

**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
October 15, 2018
Emergency Meeting**

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met for an Emergency Meeting in the Commissioners' Chambers of the Ronald Wilson Reagan Memorial Building (Administration Building) located in Danbury, North Carolina on Monday October 15, 2018 at 4:00 pm. The following members were present:

Chairman Ronnie Mendenhall
Vice Chairman Jimmy Walker
Commissioner James D. Booth
Commissioner Ronda Jones
Commissioner Ernest Lankford

County Personnel in Attendance:
County Manager Jake M. Oakley
Clerk to the Board Shannon Shaver
Attorney Nick Overby

Chairman Mendenhall called the meeting to order and welcome those in attendance.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Lankford delivered the invocation.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Mendenhall invited those in attendance to join the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion to approve or amend the October 15th Agenda.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the amended October 15th Agenda.

Commissioner Lankford seconded the motion.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for discussion/questions/comments.

With no further discussion the October 15th Agenda was approved unanimously.

Closed Session

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion 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 pursuant G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3)
- To consider and take action with respect to the position to be taken by the county in negotiating the price or other material terms of an agreement for the acquisition or lease of real property pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5)

Commissioner Booth moved to enter into 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 pursuant G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3)
- To consider and take action with respect to the position to be taken by the county in negotiating the price or other material terms of an agreement for the acquisition or lease of real property pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5)

Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously

The Board reentered the open session of the October 15, 2018 Emergency Meeting. Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any motions.

LifeBrite – Pine Hall Community Campus

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the request from LifeBrite to provide \$20,000.00 per month up to 3 months to reevaluate conditional purposes on the second month for the Pine Hall Community Campus to be converted into a rural health center with no additional funding after the three months.

Vice Chairman Walker seconded the motion.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- Should we include monthly status reports to be required?
- One thing that has been missing with LifeBrite is communications.
- This is no fault of Pam; she has not had the information to give to us.
- I would like a monthly status report.
- If Commissioner Jones would consider amending her motion.

Commissioner Jones amended her original motion to include that there will be a monthly status report required from LifeBrite.

With no further discussion the motion with the amendment carried with a 4-1 vote.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any other discussion before adjournment.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- Would like to be sure it is noted in the minutes that there was interest with certain Board members that this be considered a loan instead of a gift.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- There was discussion on doing an assessment.
- Once we do this we will have a better idea of what will and won't work.
- That may be before the three months is over.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- It is in the motion that we get monthly updates.
- It is also in the motion that the third month is conditional.

Chairman Mendenhall asked Attorney Overby to clarify if any changes needed to be made to the motion.

Attorney Overby commented:

- As long as it is clear in the motion that the third month is conditional and that there are to be monthly updates it is covered.

Commissioner Jones responded:

- It is in the wording.
- We will reevaluate on the second month with the third month being conditional is what is in the original motion before the amendment about monthly updates.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- When Pam takes this to LifeBrite could she give us feedback on what their reaction is?

Chairman Mendenhall asked LifeBrite Administrator Pam Tillman if she would be available to come back at the next meeting to report feedback from LifeBrite.

LifeBrite Administrator Pam Tillman concurred that she could be at the next meeting.

Adjournment

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

Commissioner Lankford moved to adjourn the emergency called meeting.

Commissioner Booth seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Shannon Shaver
Clerk to the Board

Ronnie Mendenhall
Chairman