

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met in regular session in the Collinstown Community Building, located at 2481 Collinstown Road, Westfield, North Carolina, on Monday, June 14, 2004, at 7:00 pm with the following members present:

- Chairman Sandy McHugh
- Vice-Chairman John Turpin
- Commissioner Howard Mabe
- Commissioner Leon Inman
- Commissioner Joe Turpin

- County Manager Richard Morris
- County Attorney Jonathan Jordan
- Darlene Bullins, Clerk to the Board
- Jack Veit - Stokes Intern

Chairman McHugh called the meeting to order.

Mr. Pete George, Westfield, NC delivered the invocation.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman McHugh opened the meeting by inviting the citizens in attendance to join the Board with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED PIEDMONT TRIAD PARTNERSHIP GRANT FUNDING

Chairman McHugh called the Public Hearing for the Proposed Piedmont Triad Partnership Grant Funding to order.

There were no public comments.

Chairman McHugh closed the Public Hearing for the Proposed Piedmont Triad Partnership Grant Funding.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT -GOVERNING BODY-APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve or amend the minutes of the May 24th and June 3rd meetings.

Commissioner Mabe moved to approve the minutes of the May 24th and June 3rd meetings.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jerry S. Mitchell
1274 Greenfield Road
Walnut Cove, NC 27052
RE: Budget

Mr. Mitchell spoke to the Board concerning the following issues pertaining to the proposed Fiscal Year 2004/05 County Budget: study budget carefully, wording in proposed budget misleading, 13-cent tax increase calculation for proposed requests calculated improperly, 2% COLA for employees, funding for Mountain Rescue, future of King Clinic, rebuilding Health and DSS services.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-PROPOSED PIEDMONT TRIAD PARTNERSHIP GRANT FUNDING

Economic Director Ron Morgan presented an overview of the proposed Economic Development Project to consider to enter into an agreement with Luwa, Inc. and C. Wayne McDonald Contactor, Inc.

Under the agreement, Stokes County will provide funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 toward the costs of purchasing and installing two 12'x16' Roll-Up Doors, grading and site preparation necessary to construct an approximate 4,000 square feet concrete pad to facilitate truck access, and site preparation of an adjacent lot for outdoor storage of material. These costs are necessary to upgrade the existing industrial facility located at 101 Santee Court, King, North Carolina for a new tenant. Stokes County will fund the expenditure with grant funds provided by the Piedmont Triad Partnership.

Economic Director Morgan requested the Board's approval for the Piedmont Triad Grant Funds \$10,000.00 to be used for an Economic Development Project with Luwa, Inc., C. Wayne McDonald Contractor, Inc., and Stokes County.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the Piedmont Triad Grant Funding.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve the motion to approve the Piedmont Triad Grant Funding.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-FINANCE DEPT.-BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #141

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #141, which is necessary to amend the General Fund to transfer and appropriate funds to departments for the remainder of the fiscal year. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	General Fund		
	(see below)	<u>\$29,708.00</u>	<u>\$49,609.00</u>
		\$29,708.00	\$49,609.00

EXPENDITURES

<u>Account Number</u>		<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>
	Tax Administration		
100.4140.090	Social Security	\$ 150.00	
100.4140.091	Medicare Tax	\$ 50.00	
100.4140.101	401K	\$ 50.00	
100.4140.250	Auto Supplies	\$ 900.00	
100.4140.260	Departmental Supplies		\$ 400.00
100.4140.370	Advertising		\$ 1,250.00
100.4140.440	Misc. Contractual Services		\$ 2,000.00
100.4140.310	Travel	\$ 1,750.00	
100.4140.390	Tax Refund	\$ 500.00	
100.4140.510	Equipment	\$ 250.00	

<u>Account Number</u>		<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>
	Information Systems		
100.4210.180	Professional Services	\$ 120.00	
100.4210.311	Training		\$ 395.00
100.4210.511	Equipment Non Capitalized	\$ 275.00	
	Training on new software.		
	Sheriff's Department		
100.4310.291	Uniforms		\$ 901.00

Detention clothing allowance funding from State Fines & Forfeitures.

Jail			
100.4320.260	Departmental Supplies		\$ 1,000.00
100.4320.350	Maint. & Repairs Equipment		\$ 3,000.00
100.4320.390	Misc. Exp. Bd. Of Prisoners		\$ 10,000.00

Cover overages.

District Resource Center			
100.4321.260	Departmental Supplies		\$ 1,138.00
100.4321.350	Maint. & Repairs Equipment	\$ 7,750.00	
100.4321.352	Maint. & Repairs Buildings		\$ 7,750.00
100.4321.510	Equipment		\$ 6,150.00
100.4321.511	Equipment Non Capitalized	\$ 7,288.00	

Transferring grant funds.

Medical Examiner			
100.4360.000	Medical Examiner		\$ 5,000.00

EMS			
100.4370.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 9,500.00	
100.4370.260	Departmental Supplies		\$ 1,000.00
100.4370.320	Telephone & Postage		\$ 8,000.00
100.4370.291	Uniforms		\$ 500.00

Health Department			
100.5100.081	On Call Pay		\$ 1,125.00

Transferred from King Clinic Budget

Account Number	King Clinic	Decrease	Increase
100.5191.081	On Call Pay	\$ 1,125.00	
		\$ 29,708.00	\$ 49,609.00

This will result in a net increase of \$19,901.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenues for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

Account Number	REVENUES	Decrease	Increase
100.3301.413	State Fines & Forfeitures		\$901.00
100.3301.410	Federal Inmate Reimbursement		\$7,000.00
100.3301.412	Inmate Reimbursement		\$7,000.00
100.3839.000	Misc. Revenue		\$5,000.00
			<u>\$19,901.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #141.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #141.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT -STOKES REYNOLDS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FUND-BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #142

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #142 which is necessary to amend the Stokes Reynolds Memorial Hospital Fund and the Regional Sewer Fund to transfer funds for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Stokes Reynolds Mem. Hospital Fund		
500.9100.730	Hospital Revenue Bonds-Principle	\$4,725.00	
500.9100.740	Hospital Revenue Bonds-Interest		\$4,725.00
		<u>\$4,725.00</u>	<u>\$4,725.00</u>
	Regional Sewer Fund		
501.7140.290	Miscellaneous Expense	\$10,000.00	
501.7140.350	Maint. & Repairs-Equipment		\$10,000.00
		<u>\$10,000.00</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>

This will result in a net decrease of \$0.00 in the appropriations of the Stokes Reynolds Memorial Hospital Fund and Regional Sewer Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #142.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #142.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT -HEALTH DEPARTMENT -BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #143

Chairman McHugh noted that Budget Ordinance Amendment #143 will be postponed until later in the meeting.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT -SOCIAL SERVICES -BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #144

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #144 which is necessary to amend the General Fund to appropriate and transfer federal and state funds for the Medicaid/CAP/DA Programs. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Social Services		
100.5310.182	Professional Services-CAP/DA		\$11,750.00
100.5310.083	CAP/DA	\$5,000.00	
		<u>\$5,000.00</u>	<u>\$11,750.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$6,750.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

Account Number	REVENUES	Decrease	Increase
100.3540.420	Medicaid-CAP/DA		\$6,750.00
			<u>\$6,750.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #144.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #144.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT -SOCIAL SERVICES -BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #145

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #145 which is necessary to amend the General Fund to appropriate additional funds for Medicaid for the fiscal year. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Social Services-Medicaid		
100.5450.000	Medicaid		\$75,000.00
			<u>\$75,000.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$75,000.00 appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

Account Number	REVENUES	Decrease	Increase
100.3991.000	Fund Balance Appropriated		\$75,000.00
			<u>\$75,000.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #145.

Commissioner Mabe moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #145.

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-STOKES COUNTY PLANNING BOARD-RE-APPOINTMENTS

Chairman McHugh presented the names of Lewis Wood (Danbury Township) and Patrick Flinchum (Meadows Township) for nomination for re-appointment to a 3-year term to the Stokes County Planning Board. (Mr. Wood and Mr. Flinchum can be considered at the June 28th meeting). There were no further nominations.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY - RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE WINSTON SALEM NORTHERN BELTWAY

Chairman McHugh presented the Resolution of Support for Construction of the Winston Salem Northern Beltway.

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE WINSTON SALEM NORTHERN BELTWAY

WHEREAS, the Winston Salem Northern Beltway was added to the Winston Salem Thoroughfare Plan in 1968; and

WHEREAS, legislation enacted in 1989 by the North Carolina General Assembly established funding for the Winston Salem Northern Beltway; and

WHEREAS, the eastern segment of the beltway will serve as I-74, alleviating traffic on U.S. 52 through downtown Winston Salem, and will serve as an important tool to maximize Northwest North Carolina's ability to develop ancillary businesses as a result of the location of the Federal Express Mid-Atlantic Hub at Piedmont Triad International Airport, and will improve access to Triad Airport for communities and towns north of Winston Salem; and

WHEREAS, due to the future designation of portions of the Winston Salem Northern Beltway as an interstate highway, it is a critical transportation infrastructure tool to manage growth and development on local, regional and state levels, and will provide an important national transportation link; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has exhaustively studied potential environmental impacts of the beltway and will work to minimize negative environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, construction of this important roadway can begin as early as 2006 because of previously acquired right-of-way along the western section;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Stokes County expresses its support to the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the U.S. Department of Transportation for construction of the Winston Salem Northern Beltway.

Adopted this 14th day of June 2004.

Sandy McHugh
Chairman

Darlene Bullins
Clerk to the Board

Commissioner Joe Turpin noted that any part that touched Stokes County could be beneficial to the County.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to approve the Resolution of Support for Construction of the Winston Salem Northern Beltway.

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT- PURCHASING- SALE OF CHERRY PARK

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall presented the latest bid information to purchase Cherry Park, 14.197 acres. Mr. Ronald Bennett bid the amount of \$29,394 on May 24, 2004 for the purchase of Cherry Park.

Mr. Stovall noted that the bid was advertised in the Stokes News on May 27, 2004 and could have been upset by anyone before Monday, June 7, 2004 -by 5:00pm.

Mr. Stovall noted that in accordance with NCGS 153A-176 and 160A-269, the Board of Commissioners can accept or reject this offer.

Chairman McHugh moved to accept the bid and sell the property to Mr. Ronald Bennett for \$29,394.00.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried (3-0).

Vice Chairman John Turpin and Commissioner Joe Turpin were recused from voting on any matters concerning Cherry Park at the March 8, 2004 meeting.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATION - TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins presented a request from Mr. Bradley S. Delp, EMT Paramedic, for tuition reimbursement in the amount of \$106.50 according to Stokes County Personnel Handbook - Section 9, Page #18.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the tuition reimbursement for Mr. Bradley Delp, in the amount of \$106.50.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to approve the tuition reimbursement for Mr. Bradley Delp in the amount of \$106.50.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY- RESOLUTION - FLAG DAY AND CITIZEN CORPS COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS DAY, 2004

Chairman McHugh presented the Resolution - Flag Day and Citizen Corps Community Preparedness Day, 2004. County Attorney Jonathan Jordan read the Resolution.

Flag Day and Citizen Corps Community Preparedness Day, 2004
A Resolution By the Stokes County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, each year, we set aside June 14 to commemorate the day in 1777 when the Continental Congress adopted the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of our Republic. With this act, the Congress declared that we were one Nation, under one flag, united for the cause of liberty and justice for all, and

WHEREAS, the image of the American flag is one of our strongest national symbols. The flag reminds us of the freedoms we all cherish, unites us in times of national grief, and brings patriotic identity to international achievements in sport and science, and

WHEREAS, in times of war, the flag has always gained prominence on the home front as a show of support for the men and women of the armed forces in harm's way. And as we support our troops, we must also reflect on our own contributions to the safety of this country. Everyone in America now has a greater role, a greater responsibility for our nation's well-being, and

WHEREAS, our flag now symbolizes more than patriotism, but action too and we call on everyone in America to embrace new ways to pledge allegiance. Everyone can do something to be better prepared for the threats of crime, public health issues, terrorism, and disasters of all kinds and to help our communities do the same, and

WHEREAS, through Citizen Corps, our nationwide grassroots movement to engage everyone in America in local safety efforts, we can join with our nation's first responders to better protect our communities. We should all embrace the personal responsibility to be prepared, get training in first aid and emergency response skills, and volunteer to support local emergency responders, disaster relief, and community safety. Through these actions, we will fulfill the Citizen Corps vision of "Uniting Communities - Preparing the Nation." and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Stokes County Board of Commissioners, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the North Carolina General Assembly, do hereby proclaim June 14 through June 19, 2004, as Citizen Corps Community Preparedness Week. We urge everyone in Stokes County to prepare, train, and volunteer their time and skills to support community safety. We all have a role in hometown security and these actions will help make our families, our communities, and our nation safer for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord two thousand four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-ninth.

Adopted this 14th day of June 2004.

Sandy McHugh
Chairman

Darlene Bullins
Clerk to the Board

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the Resolution - Flag Day and Citizen Corps Community Preparedness Day, 2004.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the Resolution - Flag Day and Citizen Corps Community Preparedness Day, 2004.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY - RESOLUTION TO HONOR
RONALD WILSON REAGAN, THE 40TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES RONALD WILSON REAGAN MEMORIAL
BUILDING**

Chairman Sandy McHugh presented the Resolution to Honor Ronald Wilson Reagan, the 40th President of the United States, Ronald Wilson Memorial Building.

County Attorney Jonathan Jordan read the Resolution.

**A Resolution to Honor RONALD WILSON REAGAN,
the 40th President of the United States
RONALD WILSON REAGAN MEMORIAL BUILDING**

WHEREAS, RONALD WILSON REAGAN, our 40th President died on June 5, 2004, at the age of 93 years, and

WHEREAS, PRESIDENT REAGAN is loved and revered by millions of Americans and people throughout the world, and

WHEREAS, PRESIDENT REAGAN was elected the 40th President of the United States by an electoral landslide in 1980 and was re-elected by a landslide in 1984, and

WHEREAS, two years ago **RONALD REAGAN** passed John Adams and Herbert Hoover to become the country's longest-living president, and

WHEREAS, in 1980 the people of the United States were in a profound state of gloom and **RONALD REAGAN** saw his job as teaching Americans how to dream again, and

WHEREAS, we remember his steadfast opposition to "the Evil Empire" of the Soviet Union even though many urged accommodation, urged that "we go along to get along." Indeed, we remember the consternation of old Europe when he and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Great Britain pressed forward with a determination to rearm the forces of freedom. We remember especially that day in 1987 at Brandenburg Gate when he challenged Mikhail Gorbachev, "If you seek peace, if you seek prosperity for the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, if you seek liberalization, come to this Gate ... open this Gate ... tear down this wall," and

WHEREAS, his determination and his spirited belief in the ultimate strength and victory of freedom over oppression resulted in large part in the collapse of the Soviet Empire and the liberation of more than 158,000,000 souls among the captive nations of Eastern Europe, and

WHEREAS, PRESIDENT REAGAN said, "Government growing beyond our consent had become a lumbering giant, slamming shut the gates of opportunity, threatening to crush the very roots of our freedom. What brought America back? The American people brought us back - with quiet courage and common sense; with undying faith that in this nation under God the future will be ours, for the future belongs to the free," and

WHEREAS, his eloquence in the espousal of limited government, individual self-reliance, and the lowering of our tax burden was accompanied by boundless good humor, self-effacing wit, and a warmth which embraced all of his fellow citizens in all walks of life and all political persuasions, and

WHEREAS, it has been written by George Will that, "One measure of a leader's greatness is this: By the time he dies the dangers that summoned him to greatness have been so thoroughly defeated, in no small measure by what he did, it is difficult to recall the magnitude of those dangers, or of his achievements," and "The Iron Curtain that scarred a continent is gone, as is the Evil Empire responsible for it. The feeling of foreboding - the sense of shrunken possibilities - that afflicted Americans 20 years ago has been banished by a new birth of the American belief in perpetually expanding horizons," and

WHEREAS, it has been written by Paul Kengor that, "Observers (except for those blinded by leftist ideologies) can't miss the 40th president's achievements - the economic growth, the Cold War victory, the summits and treaties. They also are writing about his relationship with his wife, his love of liberty, his image of America as a Shining City Upon a Hill," and "Ronald Reagan's Christian faith has been the single most consistent, dominant feature of his life," and

WHEREAS, after two terms, he left office with the affection of our entire nation, and left us finally a legacy of personal courage as he met the ultimate adversary with these poignant words, "I now begin the journey that will lead me into the sunset of life ... [but] I know that for America there will always be a bright dawn ahead," and

WHEREAS, PRESIDENT REAGAN said, "So, with all the creative energy at our command, let us begin an era of national renewal. Let us renew our determination, our courage, and our strength. And let us renew our faith and our hope," and

WHEREAS, RONALD REAGAN also said, "We have every right to dream heroic dreams. Those who say that we're in a time when there are no heroes, they just don't know where to look," and

WHEREAS, PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN said in his First Inaugural Address in 1981, "From time to time, we have been tempted to believe that society has become too complex to be managed by self-rule, that government by an elite group

is superior to government for, by, and of the people. But if no one among us is capable of governing himself, then who among us has the capacity to govern someone else."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the **STOKES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** that we mourn the passing of **PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN**, a great American and a towering spirit who led us and the free world through a time of peril to ultimate victory over, perhaps historically, our most dangerous enemy, that as a fitting tribute to this great president, Stokes County will follow the example of our Nation's Capital by flying the flag at half-mast for one month following the passing of **PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN**,

AND LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Stokes County Government Building which currently houses the Stokes County Commissioners Chambers will henceforth be named the "**RONALD WILSON REAGAN MEMORIAL BUILDING**," and that the Clerk to the Board establish a **RONALD WILSON REAGAN MEMORIAL FUND** that citizens may contribute to for the purpose of purchasing and erecting a fitting tribute to **RONALD WILSON REAGAN** establishing the new name for the front of the building and that this fund be left open for a minimum of 6 weeks at which time choices for the expenditure of those funds will be brought back to this board for a decision, and

LET IT ALSO BE RESOLVED, that this **RESOLUTION** be placed with the **HISTORIC DISPLAY** in the Commissioners Chambers.

Adopted this 14th day of June 2004.

Sandy McHugh
Chairman

Darlene Bullins
Clerk to the Board

Chairman McHugh moved to approve the Resolution to Honor Ronald Wilson Reagan, the 40th President of the United States, Ronald Wilson Memorial Building.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman McHugh volunteered to pay for the framing of this Resolution to be placed on the wall in the Commissioners' Chambers.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - ANIMAL CONTROL - EXOTIC ANIMAL ORDINANCE CONTINUATION OF APPENDIX A

County Attorney Jonathan Jordan and Animal Control Attendant Karen Garner presented a proposed continuation of Appendix A of the Exotic Animal Ordinance from the Exotic Animal Review Committee. (Chief Animal Control Officer Sarah Shumate was unable to attend the meeting) The continuation of Appendix A is Standards for Primary and Secondary Enclosures for Exotic/Dangerous Animals.

County Attorney Jordan requested this Continuation of Appendix A be added to existing Exotic Animal Ordinance.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the Continuation of Appendix A be added to the existing Exotic Animal Ordinance.

Commissioner Mabe moved to approve the Continuation of Appendix A be added to the existing Exotic Animal Ordinance.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously

APPENDIX A (continued)

STANDARDS FOR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY ENCLOSURES

FOR EXOTIC/DANGEROUS ANIMALS

This Appendix specifies minimum standards for the construction of primary and secondary enclosures that are to be used to keep, harbor, or restrain exotic or dangerous animals. If, because of the breeding, history, character, or other particular trait, it is the opinion of the Animal Control Officer that these standards are insufficient to restrain any particular exotic or dangerous animal, he shall report such findings to the Exotic Animal Review Committee and issue no permits until standards sufficient to restrain the animal are met.

Section 1. Primary Enclosures

Primary enclosures used to keep, harbor, or restrain the following animals shall be constructed with the materials and in the manner specified.

A. Cheetah, Lion, Tiger, Wolf, and Hybrids Thereof

Animals in this category shall be housed within a primary enclosure that contains a minimum of 600 square feet per animal. There shall be no more than one (1) animal in any one (1) primary enclosure. There shall be no common fences between enclosures. If adult male animals are placed in adjacent enclosures these enclosures shall be constructed of no less than nine-gauge steel chain-link fence, doubled, and spaced so as to prohibit physical contact between the animals. All enclosures shall have double safety doors.

The entire enclosure shall be constructed of not less than nine-gauge steel chain-link fence attached to not smaller than 2½-inch diameter, schedule 40 steel poles placed at least 30 inches below the ground and anchored in 30 inches of concrete, and of sufficient length to extend to the top of the fence, and shall be placed no more than ten (10) feet apart. Enclosures with roofs shall have sides a minimum of eight (8) feet high, and enclosures without roofs shall have sides at least twelve (12) feet high. Roofs of enclosures shall be constructed of the same material as the sides, and be firmly attached to the sides with no gaps.

B. Leopards, Mountain Lions, and Hybrids Thereof

Animals in this category shall be housed in enclosures meeting all requirements set out above for cheetahs, lions, tigers, wolves, and hybrids thereof, and, in addition thereto, the enclosure shall have a roof constructed of at least nine-gauge steel chain-link fencing, attached firmly to the sides with no gaps.

C. Jaguars

Jaguars of any species shall be housed in enclosures constructed to the same standards as those required for leopards, mountain lions, and hybrids thereof, except that the fencing shall consist of not less than six-gauge steel chain-link fencing for the sides and roof; however, the roof may consist of nine-gauge steel chain-link fencing provided the sides are at least ten (10) feet high. The fencing shall be firmly secured to vertical and horizontal piping or rods, and must be firmly secured at three-inch intervals to the bottom horizontal crossbar, which shall be no more than three (3) inches above the floor.

D. Caracal, Bobcat, Lynx, Ocelot, Serval, and Hybrids Thereof

Animals in this category shall be housed in enclosures completely enclosed with a minimum of 80 square feet for each animal, and of a minimum height of eight (8) feet. Walls and top or roof of cages shall be constructed of not less than 11½-gauge steel chain-link fencing secured to steel poles not smaller than 1½ inches in diameter and placed at least 30 inches below the ground in 30 inches of concrete not more than ten (10) feet apart. Enclosures shall have double safety doors.

E. Bears and Primates Over 100 lbs.

Large bears and primates over 100 lbs. are considered to be among the more dangerous as well as the more escape-prone of all exotic animals. Bears and primates over 100 lbs. shall be housed in primary enclosures with at least 600 square feet per animal. There shall not be more than one (1) animal per primary enclosure. The primary enclosure shall be constructed of solid steel bars at least ¾-inch in diameter, placed not more than four (4) inches apart, and placed not less than 30 inches below ground and anchored in 30 inches of concrete. Such enclosures shall be at least ten (10) feet high and shall have a top or roof constructed of the same material as the sides and firmly attached thereto with no gaps therein. All such enclosures shall have a cross-

weld at least every four (4) inches, and shall have a floor of concrete, covered with plywood or earth sufficiently to protect the animals housed therein. Enclosures shall have double safety doors with locks.

F. Primates Under 100 lbs.

Animals in this section are categorized into seven (7) groups by typical weight of animals of their species, except for infants (up to 6 months of age) and juveniles (6 months to 3 years of age) of various species, which may weigh much less than adults of their species. The enclosure should be constructed and maintained so as to provide sufficient space to allow each nonhuman primate to make normal postural adjustments with adequate freedom of movement and provide a minimum floor space equal to an area at least three times the area occupied by the animal when standing on four feet, regardless of the size or condition of the animal. The enclosure shall be constructed of a wire gauge appropriate to the animal enclosed, as specified by Animal Control.

GROUP 1 - Weight class under 2.2 lbs., including, but not limited to Marmosets, Tamarins, and infants (less than 6 months of age) of various species.

GROUP 2 - Weight class 2.2 lbs. to 6.6 lbs., including, but not limited to Capuchins, Squirrel Monkeys, and juveniles (6 months to 3 years of age) of various species.

GROUP 3 - Weight class over 6.6 lbs. to 22 lbs., including, but not limited to Macaques, Rhesus, and African species.

GROUP 4 - Weight class over 22 lbs. to 33 lbs., including, but not limited to Macaques and large African species.

GROUP 5 - Weight class over 33 lbs. to 55 lbs., including, but not limited to Baboons and brachiating (swings by arms) species 33 lbs. (15 kg.) or less.

GROUP 6 - Weight class over 55 lbs. to 100 lbs., including, but not limited to Great Apes weighing 100 lbs. or less (50 kg), and brachiating (swings by arms) species larger than 33 lbs.

GROUP 7 - Weight class over 100 lbs., including, but not limited to Great Apes. SEE SECTION 1.E.

GROUP	WEIGHT	FLOOR AREA PER ANIMAL	HEIGHT
1	under 2.2 lbs.	9 sq. ft.	4 ft.
2	over 2.2 lbs. - 6.6 lbs.	12 sq. ft.	4 ft.
3	over 6.6 lbs. - 22 lbs.	16 sq. ft.	6 ft.
4	over 22 lbs. - 33 lbs.	25 sq. ft.	6 ft.
5	over 33 lbs. - 55 lbs.	100 sq. ft.	8 ft.
6	over 55 lbs. - 100 lbs.	400 sq. ft.	10 ft.
7	over 100 lbs.	600 sq. ft.	10 ft.

These are minimum requirements for each species/weight class. The total square footage may be a combination of indoor/outdoor containment with access to and from also being enclosed. Any specifications other than those listed must be approved by the Exotic Animal Review Committee and/or the Board of County Commissioners.

G. Snakes

All large snakes must be kept in an enclosure that is at a minimum the size of a 30-gallon aquarium. This may be a stock tank (e.g. Rubbermaid) or constructed of reinforced glass. No secondary enclosure/perimeter fence is specified.

Each tank shall contain the following:

- ✓ heat lamp to simulate daylight

- ✓ rock for shedding
- ✓ place to cool off
- ✓ outdoor carpeting in the bottom of the cage to insulate and prevent burning
- ✓ shelter where the snake can hide
- ✓ no use of cedar or any pressure-treated products in enclosure
- ✓ fresh water for drinking and soaking in
- ✓ climbing stick for exercise
- ✓ heavy-duty enclosure lids with hinges, clamps, and locks designed for the lids
- ✓ double-locking door system: one small door for feeding and one large door for cleaning. For glass enclosures the door system shall be constructed in the lid.
- ✓ lid shall be weighted at all corners
- ✓ no enclosure shall be kept outdoors

Section 2. Secondary Enclosures/Perimeter Fence (Applies to groups A, B, C, D, and E)

The purpose of a secondary enclosure is to serve as a perimeter fence surrounding all primary enclosures, in order to protect the public by prevention of escape by an animal accidentally freed from its primary enclosure.

Secondary enclosures shall be constructed of not less than 11½-gauge steel chain-link fencing at least twelve (12) feet in height and shall encompass all primary enclosures. The fencing shall be attached to steel poles not smaller than 2½ inches in diameter and set in 30 inches of concrete, or cedar or creosote posts of equivalent strength. All posts shall be placed at least 30 inches below the ground and be spaced not more than fifteen feet apart.

Secondary enclosures shall not have any common wall with any primary enclosure, and all such secondary enclosures shall be continuously electrified. Any secondary enclosure surrounding primary enclosures of animals capable of fence climbing shall be electrified at the bottom and middle, and shall also have an electrified overhang to prevent climbing. Secondary enclosures housing digging animals such as hyenas, wild dogs, wolves, bears, and hybrids thereof shall be so constructed as to be tunnel proof. The strength of the secondary enclosure shall be appropriate to the animals enclosed as well as to the conditions therein and such structures shall be so constructed, using all reasonable efforts, that no single foreseeable event can jeopardize the structural integrity of both the primary and secondary enclosure simultaneously.

All enclosures shall have double safety doors, each of which shall be secured by a lock. All such enclosures shall be located a sufficient distance from the primary enclosure and from all other structures, rocks, trees, or terrain features such that no primary enclosure, structure, rock, tree, or terrain feature may be used as a platform from which to leap.

In the event that cedar or creosote posts are used for line posts, all corner posts and posts at sharp angles shall be of steel and at least four inches in diameter, and all posts other than corner posts or angled posts shall be located on the outside of the fencing. In the event that cedar or creosote posts are used, they shall be replaced with schedule 40 steel posts at least 2½ inches in diameter when replacement is needed, or within six years, whichever is earlier.

Section 3. Secondary Enclosures/Perimeter Fence (Applies to group F)

A perimeter fence should be placed around outdoor areas of sheltered housing facilities and outdoor housing facilities. This fence should be of sufficient height to keep unwanted species out. Fences less than 6 feet high must be approved by the Exotic Animal Review Committee and/or the Board of County Commissioners. The perimeter fence should be no less than 3 feet from the primary enclosure.

Section 4. No Variation Allowed By Animal Control Officer

No variation from these standards shall be made by the Animal Control Officer without the direction of the Exotic Animal Review Committee and/or the Board of County Commissioners.

Section 5. Primary and Secondary Enclosures Structurally Independent of Each Other

All reasonable efforts shall be taken to design primary and secondary enclosures such that no single foreseeable event or series of events shall break the structural integrity of the primary and secondary enclosures.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman McHugh moved to enter closed session for the following:

To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged, and to consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. G.S. 143-318.11 (3)

To consider the initial employment or appointment of an individual to any office or position, other than a vacancy in the Board of County Commissioners or any other public body, or to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, and fitness of any public officer or employee, other than a member of the Board of Commissioners or of some other public body pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(6)

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to the regular session of the June 14th meeting.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - HEALTH DEPARTMENT-BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #143

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to accept the Bulla agreement.

Vice John Turpin moved to accept the Bulla agreement. Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Agreement #143 to amend the General Fund for damages due to a revoked septic permit. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Health Department		
100.5100.000	Salaries & wages	\$5,000.00	
100.5100.020	Salaries & wages-part time	\$5,000.00	
100.5100.110	Group Insurance	\$5,000.00	
100.5100.290	Misc. Expense		\$21,930.00
	King Clinic		
100.5191.000	Salaries and Wages	\$6,930.00	
		<u>\$21,930.00</u>	<u>\$21,930.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$0.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #143.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried (4-1) with Commissioner Joe Turpin voting against the motion.

Darlene Bullins
Clerk to the Board

Sandy McHugh
Chairman