

**GATES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 19, 2012**

The Gates County Board of Commissioners held a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m. Monday, November 19, 2012 in the Commissioners' Room, 202 Court Street, Gatesville. Commissioners Twine, Jordan, Hora, Owens and Jernigan were present. Also present was Interim County Manager, Kenneth Windley.

A prayer was led by Commissioner Jordan

Chairman Twine called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Jernigan made a motion to enter into Closed Session as authorized by NCGS §143-318.11(a)(6). Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Commissioner Jernigan made a motion to exit Closed Session and enter Regular Session. Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

**GATES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 19, 2012**

The Gates County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. Monday, November 19, 2012 in the main courtroom, 202 Court Street, Gatesville. Commissioners Twine, Jordan, Hora, Owens and Jernigan were present. Also present was Interim County Manager, Kenneth Windley.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to enter into Closed Session as authorized by NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4)(6). Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to exit Closed Session and enter Regular Session. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

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

Commissioner Jordan led a prayer and pledge of allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda**

Chairman Twine stated the Agenda will be amended by the following: Timmy Hedgepeth will be presenting Budget Amendment 26; Perry Eure has a zoning text amendment request, Commissioner Jordan has a Gates County Housing Committee request and the Chairman will also be presenting a request.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to accept the Agenda as amended. Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

**Citizens' Comments**

Thomas Hill, Sunbury, stated Bill Cooke has won his race and the Republican Party has chosen their electoral representative.

Chuck Brothers, Gates, stated he wanted to clarify some information. At the end of the last Commissioners' Meeting the prior County Manager stated "FYI, I want to let the Board know that due to the building of the library the retention pond needs to be enlarged at a cost of \$9,000." Mr. Brothers questioned why the citizens should be held financially

responsible for a retention pond that is not owned by the County and the County is spending money on someone else's infrastructure.

### **Department Reports**

Timmy Hedgepeth, presented Budget Amendment 26.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 26 as presented. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

### **New Business**

Chairman Twine stated the January 21 Commissioners' Meeting needs to be rescheduled. January 21 is Martin Luther King Holiday.

Commissioner Hora made a motion to move the January 21 Commissioners Meeting to Wednesday, January 23. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Ken Windley, Interim County Manager, presented a request to close the County offices at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 21, to allow the staff to have fellowship prior to the Christmas holiday.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Perry Eure, Eure, on behalf of Eure Baptist Church; the church is in the process of building a fellowship hall. He is requesting the Board waive the \$300 text amendment fee.

Commissioner Hora made a motion to approve the request to waive the \$300 text amendment fee as requested. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Commissioner Jordan discussed the \$75,000 Urgent Repair Grant (URP3-12) for the Gates County Housing Committee. He is requesting the County support the Housing Committee and provide the required honesty and fidelity bond.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to direct the Interim County Manager and Finance Officer to proceed with the URP3-12 Grant with the bond currently in place without purchasing additional coverage. Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Chairman Twine presented a request for the Board to fully support the efforts of the Meherrin-Chowanoke Nation to obtain Federal and State recognition as a Native American Tribe in the form of letter.

Chairman Twine made a motion the Board support the efforts of the Meherrin-Chowanoke Nation as presented. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Commissioner Jordan presented a plaque of recognition to Chairman Twine for his four years of service as a Commissioner.

### **Citizens' Comments**

Dan Bazemore, Eure, requests the Board provide an update of events in the County at the beginning of each meeting.

Anne Askew, Eure, thanked Chairman Twine for everything he has done for the County.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to recess until 10:00 a.m., November 20, 2012. Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.