

## Regular Meeting September 21, 2020

A regular meeting of the Nash County Board of Commissioners was held at 1:30 PM, September 21, 2020 in the Frederick B. Cooper, Jr. Commissioners' Room at the Claude Mayo, Jr. Administration Building in Nashville, NC.

Present were Chairman Robbie B. Davis and Commissioners Fred Belfield, Jr., Dan Cone, Sue Leggett, J. Wayne Outlaw, Lou M. Richardson, and Mary P. Wells.

Others present were Stacie Shatzer, Donna Wood, Patsy McGhee, Brian Brantley, Gary Hodges, Charles Mullen, Janice Evans, Zee B. Lamb, Vince Durham, and other staff members and members of the public.

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order and provided a brief explanation regarding prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance in Nash County. He stated it is customary that Nash County starts each meeting with a prayer by a commissioner and Pledge of Allegiance and that anyone wishing to participate in the prayer, moment of silence, or a prayer of their own choice was welcomed.

Chairman Davis called on Mr. Dan Cone for the invocation and Mr. J. Wayne Outlaw to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Dion Viventi, Director, Rocky Mount-Wilson Regional Airport made a presentation to the Board on the Rocky Mount-Wilson Regional Airport, "Building for the Future".

Mr. Gary Hodges, Chairman, Rocky Mount-Wilson Airport Authority and Mr. Charles Mullen, Nash County Appointee Board Member, Rocky Mount-Wilson Airport Authority spoke in support of Mr. Viventi and the Rocky Mount-Wilson Regional Airport.

Mr. Brian Brantley, EMS Director and Mr. Brandon Taylor, Community Paramedic Coordinator made a presentation to the Board on the Nash County Community Paramedic Program.

Commissioner Mary P. Wells left the meeting at 2:35 PM for a medical appointment.

Ms. Patsy McGhee, Assistant to the County Manager/Grants & Intergovernmental Relations presented for the Board's consideration a request for a public hearing. She stated the public hearing is required for the FY2020-2021 North

Carolina Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program(s) in order to submit application(s) for funding. She also stated the purpose of this public hearing is to allow residents/citizens an opportunity to express views concerning community development priorities, available funds and eligible activities, and to review program compliance prior to the County's project-specific applications to the state administering agencies. She advised there will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing with a detailed project description, goals, and anticipated outcomes for the specific program(s) for which Nash County will apply and that a Resolution to Apply to the specific program will be adopted, along with designating persons to complete application documents.

On motion of Fred Belfield, Jr. seconded by Dan Cone and duly passed that the Nash County Board of Commissioners go into a public hearing.

No one spoke during the public hearing.

On motion of Fred Belfield, Jr. seconded by J. Wayne Outlaw and Sue Leggett and duly passed that the public hearing adjourn.

On motion of Lou M. Richardson seconded by Fred Belfield, Jr. and duly passed that the Nash County Board of Commissioners approve the request.

Ms. Stacie Shatzer, Assistant County Manager presented for the Board's consideration a policy for purchasing gifts, flowers, and cards.

On motion of Dan Cone seconded by Sue Leggett and duly passed that the Nash County Board of Commissioners approve the following policy:

#### **12.1 Giving Gifts, Flowers, Cards, etc.**

Nash County prohibits the use of county funds, grant funds or any other non-private funds to be used for the purchase of gifts and/or flowers or any other similar use. The purchase of cards is allowable. Departments or units of county government wishing to recognize births, deaths, marriages or other life events with gifts and/or flowers must do so using private funds only.

The County Manager has the discretion to use county funds in recognition of significant life events of Community Leaders and Board Members or their family members, as long as the purchase is not of substantial value. The term "substantial value" cannot be defined other than the amount would be what any reasonable person would expect to receive/pay under the same or similar circumstances.

Vice Chairman Outlaw called on Board Members for reports on the following boards and committees.

- Commissioner Lou M. Richardson (District 1)
  - Community Caregiver Advisory Board
  - Spaulding Family Resource Center
  
- Commissioner Fred Belfield, Jr. (District 2)
  - Farmers Market Advisory Board
  - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (Lou M. Richardson)
  - Upper Coastal Plain COG (Mary Wells)
  - Tar River Transit
  - Nash-Edgecombe Economic Development (NEED), Inc.
  
- Commissioner Dan Cone (District 3)
  - Human Services Board
  - Agricultural Advisory Board
  - Trillium Health Resources – Central Regional Board
  
- Commissioner Sue Leggett (District 4)
  - Nash UNC Health Care Board of Directors
  - STEP
  - Natural Resource Resilience Committee
  
- Commissioner J. Wayne Outlaw (District 5)
  - Nash Community College Board of Trustees (Mary P. Wells)
  - Upper Coastal Plain RPO
  - Broadband Committee (Dan Cone)
  
- Commissioner Robbie B. Davis (District 7)
  - Tourism Development Authority (TDA)
  - Rocky Mount MPO

On motion of Dan Cone seconded by Fred Belfield, Jr. and duly passed that the meeting adjourn.

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Janice Evans, Clerk  
Nash County Board of Commissioners