

May 20, 2011

The Martin County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Friday, May 20, 2011 in the Board Room of the Martin County Governmental Center, 305 East Main Street, Williamston, North Carolina at 5:00 p.m.

ASSEMBLY

Chairman Elmo "Butch" Lilley, Vice Chairman Tommy W. Bowen, Commissioner Ronnie Smith, Commissioner Derek Price, Commissioner Bob Hyman, County Manager W. Russell Overman, County Attorney J. Melvin Bowen and Clerk to the Board Marion B. Thompson were present.

Chairman Lilley called the meeting to order around 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hyman. The Invocation was offered by Vice Chairman Tommy W. Bowen.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Price made a MOTION, with a SECOND by Vice Chairman Tommy W. Bowen, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously APPROVED by the Board.

CLOSED SESSION

PERSONNEL G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (6)

Around 5:02 p.m., Chairman Lilley entertained a motion to enter Closed Session Personnel G.S. §143-318.11(a) (6). The MOTION was made by Commissioner Smith, with a SECOND by Commissioner Hyman. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

Action will be taken in open session.

Commissioner Price made a MOTION to adjourn Closed Session around 6:20 p.m., with a SECOND by Vice Chairman Bowen. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

OPEN SESSION

In Open Session, due to the fact that County Manager Russell Overman has accepted a position as county manager with Carteret County, Vice Chairman Bowen made the MOTION to officially accept his resignation effective June 21, 2011. Commissioner Hyman gave a SECOND. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

Commissioner Price made the MOTION to approve Jack Williford serving as Interim County Manager on an as need basis effective June 16, 2011 with a salary of \$50.00 per hour which is \$5.00 more than he was paid seven years ago when he filled in as Interim County Manager. Commissioner Hyman SECONDED the motion. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

Commissioner Smith made a MOTION to advertise for County Manager immediately with the local media (Enterprise, Weekly Herald, Washington Daily News, and the Greenville Daily Reflector) as well as the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) website, NCACC County Line, and North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM) with a deadline date for applications being June 30, 2011. Vice Chairman Bowen SECONDED the motion. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

After a discussion and with the general consent of the rest of the Commissioners, Chairman Lilley appointed the following persons to serve on the preliminary screening committee for the county manager's position: Chairman Elmo "Butch" Lilley, Vice Chairman Tommy Bowen, Clerk Marion Thompson, Finance Officer Cindy Ange, and Social Services Director Susan Davenport.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Bowen made a MOTION, with a SECOND by Commissioner Price to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously APPROVED. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Elmo "Butch" Lilley, Chairman

Marion B. Thompson, Clerk to the Board