
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
July 25, 2011
7:00 p.m.

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners met in a Special Called Meeting on Monday, June 25, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room located in the Perquimans County Courthouse Annex. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Public Hearing for the NCDOT Secondary Road Improvement Program and the FY 2011-2012 Budget.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Benjamin Hobbs, Chairman Edward R. Muzzulin
Tammy Miller-White Sue Weimar
Mack Nixon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Janice McKenzie Cole, Vice-Chair

OTHERS PRESENT: Bobby C. Darden, County Manager Mary P. Hunnicutt, Clerk to the Board
Sharon S. Ward, Finance Officer

Chairman Hobbs called the meeting to order and asked Commissioner Weimar to give the invocation. The Chairman then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Hobbs explained that, the purpose of the meeting to hold a Public Hearings to receive public comments on the LGC application to purchase the AEMC building and to renovate it.

AGENDA

The Agenda was unanimously approved on motion made by Mack E. Nixon, seconded by Sue Weimar.

PUBLIC HEARING

Financing for the AEMS Purchase & Renovation

Chairman Hobbs opened the Public Hearing stating that the purpose of the public hearing was to receive public comments regarding the financing of the acquisition and renovations to the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation facility located in Winfall. The project will include the renovation to the existing facilities for the County's emergency services. The proposed financing will be a bank installment purchase loan in an amount up to \$1.4 million. There were three (3) people present. The Chairman recognized County Manager Darden who presented the following information on the proposed Local Government Commission (LGC) loan application:

- Requesting \$1.4 million - \$840,000 to purchase building and the balance to renovate the inside for our offices.
- Contract bids are due by August 3rd
- Bank proposals are due by August 5th
- This will allow LGC to prepare to take action on the application at their September meeting.

The Chairman opened the meeting for public comments. The following questions/comments were asked:

- **Emerson Cullins:** Mr. Cullins asked if they were going to move the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Darden explained that he had discussed this with Sheriff Tilley who explained that it is better for the Sheriff's Office to be close to the Courthouse. Therefore, they will remain where they are.
- **Emerson Cullins:** Mr. Cullins asked if what the cost was for the original plan to build a new EMS facility. Mr. Darden explained that it was going to cost \$1.2 million for a building 2/3 the size of the AEMC building. Plus, it would not have a generator, no paved parking lot, and no security system.

There being no further questions or comments, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m. and proceeded with the Special Called Meeting.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LGC APPLICATION

The Public Hearing was held earlier in the meeting. On motion made by Mack E. Nixon, seconded by Tammy Miller-White, the Board unanimously approved the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR
APPROVAL OF A FINANCING AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED BY NORTH
CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE 160A-20

WHEREAS, the County of Perquimans, North Carolina desires to purchase and renovate the former Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation facility to use for County emergency services (the "Project") to better serve the citizens of Perquimans County; and

WHEREAS, The County of Perquimans desires to finance the Project by the use of an installment contract authorized under North Carolina General Statute 160A, Article 3, Section 20; and

WHEREAS, findings of fact by this governing body must be presented to enable the North Carolina Local Government Commission to make its findings of fact set forth in North Carolina General Statute 159, Article 8, Section 151 prior to approval of the proposed contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County, North Carolina, meeting in special session on the 25th day of July, 2011, make the following findings of fact:

1. The proposed contract is necessary or expedient because of the need to replace the inadequate existing facilities for Emergency Medical Services, 911 Communications, and Emergency Management.
2. The proposed contract is preferable to a bond issue for the same purpose because the amount of financing of up to \$1,400,000 exceeds the amount that can be prudently raised from currently available appropriations, unappropriated fund balances, and non-voted bonds in a timely manner.
3. The cost of financing under the proposed contract is expected to be less than the cost of issuing general obligation bonds.
4. The sums to fall due under the contract are adequate and not excessive for the proposed purpose because the County of Perquimans has compared the cost of constructing a new facility against the purchase and renovation of the chosen facility.
5. The County of Perquimans' debt management procedures and policies are good because the procedures and policies fully comply with all statutory requirements involving debt management.
6. The increase in taxes necessary to meet the sums to fall due under the proposed contract will be one cent per \$100 valuation and is not deemed to be excessive.
7. The County of Perquimans is not in default in any of its debt service obligations.
8. The attorney for the County of Perquimans has rendered an opinion that the proposed Project is authorized by law and is a purpose for which public funds may be expended pursuant to the Constitution and laws of North Carolina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners, County Manager, and Finance Officer are hereby authorized to act on behalf of the County of Perquimans in filing an application with the North Carolina Local Government Commission for approval of the Project and the proposed financing contract and other actions not inconsistent with this resolution.

This resolution is effective upon its adoption this 25th day of July, 2011.

The motion to adopt this resolution was made by Commissioner Mack E. Nixon, seconded by Commissioner Tammy Miller-White and passed by a vote of five (5) to one (1).

Benjamin C. Hobbs, Chairman

ATTEST:

Mary P. Hunnicutt, Clerk to the Board

This is to certify that this is a true and accurate copy of Resolution adopted by the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners on the 25th day of July, 2011.

Mary P. Hunnicutt, Clerk to the Board

Date

Commissioner Muzzulin asked for an update on the Environmental Survey. Mr. Darden updated the Board on where we stand with this survey. Commissioner Nixon also stated that AEMC recently had extensive samplings done. Mr. Muzzulin asked if we could get copies of their reports. Mr. Darden will try to get some copies.

RESOLUTION: REVISED SECONDARY ROAD IMPROVEMENT FY 2011-2012

A Public Hearing was held in June for the NCDOT Secondary Road Improvement Program for FY 2011-2012. During that meeting, it was determined that Sassafras Lane was omitted from the program in error. On motion made by Sue Weimar, seconded by Tammy Miller-White, the Board unanimously approved the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION
2011-2012 Secondary Roads Improvement Programs
PERQUIMANS COUNTY**

Upon motion made by Sue Weimar, seconded by Tammy Miller-White and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County adopted the following resolution at their Special Called Meeting held on July 25, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Perquimans County Courthouse Annex. The Public Hearing was held on June 27, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation presented the actual FY 2011-2012 Secondary Roads Improvement Program for Perquimans County totaling \$427,988.81.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County hereby adopted the Secondary Roads Improvement Programs for Perquimans County as presented by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

**NORTH CAROLINA
PERQUIMANS COUNTY**

I, Mary P. Hunnicutt, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of the aforesaid State and County, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the **RESOLUTION** adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County at a Special Called Meeting held on July 25, 2011 as the same appears on record in the Board Minute Book of the said Commission and filed in the Perquimans County Registry.

Witness my hand and official seal this 25th day of July, 2011.

Mary P. Hunnicutt
Clerk to the Board

BIDS ON TIMBER/ CHIPS FROM COMMERCE CENTRE

County Manager Darden explained that, in October, 2010, the Board voted to proceed with the cutting of timber/chips from 80 acres of land in the Commerce Centre and have Tony Webb handle the bidding of this project. Mr. Webb has provided the following bids for these timber/chips:

Type of Wood	Carolina Pine & Hardwood, Inc.		Winslow Bateman Forestry, Inc.		Stephen Tucker		Swain & Temple, Inc.	
	Price	Quantity	Price	Quantity	Price	Quantity	Price	Quantity
Pine Pulpwood	\$7.00	Per ton	\$6.50	Per ton	\$4.50	Per ton	\$5.00	Per ton
Hog Fuel Chips	\$.50	Per ton	\$.50	Per ton	\$.50	Per ton	\$.50	Per ton
Chip 'N Saw	\$12.00	Per ton	\$6.50	Per ton	\$9.00	Per ton	\$12.00	Per ton
Pine Plylogs	\$20.00	Per ton	\$20.00	Per ton		Per ton	\$20.00	Per ton
Hardwood Pulpwood			\$17.00	Per ton	\$15.00	Per ton	\$20.00	Per ton
Oak Logs			\$1.00	Per ton*	\$10.00	Per ton	\$.50	Per ton
Poplar Logs					\$225.00	Per mbf	\$250.00	Doyle
Maple Logs					\$225.00	Per mbf	\$250.00	Doyle
Gum Sawtimber					\$100.00	Per mbf	\$175.00	Doyle
Misc. Sawtimber							\$18.00	Per ton
*Tree length								

Mr. Webb recommends the awarding of this contract to Carolina Pine & Hardwood, Inc. On motion made by Mack E. Nixon, seconded by Edward R. Muzzulin, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation of Mr. Webb and awarded the contract to Carolina Pine & Hardwood, Inc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to discuss, the Regular Meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 7:16 p.m.

Benjamin C. Hobbs, Chairman

Clerk to the Board
