

**GATES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 18, 2010**

The Gates County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Friday, June 18, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room, 202 Court Street, Gatesville, NC. Commissioners Twine, Jernigan, Askew, Nickens and Jordan were present. Also present was County Manager, Toby Chappell and Finance Office, Sandy Pittman.

A prayer was led by Commissioner Jordan.

Chairman Twine called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Twine stated the Agenda needed to be amended. A CDBG Public Hearing will be held today and the Finance Officer will be presenting Budget Amendments.

Commissioner Nickens made a motion to accept the Agenda with amendments. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Mrs. Carolyn Morris, Albemarle Commission, presented a request for approval of funds to complete Housing Relocation for two additional recipients.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to open the CDBG Public Hearing. Commissioner Nickens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Colleen Turner, Director, Department of Social Services, stated she noticed some listed expenses that would not be needed.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to build the fourth CDBG house. Commissioner Nickens seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

The Board of Commissioners requested written documentation from the Albemarle Commission for the following: The Albemarle Commission will be responsible for the house being completed within budget. If the construction should exceed the budget the Albemarle Commission would absorb the additional expense. The contractor for the construction needed to be bonded. The \$7,000 budgeted for the Albemarle Commission would be paid at the end of the project provided funds are available.

The Chairman called the meeting to order after a brief recess.

Sandy Pittman, Finance Officer, presented Budget Amendments 84-96.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to accept Budget Amendments 84-96 as presented. Commissioner Nickens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Ed Webb, Sheriff, requested funds be allocated for drug education.

Commissioner Nickens requested to be excused.

Toby Chappell discussed changes in employee health insurance benefits. He also discussed a proposal to replace the air conditioning unit for the Administrative Building for approximately \$20,000. The cost would be added to the Building and Grounds budget.

Sharon Harrell, Register of Deeds, has requested a 5% salary increase for herself. The Board has already voted on a 2% cost of living and a possible 2% merit for a possible 4% salary increase for employees. Elected officials will receive a 4% salary increase.

Commissioners' travel line item will increase to \$2,000.

Colleen Turner, Director, Dept. of Social Services, came to request the part-time position she had previously requested by made a full-time position or hire an additional part-time employee as an income case worker.

The decision of the Board at this time was taxes would not increase to cover Mrs. Turner's request. Commissioner Jordan stated she could look in her budget to fund this request.

Chairman Twine commended the administrative staff on a job well done with the 2010-2011 Budget and particularly in keeping the tax rate the same.

Commission Jordan commended the County Manager's office and the Board for their conservative efforts.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to recess until 10:00 a.m. on June 22. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.