

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF MCDOWELL COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CALLED SESSION – JUNE 30, 2016**

**ASSEMBLY**

The McDowell County Board of Commissioners met in called session on Thursday, June 30, 2016, at 11:30a.m., at the County Administration Building, 60 E Court Street, Marion, North Carolina.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

David N. Walker, Chair; Van "Randy" Hollifield; Matthew Crawford, and Tony Brown

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Ashley Wooten, County Manager; Cheryl Mitchell, Clerk to the Board

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Walker called the meeting to order.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS AND BUDGET UPDATE**

**Budget Amendments**

Ms. Alison Morgan presented the following budget amendments for approval:

- GF 72 – Various departments transfers amounts under \$3000
- GF 73 – Emergency Medical- transfer between line items and allocate OEMS Grant
- GF 74 – Library-amend budget due to receipt of a Walmart grant
- GF 75 –DSS-transfer between line items
- GF 76 –Cooperative Extension- allocate additional revenue
- GF 77 – Various departments transfer line items under \$3000
- GF 78 – Harmony grove/I-40 Project- allocate additional fund to assist in the local fund share
- GF 79 –Various departments- transfer salary/benefits for self insurance
- GF 80 –Facility Maintenance- transfer between line items for utilities
- GF 81 – Various-transfer between line items under \$3000
- GF 82—Sheriff-transfer between line items
- FD 3 – Fire and Rescue Districts-allocates estimated tax collections
- ENT2 – Enterprise Fund (Waste) – transfer budget within the department
- NWENT 1—Enterprise Fund (Water) allocates revenue
- SI3 –Self Insurance Fund- allocates revenue sources

Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve GF72-82; FD3; ENT2; NWENT 1; SI3; second by Commissioner Crawford. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Mr. Wooten noted the garbage truck the Public Works had been using had been in the repair shop for several weeks. He asked for board approval to send out bids for a garbage truck, since the department had been leasing a truck.

Consensus was to bring back bids at the July meeting.

Discussion was held on July agenda items.

### **PLANNING BOARD ORDINANCE REVISION**

Mr. Wooten noted staff had been reviewing ordinances and committee lists to make sure all the records were up to date. The Planning Board Ordinance had a discrepancy in the number of members, Mr. Wooten recommended adopting a revised ordinance so that it matches the board composition, no other powers or duties were added.

Commissioner Crawford made a motion, second by Commissioner Brown to approve the updated ordinance for the McDowell County Planning Board. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

### **PROJECT UPDATES**

Mr. Wooten reported the Harmony Grove Road-Nebo waterline project is still being considered. The engineer is looking at running waterlines along the road. Mr. Wooten also stated Nick Larson, with the National Forest Service had called to state they had identified \$45,000 to go toward the waterlines to their building. ARC advised they had identified additional grant funding to go toward the project also.

Transportation study—Mr. Wooten met with the study group at DSS. Discussion was held on different options for administration of the transportation department. Suggestion was made on meeting with the consultants on July 18<sup>th</sup> at noon for an update.

Shooting range—Mr. Wooten stated he had been notified Mr. Hamlet was no longer with the Wildlife, and an interim had been named to work on the study. He reported a sound study would be conducted on a potential site. Discussion was held on other possible sites, and identifying other possible sites.

Senior Housing—Mr. Wooten reported Ms. Joy Strassel with Western NC Housing Partnership had been out of the office for two weeks due to a family death.

Chair Walker called for a five minute recess.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Chair Walker called the meeting into closed session in order to discuss a personnel matter as permitted by NCGS 143-318.11(6).

Commissioner Hollifield made a motion to go out of closed session, Commissioner Brown second the motion. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to transact at this time, upon motion by Commissioner Brown, second by Commissioner Hollifield, the meeting was adjourned.

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DAVID N. WALKER  
CHAIRMAN

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CHERYL L. MITCHELL  
CLERK TO THE BOARD