

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA )  
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COUNTY OF STOKES )  
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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS  
STOKES COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
DANBURY, NORTH CAROLINA  
AUGUST 23, 2004

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Ronald Wilson Reagan Memorial Building (Administrative Building), located in Danbury, North Carolina, on Monday, August 23, 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

Chairman McHugh called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Inman 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.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT –GOVERNING BODY-APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve or amend the minutes of the August 9th and August 10th meetings.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve the minutes of the August 9th and the August 10th meetings.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – TAX ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

Tax Administrator Wren Carmichael presented the Tax Administration Report.

Tax Administrator Carmichael requested the following Release of Utilities billed in error for 2004 in the amount of \$2,485,272.48:

Alltel Carolina Inc.	\$ 75,113.05	MCI Worldcom Net	\$ 5.76
American Charters	\$ 1,080.03	NC Electric Member	\$ 849.95
Bellsouth Telephone	\$ 161.59	Norfolk Southern	\$49,914.66
Carolina American Tours	\$ 20.57	Piedmont & Atlantic RR	\$ 6,324.90
Central Telephone Company	\$ 71,885.87	Piedmont Natural Gas Co	\$ 1,190.55
Duke Power Company	\$ 2,178,303.93	Southern Coach	\$ 23.12
Energy United EMC	\$ 61,081.89	Sprint Communications	\$ 7,495.26

Greyhound Lines	\$	117.54	Surry Yadkin	\$31,541.86
Holiday Tours	\$	161.95		

Total = \$2,485,272.48

Tax Administrator Carmichael noted the Utility Companies are billed in early September of every year based upon information received by the NC Department of Revenue. The bills were erroneously carried forward from last year's tax bills and would need to be released in order to re-bill the Utility Companies after September 1, 2004 for the correct amount.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the Release of the Utility Companies until September 2004.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to release the Utility Companies tax bills that were billed in error for 2004 until September 2004.

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Tax Administrator Carmichael requested the following Property Tax Release Requests for Real and Personal Property totaling \$1,834.71:

- Barbara Brewster \$66.53
- Billy Joe & Helen Brown \$25.68
- Graylean & Sandra Dobson \$33.66
- James Gray Frady \$102.88
- Patty Mabe Fulks \$129.50
- J. B. Greer \$24.02
- Lottie G. Hickman \$60.84
- Joan Shell Hoilman \$133.39
- Janice Marie Hylton \$341.70
- David Wayne Jones \$52.07
- Stephen W. & Charlene A Ketchie \$28.11
- Ann P. & Robert W. Martin \$132.18
- Arnold F and Frances Morton \$45.22
- Jason Lee Ring \$170.50
- Kenneth D. & Faye Y. Sands \$26.32
- Ruby G. Smith \$163.81
- United Auto Center Inc \$200.03
- William R. Williams \$24.87
- Rickie Wood DBA Man Made Stone \$73.40

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the submitted Property Tax Release Requests for Real and Personal Property totaling \$1,834.71.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the submitted Property Tax Release Requests for Real and Personal Property totaling \$1,834.71.

Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Tax Administrator Carmichael requested the following Refunds for Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$112.56:

- Mark Allen Hole \$8.04
- Jason T. Britt \$23.11
- Luther H. Manuel, Jr. \$10.25
- James C. Ray \$34.10
- Randall D. Tilley \$11.49
- Lucius L. Johnson, Jr. \$25.57

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the submitted Refunds for Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$112.56.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the submitted Refunds for Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$112.56.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Tax Administrator Carmichael presented the following Property Tax Release Requests for Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$132.62:

**Charles W. Flippin**

Amount requested to be released: \$53.60 (\$8,000 in value)

Reason: This is a tax bill for a 2004 Mercury Sable valued at \$17,500.

Mr. Flippin called this office to appeal the value of \$17,500 based on his Bill of sale for \$9,500 and mileage of 14,630. The motor vehicle appraiser adjusted the value down to \$13,025 based upon the Kelly Blue Book of \$13,350 and the NADA value of \$13,025. The year of this vehicle was also incorrect. It is a 2003 model not a 2004. Mr. Flippin is not satisfied with our value of \$13,025 and would like to appeal it to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Flippin has paid \$63.65 on this tax bill which is based on a value of \$9,500. He refuses to let our appraiser look at his vehicle. He says he does not have the time to bring it up here. He also refuses to pay the tax bill in full. Mr. Flippin requests that you reduce the value of this vehicle down to \$9,500 based on his bill of sale and mileage.

**Recommendation by the Tax Administrator: No**

**Floyd L. Toney**

Amount requested to be released: \$55.65 (\$8,630 in value)

Reason: This is a tax bill for a 2000 Lexus GS300 valued at \$23,630.

Mr. Toney would like to appeal the value of \$23,630 based on his bill of sale for \$15,000 and mileage of 88,170. The motor vehicle appraiser adjusted the value down to \$21,475 based upon the Kelly Blue Book of \$22,250 and the NADA value of \$21,475. Mr. Toney is not satisfied with our value of \$21,475 and would like to appeal it to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Toney requests that you reduce the value of his vehicle down to \$15,000 based on his bill of sale and high mileage.

**Recommendation by the Tax Administrator: No**

**Rodrick Michael Sands**

Amount requested to be released: \$23.37 (\$3,490 in value)

Reason: This is a tax bill for a 1998 Ford Ranger X-Cab ½ ton valued at \$6,190. Mr. Sands visited this office to appeal the value of \$6,190 based on high mileage of 106,332 and minor body damage. The motor vehicle appraiser adjusted the value down to \$5,150 based upon the Kelly Blue Book value of \$5,235 and the NADA value of \$5,150.

Mr. Sands disagrees with our value reduction and would like to appeal this value to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Sands requests that you reduce the value of his vehicle down to \$2,700 based on his bill of sale and high mileage.

**Recommendation by the Tax Administrator: No**

The Board discussed the recommendation by the Tax Administrator to deny the submitted Motor Vehicles Releases in the amount of \$132.62.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to either release or not release the submitted motor vehicles value appeals in the amount of \$132.62.

Commissioner Inman moved to deny the submitted motor vehicle releases in amount of \$132.62. Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Tax Administrator Carmichael presented the Board with a detailed listing of EMS Collections starting April 5, 2004 through August 23, 2004 totaling \$70,839.38.

County Manager Rick Morris also presented the Board with a detailed listing from EMS Director Monty Stevens from April 5, 2004 through August 20, 2004 totaling \$71,059.48.

County Manager Morris noted that current revenue collected since 7-01-04 for EMS totals \$137,052.80.

Tax Administrator Carmichael noted that the time taken after receiving the delinquent bills from EMS in verifying address, job locations, correct social security numbers etc. in order to proceed with garnishments.

County Manager Morris noted that the Board would receive a delinquent EMS Collections report at the second meeting of each month.

## **GENERAL GOVERNMENT – STOKES COUNTY AGING PLANNING COMMITTEE BY-LAWS-AMENDMENTS**

Senior Services Program Manager Lynn Martens and County Attorney Jonathan Jordan presented the Board a draft of changes made to the Stokes County Aging Planning Committee By-Laws that was adopted unanimously by the Stokes County Aging Planning Committee at their July 21, 2004 meeting. County Attorney Jonathan Jordan has reviewed all changes submitted by the Aging Planning Committee.

Program Manager Martens noted the following requested amendments to the By-Laws:

### **Article III – Purpose- Section I**

Include – “including funding recommendations for the Home & Community Care Block Grant”

### **Article IV-Membership**

Change Voting Members to “Members”

Include – “Service providers shall not vote on issues that ultimately result in financial gain to themselves or to their agencies.”

Change – Members of the committee must be citizens or employees of Stokes County to “Stokes County citizens or employees of Stokes County Employers”

Include – A representative of the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) shall attend meetings and provide technical assistance.

### **Article VII – Meetings**

#### **Section I. Regular**

Change – The location will be at the Senior Services Building in Danbury, unless a motion to relocate is passed at the previous meeting.

Delete “unless a motion to relocate is passed at the previous meeting”

#### **Section III. Quorum**

Change – A quorum shall consist of one half plus one of the membership to “A quorum shall consist of 25% of the membership”.

The Board discussed the Article IV-Membership pertaining to the members must be Stokes County citizens or employees of Stokes County employers.

Program Manager Martens noted the problem of a clergy (whose Church was in Stokes County) who was currently serving on the Committee but lived outside of Stokes County.

The Board discussed “grandfathering” the clergy presently on the Board until a replacement who lived in Stokes County could found. The Board also discussed that members must be Stokes County citizens unless this requirement is waived by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners.

The Board agreed to amend Article IV.-Membership to read that Members of the Committee must be a Stokes County citizen unless this requirement is waived by the Board of Commissioners instead of Members of the committee must be Stokes County Citizens or employees of Stokes County employers.

The Board also discussed the Article VII.-Meeting concerning the deletion of a motion to relocate is passed at the previous meeting. The Board agreed to accept the change as submitted by the Committee.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to amend the Aging Planning Committee By-Laws as presented to the Board by the Stokes County Aging Planning Committee with the following exception in Article IV-Membership:

“Members of the Committee must be Stokes County citizens unless this requirement is waived by the Board of County Commissioners”.

(Replaces – Members of the committee must be Stokes County citizens or employees of Stokes County employers)

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the motion to amend the Aging

Planning Committee By-Laws as presented to the Board by the Stokes County Aging

Planning Committee with the following exception in Article IV-Membership:

“Members of the Committee must be Stokes County citizens unless this requirement is waived by the Board of County Commissioners”.

(Replaces – Members of the committee must be Stokes County citizens or employees of Stokes County employers)

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

(A copy of the amended By- Laws will be available in the Clerk to the Board’s Office)

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT - VOL. AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT – ADVISORY BOARD - UPDATE**

Soil Conservationist Tom Smith presented a spreadsheet detailing the current 1750 acres in the Vol. Agricultural District Program (19 applicants- 35 tracts). Mr. Smith noted that President Manley Stovall wan unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict. Mr. Smith presented the Clerk to the Board a listing of the current Agricultural Advisory Board officers, two of which expired June 30, 2004. Mr. Smith requested the Board approve the current officers and their terms.

Chairman McHugh requested the Clerk to place the appointments on the agenda for the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mr. Smith concluded that the Advisory Board’s goal was to have 5,000 acres by June 30, 2005.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT-HEALTH DEPT-BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #7**

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #7 which is necessary to amend the General Fund to appropriate funds from Carolina Access Management Fees. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
	<b>Health</b>		
100.5100.340	Printing		\$1,000.00
100.5100.310	Travel		\$1,000.00
100.5100.311	Employee Training		\$1,000.00
100.5100.320	Telephone		\$1,000.00
100.5100.321	Postage		\$250.00
100.5100.261	Office Supplies		\$1,750.00
100.5100.511	Equipment-Non Capitalized		\$4,500.00
			<u>\$10,500.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$10,500.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
100.3519.415	Carolina Access Mgmt. Fees		\$10,500.00
			<u>\$10,500.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #7.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #7.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT –HEALTH DEPT.-BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #8**

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #8 which is necessary to re-appropriate Bioterrorism funds for the purchase of two laptop computers. This appropriations are to be changed as followed:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
	<b>Health Department</b>		
100.5100.511	Equipment Non -Capitalized		\$7,042.00
			<u>\$7,042.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$7,042.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
100.3301.255	Bioterrorism		\$7,042.00
			<u>\$7,042.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #8.

Commissioner Mabe moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #8.

Commissioner Inman seconded the motion.

The Board discussed the cost of the two laptop computers and requested that in the future, all Budget Ordinance Amendments for the purchase of computers should have the configuration of the computer attached to the amendment.

The motion carried (4-1) with Commissioner Joe Turpin voting against the motion.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT –EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES-BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #9**

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #9 which is necessary to amend the Grant Fund to appropriate funds for the OEMS HRSA Grant. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
	<b>EMS</b>		
203.4370.260	Departmental Supplies		\$8,240.00
203.4370.511	Equipment-Non Capitalized		\$8,350.00
			<u>\$16,590.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$16,590.00 in the appropriations of the Grant Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
203.3301.011	OEMS HRSA		\$16,590.00
			<u>\$16,590.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #9.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #9.

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT –ELECTIONS -BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #10**

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #10, which is necessary to amend the Grant Fund to appropriate grant to purchase items for the Election Department to meet the full range of disability requirements. The appropriations are to be changed as followed:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
	<b>Elections</b>		
203.4170.260	Departmental Supplies		\$13,045.00
			<u>\$13,045.00</u>

This will result in a net increase of \$13,045.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
203.3991.000	Fund Balance Appropriated		\$13,045.00
			<u>\$13,045.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #10.

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #10.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT –ELECTIONS - BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #11**

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #11 which is necessary to amend the General Fund and Capital Fund to transfer funds for the Elections Department for the Primary and Runoff. These appropriations are to be changed as followed:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
	<b>Elections</b>		
100.4170.020	Salaries & Wages Part Time		\$917.00
100.4170.320	Telephone		\$244.00
100.4170.340	Printing		\$354.00
100.4170.390	Precinct Officials		\$16,747.00
100.4170.430	Rental of Building		\$730.00
			<u>\$18,992.00</u>

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
201.4170.022	Elections	\$18,992.00	
201.9810.000	Transfer to General Fund		\$18,992.00

This will result in a net increase of \$18,992.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will be increased.

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Increase</b>
100.3982.960	Transfer from Capital Reserve		\$18,992.00
			<u>\$18,992.00</u>

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #11.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #11.

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## **GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL -RE-APPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman McHugh presented the re-appointments and new appointments that were nominated at the August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting for the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

There were no further nominations.

### **Re- Appointees**

Michael Wells	School Superintendent Designee	6/30/2005
Danny Bottoms	Sheriff's Department Designee	6/30/2005
Tom Langan	DA's Designee	6/30/2005
Jack Moore	Chief Court Counselor	6/30/2005
Jan Spencer	Social Services Director	6/30/2005
Darlene Bullins	County Manager Designee	6/30/2005
Jane Williams	Substance Abuse Professional	6/30/2005
Kathy Ford	Judge's Designee	6/30/2006
Leon Inman	County Commissioner	6/30/2006
Tiffany Cone	County Commissioner Appointee	6/30/2006
Renna Giles	County Commissioner Appointee	6/30/2006
Rebecca Warren	Local Health Director/Designee	6/30/2006

### **New Appointees**

Kathy Murray	Director, AMH/DD/SA	6/30/2006
Brandon West	Defense Attorney	6/30/2006
Robert Jackson	King PD Designee	6/30/2006
Sharon Conrad	Ex-Officio	
Clyde Stewart	Ex-Officio	
Ann Doherty	Ex-Officio	

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to appoint the submitted nominations for the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to appoint the submitted nominations for re-appointments and new appointments for the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## **GENERAL GOVERNMENT – KING CLINIC –UPDATE**

County Manager Rick Morris presented the following additional information concerning the King Clinic - mold issue in the building.

- French drains-major project
- City of King- also agreed French drains-major project-expensive
- Steps needed to be undertaken to take the water away from the building
- Possibly placing additional asphalt between the building and parking Area (currently the parking lot pavement does not go completely up to the building-sloping the pavement would help take the water away from the building)
- Gutters in some areas are turned the wrong way-not taking the water away from the building
- Get estimates for placing additional asphalt to the edge of the building



- Possibly apply for Rural Center Grant to reutilize a vacant building for economical development – new jobs
- Rural Center Grant – deadline – September 15<sup>th</sup> –(pre-application)

The Board discussed the probability of applying for funding from the Rural Center Grant.

The Board directed the County Manager to obtain an estimate for placing the asphalt up against the building to take water away from the building, secure the needed information and apply for the Rural Center Grant, and return estimates/grant information to the Board.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNMENT CENTER – AVAILABLE SPACE EMS/FIRE MARSHAL**

County Manager Rick Morris presented the requested information pertaining to space for EMS and Fire Marshal.

Manager Morris noted the following concerning the current space:

- New position for EMS would have to be housed with EMS Director
- New Administrative position would have to be housed with Fire Marshal
- New Assistant Fire Marshal would have to be in the truck-no room for office space
- Not enough adequate space for the new positions

The Board discussed any possible future vacant space, possible additional space for the court system, and space needed for the Board of Elections-(one stop voting).

Vice Chairman John Turpin requested that it be identified the amount of space needed and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Chairman McHugh noted that Grant funds are available to help with establishing the third floor for Emergency Services Operations.

County Manager Morris concluded that options for the best utilization of space and cost estimates on completing the third floor would be returned to the Board.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – ADMINISTRATION – PROPOSED DENTAL COVERAGE FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES- EFFECTIVE 10-01-04**

Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins presented the following options for the upcoming dental coverage for County employees adopted in the Fiscal Year 2004/05 budget, which will be effective October 1, 2004:

Ms. Bullins noted the County had received 10 different dental proposals.

The following options were presented to the Board for their consideration:

**Ameritas – Option II – With Orthodontia**

- Employee Only \$16.06 – paid by the County
- Employee & One dependent\* - \$35.29 (\$19.23 paid by Employee)
- Employee & 2/more dependents - \$63.80 (\$47.74 paid by Employee)

**Ameritas – Option II – Without Orthodontia**

- Employee Only \$15.88 – paid by the County
- Employee & One dependent\* - \$34.42 (\$18.54 paid by Employee)
- Employee & 2/more dependents - \$59.49 (\$43.61 paid by Employee)

**Ameritas – Option III – With Orthodontia- \$250 Carry Over Plan**

- Employee Only \$16.38 – paid by the County
- Employee & One dependent\* - \$35.98 (\$19.60 paid by Employee)
- Employee & 2/more dependents - \$65.08 (\$48.70 paid by Employee)

**Ameritas – Option III – Without Orthodontia -\$250 Carry Over Plan**

Employee Only \$16.20 – paid by the County  
Employee & One dependent\* - \$35.11 (\$18.91 paid by Employee)  
Employee & 2/more dependents - \$60.77 (\$44.57 paid by Employee)

\*Dependent can either be a spouse or a child

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion for approving dental coverage with Ameritas for either Option II (with or without Orthodontia) or Option III (with or without Orthodontia) for County employees.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve dental coverage with Ameritas Option III with Orthodontia and the \$250 Carry Over Plan.

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT- GOVERNING BODY – PROPOSED RESOLUTION –  
FOR SECONDARY ROAD PAVEMENT OF DAVIS CHAPEL ROAD-#1698**

Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins presented a request from Mr. Arlie Hiatt, resident of Davis Chapel Road, for any assistance available to help secure paving of the rest of the Davis Chapel Road.

**RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FOR THE SUPPORT OF SECONDARY ROAD PAVEMENT  
OF DAVIS CHAPEL ROAD (SR #1698)**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Stokes is aware of the urgent need for the improvement and pavement of .54 miles of Davis Chapel Road, State Road #1698; and

**WHEREAS**, Davis Chapel Road, State Road #1698 is a traveled thoroughfare from Pitzer Road to Dodgetown Road which creates a constant maintenance problem for NCDOT along with a public safety issue for the unpaved portion; and

**WHEREAS**, Davis Chapel Road, State Road #1698 is included in the Stokes County School's Transportation Route; and

**WHEREAS**, back in the early 70's part of the road was paved leaving only .54 miles remaining unpaved; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Stokes County Board of Commissioners supports utilization of Statewide Contingency Funds for the pavement of Davis Chapel Road, State Road #1698.

Adopted this the **23rd** day of **August 2004**.

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**Sandy McHugh  
Chairman**

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**Darlene Bullins  
Clerk to the Board**

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the proposed Resolution for Support of Secondary Road Pavement of Davis Chapel Road (SR #1698).

Vice Chairman John Turpin moved to approve the Resolution for Support of Secondary Road Pavement of Davis Chapel Road (SR #1698).

Commissioner Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT- GOVERNING BODY – PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

## **ALWAYS REMEMBER 9-11 DAY**

Chairman McHugh presented the proposed Resolution "Always Remember 9-11 Day".

### **ALWAYS REMEMBER 9-11 DAY RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, in an unprovoked and senseless act of terrorism, four civilian aircraft were hijacked on September 11, 2001, and crashed in New York City, Pennsylvania and the Pentagon; and

**WHEREAS**, innocent U.S. citizens of all heritages, as well as visiting citizens of foreign nations were killed and injured as a result of these horrific acts; and

**WHEREAS**, while we as a Union still continue to recover from the unspeakable loss of so many innocent lives, the indomitable spirit of the United States has been revitalized and given way to numerous expressions of heroism and patriotism; and

**WHEREAS**, the threat of terrorism, destruction and senseless violence must be banished for any free society to exist; and

**WHEREAS**, the **County of Stokes** shares in the grief and will commemorate the three year anniversary of the September 11 tragedies; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the **Stokes County Board of Commissioners**, that we extend our deepest condolences to the innocent victims of these unprovoked actions by terrorists, as well as to their families and their friends; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we salute the heroism of public safety and rescue workers, volunteers, local officials, and those who responded to these tragic events with courage, selfless compassion, determination, and skill; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we salute the heroism of our military and government leaders who responded to these tragic events with courage, selfless compassion, determination, and skill to fight the war on terrorism; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we dedicate September 11, 2004, **ALWAYS REMEMBER 9-11 DAY**, a day to mourn, reflect and rededicate ourselves to ending terrorism in commemoration of the anniversary of the terrorist attacks; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that we as citizens dedicate our time, talents, and energy to lift one another up and foster a new level of understanding and awareness. Let us honor the memory of all those who died by being of service to one another and by building the "stronger, more perfect union" our founding fathers called for.

**FURTHERMORE**, The **Stokes County Board of Commissioners** encourage all residents of Stokes County to pray and pay respect to the victims of September 11<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate the countless acts of courage, compassion, and loyalty that represent the best in human nature and the American character and invite all county employees and citizens to join us around the flagpole in front of the courthouse at 12:00 noon on September 11<sup>th</sup> for a moment of prayer, reflection and remembrance.

Adopted this **23<sup>rd</sup>** day of **August 2004**.

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**Sandy McHugh**  
**Chairman**

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**Darlene Bullins**  
**Clerk to the Board**

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to approve the Resolution "Always Remember 9-11 Day".

Commissioner Joe Turpin moved to approve the Resolution "Always Remember 9-11 Day".

Commissioner Mabe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman McHugh noted that all county employees and citizens are invited to join around the flagpole in front of the Courthouse at 12:00 noon on September 11<sup>th</sup> for a moment of prayer, reflection, and remembrance.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – ADMINISTRATION- COUNTY MANAGER –  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COURSE-CHAPEL HILL**

County Manager Rick Morris presented the Board with a schedule of dates for the County Administrative Course he would be attending for eleven three-day periods from September 2004 to April 2005 in Chapel Hill.

Manager Morris also noted that the County had applied for a scholarship which would cover the \$1100 tuition cost. The County received one of only two scholarships presented for tuition.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – ADMINISTRATION – POSSIBLE SALE –FILL DIRT**

County Manager Rick Morris presented a proposal from the Alleghany Construction Company (contractor for replacement of Seven Island Bridge) to purchase fill dirt located behind the Government Center Complex. The contractor is in need of 10,000 cubic yards of fill dirt.

Manager Morris presented a map locating the fill dirt and a report from Dede DeBruhl, NRCS District Conservationist, who stated that NC Division of Land Resources (Land Quality Section) had confirmed that the fill dirt location would be considered as a DOT borrow site and that NCDOT would be responsible for stabilizing the site and acquiring the appropriate permits, if needed.

Manager Morris requested the Board's guidance concerning further negotiations with Alleghany Construction Company for the purchase of fill dirt from the County.

Chairman McHugh entertained a motion to proceed or reject the proposal from Alleghany Construction Company for the purchase of fill dirt from the County.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve the motion to state that the Stokes County Board of Commissioners is looking favorable at the project for the County to working out a deal for the sale and disposition of the excess fill dirt.

Vice Chairman John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – REPORT –NC ANNUAL COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE**

Chairman McHugh presented an update from the recent NC Annual Commissioners' Conference pertaining to the following issues:

- Companies available to monitor cable franchises to insure County is receiving all revenue
- Website for surplus equipment
- Companies to insure County is receiving all appropriate sales tax

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 unanimously.

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**Darlene Bullins**  
Clerk to the Board

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**Sandy McHugh**  
Chairman