

**RICHMOND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RICHMOND COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2007, 6:30 P.M.**

The Richmond County Board of Commissioners met for the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. with the following present: Chairman Kenneth R. Robinette; Vice-Chairman John B. Garner; Commissioners Pam Dillman; Jimmy L. Maske; Thad Ussery; and J. C. Watkins.

Commissioner Paul Wilson, Jr. was absent due to illness.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robinette at 6:30 P.M.

ITEM NO. 1 – INVOCATION BY REV. TOMMY LEGRAND OF PRAYER AND FAITH TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST OF HAMLET, NC

The invocation was delivered by Rev. Tommy LeGrand of Prayer and Faith Temple Church of God in Christ of Hamlet, NC.

ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By a motion of Commissioner Maske, seconded by Commissioner Dillman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Agenda as presented.

ITEM NO. 3 – OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – 6:30 – 7:00 P.M.

A) APPEARANCE BY MR. PATRICK MCKEMIE OF NORTH CAROLINA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION TO DISCUSS RICHMOND COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Mr. Patrick McKemie of N. C. Employment Security Commission appeared before the Board to discuss Richmond County's unemployment rate. Mr. McKemie described the method used in calculating counties' unemployment rate by surveying 1,500 to 1,800 people. Mr. McKemie explained that the survey is performed mainly by telephone.

Mr. McKemie went on to explain seasonal fluctuations in the unemployment rate, and he noted that Richmond County's rate of 7.8% is higher than the state average. Mr. McKemie concluded his remarks, stating that this is not a science, and he offered to answer questions that they Board might have.

Commissioner Watkins asked about the survey of just 1,500 to 1,800 people, and Mr. McKemie advised that the number surveyed in Richmond County surveyed would vary and is based on a micropolitan area.

Commissioner Garner questioned the survey method and whether the numbers could be skewed by this process. Mr. McKemie advised that this is consistent on how the process is handled nationally.

ITEM NO. 4 – PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER REZONING REQUEST FILED BY MR. RANDY JORDAN

The Public Hearing to consider a rezoning request filed by Mr. Randy Jordan was declared open at 6:45 P.M. by Chairman Robinette. Mr. Robinette stated that Mr. Jordan is requesting a zoning change for property that he owns at the corner of Rosalyn Road and Old Cheraw Highway from Rural Residential to Community Commercial.

Planning Director Jamie Armstrong was the only speaker during the hearing, and he advised that the purpose of the rezoning request by Mr. Jordan would be to accommodate a mini-storage building and would require a Conditional Use. Mr. Armstrong noted that the rezoning application is actually for two properties.

There were no other speakers, and the hearing was declared closed at 6:50 P.M.

By a motion of Commissioner Maske, seconded by Commissioner Garner and unanimously carried, the Board approved the rezoning request filed by Mr. Randy Jordan.

ITEM NO. 5 – PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RICHMOND COUNTY CODE, SECTION 1-6 GENERAL PENALTY; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES; CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

At 6:50 P.M., Chairman Robinette declared the Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to Richmond County Code, Section 1-6 open at 6:50 P.M.

Planning Director Jamie Armstrong advised that civil penalties had not been included in the original ordinance as a tool for enforcement of the County Code. Mr. Armstrong recommended graduated monetary penalties of \$100.00 for the first 5 Civil Citations; \$500.00 for the second 5 Civil Citations; and \$1,000.00 for each subsequent Civil Citation. Mr. Armstrong was of the opinion that use of civil penalties to enforce the Code would bring properties back into compliance.

Commissioner Ussery asked how the penalties are imposed, and Mr. Armstrong advised that penalties are to be paid within 15 days from date of issuance of the Notice of Violation, and staff will work with property owners to abate the violation.

Commissioner Dillman confirmed that a \$30.00 administrative fee is also prescribed in the proposed amendment to be added to each Civil Citation.

Commissioner Maske confirmed that 5 citations could occur before penalties are imposed.

Commissioner Watkins asked what the next step is if civil penalties don't remedy the situation.

Mr. Armstrong advised civil action would then be taken through the court system.

There were no other speakers, and the hearing was declared closed by Chairman Robinette at 6:53 P.M.

A motion was then offered by Commissioner Ussery, seconded by Commissioner Dillman and unanimously carried to approve the recommended amendments to include civil penalties in Chapter 1, Section 6 of the Richmond County Code.

ITEM NO. 6 – APPEARANCE BY CPA ALAN THOMPSON OF THOMPSON, PRICE, SCOTT, ADAMS & COMPANY FOR PRESENTATION OF AUDIT REPORT

CPA Alan Thompson of Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Company provided copies of Richmond County's audit report to each Board member and made a formal presentation of the audit findings. Mr. Thompson noted that the County has \$1,000,000.00 more than the previous year; the General Fund increased by approximately \$120,000.00; Special Revenue increased; Solid Waste equity decreased; and the Water & Sewer Fund Equity is down.

Mr. Thompson discussed GASB-34 regulations for governmental accounting and budgeting and advised that funds are reconciled to business-type activity to reflect borrowing. Mr. Thompson went on to state that GASB-34 requires budgeting on a cash flow basis.

Mr. Thompson explained that the Solid Waste Budget is reflecting a negative balance but has a positive cash flow due to depreciation.

Mr. Thompson credited the County with good management practices and noted that the Fund Balance and General Fund are in good shape.

Mr. Thompson offered to answer questions that the Board might have.

Commissioner Ussery inquired about the life expectancy of water lines, and Mr. Thompson advised that water lines are generally set up on a 50-year life.

Commissioner Dillman asked what the percentage of Fund Balance should be compared to the total budget, and Mr. Thompson advised that at least the 25% range is recommended for a 3 to 6 month reserve.

Chairman Robinette thanked Mr. Thompson for his presentation of the audit.

ITEM NO. 7 – APPEARANCE BY SHERIFF DALE FURR TO REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL TO DECLARE CANINE OFFICER "BORIS" AS SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR RETIREMENT AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE TRAINED REPLACEMENT CANINE

Sheriff Dale Furr appeared before the Board, along with canine officer Boris, and his handler, Sgt. Mike Burns. Sheriff Furr advised the Board that due to health issues, Boris would be retiring. The Sheriff advised that Boris came to the Sheriff's Department from Hamlet Police Department along with his handler, Sgt. Burns. The Sheriff described the work that Boris has done during his tenure with the department in seizing \$26,000.00 worth of drugs and in recovering lost persons in searches. Sheriff Furr commended the work that Boris has done and stated that he has more than paid for his replacement, 2-year old trained Malinois named Robby.

Sheriff Furr emphasized the bond between the dog and the handler, and he requested that the Board declare Boris surplus property for retirement and that Boris be allowed to remain with

Sgt. Burins and his family in his retirement. Capt. Jimmy Dunn and Brian Thorpe were also present to attest to the excellent work that Boris has done for the department. The Sheriff referred to Boris and Sgt. Burns as the best team that he has seen in all of his 36 years in law enforcement.

A motion was then offered by Commissioner Ussery to approve the following Resolution to declare Boris as surplus property for retirement, and to authorize the purchase of a new canine named Robby. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Watkins. Commissioner Dillman extended best wishes to Sgt. Burns and Boris. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Watkins confirmed that Boris will become a pet in the Burns home upon his retirement.

R E S O L U T I O N
TO DECLARE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CANINE OFFICER
AS SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY FOR RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Richmond County Sheriff's Department Canine Officer "Boris", after nine years of dedicated service, has reached retirement age. The Board of Commissioners is therefore requested to authorize retirement status for "Boris", and in accordance with the requirements and procedures for disposal of county property as set forth in North Carolina General Statute 160A-266 should be declared surplus property no longer in the service of the Richmond County Sheriff's Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Canine Officer "Boris" is hereby declared as surplus county property to be retired in the care of his handler, Sgt. Mike Burns, by official action of the Richmond County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that County Manager James E. Haynes, at the recommendation of Sheriff Dale B. Furr, is hereby authorized to release "Boris" from service in the Richmond County Sheriff's Department, and "Boris" is hereby designated retirement status and as surplus county property in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 160A-266.

This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption this 8th day of January, 2007.

ITEM NO. 8 – REQUEST BY HEALTH DIRECTOR FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO DECLARE HEALTH DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS PROPERTY

By a motion of Commissioner Maske, seconded by Commissioner Ussery and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Resolution to declare various Health Department equipment as surplus property as requested by the Health Director:

R E S O L U T I O N
TO DECLARE HEALTH DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT
AS SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY
FOR DISPOSAL

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the following equipment is no longer beneficial to Richmond County Health Department operations:

1999 HEWLETT PACKARD 8500N COLOR PRINTER

2001 HEWLETT PACKARD OFFICE JET DESKTOP COLOR PRINTER-FAX

WHEREAS, the Richmond County Board of Commissioners is hereby requested to authorize disposal of said equipment in accordance with the requirements and procedures for disposal of county property as set forth in North Carolina General Statute 160A-266.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above listed equipment is hereby declared as surplus county property by official action of the Richmond County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized to dispose of said equipment as described herein in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 160A-266.

This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption this 8th day of January, 2007.

ITEM NO. 9 – REQUEST BY HEALTH DIRECTOR FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO DECLARE VARIOUS ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE AS SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE RETURNED TO STATE WIC OFFICE

By a motion of Commissioner Garner, seconded by Commissioner Watkins and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Resolution to declare various items of equipment and furniture as surplus property to be returned to the State WIC Office since these items were originally purchased with WIC funds:

**R E S O L U T I O N
TO DECLARE HEALTH DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT
AS SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY FOR DISPOSAL**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the following equipment is no longer beneficial to Richmond County Health Department operations:

<i>Inv. #08701</i>	<i>Dell Optiflex GXI</i>
<i>Inv. #08702</i>	<i>Dell Optiflex GXI</i>
<i>Inv. #08703</i>	<i>Dell Optiflex GXI</i>
<i>Inv. #08705</i>	<i>Dell Optiflex GXI</i>
<i>Inv. #08706</i>	<i>Dell Optiflex GXI</i>
<i>Inv. #08707</i>	<i>Dell Optiflex GXI</i>
<i>Inv. #08250</i>	<i>Dell Dimension XPS T450</i>
<i>Inv. #05868</i>	<i>Blue Desk Chair</i>
<i>Inv. #05762</i>	<i>Blue Executive Desk Chair</i>
<i>Inv. #05190</i>	<i>Health Ometer Baby Scale</i>
<i>Inv. #07328</i>	<i>Rolling Cart</i>
<i>Inv. #03698</i>	<i>Burgundy Executive Desk Chair</i>
<i>Inv. #04133</i>	<i>Burgundy Executive Desk Chair</i>
<i>Inv. #05393</i>	<i>Burgundy Desk Chair</i>
<i>Inv. #04640</i>	<i>Typewriter</i>
<i>Inv. #01808</i>	<i>IBM Wheelwriter Typewriter</i>
<i>Inv. #07044</i>	<i>Calculator</i>

WHEREAS, the Richmond County Board of Commissioners is hereby requested to authorize disposal of said equipment in accordance with the requirements and procedures for disposal of county property as set forth in North Carolina General Statute 160A-266.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above listed equipment is hereby declared as surplus county property by official action of the Richmond County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized to dispose of said equipment as described herein in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 160A-266.

This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption this 8th day of January, 2007.

ITEM NO. 10 – CONSENT AGENDA

By a motion of Commissioner Ussery, seconded by Commissioner Garner and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following items of the Consent Agenda:

- A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 4, 2006 AS SUBMITTED BY THE CLERK FOR CONSIDERATION***

- B) TAX RELEASES TOTALLING \$21,082.20 AND TAX REFUNDS TOTALLING \$4,640.59 WERE APPROVED AS SUBMITTED BY THE OFFICE OF THE TAX ADMINISTRATOR AND ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES BY REFERENCE.***

ITEM NO. 11 – CONSIDERATION OF TAX APPEAL BY SIERRA GARDENS, LLC

County Manager Haynes advised that a tax appeal by Sierra Gardens, LLC has been heard by the Board of Equalization and Review, was rejected and now is before the Board of Commissioners for mediation.

Mr. Haynes advised that the negotiated amount for valuation that Sierra is willing to accept is \$1,522,749.00. Mr. Haynes further stated that the original valuation had been \$1,852,300.00, and the estimated cost for legal fees to fight the appeal would be \$7,200.00. Based on conversations with the Tax Administrator, Mr. Haynes recommended that the Board accept the settlement amount of \$1,522,749.00.

Commissioner Ussery asked if the property had been appraised, and County Manager Haynes advised that this is the first time that the property has been on our tax books. The appraised value was \$1.8 million.

By a motion of Commissioner Ussery, seconded by Commissioner Dillman and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the negotiated valuation of \$1,522,749.00 for Sierra Gardens, LLC.

ITEM NO. 12 – REQUEST FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF 2008-2012 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN REQUEST FOR ROCKINGHAM-HAMLET AIRPORT

Director of Development Rick Sago advised that airport consultants Talbert & Bright provide information annually for the Transportation Improvement Plan to include future plans such as extension of Runway 13, including land acquisition for the extension, installation of ILS, taxiway extension, and development of hangars. Mr. Sago noted that the total of these projects is

\$10,860,000.00, and grant participation would be sought. Mr. Sago described that this more or less a “wish list”, and while it would be unknown what the County’s share of the project cost would be, funding for FAA grants is typically 90/10, with the County’s share being 10%.

Commissioner Dillman asked if a 500 ft. extension of the runway would be beneficial in landing jets, and Mr. Sago explained that a 5,500 ft. runway is more of an insurance company requirement.

Commissioner Maske inquired about the runway extension, and Mr. Sago advised that the extension would be on the western end of the runway and that there is also property on the eastern end that the County would like to acquire for taxiway expansion.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Maske and seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the 2008-2012 TIP. Commissioner Ussery inquired about houses on adjacent property, and Mr. Sago confirmed that the houses would have to be acquired due to proximity to the runway. Mr. Sago also noted that the Airport Layout plan includes maintaining the land where trees have been cut.

Commissioner Maske inquired about hangar development, and County Manager Haynes advised that he, Rick Sago and B.K. Jones had met in Raleigh recently to discuss hangar projects with the Division of Aviation. Mr. Haynes advised that at this point there is no commitment of grant funding for hangars.

The motion to approve the TIP carried unanimously.

ITEM NO. 13 – REQUEST BY NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR APPOINTMENT OF ONE COUNTY COMMISSIONER TO SERVE AS LEGISLATIVE LIAISON

County Manager Haynes advised that the N .C. Association of County Commissioners is asking that each county name a Commissioner to serve as a legislative liaison to insure good communications. Mr. Haynes further stated that appointment of a liaison would insure one voice from each county to work with the Association on legislative issues;

Commissioner Dillman volunteered to serve as Richmond County’s legislative liaison.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Maske, seconded by Commissioner Ussery and unanimously carried to appoint Commissioner Pam Dillman as Richmond County’s legislative liaison.

ITEM NO. 14 – CONSIDERATION OF PROCLAMATION HONORING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AND DESIGNATING JANUARY 15, 2007 AS COUNTY HOLIDAY

Commissioner Watkins offered a motion to approve the following Proclamation honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and designating January 15, 2007 as a County Holiday. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner and unanimously carried.

**PROCLAMATION
HONORING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, the North Carolina General Assembly, and the Richmond County Board of Commissioners have proclaimed January 15, 2007 as a legal holiday to commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. did work for and promote freedom, equality, justice, and peace; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King did show courage, endurance, and patience in the face of hostility, criticism, and adversity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's persistence was rewarded by the passage of the Civil Rights Act in the United States and in his receiving the Nobel Peace Prize.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we pause this day to remember Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and promote appropriate activities to further enhance the democratic ideals and concepts of this great American.

Adopted this 8th day of January, 2007 in the Regular Meeting of the Richmond County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Watkins commented Dr. King's role in the Civil Rights Movement, and he noted that there is no other such holiday honoring an individual other than for a President. Mr. Watkins outlined activities that are scheduled in recognition of the holiday, advising that State Supreme Court Justice Patricia Timmons-Goodson will be the keynote speaker for the luncheon.

ITEM NO. 15 – CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF 2007 COMMISSION APPOINTEE TO RICHMOND COUNTY DEVELOPMENT TEAM

County Manager Haynes asked that the Board consider appointment of a Commission representative to the Richmond County Development Team, noting that Chairman Robinette, who has been serving as the Board's representative on the Development Team, is eligible to be reappointed.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Maske, seconded by Commissioner Ussery and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Chairman Robinette to the Development Team.

ITEM NO. 16 – CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION DURING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL RETREAT

Chairman Robinette noted that the Board's January 16 Mid-Month Meeting date has been considered as the date for the annual planning retreat.

County Manager Haynes suggested potential topics for the Board's discussion during the retreat: courthouse/jail construction; school and RCC capital needs; Economic Development; 2007-2008 budget planning; the tax rate; airport-hangars; future of the Sheriff's Department;

water and sewer-rates; Health and Social Services Programs; the Aging Services Department; internal improvements such as the web site; consolidation of user services ; the East Rockingham Initiative and where it is going; Public Information; relationships with state government officials; and any other topics that the Board may wish to consider. Mr. Haynes recommended that the Board conduct the planning retreat in the conference room at the airport terminal building on January 16.

Commissioner Ussery suggested more than one planning session if time does not allow for all topics to be discussed during the retreat, and he recommended that no guest speakers be included for the planning session.

Commissioner Dillman had suggested that the legislative delegation join the Board's retreat for lunch.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Maske to conduct the retreat on January 16, 2007 at the airport terminal building conference room, beginning at 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M., or later if necessary. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ussery. Commissioner Watkins confirmed that this is a planning session. Commissioner Garner added that this could very well be one of the most important sessions that the Board has ever had, as decisions would affect the tax rate and could have an impact 15 to 20 years from now. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM NO. 17 – MONTLY PLANNING REPORT BY PLANNING DIRECTOR JAMIE ARMSTRONG

Planning Director Jamie Armstrong requested that the Board schedule a public hearing next month to consider changing the name of Moore County Line Road to Thunder Road due to confusion with recent 911 calls in Moore County.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Ussery and unanimously carried to advertise the public hearing for February 5, 2007 at 6:30 P.M.

ITEM NO. 18 – MONTHLY STAFF REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT RICK SAGO

Director of Development Rick Sago reported to the Board that there are 15 active projects currently underway with 5 industries considering possible expansions. Mr. Sago noted that 30% of the prospects are referred from the Department of Commerce and 25% from N. C. Southeast.

Mr. Sago noted that client activity is good, and the Department of Commerce feels that things are picking up.

Mr. Sago discussed the Pee Dee Region Workforce Development Board and advised that the local representatives to this board will meet the next day and discuss more involvement.

Mr. Sago announced that as of January 2 his new Administrative Assistant is Suzanne Roeller.

Commissioner Watkins inquired about the number of jobs created by new local industries, and Mr. Sago advised that with every new industry location or expansion of existing industries, new jobs are created in accordance with loan agreements, etc. Mr. Sago advised that Employment

Security Commission maintains those numbers confidentially, but he would obtain the number of jobs.

In further discussion, Mr. Sago explained that calculating unemployment numbers is not an exact science, noting that there were 460 more people working in December than in November, and Richmond County is subject to fluctuations in the textile industry. Mr. Sago concluded his remarks by stating that there may be a misconception in unemployment numbers, and that since the numbers are not exact, perhaps calculations should be performed on annual or bi-annual numbers.

ITEM NO. 19 – MONTHLY STAFF REPORT BY COUNTY MANAGER JAMES E. HAYNES

County Manager Haynes discussed benefits available through the Department of Social Services and the impact that these programs have on the local tax rate, reminding the Board that in 2002 a single parent with two children could receive as much as \$23,000.00 in benefits – the equivalent of an \$11.00 per hour job.

Mr. Haynes advised that during the previous month 116 hours of Community Service labor was used to pick up roadside litter. Mr. Haynes stressed the importance of the findings in the audit report and the clean opinion issued in the auditor's Management Letter. Mr. Haynes commented on the struggle that local governments have experienced in funding depreciation, and he noted that in the last two years the LGC has required governments to set aside funds for capital improvements. Mr. Haynes commented on the tax rate, advising that the rate of collection is 2% above the collection rate at this same time last year. Mr. Haynes added that 2006 taxes are now delinquent.

In closing, Mr. Haynes reminded the Board that the NCACC Legislative Conference is later in the week in Pinehurst, and several board members plan to attend. Mr. Haynes noted that the burden of funding of Medicaid is not solved in Richmond County, and this will be a prime topic for discussion during the NCACC Conference.

ITEM NO. 20 – OTHER BUSINESS

- A) CONSIDERATION OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 2007 GRANT PRE-APPLICATION #528 TO GOVERNOR'S CRIME COMMISSION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING FOR PURCHASE OF IN-CAR MOBILE DATA COMPUTERS**

- B) CONSIDERATION OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 2007 GRANT PRE-APPLICATION #530 TO GOVERNOR'S CRIME COMMISSION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING TO PAY OVERTIME FOR INVESTIGATORS AND OFF-DUTY PATROL DEPUTIES WORKING ON DRUG INTERVENTION AND GANG ACTIVITY**

County Manager Haynes advised that there are available funds in the Sheriff's Department Budget for local matching funds for the two Governor's Crime Commission grants that the Sheriff's Department has requested authorization to file.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Dillman, seconded by Commissioner Maske and unanimously carried to authorize the Sheriff's Department to file funding applications for Grant No. 528 and Grant No. 530 to the Governor's Crime Commission.

Commissioner Dillman advised that she had recently attended the Essentials for County Government course for new Commissioners in Raleigh, and she expressed appreciation for the opportunity to attend the class.

There being no further business for discussion, a motion was offered by Commissioner Ussery, seconded by Commissioner Maske and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 P.M.

*Marian S. Savage, CMC
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners*