

Camden County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

July 5, 2005

7:00 P.M.

**Camden County Courthouse
Camden, North Carolina**

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held Tuesday, July 5, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden County Courthouse, Courthouse Complex, Camden, North Carolina. The following members were present:

Chairman Melvin J. Jeralds
Commissioners Jeffrey B. Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, and Mike Andrews
County Manager Randell Woodruff
Clerk to the Board Ava Murgia

Vice Chairman Clayton D. Riggs was absent due to traveling constraints.

Also attending was County Attorney Herbert Mullen.

Chairman Jeralds called the meeting to order, Commissioner Carolyn Riggs gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

Chairman Jeralds called for comments from the public.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Jeralds proceeded with the meeting.

Consideration of Minutes – June 6, 2005 – Pearson Appraisal Public Input Meeting, June 6, 2005 Regular Meeting, June 7, 2005 Budget Workshop, June 9, 2005 Budget Workshop, June 13, 2005 Budget Workshop, and June 13, 2005 Budget Hearing

Commissioner Carolyn Riggs made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2005 – Pearson Appraisal Public Input Meeting, June 6, 2005 Regular Meeting, June 7, 2005 Budget Workshop, June 9, 2005 Budget Workshop, June 13, 2005 Budget Workshop, and June 13, 2005 Budget Hearing subject to correction of typographical and technical errors. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Consideration of Agenda

Chairman Jeralds deleted *Item F. Letter of Support – Senate Bill 568 – Certify On-Site Wastewater Contractors* from the South Camden Water and Sewer District agenda and moved this item to *IX. New Business, Item H.* on the Board of Commissioners agenda. Chairman Jeralds added *IX. New Business, Item I. Resolution No. 2005-07-01 A Resolution of Thanks to the Mayor and City Council of Elizabeth City, NC.*

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Consideration of Ordinance No. 2005-06-02 - Rezoning Application UDO-2005-04-01 Quality Crab Co. Inc.

The Planning Board met on May 18, 2005 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval for this application to rezone from Mixed Single Family Residential (R2)/Commercial Fishing

Overlay District to Marine Commercial (MC) with conditions as recommended by the Planning Board.

This ordinance was introduced, set for public hearing at the June 6, 2005 Commissioner meeting and advertised in the Daily Advance.

Public Hearing was held on June 6, 2005 and comments were received from the public. This matter was laid over for further consideration.

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2005-06-02 with conditions as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Proclamation - August 2nd - National Night Out - 2005

Sheriff Tony Perry invited the Board of Commissioners to Camden County's 3rd Annual and the Nation's 22nd Annual National Night Out at the South Camden Fire Station #12 on Sawyer's Creek Road on Tuesday, August 2nd, 2005 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Commissioner Andrews made a motion to approve the Proclamation for August 2nd as National Night Out 2005. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Approved Proclamation reads as follows:

Proclamation

National Night Out 2005

WHEREAS, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program on August 2, 2005 entitled "National Night Out"; and

WHEREAS, the "22nd Annual National Night Out" provides a unique opportunity for Camden County to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police-community crime prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Camden County Sheriff's Office plays a vital role in assisting through joint crime, drug and violence prevention efforts in Camden County and is supporting "National Night Out 2005" locally; and

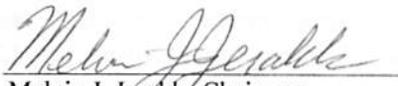
WHEREAS, it is essential that all citizens of Camden County be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and impact that their participation can have on reducing crime, drugs and violence in Camden County; and

WHEREAS, police-community partnerships, neighborhood safety, awareness and cooperation are important themes of the "National Night Out" program;

NOW, THEREFORE THE CAMDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, do hereby call upon all your citizens of Camden County to join the Camden County Sheriff's Office and the National Association of Town Watch in supporting "22nd Annual National Night Out" on August 2, 2005.

FURTHER, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, THE CAMDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, August 2, 2005 as "NATIONAL NIGHT OUT" in Camden County.

(SEAL)


Melvin J. Jeralds, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners


Ava Murgia
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to approve the tax pick ups, refunds and releases as submitted by the Tax Administrator. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Approved tax pick ups, refunds and releases are as follows:

H.M Cuthrell	\$100.14 Pick Up Roll Back Tax
Herbert T. Mullen	\$200.09 Pick Up Listed in Pasquotank
W. Frank Williams	\$536.22 Pick Up Roll Back Tax
Addae Morgan	\$197.89 Release Military Exempt
Adrian Bowen	\$156.07 Release Turned in Tags
Leslie Perry	\$101.17 Release Moved in 2000
Leslie Perry	\$196.82 Release Moved in 2000
Leslie Perry	\$233.31 Release Moved in 2000
Willie Turner	\$138.66 Release Moved in 2000
Terri/Michael Wallace	\$183.04 Release Military Exempt
Terri/Michael Wallace	\$162.81 Release Military Exempt

Set Public Hearing – Rezoning Application – UDO 2005-04-40 - William J. Davenport

A Rezoning Application (UDO 2005-04-40) was received from William J. Davenport to rezone property from Light Industrial (I-1) and Residential (R-3-2) (two (2) acre lots) to Residential (R-3-1) (one (1) acre lots) located on Ponderosa Drive and Heritage Drive, South Mills Township.

The Planning Board met on June 15, 2005 and recommended denial with a 3-2 vote.

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2005-07-01 and set UDO 2005-04-40 rezoning application for public hearing on Monday, July 18, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Set Public Hearing – Rezoning Application – UDO 2005-05-05 - Robert Harris

A Rezoning Application (UDO 2005-05-05) was received from Robert Harris to rezone property from Light Industrial (I-1) to Highway Commercial located at 111 Lambs Road, Courthouse Township.

The Planning Board met on June 15, 2005 and recommended approval with a 6-0 vote.

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2005-07-02 and set UDO 2005-05-05 rezoning application for public hearing on Monday, July 18, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

**Set Public Hearing – Special Use Permit – UDO 2005-05-06 - Robert Harris
Business – Harris Underground Utilities**

A Special Use Permit Application (UDO 2005-05-06) was received from Robert Harris to conduct a business located at 111 Lambs Road, Courthouse Township.

The Planning Board met on June 15, 2005 and recommended approval with a 6-0 vote.

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to set UDO 2005-05-06 for public hearing on Monday, July 18, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Set Public Hearing – USDA Rural Development – Possible Commitment of Funds for Camden Intermediate School

As part of the financing process with USDA, a public hearing with Garland Burnette and Susan Christensen must be held with the Board regarding the commitment of funds.

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to set public hearing with USDA Rural Development for Monday, July 18, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Albemarle Economic Development Commission (AEDC) – Bylaws

Following review and suggested changes to the AEDC Bylaws by Attorney Mullen, and hearing no objections, Chairman Jeralds so ordered County Manager Randell Woodruff to review the suggested changes with the people who drafted the bylaws.

Letter of Support – Senate Bill 568 – Certify On-Site Wastewater Contractors

Commissioner Carolyn Riggs made a motion to send a letter of support requested by the Albemarle Regional Health Services to Sen. Marc Basnight for legislation to provide a consistent requirement for basic knowledge and ethics in the onsite wastewater industry that is currently missing. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Resolution No. 2005-07-01 A Resolution of the Camden County Board of Commissioners of Thanks to the Mayor and City Council of Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Commissioner Andrews made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2005-07-01. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Approved Resolution No. 2005-07-01 reads as follows:

Resolution No. 2005-07-01

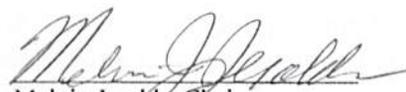
**A RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THANKS TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF ELIZABETH CITY NORTH
CAROLINA**

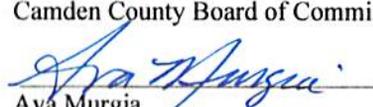
WHEREAS, Camden County is seeking a unified form of government to enhance the revenues received from third parties to better serve Camden County citizens;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Camden County Board of Commissioners do unanimously compliment and thank the Mayor and City Council of the City of Elizabeth City for their support of Camden County in its effort to give the voters of Camden County the opportunity to select for Camden County a unified form of government.

Approved by the Camden County Board of Commissioners this 5th day of July, 2005.

(SEAL)


Melvin Jeralds, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners


Ava Murgia
Clerk to the Board

South Camden Water and Sewer District Board of Directors

Chairman Jeralds recessed the Board of Commissioners meeting and called the South Camden Water and Sewer District Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

Upon adjournment of the South Camden Water and Sewer District Board of Directors meeting by Member Andrews at 7:38 p.m., Chairman Jeralds reconvened the regular Board of Commissioners meeting.

Closed Session

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) for the purpose of consultation with the County Attorney. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

The Commissioners entered closed session at 7:39 p.m.

Commissioner Jennings made a motion to come out of closed session and back into regular session. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

The Commissioners re-entered regular session at 8:04 p.m.

Upon re-entering regular session, Chairman Jeralds called for any motions.

Hearing no motions, Chairman Jeralds proceeded with the meeting.

County Manager's Report - NCACC - Contribution

Commissioner Carolyn Riggs made a motion to approve a one (1) time contribution of \$100.00 to the Aycock Scholarship in honor of retired NCACC Executive Director Ronald Aycock for the public administration program at the UNC School of Government. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Other Matters

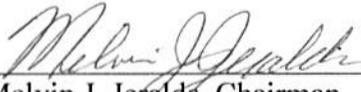
Commissioner Carolyn Riggs, in light of the recent Supreme Court decision, requested a resolution of the Board regarding imminent domain procedures be sent to representatives in Raleigh.

Hearing no objections, Chairman Jeralds so ordered the County Manager and County Attorney to draft a Resolution for the Board to review.

Adjourn

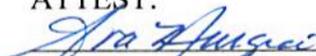
There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, Commissioner Jennings made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with Commissioners Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Andrews and Chairman Jeralds voting aye, no Commissioner voting no; Commissioner Clayton Riggs absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.



Melvin J. Jeralds, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Ava Murgia, Clerk to the Board