



The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, November 6th, 2017, at 6:30 pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina.

Present: Chair Mark Evans, Commissioner Bobby Irwin, Commissioner Tom Smith, Commissioner John Irwin, Commissioner Larry Prince, County Manager, Mike James, County Attorney Donna Shumate and Clerk to the Board Lauren Linker.

Chair Mark Evans opened the meeting, led the pledge of allegiance and gave the invocation.

Chair Mark Evans then noted there needed to be an addition under County Manager Comments, for Town Manager Bryan Edwards and Zach Barricklow to give a short presentation.

Commissioner Larry Prince made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0

AGENDA

Monday, November 6th, 2017
6:30 pm

- 6:30 Meeting Called to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation
Motion on Agenda for November 6th, 2017 Meeting
Motion on Meeting Minutes 10/2 and 10/16
- A. 6:35 Spotlight Business, Becca Babbitt, Becca's Backwoods Bean
- B. 6:45 Public Agenda Comments
- C. 7:00 Wendy Williams, Mapping/E911 (Page 1-9)
 - 1. Public Hearing for Farmview Drive and Walnut Lane
 - 2. Approval of Farmview Drive (**Action Requested**)
- D. 7:15 Glade Creek Animal Hospital (Page 10-11)
 - 1. Public Hearing for Economic Incentives
 - 2. Board Discussion
- E. General Business
 - 1. OZAB Project Ordinance (**Action Requested**) (Page 12)
 - 2. Final QZAB Resolution (**Action Requested**) (Page 13-16)
 - 3. General fund budget amendment #6 in the amount of \$8,628 (**Action Requested**) (Page 17-24)
 - 4. Resolution Designating the County Review Officers (**Action Requested**) (Page 25)
- F. Public Comments – 30 minutes
- G. County Manager Comments
 - 1. Review of School Fire Inspections
 - 2. Update on Sparta School Renovation Project
 - 3. (Addition) Bryan Edwards & Zach Barricklow, Streetscape Communication Plan Update
- H. Commissioners Comments

I. Adjourn

Commissioner Larry Prince made a motion to approve the minutes from October 2nd and 16th. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0

Rebecca Babbitt, gave her back story, her previous experiences and education.

Chair Mark Evans opened the floor for the public agenda comments.

Wendy Williams, Mapping/E911 Director explained the need for the public hearing for the naming of two roads and the process of road naming.

Chair Mark Evans opened the public hearing regarding the two road name changes. Seeing no one he closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin made a motion to approve the road names. Commissioner John Irwin seconded the motion. Vote 5:0

County Manager Mike James explained the grant monies that Glade Creek Animal Hospital have received and explained there is a \$3,000 county match for them to be able to receive the grant money. He explained spending county money on economic business calls for a public hearing.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin inquired about the job number discrepancy.

County Manager, Mike James explained it was different for the USDA because they were giving the money, but the contract signed with the County still applies.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve the match money. Commissioner Larry Prince seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Mike James explained the QZAB project ordinance resolution for intent to reimburse the County its own money spent on the project.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve the project ordinance. Commissioner Tom Smith seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Mike James explained the resolution was similar to past ones this was just with the undated numbers for the project.

Commissioner Tom Smith made a motion to approve the QZAB resolution. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Mike James explained the money for general fund budget amendment #6 to be used for the local foods grant at the farmers market.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve General Fund budget amendment #6. Chair Mark Evans seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Mike James explained the purpose of a county review officer resolution and noted that everyone needed to have access, so they may all complete their daily duties.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve the resolutions designating county review officers. Commissioner Larry Prince seconded. Vote 5:0

Chair Evans opened the floor for public comments.

Harry Jones voiced his concerns about the taxes for the proposed courthouse project.

Chair Mark Evans clarified the purpose for the meeting with the judges on Thursday, November 9th at 3:30 pm. He noted there will be no action taken at that meeting it is an informative meeting that is open to the public. County Manager, Mike James noted there will be all the information, presentation, drawings along with a comment box and all the options for people to give their feedback.

County Manager Mike James went over the semiannual school fire inspections. He moved on to discuss the construction timeline. He then went over the thank you notes received from the Allegheny Memorial Hospital Foundation for the donation and from the NCACC representatives that were in the county during the bad storm in October. He thanked the maintenance staff for having the courthouse looking so nice for the Court of Appeals.

Bryan Edwards and Zach Barricklow explained the communication plan during the downtown streetscape. He went over the priorities for the streetscape project and some of the ideas that are coming together.

County Manager Mike James went over the VAYA health quarterly report he then updated the Board on the Beamer Property upset bids which took it up to \$160,000.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin noted the veteran's board is still working hard selling their bricks and noted they were hoping to have them in place by 2018.

Commissioner Larry Prince said he felt the Board needed to look at the road signs issue because it had not stopped.

Commissioner John Irwin thanked the volunteers for all their work during the storm. He then clarified that the courthouse project is not a product of the county commissioners wanting to spend money or raise taxes.

Chair Mark Evans thanked everyone for all the hard work during the storm. He then went over the agenda for the retreat and asked everyone to look over it. Chair Mark Evans updated the Board on some topics discussed with the representatives from the NCACC.

Commissioner Tom Smith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Linker
Clerk to the Board

Attest:

Mark Evans
Chair of the Board