

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Inman entertained a motion to approve or amend the following items

(A, B, D, E, G) on the Consent Agenda:

- Minutes of March 26, 2007

Commissioner Carroll noted the following corrections:

Change the following on page #2 – Vice Chairman Walker moved to approve the motion to move Item C... to Vice Chairman Walker moved to approve **the manager’s recommendation** to move Item C...

Change the following on page #14 to School Business Officer Lynette Moore to School Business Officer **Lanette** Moore

Health Department - Budget Ordinance Amendment # 65

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #65, which is necessary to amend the General Fund to appropriate Title XIX Escrow funds to cover expected expenses for the fiscal year. The appropriations are to be as follows:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Health Department		
100.5100.261	Office Supplies		\$3,000.00
100.5100.311	Employee Training		\$800.00
100.5100.491	Dues & Subscriptions		<u>\$1,200.00</u>
			\$5,000.00

This will result in a net increase of \$5,000.00 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
100.3519.421	Health – Title XIX		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
			\$5,000.00

Finance Director Edwards noted that the following justification of the budget ordinance amendment for fiscal year 2006-07:

- Health Director requested using Title XIX Escrow for expected expenses for the fiscal year

Budget Ordinance Amendment was discussed at the March 26, 2007 meeting.

Public Buildings/Social Services – Southwestern Service Center - Budget Ordinance Amendment #66

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #66, which is necessary to amend the General Fund to appropriate and transfer

funds for necessary repairs and operating costs to reopen the Southwestern Service Center.

The appropriations are to be as follows:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Public Buildings		
100.4190.352	M & R Buildings		\$7,483.00
	Social Services		
100.5310.320	Telephone		\$824.00
100.5310.340	Printing		\$188.00
100.5310.321	Postage		\$150.00
100.5310.260	Office Supplies		\$867.00
	Contingency		
100.9910.000	Contingency	\$8,308.00	
		\$8,308.00	\$9,512.00

This will result in a net increase of \$1,204.00 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
	General Fund		
100.3301.202	DSS Federal		\$1,100.00
100.3301.203	DSS State		\$104.00
			\$1,204.00

Finance Director Edwards noted that the following justification of the budget ordinance amendment for fiscal year 2006-07:

- Necessary repairs and operating cost for the reopening of the Southwestern Service Center approved by the Board of County Commissioners on March 26, 2007

Special Appropriations - Budget Ordinance Amendment #67

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #67, which is necessary to amend the General Fund to reallocate Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Funds from Emergency Shelter Program to Stokes Friends of Youth, Step One and SCAN programs. The appropriations are to be as follows:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Special Appropriations		
100.5830.690	Surry/Stokes Friends of Youth		\$1,000.00
100.5830.691	Step One		\$582.00
100.5830.692	Juvenile Services	\$2,165.00	
100.5830.695	SCAN		\$583.00
		\$2,165.00	\$2,165.00

This will result in a net increase of \$0.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund.

Finance Director Edwards noted that the following justification of the budget ordinance amendment for fiscal year 2006-07:

- Stokes County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council approved on March 13, 2007 to reallocate Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Funding

Veteran Services - Budget Ordinance Amendment #68

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #68, which is necessary to amend the General Fund to transfer funds for temporary position during training of the new Veteran Service Officer. The appropriations are to be as follows:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Veteran Services		
100.5820.000	Salaries and Wages		\$1,350.00
100.5820.090	Social Security		\$85.00
100.5820.091	Medicare Tax		\$20.00
	Governing Body		
100.4110.290	Miscellaneous Expense	\$1,455.00	
		\$1,455.00	\$1,455.00

This will result in a net increase of \$0.00 in the appropriations of the General Fund.

Finance Director Edwards noted that the following justification of the budget ordinance amendment for fiscal year 2006-07:

- Temporary position to be used during the training of the new Veteran Services Officer

Public Buildings - Budget Ordinance Amendment #69

Finance Director Julia Edwards requested the approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment #69, which is necessary to amend the General Fund to transfer funds for additional work completed at the Old Courthouse handicap ramp. The appropriations are to be as follows:

Account Number	EXPENDITURES	Decrease	Increase
	Public Buildings		
100.4190.352	M& R – Buildings	\$3,592.00	
100.4190.590	Improvements		\$3,592.00
		\$3,592.00	\$3,592.00

Finance Director Edwards noted that the following justification of the budget ordinance amendment for fiscal year 2006-07:

- Additional Work for completion of the handicap ramp at the Old Courthouse

Proposed Resolution – Support of Veterans’ Community Based Outpatient Center

Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins, as requested by the Board of Commissioners at the March 26th meeting, presented the following Proposed Resolution in Support of a Veterans’ Community Based Outpatient Center (CBOC):

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A MULTI-COUNTY
COMMUNITY BASED OUTPATIENT CLINIC (CBOC)
IN STOKES COUNTY**

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Stokes County Board of Commissioners by the Stokes Health Service Alliance the need for a Multi- County Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) for the Veterans of Stokes County and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2006, Congress passed S.3421, the “Veteran’s Benefits, Health Care and Information Technology Act of 2006” which authorizes a total of \$3.2 billion that would fund projects for Veteran’s health care with a priority list of 156 new community based outpatient clinics by the year 2012; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Counties of Stokes, Yadkin, Surry, Rockingham along with Patrick County, Virginia have a veteran population in excess of 23,000 with Stokes County having over 4,000 veterans; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stokes County Board of Commissioners supports the request from the Stokes Health Service Alliance to seek a **Multi-County Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC)** in Stokes County and pledges to work with the Health Service Alliance for a **Multi-County Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC)** in Stokes County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the **Board of Commissioners** hereby authorizes correspondence and a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the appropriate officials who are working toward locating a **Multi-County Community Based Outpatient Clinic** in Stokes County.

ADOPTED this the 9th day of April 2007.

J. Leon Inman - Chairman

Jimmy Walker - Vice Chairman

Ron Carroll - Commissioner

Ernest Lankford - Commissioner

Stanley Smith - Commissioner

Attest:

Darlene M. Bullins – Clerk to the Board

Proposed Proclamation – April – Child Abuse Prevention Month

DSS Director Jan Spencer requested the approval of the following Proposed Proclamation – April –Child Abuse Prevention Month by the Board of Commissioners:

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
Proclamation**

Whereas, child maltreatment is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community;

Whereas, child maltreatment occurs when parents find themselves in stressful situations without community resources and unable to cope;

Whereas, 816 children were reported as allegedly abused and neglected in Stokes County in 2006;

Whereas, 134 children were substantiated as abused or neglected in Stokes County in 2006;

Whereas, the majority of child maltreatment cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community;

Whereas, the effects of child maltreatment are felt by whole communities, and need to be addressed by the entire community;

Whereas, effective child maltreatment prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

Therefore, we, the Commissioners of Stokes County, North Carolina do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Stokes County and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child maltreatment and strengthen the communities in which we live.

Adopted this _____ day of April 2007.

J. Leon Inman
Chairman

Jimmy Walker
Vice-Chairman

Ron Carroll

Ernest Lankford

Stanley Smith

Attest:

Darlene M. Bullins
Clerk to the Board

Proposed Lease Agreement Renewals – Superior Court Judges’ Space and Artist Way Creations

Economic Development Director Ron Morgan requested the approval of the Board of Commissioners for the following Lease Agreements Renewals:

- Lease Renewal for Superior Court Judges’ Space
- Artists Way Creations

(Following approval by the Board, a copy of the executed renewals will be retained by the Clerk to the Board and Economic Development Director Ron Morgan)

Vice Chairman Walker moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously

Item C – Physician Extender II – Salary Grade

Commissioner Carroll moved to approve the recommendation to reclassify the Physician Extender II position to Salary Grade 86 and to allow the Health Director the flexibility to negotiate a salary within that range dependent upon the applicant’s education and experience. Chairman Inman seconded the motion.

The Board discussed the following issues regarding the reclassification:

- Concerns about allowing the starting salary to be at the top of the range
- The need for a Physician Extender in order to reopen the Southwestern Service Center – the need for the Southwestern Service Center
- The need for the Physician Extender at the Health Department in Danbury
- The need to provide services to the citizens of Stokes County
- Setting a precedent of allowing the department head to be able to hire at the top of the range

- Current county policy on hiring
- Today's professional market regarding a Physician Extender
- Flexibility of allowing Director Moore to negotiate to the midpoint with Board approval beyond the midpoint

After further discussing the motion, Chairman Inman withdrew his second to the motion with Commissioner Carroll withdrawing his motion.

Commissioner Carroll moved to reclassify the Physician Extender II position to Salary Grade 86 and to allow the Health Director the flexibility to negotiate a salary within the range based on the applicant's education and experience provided that the any amount beyond the midpoint be subject to final approval by the Board of Commissioners. Vice Chairman Walker seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item F - Appointments

Chairman Inman noted that the following individuals had been nominated at the March 29th meeting to serve on the Stokes County Fire Commission:

- Clifford Hall
- Tommy Carter
- Mike Pell

Commissioner Carroll noted the following issues:

- How the Fire Commission By Laws had changed over the last ten years
- No issues with the nominations – issues with the By Laws
- Could not vote to appoint anyone to the Fire Commission until the document is revised to conform to what is considered proper public policy
- Should not hinder the budget process because procedures spelled out in the document are not required by law
- County Attorney Edward Powell and Bryan Steen who will start as County Manager on April 16th have not reviewed the document

Vice Chairman Walker also expressed concerns with appointing members to the Fire Commission before the document was reviewed by the County Attorney.

Vice Chairman Walker moved to postpone the Item until the next meeting under the Discussion Agenda.

Vice Chairman Walker withdrew his motion due to not having a second to the motion.

Commissioner Lankford noted the meetings with each fire department in the Service District has already been scheduled with the Fire Commission for review of their budget request and that the document could still be reviewed without disrupting the budget process for this year.

Chairman Inman expressed concerns with the current document currently in place which was adopted in August 2002, current budget process for fiscal year 2007-08, and

the possibility of temporary appointments pending review of the document by the County Attorney.

Commissioner Smith noted the need for the revision to the document (for example- the Fire Commission must operate under the Open Meetings Law), the recommendation from the Fire Commission (Service District Budget) be submitted to the County Manager instead of directly to the Board of Commissioners and the hundreds of volunteers across the county who participate in the local fire departments.

Commissioner Smith moved to appoint the following to the Stokes County Fire Commission:

- Clifford Hall
- Tommy Carter
- Mike Pell

Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried (3-2) with Vice Chairman Walker and Commissioner Carroll voting against the motion.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY - INFORMATION AGENDA

Tax Administration Collection Report

Interim County Manager Darlene Bullins submitted the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Tax Information regarding General County, Town of Walnut Cove, and Town of Danbury for the Board's review. The Board requested that the Service District be included in the monthly report to the Board.

Annual Child Protection Team Report

DSS Jan Spencer along with Child Welfare Supervisor Kristy Preston presented the following annual Child Protection Team Report:

- Community Child Protection Team (CCPT) met seven times in 2006
- Four specific cases were reviewed during the year
- One situation was reviewed three times as it involved a child not in school and what efforts were being made to get the child in school
- The following system deficiencies were noted:
 - Stokes County does not have school social workers or truancy officers to deal with children who do not attend school
 - Mental Health Reform has presented new challenges for all
 - It is difficult to communicate with and secure services through Mental Health providers
 - No local therapeutic foster homes available to provide respite services
 - No mentoring program in the county
 - School system will not file truancy petitions after April 1st
 - Need to disseminate ATV safety laws
 - Often takes too long to identify a truancy problem and to file a petition
 - No local options for a child to be placed out of the home but continue in the same school system

- The School System implemented contract truancy officers at the end of this year
- Stokes County CCPT held an ATV Safety Day in July 2006
- 2006 – 411 reports of child abuse or neglect were investigated by Stokes DSS with 816 children involved
- Of the cases reported to DSS, approximately 16% are substantiated for abuse, neglect, or dependency or found in need of services
- March 2006- DSS began the Multiple Response System- a new family-centered approach with allows social workers to provide services up front and work with families in a more “friendly” manner

DSS Director Spencer noted the CCPT recommendation to the Board of

Commissioners to appoint the following to serve on CCPT:

- Danny Bottoms, Sheriff’s Department – replace Cindy White
- Tammy Slater, SCAN to replace Angela Grubb

DSS Director Spencer concluded that the Team recommends that the Commissioners continue to keep abreast of mental health reform and its impact on Stokes County Children and to support any effort to keep truancy officers in place in the school system.

The Board discussed the truancy officer issue in Stokes County and the number reports received by DSS.

Annual Child Fatality Report

Health Director Don Moore presented the annual Child Fatality Report. Director Moore noted the following:

- Required by law to review deaths of children in Stokes County who receive County services
- Reviewed 5 deaths in 2006
- Four of the five deaths were neonatal deaths
- One (10) year old death due to birth defect
- The two deaths involving the river were reviewed by the State Child Fatality Team with a full report due in September 2007.

Health Director Moore concluded by stating that there was a decrease in the number of deaths from 2005.

Southwestern Service Center - Update

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall noted that results from the air quality testing of the Southwestern Service Center should be in by the end of the week.

Chairman Inman reiterated a possible May 1st opening for the Southwestern Services Center.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – DISCUSSION AGENDA

2007 NCHFA Single Family Rehabilitation Proposed Policy Documents

Ms. Alicia Broadway, Benchmark, presented the following proposed policy documents for the Board's review and later approval regarding the 2007 NCHFA Single Family Rehabilitation:

- The Assistance Policy
- Procurement Policy
- A Code of Conduct
- Resolution Authorizing the Manager to award and sign rehabilitation contracts on behalf of the Board
- Project Budget Ordinance

Chairman Inman directed Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins to place this item on the April 23rd action agenda.

Proposed Stokes County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

Planning Director David Sudderth presented the following information regarding the proposed Stokes County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has completed a revision of Stokes County's Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) which includes the incorporated areas within the County, City of King, Town of Walnut Cove, and Town of Danbury
- County's original Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance and associated FIRM maps were effective September 30, 1988 - maps are outdated
- Revisions to the FIS and the FIRM will require the county to adopt a new revised Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance and the new revised map panels that were created during the study.
- Adoption must take before May 16, 2007, which is the effective date of the study and maps
- After adoption of the ordinance and map panels, the county must submit the Ordinance to the NCDEM and the FEMA regional office in Atlanta, GA for review and approval
- Failure for the county to amend and adopt the new requirements will cause the county to be suspended from the National Flood Insurance Program and be subject to the Program and be subject to the prohibitions contained in Section 202(a) of the 1973 Flood Disaster Protection Act as amended
- Request for the Board to schedule a public hearing for April 23rd
- Additional information available if needed

Planning Director Sudderth requested the Board set the public hearing for Monday, April 23rd.

The Board unanimously agreed to schedule the public hearing for citizen input for Monday, April 23rd.

Home Health Point of Care Software – Bid proposal – Fiscal Year 2006-07

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall submitted the following Home Health software bid information for the Board’s approval:

Care Anywhere – Cary, NC

Total up front investment – due 7 days after contract signing \$30,000.00
Implementation, training for office and clinical staff, setup clinical
Templates, payors, load and configure, clinical tablets

Database will be hosted off site at their location -

Yearly maintenance fee due July 1 - \$28,500.00

County references: McDowell, Catawba County, Home Health, Robeson County Home Health
Cabarrus Health Alliance Home Health, and Columbus County Home Health

Branstorm Incorporated

Software, installation, and training up-front investment \$32,000.00
(doesn’t include hardware)

Yearly maintenance fees are duly due to July 1, of each F/Y \$16,000.00
Yearly server maintenance fees not included in above figure
Database will be housed on a Stokes County owned server

County reference list: Nash County, Warren, and Stanly

McKeeson Information System

Software and Implementation up-front investment \$84,469.00
Software maintenance fees and data center yearly costs \$19,499.00

2006-07 - \$40,000 budgeted for project
Demo was set up for presentation from all vendors

Health Director Don Moore and PHN Supervisor Rebecca Warren listed the following advantages for the software:

- Immediate documentation
- Hard copies can be given to the client the same day regarding medical directions, medications, etc.
- Back up and data storage
- Indicates immediately reactions beyond medicines
- Allows nursing staff to chart medical information immediately
- Saves valuable time for nursing staff
- Quality assurance
- Billing process
- Increase in revenue due to proper coding

Vice Chairman Walker questioned if this allocation was included in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 budget submitted by Budget Director Dennis Thompson.

Finance Director Edwards noted that the amount was initially requested by Director Moore, taken out by the Budget Director, and reinstated through a budget ordinance amendment.

Mr. Stovall, Health Director Moore, and Supervisor Warren recommended Care Anyware.

Senior Services Meal Program – Bid Proposal – Fiscal year 2007-08

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall and Senior Services Program Director Lynn Martens presented the following bids received by Stokes County to provide meals to the Stokes County Senior Service nutrition program:

Bateman Senior Meals – Lafayette Louisiana

Congregate \$2.99 per meal x 60 meals x 250 serving days = \$44,850.00
Home Delivered \$2.99 per meal x 150 meals x 250 serving days = \$112,125.00
Total yearly cost = **\$156,975.00**

Shelf stable \$2.99 per meal
Frozen \$2.99 per meal

Option #1 entrée upgrade once per week – cost \$.45 x 210 x 52 = \$4,914.00
Option #2 total meal upgrade once per week – cost \$1.00 x 210 x 52 = \$10,920.00

References: Stokes County, Yadkin County, Surry County, and Chatham County

Golden Corral – Winston Salem, NC

Congregate \$3.35 per meal x 60 meals x 250 serving days = \$50,250.00
Home Delivered \$2.99 per meal x 150 meals x 250 serving days = \$125,625.00
Total yearly cost = **\$175,875.00**

Shelf stable \$3.35 per meal
Frozen \$3.35 per meal

References: Craven County, Arts Based Elementary – Winston Salem, and River Mill Academy - Graham

Director Martens noted the upgrade options that Bateman had included in this year's proposal, felt this would be a plus for the seniors. Director Martens is planning to visit both sites within the next two weeks to review both operations. Surveys received from seniors were not as favorable this year, but most comments reflected the taste of the food expressing concerns about more seasoning, the amount of the serving, etc.

Support Services Supervisor Stovall noted that seven bid packages were sent out.

The Board discussed the bids received by the County, feedback from surveys, Bateman's option for meal upgrade once a week, menus, and requested Director Martens return to the Board with the information obtained from the scheduled visits.

Land of Tomorrow Request

Economic Development Director Ron Morgan, as requested by the Board, provided additional information regarding the recent request from Land of Tomorrow which recommends that the state spend an additional \$1 billion over five years on conservation project. Director Morgan noted if fully funded, the organization would provide the following:

- Place additional funding in agencies that currently fund water and sewer projects, park development and land conservation and preservation projects
- The same agencies that Stokes County would approach for funding requests for like projects, thereby increasing our chances for funding of projects
- Land for Tomorrow's Plan for \$1 Billion over Five Years:
 - Landing Jobs - \$150 million or 15%
 - Working Lands Trust Fund = \$150 million or 15%
 - Clean Water/management Trust Fund = \$197.50 or 20%
 - Parks and Recreation Trust Fund = \$175 million or 18%
 - Natural Heritage Trust Fund = \$312.50 or 30%

Director Morgan noted that the Rural Center has asked for \$1 billion in bonds for infrastructure need over five years, the School Board Association has asked for \$2 billion in bonds for public school construction over five years and Land for Tomorrow has asked for \$1 billion over five years totaling about \$15 billion in bonds. The state treasurer states that if the state issues more than about \$1.5 billion in bonds over the next five years, it likely will lose its AAA financial rating making future debt more expensive which decreases the likelihood of total funding.

Director Ron Morgan concluded that there was no downside to adopting a Resolution, but could not guarantee funding.

The Board discussed the proposal submitted by Land of Tomorrow and requested a proposed Resolution in support be placed back on the April 23rd agenda.

Health and Dental Insurance – Bid Proposal – Fiscal year 2007-08

Interim County Manager Darlene Bullins presented the following information regarding bids received by the County regarding Health and Dental benefits for fiscal year 2007-08:

Health Insurance

- NCACC – CIGNA – same exact plan – 8% increase
- Blue Cross/Blue Shield – same plan design except \$20/\$40 visits = 31% increase
- Blue Cross/Blue Shield – same plan design except \$20/\$40 visits = 35% increase
- United Health Care – same plan = 27% increase
- United Health Care/Lacy-West = same plan = 23% increase
- One additional option for NCACC- CIGNA with same plan except a \$1000 deductible – 4% increase

- 5 other bid packages sent with no response

Interim Manager Bullins requested direction from the Board regarding the options submitted. Interim Manager Bullins also noted the possibility of possibly offering additional tiers with the current plan \$30/\$40 office visits, \$750 deductible with no coinsurance, and \$10/\$25/\$40 prescriptions co-pays.

The Board discussed the current policy and requested quotes be obtained with a 90/10% plan, 80/20% with a \$750 deductible for the next meeting.

Dental Insurance

- Ameritas – same plan = 9.8% increase
- Other plans vary with 6-8% increases with slightly different plans

The Board directed the Interim Manager to check on multi year plans and review plans submitted with comparable coverage of the existing Ameritas plan for the next meeting.

Stokes Opportunity Center – Renovation Request

Stokes Opportunity Center Director Cathy Long and Forsyth Tech Instructor Kris Jonczak requested permission from the Board of Commissioners to submit an application to the Extreme Makeover TV Program for an “Extreme Makeover” of the facility located on Neal Road, Walnut Cove, NC.

The following was noted regarding the facility:

- Sheltered workshop that employs 47 adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Small classroom where classes are held three times a week
- Classroom is not “user friendly” for people with disabilities
- Insufficient count space for computers – need for individuals to have a place where the keyboard can be placed in front of the computer
- No wall space for a wipe-off board
- Lack of space in the kitchen area to teach individuals to become more independent and self-reliable

The Board discussed the request.

Discussion – Employees Serving on Boards/Committees/Councils

Chairman Inman requested information from Board members regarding county employees serving on Boards/Committees/Councils.

The Board discussed issues relating to county employees serving on Boards with possibly being a conflict of interest, interested citizens who want to be involved, looking at non-county employee first if possible, and making sure citizens are informed about a vacancy through advertisement.

The Board unanimously agreed that if all possible look first at non-county employees being appointed to Boards/Committees/Councils unless mandated by Statutes or By-Laws looking at each nomination case by case.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – ACTION AGENDA
Stokes County Schools – Current Expense- Fund Transfer Request

Chairman Inman presented the request submitted at the March 26th meeting by School Business Officer Lanette Moore regarding the 2006-07 Capital Outlay Funding.

Vice Chairman Walker moved to approve the following fund transfer request submitted by Stokes County Schools:

- The Stokes County Board of Education requests \$300,000 transfer from Current Expense Fund Balance not be used for Technology but for Exterior & Landscaping, Renovations, and Equipment projects. (The 2006-07 final budget did include transferring current expense fund balance for technology)
- The Stokes County Board of Education requests \$300,000 for technology be appropriated from the State Public School Building Capital Fund which requires no match, meaning no additional cost to the Stokes County Board of Commissioners. The unallocated balance in the State Public School Building Capital Fund as of January 26, 2007 is \$793,745.07

Commissioner Lankford seconded the motion.

Chairman Inman noted that information from the Stokes County Board of Education reflects that there would be less budget request in the areas of Exterior and Landscaping, Renovations and Equipment for the 2007-08 budget.

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments - Stokes County Board of Health

Chairman Inman presented the following nominations for appointment to the Stokes County Board of Health:

- Licensed Veterinarian: Kim Gemeinhardt, DVM
- Professional Engineer: Jerry Moorefield, PE
- Professional Engineer: Jerry Mitchell, PE
- Licensed Pharmacist: Joe Hicks

Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins presented the following information received From Health Director Don Moore regarding the appointment of an engineer:

Date: April 9, 2007
From: Don Moore
To: Darlene Bullins
Subject: Professional Licensure of board Members

I talked with Chris Hoke, Deputy State Health Director of Legal Affairs (919-707-5006), concerning licensure requirements for Board of Health members. Licenses must be current, inactive licensure status does not qualify for board appointment.

Vice Chairman Walker noted that he had recently spoke with Attorney David Lawrence –Institute of Governments who confirmed that there was no problem statutorily in a licensed engineer “Active or Inactive” being appointed to serve on the Board of Health.

Vice Chairman Walker moved to appoint the following to serve on the Board of Health:

- Licensed Veterinarian: Kim Gemeinhardt, DVM
- Professional Engineer: Jerry Mitchell, PE
- Licensed Pharmacist: Joe Hicks

Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.

The Board discussed the information received from Deputy State Health Director for Legal Affairs Chris Hoke and Institute of Governments Attorney David Lawrence.

Commissioner Carroll requested that the County Attorney consult with the Attorney General’s office in Raleigh for clarification.

Vice Chairman Walker amended his motion to appoint Kim Gemeinhardt for the Licensed Veterinarian and Joe Hicks for Licensed Pharmacist and to postpone the Professional Engineer to the April 23rd meeting pending the Attorney General’s office for clarification.

Commissioner Smith amended his second.

The amended motion to appoint Kim Gemeinhardt for the Licensed Veterinarian and Joe Hicks for Licensed Pharmacist and to postpone the Professional Engineer to the April 23rd meeting pending the Attorney General’s office for clarification carried unanimously.

Adjournment

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

Vice Chairman Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Darlene M. Bullins
Clerk to the Board

J. Leon Inman
Chairman