

Regular Meeting 6/17/2008

The Graham County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, June 17, 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, Raymond Williams and County Attorney Sawyer. Chairman Cody called the meeting to order and Commissioner Williams gave the invocation.

1. Commissioner Cable made the motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
2. Commissioner Cable made the motion to approve the Minutes. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
3. Chairman Cody opened the Public Comment session of the meeting and no one wished to speak.
4. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve the Releases and Discoveries as presented by Blair Hyder, Tax Assessor. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous. Commissioner Cable made the motion to table the request from Dove and Associates, PC for the Board to abate the penalties on the discovery bill totaling \$10,323. (Cheoah Construction Company, Inc. Personal Property Tax) and C&J Equipment Company, LLC for penalties totaling \$991.00. (Letters of request attached) as the County Attorney will check on these requests. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
5. Jail bids were opened and Lynn's Place placed a bid of \$6.22 an inmate meal and Sweetwater B/Q bid \$5.35 an inmate meal. Commissioner Sherrill made the motion to accept the lower bid of \$5.35 from Sweetwater B/Q in the amount of \$5.35. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous. The Board looked over the contract that had been signed by Sweetwater B/Q and as it was not plain exactly what the bid entailed Commissioner Cable made the motion to rescind the vote on awarding the contract for inmate meals to Sweetwater B/Q and to re-advertise for bids with a better understanding of the Jail meal contract. Commissioner Sherrill seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
6. The Board opened the sealed bids for hauling tires, metal and paper from the Sanitation department. Ammons Trucking and Johnny Sawyers submitted bids. After looking at the bids the Board tabled this and will re-advertise due to bid clarification.
7. Commissioner Cody spoke to the Board about a letter he had received from the Graham County School on the trailer that the Health Department no longer used. In the letter the School sent the Board stated that the trailer would be used to provide a nurse's station and office space for Indian Education Director. (Copy of letter attached). The Board tabled this request until Chairman Cody can verify that this trailer can be given to the school as it was purchased through a grant. Chairman Cody also stated that Sue Adams, Graham Help Foundation, had requested that the Board waive the tipping fees from Sanitation. The Board stated that they needed a list of the people that they had helped and were billed and see if any can be waived.
8. Teresa Garland, County Extension Director, sent a letter to the Board announcing the replacement of retired Family and Consumer Science Educator for Graham County Cooperative Extension, Linda Buchanan. Ms. Garland stated in her letter that Eve Rogers had been selected to fill this position. Commissioner Trull made the motion in support of Ms. Garland's decision. Commissioner Cable seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

9. Commissioner Cable made the motion to go into closed session under GS 143.318.11 A (6)/ (3). Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
10. Commissioner Cable made the motion to come out of closed session and back into open session. Commissioner Sherrill seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
11. In closed session the Board discussed personnel and attorney/client privilege. Terry Slaughter asked the Board for permission to hire 2 part-time workers in Communications to fill the 2 positions that were going to be vacant.
12. Commissioner Cable made the motion to continue this meeting to Thursday, June 19, 2008 at 5:00pm in the Graham County Courtroom at 12 North Main Street, Robbinsville, NC. Commissioner Trull seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

Lynn Cody, Chairman

Billy Cable, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Sherrill, Member

Eugene Trull, Member

Raymond Williams, Member

Jan Millsaps, Clerk