

The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, August 2, 2010, at 6:30pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina.

Present: Chair Ken Richardson, Vice-Chair Randy Miller, Commissioner Doug Murphy, Commissioner Milly Richardson, Commissioner Steve Roten, County Attorney Donna Shumate, County Manager Don Adams, and Clerk to the Board Karen Evans.

Chair Ken Richardson called the meeting to order. He talked about the meeting is being broadcast live over the internet. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting with a prayer. He stated that item D needs to be removed from the agenda.

Commissioner Milly Richardson made a motion to approve the amended agenda for this August 2, 2010, meeting. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

AGENDA
Monday, August 2, 2010
6:30 PM

- 6:30 Meeting Called To Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer
Motion on Agenda for August 2, 2010, meeting
Motion on Minutes for July 19, 2010, meeting
- 6:35 A. Public Comments—30 minutes
B. Public Hearing
RE: 911 Road Name Change
C. Public Hearing
RE: Rural Operating Assistance Program Grant
D. DW Miles (deleted)
RE: Solid Waste
E. Veterans Annual Report
F. County Business
1. Labor Day Meeting
 2. Region D Development Corporation Board Appointments
 3. USDA Draft Resolution/Letter of Conditions
 4. Engineering Agreement—Glade Creek Project
 5. E-911 Budget Amendments
 6. FY 2010-11 Budget Ordinance Amendment
 7. NCACC Annual Conference Voting Delegate
 8. Village Park Bowling Center & Tavern
 9. Personnel—Open Positions
 10. Other Business
 11. Adjourn

Commissioner Milly Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 19, 2010 meeting. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Chair Ken Richardson asked for public comments. None were received. He closed the public comments portion of the meeting.

Wendy Williams, E-911 Coordinator/Mapper, came before the Board to present one road name change; Texas Lane to Duncan Farm Lane. She explained the road's location.

Chair Ken Richardson opened the public hearing regarding the 911 road name change at 6:37pm.

Chair Ken Richardson asked for public comments. None were received.

Chair Ken Richardson closed the public hearing at 6:38pm and reconvened the regular meeting.

Commissioner Doug Murphy made a motion to approve the road name change as presented by the E-911 Coordinator/Mapper. Commissioner Milly Richardson

seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

April Hamm, Transportation Director, came before the Board regarding the Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) for 2010/11. She explained the following amounts are available to Alleghany County through the ROAP grant; EDTAP \$37,610, Work First \$3,347, RGP \$30,211 and supplemental ROAP funds of EDTAP \$21,680, Work First \$4,199, RGP \$26,767. She explained that the total grant application will be for \$123,814.

Chair Ken Richardson opened the public hearing regarding the ROAP grant application at 6:41pm.

Chair Ken Richardson asked for public comments. None were received.

Chair Ken Richardson closed the public hearing at 6:42pm and reconvened the regular meeting.

Commissioner Doug Murphy made a motion to approve the grant application. Commissioner Randy Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Sam Nichols, Veterans Service Officer, came before the Board to present the annual report for the Veterans Service office. He explained where his office is located, the services/benefits offered and how he assists veterans. He talked about the number of veterans and/or families that he has assisted. He further talked about the workload increasing due to the veteran population aging.

The Board thanked Sam Nichols for his report.

County Manager Don Adams asked the Board about rescheduling the first meeting in September due to the Labor Day holiday.

The Board decided to reschedule the meeting to Tuesday after Labor Day.

County Manager Don Adams presented a letter from Phil Trew with High Country Council of Governments asking for Don Adams, Bryan Edwards, Russell Sheets and Dennis Gambill to be reappointed to the Region D Development Corporation.

Commissioner Milly Richardson made a motion to reappoint Don Adams, Bryan Edwards, Russell Sheets and Dennis Gambill to the Region D Development Corporation. Commissioner Randy Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams presented a proposed resolution from USDA allowing the County Manager and Clerk to accept and execute documents for the Glade Creek School water/sewer project. He explained the timeline for the documents must be approved, signed and returned to USDA by August 23. He reviewed the draft letter of conditions.

Commissioner Randy Miller made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams presented the engineering agreement for the Glade Creek School water/sewer project. He updated the Board about status of the soil scientists' work and soil approval should be soon. He explained that the total cost of the contract is \$68,900. He further explained that around \$5,000 has already been spent, which will come out of these monies. He said that this agreement has already been approved by USDA.

Commissioner Randy Miller made a motion to approve the engineering agreement. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams explained that the next steps in the project including getting final approval on the project then the Board of Education can get a building permit then they will go out to bid.

County Manager Don Adams presented General Fund budget amendment #1 in the amount of \$120,916 being \$90,000 for the fire commission and \$30,916 for the Law Enforcement Center's roof. He reminded everyone that these are items that were discussed during the budget meetings if the 911 bill passed in the General Assembly; which it did, and these monies are for the fire departments/rescue squad's capital match and the roof. He presented E911 Fund budget amendment #1 in the amount of \$120,916 transferring the money to the General Fund.

Commissioner Randy Miller made a motion to approve both budget amendments. Commissioner Milly Richardson seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams presented a proposed budget ordinance amendment adding the Sparta School Addition Building Fund and the Scattered Site Grant Fund to the section in the ordinance of Capital/Grant Project Funds that are to remain open. He explained the purpose for the Sparta School is they have purchased playground equipment with the remaining monies and the Scattered Site Fund is for the getting the well fixed that Michelle Ball spoke to the Commissioners about in June.

Commissioner Milly Richardson made a motion to approve the budget ordinance amendment. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams presented a letter from the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) asking for a voting delegate from each county for the NCACC annual conference on August 26-29.

Chair Ken Richardson stated that he plans to attend the conference, and if it is the pleasure of the Board, he can be the Alleghany voting delegate.

Commissioner Milly Richardson made a motion to approve Ken Richardson as the voting delegate. Commissioner Randy Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams presented information regarding Village Park Bowling Center & Tavern for the recently renovated bowling alley and restaurant. He reviewed that he is asking for permission for the Chairman, County Manager and Clerk to sign the documents necessary for the Rural Center's grant. He reviewed the highlights of the grant; \$72,000 for six jobs at 12,000 each to be secured by a deed of trust. He explained after six months if they can show that six jobs have been created and maintained then the deed of trust can be released.

Commissioner Doug Murphy made a motion to approve the documents and authorize the Chairman, County Manager and Clerk to sign the documents. Commissioner Milly Richardson seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams explained that the Ollie's Small World project through the Rural Center has been completed, satisfied and the deed of trust released. He further explained that the dental project is the same way and should be able to submit the final paperwork soon for the deed of trust to be released.

County Manager Don Adams stated that the County has several open positions; full-time jailer and will have an open EMS shift supervisor position which could be filled internally which will create an open full-time paramedic position. He said that the request before the Board is to approve filling a full-time jailer's position, EMS shift supervisor position and full-time paramedic position.

Commissioner Randy Miller made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Milly Richardson seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

County Manager Don Adams informed the Board that the County has gone out to bid for wood waste grinding and propane with bids due on August 16 and will be on the August 16 agenda for the Board's consideration.

County Manager Don Adams talked about Shelton and Sandy Brooks with Sandy having cancer, couldn't move back into her home until all of the mold was gone, and the

project turned into a community project with assistance for the materials and labor. He stated that the request is to release \$129.60 of solid waste fees associated with the project.

Commissioner Doug Murphy made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Randy Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Chair Ken Richardson announced that the County received the grant for the Veterans Park in the amount of \$172,479.50 along the Sparta Parkway. He explained that he is proud of the fact that Alleghany County received the grant. He further explained that this is a matching grant. He talked about ways to fund the matching portion. He explained that he is offering a challenge to everyone to help with the matching portion.

Chair Ken Richardson and Commissioner Doug Murphy talked about the County has three years to complete the grant but the County needs to move forward with a good faith effort.

Commissioner Milly Richardson stated that she would like to join Ken Richardson in the challenge. She further stated that this is a wonderful challenge to put forth and have people step forward.

Chair Ken Richardson talked about recently meeting with Billy Ray Hall with the Rural Center. He further talked about meeting with Lyons Gray who is offering assistance to Alleghany County. He said that he recently spent time with Sarah Stevens about issues involving Alleghany County. He further said that he had a phone conference with Senator Hagan's office about current issues and someone will be coming here from her office.

Being no further business, Commissioner Milly Richardson made a motion to adjourn at 7:09pm. Commissioner Doug Murphy seconded the motion. Vote 5:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Evans
Clerk to the Board

Attest:

Ken Richardson
Chairman