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**STANLY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025 – 6:00 PM**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Mike Barbee	Chairman	Present	
Brandon King	Vice Chairman	Present	
Patty Crump	Commissioner	Present	
Scott Efird	Commissioner	Present	
Trent Hatley	Commissioner	Present	
Bill Lawhon	Commissioner	Present	
Billy Mills	Commissioner	Present	

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

The Stanly County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") met in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2025 in the Gene McIntyre Meeting Room, Stanly Commons. Chair Barbee called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Vice Chair King giving the invocation and leading the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL / ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Commissioner Efird requested the agenda be amended to include comments by former Representative Wayne Sasser as item # 2, seconded by Commissioner Lawhon and carried by unanimous vote.

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

1. Retirement Award Presentation

Presenter: Chairman & County Commissioners

The Board recognized Patricia Hancock for her 30+ years of service to the Stanly County Health Department and wished her well in retirement.

2. COMMENTS BY FORMER REPRESENTATIVE WAYNE SASSER

Mr. Sasser began by thanking Stanly County voters for giving him the opportunity to represent them for the past six (6) years. He noted that it was a privilege and honor to do so and tried to

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make decisions based on what would benefit citizens the most. As a result, during his tenure he helped bring \$200 million in funding to the county.

He then addressed the Board concerning three (3) bills he had supported which caused him to receive push back from citizens. These bills included Senate Bill 382 (Disaster Relief Bill for Western NC), Senate Bill 20 (Abortion bill) and House Bill 76 (Medicaid Expansion bill). He explained his position on each bill and reasons for supporting them.

Following comments, Mr. Sasser responded to a brief period of questions from the Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. Stanly County Arts Council Resolution

Presenter: Kelly Dombrowski, Chair of the Stanly County Arts Council

The Stanly County Arts Council (SCAC) is considered a provisional arts organization. However, for various reasons they would like to change this designation from provisional to a designated arts organization. The first step in doing so was to request the Board adopt a resolution stating that SCAC is the designated arts organization for Stanly County.

Kelly Dombrowski, Chair of the Stanly County Arts Council, presented and read the proclamation followed by a request that it be adopted.

With no questions from the Board, Commissioner Efird moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hatley and passed by unanimous vote.

See Exhibit A

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING STANLY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL AS THE DESIGNATED ARTS COUNCIL FOR STANLY COUNTY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE AND REGRANT STATE AND FEDERAL ARTS FUNDING IN STANLY COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Scott Efird, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Trent Hatley, Commissioner
AYES:	Barbee, King, Crump, Efird, Hatley, Lawhon, Mills

5. NC 911 Board Facility Grant Funds & Consultant Contract

Presenter: Kyle Griffin, E-911 Director

Stanly County was awarded grant from the North Carolina 911 Board in the amount of \$2,414,424.11. This award amount was based on 85% of our total grant request.

The grant funds are designated for a portion of construction costs and other associated 911/PSAP costs as defined by the grant agreement. Included as part of the grant is professional

services from Mission Critical Partners (MCP) for Technology Management and Facilities Migration Support.

Adopt a budget amendment recognizing grant proceeds in the amount of \$2,414,425 (rounded) in the Emergency Telephone System Fund (ETSF).

Director Griffin presented the item and requested the Board take the following actions:

- Adopt budget amendment # 2025-45 to recognize the grant proceeds in the amount of \$2,414,425 (rounded) in the Emergency Telephone System Fund (ETSF);
- Consider appropriating fund balance in the amount of \$30,000 for the portion of the mentioned professional services not covered by the grant;
- Authorize staff to execute a contract with Mission Critical Partners based on the Statement of Work for Technology Management & Facilities Migration Support services for the proposed 911/EOC facility.

Commissioner Lawhon expressed his appreciation of the work completed by county staff to apply for and receive these grant funds. He then moved to approve all three (3) items as requested, seconded by Vice Chair King and passed by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Lawhon, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Brandon King, Vice Chairman
AYES:	Barbee, King, Crump, Efird, Hatley, Lawhon, Mills

6. Updated Internet Policy to Comply w/NC General Statute 143-805

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

County Manager Lucas presented the proposed revisions to the County's current Internet Policy to reflect the provisions of NC General Statute 143-805 that were recently passed during the legislative 2024 session.

By motion, Vice Chair King moved to approve the update to the policy as presented, seconded by Commissioner Mills and passed by a 7 - 0 vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Brandon King, Vice Chairman
SECONDER:	Billy Mills, Commissioner
AYES:	Barbee, King, Crump, Efird, Hatley, Lawhon, Mills

7. FY 2025-2026 Budget Calendar

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

For Board consideration and approval, County Manager Lucas presented the proposed FY 2025-2026 budget calendar which provides guidance to staff and formalizes many of the target dates associated with the budget process.

By motion, Commissioner Crump moved to approve the budget calendar as presented, seconded by Commissioner Lawhon and carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Patty Crump, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Bill Lawhon, Commissioner
AYES:	Barbee, King, Crump, Efird, Hatley, Lawhon, Mills

8. Strategic Planning Retreat

Presenter: Andy Lucas, County Manager

Following a review of the proposed dates, Commissioner Crump moved to approve Friday, February 21, 2025 as the date for the Board's a one-day planning retreat in the Stanly County Airport Conference Room, seconded by Commissioner Mills and carried by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Patty Crump, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Billy Mills, Commissioner
AYES:	Barbee, King, Crump, Efird, Hatley, Lawhon, Mills

9. CONSENT AGENDA

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

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Lawhon, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Brandon King, Vice Chairman
AYES:	Barbee, King, Crump, Efird, Hatley, Lawhon, Mills

A. Minutes- December 2, 2024 work session & regular meeting

B. Finance - Vehicle tax refunds for December 2024

C. Finance - Monthly Financial Report for November 2024

D. EMS - Budget Amendment 2025-48

E. Airport - Budget Amendment 2025-50

F. EMS - Budget Amendment 2025-49

G. SCUSA Transportation - Budget Amendment 2025-24

H. SCUSA Transportation - Budget Amendment 2025-25

I. SCUSA Transportation - Surplus Vehicle Sales

J. DSS - Budget Amendment # 2025-44: Donation

BOARD COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Commissioner Mills thanked former Representative Sasser for attending tonight's meeting. He shared that he had been contacted by several citizens who are concerned with the "down zoning" portion of SB 382 and asked what the county can do to request it be removed. Mr. Sasser suggested the Board adopt a resolution stating this and share it with the county's representatives.

Commissioner Lawhon expressed his appreciation of 911 Director Kyle Griffin and staff for their work in applying for and obtaining the NC 911 Board grant to offset the cost of the new 911/EOC in lieu of potentially raising property tax rates.

Commissioner Efird expressed his appreciation to Mr. Sasser for all he has done for the county. He also extended his prayers to the families of those who lost their lives in the recent truck attack in New Orleans and thanked all public safety officials for the work they do to protect everyone on a daily basis.

Commisisoner Crump thanked Patricia Hancock and Wayne Sasser for their service to the county. She also shared that as a member of the Health & Human Services (HHS) Board, Director Dolly Clayton recently challenged them to adopt a department within HHS in order to learn more about it. She and co-board member Teresa Lanier spent time in foster care which was truly an eye opening experience.

Commissioner Hatley expressed his appreciation to Mr. Sasser for his work and dedication to the citizens.

Chair Barbee also expressed his appreciation to Mr. Sasser and Mrs. Hancock as well.

RECESS

At 6:56 p.m., Chair Barbee recessed the meeting until Tuesday, January 14th at 6:00 p.m. for a joint meeting with the Albemarle City Council in the Ray Allen Community Room, City Hall.

Paul M. Barbee, Chair

Tyler Brummitt, Clerk