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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING May 1, 2017

ALEXANDER COUNTY
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

PRESENT: Ronnie Reese, Vice-Chairman
 Josh Lail
 Ryan Mayberry
 Dr. Jeffrey P. Peal

ABSENT: Milton H. Campbell, Chairman

STAFF: Rick French, County Manager
 Jamie Starnes, Clerk to the Board

The Alexander County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Monday, May, 1, 2017 at the CVCC / Alexander Center in Room 103, Taylorsville, North Carolina.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman Reese called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Lail gave the invocation and Commissioner Peal led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Peal urged the public to view the 2016 State of the County Health Report which is available at the Alexander County Health Department, Administration Office, and online at www.alexanderhealth.org. He reported that ongoing community priorities include the Healthy Families Program, mental health, and substance abuse prevention.

Commissioner Mayberry congratulated Schneider Mills for 100 years of service and thanked the company for its commitment to Alexander County, as did other members of the Board.

Vice-Chairman Reese announced that a ceremony would be held on Friday, June 2, 2017 to rename the Alexander County Law Enforcement Center after former Sheriff Thomas "Elisha" Bebber.

Hank Byrd, President of Schneider Mills, thanked Alexander County, the Town of Taylorsville, the citizens, and their employees for supporting the company who celebrated 100 years in business (71 years in Alexander County) this past Friday and Saturday with a special day for suppliers and a carnival for employees and their families. He added that since 2000, the company had invested over \$40 million and increased their wage base by 25%. Composite Fabrics of America has increased its employees from 3 to 20 over the past 8 years.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Lail made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Mayberry seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present to speak during the Public Comment Period.

NATIONAL EMS WEEK PROCLAMATION

Doug Gillispie, EMS Director, requested approval of a proclamation declaring the week of May 21-27, 2017 as National Emergency Medical Services Week with the theme “Always in Service.”

Commissioner Peal made a motion to approve the National EMS Week proclamation. Commissioner Mayberry seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ELLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT DAY PROCLAMATION

Russell Greene, Emergency Services Director, requested the approval of a proclamation declaring May 6, 2017 as Ellendale Fire Department Day in recognition of their 50th Anniversary. He introduced Chief Joe Carson who invited the community to the Ellendale Elementary School ball field on May 6th for a family day to celebrate the occasion. Activities will take place from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM and will include music, refreshments, and kid-friendly activities. Mr. Greene reported that Ellendale Fire Department recently lowered its ISO rating to a Class 6.

Commissioner Peal made a motion to approve the Ellendale Fire Department Day proclamation. Commissioner Mayberry seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

STONY POINT FIRE DEPARTMENT DAY PROCLAMATION

Russell Greene, Emergency Services Director, requested the approval of a proclamation declaring June 3, 2017 as Stony Point Fire Department Day in recognition of their 60th Anniversary. He introduced Chief Scotty Abernathy, Assistant Chief Chad Cockrell, and Junior Firefighter Colby Cockrell, noting that Stony Point Fire Department is currently debt-free and recently lowered its ISO rating to a Class 6 as well.

Chief Abernathy advised that 37% of their district was in Iredell County and that the department received 500-600 calls per year.

Commissioner Lail made a motion to approve the Stony Point Fire Department Day proclamation. Commissioner Mayberry seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

INSTITUTIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES PLLC AGREEMENT

Rick French, County Manager, presented an agreement with Institutional Medical Services PLLC for medical care of inmates at the Alexander County Detention Center. He explained that Dr. John Piland had provided these services for many years at both old and new jail locations and that this was a 3-year renewal for 52 nursing hours and 60 med tech hours per week for a fee of \$17,520 per month.

Commissioner Mayberry made a motion to approve the agreement with Institutional Medical Services PLLC. Commissioner Lail seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

SCHEDULING OF A BUDGET WORK SESSION FOR MAY 15TH

Commissioner Mayberry made a motion to schedule a budget work session on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the CVCC / Alexander Center. Commissioner Peal seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

Rick French, County Manager, requested the appointment of Judith Fay to the Senior Center Advisory Committee for a 3-year term.

Commissioner Mayberry made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Lail seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS #37 & #38

Rick French, County Manager, reviewed the purpose of Budget Amendments #37 & #38 as follows:

Budget Amendment #37 – To revise the JCPC Program budgets and the JCPC Council budget to match the revised FY 2017 funding plans as approved by the State on the third quarter accounting reports.

Budget Amendment #38 – To increase the Health Department budget for additional State funds for STD Prevention and to increase the Cooperative Extension budget for the Farm to Childcare Initiative grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

Commissioner Lail made a motion to approve Budget Amendments #37 & #38. Commissioner Mayberry seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Rick French, County Manager, discussed the following issues during Other Business:

- A. An agreement has been signed with CBSA Architects for Phase One Schematic Design of the Community One Bank building.
- B. An electronic time sheet software program has been purchased and training for staff is scheduled for later this month. A tentative go-live date of January 2018 has been set.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Tax Release Requests (\$1,256.56) and Tax Refunds (\$825.15) for March 25 – April 21, 2017.
- B. Minutes from the April 6, 2017 Work Session.
- C. 2016 State of the County Health Report.
- D. JCPC FY 2018 Funding Plan.

Commissioner Mayberry made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Lail seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION – N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4, 5, & 6) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CONTRACTUAL, & PERSONNEL

Commissioner Mayberry made a motion to enter into Closed Session at 6:42 PM to discuss economic development, contractual matters, and personnel issues pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4, 5, & 6). Commissioner Peal seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Mayberry made a motion to adjourn at 7:49 PM. Commissioner Peal seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Ronnie L. Reese, Vice-Chairman

Jamie M. Starnes, Clerk to the Board