

Regular Meeting 4/1/2008

The Graham County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, April 1, 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, Eugene Trull and Raymond Williams. Chairman Cody called the meeting to order and Commissioner Trull gave the invocation.

1. Commissioner Cable made the motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
2. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve the Minutes. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
3. Commissioner Williams made the motion to set aside the Public Hearing on the C.D.B.G. grant until Ms. Hill arrives. Commissioner Trull seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
4. Chairman Cody opened the Public Comment session of the meeting. With no one wishing to speak, Chairman Cody closed the Public Comment session of the meeting.
5. Chairman Cody spoke to the Board and discussed the three different presentations that were presented to him for the payroll of Graham County. After each member looked over the proposals, Commissioner Cable made the motion to go with United Community Bank (E-chx, Inc.) Commissioner Trull seconded this motion. Vote unanimous. In doing the payroll processing the County will have a savings around \$15,000.00. Chairman Cody also stated that Superintendent Davis had requested a meeting with the Board of Commissioners to discuss School needs next Tuesday, April 8, 2008. The Board will meet first at 5:00pm to discuss the Recreation Director position.
6. Commissioner Cable made the motion to go into Closed Session under GS 143.318.11 A6 for the purpose of discussing personnel. Commissioner Trull seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
7. Commissioner Cable made the motion to come out of Closed Session and back into Open Session. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
8. In closed session the Board discussed the Recreation Director position.
9. Chairman Cody opened the Public Hearing for the Close-Out for the Close-Out for CDBG Grant 06-C-1527. Ms. Hill stated the purpose of this public hearing is to provide information regarding the Graham County 2006 Community Development Block Grant which has been completed. The available funds for this grant were \$400,000. provided by the NC Department of Commerce, Division of Community Assistance (DCA). The time frame for spending these funds was 30 months, or January 31, 2009. The County proposed to demolish, clear and replace five dwelling units. Six units were completed. In addition to the replacement unit itself, some sites required septic systems, some wells, some site work and additional code requirements. In addition to replacing dwelling units, the county had the option to do some repairs to units not to exceed \$5,000. per unit. One unit received a new roof and new windows and another had roof and ceiling work done. The total project budget was \$400,000. and the actual as of 9/30/2005 was \$400,000. Graham County will be eligible to apply for another grant cycle in 2009 and applications are now being accepted. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve the Close-Out for CDBG 06-C-1527. Commissioner Sherrill seconded this motion. Vote unanimous. Chairman Cody closed the Public Hearing.

10. Commissioner Cable made the motion made the motion to hire Mike Edwards as Graham County Planner/Grant Writer with the understanding the County can give him a 30 day notice and he will be valuated after six (6) months. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Commissioners Cody and Sherrill voted yes on this motion. Commissioner Trull stated that he was not in favor of giving him a contract.

11. Commissioner Williams made the motion to continue this meeting to Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 5:00pm to discuss the Recreation Director and to meet with the School Superintendent about the needs of the School at 6:00pm. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

Lynn Cody, Chairman

Billy Cable, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Sherrill, Member

Eugene Trull, Member

Raymond Williams, Member