

Minutes
Regular Meeting
Hertford County Board of Commissioners
County Commissioners' Meeting Room
Monday, April 16, 2012
7:00 P.M.

Present: Curtis A. Freeman, Sr., William F. Mitchell, Jr., Johnnie R. Farmer, Ronald J. Gatling, and Howard J. Hunter, III

Absent: None

Also Present with the Board: Loria D. Williams, County Manager; Charles L. Revelle, III, County Attorney; John P. Rankins, Assistant County Manager; and Shelia W. Matthews, Clerk to the Board

Chairman Curtis A. Freeman, Sr., called the meeting to order.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Vice-Chairman William F. Mitchell, Jr.

At this time, Commissioner Hunter asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the one-year anniversary of the tornado victims.

TAX

On a motion by Hunter and a second by Mitchell, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Tax Releases for the month of March, 2012:

TOTAL VALUE APPROVED THIS REPORT (2011 LEVY)	107,889.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (2011 LEVY)	1,191.27
TOTAL VALUE APPROVED THIS REPORT (PRIOR LEVY)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (PRIOR LEVY)	00.00
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2011)	57.50
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W02 LANDFILL OPERATION 2011)	57.50
TOTAL TAX RELEASED THIS REPORT (W01 COLL/RECYCLE 2010)	00.00
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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Byron Simonds distributed a handout and discussed how the citizens of Hertford County are living on fixed incomes and how the Board should not be proposing an \$8.2 million courthouse.

COUNTY MANAGER'S UPDATE

The County Manager explained that the budget process was well underway and asked the Board to think about dates for work sessions. She was instructed to get with Interim Superintendent Walker to schedule a Joint Board Meeting with the Board of Education.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- Vice-Chairman Mitchell will be attending the District Director's Meeting in Martin County on Thursday
- Commissioner Gatling questioned who owned the property behind the Ahoskie Nutrition Site at R. L. Vann

On a motion by Gatling and a second by Hunter, the Board voted unanimously to instruct the County Manager to schedule not less than four meetings per year with the Mayors. She will promptly begin to schedule the first Interlocal Quarterly Meeting.

- Commissioner Hunter is not in favor of the Voter ID Bill. He feels it will deter people from voting if they forgot to bring ID with them. On a motion by Hunter and a second by Freeman, the Board voted to instruct Ms. Williams to prepare a resolution against the bill and forward it to Legislators and NCACC. Commissioners Mitchell and Gatling opposed this motion.
- Chairman Freeman distributed the Proposed Site Master Plan for the Courthouse and other possible buildings.
- Commissioner Gatling shared that the Elks Shrine was being wired for computer lab

On a motion by Mitchell and a second by Hunter, the Board voted unanimously to recess Regular Session to go into a scheduled Closed Session as allowed under G. S. 143-318.11 (a) (3) to consult with the County Attorney and (6) to discuss personnel matters.

CLOSED SESSION

Minutes of Closed Session are on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

REGULAR SESSION

On a motion by Farmer and a second by Hunter, the Board voted unanimously to go into a Public Hearing as advertised:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE PUBLIC SHOULD TAKE NOTICE that the HERTFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will hold a Public Hearing on MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. in the COMMISSIONERS' MEETING ROOM OF THE HERTFORD COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING # 1, WINTON, N.C. for the purpose of hearing and considering public comments on a request by Robert E. Lee, Jr. to rezone property owned by IB Enterprises, LLC from Heavy Industrial (IH) to Residential Agriculture (RA-20). The property is located on the east and west side of SR 1309, known as Hill Ferry Road, approximately .60 miles South of US 258. The property includes a portion of PIN # 5979-13-7267, 5979-43-2459, 5979-33-1151 and contains approximately 9.5 acres.

A copy of the full proposal is available for public inspection in the office of the Zoning Administrator located in the Hertford County Office Building # 1, Winton, NC between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. For further information call Bill Early, Zoning Administrator at 252-358-7801.

Following the Public Hearing, the Hertford County Board of Commissioners may adopt, revise, or reject the requested rezoning.

This the 5th day of April 2012.

CURTIS A. FREEMAN, SR., CHAIRMAN
HERTFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC HEARING/REZONING REQUEST

Bill Early, Planning and Zoning Administrator, was present to address any concerns. Mr. Early reviewed the permitted uses and informed the Board that the Planning Board recommends approval of the rezoning request. Commissioner Hunter asked what was planned for the property, and the County Attorney explained that was irrelevant. The County Commissioners must consider all permitted uses, as outlined by Mr. Early.

On a motion by Hunter and a second by Mitchell, the Board voted unanimously to return to Regular Session.

REGULAR SESSION

REZONING

On a motion by Farmer and a second by Hunter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request from Bob Lee, Counsel for IB Enterprises, to rezone property owned by IB Enterprises from Heavy Industrial (IH) to Residential and Agriculture (RA). The property is located on the east and west sides of SR 1309, known as Hill Ferry Road, approximately .6 mile south of US Highway 258. The property includes a portion of PIN #s 5979-13-7267, 5979-43-2459, and 5979-33-1151 and contains approximately 9.5 acres.

On a motion by Farmer and a second by Gatling, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Shelia W. Matthews
Clerk to the Board

Curtis A. Freeman, Sr., Chairman
Hertford County Commissioners