

PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
APRIL 27, 2006

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a special work session on Thursday, April 27, 2006 in the Commissioners' Board Room in the Pasquotank County Courthouse.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cecil Perry, Chairman
Lloyd E. Griffin III, Vice-Chairman
Matt Wood
Bill Trueblood
John "Hank" Krebs
Marshall H. Stevenson, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Dixon (*Out of Town*)

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Keaton, County Manager
Sheri Bulman, Finance Officer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. The Board held a work session on the 2006-07 fiscal year budget. The Board reviewed additional departmental budgets and special appropriation budget requests.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK

**PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 1, 2006**

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a regular meeting on Monday, May 1, 2006 in Courtroom C in the Pasquotank County Courthouse.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cecil Perry, Chairman
Lloyd E. Griffin III, Vice-Chairman
Matt Wood
Bill Trueblood
John "Hank" Krebs
Marshall H. Stevenson, Jr.
Jeff Dixon

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Keaton, County Manager
Rodney Bunch, Asst. County Mgr. for Planning & Econ. Dev.
R. Michael Cox, County Attorney
Karen Jennings, Clerk to the Board

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Cecil Perry. The Rev. Joe Griffith gave the invocation and Vice-Chairman Lloyd Griffin led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

1. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS OF PASQUOTANK COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL:

Chairman Perry recognized Extension Director Travis Burke to introduce the newly formed Pasquotank County Youth Council. Mr. Burke thanked the Board for the opportunity to present the Youth Council. He said the initiative for a local youth council was developed last fall and they looked at doing something that has been done effectively in other counties across the state. He stated that they met with the County Manager, the Board of Commissioners, and representatives from the City Council and discussed establishing a youth council. Mr. Burke explained the application and interview process for the Youth Council. He stated that the council is comprised of representatives from both high schools, both middle schools, and Albemarle School. He said the newly formed Youth Council has had one meeting and will be meeting monthly. He said the Youth Council will serve as a sounding board for the youth in Pasquotank County and Elizabeth City and some will be attending Commissioner meetings on a regular basis to learn about civic engagement, about the voting process, and about making things happen for the youth in the community. Mr. Burke expressed his appreciation to the members of the Youth Council for attending tonight's meeting and thanked the Board for its support of the group.

Luke Wood, a member of the Youth Council, stated that the Youth Council just wants to represent the youth in Pasquotank County and show that they want to be an active part of city and county government. He said the council would like to branch out and be an outlet for the youth in the area and be able to communicate with government officials on behalf of the youth.

The members of the Youth Council in attendance introduced themselves as follows: Kelly Bostock, Salisha Byrd, Caitlin Gilroy, Millie Griffith, Kaylah Hughes, Sam Jennings, Jameel Joyner, Eric Lister, Christina Marriner, John Russell, Courtney Trueblood, and John Wood. Mr. Burke noted that there are some additional members who could not be present tonight. The Board thanked Mr. Burke and the Youth Council for attending tonight's meeting.

2. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Chairman Perry asked for any amendments to the agenda. Commissioner Matt Wood stated that there are several items from today's Finance Committee that need to be added to the agenda.

a. Approval of Tax Releases and Refunds

Commissioner Wood said the first item to be added to the agenda is approval of the tax releases and refunds that were on the Finance Committee agenda. The tax releases and refunds as submitted by the Tax Office are as follows:

Releases:

		County	City
1.	Mark David Bayles	204.45	
2.	Michael J. Scalia	238.64	195.35
3.	Dana Martin Overman	171.60	
4.	Daniel Stuart Smith	183.88	151.66
5.	Gary Ray Jernigan	115.76	92.33
6.	Kevin Grant Routten	132.55	
7.	Stephen Eugene Armistead	173.63	
8.	JoAnn Julia Gers	126.12	98.26
9.	David Janson Harrell	217.89	
10.	Earle R. Frost, Jr.	115.67	92.26
11.	Denise Luton Onley	106.18	84.69
12.	David Blair Johnson	107.36	
13.	Brenda Warden Murphy	159.39	127.14
14.	Matthew J. Youngs	130.87	109.39

Refunds:

1.	Ryan Britt Gibson		105.53
2.	Five C's Inc.	890.10	

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Hank Krebs to approve the tax releases and refunds as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Recommendation from Finance Committee to Purchase Power Pro Stretchers for EMS Department

Commissioner Wood advised that the Finance Committee considered a request from the EMS Board to approve the purchase of power stretchers. This would eliminate the need for a specialized ambulance for bariatric patients and provide each of the ambulances with lifting assistance for all patients.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Lloyd Griffin to authorize the purchase of Power Pro stretchers for the ambulances instead of continuing with the conversion of an ambulance to a bariatric unit. The motion carried unanimously.

c. Award of Contract for Commerce Park Tank Rehabilitation

Commissioner Wood asked that the Board consider the award of a contract for the Commerce Park water tank rehabilitation. He stated that the Board has been provided a summary of the bid results from the engineer. County Manager Randy Keaton explained that two bids were received, however one of the bidders did not meet the requirements for the five-year performance bond. He stated that Southern Corrosion, Inc. was the only bidder that complied with the specifications and also happened to be the low bidder with a bid of \$84,172 without containment. He said that containment will not be needed at this time because there are no other buildings near the tank which will save the county almost \$100,000. He said the recommendation is to award the contract to Southern Corrosion, Inc. for \$84,172 without containment. Mr. Keaton noted that lettering of the tank will be an additional cost. He added that a decision should also be made regarding what the lettering would be.

Motion was made by Matt Wood, seconded by Jeff Dixon to award a contract to Southern Corrosion, Inc. for the Commerce Park water tank rehabilitation based on their bid of \$84,172 without containment. The motion carried unanimously.

d. Adoption of Resolution Regarding Clean Water Bond

Commissioner Wood stated that a document has been passed out entitled *2006 Clean Water Bond Resolution* that the Board needs to consider. The County Manager explained that Albemarle Commission has provided the resolution as a result of the presentation on the Water 2030 Project that was held last week. He said that Albemarle Commission has adopted the resolution and has asked each of the towns and counties in the region to adopt it as well. The Albemarle Commission would like to have the signed resolutions returned to them by May 10 so they can send in all of the resolutions together in order to show a united effort. The resolution is asking the General Assembly to support a \$1 billion bond issue in the upcoming session to fund water, sewer, and stormwater facilities.

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Hank Krebs to adopt the 2006 Clean Water Bond Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously and the following resolution was adopted.

2006 CLEAN WATER BOND RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, North Carolina’s continued prosperity depends on protecting the state’s water resources for current use and future generations; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is expected to grow by 3.5 million people to exceed 12 million by the year 2030, placing pressures on the state’s water resources and local water providers; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina’s businesses, traditional and emerging industries all depend on reliable supplies of clean water, reasonable utility costs and an attractive natural environment; and

WHEREAS, the 1998 Clean Water Bonds delivered significant benefits to North Carolina communities and citizens, supporting 1,103 projects in 97 counties, which

- helped create or retain 42,000 jobs
- corrected major regulatory violations in 97 communities
- addressed failing septic systems and contaminated wells in 59 counties
- resulted in 50 communities receiving sewer service for the first time
- encouraged regional efficiencies, sound planning and conservation practices; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina’s public water, sewer and stormwater utilities will require investments totaling \$16.63 billion to keep pace with necessary improvements and population growth over the next 25 years, including \$6.85 billion in investments within the next five years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners urges the North Carolina General Assembly to enact a \$1 billion bond bill in the 2006 session to fund construction and repair of urgently needed water, sewer and stormwater facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners calls upon the Governor and the General Assembly to activate the State Water Infrastructure Commission to address the state’s long-term water infrastructure needs with a visionary plan for sustained funding of water, sewer and stormwater system improvements.

e. Approval of Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Matter

Commissioner Wood stated that the last amendment to the agenda would be a Closed Session at the end of the agenda to discuss a personnel matter.

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Bill Trueblood to approve the addition of a Closed Session at the end of the agenda to discuss a personnel matter. The motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

The Board considered the following consent agenda:

a. Approval of Minutes of April 17, 2006 Commissioner Meeting

b. Approval of Tax Releases

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of the following tax releases:

		County	City
1.	Gregory Edwin Selby	144.06	119.91
2.	Dennis Lee Smith	206.81	
3.	Jason Scott Ashenfelter	103.24	87.34
4.	Golden Horton Barber		130.22
5.	Jay Paul Faulkner	117.86	
6.	James David Bastick, Jr.	132.70	100.67
7.	Susan Lilley Chappell	106.51	
8.	Kirk Thomas Watson	204.20	

9.	Jerry Lynn Johnson	166.50	134.71
10.	Amy Lou Drake	277.03	225.97
11.	Jonathan E. Denson	155.65	129.15
12.	Vernon Lowell Rowland	180.10	
13.	Robert Gregory Duncan	146.90	
14.	Jess Paul Lopez	151.87	
15.	Justin Adam Brown	163.72	
16.	Julian Maxwell	220.08	
17.	TWIFCO., Inc.	107.18	85.49
18.	Michael Vincent Marsh	150.11	
19.	Justin Nicholas Underwood	179.17	152.91
20.	Tama Kathryn Glover	201.10	165.40
21.	Jean Vijarya Demeyere	166.50	134.71
22.	Emory William Liggett		212.81
23.	Carmella Nieves Lee	103.01	80.25
24.	Roger William Chipps	155.99	
25.	Christopher Walter Teall	264.51	220.98

c. Approval of Budget Amendments

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of the following budget amendments:

Special Approp/Fairgrounds

Increase	010.0110.4111.05	Ad Valorem Taxes '05	25,000.00
Increase	010.6600.5625.23	CDBG Match	25,000.00
Increase	023.0220.4497.03	Eliz City-Fairgrounds	25,000.00
Increase	023.0220.4981.00	General Fund-Transfer	25,000.00
Increase	023.4935.5192.00	Legal Fees	26,000.00
Increase	023.4935.5440.00	Contracted Services	24,000.00

Sheriff

Increase	010.0600.4930.00	Insurance Proceeds	19,363.00
Increase	010.4310.5353.00	Repair & Maintenance-Vehicles	19,363.00

Resource Officers/DARE

Increase	010.0600.4833.01	Donations-DARE Program	2,000.00
Increase	010.4315.5231.00	Promotional/Educational Supplies	2,000.00

d. Adoption of Project Ordinance for Capacity Building Grant

The Board considered the Project Ordinance for the Capacity Building Grant that is being administered by Northeastern Community Development Corporation. The Board has previously approved the program, however the Project Ordinance was never approved. The Project Ordinance is as follows:

**PROJECT ORDINANCE
CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Pasquotank County, North Carolina, that, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §159-13.2, the following Project Ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project authorized is the Community Development Block Grant – Northeastern CDC Capacity Building Project described in the funding agreement between Pasquotank County and the North Carolina Department of Commerce-Division of Community Assistance.

Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the terms of the grant documents and the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amounts are appropriated for this project:

Planning	\$ 75,000.00
Total	<u>\$ 75,000.00</u>

Section 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Capacity Building CDBG 04C1311 \$ 75,000.00

Total \$ 75,000.00

Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy state and federal regulations and the terms of the North Carolina Department of Commerce-Division of Community Assistance funding agreement.

Section 6. Funds may be advanced from the Project Fund for the purpose of making payments as due. Reimbursement requests should be made to the North Carolina Department of Commerce-Division of Community Assistance in an orderly and timely manner.

Section 7. The Finance Officer is directed to report, on a quarterly basis, on the financial status of each project element in Section 3 and on the total project revenues received.

Section 8. The Budget Officer is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this project in every budget submission made to this Board.

Section 9. Copies of this Project Ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board, and to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED this the 1st day of May, 2006.

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Hank Krebs to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The following tax releases and refunds less than \$100 have been approved by the Finance Officer since the last meeting:

Releases:

		County	City
1.	Carolyn Francis Mitchell	9.66	7.70
2.	Bernard J. Cofield	19.20	15.31
3.	Bruce Kenneth Schunk	20.45	
4.	Ian Bruce Jones	99.54	
5.	Joyce Robinson	34.70	27.68
6.	Yolanda Nicole Childress	8.26	6.44
7.	Steven J. Southall	24.11	24.23
8.	Keith Wayne Johns	24.11	
9.	Keith Wayne Johns		18.40
10.	Edna McKinney Dewald	12.02	
11.	Susan Renee Berry	13.86	
12.	David Marshall McHugh, Jr.	13.11	
13.	Paul Robert Beavis	5.04	
14.	Dennis Morris Florence	59.56	
15.	James Alvin Weeks	56.98	
16.	Stephen Phillip Riggs	25.03	24.97
17.	Julian Shelton Umphlett	13.70	10.93
18.	Eduardo Avila Garcia	18.40	14.68
19.	Mary Elizabeth Rullan	64.68	
20.	Ramona Renee Howard	10.42	8.31
21.	Mary Kilduff Davis		56.26
22.	Andrew Joseph Pate	86.52	74.01
23.	Lou Crowder Creeck	78.63	
24.	Darryl Kevin Mullen	13.02	10.39
25.	Andrew J. Pate	10.93	14.09
26.	Austin Shepard Kaylor	30.92	
27.	John Frederick Fowlds	61.66	
28.	Irvin Thomas Huggins	17.31	13.81
29.	Irvin Thomas Huggins	21.84	17.42
30.	James Edward Fagans	42.84	
31.	Todd Allen Crone	52.75	
32.	Robert Gordon Brothers	6.10	

4. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR HURRICANE ISABEL EMERGENCY STREAM CLEANUP, PHASE III:

The Board considered a resolution requesting an additional \$49,896 for a third phase of stream cleanup work related to Hurricane Isabel. If the resolution is approved, a grant application would be submitted to the Division of Water Resources. This would be 100% state funding with no county match. Commissioner Bill Trueblood suggested if anyone knows of areas that still need to be cleaned up as a result of Hurricane Isabel, to make note of them and inform Mr. Bunch or himself so these areas can be included in Phase III.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Lloyd Griffin to adopt the resolution for Hurricane Isabel Emergency Stream Cleanup, Phase III as presented. The motion carried unanimously and the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners desires to sponsor the Hurricane Isabel Emergency Stream Cleanup Phase III project to restore drainage, reduce flooding and improve navigation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) The Board requests the State of North Carolina to provide financial assistance to Pasquotank County in the amount of \$49,896 (100 percent funding) for project construction costs;
- 2) The Board will obtain all necessary state and federal permits;
- 3) The Board will comply with all applicable laws governing the award of contracts and the expenditure of public funds by local governments;
- 4) The Board and the local Soil and Water District will supervise construction of the project to assure compliance with permit conditions and to assure safe and proper construction according to approved plans and specifications;
- 5) The Board will obtain suitable disposal areas as needed and all other easements or rights-of-way that may be necessary for the construction and operation of the project without cost or obligation to the State;
- 6) The Board will assure that the project is open for use by the public on an equal basis;
- 7) The Board will hold the State harmless from any damages that may result from the construction, operation and maintenance of the project;
- 8) The Board accepts responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the completed project;

Adopted by the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners this 1st day of May, 2006.

5. APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION FROM JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL:

The Board reviewed the following proposed 2006-07 county funding plan for the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council:

Program Provider	DJJDP Funding	Local Cash Match	Total
JCPC Certification	\$1,200		\$1,200
Project Uplift	\$58,419	\$5,842	\$64,261
Community Service/OSS	\$58,945	\$5,895	\$64,840
Psychological Assmt.	\$5,500	\$550	\$6,050
Teen Court	\$13,000	\$1,300	\$14,300
Totals:	\$137,064	\$13,587	\$150,651

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Hank Krebs to approve the proposed 2006-07 funding plan for the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council. The motion carried unanimously.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER:

County Manager Randy Keaton reported to the Board that staff from the Solid Waste Department, Maintenance Department, and Recreation Department have been assisting the Board of Elections in moving the new voting equipment to the polling places for tomorrow's election. He stated that the Solid Waste Director coordinated the loading and unloading of the equipment and the Elections Director was very grateful for the assistance.

Mr. Keaton advised that the contractor began erecting steel for the Public Safety Building today. He stated that the concrete for the second floor of the Library was poured today as well. He noted that the building project is moving along well.

Mr. Keaton asked the Board to schedule another budget work session, possibly for next Monday. The Board agreed to try to schedule the work session for Monday, May 8 at 4:00 PM.

7. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Hank Krebs asked if there will be an agenda for the regional meeting on May 4 to discuss the Northeast Partnership. Chairman Perry stated that he and the County Manager will work on drafting an agenda that will be sent to members of the Board for approval.

Commissioner Bill Trueblood reported that he attended the open house last Friday at Blackwater, USA. He said the demonstrations performed were very impressive.

Commissioner Trueblood stated that he plans to attend a meeting tomorrow evening at 6:00 PM at the Vernon James Center in Plymouth for the purpose of discussing the new ethanol plant that is planned for construction in Aurora. He asked if other Commissioners would like to attend the meeting with him.

Vice-Chairman Lloyd Griffin thanked the Board for attending the meeting sponsored by the Albemarle Commission at the Museum of the Albemarle last week during which the state's long-term water needs were discussed. He also thanked the Board for supporting the resolution tonight requesting that the General Assembly enact a \$1 billion bond bill in the 2006 short session.

Commissioner Jeff Dixon reported that the first meeting of the joint city-county water committee was held a couple of weeks ago and went well. He stated that Commissioner Wood did an excellent job of explaining the status of the RO plant. He added that the committee is off and running to try to find ways to meet the long-term water needs of Pasquotank County residents.

Commissioner Matt Wood reported that the Economic Development Commission hosted a very successful meeting at Museum of the Albemarle last week with business leaders from the Tidewater, Virginia area that was a collaboration of several different groups. He stated that the event was well-received by all who attended and he has received positive feedback.

Commissioner Wood stated that he spoke with the Camden County Manager recently and he was very complimentary of what the Economic Development Director is doing for Camden County.

Chairman Perry thanked Commissioner Dixon and Commissioner Wood for conducting the joint water meeting last week and helping to improve the water quality in the community.

Chairman Perry reported on several meetings and events that he has attended since the last meeting.

8. RECOMMENDATION FROM APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

Commissioner Marshall Stevenson reported that the Appointments Committee met today and voted to recommend the appointment of Ginger Parrish to the Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee. This appointment will be on the next agenda for final approval.

9. REPORT FROM ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER:

Assistant County Manager Rodney Bunch reported that the Land Use Plan Committee consisting of Commissioner Bill Trueblood, Planning Board Chairman David Harris, consultant Buddy Blackburn, and Planning Department staff met recently to begin reviewing the comments from the state regarding the Land Use Plan. He said they are in the process of obtaining information so that responses can be formulated. He added that Mr. Blackburn met with representatives from the city to review the comments related specifically to the city.

10. REPORTS FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY:

County Attorney Mike Cox reported to the Board that a meeting of hospital officials, county officials, and the Kitty Hawk Mayor and Town Manager has been scheduled for tomorrow to discuss the right of way issue for Putter Lane adjacent to Regional Medical Services.

Mr. Cox updated the Board on the easements for the U.S. 17 North sewer line. He reported that one of the condemnations has been settled and signatures have been obtained on several others.

11. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER:

Chairman Perry asked if there was any further business to come before the Board in Regular Session. There being no further business, he asked for a motion to enter Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter.

Motion was made by Matt Wood, seconded by Lloyd Griffin that the Board enter Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon the end of Closed Session;

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Hank Krebs that the Board return to Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Matt Wood that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK

**PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 4, 2006**

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a special regional meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2006 in the Small Business Center at College of The Albemarle.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cecil Perry, Chairman
Matt Wood
Bill Trueblood
John "Hank" Krebs
Marshall H. Stevenson, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lloyd E. Griffin III, Vice-Chairman
Jeff Dixon

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Keaton, County Manager
Rodney Bunch, Asst. County Mgr. for Planning & Econ. Dev.
R. Michael Cox, County Attorney
Karen Jennings, Clerk to the Board

Also present were County Commissioners and staff from the counties of Camden, Perquimans, Gates, Chowan, and Currituck, and several members of the Northeast North Carolina Regional Economic Development Commission and the Northeast Partnership.

Chairman Cecil Perry called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM and asked everyone to introduce themselves. He stated that the purpose of tonight's meeting is to discuss recommendations for changes in the Northeast Partnership.

Chairman Perry asked Mr. Mack Nixon, a Perquimans County Commissioner and a member of the Commission, to explain how and why the Northeast Partnership was created. Mr. Nixon explained that the Northeast North Carolina Regional Economic Development Commission was created in 1993 by an act of the General Assembly and receives state funds for economic development and tourism development in the sixteen counties in the northeast region of the state. The Partnership was created by the Commission as a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation to protect private funds and private donations and to protect client confidentiality. It receives funds from the Commission in addition to private funds. Through a memorandum of understanding that is adopted each year the Commission gives authority for day to day operations and spending power to the Partnership. He said the current MOU will expire on June 30, 2006.

Mr. Jimmie Dixon, a member of the Commission, explained that the Commission has accomplished many good things since its creation and has brought economic development projects, tax base, and jobs to the Northeast.

Mr. Fred Yates, a member of the Partnership, outlined some of the activities that led to the recent problems for the Partnership.

Various Commissioners asked questions which were answered by the Partnership and Commission members regarding the Partnership funds, the contracts, the method of determining the bonuses that were paid to employees and contractors of the Partnership, and accountability.

Mr. Nixon reported on actions that have been taken since the CEO left the Partnership. He said that several of the concerns of the counties in the region have already been addressed, and the Commission is looking at how to address the other concerns. He stated that the Partnership will be dismantled in an orderly manner. He advised that the Partnership still exists primarily because of the legal ramifications of contracts that have to be paid from the Partnership. He said that a new executive committee and an organizational committee have been charged with looking at every contract of the Partnership and the organizational structure in order to come back with a proposal for re-structuring. He suggested that any recommendations from the counties be sent to the organizational committee to be considered in the restructuring.

Discussion was held regarding various proposals for reorganizing the Commission/ Partnership. It was recommended that Pasquotank County Manager Randy Keaton draft a document to be circulated to the six counties to review containing recommendations from tonight's meeting. After all of the counties have reviewed and recommended revisions, a final document would be created from which each of the counties would draft a letter to be sent to the Commission, with copies to legislators and the other counties in the 16-county region. The points those in attendance agreed should be included in the document are as follows:

- Dissolve the Northeast Partnership
- CEO and all employees will be salaried employees
- Public transparency
- Sub-regional specialized developers
- Systematic means of reporting to counties
- Attorney will serve one master

Chairman Perry thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK

**PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 8, 2006**

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Matt Wood
Bill Trueblood
John "Hank" Krebs
Marshall H. Stevenson, Jr.
Jeff Dixon

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Keaton, County Manager
Rodney Bunch, Asst. County Mgr. for Planning & Econ. Dev.
R. Michael Cox, County Attorney
Sheri Bulman, Finance Officer

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. The Board held a work session on the 2006-07 fiscal year budget. The Board of Education presented its budget request and the Board reviewed additional departmental budgets.

At 7:30 PM the meeting was recessed until 5:00 PM, Wednesday, May 10, 2006 when it will reconvene to review additional budget requests.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK

**PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 10, 2006**

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a continuation of the May 8, 2006 budget work session on Wednesday, May 10, 2006 in the Commissioners' Board Room in the Pasquotank County Courthouse.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cecil Perry, Chairman
Matt Wood
Bill Trueblood
John "Hank" Krebs
Marshall H. Stevenson, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lloyd E. Griffin III, Vice-Chairman
Jeff Dixon

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Keaton, County Manager
Rodney Bunch, Asst. County Mgr. for Planning & Econ. Dev.
Sheri Bulman, Finance Officer

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM and the Board continued its work session on the 2006-07 fiscal year budget. The Board reviewed the Emergency Management, Central Communications, Solid Waste, and Sheriff's Department budgets. The County Manager provided information regarding available revenues and also presented property valuation calculations including the revenue neutral tax rate. The County Manager requested that the Board schedule an additional work session to finalize the budget proposal.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK