

**SPECIAL SESSION OF THE PAMLICO COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2010
1:00 P.M.**

The Pamlico County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Tuesday May 25, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in the Patsy H. Sadler Room of the Pamlico County Courthouse. All Commissioners were present. Also present were County Manager Tim Buck, Deputy Clerk to the Board Anita G. Owens, and Finance Officer Mary Jane Westphal.

Chairman Paul Delamar called the meeting to order.

Finance Officer Mary Jane Westphal discussed Health Department bioterrorism grant funds.

On a motion made by Commissioner Kenny Heath and seconded by Commissioner Ann Holton, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the request to nominate Bob Baskerville to an at-large position on the Coastal Resource Commission is hereby added to the agenda.

On a motion made by Commissioner Ann Holton and seconded by Commissioner Carl Ollison, the following resolution was passed by majority vote. Commissioner Christine Mele cast a dissenting vote.

BE IT RESOLVED, the request for the Health Department to purchase Delta Alert software for the total price of \$6,425.00 is hereby approved and will be funded by bioterrorism grant.

On a motion made by Commissioner Carl Ollison and seconded by Commissioner Ann Holton, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the request for the Health Department to purchase laptops, computers, required software, and required hardware from Network Resource Group for the total price of \$8,252.20 is hereby approved and will be funded by bioterrorism grant.

On a motion made by Commissioner Christine Mele and seconded by Commissioner Kenny Heath, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the application to nominate Bob Baskerville for an at-large position with Coastal Resource Commission is hereby approved.

County Manager Tim Buck provided a budget overview. The deficit before department heads applied budget cuts was \$2,647,128 while the post budget cuts deficit was \$630,097.

Finance Officer Mary Jane Westphal discussed moving \$5 million into a First Citizens Bank Money Market Account which will provide sixty (60) points as opposed to the current NC Capital Management Account that only provides sixteen (16) points. The estimated interest income on \$1 million earning fifty (50) points is \$1,200 per month. General consensus of Board Members was that Ms. Westphal should proceed with this plan.

County Manager Tim Buck will implement a voluntary reduced work hour program this week.

County Manager Tim Buck discussed additional funds of \$25,000 being allocated to the library. Chairman Paul Delamar and Commissioner Christine Mele were opposed to cutting the funds if the librarian would be lost. Board members discussed the additional funds being allocated under the condition that the funds would be used to pay the librarian salary which was previously funded by the regional library.

On a motion made by Commissioner Roy Brinson and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Spain, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the additional funds of \$25,000 to be allocated to the library in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget is hereby approved under the condition that the funds are only used to pay the librarian salary previously funded by the regional library.

County Manager Tim Buck discussed increasing the Recreation Department registration fees from \$25.00 to \$35.00 and will provide statistics on the benefits of this action.

Commissioner Christine Mele made a motion to accept the addition of \$50,000 to the 2011 Board of Education's current expense with a reduction of \$75,000 to the capital outlays and Commissioner Ann Holton seconded the motion. The motion failed for lack of a majority vote. Commissioners Carl Ollison, Kenny Heath, Roy Brinson, and Jimmy Spain cast dissenting votes.

Commissioner Roy Brinson made a motion to accept the Board of Education budget without any changes from the current fiscal year (2009-10) and Commissioner Carl Ollison seconded the motion. The motion failed for lack of a majority vote. Commissioners Christine Mele, Ann Holton, Kenny Heath, Paul Delamar, and Jimmy Spain cast dissenting votes.

On a motion made by Commissioner Kenny Heath and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Spain, the following resolution was passed by majority vote. Commissioners Christine Mele and Paul Delamar cast dissenting votes.

BE IT RESOLVED, the addition of \$75,000 to the current expense allocation and subsequent reduction of \$75,000 to capital outlay of the Board of Education budget is hereby approved for inclusion in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget.

On a motion made by Commissioner Kenny Heath and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Spain, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the current expense allocation of \$519,346 with no funds allocated to capital outlay for a total Pamlico Community College budget of \$1,005,724 is hereby approved for inclusion in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget.

On a motion made by Commissioner Christine Mele and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Spain, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, insurance option plan four (4) through NCACC Risk Pool is hereby approved for inclusion in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget.

County Manager Tim Buck discussed the water rates and fees, indicating that there has not been a water rate increase in seventeen (17) years.

On a motion made by Commissioner Christine Mele and seconded by Commissioner Roy Brinson, the following resolution was passed by majority vote. Commissioner Carl Ollison cast a dissenting vote.

BE IT RESOLVED, the proposed water rate changes and three (3) year implementation plan are hereby approved for inclusion in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget as follows:

- **Fiscal Year 2010-11: Increase fixed rate from \$7.50 to \$10.00**
 - **Increase usage rate from \$2.80/1,000 to \$3.30/1,000.**
- **Fiscal Year 2011-12: Increase fixed rate from \$10.00 to \$12.50**
 - **Increase usage rate from \$3.30/1,000 to \$3.80/1,000.**
- **Fiscal Year 2012-13: Increase fixed rate from \$12.50 to \$15.00**
 - **Increase usage rate from \$3.80/1,000 to \$4.25/1,000.**

On a motion made by Commissioner Ann Holton and seconded by Commissioner Christine Mele, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the proposed tap on fee increases of \$700.00 for 3/4" from \$550.00 and \$870.00 for 1" from \$650 are hereby approved for inclusion in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget.

On a motion made by Commissioner Christine Mele and seconded by Commissioner Ann Holton, the following resolution was passed by majority vote. Commissioners Roy Brinson and Jimmy Spain cast dissenting votes.

BE IT RESOLVED, the proposed service charges of \$1 per bill per month to BRMSD are hereby approved for inclusion in the FY 2010-11 proposed budget.

Board members discussed the merger opportunity for the Department of Social Services and Senior Services. Commissioner Ann Holton recommended that no changes be made this year. The Board requested more detailed information concerning this issue and how statistics were reached.

Board members discussed federal inmate fees of \$750,000 within budget overview.

There being no further business on a motion made by Commissioner Ann Holton and seconded by Commissioner Carl Ollison, the Board adjourned until Monday June 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman

Deputy Clerk to the Board