

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ROWAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
January 22, 2008 – 7:00 PM
J. NEWTON COHEN, SR. ROOM, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

Present: Arnold S. Chamberlain, Chairman
Chad Mitchell, Vice-Chairman
Jon Barber, Member
Tina Hall, Member
Jim Sides, Member

Interim County Manager/Finance Director Leslie Heidrick, Clerk to the Board Carolyn Athey and County Attorney Jay Dees were present.

Chairman Chamberlain convened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Commissioner Hall provided the Invocation and also led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Mitchell moved, Commissioner Barber seconded and the vote to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2008 Commission Meeting passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

CONSIDER DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to remove agenda item #6 (discussion and possible vote regarding PCUR 02-07 for request by Nelson Lingle). Commissioner Barber seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Mitchell moved approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barber and passed unanimously.

1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Sides moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Commissioner

Barber seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items:

- A. Approval to Add Forest View Drive to the State Secondary Road System for Maintenance
- B. Approval for Rowan Public Library to Apply for Smart Start "Raising a Reader" Community Coordinator Position
- C. Approval to Accept Emergency Services FY 2007 VIPER Grant Award
- D. Award Service Sidearm to Retiring Sheriff's Deputy Frank Bunton
- E. Approval for the Reappointment of the Rowan County Tax Collector Glen Moore For a One-Year Term
- F. Set Public Hearing for February 4, 2008 for Majority Petition for Antler Ridge Drive
- G. Set Public Hearing for February 4, 2008 for Special Consideration of Address Change Request on Gold Knob Road

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chairman Chamberlain opened the Public Comment Period to entertain comments from any citizens wishing to address the Board.

With no one wishing to address the Board, Chairman Chamberlain closed the Public Comment Period.

3. PUBLIC HEARING FOR FY '09 COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION GRANT

Senior Services Director Clyde Fahnestock explained that the North Carolina Public Transportation Division is now accepting Community Transportation applications for fiscal year 2009, beginning July 1, 2008 and ending on June 30, 2009. The Board is the official applicant for these funds and as such, is required to hold a public hearing prior to the application deadline of January 31, 2008.

Mr. Fahnestock highlighted the application as follows:

Administration – requesting \$206,982; 15% county match required (\$31,047).

Capital Equipment – requesting \$184,950; 10% local match required (\$18,495).

Commissioner Sides asked if the required local match was already allocated and Mr. Fahnestock replied the money would be a part of his fiscal year 2009 continuation request.

In response to a query from Commissioner Sides, Mr. Fahnestock estimated the selling price for the transportation vehicles would be approximately \$1800 - \$2000 per vehicle. Mr. Fahnestock said he would not have to ask the Board for additional funds beyond what was requested for the current year.

Chairman Chamberlain opened the public hearing to receive citizen input regarding the fiscal year 2009 CTP Grant. The following individual came forward:

- Jerry Shelby of Salisbury asked if more funds were available. Mr. Shelby said Rowan County was fortunate to have a transit system and that transportation was a component of a senior friendly government. Mr. Shelby said all the transportation services were in the county seat and he felt other areas around the county were not being adequately served. Mr. Shelby said it was difficult for residents further out in the County to reach doctors' offices, etc. He questioned the plans for connectivity to neighboring cities, such as a relay system for residents to commute to Landis and on to Concord. Mr. Shelby encouraged the Board to adopt the current plan and begin planning ways to serve all communities in and around Rowan County.

With no one else wishing to address the Board, Chairman Chamberlain closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Sides said Mr. Shelby had made some valid points and he said some of the issues were "already in the works" to be addressed. Commissioner Sides encouraged Mr. Shelton to talk to Mr. Fahnestock. Commissioner Sides said he felt the County was doing an excellent job with the funds available.

Commissioner Mitchell moved, Commissioner Barber seconded and the vote to approve the CTP Resolution passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve the Federal Transit Authority Certification and Assurances. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barber and passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAJORITY PETITION FOR DEADWOOD DRIVE

Planning Technician Fredda Greer reported the Telecommunications Department had contacted Planning Staff noting address discrepancies pertaining to a road that is currently unnamed and located northwest off the 100 block of Old Corriher Drive. Planning Staff investigated and discovered the road meets the criteria for naming. Property owners were provided the opportunity to have input into naming the road and submitted a majority petition for the road name of Deadwood Drive. Staff recommended approval of the name.

Chairman Chamberlain opened the public hearing to entertain citizen input regarding the proposed road name of Deadwood Drive.

With no one wishing to address the Board, Chairman Chamberlain closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Sides moved, Commissioner Barber seconded and the vote to approve the road name of Deadwood Drive passed unanimously.

5. PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED JUSTICE CENTER III PROJECT FINANCING

Finance Director Leslie Heidrick highlighted the information regarding the installment financing proposals for the Justice Center III Project. Ms. Heidrick said the amount to be financed was approximately \$3,800,000 and the term was for seven (7) years.

The following bids were received:

Financial Institution	Interest Rate
RBC Centura Bank	2.910%
Bank of America	2.925%
Wachovia Bank, Option A	3.174%
Wachovia Bank, Option B	3.224%
Branch Banking & Trust	3.240%
SunTrust Bank, Option B	3.300%
SunTrust Bank, Option C	3.470%
SunTrust Bank, Option A	3.530%
CommunityOne Bank	3.954%
Citizens South Bank	3.990%
First Bank	4.700%

The Finance Department recommended the Board accept the low bid received from RBC Centura Bank, with an interest rate of 2.91%, resulting in interest costs of approximately \$413,615.

The Finance Department also requested approval of the associated Resolutions and Declaration, as well as approval to open a new investment account with the North Carolina Capital Management Trust.

Chairman Chamberlain opened the public hearing to entertain citizen input regarding the proposed financing for the Justice Center III Project.

With no one wishing to address the Board, Chairman Chamberlain closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Sides moved to accept the low bid from RBC Centura Bank, with an interest rate of 2.91%. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sides moved, Commissioner Mitchell seconded and the vote to approve the Resolution and Declaration passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sides moved to authorize Staff to open a new investment account with the North Carolina Capital Management Trust. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and passed unanimously.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE REGARDING PCUR 02-07 FOR REQUEST BY NELSON LINGLE

This issue was deleted from the agenda.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH ROWAN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION

Chairman Chamberlain explained that he had appointed a committee consisting of himself, Commissioner Mitchell and County Attorney Jay Dees to meet with representatives of the Rowan County Fair Association (RCFA).

Commissioner Mitchell said the document before the Board was a motion from the committee and a second to the motion was not necessary.

Chairman Chamberlain opened the floor for discussion from the Board.

Commissioner Sides said the contract did not have a provision for law enforcement during the fair for traffic control, parking and crowd control. Commissioner Sides said the payment of law enforcement should be the responsibility of the RCFA. County Attorney Jay Dees said the Sheriff had previously made recommendations based on the size of crowds. Mr. Dees said there should be a statement in the agreement that RCFA follow the guidelines of the Rowan County elected Sheriff as to law enforcement numbers and personnel.

Chairman Chamberlain agreed with Commissioner Sides and said a document or addendum should be added.

Commissioner Mitchell moved to amend the document by adding language that requires the RCFA to provide law enforcement coverage as per the Rowan County Tourism and Development Authority's Rules or the Sheriff's recommendations. Chairman Chamberlain seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

In response to a query from Chairman Chamberlain, the representatives from the RCFA in the audience were in agreement with the amendment.

Commissioner Hall asked if the amount of compensation to the County pay for any upgrades over the 3-year term of the contract. Chairman Chamberlain said would require approximately \$60,000 if the County was expecting to break even.

Leslie Hedrick, Finance Director, confirmed Chairman Chamberlain's estimate and Mr. Dees added that during negotiations, it was discussed that the Board needed to look at what revenues were being generated from other tenants as opposed to putting the full cost on the RCFA.

Chairman Chamberlain said during negotiations, the Board would still agree to the \$60,000 offered upfront for the first year and then \$25,000 per year.

Commissioner Mitchell said based on the figures, the County would get a little more than \$25,000. Commissioner Mitchell explained at the end of year one, the RCFA would pay the County \$5,000 plus an overage on the 20% and the same would happen for the next 2 years.

Commissioner Sides discussed emergency repairs under the miscellaneous provision in the agreement. Commissioner Sides felt if emergency repairs came up after hours, the RCFA should contact the applicable department head to inform them of needed repairs.

Commissioner Mitchell said based on negotiations, the RCFA did not want to make repairs at all and would make every effort to contact County staff to have repairs handled.

Upon being put to a vote the motion on the floor passed unanimously.

Mr. Dees asked how the final form should be presented back to the Board and by consensus the Board agreed the final draft could be emailed.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RELOCATION AND EXPANSION ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

Robert Van Geons, Executive Director of the Economic Development Commission was in attendance to answer any questions the Board might have regarding the proposed Relocation and Expansion Assistance Agreement.

County Attorney Jay Dees said based on the Board's previous discussion of the proposed agreement, he had addressed the following areas of the Board's concern:

- The beginning date of the initial year being no more than two years from the date of the agreement.
- Discovered property during the term of the grant and whether the Company would lose the rebate on the discovered portion for the whole year or for the remainder of the term of the agreement.

Mr. Dees then referred to page 4 of the agreement and the optional language, which would address those areas of concern.

Mr. Dees said the third issue was the assignment language on page 4 under the general provisions. Mr. Dees said he had created three options for assignment; 1) the original language of the agreement, which requires prior written consent; 2) not assignable at all, and 3) assignment to related entities.

In response to Commissioner Sides' inquiry about option 2 under the discovered property section, Mr. Dees replied that there had been concern regarding the need to address a situation where a company fails to list property appropriately. Mr. Dees said if the inappropriate listing was discovered through an audit, it was a material breach of the agreement and the company should not be entitled to the benefits of the remainder of the agreement. The company would have a chance to appeal and if the County were found to be correct, the company would have committed a material breach of the agreement and the company would not be entitled to any incentive for the remainder of that year and for the remainder of the agreement terms.

Commissioner Sides gave an example of the County paying a grant in a particular year and the discovery occurring after the rebate. Commissioner Sides asked how the County would get the money back if the company lost its appeal. Mr. Dees said it was foreseeable that a company would pay taxes for a given year and the County would not audit until the following year. Mr. Dees said it would be difficult to go back and try to get the company to repay the rebate.

Commissioner Sides said if the agreement is signed, the company should understand those are the terms.

Commissioner Hall asked if the appeals process would be in time to determine if the listing, or lack thereof, was intentional. Mr. Dees said most companies have agents that prepare their listings. Mr. Dees said the intent of the provision is clear but in practice it would be fairly difficult.

Commissioner Barber asked if the provision was one that a company might try to negotiate out of. Mr. Dees responded that "it would give somebody some heartburn" but it was the Board's agreement and he had no problem with the provisions being upfront and clear. Mr. Dees said even though the document is a form agreement the Board might wish to use, he anticipated it would come back to the Board for negotiations in the future.

Commissioner Mitchell pointed out that there was a "fairly stiff" layer of punishment in the document and option 1 was adding another layer of punishment. Commissioner Mitchell said his concern was with option 2 and how to define a material breach. Commissioner Mitchell said he did not want a county department determining whether or not the agreement is breached. Commissioner Mitchell said he could accept option 2 if the material breach was determined by a vote of the Board.

Commissioner Sides agreed with Commissioner Mitchell as long as the company understood as part of the agreement that the incentive could be rescinded.

Chairman Chamberlain asked Mr. Van Geons what he thought about Commissioner Mitchell's statements, from an economic development point of view.

Mr. Van Geons said from a procedural standpoint, the document would be a template and future presentations to the Board from the EDC would be done around the template. Mr. Van Geons felt Commissioner Mitchell had raised a good point and if a situation arises where it is clear that a company has intentionally deceived the County, there should be recourse. Mr. Van Geons also agreed with Commissioner Mitchell that any breach should come before the Board for a decision.

Commissioners Sides, Barber and Hall also agreed with Commissioner Mitchell that any breach issue should come back to the Board for a decision.

Mr. Dees said he would like the opportunity to rework the provision.

In regards to the assignment language, Chairman Chamberlain commented that he liked the original language.

Commissioner Sides said he did not have a problem with the original language as long as the assignment came before the Board for a vote; the Board members agreed with Commissioner Sides.

Commissioner Mitchell said based on those two (2) decisions, he would move approval of the document as discussed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barber and passed 4-1 with Commissioner Sides dissenting.

Mr. Dees suggested the final document be presented to the Board via the Consent Agenda for approval of the final language.

Chairman Chamberlain pointed out that the vote was not unanimous and he agreed the document should be presented to provide the Board members with the opportunity to vote.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Interim County Manager/Finance Director Leslie Heidrick submitted the following budget amendments for the Board's consideration:

- Cooperative Extension – To recognize Horticulture Revenue and budget Horticulture Expense - \$4,615
- Emergency Services – To budget the Supplemental Emergency Management Performance Grant - \$7,872
- Health Department – The Health Department received a \$756 donation in FY 2007 that was not spent. The budget amendment is to budget the funds in the new fiscal year - \$756

- Parks & Recreation – To correct reserves in FY 2008; to budget funds for picnic tables in fixed asset account - \$6,304
- Social Services – To budget donations received in FY 2007-2008 - \$9,393
- Social Services – Additional allocation of Crisis Intervention funds - \$119,205
- Fund 501 – Risk Management – To budget funds for worker's compensation settlement agreement and revenues for reimbursement from County's excess carrier - \$577,653

Commissioner Mitchell moved, Commissioner Barber seconded and the vote to approve the budget amendments passed unanimously.

10. INTERIM COUNTY MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT TO THE BOARD

Interim County Manager/Finance Director Leslie Heidrick provided the Board with a monthly activity report based on the activities of the various departments in the County.

There were no questions from the Board regarding the report.

11. DISCUSSION REGARDING PLANNING RETREAT AGENDA

Chairman Chamberlain reviewed the list of suggested retreat topics that had been submitted to the Clerk by Board members. The following list was discussed for possible presentation at the retreat:

- Facility needs or Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), including judicial facilities and the Detention Center. Sheriff Wilhelm was asked to provide the Board with a presentation regarding a range of options to address the overcrowding issue at the Detention Center.

Chairman Chamberlain said beginning next year, the County would be spending approximately \$1.2 million to house 40 inmates outside of the County and the Detention Center would still be 100 over capacity.

Sheriff Wilhelm reported that even though he was authorized to send 40 inmates to be housed in Sampson County, the department was only sending 30 inmates in an effort to keep costs down.

Commissioner Sides asked if any of the expenses for sending inmates to Sampson County were reimbursable. Leslie Heidrick, Interim County Manager, stated the County was not receiving any type of reimbursement for those expenses.

- Rowan Transit System – the Board agreed to receive a presentation
- Public Schools – the Board agreed to receive a presentation on the school system's direction and not capital needs

- Emergency Services (EMS) – the Board agreed to receive a presentation on communication dead spots and the proposed EMS Academy
- Airport – the Board agreed to receive a presentation by Talbert and Bright, Inc.
- Information Systems – the Board agreed to receive a presentation on the AS400 and upgrade of Microsoft Office software
- Health Department – the Board agreed to receive a presentation

Library –

At this point, Commissioner Sides commented that he would like a better idea of what Rowan Transit System would be presenting.

Chairman Chamberlain said the proposed items are just topic suggestions for the retreat and the Board would still decide which presentations were actually needed.

Commissioner Sides said as a member of the Library Board, he would like to speak to Jeff Hall, Library Director, before the Library was scheduled for the retreat. Commissioner Sides said he did not feel that every department should come to the retreat to present their needs.

Commissioner Sides said he would talk with Sandra Wilkes, Director of the Department of Social Services (DSS) to determine if a presentation was necessary.

Chairman Chamberlain called for a short recess at 8:00 pm.

Chairman Chamberlain reconvened the meeting at 8:05 pm.

The Board continued to review the proposed agenda items for the retreat.

- Debt Stream – the Board agreed to discuss the debt stream
- Sales and Land Transfer taxes - the Board agreed to delete the topic from the list
- Medicaid relief money – the Board agreed to receive a presentation

Commissioner Barber said through discussions with legislators, the State is facing some budget situations and the promise of Medicaid relief may not happen.

Chairman Chamberlain asked if Representative Fred Steen could possibly address the Board on the issue at the retreat and Commissioner Barber responded yes.

Commissioner Mitchell said the Board might want to discuss a contingency plan if the money was not available. Commissioner Mitchell said if a representative would present the outlook on the State budget he did not have a problem with the issue being placed on the retreat agenda.

Chairman Chamberlain said if Representative Steen or someone of that stature would talk about the issue, the topic could be presented.

- Strategic Planning - the Board agreed to discuss the issue at the retreat

Commissioner Barber commented that almost every discussion is tied to strategic planning. Commissioner Barber said the Board should review the strategic plan developed in the 1990's and he suggested the Board "dust off" the plan to see what could still be used to plan for growth. Commissioner Barber said he was not suggesting the Board create a new plan but simply to start planning for growth.

Commissioner Mitchell said if the Strategic Plan was a document that was really guiding the community, the County would not have to "dust it off". Commissioner Mitchell said he felt the County would spend a lot of time and money to develop another plan that would also "sit on the shelf". Commissioner Mitchell said he felt the land use planning process had provided a large chunk of the work already. Commissioner Mitchell said if the Board was receiving reports from Rowan Salisbury Schools, DSS or RCSD in either a formal or informal setting, those reports were as useful as a booklet collecting dust.

Commissioner Barber said the political ends of the Board would determine how strategic the County would get. Commissioner Barber said the Board asks all departments to have plans, as well as the organizations the Board provides funding to. Commissioner Barber said he disagreed with Commissioner Mitchell because the Board had no plan or prioritization of projects.

Chairman Chamberlain said he understood what Commissioner Barber was saying, although he would disagree. Chairman Chamberlain said the Board does have a Strategic Plan that has somewhat been followed. Chairman Chamberlain said the Board could take the Strategic Plan and delete items in the plan as needed. Chairman Chamberlain encouraged Commissioner Barber to review the existing Strategic Plan, prioritize items and bring them back to the Board.

Commissioner Hall said Commissioners Barber and Mitchell had made good points with their comments. Commissioner Hall agreed with Chairman Chamberlain that the Board had a plan and was doing some good things for the citizens of Rowan County. Commissioner Hall said Commissioner Barber was referring to a document that had been developed in 1997 and perhaps the Board should take a look at the document to see what has been accomplished over the past decade and what points might still need to be accomplished.

Commissioner Sides said he did not want to be negative and he continued by saying his problem with strategic plans is they are no different than a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Commissioner Sides said he never liked what he saw in the Strategic Planning Commission because he felt they were trying to do the job of the Board. Commissioner Sides said he was not afraid to do his job, and he thought the Board was on the right path.

Chairman Chamberlain asked Commissioner Barber to work with him on reviewing the existing Strategic Plan and said they would bring it back to the Board at a later date. Chairman Chamberlain asked the Board if he and Commissioner Barber could review the plan and if the Board would agree to keep the item on the retreat agenda.

Commissioner Mitchell said if the plan were discussed a “piece at a time”, like the CIP, he would agree to leave it on the agenda.

- Growth and Land Use Plan- the Board agreed to discuss at retreat
- Farmland Preservation- the Board agreed to have discuss at retreat

Commissioner Mitchell said he would be agreeable to discuss the issue if the Board would look at farmland preservation without including local property tax dollars.

Chairman Chamberlain said the Board might want to invite Jim Cowden, Cooperative Extension Director, to give a presentation regarding donated easements.

Commissioner Barber said there were ways the County could tackle farmland preservation other than voluntary agriculture districts. Commissioner Barber said the Board should consider the multi-billion dollar research center being built in Kannapolis and determine some kind of vision for where farmland preservation was going in Rowan County.

Commissioner Mitchell said if the research on this topic proved the Board had progressed as far as it could with state rules, he was in favor of

striking the topic from the agenda; however, if there were other options, he would be agreeable to receiving a presentation.

Chairman Chamberlain said he would not support farmland preservation with local tax dollars regardless of what the State or Federal governments said they would provide as funding.

- Future of Parks System- the Board agreed to discuss at the retreat

Chairman Chamberlain said he would like to have Don Bringle, Parks and Recreation Director, provide an update as to where the County stands in regards to maintenance; possible purchase property for a park in the south Rowan area; and possibly River Park. Commissioner Hall added that the Parks Commission was also looking at Sloan Park.

- Infrastructure Issues – the Board agreed to discuss this topic at the retreat
- Economic Development Commission (EDC) – the Board agreed to receive an update from the EDC and where economic development efforts were strategically going. The Board also wished to hold some discussion pertaining to Summit Corporate Center.
- Rowan Salisbury Schools – Commissioner Barber said he would like an update on items such as the early and middle college initiative and where Rowan Salisbury Schools (RSS) were strategically planning to take the education system.

Commissioner Mitchell said he served on the Learn and Earn Committee and that Dr. Grissom had developed and implemented some initiatives that would hopefully yield good results.

- County Employee Market Study Update (MAPS) – the Board agreed to receive a presentation at the retreat

Commissioner Barber said the Board had authorized MAPS to conduct a study regarding employee retention and the report was ready for presentation.

Commissioner Mitchell said he would prefer to read the information by email if possible; however, if MAPS had details that must be presented he would accept a formal presentation at the retreat.

Commissioner Barber said based on a meeting between the MAPS representative, former County Manager William Cowan and the Director of Administration, Ken Deal, he felt this was an item that needed to be included in the retreat.

- Team building session -

Commissioner Hall suggested that the Board invite Vaughn Upshaw from the School of Government to work with the Board to facilitate the Board's effectiveness.

Commissioner Mitchell said he would support the topic if there was time available without having to extend the retreat when it would not have otherwise been necessary.

Commissioner Barber said he had no problem with the idea but was unsure if the subject was a planning retreat item.

Chairman Chamberlain suggested that he and the Clerk begin to put an agenda together in an effort to see if timing would allow the team building session. In response to a query from Chairman Chamberlain, this was acceptable to Commissioner Hall.

- 911 State Requirement Changes

Ms. Heidrick said there had been several changes on the State level for the emergency telephone fund that went into effect January 1, 2008. Ms. Heidrick said the changes would affect the budgeting process and the Board needed to be aware of the changes. Ms. Heidrick said a presentation on the issue would be brief and could take place at either a regular meeting or the retreat.

Commissioner Sides said he had read through the changes and he felt they could be presented at a regular meeting.

The Board agreed to add the item to a regular meeting agenda. Chairman Chamberlain instructed the Clerk to add the item to the February 4, 2008 Agenda.

- Fieldcrest Cannon Stadium-

Chairman Chamberlain felt it best to leave this item off the retreat agenda and the Board agreed.

12. CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Mitchell moved that the Board enter Closed Session at 8:32 pm pursuant to North Carolina General Statute:

- §143-318.11(a)(1) to consider approval of the December 17, 2007 Closed Session Minutes;

- §North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a)(3) for Attorney-Client Privileged Communication; and
- §North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a)(6) for Personnel Matters

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barber and passed unanimously.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:51 pm.

Commissioner Hall moved to make the Fieldcrest Cannon Stadium Executive Summary public. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and passed unanimously.

Chairman Chamberlain appointed a committee consisting of Commissioners Sides and Barber and County Attorney Jay Dees to conduct privileged discussions with members of the City of Kannapolis. Chairman Chamberlain said the meetings would not be public based on the nature of the conversations. Chairman Chamberlain instructed the committee to speak with Mr. Dees prior to any joint conversations. Chairman Chamberlain also encouraged Commissioners Sides and Barber to speak with the Kannapolis elected officials on the first occasion without any attorneys present.

Commissioners Sides and Barber agreed to serve on the committee.

By consensus, the appointment of the committee met with Board approval.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Barber moved to adjourn at 9:54 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Athey
Clerk to the Board