

**Special Called Meeting  
Northampton County  
February 3, 2010**

**Present:** Fannie Greene, James Hester, Chester Deloatch, and Virginia Spruill

**Others Present:** Wayne Jenkins, Kimberly Turner, and Charles Vaughan

**Absent:** Robert Carter

**Work Session:**

A 10-minute work session was held to discuss today's agenda items. The following changes were made to the agenda:

- Remove Item # 3 under Tab 4 until a later date
- Remove Tab 5 and place on the next meeting agenda

Mr. Wayne Jenkins, County Manager, stated at the last meeting, he made a statement regarding Tri-County Airport paying taxes to Hertford County, and he wanted to clarify that Tri-County Airport is tax-exempt because they were created by legislation.

**Regular Session:**

Chairwoman Greene called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Vice Chairman Hester delivered the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Regular Minutes for January 20, 2010:**

A motion was made by James Hester and seconded by Chester Deloatch to approve the regular minutes for January 20, 2010. **Question Called For: All present voted yes.**

**Motion carried.**

**Approval of Reconvened Minutes for January 26, 2010:**

A motion was made by Chester Deloatch and seconded by James Hester to approve the reconvened minutes of January 26, 2010. **Question Called For: All present voted yes.**

**Motion carried.**

*(County Attorney Charles Vaughan arrived to the meeting at this time)*

**Approval of Agenda for February 3, 2010:**

A motion was made by James Hester and seconded by Chester Deloatch to approve the amended agenda for February 3, 2010. **Question Called For: All present voted yes.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ad Valorem Tax Appeals:**

Mrs. Cathy Allen, Tax Administrator, appeared before the Board to obtain approval to release or refund ad valorem taxes assessed in the amount of \$1,412.42 on five appeals.

*(Commissioner Spruill arrived to the meeting at this time)*

A motion was made by James Hester and seconded by Chester Deloatch to approve the request for release or refund of the ad valorem tax appeals submitted. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

**Order to Advertise to Secure 2009 Tax Liens:**

Mrs. Cathy Allen, Tax Administrator, appeared before the Board to report the amount of delinquent taxes and fees and to request an order to advertise secured 2009 tax bills during the second week of April 2010.

A motion was made by James Hester and seconded by Virginia Spruill to adopt an order to the tax collector directing secured 2009 tax liens be advertised pursuant to G.S. 105-369. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

**Capital Improvement Plan:**

Mr. Wayne Jenkins, County Manager, appeared before the Board to obtain approval of the County's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for the fiscal years 2010-2011 through 2014-2015.

A motion was made by Virginia Spruill and seconded by James Hester to approve the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and the projects contained therein for the years 2011 through 2015. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

Mr. Wayne Jenkins, County Manager, restated his clarification given in work session regarding Tri-County Airport.

Chairwoman Greene explained the citizen comment process.

*Chairwoman Greene recessed regular session and convened a public hearing.*

Mr. Mike Scott with Progressive Resources and Opportunities conducted a public hearing informing the citizens of Northampton County of potentially available CDBG funds in 2010. Mr. Scott explained where the funds were coming from, the projects involved, maximum amount of funds, and citizen participation.

*Chairwoman Greene called for Board comments:*

Commissioner Deloatch asked what was the turnaround in receiving the funds. Mr. Scott stated it depends on the project, but the turnaround is pretty fast.

Commissioner Greene asked about the number of public hearings required. Mr. Scott stated that two public hearings are required, but this public hearing today would be considered the first of the two and we would only need one other public hearing for the specific projects determined at a later date.

*Chairwoman Greene called for other comments: none were heard.*

*Chairwoman Greene closed the public hearing and reconvened regular session.*

**Request Date and Time for Public Hearing-Hampton Farms, Inc. Project:**

Mr. Mike Scott with Progressive Resources and Opportunities explained that the public hearing that he was suppose to request the Board to schedule can be removed from the agenda because we have already had two public hearings regarding this project.

*Chairwoman Greene called for Board comments:*

Commissioner Spruill asked Mr. Vaughan for clarification of the ruling by a federal judge in reference to the Board of Commissioners opening their meeting with prayer.

*Chairwoman Greene called for citizen comments: none were heard.*

A motion was made by Chester Deloatch and seconded by Virginia Spruill to recess regular session. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Chester Deloatch and seconded by Virginia Spruill to convene a closed session under G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3)-consult with county attorney. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Chester Deloatch and seconded by Virginia Spruill to adjourn closed session. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Chester Deloatch and seconded by James Hester to reconvene regular session. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Chester Deloatch and seconded by James Hester to adjourn. **Question Called For: All present voted yes. Motion carried.**

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Kimberly L. Turner, Clerk to the Board

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