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**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021 – 6:00 PM**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Bill Lawhon	Chairman	Present	
Mike Barbee	Commissioner	Present	
Tommy Jordan	Vice Chairman	Present	
Lane Furr	Commissioner	Present	
Peter Asciutto	Commissioner	Present	
Scott Efird	Commissioner	Present	
Zach Almond	Commissioner	Present	
Andy Lucas	County Manager	Present	
Tyler Brummitt	Clerk	Present	
Jenny Furr	Attorney	Present	

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") met in regular session on Monday, March 1, 2021 in the Gene McIntyre Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chair Lawhon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. then gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

With no amendments to the agenda, Vice Chair Jordan moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Almond and passed by a 7 - 0 vote.

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

1. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE.

2. Airport Authority Board Appointments

Presenter: Mike Harwood, Airport Authority Chairman

Mike Harwood, Airport Authority Chairman, presented the request stating that two (2) current Airport Authority members terms will expire March 31, 2021. After reviewing the volunteer applications on file, the Airport Authority recommended the reappointment of David Rudisill and the appointment of Jacqueline Plumley with each serving a four (4) year term expiring March 31, 2025.

Vice Chair Jordan moved to appoint Mr. Rudisill and Ms. Plumley as recommended, seconded by Commissioner Efird and carried by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tommy Jordan, Vice Chairman
SECONDER:	Scott Efird, Commissioner
AYES:	Lawhon, Barbee, Jordan, Furr, Ascitutto, Efird, Almond

3. Planning Board Appointments - 2021

Presenter: Bob Remsburg, Planning Director

Mr. Remsburg noted the four (4) appointments needed for the Planning Board. Two (2) existing Planning Board members, Michael Williams and David Underwood, terms expired at the end of February 2021. One member, Scott Efird, was elected to the Board of County Commissioners, and one member, James Shepherd, resigned his position due to moving out of county with two (2) years remaining on his term. Board action was requested to appoint three (3) members for three (3) year terms expiring February 28, 2024 and one (1) member to serve the remaining unexpired term until February 28, 2023.

By motion, Commissioner Efird moved to reappoint David Underwood and Michael Williams and appoint Tim Fesperman for three (3) year terms, and appoint TJ Smith, Jr. to serve the unexpired term of James Shepherd. Additionally, Commissioner Efird noted that effective immediately both Michael Williams and TJ Smith, Jr. were resigned as members of the Consolidated Health and Human Services board due to their appointment to the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Jordan and passed by 7 - 0 vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Scott Efird, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Tommy Jordan, Vice Chairman
AYES:	Lawhon, Barbee, Jordan, Furr, Ascitutto, Efird, Almond

4. Plat Review Officer Resolution

Presenter: Bob Remsburg, Planning Director

For Board consideration, Mr. Remsburg presented the resolution to appoint Plat Review Officers for Stanly County. The county currently has three (3) Plat Review Officers, Bob Remsburg, Beverly Helms and Paul Reynolds and now requested that Bailey Emrich, Planner I, and Dane Hinson and Matthew Bolen in the GIS/Mapping Department be added as well.

Commissioner Almond moved to approve the resolution as requested, seconded by Vice Chair Jordan which passed by unanimous vote.

**See Exhibit A
Resolution
Appointment of Plat Review Officers**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Zach Almond, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Tommy Jordan, Vice Chairman
AYES:	Lawhon, Barbee, Jordan, Furr, Ascitutto, Efird, Almond

5. FY 20-21 Audit

Presenter: Toby Hinson, Finance Director

The Finance Office has received the audit contract for Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Company for their services in FY 2020-2021. The fees to perform the audit will be \$54,500 which includes a \$500 increase over last year and is the first increase since the County began using the firm in 2017. Mr. Hinson requested approval of the contract as presented.

Following a brief period of questions, Vice Chair Jordan moved to approve the contract, seconded by Commissioner Almond and carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tommy Jordan, Vice Chairman
SECONDER:	Zach Almond, Commissioner
AYES:	Lawhon, Barbee, Jordan, Furr, Ascitutto, Efird, Almond

6. COVID-19 Update

Presenter: David Jenkins, Health & Human Services Director

Director Jenkins provided an update on the county's COVID-19 pandemic including the number of daily new positive cases, hospitalizations, deaths, vaccinations and allotted doses. He then highlighted the most recent FDA approved Johnson & Johnson vaccine and recent changes to the Governor's Executive Order concerning the Modified Stay at Home Order. Following the presentation, he responded to questions from the Board.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

By motion, Commissioner Almond moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Jordan and passed by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Zach Almond, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Tommy Jordan, Vice Chairman
AYES:	Lawhon, Barbee, Jordan, Furr, Ascitutto, Efird, Almond

A. Minutes - February 12th & February 15th, 2021 meetings

B. DSS - Budget Amendment

C. Utilities - Budget Amendment

D. Sheriff's Office - Animal control donation

E. Sheriff's Office - Weapon Purchase

F. Sheriff's Office - Motor Vehicles

BOARD COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Ascitutto expressed his appreciation to Boy Scout Troop 82 who recently installed a Flag Drop Box behind the Lutheran Church in Albemarle. He also noted his attendance at Saturday's open house for the new Central Montgomery High School facility and encouraged other Board members to take the opportunity to tour it as well.

Commissioner Efird and Commissioner Barbee thanked Director David Jenkins and health department staff for their continued work during the pandemic and reminded everyone to continue to take the necessary precautions to stay safe.

Commissioner Almond thanked Director Jenkins and the health department staff as well. He also noted that Vice Chair Jordan, County Manager Lucas and himself are part of an exploratory committee to address the need for countywide broadband and feels the committee is making progress. He also noted that 5G internet is available for use outside of all county library locations.

Chair Lawhon stated that he had received his second COVID-19 vaccination with no side effects and encouraged others to get vaccinated as well.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Almond moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Jordan and carried by unanimous vote at 6:38 p.m.

W. D. Lawhon, Jr., Chair

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk