

Continued Meeting 5/12/2008

The Graham County Board of Commissioners met Monday, May 12, 2008 at 5:00pm in the Conference Room of the Community Building at 196 Knight Street, Robbinsville, NC. Present were Commissioners Lynn Cody, Billy Cable, Jerry Sherrill, Raymond Williams, Eugene Trull and County Attorney David Sawyer. Chairman Cody called the Meeting to order. This Meeting is continued from the May 5, 2008 Board Meeting.

1. Commissioner Cody told the Board that he and County Attorney Sawyer had been in touch with McGill & Assoc. to clarify some figures on the pool project. P&J received the bid for building the pool at \$988,311.00. To delete the picnic area shed and the heaters for the pool and wading pool would drop the bid to \$947,075.00. The Board had requested that the pool be built first. After much discussion, Commissioner Williams made the motion to award the low bid to build the pool to P&J, Inc. in the amount of \$947,075. with the understanding the pool has to be built first. Commissioner Sherrill seconded this motion. Commissioners Cable and Cody voted yes. Commissioner Trull voted no.
2. Chairman Cody also told the Board that Frank Finley would like to sit down with the Board to discuss the old Forest Service Building. Mr. Ray Johns told Mr. Cody that Mr. Finley would be able to discuss the business plan. The Board agreed to meet with Mr. Finley at the next Board Meeting.
3. Chairman Cody discussed the Sanitation Department. Donald Crisp, Sanitation Director, told the Board that the tipping fees were generated at the site but bills that were not paid at the site were brought to the Finance Office and they generated the bills. The Board would like for the bills to be paid and generated at the Recycling Center and the monies brought to the Tax Collector's office. Commissioner Williams told the Board that if you stop the recycling bins that you could lose Federal funding. The Board agreed to set the recycling bins back for recycling.
4. Next the Board discussed the request by Meadow Branch Fire Department. The fire department requested that they be given the \$5,000.00 in their budget that would match all of the other fire departments in the County. Commissioner Williams stated that all should receive the same amount in their budgets. Commissioner Williams made the motion to give Meadow Branch the \$5,000.00 to match the other fire departments and to give the remaining fire departments an addition of \$3,750. so that all departments would receive \$35,000.00 annually for their budget. Commissioner Sherrill seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
5. Commissioner Trull told the Board that Travel & Tourism will not pay for the fireworks for July 4<sup>th</sup> but stated that they would pay 1/3 of the \$6,000.00 bill. Chairman Cody told the Board that he would notify the Town of Robbinsville and see if they would pay \$2,000. and the County pay \$2,000.
6. Commissioner Cable made the motion to go into close session under GS 143.318.11 A (3) to preserve Attorney-Client privilege. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
7. Commissioner Williams made the motion to come out of closed session and back into open session. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
8. In closed session the Board discussed a contract with an individual for possible employment with the County.
9. Commissioner Williams made the motion to adjourn the Meeting. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

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Lynn Cody, Chairman

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Billy Cable, Vice-Chairman

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Jerry Sherrill, Member

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Eugene Trull, Member

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Raymond Williams, Member

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Jan Millsaps, Clerk