

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF VANCE

The Vance County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 5, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room, Vance County Administration Building, 122 Young Street, Henderson, NC. Those Commissioners present were as follows: Chairperson Deborah F. Brown, Commissioners Danny W. Wright, Dan Brummitt, Terry E. Garrison, A. Scott Hughes, J. Timothy Pegram, and Eddie L. Wright.

Absent: None.

Also present were County Attorney Robert S. Hight, County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue, and Finance Officer Jerry L. Tucker.

County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue gave the invocation.

As advertised, at 6:00 p.m., a public hearing was held to gain citizen input concerning the 2007 Scattered Site Housing Program grant application to be sent to the State of North Carolina for Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site funds. Timmy Baynes, Council of Governments Executive Director, explained that the application is in the amount of \$400,000. The grant application shall be for rehabilitation of dwellings for low/moderate income persons whose total income is at or below 50% of the area median income as set by Housing and Urban Development. The Department of Commerce, through the Division of Community Assistance, shall provide 100% of the funding for this grant.

As there was no one present who wished to speak on this matter, Chairperson Deborah F. Brown declared the public hearing closed.

Mr. Baynes noted that several actions are required by the Board of Commissioners at this time. The Board must approve the resolution for submission of the grant application, the Certification of Intent form to participate in the program must be signed by the Board Chairperson, the list of Vance Scattered Site Committee members needs Board approval, and a second public hearing needs to be scheduled for the March meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to approve the resolution as presented for submission of an application for CDBG Scattered Site Housing funds, to authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the Certification of Intent form to participate in the Scattered Site Housing Program, to approve the list of Vance Scattered Site Committee members as presented, and to schedule the second public hearing for the 2007 Scattered Site Housing Program for the March

meeting. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright and unanimously approved.

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**Resolution of the Vance County  
Board of Commissioners  
Approving Submission of an Application for  
Community Development Block Grant  
Scattered Site Housing Funds**

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Commerce, through the Division of Community Assistance, is administering the Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site Housing Program and has invited local governments to apply for such funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Vance is preparing an application requesting \$400,000 in Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site Housing Funds to assist low income homeowners at or below 50% of the area medium income; and

**WHEREAS**, Vance County will meet all requirements in preparing the Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site Housing Program Application, including public hearings and citizen participation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Vance County, that:

1. The Vance County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the preparation of an application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Division of Community Assistance, Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site Housing Program Funds in the amount of \$400,000 to allow Vance County to rehabilitate houses for homeowners at or below 50% of the area medium family income status; and
2. The Chairperson of the Vance County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to act on behalf of the Vance County Board of Commissioners in connection with the Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site Housing Program Application to provide such additional information as may reasonably be required, and to execute any documents related to said application; and
3. The Vance County Board of Commissioners acknowledges that it understands the Certifications to be included in said application, which are required in connection with the Community Development Block Grant.

**ADOPTED, this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.**

**County of Vance**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
**Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson**

**ATTEST:**

Kelly Grissom (Signed)  
**Kelly Grissom, Clerk to the Board**

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Members of the Vance Scattered Site Committee are as follows: Jerry L. Ayscue, Annie P. Batchelor, Richard Brand, Deborah F. Brown, Ray Bullock or designee, Richard Bullock, Kelly Foti,

Bill Owen, Clem Seifert or designee, and Howard Wynne.

Mr. Baynes then introduced himself as the new Executive Director of Kerr Tar Council of Governments. He explained that he was promoted from Finance Director to Interim Executive Director in June 2006. He was made permanent executive director in September 2006. He urged the Board to call on him and his staff for any help that may be needed inasmuch as the Council of Governments works at the pleasure of its members of government. He stated that he and his staff look forward to a continued good working relationship with Vance County.

At this time, the Board presented the following Resolution of Commendation and Appreciation to William T. Hawkins III. Chairperson Brown called upon Commissioner Danny W. Wright and Commissioner Eddie L. Wright to present this special resolution. Commissioner Eddie L. Wright stated that Mr. Hawkins has dedicated a great part of his life to our youth, and felt it most appropriate to develop a resolution in his honor. Inasmuch as Mr. Hawkins is a resident of Commissioner Danny W. Wright's district, Commissioner Wright read the following Resolution of Commendation and Appreciation and presented said resolution to Mr. Hawkins:

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**RESOLUTION**  
of  
**Commendation and Appreciation**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to  
*William Thomas Hawkins III*

**WHEREAS**, a native of Vance County, William T. Hawkins III has spent his entire career working extensively with young people, and in doing so, has considered his interaction with troubled youth as a divine calling; and

**WHEREAS**, William Hawkins began weightlifting and powerlifting in the Fall of 1977 with the encouragement of his younger brother, David Hawkins, and has since excelled in both sports, winning numerous competitions and championships in powerlifting federations such as AAU, USPF, NASA, USAPL, and ADEPA; and

**WHEREAS**, through *PROJECT LIFT* (Life skills Involving Fitness Training), a local program he initiated and developed, Mr. Hawkins combined his work with young people and a love for the sports of weightlifting and power lifting as a means for reaching at risk youth and providing them with a positive role model, structured environment, and an opportunity to grow and excel; and

**WHEREAS**, William Hawkins has received many awards, including AAU Coach of the Year in Powerlifting for two consecutive years (2004 and 2005), has been ranked in Powerlifting USA as one of the top twenty master lifters in the world, and most recently, was inducted into the North Carolina Barbell Hall of Fame, which was a first-time selection for an African-American.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Vance County Board of Commissioners

does commend and express its appreciation to William Thomas Hawkins III for his relentless and successful efforts to mentor and tutor over 150 at risk youth in Vance County through an incredible investment of his energies, talents, and time with *PROJECT LIFT*, and **FURTHER**, he is congratulated upon his induction into the prestigious North Carolina Barbell Hall of Fame.

**Adopted this, the fifth day of February, 2007, and presented to William Hawkins on the fifth day of February, 2007.**

*Deborah F. Brown* (Signed)  
**Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson**

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Sam Jones, Tax Administrator, presented the January monthly report for tax collections. He stated that collections were down by 0.4% as compared to January 2006. He stated that several large bills were paid in January 2006 that have not yet been paid in January 2007. This could very likely explain the decrease from last year's collections.

Commissioner Dan Brummitt asked at what point do foreclosure proceedings begin with delinquent taxes. Mr. Jones replied that currently, taxes are approximately nine years past due before foreclosure proceedings begin. He noted that legally, foreclosure proceedings can begin at any time after the taxes are past due. Chairperson Deborah F. Brown stated that the Board may want to look into this matter more closely and possibly start sooner than nine years. County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue asked if it would be appropriate for he and Mr. Jones to present a report at the upcoming planning retreat regarding the foreclosure process. Chairperson Brown responded that a report would be welcomed at the planning retreat.

Ken Krulik, Planning & Development, was next on the agenda and presented State and Federal requirements to update the County Floodplain Ordinance for compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Mr. Krulik explained that the NFIP, which is a federal program, has adopted several changes to its regulations, which requires changes to all local ordinances as well. Mr. Krulik presented a one-page summary of the required changes and requested the Board to set a public hearing for its March meeting in order to amend the County Floodplain Ordinance. Mr. Krulik stated that maps are available for viewing in the office of Planning & Development.

Motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes to schedule a public hearing for the March meeting concerning proposed revisions to the County's Floodplain Ordinance. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright and unanimously approved.

Mr. Krulik, on behalf of the Vance County Planning Board, questioned the status of the

County's proposed zoning ordinance. Chairperson Brown replied that the Board should have an answer on this matter after the planning retreat later this month.

Charles Powell, Corbitt Preservation Association, provided the Board with an update to its Historical Marker project. Mr. Powell stated that the NC Highway Historical Marker Advisory Committee approved a marker with the inscription as follows: Corbitt Company, Built buggies, 1899; by 1907, automobiles; later tractors, buses, and, during WWII, trucks for military. Shop 3/4 mi. SE. closed 1952. Plans call for erecting the marker on US 158 Bypass at Dabney Drive in Henderson in May or June of this year. Mr. Powell noted that once he receives notification of the exact date, he will inform the Board of Commissioners.

Brian Short, Emergency Management Director, was next on the agenda and presented information on a six mile extension of fire insurance districts. Through legislation adopted by the NC General Assembly, fire insurance districts in counties may now be as large as six miles from the appropriate fire station. Mileage is determined by road miles that an emergency fire response vehicle must travel from the station in which it is housed. The Board of Commissioners must approve this change before the NC Department of Insurance will consider it for approval. Mr. Short presented a map to the Board which outlined the new boundaries of the proposed six mile extension and stated that, if approved by the Board, approval will need to come in the form of a resolution. A resolution is needed for each individual fire insurance district.

After a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes to approve the map entitled Vance County 6 Mile Fire Insurance Districts, February 5, 2007, and to approve the following resolutions for each individual fire insurance district. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt and unanimously approved.

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**RESOLUTION**  
**by the**  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
**to approve the**  
***Extension of Bearpond Fire Insurance District to Six Miles***

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Bearpond Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Bearpond Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Bearpond Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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**R E S O L U T I O N**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to approve the  
*Extension of Cokesbury Fire Insurance District to Six Miles*

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Cokesbury Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Cokesbury Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Cokesbury Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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**R E S O L U T I O N**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to approve the  
*Extension of Drewry Fire Insurance District to Six Miles*

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Drewry Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Drewry Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Drewry Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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**R E S O L U T I O N**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to approve the  
*Extension of Epsom Fire Insurance District to Six Miles*

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Epsom Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Epsom Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Epsom Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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**RESOLUTION**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to approve the  
*Extension of Golden Belt Fire Insurance District to Six Miles*

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Golden Belt Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Golden Belt Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as "Vance County Golden Belt Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District" and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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**RESOLUTION**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to approve the  
*Extension of Hicksboro Fire Insurance District to Six Miles*

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Hicksboro Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Hicksboro Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as "Vance

County Hicksboro Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

**Deborah F. Brown (Signed)**  
**Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**by the**  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
**to approve the**  
***Extension of Kittrell Fire Insurance District to Six Miles***

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Kittrell Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Kittrell Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Kittrell Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

**Deborah F. Brown (Signed)**  
**Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**by the**  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
**to approve the**  
***Extension of Townsville Fire Insurance District to Six Miles***

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Townsville Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Townsville Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Townsville Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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**RESOLUTION**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
to approve the  
*Extension of Watkins Fire Insurance District to Six Miles*

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has adopted enabling legislation which allows fire insurance districts to be extended from five (5) miles to a maximum of six (6) miles; and

**WHEREAS**, one requirement for extension to six miles is approval by the appropriate board of commissioners, including a detailed map of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, in Vance County there are nine established fire insurance districts (excluding the City of Henderson) which are Bearpond, Cokesbury, Drewry, Epsom, Golden Belt, Hicksboro, Kittrell, Townsville, and Watkins, all of which previously extended to the maximum of five miles as allowed within the overall configuration of fire insurance districts in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires and fully supports the extension of the Watkins Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six miles as allowed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance within the scope of applicable law.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Vance County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the extension of the Watkins Fire Insurance District in Vance County to six (6) miles, including the district map that is labeled as “Vance County Watkins Fire Department Six Mile Fire Insurance District” and dated February 5, 2007.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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The public comment segment of the agenda was next, with no one registered to speak by the required time of 5:45 p.m. Deryl Von Williams had given a note to the Clerk to the Board at 6:05 p.m. requesting her name be added to the sign-up sheet. Chairperson Brown allowed Ms. Von Williams to distribute written information to the Board regarding her public comments, which included an incident report regarding the library.

Argretta Reid, HR Director, appeared before the Board and presented three personnel policies which were given to the Board for review during last month's meeting.

The Grievance Policy was amended to incorporate gender language and also create a route for the employee to direct their concerns directly to the Human Resources Committee before going to the entire Board of Commissioners. A flow chart was also added to the policy.

The Award of Service Weapon and Badge policy was amended to include General Statute language, and to exclude the position of Sheriff from the eligibility requirements of the policy. A release form was also included with the policy.

The Letter of Commendation Policy was established to commend an employee for achievement that clearly exceeds duty performance requirements or contributions that are beneficial to Vance County. A request form was added to the policy to be approved by the department head.

Ms. Reid stated that the Human Resources Committee has reviewed and endorsed the amendments to the policies.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to approve the Grievance Policy as amended and presented. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt, vote unanimous, to approve the Award of Service Weapon and Badge policy as amended and presented.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright to approve the Letter of Commendation policy as presented. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright and unanimously approved.

Ms. Reid then informed the Board that Sheriff White had requested the award of the service weapon and badge to Sergeant Wayne Hendricks in recognition of his retirement on February 1, 2007. Sergeant Hendricks retired with more than 30 years in law enforcement. He began his employment with Vance County Sheriff's Office in 1987.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright to award the service weapon and badge to Sergeant Wayne Hendricks in recognition of his long and successful career in law enforcement. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, vote unanimous, that the Board approve Budget Amendments #21 and #22 as follows for the purposes noted therein:

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**Budget Amendment #21  
General Fund**

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
General Assistance	10-610-500020		\$ 5,000.00
Contingency	10-999-500099	\$ <u>5,000.00</u>	_____
Total Debits & Credits		\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

Purpose: To appropriate funds to cover expenditures for General Assistance Account.

Authorization: Vance County Board of Commissioners  
February 5, 2007

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**Budget Amendment #22  
General Fund**

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Building Demolition	10-525-500172		\$ 3,922.00
Contingency	10-999-500099	\$ <u>3,922.00</u>	_____
Total Debits & Credits		\$ 3,922.00	\$ 3,922.00

Purpose: To appropriate funds for expenses incurred by the City of Henderson in the demolition of two buildings.

Authorization: Vance County Board of Commissioners  
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The following budget Transfer #5 was presented to the Board for their information.

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**Budget Transfer #5  
General Fund**

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
EDTAP - Mental Health	10-580-500147	\$ 4,000.00	
EDTAP - Aging Program	10-611-500147	_____	\$ <u>4,000.00</u>
Total Debits & Credits		\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00

Purpose: To transfer unneeded EDTAP funds from Mental Health to Program of Aging. No County funds involved..

Authorization: Vance County Board of Commissioners  
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Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Eddie

L. Wright, vote unanimous, that the Board approve the following Refunds as requested by the Tax

Office:  
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**REFUNDS**  
**January 2007**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>REASON</b>
Lewis Spencer	2006	38.92	Vehicle Tax
Anthony Best	2005	4.51	Vehicle Tax
Jewel R. Best	2005	20.83	Vehicle Tax
Delawrence Evans	2006	14.43	Vehicle Tax
Gladys H. Wesley	2006	39.92	Vehicle Tax
Claude R. Pearce III	2006	37.20	Vehicle Tax
Gloria N. Mercer	2005	10.92	Vehicle Tax
Harvey T. Gupton, Jr.	2006	16.90	Vehicle Tax
William F. Leake, Jr.	2006	10.36	Vehicle Tax
Ronald E. Stainback	2006	87.40	Vehicle Tax
Robert H. Sasser	2006	111.18	Vehicle Tax
Kimberly A. Powell	2006	9.96	Vehicle Tax
Laura Chavis	2004	24.75	Mobile Home Tax
Laura Chavis	2005	25.30	Mobile Home Tax
Laura Chavis	2006	25.30	Mobile Home Tax
Daniel A. Faucette	2006	54.74	Mobile Home Tax
Baltasar Velazquez	2006	9.10	Vehicle Tax
Edward A. Grissom	2006	8.15	Vehicle Tax
Jeffrey S. Brooks	2006	2.86	Vehicle Tax
Mark K. Rions	2006	24.96	Vehicle Tax
Mark K. Rions	2006	54.74	Vehicle Tax
Susan L. Robertson	2006	1.14	Vehicle Tax
Susan L. Robertson	2005	2.30	Vehicle Tax
Saul V. Esparza	2005	3.42	Vehicle Tax
William B. Young	2006	7.80	Vehicle Tax
Jonathan Mocklin	2006	138.25	Vehicle Tax
Jerry H. Bynum	2006	28.32	Vehicle Tax
Ronald E. Stainback	2006	2.85	Solid Waste Tax
Daniel A. Faucette	2006	90.00	Solid Waste Tax
Lewis Spencer	2006	1.26	Fire Tax
Delawrence Evans	2006	.48	Fire Tax
Claude R. Pearce III	2006	1.20	Fire Tax
Gloria N. Mercer	2005	.35	Fire Tax
Harvey T. Gupton, Jr.	2006	.55	Fire Tax
William F. Leake, Jr.	2006	.32	Fire Tax
Kimberly A. Powell	2006	.30	Fire Tax
Laura Chavis	2004	.83	Fire Tax
Laura Chavis	2005	.83	Fire Tax
Laura Chavis	2006	.83	Fire Tax
Daniel A. Faucette	2006	1.79	Fire Tax
Baltasar Velazquez	2006	.30	Fire Tax
Jeffrey S. Brooks	2006	.10	Fire Tax
Mack E. Barnes	2006	4.48	Fire Tax

NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
Saul V. Esparza	2005	.12	Fire Tax
William B. Young	2006	.24	Fire Tax
Jonathan Mocklin	2006	4.48	Fire Tax
Jerry H. Bynum	2006	.92	Fire Tax
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 925.59</b>	

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Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright that the Board approve Ambulance Charge-offs in the amount of \$9,130.02 for those persons deceased with no estate listing. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison and unanimously approved.

Chairperson Brown requested that a fiscal year-to-date total be included with the refunds and ambulance charge-offs each month.

County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue was next on the agenda and requested the Board to allow filling the following position vacancies which have been endorsed by the Human Resources Committee:

Sheriff's Department  
Deputy Sergeant

Fire & Ambulance  
Firefighter I/EMT

Department of Social Services  
Social Worker I  
Office Assistant III

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Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright to approve the position requests as presented. This motion was seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ayscue reported that the Register of Deeds anticipates a need for temporary staffing within the coming weeks due to medical and other required leave for staff members. This is expected to be a one-time situation. His recommendation was to appropriate \$1,500 from the Contingency for temporary staffing for the Register of Deeds Office.

Motion was made by Commissioner J. Timothy Pegram to appropriate \$1,500 from the Contingency for temporary staffing for the Register of Deeds Office. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ayscue then reminded the Board of its upcoming Winter Planning Retreat. The Retreat is scheduled for Thursday, February 22 at 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Jury Conference Room in the new

Courthouse. Commissioners are requested to notify the Manager of desired agenda items.

Mr. Ayscue then informed the Board that the Schools System has requested approval by the Board of Commissioners of an application for \$86,250 for maintenance and repairs primarily related to grease removal in school facilities. Both boards must jointly apply, and the Board of Education has already approved the application.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright to approve the application for \$86,250 of ADM funds from the State. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright and unanimously approved.

Commissioner Danny W. Wright requested the County Manager to report on our most recent lottery proceeds. Mr. Ayscue replied that the County is receiving lottery funds on a quarterly basis and the State estimated that Vance County would receive approximately \$1.25 million the first year. The first quarter's allocations, which was received in October 2006, was approximately \$276,000 which was below what was expected. In January 2007, the second quarter's allocations was approximately \$94,000 which was significantly below what was expected. It is projected that the same \$94,000 - \$95,000 will be received for the next two quarters which would put the County at approximately 44% of original projections.

The next item addressed was a resolution in recognition of Black History Month. Mr. Ayscue stated that Chairperson Brown suggested the adoption of a resolution designating February as Black History Month in Vance County to encourage celebration of the many contributions made by African-Americans.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, to adopt the following resolution in recognition of Black History Month in Vance County:

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**RESOLUTION**  
**by the**  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
**to designate**  
***February as Black History Month in Vance County***

**WHEREAS**, for over eighty (80) years the month of February has been observed as an opportunity to recognize black history and the countless contributions made to society by African-Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, Carter G. Woodson, a Washington, D.C. author, editor, historian, and publisher, is credited with choosing the second week in February in 1926 to defend black humanity and highlight the accomplishments of his ancestors; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1976 when the United States of America celebrated its bicentennial, the week was extended into the entire month of February; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires for its citizens to understand and appreciate the value added to the Vance County economy and overall community by African-Americans of all socio-economic levels.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Vance County Board of Commissioners does duly designate February as Black History Month in Vance County, and in doing so, does recognize the significant contributions to society made by people of African heritage.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Vance County Board of Commissioners does encourage schools, churches, civic organizations, businesses, and citizens of all races and color to participate during February, 2007, in celebration of Black History Month in Vance County.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson

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Mr. Ayscue then presented a resolution regarding the VWGF Resource Center. He explained that each year the four participating counties are required to agree by resolution to continue the joint program and that Vance County will remain as the fiduciary agent for the Criminal Justice Partnership Program.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, to adopt the following resolution that allows the continuation of the VWGF Resource Center as has been administered since its inception:

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**RESOLUTION**  
by the  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
*Continuation of the VWGF Resource Center*

Upon a duly made and seconded motion, a majority of the commissioners seated on the Vance County Board of Commissioners adopted the following resolution at a public meeting on this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

**RESOLVED**, that the VWGF Resource Center is operating according to design and meeting identified criminal justice service needs throughout the local Judicial District; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Vance County Board of Commissioners is fully satisfied with the managerial configuration presently being employed and also approves of the Vance County Manager continuing to serve in FY 2007-2008 as the financial administrator of this very important regional project.

Deborah F. Brown (Signed)  
Chairperson, Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2007  
Date

Jerry L. Ayscue (Signed)  
County Manager

February 5, 2007  
Date

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Mr. Ayscue then requested authority to contract for infrastructure services. He explained that the County has applied for two grants from the Department of Commerce for providing water and sewer services to two different prospective industrial sites. The City of Henderson can provide these services. It is possible that a contract with the City may be necessary in using the grant funds.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison to authorize the County Manager to execute any necessary contracts with the City in using grant funds for infrastructure. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dan Brummitt and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright that the Board approve the minutes of the regular meeting held January 8, 2007 as presented by the Clerk to the Board. This motion was seconded by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, that the following appointments be approved as presented:

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Board of Social Services

Appoint David Harrison to fill an unexpired term. The term expires June 2007.

Kerr-Tar Workforce Development Board - two-year term

Appoint Sara Wester to fill vacant position.

Re-appoint Milton Bennett

Vance County Planning Board - three-year term

Re-appoint Roosevelt Alston

Joel Harris

Henderson Planning Board - three-year term

Re-appoint Phil Walters

Henderson Zoning Board of Adjustments - three-year term

Appoint Neil Clayton to fill an unexpired term. The term expires February 2008.

Re-appoint Joseph Brown

Rusty Renshaw

*Frank Hester resigned his position as member of the Henderson Zoning Board of Adjustments. Neil Clayton, his alternate, has requested to be appointed in Mr. Hester's place. The Board of Adjustments has endorsed this request.*

Human Relations Commission - three-year term

Appoint Arnold Bullock to fill vacant position.

Re-appoint Teresa Norwood

Consuelo Allen

Ulice Hill

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Commissioner Dan Brummitt questioned if position reappointments are advertised. The Clerk to the Board responded that only vacant positions are advertised. County Manager Jerry L. Ayscue noted that several hundred dollars have been put into advertising for vacant positions, with no responses. Chairperson Brown stated that advertising for reappointments has been done in the past and it has been very difficult to find anyone interested in serving. Most reappointments come to the Board of Commissioners as a recommendation from the chair or president of boards and commissions.

After further discussion, it was decided to place an annual notice in the local paper for persons interested in serving on the various boards and commissions. The ad will note that appointments will be made during the year as vacancies occur and will list all board and commissions.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, vote unanimous, that the Board adopt the following Resolution to change the meeting date in March due to the NACo Legislative Conference in Washington, DC:

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**R E S O L U T I O N**  
**by the**  
**Vance County Board of Commissioners**  
***Changing Date of March 2007 Commissioners' Meeting***

**WHEREAS**, the Vance County Board of Commissioners normally holds its regular meetings on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina General Statute 153A-40 provides that in the event the Board of Commissioners desires to change the date and time of a regular meeting, that the Board may do so by adopting a resolution at least ten (10) days before such meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vance County Board of Commissioners desires to change its regular meeting scheduled for Monday, March 5, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to Monday, March 12, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Vance County Board of Commissioners that it does hereby change its regular meeting date from March 5, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to March 12, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the usual place, the Commissioners' Conference Room, Vance County Administration Building, Henderson, NC.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution is to be posted on the Courthouse bulletin board and a summary of said resolution to be published in The Daily Dispatch and a copy of this resolution delivered to the news media within Vance County.

**This, the fifth day of February, 2007.**

**Deborah F. Brown (Signed)**  
**Deborah F. Brown, Chairperson**

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Motion was made by Commissioner J. Timothy Pegram, seconded by Commissioner Danny W. Wright, vote unanimous, that the following monthly reports be received and filed:

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- See on file monthly report, Vance County ABC Board
- See on file monthly report, Fire and Ambulance Service
- See on file monthly report, Human Resources Department
- See on file monthly report, Planning and Development Department
- See on file monthly report, Sheriff's Department
- See on file monthly report, Veterans Service Office

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The next item discussed was the information distributed by Deryl Von Williams during the public comment segment of the meeting. Chairperson Brown requested the General Government Committee review the information.

Motion was made by Commissioner A. Scott Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, vote unanimous, to refer the information to the General Government Committee for review.

As there was no further business, at 7:50 p.m. motion was made by Commissioner Terry E. Garrison, seconded by Commissioner Eddie L. Wright, vote unanimous, that the meeting be adjourned.

Approved and signed March 12, 2007.

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Chairperson