

**PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
MAY 7, 2012**

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a regular meeting on Monday, May 7, 2012 in Courtroom C in the Pasquotank County Courthouse.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lloyd E. Griffin, III, Chairman *(Arrived at 7:55 PM)*  
 Jeff Dixon, Vice-Chairman  
 Bill Trueblood  
 Cecil Perry  
 Dr. William R. Sterritt  
 Gary G. White  
 Joseph S. Winslow, Jr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**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 Vice-Chairman Jeff Dixon. A moment of silence was observed and Vice-Chairman Dixon led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. He welcomed members of the Pasquotank County Youth Council who were in attendance.

**1. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW:**

The Clerk to the Board administered the oath to members of the Board to serve as the Board of Equalization and Review. Vice-Chairman Dixon convened the Board of Equalization and Review for 2012 and asked if there were any appeals to be heard. Tax Administrator Patrice Stewart reported that she does not have any appeals to come before the Board of E&R. Vice-Chairman Dixon asked if anyone from the public has an appeal to bring before the Board of E&R. There being no appeals, Vice-Chairman Dixon asked for a motion to adjourn the Board of Equalization and Review for 2012.

Motion was made by Gary White, seconded by Joe Winslow to adjourn the Board of Equalization and Review for 2012. The motion carried.

**2. COMMENTS FROM JAMES MORRIS:**

Chairman Griffin recognized Mr. James Morris to address the Board. Mr. Morris read a statement to the Board which is listed below verbatim in its entirety from the copy provided:

“Mr chairman and commissioners,

I am here to speak to you concerning county management of the landfill. In 2009 there were issues being discussed that I wanted to learn more about so I attended some meetings of the commissioners and the solid waste committee. I also meet with some commissioners, county employees, and purchased copies of invoices from the county finance department. After gathering this information and reviewing some of it I scheduled a meeting with the commissioner that represents me in the Mount Herman township. November 11, 2009 I meet with him and we discussed items that I had questions about. It is now about two and a half years later and I still do not have answers, as a matter of fact I have more questions. Last month, April, I contacted the same commissioner by phone and and explained that I feel there are serious questions about the management of our landfill in the past that still need to be answered. I am referring to the time prior to the present contract that the county has with Whaley Contractors.

On April 15, 2012 I had an article printed in the local paper and to the best of my knowledge the statements I make were correct. Before that article was published I had left town and was on my way to Utah on vacation. April 22, I received a phone call telling me about a front page article titled, County Weighs Landfill Options. After listening to that being read on the phone I realized there

were in my opinion some seriously misleading statements in that article. I will list the items that concern me and maybe we can find the answers latter. I realize this is to much to deal with in one meeting.

1. The article states: The amount of money paid to Whaley Contractors of Grifton was \$476,000.00 in 2010 and \$484,000.00 in 2011.

QUESTION: Was that paid on just the contract or was part of that for extra work.? If extra work, what work?

## 2.FUEL SUR-CHARGES

Comments: In this part of the article it states that WHALEYS CONTRACT WAS NEVER AMENDED TO REFLECT FUEL CHARGES. The sur-charges were not paid to the Whaley contract, they were paid to the contractor prior to Whaley. Another statement by the county manager was that VIRTUALLY ALL BUSINESS WERE IMPOSEING SURCHARGES AT THE TIME. ALSO, ALLMOST ALL OF THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTS INCLUDED SURCHARGES, HE SAID.

Comments: I have over thirty five years owning a general contracting business. If you have a contract you can not just add money to it because the price of material or overhead increases unless you go through a process. Some call it change orders, or contract modification, something formal has to take place and it has to have a paper trail. In the copies of invoices I received from the county I have tried to make sense of the surcharge and cannot make it work out. Some of the fuel tickets are for off road and some are for highway use fuel. I cannot figure how a fuel surcharge of \$26,980.00 was determined for the time from April 2008 to November 2008: The bottom line to me is that if it was not in the contract it was not legal. If it has not been, this issue needs to be dealt with.

3. The article also stated: AND CONTRARY TO WHAT MORRIS STATED IN HIS AD, KEATON SAID THE FUEL SURCHARGE WAS NOT REMOVED BY COMMISSIONERS.

Comments: I did not say in my article that the surcharge was removed by commissioners. I said that the fuel surcharge was suddenly suspended after certain commissioners learned of this unauthorized expenditure.

4 I was told that about the time Whaley Contractors started work at the landfill that the North Carolina Department of Environmental Resources inspected the landfill and found numerous violations and problems that required a lot of work by a civil engineering company and site work by a contractor. Based on the information that I have the county paid the engineering company approximately \$100,000.00 and the contractor approximately \$154,000.00 to bring the landfill into compliance with regulations. This comes to a total of \$254,000.00. I was also told that the reason for this work was because the landfill had not been properly maintained. If this did happen as I have been told somebody needs to be held accountable. Part of the engineering cost has been to get a new area permitted. If unnecessary dirt had not been hauled by the previous contractor and valuable landfill space lost, this engineering cost and cell expansion would not be necessary. This could actually represent a total waste of well over a quarter million dollars of tax payers money.

5. I have been told our Solid Waste Director bought 5 used tipper trailers and 1 used truck for \$170,000.00. The taxpayers paid for the trailers and now cannot get clear titles, because a bank is holding leans on the titles. Two of these trailers have been used to haul trash. They have no current DOT inspections and are running Pennsylvania license plates. As a taxpayer I feel our money needs to be more carefully spent when turned over to the county staff. I looked at these trailers and my thought was we paid \$25,000.00 a piece for what we could have bought new for around \$50,000.00, with 2012 titles and current inspections. Three of these trailers are not being used..Have we spend any money on the two we are using, and if we get titles and start using the others, will we have to spend more money before putting them in service? The last time I looked there were 10 tipper trailers sitting side by side and I believe the county owns 2 more trailers, with 4

trucks to pull these trailers and 3 drivers. Do we need these trailers and if we do why are they not being used?

There are more items to add to this list, however, I think this is enough for tonight. I was born and raised in this county and other than two years in the army I have lived here for all of my 66 years. Tonight I have only talked about problems concerning the landfill. That is just the tip of the ice-burg. As I stated earlier, I have had concerns about the landfill operation for over two years. It seems to me that in the past the county commissioners have failed to address and resolve situations that needed to be dealt with. One is that we continued for over 15 years without proper management of the contract for landfill operation. Number two, county employees not dealing professionally with contractors. 3. Based on what I have seen of pay request for work done, there has been no way to document invoices. What the entire situation amounts to is the same one that a lot of this country is going to have to deal with or we are going to destroy ourselves. For this board of commissioners it means dealing with the problem. When I started looking at some of these problems over two years ago and trying to talk with commissioners, it seemed that all they wanted to do was convince me there was no problem. I have lost all confidence in county management, however I have more confidence in this board than in any other in a long time. Some of you I have known for over 40 years and have great respect for. I have here in this file documents and other material that raises serious questions. At least one commissioner that is currently on the solid waste committee has seen some of this file several months ago and to my knowledge has taken no action to investigate. Determining the validity concerning these issues is not an option and cannot in my opinion be ignored. Thank you for listening to what I have had to say. If you would like to talk to me, please call.  
Phone: 252 202 7804

James Morris

I respectfully request that this letter be added to the minutes of this meeting."

Motion was made by Gary White, seconded by Joe Winslow to accept Mr. Morris' statement. The motion carried.

Vice-Chairman Dixon suggested that Mr. Morris attend the meetings of the Solid Waste Commission and bring up his issues and questions. Commissioner Bill Trueblood stated that he would like for anything in Mr. Morris' statement that was in the form of a question to be answered in writing. Mr. Morris suggested that the county have an outside source investigate his claims. Vice-Chairman Dixon thanked Mr. Morris for his statement.

### **3. REPORT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

Vice-Chairman Dixon called on Economic Developer Wayne Harris to give an update on the activities of the Albemarle Economic Development Commission. Mr. Harris stated that the basic job of the Economic Development Commission is to try to improve the economy and create jobs in the Pasquotank County area. He provided a short list of differentiators and cultural assets including: Aviation Park/Coast Guard; Wind/water transit/rail; broadband; downtown cultural assets and activities (MOA, AoA, Port Discover, Downtown Waterfront Market, Mariners' Wharf Film Festival); recreational assets; and proximity to Hampton Roads, the Port of Virginia, Norfolk International Airport and Amtrak. He explained that target audiences are: businesses interested in locating in North Carolina and Virginia including Aviation/Aerospace/Wind Industry, logistics/distribution, and light industry; business opportunities fostered by increased bandwidth; and retiring affluent baby boomers, retiring military, telecommuters, entrepreneurs and others. Mr. Harris said the area is publicized through the Economic Development Guide, Images of NC, Pay per click campaigns (Google), targeted advertising opportunities, and AEDC's major web site upgrade. He explained that aviation opportunities include drones, Air Force divestiture, and possible acquisition of C27's by the Coast Guard. He stated that he personally feels that wind will be a major factor in Pasquotank County's future. He noted that when the cost of natural gas goes back to \$4 per unit, wind will become viable again. He said restoration of the Production Tax Credit would also be a factor.

Commissioner Joe Winslow asked if the AEDC has provided any support to TCOM in its endeavor to build a new blimp. He said this is a new concept for them and he asked if the AEDC has any contact with them. Mr. Harris responded that when he arrived five years ago TCOM was the first project he worked on. He said the county was very aggressive in helping put together a package that secured a \$70,000 One North Carolina grant for TCOM. He noted that at that time they had 50 employees. He explained that the county matched primarily with a water line and \$10,000 in cash. He said TCOM projected that they would add 50 additional employees, but since that time they have added 150 employees and now have a total of 200 people working out of the blimp hangar. He stated that TCOM calls on the AEDC when they have any particular problems they think the AEDC can help with. Commissioner Winslow suggested that the Board possibly have a tour of TCOM to show support for what they are doing. Mr. Harris said he would be happy to organize a tour for the Board.

Commissioner Cecil Perry asked where young people can go to get training to work at the Coast Guard Base and the Aviation Park. Mr. Harris stated that in conjunction with the Civil Air Patrol, aviation has been incorporated into the math and science curriculum in the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public School System in grades one through six and there is a plan to migrate it into the middle school. He said COA has a very good sheet metal program and a machining program. When the Aviation and Technical Training Center is completed in Currituck, people will be able to go there to get FAA certification in airframe maintenance.

The Board thanked Mr. Harris for his update.

**4. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

Chairman Griffin asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. It was requested that the agenda be amended to add the following item recommended by the Finance Committee: 1) Approval of proposal regarding extended warranty with Harn RO for RO plant equipment.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Joe Winslow to amend the agenda to add the item above to the consent agenda. The motion carried.

County Attorney Mike Cox also requested that the agenda be amended to authorize him to send a letter to Representative Bill Owens asking for his assistance with the transfer of a parcel of property in Camden County in which the former Albemarle Mental Health Center was a co-owner with Albemarle Hospital and Camden County.

Motion was made by Joe Winslow, seconded by Cecil Perry to amend the agenda to add the request from the County Attorney to send a letter to Representative Owens. The motion carried.

**5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Board considered the following consent agenda:

a. Approval of Minutes of April 16, April 25 and April 30, 2012 Commissioner Meetings

b. Approval of Tax Releases and Refunds

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of the following tax releases, refunds and solid waste fee releases:

Releases:

	County	City
1. Georgette Makisha Lopez	155.81	121.85
2. Cleveland Franklin Hooper, III	227.85	
3. Bear Garden, Inc.		133.20
4. Walter Stuart Horner	2,789.17	2,103.43

Refunds:

1. American Tower	644.76	527.55
2. Thelma S. Horner	753.28	366.04
3. Thomas Glendon Christopher, II	182.04	

Solid Waste Fees:

OWNER'S NAME	PARCEL ID#	REASON FOR RELEASE
Wendy K. McLean	40-G-14	Not livable

*c. Approval of Proposal for Audit Contract*

The Finance Committee has recommended approval of a contract with Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Co. in the amount of \$23,000 per year for preparing the financial audit for Pasquotank County.

*d. Approval of Extended Warranty for RO Plant*

The Finance Committee has recommended that the Board approve a proposal from Ham RO Systems to provide extended warranty for the RO equipment at the new RO water plant. The proposal will extend the warranty until April 1, 2013 in exchange for the county paying the first \$25,000 of any warranty claims. Ham RO would pay any costs in excess of this amount. The county would not be required to pay any upfront costs, only the deductible in case of an equipment breakdown.

Motion was made by Gary White, seconded by Cecil Perry to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Releases:

		County	City
1.	Jared Adam Carter	67.27	
2.	Tama Kathryn Glover	79.30	64.47
3.	Mary Linda Walker	50.16	
4.	Sean Patrick Priest	51.58	
5.	Johnny L. Garcia	83.08	67.31
6.	Christina Denise Pickett	2.60	2.00
7.	Steven Christopher Dunn	24.81	24.07
8.	Steven Christopher Dunn	68.88	
9.	Victoria L. Baker	30.55	
10.	Destiny Denise Brookins	64.48	
11.	David Conner Bane, Jr.	46.87	35.15
12.	Edward Alexander	58.03	
13.	Edward Alexander	29.08	
14.	Edward Alexander	19.53	
15.	George Narada Williams	18.23	13.67
16.	Janine Lynn Neal	49.79	
17.	Carol Elliott	68.21	
18.	Carol Elliott	68.27	
19.	Carol Elliott	67.11	
20.	Joe Isom Jones	24.80	18.60
21.	Irvin Thomas Huggins	4.46	3.35
22.	Erica Dequane Canales	17.67	13.58
23.	Steven George Schaffer	38.01	
24.	Kim Johnson Morris	81.90	61.43
25.	Stephen Jon Goyette	18.23	
26.	Lori Halstead Perry	36.39	
27.	Lillie Taylor Riddick	1.94	
28.	Paula Bennett Creasy	8.77	
29.	James Gilbert Sutton	5.52	4.14
30.	Gloria Hernandez Olan	1.39	1.07
31.	Amy Lynn Wisniewski-Monville	88.97	71.73
32.	Jason McCall Stephens	83.82	
33.	James Mahlon Guidry, Jr.	97.95	75.62
34.	Matthew Delvalle	8.87	
35.	Karen Sue Woodward	37.08	
36.	Cynthia Crawford Muldrow	44.17	
37.	Ernestine Evans Simpson	12.34	14.25
38.	Jason Allen Mizelle	9.98	7.49

39.	Charles Fronefield Lambert VI	2.12	1.63
40.	Charles Fronefield Lambert VI	8.35	6.42
41.	Randal Wayne Jackson	2.70	
42.	Timothy Clifton Boyce	24.30	
43.	Richard Carroll Parker	14.51	
44.	David Scott King	46.75	
45.	David Scott King	83.33	
46.	Vernell Chevelle Elliott	39.65	
47.	Vernell Chevelle Elliott	53.43	
48.	Vernell Elliott	51.89	
49.	Jeanette Simpson Brazzle	44.73	33.55
50.	Glenn Steelman Jones	21.48	
51.	Charles Durham Jarvis	41.29	
52.	Charles Durham Jarvis	4.71	
53.	Timothy Jon Kuiper	90.15	72.61
54.	Gordon D. Gray	56.14	42.11
55.	Kyle Alan Williams	58.96	
56.	Gregory Mark Rehlander	79.30	64.47
57.	Loreli Lee Deatherage	36.02	32.02
58.	Matin Daneshyari	13.83	10.37
59.	Christina Denise Wilkinson	14.01	
60.	Michael Patrick Rahn	31.46	29.18
61.	Michael Patrick Rahn	38.18	34.34
62.	Jason Allen Risser	69.07	
63.	David Lorenzo Blanchard, Jr.	40.80	
64.	Brian Keith Williams	81.15	
65.	Dana Decarla Harris	9.36	
66.	Jason Binns Dungca	60.64	
67.	Lewis Franklin Dodson	88.04	71.03
68.	Brian David Jarvis	25.36	19.02
69.	Marc Andrew Morgan	40.55	35.41
70.	Matthew T. Wilson	94.43	75.82
71.	Jiranta Glasper Taylor	8.49	6.37
72.	Ann Michelle Piehl	25.92	
73.	Terry Roger Stanley	21.64	
74.	W.L. Onley Ice Cream Distributors	50.84	
75.	Theresa Sawyer Woodie	33.79	
76.	Mark Jason Cromer	73.04	
77.	Joseph Norman Riggs	83.33	
78.	Joshua Ethan Russell	1.58	
79.	Scott E. Dyer	56.36	
80.	Ralph James Dundore	57.10	
81.	Jason Michael Raynor	79.92	
82.	Teresa June Woodard	72.04	
83.	David Bruce McLawhorn	22.01	
84.	Steven Carl Raisor	41.73	

**6. APPROVAL OF WATER PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH PERQUIMANS COUNTY:**

The Board considered a proposed water purchase contract with Perquimans County. County Attorney Mike Cox explained that the basic terms of the contract are as follows: 1) Perquimans County agrees to purchase 150,000 gallons of water per day beginning one year after the contract is signed by both parties; 2) Perquimans County has the option to purchase up to 20% of the potable water from the plant in the future; 3) The term of the contract is for 20 years; and 4) The Board of Commissioners will set the bulk water rate annually. Commissioner Bill Trueblood added that he understands that Perquimans County is not as ready for water now as they were two or three years ago, so part of this contract is their willingness to take water 12 months out.

Motion was made by Bill Trueblood, seconded by Gary White to approve the water purchase contract with Perquimans County as proposed. The motion carried.

Note: Chairman Griffin joined the meeting at this time.

**7. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT FOR THE RELEASE OF HAVA FUNDS BY THE STATE:**

The Board reviewed a letter and resolution from the Election Boards Association of North Carolina requesting that each county adopt a resolution requesting that an appropriation be included in the Governor's budget and in the General Assembly's budget to meet the maintenance of effort requirement for the release of HAVA funds.

The County Manager explained that in past years these HAVA funds have paid the maintenance costs of the county's voting equipment and this year the state is proposing to take those funds back which would be about \$8,000 the county would have to add to the budget to maintain the voting equipment that was purchased with these funds. The funds are vital to county budgets to administer elections and maintain voting equipment. The Election Boards Association has requested that these funds be released to the counties to allow counties to continue to pay for the maintenance costs. The Manager explained that this was based on a five year contract with the company and they estimated the voting equipment has five to seven years of life left in this current version of the machines. The Election Boards Association has requested that the county adopt a resolution requesting release of the HAVA funds.

Motion was made by Joe Winslow, seconded by William Sterritt to adopt the proposed resolution requesting that an appropriation be included in the Governor's budget and in the General Assembly's budget to meet the maintenance of effort requirement for the release of HAVA funds. The motion carried unanimously and the following resolution was adopted.

**RESOLUTION TO THE  
HONORABLE GOVERNOR BEVERLY PERDUE AND  
MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

WHEREAS, the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners requests that an appropriation be included in the Governor's budget and in the General Assembly's budget to meet the "maintenance of effort" requirement for the release of HAVA funds; and

WHEREAS:

- A. the HAVA funds are vital to county budgets to administer elections; and
- B. the HAVA funds are needed to maintain voting equipment; and
- C. the HAVA funds are needed to be used as operational funds to operate absentee voting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners requests that the HAVA funds be included in this year's budgets and that said funds be provided to the State Board of Elections for the counties to improve the elections process.

ADOPTED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.

**8. REPORTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER:**

County Manager Randy Keaton reported that he received a letter from Representative Bill Owens in response to the Board's resolution opposing ferry tolls or the increase in existing tolls to and from Ocracoke Island. He said Representative Owens stated that he fully supports the Board's position and he and Representative Spear are fighting this and they proposed legislation at the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee to repeal the new tolls.

Mr. Keaton asked that the Board set up some budget meetings as well as a meeting with the Board of Education as soon as possible. The Board agreed to recess tonight's meeting until Wednesday, May 9 at 9:00 AM to hold a budget work session. The Board also agreed to meet



with the Board of Education on May 14 at 9:00 AM if this is convenient for the Board of Education.

**9. REPORT FROM CLERK:**

The Clerk advised the Board that NCACC County Assembly Day will be held on Wednesday, May 30 in Raleigh. She asked that those planning to attend let her know so that registrations can be sent in.

**10. REPORT FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

County Attorney Mike Cox advised that last year the board voted to ask Representative Bill Owens for assistance in settling a property issue involving a parcel on US 158 in Camden. The property is currently owned by Camden County, Albemarle Hospital and the former Albemarle Mental Health Center. The property needs to be transferred from the hospital to Pasquotank County, however all parties must consent to the transfer pursuant to an interpositional agreement between the parties. Since Albemarle Mental Health Center no longer exists there is no one to sign on its behalf. Some type of local bill is likely needed to resolve the issue. Mr. Cox requested that the board renew last year's request to Rep. Owens for assistance in resolving this matter.

Motion was made by Jeff Dixon, seconded by Joe Winslow to renew the request to Representative Bill Owens to introduce a local bill to resolve the issue of transferring Albemarle Mental Health Center's interest in a parcel in Camden County on US 158. The motion carried unanimously.

**11. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Joe Winslow said he would like to thank Mr. Morris and Mr. Harris for their comments tonight and those who came to support Mr. Morris and his position. He stated that the information provided by Mr. Morris will be considered.

Commissioner William Sterritt stated that he also appreciates Mr. Morris' interest. He advised that the SPCA meets on the first Tuesday of each month in the Public Safety Building. He said everyone is aware that the SPCA recently purchased a new facility which will be renovated after the SPCA has raised the necessary funds. Once the renovations are completed the SPCA will be able to move from its current location. He added that the members of the SPCA are doing a tremendous job.

Vice-Chairman Jeff Dixon reported that at the Social Services Board meeting this morning the Board adopted a resolution not supporting Senate Bill 433 under the local Human Services Administration. He said what the bill would do is dissolve all current Social Services Boards throughout the state and require that they be comprised of only County Commissioners. Vice-Chairman Dixon advised that the Social Services Board felt it would not be in the best interest of the people of Pasquotank County for the Social Services Board to be made up of County Commissioners and that it should be made up of citizens of the county. He added that the Social Services Board went on record opposing Senate Bill 433 and he suggested that the Board of Commissioners consider doing the same.

Motion was made by Jeff Dixon, seconded by Joe Winslow to adopt a resolution opposing Senate Bill 433.

Discussion followed and Commissioner White said he has concerns about the resolution. He said he would like to see the Social Services Board be comprised of County Commissioners. The motion was withdrawn and Vice-Chairman Dixon stated that he would provide a copy of the resolution so that it can be considered at a future meeting.

Commissioner Bill Trueblood stated that the ribbon-cutting for the RO water plant has tentatively been scheduled for the first Wednesday in June at the time of the regular Water Committee meeting. He added that this would be contingent upon whether the sign for the plant is completed.

Commissioner Cecil Perry reported that the East Carolina Behavioral Health Board of Directors met recently and there were discussions regarding the concerns over salary increases. He added that he cannot discuss the details since it involved personnel. He noted that contrary to what is



proposed for Social Services Boards, it is being proposed that no County Commissioners be appointed to Mental Health Boards

Commissioner Perry stated that the Jail Commission also met last month and heard a report on the number of federal prisoners at the jail.

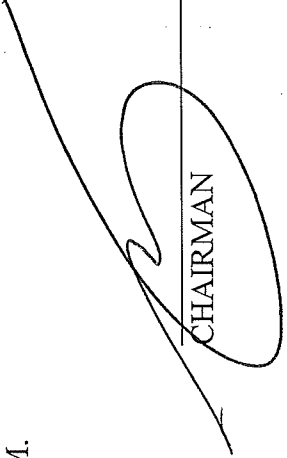
Chairman Griffin said he would like to thank the Youth Council for coming to tonight's meeting. He said he would like to apologize for being late for the meeting, however he was called out of town on a job-related matter.

Chairman Griffin said he understands that this afternoon the Hospital Board presented a proposal to jointly explore the potential opportunities for Albemarle Hospital to affiliate, partner or associate with a larger health system. The Hospital Board has requested that the Board of Commissioners appoint three members to a joint committee to be comprised of County Commissioners and Hospital Board members to explore the options.

Chairman Griffin asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being no further business, he asked for a motion to recess the meeting until Wednesday morning.

Motion was made by Jeff Dixon, seconded by Gary White to recess the meeting until 9:00 AM Wednesday, May 9, 2012. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was recessed at 8:10 PM.

  
CLERK TO THE BOARD

  
CHAIRMAN