

**PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
JULY 20, 2009**

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a regular meeting on Monday, July 20, 2009 in Courtroom C in the Pasquotank County Courthouse.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marshall H. Stevenson, Jr., Chairman
Matt Wood
Bill Trueblood
Cecil Perry
Jeff Dixon
Jimmie Harris

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lloyd E. Griffin III, Vice-Chairman (*Out of Town*)

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Keaton, County Manager
Rodney Bunch, Assistant County Manager
R. Michael Cox, County Attorney
Karen Jennings, Clerk to the Board

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Marshall Stevenson. Commissioner Matt Wood gave the invocation and Commissioner Cecil Perry led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

1. COMMENTS FROM MELBA PURKETT:

Chairman Stevenson recognized Ms. Melba Purkett of 610 Laura Lee Street in Forest Park Subdivision. Ms. Purkett said she would like to discuss the drainage in Forest Park. She stated that she moved into her home in 1980 and never had any problem with drainage until August 2005 when the whole area was flooded after a heavy rain. Her house was flooded and she had to replace carpeting and make other repairs. It has flooded four more times since then including this past Friday. She explained that she had spoken with Darryl Wilkins from DOT who indicated to her there was some kind of drainage problem. She understood that some work was done which seemed to help the drainage, but it appears to be backing up again. She also stated that the U.S. 17 Bypass and connector road were constructed near her home which may have contributed to the drainage problems. Ms. Purkett said it has been suggested to her that she raise her house or add more cement, however she does not have the money to do it. She said this problem has been occurring since 2005 and she asked what is going on. She stated that she needs some help.

Assistant County Manager Rodney Bunch said he is familiar with Ms. Purkett's situation. He explained that he went to her house in 2007 after he received a call from Ms. Purkett. He stated that the entire house is not low, however the rear of the house that is on a cement slab is almost at ground level which is the area that had flooded before Ms. Purkett contacted him. He said he spoke with Mr. Wilkins and there was some concern that the water from Ms. Purkett's house was blocked, however DOT would not go off the state right-of-way and the county did not have the means to clear it out. He stated that he suggested to her that she raise the concrete slab six inches to keep the water from coming into her house. He said Mr. Wilkins called him this morning and advised that he had been to Ms. Purkett's house again and would like to be able to help her, but he feels the problems are off of the street right of way.

Chairman Stevenson noted that this is the type of situation for which the drainage districts are established, however the Board has not voted for a tax in the Knobbs Creek Drainage District at this point so the county has no funds to work on a project such as this.

Commissioner Trueblood stated that Ms. Purkett has spoken with him several times about her situation and she believes the problems began with the development of Halstead Boulevard. He said until the Board implements a drainage district tax there will be no money to correct the problems. He added that he will be sure the Stormwater Management Committee discusses her situation to see what might be available.

Commissioner Wood agreed that there is no resource or funding mechanism to even conduct an investigation into the problem and counties cannot fix flooding problems unless there is a tax resource to do it with. Because of the public's opposition to a drainage district tax, the Board voted last month not to implement the tax.

Commissioner Perry asked if others in Ms. Purkett's neighborhood are having the same problems. Ms. Purkett stated that others have had drainage problems, but have not had water in their houses like she has. She added that her house is the only one on a slab.

Commissioner Trueblood said that he, Mr. Bunch and someone from DOT would look at Ms. Purkett's situation again.

2. PUBLIC HEARING ON RURAL OPERATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ROAP) APPLICATION FOR 2009-2010:

Chairman Stevenson recognized Mr. Herb Mullen, representing Inter-County Public Transportation Authority, to outline the proposed Rural Operating Assistance Program application for 2009-2010.

Mr. Mullen explained that the Rural Operating Assistance Program is money that is earmarked from the Public Transportation Division of the North Carolina Department of Transportation for public transportation in Pasquotank County. He said there are three tiers of funding. The first tier of funds is called Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Funds (EDTAP). He said these funds are used for citizens that are sixty years of age or older or have a disability that can be documented. He stated that they can use the service free of charge. The second tier is the Rural General Public Program (RGP). DOT will pay for up to 90% of any transportation. The typical fare is \$3.00 and anyone in the community can use these services to go to work, school or shopping. The third tier of funds is called the Employment Transportation Assistance Program (EMPL). He said these funds go to the Department of Social Services and are used to help people who are on the Work First Program to retain employment. He said that \$180,278 has been earmarked for Pasquotank County for 2009-2010 which is approximately \$15,000 more than the allocation for last fiscal year. The funds would be allocated as follows:

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| EDTAP - \$47,019 | Supplemental EDTAP - \$26,917 |
| EMPL - \$10,926 | Supplemental EMPL - \$13,558 |
| RGP - \$43,555 | Supplemental RGP - \$38,303 |

Mr. Mullen advised that Title VI Public Involvement forms in English and Spanish are available on the table at the entrance to the courtroom for anyone who would voluntarily like to complete them. The forms document ethnic background of anyone who attends the public hearing for the Rural Operating Assistance Program.

Chairman Stevenson declared the meeting to be a public hearing on the proposed Rural Operating Assistance Program application for 2009-2010. He asked if anyone would like to address the Board regarding the proposed Rural Operating Assistance Program application. At the absence of comments, the public hearing was closed.

After questions from Commissioners;

Motion was made by Cecil Perry, seconded by Jimmie Harris to approve submission of the Rural Operating Assistance Program application for 2009-10 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Chairman Stevenson asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. Commissioner Wood requested that the agenda be amended to add to the consent agenda the following items recommended by the Finance Committee today: 1) Approval of agreement with Albemarle RC&D for establishing a wetland at River Road Middle School; 2) Approval for Board of Education to submit an application for a zero or low interest loan from the 2009 Qualified School Construction Bonds Program to replace the HVAC system at Central Elementary School; 3) Approval of bids for RO project as presented by the engineer at the Finance Committee meeting; 4) Donation of Animal Control truck to Camden County; 5) Designation of Matt Wood as voting delegate for the NCACC Annual Conference; and 6) Approval of EMS request to add two more employees. County Manager Randy Keaton requested that the Board discuss under new business a request from the City Manager that the Board designate the entire county as a "recovery zone"

in order to issue or sponsor Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds (RZEDB) and Recovery Zone Facility Bonds (RZFB).

Motion was made by Matt Wood, seconded by Cecil Perry to amend the agenda to add the six items listed above to the consent agenda, and to add discussion regarding designation of the county as a “recovery zone” to new business. The motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

The Board considered the following Consent Agenda:

a. Approval of Minutes of June 9, 15 and 29, 2009 Commissioner Meetings

b. Approval of Tax Releases and Refunds

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

Releases:

| | | County | City |
|----|--------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. | Lawrence James Peranto | 165.66 | |
| 2. | Jennifer Hunter Covington | 126.83 | |
| 3. | Philip Lawrence Wentworth, Jr. | 235.90 | |
| 4. | Gateway Bank & Trust | | 167.01 |
| 5. | Mary Kathrynne Giaculli | 100.49 | 87.22 |
| 6. | Nicholas R. Ramsey | 100.32 | 82.08 |
| 7. | Brite Painting | 172.18 | |

Refunds:

| | | | |
|----|-------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. | Matthew I. Solley | 213.60 | 178.00 |
| 2. | Matthew I. Solley | 222.50 | 182.45 |
| 3. | Matthew I. Solley | 244.75 | 200.25 |

c. Approval of Application for Tourism Funds for COA Athletics and Port Discover

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of a request from Port Discover for tourism funds in the amount of \$75,000 over a 10 year period. The Finance Committee had also previously recommended approval of funding in the amount of \$15,000 for the COA Athletic Program over a three year period. The Board needs to approve these two applications for submittal to the Tourism Board for final approval.

d. Approval of Family Subdivision Request 09-10 to Create a Gift Lot for a Child on Mount Hermon Church Road

Staff is recommending approval of Family Subdivision Request 09-10 by Cynthia Mullen to create a gift lot for a child in accordance with Article 5, Section 303 of the Pasquotank County Subdivision Ordinance. The property currently consists of 5.95 ± acres and the gift lot will be 43,000 square feet. The lot meets the minimum lot area requirement, road frontage requirement and lot width requirement. Documentation has been provided that the plat qualifies as a family subdivision and Albemarle Regional Health Services has approved the site for a septic system. Staff has advised that the application meets the standards set forth under the family subdivision provisions in the Pasquotank County Subdivision Ordinance.

e. Approval of Surplus Items for Sale on Govdeals.com

The following items need to be approved for surplus so they can be listed on Govdeals.com:

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| 2 metal desks | 14 wooden desks | 15 chairs |
| 7 book shelves | 6 counter tops | 9 monitors |
| 12 file cabinets | 1 printer table | 2 TVs |
| 5 cubical partitions | | |

f. Appointment of Gwen Nixon and Julie Stamper as Review Officers

Due to a recent retirement and an upcoming retirement in the Tax Office it has been reported that there will be no one in the Tax Office to sign plats for recording of existing land parcels. It is recommended that Gwen Nixon and Julie Stamper be appointed as Review Officers to sign plats for existing land parcels. Any plat that is prepared to create a new parcel will be required to be signed by Planning Department staff.

g. Approval of Amended Water System Rules and Regulations

The Water Committee has recommended approval of updated water main extension rules and regulations for the Water System to reflect more recent situations.

h. Approval of Agreement with Albemarle RC&D Council to Establish a Wetland at River Road Middle School

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of an agreement with Albemarle Resource Conservation and Development Council, Inc. for the purpose of establishing a wetland at the River Road Middle School.

i. Approval for the Board of Education to Submit Application for Qualified School Construction Bonds Program Loan to Replace HVAC System at Central Elementary School

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of a request from the Board of Education to submit an application for a zero or low interest loan from the 2009 Qualified School Construction Bonds Program to replace the HVAC system at Central Elementary School. The funds are part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and the maximum amount of funds available for the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools to borrow is \$1,481,087.66. The Board of Education and the Board of Commissioners must approve the application.

j. Approval of Contracts for Reverse Osmosis Project

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of award of the following contracts for the RO project based upon the recommendations from the county's engineers:

Contract 1 – 2.0 MGD reverse osmosis water treatment plant and appurtenances. *Award contract to Mid-Eastern Builders, Inc. based on their low bid of \$7,847,000, contingent upon approval of the project funding.*

Contract 2 – Raw water production wells, well houses, electrical and stand-by power. *Award contract to A.C. Schultes in the amount of \$1,286,360 subject to further successful negotiations with A.C. Schultes.*

Contract 3 – Approximately 27,000 linear feet of 24" DIP water main from the water treatment plant site to the tie-in to the existing water mains on Halstead Boulevard. *Award contract to Temple Grading and Construction in the amount of \$1,868,030, contingent upon approval of the project funding.*

Contract 4 – Approximately 12 miles of 12" PVC pipe from the current Halls Creek discharge to the new discharge point located at Rebellion Point. *Award contract to Temple Grading and Construction in the amount of \$1,146,479.75, contingent upon approval of the project funding.*

Contract 5 – Approximately 1,800 linear feet of 14-inch DR9 directional bore in the Albemarle Sound and discharge header. *Award bid to T.A. Loving Company in the amount of \$436,300 contingent upon approval of the CAMA major permit and upon approval of the project funding.*

k. Approval of Donation of Animal Control Truck to Camden County

The Finance Committee has recommended that the Board approve the donation of a 2005 Chevrolet pickup truck, VIN# 1GCEC14X05Z348412, including a toolbox, dog box and catchpole to the Camden County Sheriff's Office for use in its animal control program.

l. Designation of Voting Delegate for NCACC Annual Conference

The Board needs to designate a voting delegate for the 2009 NCACC Annual Conference. Commissioner Matt Wood has indicated that he may be available to attend the conference. Mr. Wood needs to be designated as the voting delegate.

m. Approval of Request from EMS Department to Add Two Employees

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of a request from the EMS Department to add two additional Basic Life Support personnel. The EMS Department has discovered that it could add these positions, rearrange current and future shifts and cut nearly \$30,000 from the EMS budget by reducing overtime and holiday pay.

Motion was made by Cecil Perry, seconded by Jimmie Harris to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion carried.

The following tax releases and refunds have been approved by the Finance Officer:

Releases:

| | | County | City |
|-----|----------------------------------|--------|-------|
| 1. | Rodney Gordon Phelps | 21.92 | |
| 2. | Neil A. Garrard | 71.50 | 63.50 |
| 3. | Sarah Garrett Winslow | 60.06 | |
| 4. | Michael Dean Garza | 47.85 | |
| 5. | Jasmine Charisse Alston | 6.38 | 5.22 |
| 6. | Donald Wilburn Mullins, Jr. | 87.29 | 76.42 |
| 7. | Caleb Wayne Parker | 84.07 | |
| 8. | Michael Joe Thomas | 31.36 | |
| 9. | Paul Roy Bassett | 19.91 | |
| 10. | James Marshall Shipman | 7.48 | 6.12 |
| 11. | Sean Golden | 2.42 | |
| 12. | Randall Scott Swanz | 53.63 | |
| 13. | Guillermon Navarro Verde, Jr. | 21.84 | |
| 14. | Tyler Vern Overton | 15.85 | 18.00 |
| 15. | Brian Keith Batdorf | 4.24 | |
| 16. | Mary Hofler Merritt | 28.55 | 23.36 |
| 17. | Jeffrey Ros Mailley | 29.73 | |
| 18. | Debra Sue Embrey | 58.30 | 47.70 |
| 19. | Frank Ralph Wilson, II | 65.51 | |
| 20. | Frank Ralph Wilson, II | 46.92 | 43.39 |
| 21. | Daniel Dwayne Canham | 4.07 | 8.33 |
| 22. | Ryan Patrick Shaw | 84.98 | |
| 23. | Robert Evan Pitchford | 99.06 | 86.05 |
| 24. | Robert Evan Pitchford | 6.44 | 10.27 |
| 25. | James Howard Hollomon | 65.34 | 53.46 |
| 26. | Hamid Nur Sinclair | 14.19 | 11.61 |
| 27. | Hamid Nur Sinclair | 99.66 | |
| 28. | Nancy Dunbar Eves | 43.59 | 35.67 |
| 29. | Alice Lula Ownley | 2.23 | |
| 30. | Reginald Eugene Rodgers, Jr. | 5.28 | |
| 31. | Charles Bob Branch, Jr. | 6.22 | |
| 32. | George B. Brannon | 2.29 | 1.76 |
| 33. | Kay W. Weeks | 73.44 | |
| 34. | G.E. Capital Info Tech Solutions | 32.41 | |
| 35. | Elizabeth Ann Godfrey | 62.60 | |
| 36. | Gloria Douglas | 12.17 | |
| 37. | Walter Gregory | 15.12 | |
| 38. | Joshua Andrew Alcocer | 8.39 | 6.87 |
| 39. | Mark S. Napolitano | 62.43 | |
| 40. | Gordon Howard Dexter Dowden | 52.64 | 48.07 |
| 41. | Johnathan Tyrone Whidbee | 4.51 | 3.69 |
| 42. | Suzanne Kai Lyster | 4.24 | 3.47 |
| 43. | Robert Montgomery Gallop, Jr. | 24.20 | 19.80 |
| 44. | Julie Drennen Jernigan | 19.56 | |
| 45. | Jody Allen Kauffman | 78.10 | |
| 46. | John Edwin Blades Stuart | | 15.46 |
| 47. | Frances T. Long | 7.02 | |
| 48. | Mary Carter Skinner | | 43.84 |
| 49. | Matthew John McGuirk | 16.83 | 16.47 |
| 50. | Carlito Honesto Pureza | 46.78 | |
| 51. | Richard A. Seiley | 25.74 | |
| 52. | Robert Vaughn Walker | 42.71 | |
| 53. | Otis Commander | 28.66 | |
| 54. | James Freeman Wallace III | | 87.80 |
| 55. | Monteia Satona Lindsey | 23.98 | 19.62 |
| 56. | Frederick Pendleton Small | 5.01 | |
| 57. | Raymond Eugene Phillips | 68.15 | |
| 58. | Antwon Devon Horton | 28.55 | 23.36 |
| 59. | Shelia LaCreshia Eason | 4.82 | 3.94 |
| 60. | Derrick Eugene White | 90.64 | 79.16 |
| 61. | Robert Wade Cline | 85.53 | |
| 62. | Carlos Hernandez | 81.29 | |
| 63. | Hector Trevino | 31.96 | |

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| 64. | David Janson Harrell | 44.44 | |
| 65. | Matthew Wade Reid | 26.90 | |
| 66. | Clayton James Brewer | 99.77 | 86.63 |
| 67. | Charles James Wolff | 41.09 | 38.62 |
| 68. | Lionel Price | 34.75 | 26.73 |
| 69. | Brian Arthur Daugherty | 86.08 | |
| 70. | Jonathan J. Anderson | 80.53 | 46.81 |
| 71. | Edith Williams Brooks | 10.43 | |
| 72. | Monae Renic Beasley | 7.21 | 5.90 |
| 73. | McMer Development LLC | | 93.69 |

Refunds:

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|----|----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| 1. | Richard A & Cynthina A. Seeley | 24.20 | |
| 2. | Richard A. & Cynthina A. Seeley | 22.00 | |
| 3. | Ernest Edward & Ann Cooper Askew | 86.46 | |
| 4. | Ernest Edward & Ann Cooper Askew | 90.00 | |
| 5. | Ernest Edward & Ann Cooper Askew | 99.00 | |
| 6. | Ramona Phillips | | 28.27 |
| 7. | Ramona Phillips | | 27.92 |

The following requests for release or refund of the solid waste availability fee have been approved by the Tax Administrator:

| OWNER'S NAME | PARCEL ID NUMBER | REASON FOR RELEASE |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| William E. & Edla Stevens | P88-12 | Unoccupied more than two years |
| Charles & Carolyn Everett | 21-F-10-11A | Unoccupied since 1999 |
| Rosma James & Robert Skinner | 26-A-6 | Unoccupied for five years |
| Tony Lewis | 23-R-27 | Unoccupied 2½ years |
| Temani Lewis | 50-L-8 | Unoccupied since 2001 |
| Judith Hurdle Edwards | P143-27A | Unoccupied for six years |
| Margaret P. Mickey | P140-59 | Unoccupied over five years |
| Louis Banks, Jr. Heirs | P98-31 | Unoccupied since 1999 |
| Jo Ann Perry | P6-18 | Unoccupied for 15 years |
| Sterling S. & Shirley Griffin | P80-84A | Unoccupied since 2003 |
| Harry W. Reed III | P127-10 | Unoccupied since 2003 |
| Lou Carnell Ricks | P108-40 | Unoccupied for three years |
| Mary Elizabeth Gibson | P63-4 | Unoccupied since 1992 |
| Larry E. Billet | 12-G-19 | Unoccupied for three or four years |
| Helen J. Banks Lf Est | P98-13 | Unoccupied since 2005 |
| Jeff Overton, Jr. Heirs | P67-44 | Unoccupied since 1979 |
| Earl G. & Audrey D. White | P110-54 | Unoccupied since 2001 |
| Sophie Hinton Sawyer | P119-62-1 | Unoccupied for three years |
| Jordan Thorton Heirs | P112-62 | Unoccupied for 10+ years |

5. APPROVAL OF REQUEST TO RENOVATE THE HAND OF LIBERTY SCULPTURE ON THE COURTHOUSE LAWN:

The Board considered a request from Mr. Lemuel S. Blades III to renovate the Hand of Liberty sculpture that stands in front of the Courthouse. County Manager Randy Keaton explained that the sculpture was a gift from Elizabeth City State University to the community in 1976 commemorating the American Bicentennial. The sculpture was damaged several years ago by vandals and was repaired by the county. The sculpture sits on a hollow, rectangular pedestal composed of four marble slabs which have cracked and have been damaged over the years. Mr. Keaton stated that Mr. Blades has been working with the Elizabeth City State University Development Office and Mr. Jollish Clifton on a proposal to repair the sculpture. They have proposed to replace the hollow pedestal with a solid block of white pearl granite, put new footings and re-attach the hand and the faceplate on the new granite. There would be no expense to the county, however they want permission to go onto the Courthouse grounds to do the work.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Matt Wood to approve the proposal from Lemuel S. Blades III to renovate the Hand of Liberty sculpture on the Courthouse grounds and to give permission for those doing the work to go onto the Courthouse grounds. The motion carried.

6. DESIGNATION OF PASQUOTANK COUNTY AS A RECOVERY ZONE:

County Manager Randy Keaton explained that there is a program available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that provides for Recovery Zone Economic

Development Bonds (RZEDBs) and Recovery Zone Facility Bonds (RZFBs). Prior to issuance of these bonds the local unit of government has to designate an area as a “recovery zone”. He said that Pasquotank County has been allocated \$2,698,000 for RZEDBs and \$4,047,000 for RZFBs. The bonds must be issued before January 1, 2011 and a business would have to qualify for the funds. There would be no cost to the county and the county would be allowed to issue the bonds on behalf of a company. The first step would be to designate the entire county as a “recovery zone”, then businesses would be able to come forward and apply for those bonds. Mr. Keaton said the state is still creating the rules for these bonds and more information will be made available at an upcoming webinar.

Motion was made by Matt Wood, seconded by Bill Trueblood to designate all of Pasquotank County as a “recovery zone” in order to issue Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds and Recovery Zone Facility Bonds. The motion carried.

7. DISCUSSION REGARDING BOOKMOBILE AND REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD:

The County Manager reported that the Regional Library Board met and had more discussion regarding the bookmobile. He explained that the Virginia Beach City Council has approved the donation of its former bookmobile to Pasquotank County to replace the one that was wrecked. He said he understands the bookmobile is in good working condition and is about the same age as the one that was wrecked. He stated that it is a larger vehicle but will still fit in the garage at the Library. The bookmobilit is currently taking the class for a CDL license. He said that an issue came up as to how to pay for the expenses of the bookmobile. The Regional Library received \$5,750 in insurance proceeds from the bookmobile that was wrecked and his contention was that the proceeds should be turned over to the county to be used for repainting or other preparation of the vehicle from Virginia Beach. The second question was regarding the ongoing maintenance, insurance and gas costs for the vehicle. His question was since the new vehicle will be titled in the county’s name that the region should still continue paying for the operation of it since it is paying for the operation of the vans that run in Currituck and Dare Counties. Mr. Keaton stated that the Pasquotank-Camden Library Board discussed these issues and requested the region to agree to these items. The Regional Library agreed to give the county the insurance proceeds, but was still unsure about the maintenance costs. After he had further discussions with the Regional Director, she has been in contact with the Regional Board and they have agreed to provide Pasquotank-Camden Library with the ongoing maintenance costs like they were doing previously.

Commissioner Matt Wood suggested that during the next legislative session the Board request Representative Bill Owens to introduce legislation to abolish the Regional Library Board and ask each of the counties in the region to support it. He added that he believes it is a wasteful entity that has no need for existence. He stated that it would save the taxpayers money if the regional board were eliminated and the per capita monies were given back to the counties.

Mr. Keaton said the aid that used to flow from the state to the region to county libraries for materials has gradually shrunk because most of the money is now going for personnel costs.

Chairman Stevenson stated the issue of not being able to buy books was discussed at the last Pasquotank-Camden Library Board meeting. He said if such a resolution was done and all of the counties signed on to it, the resolution would indicate that the funds now being allocated to the region would be divided among the local libraries. He asked if the Board wants to pursue this issue further tonight.

Since it is too late to request legislation during the current legislative session, it was suggested that the County Manager initiate discussions with the libraries in the region to see if they are interested in pursuing this matter.

8. UPDATE ON JAIL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT:

The County Manager presented pictures taken by Paul Kahl, Building Inspector, showing the progress of the jail construction project. Sheriff Randy Cartwright said it is estimated that the jail will be ready to be occupied by inmates near the end of this year.

9. REPORT FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY:

County Attorney Mike Cox reported that he attended a County Attorney’s Conference this past weekend.

10. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Commissioner Bill Trueblood presented the following recommendations from the Appointments Committee:

Airport Authority – Appoint Joe Forbes as Chairman for a two-year term.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council – Appoint slate recommended by the JCPC.

Stormwater Management Committee – Appoint Maurice Berry, Jr. and Brian Stallings as ex officio members as representatives of the Soil & Water Conservation District Board.

Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee – Reappoint Betty Jo Layden to an additional term. Commissioner Trueblood reported that Randy Griffin, Sr. must resign from this committee due to a conflict of interest.

Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee – Appoint Randy Griffin, Sr.

Redevelopment Commission – Reappoint Lloyd Griffin, Bill Trueblood and Rodney Bunch.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Matt Wood to make the appointments to boards and committees as recommended by the Appointments Committee. The motion carried.

11. REPORTS FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Dixon asked Mr. Bunch to send him a layout showing where Mrs. Purkett's house is located.

Commissioner Perry reported that the Jail Commission voted today to select Securus Technologies to provide inmate telephone service for the new jail.

Chairman Stevenson said at the Board's request the County Manager had communicated with the City Manager regarding the city's water rates. He asked if a response has been received from the city. Mr. Keaton said a response has not been received. Chairman Stevenson asked if a response is not soon received that the letter be sent again and that all members of City Council receive a copy.

Chairman Stevenson asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being no further business;

Motion was made by Cecil Perry, seconded by Jimmie Harris to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK