

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners' Meeting
November 7, 2005
Minutes**

The Hyde County Board of Commissioners held its regular meeting on Monday, November 7, 2005 at 7:00 PM in the Board of Education Conference room at O.A. Peay School.

Board members present were:

Bea Emmert, Chair	Charles Spencer, Vice-chair	
W. Mack Carawan, Jr.	Jane Hodges	Nathan Sears

Staff members present were:

Kevin Howard, County Manager	Connie Burlison, Clerk to the Board
Sid Hassell, County Attorney	

Media present were:

Nikie Mayo, The Coastland Times
Doug Gibbs, The Washington Daily News

Chair Emmert called the meeting to order, offered prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the agenda as amended. Faith Sumner was removed from the agenda and Nathan Sears was added to discuss cell phone reception in Hyde County.

Public Comments

The meeting was opened to receive public comments. No comments made.

Budget Revisions and Transfers

Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Budget Transfers and Revisions as presented.

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7	ADM	104200.7400	EQUIPMENT	\$ 11,471.00	
		103350.0000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE-W/C AUDIT REFUND		\$ 11,471.00
			INCREASE TO COVER COST OF NEW COPY MACHINE/PRINTER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING REPLACES EXISTING OLD COPIER		
8	ELDERLY- HANDICAP TRANSP	106500.1409	EDTAP-HFOA	\$ 500.00	
		103460.0009	ELDERLY/DISABLED TRANSPORTATION GRANT		\$ 500.00
			INCREASE TO MATCH FUNDING AUTHORIZATION		
9	HURRICANE OPHELIA	105252.3300	DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSE	\$ 550.00	
		103580.0006	INSURANCE CLAIMS MISCELLANEOUS		\$ 550.00
			INCREASE DUE TO INSURANCE CLAIM PD LESS \$500 DED- SHERIFF OFFICE UNDERPINNING DAMAGE REPAIRED		
10	HURRICANE OPHELIA	105252.3300	DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSE	\$ 1,767.56	
		103580.0006	INSURANCE CLAIMS MISCELLANEOUS		\$ 1,767.56
			INCREASE DUE TO INSURANCE CLAIM PD- WIND DAMAGE ANTENNA/OCR VFD REPAIRED		
11	E911	747200.1100	E911 WIRELESS CHGS EQUIPMENT	\$ 3,300.00	
		743990.0000	E911 FUND BALANCE APPROP		\$ 3,300.00
			INCREASE TO PURCHASE ARCVIEW LICENSE FOR E911 SYSTEM NEEDS		
12	ISABEL STREAM CLEANUP	106061.4500	ISABEL STREAM CLEANUP	\$ 91,790.00	
		1034500.0006	ISABEL STREAM CLEANUP-DENR		\$ 91,790.00
			PER RESOLUTION/BD MINUTES 07/18/05		
13	Education	106810.0978	QZAB BOND PAYMENT #1	55,964.58	
		103650.0202	QZAB BOE PYMT-SALES TAX RESERVE TRANSFER FROM BOE SALES TAX RESERVE 102600.0039 TO PAY QZAB PAYMENT #1 11/19/2005		55,964.58
	HEALTH	105820.4600	MATERNAL HEALTH – MEDICAL SUPPLIES	1,000	
		103481.0012	MATERNAL HEALTH –MEDICAID REV		1,000

Albemarle Commission Appointments

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board reappointed Nathan Sears and appointed Janet Russ to the Albemarle Commission.

Nathan Sears -- Cell Phone Reception

The Board agreed for County Manager Kevin Howard to contract US Cellular to request a representative's attendance at a future Board meeting to discuss US Cellular service.

Hugh A. Sorrell – Variance Request to Hyde County Subdivision Ordinance

Mr. Sorrell made a request on behalf of Pete Neal. Mr. Sorrell requested the Board grant a variance to the 45' width easement requirement proposed (20') to the Hyde County Subdivision Ordinance. After discussion, it was determined Mr. Neal would also need a variance to the 100' width lot requirement. Mr. Sorrell agreed to work on the plat and bring back before the Board. He will meet the 100' width lot requirement and his 20' easement request will be increase to 40'.

Linda Mayo, Health Director – Increase Hourly Rate Paid to Part-time Mosquito Control Drivers

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the increase in hourly rate paid to part-time mosquito control drivers from \$18.90 to \$20.00.

Clint Berry, Water Department Update Engelhard Water Treatment Plant and Approval of Engineering Agreements

Clint Berry updated the Board on the Engelhard Water Treatment Plant project.

Preliminary Engineering Report completed and accepted

Environmental Assessment Report completed and waiting for acceptance

The test wells have been through the bidding process

Hoping to award bid on 11-21-05

Project Cost is \$4,415,528. USDA Grant capped at \$1,000,000. Rural Center and Hyde County grant is estimated at \$994,600. Balance of \$2,420,928. Loan payment would be about \$130,000 yearly and Mr. Berry stated that the Water Department could not afford that amount. Discussion included current average water bill and installation cost of water meters. The Board requested Clint Berry to figure cost to install a water meter and bring back before Board.

Engineering Agreements

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the engineering agreements with Rivers and Associates and authorized the county manager to execute agreements.

Contract Agreements for Hyde County Government Center and the Hyde County Public Safety Center

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Contracts with Brennan Associates for the Hyde County Government Center and the Hyde County Public Safety Center for Architect's Services.

Hyde County Government Center and Public Safety Center Plans and Specs

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Government Center and Public Safety Center plans and specs.

W. Mack Carawan, Jr. Hyde County Personnel Manual Residency Policy

W. Mack Carawan, Jr. made a motion to remove the Residency Policy from the personnel manual stating his reason being the Board continually made exceptions to the residency policy. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Manager's Business

County Manager Kevin Howard presented several items to the Board.

1. **Out of State Travel for Tony Spencer to attend Hurricane Conference in Florida** – Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved Tony Spencer attending the Hurricane Conference in Florida.
2. **Credit Card Limit Increase for Tony Spencer** -- Mr. Howard made a request on behalf of Tony Spencer to increase his county credit card limit to \$1,500. No action was taken.
3. Street Names on Mattamuskeet Farms – tabled to receive additional information and to confirm name approval by Mattamuskeet Farms.
4. **Ocracoke School Construction/Repair Grant Agreement** – Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Ocracoke School Construction/Repair Grant Agreement.
5. **Purchase of a Beach Access Vehicle for Ocracoke EMS Service Grant Agreement** – Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the Beach Access Vehicle for Ocracoke EMS Service Grant Agreement.
6. **Ocracoke Health Center Board Request to Review Contract for Ocracoke EMS Services** – County Manager Kevin Howard will research issue with Cheryl Balance, Ocracoke Health Center and Jackie Robbins, Hyde County EMS Coordinator.

Closed Session – Possible Land Acquisition

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board entered into closed session for possible land acquisition at 9:02PM. Alice Keeney, County Planner attended the closed session.

Upon motion made by W. Mack Carawan, Jr., seconded by Jane Hodges with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board came out of closed session at 9:32PM with no action taken.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – November 21, 2005

The next regularly scheduled Board of Commissioner meeting will be November 21, 2005 in the Board of Education Conference room at O.A. Peay School.

Informational Items

- Exploration of a Fire Department Ponzer Community Hyde County, NC
- Letter from the Board of Health Requesting Prior to redeeming certificates of deposit to confer with the Health Director
- Copy of Memos Sent to Sheriff L.B. Johnson Requesting Monthly Report of Activities in Sheriff’s Department—Received No Response
- Copy of Letter from Dare County Board of Commissioners to Bill Ross Secretary DENR Re: Waste Disposal Sites and Chicken Farm
- Invitation to Preserve America Ceremony Event
- NC Division of Community Correction Second Judicial District Annual Report

Adjournment

Upon motion made by Jane Hodges, seconded by Charles Spencer with all Board members voting in favor, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:33 PM.

_____ Clerk _____ Chairman
 Hyde County Board of Commissioners