

December 17, 2012

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in a recessed session on Monday, December 17, 2012 at 6:00 PM in the County Commissioners room, 116 Adams Street, Plymouth, NC. Commissioners Johnson, Manning, McCray, Phelps and Sexton were present. Also present were County Manager Jerry Rhodes, Clerk to the Board Julie J. Bennett, Finance Officer Frank Milazi and Assistant County Manager/County Attorney Cheryl Young.

Chair Manning called the meeting to order.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: Ms. Bennett requested to add the Finance Officer's Report to the agenda as Item 2 and delete Item 3 Closed Session. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the additions/deletions. Commissioner Sexton seconded, motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATION: PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP: Chair Manning presented Plymouth High School Football Coach Robert Cody a Proclamation from the Board of Commissioners commending the 2012 team for winning the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 1-A Football State Championship. Coach Cody said a few words of gratitude.

CONSIDER UNTIMELY APPLICATION FOR PRESENT USE VALUE: Chip Main, Tax Administrator spoke with the Commissioners regarding an Application for Agriculture, Horticulture, and Forestry Present-Use Value Assessment from Don Small, Albemarle Beach Farms, Inc. Mr. Main stated that he can accept these applications in the month of January and after January they are considered 'untimely'. Mr. Main stated that he received one application this December from Mr. Don Small. The request is to add a parcel of land that was previously excluded to the current 338 acre farm present use value assessment. Commissioner Johnson asked how often these requests are made. Mr. Main stated that the County has not done any in the four years he has been here and that such a request is quite rare. Mr. Main stated that if this was brought to him in January, he would have approved it since he had the authority at that time. Commissioner Phelps asked why this is considered 'untimely'. Mr. Main explained that the applications are due in January each year and this was brought to him in December.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the Application for Agriculture, Horticulture, and Forestry Present-Use Value Assessment from Don Small, Albemarle Beach Farms, Inc. Commissioner McCray seconded, motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT: Mr. Frank Milazi, Finance Officer, spoke to the Board about Budget Amendment 13080 for Tyrrell County EMS, \$584,420.35 for one year.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 13080. Commissioner McCray seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Johnson and Ms. Ann Keyes both mentioned to the Board a memorial service to be held at the First Christian Church at 7:00 pm tomorrow night (Tuesday, December 18) in memory of the twenty children killed in Connecticut last week.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Buster Manning
Chair

Julie J. Bennett
Clerk to the Board