

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF McDOWELL
ADJOURNED MEETING-May 9, 2013**

ASSEMBLY

The McDowell County Board of Commissioners met in an adjourned meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2013 in the Commissioners Board Room of the County Administration Building, for the purpose of continuing budget deliberations for the annual 2013-14 budget.

MEMBERS PRESENT

David N. Walker, Chairman; Barry E. McPeters, Vice-Chairman, Michael K. Lavender; Randy Hollifield; and Joseph R. (Joe) Kaylor.

OTHERS PRESENT

Charles R. Abernathy, County Manager; Allison Morgan, Finance Officer; Ashley Wooten, Assistant to the County Manager; Mike Gladden, Public Works Director; Sue Huskins, Recreation Director.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order and noted that the purpose of the meeting was to continue meetings addressing the 2013-14 annual budget.

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Mike Gladden, the County Public Works Director, met with the Board and discussed his budget needs. Mr. Gladden overviewed the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund, Waste Collection, the Animal Shelter, and the Garage. The larger issues for Mr. Gladden included the replacement of a county dumpster truck. Considerable time was spent reviewing the Enterprise Fund and issues related to fees at the transfer station. Mr. Gladden expressed an interest in raising the C&D fee to a level equal to the transfer fee. No action was taken.

Sue Huskins, the County Recreation Director, met next with the Board and discussed the budget needs of this department. Sue had requested additional staff to help with clerical and mowing needs. She also spent considerable time reviewing the Kate B. Reynolds grant that would be announced the following Monday. The \$150,000 grant will provide major and much needed improvements to the Old Fort Recreation facility. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman thanked county staff for the presentations. The Board agreed to adjourn the budget meeting to Tuesday, May 14, 2013 to continue the deliberations at 11:30.

David Walker, Chairman

Charles R. Abernathy
Acting Clerk`