



The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 4th, 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 Larry Prince, Commissioner Bill Osborne, Commissioner Bobby Irwin, Commissioner John Irwin, County Manager Mike James, County Attorney Donna Shumate and Clerk to the Board Drew Temple.

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

Commissioner Larry Prince made a motion to approve minutes from 2/18/19. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0.

AGENDA

Monday, March 4, 2019

6:30 pm

6:30 Meeting called to order
Pledge of Allegiance and invocation
Approval of agenda
Motion on minutes from 2/18/19 (pages 1-4)

A. 6:35 **Chamber of Commerce Spotlight Business**
i. Greenfield Acres Realty

B. 6:45 **Public Comments/Agenda Items:** Citizens are encouraged to comment at this time on any item(s) specifically listed on this meeting's agenda. Guidelines for public comment are posted in the meeting room.

C. 6:55 **Presentations to the Board**
i. Sarah Dalton, Authentically Alleghany promotional video
ii. ***Vaya Health, Medicaid transformation**
iii. Alleghany Sparta Trails Association proposed project
iv. April Hamm, HR
1. Proposed personnel policy changes (pages 5-12)
2. Proposed building pet policy (pages 13-14)

- D. 7:30 **General Business**
 - i. Award HVAC bid (board action requested) (pages 15-18)
 - ii. Award BDC building roof (board action requested)
 - 1. Labor-only UNIFLEX option (pages 19-21)
 - 2. New roof option (pages 22-27)
 - iii. Safety glass in jail
 - iv. Unsolicited offer to purchase 136 N. Main Street (board action requested) (pages 28-40)
 - v. Resolution of Support for Streetscape Project (page 41)

- E. 8:00 **Consent Agenda** (Board action requested)
 - i. General Fund budget amendment #29 in the amount of \$17,073 for jail maintenance expenses including new hot water heater (page 42)

 - ii. General Fund budget amendment #30 in the amount of \$15,384 for 2017/18 workers comp audit (page 43)
 - iii. Ag Advisory Board Ex-Officio Members approval (board action requested) (page 44)

- F. 8:10 **Public Comments:** Citizens are encouraged to comment at this time on any item(s) requiring the attention of the Commissioners. Guidelines for public comment are posted in the meeting room.

- G. 8:15 **County Manager Comments**
 - i. Update on stormwater project
 - ii. 21 truck route ribbon cutting March 8th

- H. 8:20 **Request for Closed Session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)-5 potential acquisition of real property**

- I. **County Commissioner Comments**

- J. **Adjourn**

Chamber of Commerce Spotlight Business

Karen O’Leary highlighted Alleghany County magazine and the new Chamber members.

Karen O’Leary introduced Amy Greenfield, owner of Greenfield Acres Realty.

Amy Greenfield explained her background and her real estate company in Sparta.

Amy Greenfield told about all the events her company has been involved in and the activities coming up.

Public Comments/Agenda Items

No comment

Presentations to the Board

Sarah Dalton, Authentically Alleghany

Dale Caveny explained the need he and Sarah Dalton found for a quality video highlighting Alleghany County.

All Alleghany County promotional videos were played.

Vaya Health, Medicaid transformation

Brian Ingraham explained Medicaid changes coming to Alleghany County.

Brian Ingraham said by November 2019, the new plans will “go live.”

Brian Ingraham explained the timeline through 2021 for this NC Medicaid transition.

County Manager Mike James explained enrollment information will be released as soon as possible.

Brian Ingraham explained that non-emergency Medicaid transportation is part of the benefit of the standard plan.

County Manager Mike James said Alleghany in Motion and EMS would need to come to an agreement with all 4 plans to provide transportation services.

Alleghany Sparta Trails Association

Forrest Pulley explained ASTA’s mission, significant events and plans for the new trail and trail heads in Sparta.

April Hamm, HR

Proposed personnel policy changes

April Hamm explained the further clarification to the personnel policy continued from the last meeting.

April Hamm explained the form all employees are going to be required to complete listing outside employment.

Commissioner Bill Osborne said he is concerned about employees who have been able to take time off in years past and putting a cap on it all of a sudden.

Commissioner John Irwin suggested allowing an employee with seniority more days allotted to work their second job.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin asked for clarification on some wording around the social media policy changes.

April Hamm explained it is the department head's ultimate responsibility to discipline employees as he or she sees fit.

Donna Shumate explained she had read through the policies and as written, the policy gives the county a little flexibility.

Commissioner John Irwin confirmed that there is a process in place that if an employee requests more time off than the personnel policy allows, the department head has the authority to take that request to the county manager.

Commissioner Prince made a motion to approve the personnel policy as written. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0.

Proposed building pet policy

April Hamm explained the proposed building pet policy.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin asked for clarification about citizens taking their animals to the transfer station.

April Hamm explained the transfer station does fall under this policy as work site. She said patrons must maintain constant control over their pets at the work site.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve as written. Commissioner Prince seconded. Vote 4:1 (aye: Commissioner Bobby Irwin, Chair Mark Evans, Commissioner Larry Prince, Commissioner John Irwin, nay: Commissioner Bobby Irwin)

Chair Mark Evans called for a recess.

Chair Mark Evans reconvened the meeting.

General Business

Award HVAC bid

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve Billings Heating and Cooling bid contingent upon a revised contract stating they will recover the refrigerant and dispose of it properly. Commissioner Prince seconded. Vote 5:0.

Award Business Development Center building roof bid

There was discussion among the board and Rex Houck about the roofing options and warranties presented to the board.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to accept Wright Way Restoration's labor-only bid contingent upon a performance bond. Commissioner Prince seconded. Vote 5:0.

Safety glass in jail

County Manager Mike James explained the safety glass in need of repair at the jail.

Unsolicited offer to purchase 136 S. Main Street

Commissioner Bill Osborne made a motion to acknowledge the bid and put the offer to the upset bid process. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0.

Resolution of Support of Street Scape

Commissioner Prince made a motion to approve the resolution in support of the streetscape. Commissioner Bill Osborne seconded. Vote 5:0.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Commissioner Prince seconded. Vote 5:0.

Public Comments

Tony League announced Rotary Club membership options. He announced the annual drawdown is scheduled for.

County Manager comments

County Manager Mike James gave an update on the storm water project.

County Manager Mike James said the ribbon cutting for the 21 truck route is Friday, March 8th at 11:00.

County Manager Mike James reminded citizens about the dine out challenge.

Request for Closed Session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)-5 potential acquisition of real property

Commissioner Prince made a motion to go into closed session. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0.

Chair Evans said no action was taken during closed session.

Adjourn

Chair Evans made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner John Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Drew Temple

Mark Evans

Clerk to the Board

Chairman