Chamberlain made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioners Tadlock and Belk seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- Mr. Holshouser requested to give an overview of the Colortex situation.
- Chairman Blount requested a brief update on the West Nile Virus.
- Chairman Blount requested a brief item on the Rural Transportation Planning Organization.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS:

Commissioner Belk stated that she had met with Bobby Call, a concerned citizen who spoke during the public comment period at the last Commission meeting, and Sheriff Wilhelm to discuss Mr. Call's concerns. Commissioner Belk informed the Board that his concerns are resolved.

Commissioner Belk read a note thanking the Rockwell Fire Department for donating a \$4,000 breathing apparatus to Art Delaney, Rowan County Fire Marshall.

Chairman Blount reported that he now has a copy of the Rowan-Salisbury Schools Strategic Action Plan, Phase I, dated September 1, 2001 and he applauded the Schools for this effort.

Chairman Blount informed the Board that he would be attending a Courthouse Security meeting on September 18, 2001 along with Commissioner Chamberlain.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Tadlock made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Belk seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Approval of the minutes for 09/04/01 Board of Commission meeting.
- B. Approval of the IMPACT fund Grant from the Parks Department.
- C. Approval of Budget Amendments.

REPORT FROM THE FIRE AND RESCUE SQUAD STEERING COMMITTEE AS IT RELATES TO THE EMERGENCY SERVICES TASK FORCE:

Johnny Morrison, from the West Rowan Volunteer Fire Department and Chairman of the Rowan County Fire And Rescue Association Steering Committee, addressed the issue of a countywide task force. Mr. Morrison stated that this group consists of approximately nine members from Fire Departments and the Rescue Squad that met in response to the recent Emergency Services Task Force established by the Commissioners. Mr. Morrison stated that this steering committee voted to be the committee to handle the problems related to emergency units and that most of the problems are related to poor communication. Mr. Morrison reiterated that this group feels that they are the ones who should handle these problems and they do not feel that they need the Emergency Services Task Force any longer, especially with Commissioners Chamberlain and Belk serving as liaisons.

The Board expressed that the Emergency Services Task Force was established to force members to talk and to reactivate the steering committee. Everyone involved has the best interest of Rowan County citizens at heart.

The Board expressed their appreciation to all those who participated in the Task Force and asked the Clerk to send a “thank you” letter to all the members expressing appreciation for their efforts. The Board expressed appreciation to Commissioners Chamberlain and Belk for co-chairing this Emergency Services Task Force. The Board turned this effort over to the Fire and Rescue Steering Committee. Commissioner Chamberlain expressed a special thanks to Mike Zimmerman for his participation.

ADDITION:

West Nile Virus

Chairman Blount informed everyone that there was a confirmed case of the West Nile Virus in Cabarrus County and there had also been a case in Iredell County. Chairman Blount informed the Board that the Rowan County Health Department has known about the virus and has been prepared for this notification.

Leonard Wood, Rowan County Health Director, stated that these cases are a reality in birds. There have been no reported human cases of the virus. Mr. Wood wanted to advise the public to be aware and be careful to wear long sleeves and mosquito repellent when outside. No type of spraying will be implemented at this time.

Chairman Blount asked Mr. Wood to keep the Board posted on this issue.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE LLEBG:

Major Tim Bost, from the Rowan County Sheriff's Department, reviewed with the Board that each year the United States Bureau of Justice Assistance makes funds available to use in certain areas. This year the recommendation is to employ a County Security Facility Coordinator that is a "sworn officer" at a Sergeants position level in order to provide "pre-existing knowledge" in this area. This person would primarily focus on security procedures and protocol for schools and other County facilities.

Major Bost stated that the figures were based on a budget request of \$46,948. The grant provides for \$36,645 and a ten percent match of \$3,665, which comes to \$40,310. This would require additional supplemental funds of about \$6,638. The Sheriff informed Major Bost that this amount could come from the State Substance Abuse Tax Fund revenues from seizures of illegal drugs and the State imposed tax on these drugs. There is currently in excess of \$10,000 in this fund.

Chairman Blount opened the public hearing to entertain comments.

There being no one who wished to address the Board, Chairman Blount closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Andrews made a motion to approve the LLEBG grant to be evaluated after one year. Commissioner Tadlock seconded the motion.

Mr. Ron Billings addressed the Board. Mr. Billings stated that he has extensive background in anti-terrorist security with the military and has worked for M.W. Kellogg Oil Company and also worked in North Africa and Nigeria. Mr. Billings voiced his concern that we have already been targeted and recommended a sworn officer for this position. Chairman Blount informed Mr. Billings that the grant is not being evaluated, but rather the efforts of the person in this position. Suggestions for improvements and the recommendation of a sworn officer would go before the Personnel Board for prior approval.

The Board voted unanimously for the motion.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED ROAD NAME OF DARK HOLLOW ROAD:

Fredda Greer, from the Planning Department, reviewed with the Board the proposed name of Dark Hollow Road, located north off of the 8400 block of Smith Road. There were three out of four property owners that signed the petition and staff recommended the proposed name.

Chairman Blount opened the public hearing to entertain comments.

There being no one present who wished to address the Board, Chairman Blount closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Tadlock made a motion to approve the name Dark Hollow Road. Commissioner Belk seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED ROAD NAMES OF PLAYGROUND LANE, LEISURE LANE AND HORSESHOE DRIVE:

Ms. Greer stated that the proposed road names of Playground Lane, Leisure Lane and Horseshoe are all in the subdivision of Summer Place and requested that they be grouped together for the public hearing. The Summer Place Homeowners Association has petitioned NC DOT to take over the maintenance of the roads in this subdivision. NC DOT suggested the combination of some of the roads.

First, staff recommended that Nine Hole Terrace be changed to continue as Playground Lane. Six out of eight property owners signed the petition for this change.

Second, staff recommended that Rainbow Drive be changed to continue as Leisure Lane. Eleven out of fifteen property owners signed the petition for this change.

Third, staff recommended that Cookout Terrace be changed to continue as Horseshoe Drive. Nine out of eleven property owners signed the petition for this change.

Chairman Blount opened the public hearing to entertain comments for the above listed proposed road name changes.

There being no one present who wished to address the Board, Chairman Blount closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Tadlock made a motion to approve the road names changes for all three proposals. Commissioner Andrews seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED ROAD NAME OF MILLENNIUM DRIVE:

Ms. Greer informed the Board that the proposed road name of Millennium Drive is for a road that is currently unnamed and is located east off of the 2800 block of Old Union Church Road. Three out of four property owners signed the petition and staff supports this request from Rodney Trembley.

Chairman Blount opened the public hearing to entertain comments.

There being no one present who wished to address the Board, Chairman Blount closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Chamberlain made a motion to approve the proposed road name. Commissioner Andrews seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR Z-20-01 AND CUP-20-01, A REQUEST FROM BEE ENTERPRISES TO REZONE RA TO CBI (CUD):

Chairman Blount declared the public hearing in session for consideration of Z-20-01 and CUP-20-01. The hearing focused on the applications submitted by the property owner, BEE Enterprises and applicant Mark King for rezoning a portion of Tax Parcel 813-018 from RA (Rural Agricultural) to CBI (Commercial, Business, Industrial) and the establishment of a parallel conditional use district upon the same area. The proposed zone lot is located on the east side of NC 801 Highway at the intersection of Gym Street.

Chairman Blount reviewed the procedural guidelines for the public hearing.

The Clerk administered the oath to those who came forward to provide testimony in the case.

Those that came forward to provide testimony are as follows:

Ed Muire, from the Planning Department, presented the staff report stating that Bee Enterprises, LLC owns about a 63-acre tract with 2000 feet of frontage on the south side of Potneck Road and 870 feet of frontage on the east and west side of NC 801 Highway. The property is currently in the land use deferral program with 51.82 acres in woodland and 12 in cultivated acreage.

The request is to rezone from RA to CBI to create a lot for the creation of a barbershop and Mr. Muire referenced the rezoning application (Exhibit C) and for a parallel conditional use permit (application, Exhibit D), which the majority of uses would be similar to “neighborhood businesses”.

Mr. Muire proceeded to present the Zoning Review as follows:

1. Relationship and conformity with any plans and policies
2. Consistency with the requested zoning district's purpose and intent
3. Compatibility of all uses within the proposed district classification with other properties and conditions in the vicinity
4. Potential impact on facilities such as roads, utilities and schools

Mr. Muire stated that all the items in the Conditional Use Review have been addressed:

- a. Adequate transportation access to the site exists
- b. The use will not significantly detract from the character of the surrounding area
- c. Hazardous safety conditions will not result
- d. The use will not generate significant noise, odor, glare, or dust
- e. Excessive traffic or parking problems will not result
- f. The use will not create significant visual impacts for adjoining properties or passerby

Mr. Muire pointed out that a buffer and screening would be required along this property line due to the separation distance.

Mr. Muire reviewed the area with a power point presentation of pictures depicting the site plan of the proposed structure (Exhibit A) and the vicinity map with zoning districts and the adjoining property owners (Exhibit B) and numerous other aerial views (Exhibit E).

Mr. Muire clarified that the rezoning request is just for the 100 X 200 foot lot.

Staff recommended approval with two items for consideration:

1. Food and Kindred Products, including Meat Products and Tobacco Products, be eliminated from the range of uses. Since these uses involve major processing efforts, it is highly unlikely either use would occupy the site due to the proposed tract size. However, the proposed site is part of the larger tract and future rezoning of either of these uses may approach the application as an "expansion" of an existing district. Mr. Muire stated that it is "kind of a back door approach".
2. At a minimum, staff recommends the use of the evergreens along the property line, where the manufactured home is located. The remainder of the buffer may use any of the other types of screening techniques that are outlined in the ordinance.

Mr. Muire stated that the Planning Board did favorably recommend rezoning of this parcel.

Mark King, the barber at the proposed shop, stated that this business would bring good revenue into the Woodleaf Community and many people would benefit from the business.

Chairman Blount officially closed the public hearing period and the Board went into the deliberation period.

Commissioner Belk made a motion to approve the rezoning and the conditional use permit with the conditions as indicated by staff. Commissioner Chamberlain seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Blount wanted to state for the record that this is a rezoning just for the approximately one-half acre tract as indicated in the application.

FINDING OF FACT: Chairman Blount stated that the “Finding of Fact” would be the written brief as presented by staff.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR Z-23-01 AND CUP-22-01, A REQUEST FROM UNDERSOOD ASSOCIATES, INC. TO REZONE RA TO MFR (CUD):

Chairman Blount declared the public hearing in session for consideration of Z-23-01 and CUP-22-01. This hearing focused on applications submitted by Underwood Associates, Inc. for the rezoning of three portions of Tax Parcel 422-033 from RA (Rural Agricultural) to MFR (Multi-Family Residential) (Exhibit A) and the establishment of a parallel conditional use district (Exhibit B) upon the same areas. Two of the proposed areas are located on Happy Lake Road and the other is located on Parks Road.

Chairman Blount reviewed the procedural guidelines for the public hearing.

The Clerk administered the oath to those who came forward to provide testimony in the case.

Those that came forward to provide testimony are as follows:

Mr. Muire stated that Underwood Associates owns a 43 acre tract that includes a manufactured home park, community buildings and numerous other sheds and storage buildings. This property is best known as the location of “Happy’s Lake”. Underwood Associates has provided three site plans, referred to as Phase I, II & III (Exhibits C, D & E), for the changes in rezoning from RA to MFR in order to allow the construction of duplexes.

Mr. Muire presented a power point presentation showing aerial views and location pictures of this area (Exhibit G) and reviewed the staff report (Exhibit H).

In Phase I, Mr. Muire noted that the Zoning Ordinance requires fifty-foot setbacks for the zone lot and parking is not allowed within the setbacks. In this case the scale distance is

forty-five feet and does not meet the requirements. This could be taken care of in an amended site plan or by moving the locations within the district.

Mr. Muire showed the Board the approximate driveway location on Happy Lake Road that was approved by NC DOT and it does not have a formalized driveway permit, but one could be issued if an application was made.

In Phase II, Mr. Muire stated that the driveway entrance for this site was not acceptable by NC DOT. The minimum Multi-Family district requires a zone lot size of two acres. This area is just under the requirements and measures 1.83 acres.

Mr. Muire, by showing pictures in the power point presentation, stated that two of the three proposed driveways were not acceptable by NC DOT and that only Phase I was accepted. However, the two driveways that were not acceptable could be moved to locations that would be acceptable.

The Zoning Review consisted of:

1. Relationship and conformity with any plans and policies
2. Consistency with the requested zoning district's purpose and intent
3. Compatibility of all uses within the proposed district classification with other properties and conditions in the vicinity
4. Potential impact on facilities such as roads, utilities and schools
5. Special Requirements (dimensional density and setbacks)

The Conditional Use Review consisted of:

- a. Adequate transportation access to the site exists
- b. The use will not significantly detract from the character of the surrounding area
- c. Hazardous safety conditions will not result
- d. The use will not generate significant noise, odor, glare, or dust
- e. Excessive traffic or parking problems will not result
- f. The use will not create significant visual impacts for adjoining properties or passerby

Mr. Muire stated that Mr. Underwood submitted a written response to the Conditional Use Review Items (Exhibit F).

Mr. Muire clarified that the driveway approved by NC DOT was for Phase I that consisted of three building with six units. Part of the conditional use is that the setbacks be adhered to.

Mr. Muire referred the Board to pages four and five of the staff report that explains the courtesy public hearing held by the Planning Board. Mr. Muire mentioned one person who spoke in opposition of the project fearing that further development would decrease

his property value. The Planning Board voted 5-4 against granting the request because of questions raised by NC DOT and questions surrounding road standards. Staff recommended the roads be designed and built to NC DOT standards, referring to page four of the staff report.

Deborah Krideck, a resident on Parks Road, moved to Rowan County six years ago because it was a quiet rural area surrounded by farm land. Ms. Krideck has a farm of 15 acres with horses and goats and is concerned about increased traffic, noise and decreased land value. Ms. Krideck asked the Board to not approve the request and to keep the area rural.

Patricia Moore, a property owner of a 24-acre farm located where Parks Road changes into Rimer Road, said she concurred with Ms. Krideck in voicing her concerns. Ms. Moore stated that the “joy riders” ride by and scare the animals and deposit trash and “beer bottles” on the road. Ms. Moore moved from Charlotte to locate in a country setting and she would hate to see the multi-family units deteriorate the area. Ms. Moore stated that people in the area did not receive notification of the rezoning. Chairman Blount informed Ms. Moore that the process followed by law is to inform adjacent property owners and billboards posted on the property state the dates and time of the hearing. Ms. Moore stated that she did not see these postings. Mr. Muire explained where these postings were located on each site.

Chairman Blount asked Mr. Underwood if he would like to make any comments, since he felt that the facts were not presented clearly at the Planning Board meeting. Mr. Underwood responded that he felt the facts were clearly stated at this public hearing.

Commissioners discussed concerns about Phase II and III and the issues that are not being settled with NC DOT. If the driveways were moved, they may not make the sites usable and they may require rezoning of Phase II and III, which may require a one-year waiting period to resubmit.

Chairman Blount asked Mr. Underwood if he would come forward and be sworn-in, in order to answer a few questions.

The Clerk administered the oath to Mr. Underwood.

Commissioner Chamberlain asked Mr. Underwood, since NC DOT was committed to the driveway, if he would be willing to abide by the two-acres, the fifty-foot setback and meet NC DOT standards for the state road (18-feet) and come back at a later date for Phase II and III. Mr. Underwood stated that he would be willing to do this.

Mr. Lytle stated that if Mr. Underwood withdrew Phases II and III, he would not be penalized. Mr. Underwood stated that he would withdraw the request for Phase II and III.

Chairman Blount requested the record to show that only Phase I is to be considered. Chairman Blount asked Mr. Underwood if he understood that he would need to come back before the Board for a rezoning of the remaining tracts. Mr. Underwood stated that he understood this.

Commissioner Chamberlain made a motion to grant Underwood Associates request for rezoning and the conditional use permit for the property for Phase I only and with the conditions that Phase I, with the two-acre minimum, with the fifty-foot setback and with no parking in the setback and that he would have the NC DOT driveway cut and the road would meet state specifications.

Commissioner Tadlock seconded the motion.

Commissioner Andrews asked to add that this be subject to NC DOT approval for a driveway cut. Commissioner Chamberlain was in agreement with this addition.

Commissioner Andrews asked for clarification, if the road meeting state standards would also meet the subdivisions requirements for Rowan County. Mr. Muire stated that it would.

The motion passed unanimously.

FINDING OF FACT: Allowing the conditional use permit would not negatively affect the surrounding neighborhood, based on the facts presented by staff.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Rural Transportation Planning Organization

Mr. Lytle, explained to the Board that during the last couple years, discussions have taken place concerning transportation planning, as far as preparing recommendations for transportation improvement plans and having a unified voice on issues, such as, the relocation of Hwy 152 in China Grove and the widening of I-85. Mr. Lytle explained that there is a Board of Transportation Reform Bill 1304, which mandates the formation of rural transportation planning organizations, patterned after the MPO's (area organizations). There is a lack of funding by the state for support. The NC DOT Secretary has located three million dollars of federal highway funds to start-up RPO's this year. An RPO must consist of three counties with a total population of 50,000. There is proposal to have the RPO's patterned after the COG (Centralina Council of Government) boundaries. However, Mr. Lytle stressed that a more compact area would be more beneficial.

In order to form a RPO, there must be a Memorandum of Understanding, signed by all local governments, which Mr. Lytle stated that he has a copy. With the COG proposal there would be an 80/20 match and the twenty percent by the local government would be supplied by one block of membership hours from each jurisdiction. Therefore, the

County would not need to pay anymore than the COG membership. Mr. Lytle stated that he would come back to the Board at the first or second meeting in October with a recommendation.

Chairman Blount stated that by getting the municipalities and counties “on the same page” would be more influential in Raleigh.

Colortex

Mr. Holshouser updated the Board with the status of Colortex. Mr. Holshouser reviewed with the Board that approximately two months ago the lien holders of Colortex were selling pieces of personal property without paying any taxes, which totals approximately \$275,000. A resolution was passed on August 6, 2001 to place a levy on the personal property. Glenn Moore, Rowan County Tax Collector, had “locked down” the Colortex plant. Mr. Holshouser stated that he had hoped, with approximately \$40 million dollars worth of liens, that the lien holders would pay the taxes so the levy could be released and they could proceed forward. The property sale was held on September 14, 2001. Mr. Holshouser stated that he had been in touch with Moore and Van Allen, the attorneys for the lien holders, who stated that payment was “in the process”.

Mr. Holshouser informed the Board that Mr. Moore had advertised, sent flyers listing equipment and contacted purchasers who were interested in the larger items. Mr. Moore also contacted the EPA and was instructed to proceed. The plant, equipment and real estate had been contaminated and the EPA was to come in late September to evaluate the situation.

Mr. Holshouser informed the Board that David Risdon, a shareholder and former executive in the company, was working on a deal with the other lien holders to pay the taxes and secure the plant and take care of the clean up. Mr. Risdon asked to hold off on the sale, but Mr. Holshouser stated that there would need to be an agreement or payment in order to delay to sale.

The day before the sale, the EPA came and indicated their requirements and “cornered off” some areas of the plant, including the dye houses number 1 and 2 and stated that these were off limits. The EPA required “ten” security guards in specific areas to monitor the general public.

Mr. Holshouser praised Mr. Moore in his effort and hard work to comply with all requirements in this endeavor.

Mr. Holshouser stated that the sale brought only \$43,959. The estimated expense is \$46,800, which leaves a deficit of approximately a \$2,000. Some of the equipment was listed as “no sale” because these items did not bring enough of a price. If Mr. Risdon does not follow through, then the larger items will be sold to help pay the taxes.

Mr. Holshouser stated that the plant is still under levy and suggested to continue with the security.

Mr. Moore informed the Board that the cost of the security is currently \$500 per day to secure the building. Mr. Moore recommended continuing the security for ten days, in anticipation of Mr. Risdon following through with his deal. This security would cost approximately \$12,000 in additional funds for a 10-day period. Mr. Moore noted that as long as there is security at the gate, EPA would not come in and clean up, so “are we helping or hurting the cause”.

Commissioners decided to only address the additional ten days of security, at this time. Mr. Holshouser stated that, following the EPA requirements, the security and assuming the responsibility for the clean up was a bigger issue than the taxes, since the taxes are good for ten years and draw interest.

Mr. Moore clarified that after the 10 days, there would be an additional 15 days before another sale could take place, in order to meet all the requirements for a sale. Therefore, it would be 25 days at \$500 per day.

Commissioner Chamberlain expressed concern about the liability of the contamination. Mr. Holshouser stated that “no stone has been left unturned” and “we have a problem and we just have to handle it”.

Commissioner Tadlock made a motion to secure the plant for 25 days at the County’s expense. Commissioner Belk seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Chairman Blount opened the public comment period to entertain comments from those in attendance.

1. Annette Sloop stated that she is running for city council in Kannapolis and has a business in Cabarrus County. Ms. Sloop stated that she wanted to visit a Commission meeting, since this affects the people living on the Rowan County side of the City of Kannapolis and she hopes that possibly they could work together in the future.

Chairman Blount asked the Clerk to explain the “bears” (stuffed) that were present at the meeting. Ms. Foil stated that two stuffed bears would be given away at the Autumn Jubilee at Dan Nicholas Park as a promotion to bring awareness for the renovations at the Nature and Learning Center at Dan Nicholas Park.

There being no one that wished to address the Board, Chairman Blount closed the public comment period.

Chairman Blount also reminded the Board that on October 2, 2001 there would be a joint dinner meeting with the School Board. On October 4, 2001 there is scheduled a workshop for "Rules and Procedures" for conducting meetings and on October 19, 2001 the moratorium on billboards would end and November 7, 2001 is the ending of the moratorium on building in the flood plains.

Commissioner Tadlock thanked Chairman Blount for the manner in which he conducted the meeting and the patriotism that was presented.

Commissioner Chamberlain announced that on November 8, 2001, the United Way is sponsoring a Ms. United Way Pageant and Commissioner Chamberlain indicated that he would be a contestant. Chairman Blount stated he was asked to judge the pageant.

Commissioner Andrews encouraged everyone to attend the Rowan County Fair. This is the 50th anniversary of the Fair in Rowan County.

The Commission sang to Commissioner Belk in honor of her birthday.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Rita K. Foil,
Clerk to the Board