

Vance Happenings

June 2009

“Vance Happenings” is a brief monthly report regarding highlights of activities occurring in Vance County government. It is an overview of events specifically associated with activities involving the Board of County Commissioners.

Budget Work Sessions. County Commissioners met in several budget work sessions as they engaged in budget deliberations for FY 2009-10. The formal budget hearing was conducted on Monday, June 1st, followed by work sessions, and the eventual adoption of the budget ordinance on June 24. The property tax rate was set at 78.2¢, a reduction of 1.6¢ from the prior fiscal year.

Planning & Environmental Committee. This committee met on Thursday, June 11th, to discuss a *plan to dispose of manufactured homes*. In order to qualify for disposal funding from the State, counties must have an adopted plan on file. Further, the committee discussed a *proposed economic development agreement with the City of Henderson, the Warrenton Road Sewer Project, and a second round of funding for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) known as NSP 2*. With significant input from the City of Henderson and technical assistance from the Kerr Tar Regional Council of Governments, Vance County is applying for additional NSP funds.

Planning & Environmental Committee. The committee met again on Monday, June 29th to discuss the process for appointing members to the new Henderson-Vance Economic Development Commission. The committee’s recommendations will be made to the full Board of Commissioners in its regular July meeting. (Applications for qualified citizens interested in serving on the EDC are available on the County website.)

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