

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA) OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS
) STOKES COUNTY GOVERNMENT
COUNTY OF STOKES) DANBURY, NORTH CAROLINA
) JANUARY 30, 2006

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met in recessed session (recessed from the January 23, 2006 meeting) in the Commissioners' Chambers of the Ronald Wilson Reagan Memorial Building (Administrative Building) located in Danbury, North Carolina on Monday, January 30, 2006 at 5:00 pm with the following members present:

Chairman Leon Inman
Vice-Chairman Joe Turpin
Commissioner Sandy McHugh
Commissioner John Turpin
Commissioner Jimmy Walker

County Personnel in Attendance:
Clerk to the Board/Interim County Manager Darlene Bullins

Chairman Leon Inman called the meeting to order.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Inman entertained a motion to enter closed session for the following:

- To consider and take action with respect to the position to be taken by the county in negotiating the amount of compensation or other material terms of an employment contract pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(5).

Vice Chairman Joe Turpin moved to enter into closed session for the following:

- To consider and take action with respect to the position to be taken by the county in negotiating the amount of compensation or other material terms of an employment contract pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(5).

Commissioner McHugh seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board re-entered into regular session of the January 30, 2006 recessed meeting.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATION -BUDGET OFFICER - EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Chairman Inman entertained to approve the submitted employment contract prepared and approved by County Attorney Jonathan Jordan.

Commissioner Walker moved to approve the submitted employment contract prepared and approved by County Attorney Jonathan Jordan.

Vice Chairman Joe Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATION - NORTH CAROLINA HELPING NEIGHBORS FUND DISTRIBUTION

Interim County Manager Darlene Bullins informed the Board of a grant recently received by the County from Governor Mike Easley (North Carolina Helping Neighbors Fund) from private donors to help meet the unmet needs of Hurricane Katrina evacuees in our County. The funding of \$251,859 is being allocated to 98 counties according to the number of FEMA registrations (Katrina) in the county.

Stokes County is scheduled to receive \$479 allotment, but could receive more if other counties do not participate. Any unused funding would be returned to the Governor's office. Ms. Bullins requested comments from the Board regarding this issue.

Director Jan Spencer has already agreed to be the lead agency for this grant.

Commissioner McHugh moved to accept the North Carolina Helping Neighbors allotment for FEMA registrations (Katrina) to be administered to Katrina evacuees in Stokes County for assistance who meets all the requirements.

Commissioner John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY - MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVE VIRGINIA FOXX

Commissioner John Turpin informed the Board that he attended the meeting on Friday with Representative Virginia Foxx and echoed the Board's sentiments.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY - MEETING WITH KING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Vice Chairman Joe Turpin informed the Board that he attended the meeting with the King Chamber of Commerce, which the School System presented the demographics study.

Issues discussed were school space needs, bond referendum, and the county increasing the tax rate to an above tax rate in hopes of obtaining more lottery revenue.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY - FLU VACCINE

Vice Chairman Joe Turpin expressed concerns that Stokes County citizens were having problems receiving the flu vaccine.

Vice Chairman Joe Turpin stated that he found approximately 800 vaccines and is now working with Health Director Don Moore to see about having drive thru clinics in different areas of the County.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY - HEALTH SERVICE ALLIANCE

Commissioner McHugh reported that the Alliance had held the work session for the proposed strategic plan, which produced the top six issues that the Alliance will be working in the future. The Health Services Alliance will be returning to the Board with the priority list.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - GOVERNING BODY -

Commissioner Jimmy Walker suggested having Budget Officer Dennis Thompson take a look at the current school system options, the demographic study, and review the available resources to best address the school needs.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Inman entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting

Vice Chairman Joe Turpin moved to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner John Turpin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Darlene M. Bullins
Clerk to the Board

J. Leon Inman
Chairman