Minutes

Regular Meeting Hertford CountyBoard of Commissioners CountyCommissioners' Meeting Room Monday, April 6, 2015 9:00 A.M.

Present: William F. Mitchell, Jr., Ronald J. Gatling, Johnnie R. Farmer, Curtis A.

Freeman, Sr., and F. Garry Lewter

Absent: None

Also Present with the Board: Loria D. Williams, County Manager; M. Ray Wiggins,

Assistant County Manager; Charles L. Revelle, III, County Attorney; and Shelia W. Matthews, Clerk to

the Board

Chairman William F. Mitchell, Jr., called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Johnnie R. Farmer provided the invocation for the meeting.

MINUTES

On a motion by Farmer and a second by Lewter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as follows:

- (1) February 02, 2015 Regular Meeting
- (2) March 02, 2015 Regular Meeting
- (3) March 16, 2015 Regular Meeting

TAX

On a motion by Gatling and a second by Freeman, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following Tax Releases for March, 2015, as well the Vehicle Tax Releases for February, 2015, and the Tax Collection Percentage Report:

TOTAL VALUE APPROVED THIS REPORT (2014 LEVY)	93,842.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (2014 LEVY)	888.45
TOTAL VALUE APPROVED THIS REPORT (PRIOR LEVY)	253,827.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (PRIOR LEVY)	2,133.76
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2014)	65.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 201	4) 65.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2013)	65.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 201	3) 65.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2012)	62.50
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 201	2) 62.50
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2011)	57.50

TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2011)	57.50
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2010)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2010)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2009)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2009)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2008)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2008)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2007)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2007)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2006)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2006)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2005)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2005)	00.00

PERSONNEL

M. Ray Wiggins, Assistant County Manager, introduced Mary Beth Cutler to the Board as the newly hired Telecommunicator in the E-911 Department.

COMMISSIONERS

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Farmer, the Board voted unanimously to amend the agenda to include presentations by Mr. Bland Baker, with East Carolina Behavioral Health, and School Superintendent Dr. Michael Perry.

TAX

On a motion by Gatling and a second by Freeman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following requests for vehicle tax refunds totaling \$569.15:

Sherri Miller \$325.00 408 McKinley Drive, W. Ahoskie, NC 27910

This refund is due to an overpayment on bill #1312-454389. The taxpayer paid vehicle bill prior to debt setoff sending payment.

Lionel C. Dube \$244.15 207 Mapleton Road Murfreesboro, NC 27855

This refund is due to an overpayment from debt setoff on bill #0505-258750.

On a motion by Gatling and a second by Lewter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following requests for ad valorem tax refunds totaling \$1,614.24:

Jones & Carter, P.A. \$175.15

Post Office Box 986 Ahoskie, NC 27910

This refund is due to an overpayment on bill #14A6905487303. The taxpayer paid a portion, and the attorney sent full payment of taxes.

Jennifer Jean Bradshaw 150 Evergreen Street Ahoskie, NC 27910 \$148.07

This refund is due to an overpayment from debt setoff on bill #07A5968149692.

Erika Mizelle

\$212.00

1001 Everett Street Ahoskie, NC 27910

This refund is due to an overpayment from debt setoff on bill #13A5958947678.

Bronco Federal Credit Union

\$1,079.02

135 Stewart Drive Franklin, VA 23851

This refund is due to an overpayment on account #3913, tax bill #14A5966363531. The payment was made on website the same day we received payment from the bank.

EAST CAROLINA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Bland Baker, Northern Regional Director with East Carolina Behavioral Health, shared a PowerPoint presentation explaining the proposed consolidation with Coastal Care. East Carolina Behavioral Health consists of 19 counties (Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Craven Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Martin, Northampton, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, and Washington). CoastalCare is made up of 5 counties (Brunswick, Carteret, New Hanover, Onslow, and Pender). This consolidation of 24 counties will be effective July 1, 2015, which is in line with the Medicaid Reform Plan developed by the NC Department of Health and Human Services and endorsed by Governor Pat McCrory.

These 24 counties will be divided into three regions, with each having a Regional Director and a Regional Advisory Board. Hertford County will be in the Northern Region, and there will be one County Commissioner and one other appointee from each county.

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Farmer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

Resolution of Support for an Alternative Governance Structure for the

Area Authority Serving Hertford County

WHEREAS, in accordance with N. C. General Statute 122C-115 (cl), the Area Board of CoastalCare, an Area Authority serving Brunswick, Carteret, New Hanover, Onslow and Pender Counties and the Area Board of East Carolina Behavioral Health, an Area Authority serving Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Martin, Northampton, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, and Washington Counties, have entered into an agreement to consolidate their agencies into a twenty-four county Area Authority serving all previously names counties; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the N. C. Department of Health and Human Services has approved this consolidation, as required by law; and

WHEREAS, N. C. General Statute 122C-118.1, which specifies the composition of an Area Authority Board, permits an alternative Area Board structure to be implemented 1) if the total population of the Area Authority catchment area exceeds 1,250,000 and 2) if the counties which comprise the Area Authority agree by resolution to an alternative structure; and

WHEREAS, the total population of the new Area Authority created by the consolidation of CoastalCare and East Carolina Behavioral Health is 1,260,778; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of the twenty-four counties to approve an alternative governance structure for the consolidated Area Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Hertford County Board of Commissioners, do hereby approve the structure of the Area Board and the Regional Advisory Boards of the consolidated Area Authority, as outlined below.

To provide a local presence in the counties served and to assure that each county has input into the services received by its residents, the twenty-four county catchment area will have three regions. The regions have been designed to equalize, to the extent possible, the number of counties, population in the region, and overall square mileage of the regions. The three regions and the counties served are:

Northern Region: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties.

Central Region: Beaufort, Craven, Dare, Hyde, Pamlico, Pitt, Tyrrell and Washington Counties

Southern Region: Brunswick, Carteret, Jones, New Hanover, Onslow and Pender Counties.

The counties in each region will appoint two members to the Regional Advisory Board: one county commissioner or designee and another individual who meets the requirements outlined in N. C. G. S. 122C-118.1 (b). In addition, the Regional Advisory Board will include the Chair or designee of the regional Consumer and Family Advisory Committee. County Commissioner members of the Regional Advisory Boards may serve for as long as they are a commissioner. Other members of the Regional Advisory Board may serve for up to three, three year consecutive terms.

The primary functions of the Regional Advisory Board will be to advise the Area Authority Chief Executive Officer on the evaluation and hiring of a Regional Director; recommending priorities for expenditure of state and county funds for development of the annual budget; determining local priorities for inclusion in the overall strategic plan; identifying community needs and concerns; monitoring resolution of issues; and monitoring performance at the local level, including access to care, expenditure of service funds, number of consumers served, services delivered, provider network size and composition, outcomes, and consumer satisfaction.

Each Regional Advisory Board will establish its own bylaws based on local needs, but in compliance with standardized requirements established by the Governing Board for quorums, frequency of meets, elections of officers, duties of members, committees and committee appointments, and attendance standards. Such bylaws are subject to the approval of the Governing Board.

East Regional Advisory Board will select four (4) members to serve as the Area Authority Governing Board; one county commissioner, the Consumer and Family Advisory Committee chair or designee, and two other members. In addition, the chair or designee of the Area Authority Network Council shall serve on the Governing Board as a non-voting member. The county commissioner members of the Governing Board shall serve one three year term without consecutive reappointment, so that commissioner representation on the Governing Board will rotate among the counties in each region. The other members of the Governing Board may serve three, three year terms.

The Governing Board's primary responsibilities will include determining policy; strategic planning, including consideration of local priorities as determined by the Regional Advisory Boards; budgets; hiring and evaluations of the Chief Executive Officer; monitoring of deliverables, including overall performance and financial management; government affairs and advocacy; reporting to constituent counties; responding to concerns and feedback from the Regional Advisory Boards; reviewing, revising and approving the Regional Advisory Board bylaws; and all other responsibilities outlined in N. C. law for Area Authority Boards. The Governing Board will develop and adopt bylaws to address its activities in accordance with law.

ADOPTED this 6th day of April, 2015.

SCHOOLS

Dr. Michael Perry, Superintendent of Hertford County Schools, presented to the Board the bids received for the HVAC Project at Riverview School. Dr. Perry was seeking approval of Option 2 with a total bid of \$806,226, which is \$113,976 over the original projected budget.

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Farmer, the Board voted unanimously to allow the Board of Education to move forward with Option 2 for the HVAC Project at Riverview School.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Farmer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Amendment #4 to the FY 2014-2015 Hertford County Budget Ordinance as presented by Robbin Stephenson, Finance Director:

AMENDMENT #4 TO THE HERTFORD COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE 2014-2015

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the County of Hertford, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015:

Section 1 to amend the General Fund by functions, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

General Government

	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
General Gov't Depts.	Various Accounts	Various payroll accts.	To pay 3% COLA	19,839	
Public Safety					
	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
Public Safety Depts. Animal Control	Various Accounts	Various payroll accts.	To pay 3% COLA	46,590	
Dept.	10-4210-5510-03	Capital Outlay-Veh	To purchase Animal Cont. truck	26,370	
Jail	10-4190-5510-03	Capital Outlay-Veh	To purchase Animal Cont. truck		26,370
EMS	10-4205-5352-01	Main & Repair -Veh	To repair truck 1915	1,011	
Econ/Phy Dev.					

Account	Account	Comment	Amount	Amount
Number	Description		Increase	Decrease
	Various payroll			
Various Accounts	accts.	To pay 3% COLA	2,867	
Account	Account	Comment	Amount	Amount
Number	Description		Increase	Decrease
	Low Income Energy			
10-4440-5630-01	Asst.	Fed. Funding Authorization #2		
10-4440-5691-04	Smart Start	MOU between H.Co. &North'ton	75,430	
10-4340-5600-00	JCPC Certification	Contri from Bertie/Northampton	1,498	
Various Accounts	Various payroll accts.	To pay 3% COLA	32,489	
			Amount	Amount
Number		Comment	Increase	Decrease
10-9500-5962-00	62	To pay 3% COLA	2,109	
	Oper transfer fund			
10-9500-5965-00	65	To pay 3% COLA	969	
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Total Expenditures	\$177,939.00
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Section 2 to amend the General Fund by functions, the revenues are to be changed as follows:

	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
Taxes					
Local Sales Taxes					
Other					
Tax/Licenses					
		LIEAP			
Restricted Gov't	10-0063-4187-01	Authorization 1	Low income assistance program	100,000	
Restricted Gov't	10-0063-4183-00	Smart Start	MOU between H.Co. &North'ton	75,430	
Miscellaneous		Misc. Rev-JCPC			
Rev.	10-0100-4153-00	Certifica.	Contri from Bertie/Northampton	1,498	
Miscellaneous		Misc. Rev-			
Rev.	10-0100-4153-00	Insurance	To repair truck 1915	1,011	
Transfers					
Fund Bal. Approp.					
Fund Bal. Approp.					
Total Revenues				\$177,939.00	

This will result in a net increase/decrease of \$177,939 in the expenditures of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for these expenditures, the revenues will increase/decrease by the same amount of \$177,939. These additional revenues have already been received.

Adopted this 6th day of April, 2015.

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Lewter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Amendment #3 to the FY 2014-2015 Hertford County Enterprise Fund as presented by Robbin Stephenson, Finance Director:

AMENDMENT #3 TO THE HERTFORD COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE 2014-2015

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the County of Hertford, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015:

Section 7, 9, and 11 to amend the Enterprise Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as

follows:

Enterprise Fund 62

-	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
Solid Waste	Various Payroll Accts.	Various Payroll Accts.	To pay 3% COLA	2,109	
Enterprise Fund 65					
	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
Northern Water Dist	Various Payroll Accts.	Various Payroll Accts.	To pay 3% COLA	969	
Enterprise Fund 66					
	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
Southern Water Dist	Various Payroll Accts.	Various Payroll Accts.	To pay 3% COLA	1,517	
Total Expenses				4,595	

Section 8, 10, and 12 to amend the Enterprise Fund, the revenues are to be changed as follows:

	Account	Account		Amount	Amount
Department	Number	Description	Comment	Increase	Decrease
Transfer from General	62-0117-4495-00	Transfer from General	Transfer from Salary	2,109	
Fund	65-0118-4495-00	Transfer from General	Contingency-To pay 3% COLA	969	
	66-0119-4495-00	Transfer from General		1,517	
Total Revenues				4,595	

This will result in a net increase/decrease of \$4,595 in the expenditures of the General

Fund. To provide the additional revenue for these expenditures, the revenues will increase/decrease

by the same amount of \$4,595. These additional revenues have already been received.

Adopted this 6th day of April, 2015.

RESOLUTIONS/LAND RECORDS

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Gatling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution as presented by Sara Turner, GIS, Land Records and Rural E-911 Addressing Director:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING REVIEW OFFICER

WHEREAS, S.L. 1997-309 (S875) makes a number of significant changes in the procedures for recording maps and plats; and

WHEREAS, the main purpose of the law is to transfer the responsibility for reviewing plats and maps to determine whether they meet recording requirements from the Register of Deeds to a Review Officer; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 47-30.2 requires the Board of County Commissioners in each county, by resolution, to appoint a person to serve as Review Officer to review each plat and map before it is recorded and certify that it meets the statutory requirements for recording; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Hertford County Board of Commissioners to ensure an expeditious review of all maps and plats as required by G.S. 47-30.2 before they are presented to the Register of Deeds for recording.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, effective April 6th, 2015, that Sara P. Turner and Josephine P. Green in the Hertford County Land Records are hereby appointed to perform all responsibilities as required for Review Officer under the appropriate North Carolina General Statutes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution designating the Review Officers be recorded in the Hertford County Register of Deeds Office and indexed in the name of the Review Officers.

This the 6th day of April 2015.

ORDINANCES/VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT

On a motion by Lewter and a second by Freeman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Hertford County Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance. This was the second required reading of the ordinance. The Agricultural Advisory Board will be appointed at a later meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/ROAD NAMES

The County Manager presented a request to the Board to schedule a Public Hearing for the purpose of renaming Mt. Tabor Church Road to Tall Cotton Road. Letters have been mailed to all property owners. The County Attorney was instructed to list the proposed name of "Tall Cotton Road" in the Public Hearing Notice.

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Lewter, the Board voted unanimously to schedule a Public Hearing for April 20, 2015, at 7:15 P.M. for the purpose of renaming Mt. Tabor Church Road to Tall Cotton Road.

PERSONNEL

Loria D. Williams, County Manager, discussed with the Board the establishment of an Employees' Advisory Council. On a motion by Freeman and a second by Farmer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the By-Laws of the Employees' Advisory Council – Hertford County Personnel System as presented.

COURTHOUSE

On a motion by Farmer and a second by Freeman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Authorization for Change in Services in the amount of \$19,047.41 for the Hertford County Courthouse and Government Center Project. This will be paid via liquidated damages.

The County Manager shared that the mechanical and electrical systems were operational for this project. The potential move date is mid-May, with an operational date of June 1.

COUNTY MANAGER'S UPDATE

The County Manager shared a letter with the Board that had been sent to Mr. Scott Emory, District Engineer, N. C. D. O.T., regarding recent requests from citizens for ditch cleaning. Mr. Emory has referred this issue to Win Bridgers and Lydia McKeel, whom have not responded yet.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

 Commissioner Farmer made the Board aware of sales tax changes being discussed in the Legislature

At this time, Assistant County Manager M. Ray Wiggins updated the Board regarding the DuPont L. Davis Memorial Park. The park furnishings have been put

together and stored. He has received quotes for grill(s) and/or bike rack. It was the general consensus of the Board to purchase two grills and a bike rack.

He also shared that the family of the late DuPont L. Davis are tentatively considering Sunday, June 14, for the park dedication.

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Gatling, the Board voted unanimously to recess Regular Session to go into a meeting of the Hertford County Board of Equalization and Review.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW

Shelia W. Matthews, Clerk to the Board, administered the following oaths of office to Commissioner Lewter (recently appointed) and Commissioners Freeman and Farmer (recently reelected):

OATH OF OFFICE

Board of Equalization and Review

I, F. Garry Lewter, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Board of Equalization and Review of Hertford County, North Carolina, and that I will not allow my actions as a member of the Board of Equalization and Review to be influenced by personal or political friendships or obligations, so help me God.

OATH OF OFFICE

Board of Equalization and Review

I, Johnnie R. Farmer, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Board of Equalization and Review of Hertford County, North Carolina, and that I will not allow my actions as a member of the Board of Equalization and Review to be influenced by personal or political friendships or obligations, so help me God.

OATH OF OFFICE

Board of Equalization and Review

I, Curtis A. Freeman, Sr., do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Board of Equalization and Review of Hertford County, North Carolina, and that I will not allow my actions as a member of the Board of Equalization and Review to be influenced by personal or political friendships or obligations, so help me God.

Minutes

Hertford County Board of Equalization and Review Meeting April 6, 2015

The Hertford County Board of Equalization and Review met on April 6,2015 at 10:00 A.M., in Room #222 of the Hertford County Office Building #1, Winton, North Carolina.

Members present were: William F. Mitchell, Jr., Chairman

Ronald J. Gatling, Vice-Chairman

F. Garry Lewter

Curtis A. Freeman

Johnnie R. Farmer

Sylvia F. Anderson, Clerk

Charles L. Revelle, III Attorney for Hertford County was also present.

Newly appointed F. Garry Lewter and recently relected Curtis A. Freeman and Johnnie R. Farmer took the oath required of the North Carolina Constitution for the Board of Equalization and Review. The meeting was then called to order.

Sylvia F. Anderson, Clerk to the Board shared with the Board that over 600 new construction appraisals have been completed and 42 informal appeals have been handled in the Assessor's office. At that time, Mrs. Anderson announced "There are not appeals at this time."

At 10:10 A.M., on a motion by Ronald J. Gatling. and seconded by Curtis A. Freeman, the Board of Equalization and Review is now in recess until Monday, May 4, 2015 at 10:00 A. M.

Sylvia F. Anderson

Clerk to Board of Equalization and Review

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS (con't.)

- Commissioner Freeman would like an ordinance to be researched and considered for "shooting in the air" at night clubs in the county
- Vice-Chairman Gatling would like for the Employee Advisory Council to develop a Recognition Program, have an Employee Picnic, and participate in County Government Week
- Commissioner Lewter thinks it would be a good idea for a Commissioner to be invited to a Department Head Meeting
- Chairman Mitchell shared that he and Commissioner Lewter attended the NCACC District Meeting in Martin County on March 25

On a motion by Freeman and a second by Lewter, the Board voted unanimously to recess Regular Session to go into a scheduled Closed Session as allowed under G. S. 143-318.11 (a) (3) to discuss personnel matters and (6) to consult with the County Attorney.

CLOSED SESSION

Minutes of Closed Session are on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

REGULAR SESSION

PERSONNEL

On a motion by Gatling and a second by Freeman, the Board voted unanimously to table Memo #8209 – Request for Approval of Revised Job Descriptions – Director of Facilities & Public Works, Public Works Manager, and Facilities Manager.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY OF HERTFORD COUNTY

Mrs. Lynn Johnson, past Mayor of Murfreesboro, and Mr. John Parker, Chairperson on the Murfreesboro Historical Commission, were present to request financial assistance with the publication of "WEST OF THE CHOWAN: The Architectural History of Hertford County, North Carolina".

They circulated books among the Board that were already completed in Warren, Pitt, and Halifax Counties. They shared that most counties have had contributions from their Boards of County Commissioners. Of the \$75,000 needed, \$20,000 has already been raised.

Vice-Chairman Gatling wants the County to commit to this endeavor. This request will be taken into consideration during the budget process.

On a motion by Gatling and a second by Freeman, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.