

**GATES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 2, 2012**

The Gates County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 2, 2012 in the main courtroom, 202 Court Street, Gatesville. Commissioners Twine, Jordan, Hora, Owens and Jernigan were present. Also present was County Manager, Toby Chappell and County Attorney, Pitt Godwin.

A prayer and pledge of allegiance were led by Vice-Chairman Jordan.

Chairman Twine called the meeting to order.

**Approval of Agenda**

Chairman Twine stated the Agenda needed to be amended by moving the presentation of the Asthma Proclamation to the beginning of the meeting; also the Board needs to make an appointment the Firefighter's Relief Fund Board.

Commissioner Hora made a motion to approve the amended Agenda. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

**Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve the April 4 Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

**Citizens' Comments**

Thomas Hill, Sunbury, stated on April 30th County workers were mowing grass and destroyed a campaign sign on Daniels Road. This is a class 3 misdemeanor. He and his republican counterpart in Hobbsville stand firm on the marriage act. Chairman Twine and the County Manager stated it was not County workers but contracted workers for the State who destroyed the campaign signs in question.

Sidney Pierce, Hobbsville, stated he supports the marriage amendment and asked the Board to state their position on this issue.

Georgia Taylor, American Red Cross, Mid-Atlantic Region, asked the Board to support the May 16 Blood Drive at the Community Center.

Cal Bryant, Editor, Hertford County News Herald, presented the latest issue of the Front Porch Living Magazine to the Board.

Christian Boone, third grader, Buckland Elementary School, stated his health issues as an asthma patient. Chairman Twine read a Proclamation Supporting Asthma Awareness Month. Commissioner Hora made a motion to adopt the proclamation as read. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition. Chairman Twine presented the proclamation to Christian Boone.

The Proclamation reads as follows:

**PROCLAMATION  
SUPPORTING  
ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH  
MAY 2012**

**WHEREAS**, there is an epidemic of asthma in the United States, affecting 33 million children and adults; and

**WHEREAS**, asthma is the leading cause of childhood long term illness, hospitalization and school absenteeism; and

**WHEREAS**, asthma affects 183 public school children in the Gates County Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, asthma is a treatable and controllable disease; and

**WHEREAS**, there are simple steps people can take to monitor and prevent asthma attacks and effective treatments to control asthma;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Graham L. Twine, Commissioner Chair of the County of Gates do hereby proclaim May 2012 as "*Asthma Awareness Month*" for the *County of Gates*.

**ADOPTED**, this 2nd day of May of 2012.

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Graham L. Twine  
Chairman

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Diane R. Hendrix  
Clerk to the Board

### **Department Reports**

Sandy Pittman, Finance Officer, presented Budget Amendments 56-59.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve Budget Amendments 56-59 as presented. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Mrs. Pittman discussed the USDA loan amortization schedule as requested by Commissioner Hora. Commissioner Hora discussed his own worksheets on paying down the debt.

Commissioner Hora made a motion to release an RFP (request for proposal) for \$1.75 million for a 10-year or 15-year note for the sole purpose of paying off the USDA loan. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Renee McGinnis, Tax Administrator, presented the April 2012 Tax Collector's Report. She stated a foreclosure sale will be held on May 8 for property located at 17 Joy Lane, Gates.

Colleen Turner, DSS Director, stated the Housing Committee has just received approval of non-profit status. She introduced the new DSS Director, Geoffrey Marett; his first day of employment was April 19.

Reba Green-Holley, Extension Director, presented the Volunteer of the Year Award to Bonnie Alford of Corapeake. She also provided a presentation of her professional development trip to Argentina, Thailand and China.

Billy Winn, Emergency Management Director, discussed the Hazard Material Grant which provides training for first responders.

Morgan Jethro, Planning Director, presented a Preliminary Plat Review for a Major Subdivision for the J. W. Hollowell Subdivision.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve the plat as presented and approved by the Planning Board. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Ms. Jethro made the Board aware of three (3) upcoming vacancies on the Planning Board. Action should be taken at the next Commissioners' meeting.

**New Business**

Chairman Twine discussed a request by Dane Eure, Chief, Gatesville Volunteer Fire Department, to appoint Wade Ward Hobbs to replace William P. Mitchell as the Board appointed trustee of the Firefighter's Relief Fund Board.

Commissioner Jordan made the motion to approve the request of Mr. Eure to appoint Wade Hobbs as trustee to the Firefighters Relief Fund Board. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

Dr. Barry Williams, Superintendent, Gates County Schools, presented the 2012-2013 Proposed School Budget. He requested the County appropriate \$2,844,679.39. This amount represents a \$252,600.39 increase from the 2011-2012 appropriation.

Toby Chappell, County Manager, discussed the HAVA Title II Funds in North Carolina (Help America Vote Act) and presented a resolution for adoption.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to endorse the Resolution for Release of HAVA Title II Funds in North Carolina. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

The Resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION  
FOR RELEASE OF HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT (HAVA)  
TITLE II FUNDS IN NORTH CAROLINA**

**WHEREAS**, HAVA Title II funds are in a state bank account designated for the administration of elections and are used to pay for the annual maintenance fee for election equipment in the 100 counties;

**WHEREAS**, at this point, about \$4.1 million of HAVA Title II funds remain in the state bank account; and

**WHEREAS**, if these funds are not released, each county will have to pay for the election equipment maintenance fee for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 which, for the 100 counties, would total up to \$3.2 million; and

**WHEREAS**, the HAVA Title II funds here, in our state, have been used effectively in the past to pay the \$3.2 million annual maintenance fee for election equipment in the 100 counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Title II funds are currently frozen; and

**WHEREAS**, the first reason the Title II funds are frozen is that, in accordance with federal law, North Carolina may not use Section 251 Title II funds to supplant its baseline financial commitment to election administration, calculated in North Carolina's case as \$3.46 million (the General Assembly's appropriation for core functions of the State Board of Election in FY 1999-2000). The General Assembly chose not to meet this Maintenance of Effort (MOE) threshold for the 2011-2013 biennium. Instead, it appropriated \$664,000 less than the required \$3.46 MOE amount per year to the State Board of Elections for FY 2011-2012 and for FY 2012-2013. That shortfall means that Section 251 Title funds may not be used; and

**WHEREAS**, the second reason the Title II funds are frozen is that, the budget adopted by the General Assembly includes a provision (Section 26.1) that says no Title II funds may be released for the 2011-2012 fiscal year until the MOE level of funding is appropriated. This provision, coupled with \$664,000 in underfunding of the MOE, effectively means that Section 261 funds are also frozen; and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately \$1.7 million remaining of HAVA Title I funds that are not dependent on the MOE, but most of these funds are needed by the State Board of Elections for upgrading the statewide voter data management system; and

**WHEREAS**, Gates County understands that even if North Carolina returned the unused HAVA funds to the federal government, the money would not go into the U.S. Treasury but would become available for other states to use for their election administration. In fact, \$1.2 million of new HAVA money is now available to North Carolina because of unused funds by other states.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Gates County Board of Commissioners urge our legislative leaders to appropriate the remaining \$664,000 that will unfreeze the \$4.1 million in Title II funds which should then be used to fund the annual maintenance fee for election equipment in the 100 counties of North Carolina.

**ADOPTED** this 2nd day of May, 2012.

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Graham L. Twine, Chairman  
Gates County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Diane R. Hendrix, Clerk to the Board

Mr. Chappell discussed and presented the 2012-2013 Proposed Annual Budget. The budget proposes the tax rate remain at \$.64 per \$100 of evaluation; the school system receive their 2011-2012 funding level of \$2,592,079 plus \$100,000; employees being eligible for up to a 2% merit increase and not to use unreserved fund balance as a mechanism to balance the budget.

Commissioner Jordan presented a Resolution in Support of the North Carolina Marriage Protection Amendment.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion the Board support the Resolution in Support of the North Carolina Marriage Protection Amendment as amended. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

The Resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE  
NC MARRIAGE PROTECTION AMENDMENT**

**WHEREAS**, marriage as the union of one man and one woman has served as the foundation of our society since before North Carolina was a state;

**WHEREAS**, marriage, is not merely a private contract, but a social institution of great public value and concern, benefitting the married couple, their children, our economy, and the State as a whole;

**WHEREAS**, attempts by politicians and a lawsuit to redefine marriage are currently underway in NC which might result in the re-definition of marriage to make it genderless;

**WHEREAS**, the NC Marriage Protection Amendment simply allows voters to protect our state's current definition of marriage as the union of one man and one woman by putting it into the Constitution;

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is the only state in the South that has not protected marriage in its constitution, even though every state that has allowed the people to vote, 30 in all, has protected marriage in their state constitutions as the union of one man and one woman;

**WHEREAS**, The Marriage Protection Amendment reads, "*Marriage between one man and one woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this*

*State. This section does not prohibit a private party from entering into contracts with another private party; nor does this section prohibit courts from adjudicating the rights of private parties pursuant to such contracts”;*

**WHEREAS**, the Gates County Board of Commissioners encourages the people of Gates County and North Carolina to voice their opinion by exercising their right to vote on May 8, 2012;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Gates County Board of Commissioners endorses the Marriage Protection Amendment to the North Carolina Constitution which states that the only domestic legal union that is valid or recognized in North Carolina is marriage between one man and one woman; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Gates County Board of Commissioners encourages voter participation on this important issue to be voted upon on May 8, 2012.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2012.

ATTEST

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Graham Twine, Chairman

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Diane R. Hendrix, Clerk

**Citizens' Comments**

Anthony Felton, Eure, stated he thought the Chamber of Commerce sponsored political forum went very well. Someone made the statement during the forum “No one wants a library.” He does want a library. He also stated political signs are still being defaced.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to recess until 2:00 p.m. today. Commissioner Hora seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Check #	Vendor	Check Date	Amount
16193	ALBEMARLE HOPELINE	04/05/2012	495.00
16194	FIRST CITIZENS BANK	04/05/2012	12.00
16195	LFM PROPERTIES, LLC	04/05/2012	587.42
16196	PARKER PHYLLIS A.	04/05/2012	21.65
16197	REDITEST	04/05/2012	18.00
16198	RESCARE HOME CARE	04/05/2012	446.40
16199	SMITHSON CONNIE	04/05/2012	48.30
16200	SOUTHERN BANK & TRUST CO	04/05/2012	16.00
16201	TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTION	04/05/2012	223.71
16202	WILLIAMS DOMINIQUE	04/05/2012	22.20
16203	AFLAC	04/05/2012	1,895.39
16204	ASSURANT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	04/05/2012	2,707.65
16205	BRINKLEY HARDWARE	04/05/2012	8.64
16206	CARSEY MICHAEL CHASE	04/05/2012	1,200.00
16207	CENTURYLINK	04/05/2012	4,158.99
16208	CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT	04/05/2012	450.00
16209	COLONIAL LIFE	04/05/2012	1,175.80
16210	CROSSROADS FUEL	04/05/2012	272.74
16211	EAST COAST CANINE INC	04/05/2012	40.00
16212	FAMILY FOODS OF GATES	04/05/2012	23.62
16213	GATES CO BOARD OF EDUCATI	04/05/2012	2,360.31
16214	HERTFORD CO DETENTION CEN	04/05/2012	2,015.00
16215	JETHRO MORGAN C.	04/05/2012	20.96
16216	MARTIN STARNES & ASSOC. CPA, P.A.	04/05/2012	11,750.00
16217	NC CHILD SUPPORT	04/05/2012	317.00
16218	NC DEPT OF ADMIN – COURIE	04/05/2012	90.00
16219	NC DEPT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	04/05/2012	493.35
16220	NC DEPT OF REVENUE	04/05/2012	945.00
16221	NC DEPT OF REVENUE	04/05/2012	277.23

16222	NC DHHS OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER	04/05/2012	15.00
16223	NC LICENSING BD FOR GEN C	04/05/2012	27.00
16224	NC STATE BUREAU OF INVEST	04/05/2012	790.00
16225	OWENS GLADYS	04/05/2012	298.60
16226	REG OF DEEDS SUPP PENSION	04/05/2012	66.88
16227	ROANOKE-CHOWAN PUBLISHING	04/05/2012	1,478.60
16228	SOUTHEASTERN CABLE PRODUC	04/05/2012	919.77
16229	SOUTHERN BANK	04/05/2012	1,923.85
16230	SUPERIOR VISION	04/05/2012	327.72
16231	TOMAHAWK LIVE TRAP CO	04/05/2012	219.01
16232	TOWN OF GATESVILLE WATER	04/05/2012	231.50
16233	XEROX CORPORATION	04/05/2012	80.00
16234	APPLE TREE LEARNING CENTER	04/11/2012	559.00
16235	BROTHERS DIANN T.	04/11/2012	6,828.90
16236	C&N BASIC LEARNING	04/11/2012	239.25
16237	CATHEDRAL KIDDIE CAMPUS	04/11/2012	168.00
16238	COUNTRYSIDE CARE	04/11/2012	260.00
16239	FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD	04/11/2012	370.00
16240	GATES CO BOARD OF EDUCATI	04/11/2012	1,791.60
16241	HOWELL JOANN	04/11/2012	1,641.30
16242	JOHNSON MARY L.	04/11/2012	1,717.00
16243	LASSITER SHERRY	04/11/2012	681.00
16244	LASSITER SHVONE R.	04/11/2012	1,616.90
16245	MARY'S LITTLE LAMBS D/CARE LRNG CNTR.	04/11/2012	5,385.25
16246	RIDDICK CRYSTAL	04/11/2012	1,783.40
16247	SPIVEY THERESA M.	04/11/2012	1,280.00
16248	TANYA'S LOVING WITH LRNG CNTR.	04/11/2012	1,312.70
16249	WYNN VALERIE H.	04/11/2012	165.20
16250	ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HEALTH	04/11/2012	10,000.00
16251	GATES CO BD OF EDUC/CAP O	04/11/2012	5,000.00
16252	GATES CO BOARD OF EDUCATI	04/11/2012	214,000.00
16253	ALBEMARLE DISTRICT JAIL	04/13/2012	1,210.00
16254	BRINKLEY HARDWARE	04/13/2012	726.81
16255	BRITT WILLIAM J.	04/13/2012	289.40
16256	CROSSROADS FUEL	04/13/2012	938.25
16257	DIXIE AUTO PARTS	04/13/2012	4,270.96
16258	DOMINION NC POWER	04/13/2012	7,916.38
16259	GATES CO WATER DEPT.	04/13/2012	67.50
16260	GRIMES SHIRLEY	04/13/2012	183.63
16261	HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS LTD	04/13/2012	1,548.13
16262	JOHNSON CLYTIA	04/13/2012	202.08
16263	MILLER WILLIAM DWAYNE	04/13/2012	1,375.00
16264	PARKER PHYLLIS A.	04/13/2012	45.51
16265	PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS	04/13/2012	894.06
16266	ROANOKE ELEC MEMBERSHIP C	04/13/2012	1,329.34
16267	US CELLULAR	04/13/2012	2,261.49
16268	BAUM MARY K.	04/20/2012	48.94
16269	BOONE SHERRY	04/20/2012	79.96
16270	COUNTY MARKET	04/20/2012	108.00
16271	E/Z PAGE	04/20/2012	11.95
16272	NATIONWIDE TESTING ASSOC	04/20/2012	75.90
16273	PURCHASE POWER	04/20/2012	300.00
16274	ROANOKE CHOWAN SAFE	04/20/2012	1,000.00
16275	ROANOKE ELEC MEMBERSHIP C	04/20/2012	2,162.45
16276	SMITHSON CONNIE	04/20/2012	69.38
16277	UMPHLETT SHANNON	04/20/2012	23.13
16278	WILLIAMS DOMINIQUE	04/20/2012	19.98
16279	ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HEALTH	04/20/2012	56,916.60
16280	ALBEMARLE REGIONAL LIBRAR	04/20/2012	92,325.00
16281	ATLAS GEOGRAPHIC DATA INC	04/20/2012	7,000.00
16282	BRODY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	04/20/2012	300.00
16283	CASH CYCLE SOLUTIONS, INC.	04/20/2012	2,209.24
16284	CAVANAUGH & ASSOCIATES, P.A.	04/20/2012	1,652.00
16285	CHOWAN COUNTY	04/20/2012	13,200.00
16286	CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT	04/20/2012	600.00
16287	CLINICAL SOLUTIONS	04/20/2012	41.88

16288	COECO OFFICE SYSTEMS	04/20/2012	9.27
16289	COSTEN BRENDA	04/20/2012	25.00
16290	DARRINGTON WAYNE	04/20/2012	220.84
16291	E/Z PAGE	04/20/2012	160.38
16292	EAST CAROLINA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	04/20/2012	37,734.00
16293	ENVIRONMENT I INC	04/20/2012	209.00
16294	FELTON HENRY J.	04/20/2012	76.53
16295	G. P. KITTRELL & SON, INC	04/20/2012	22.42
16296	GATES CO ANIMAL CLINIC	04/20/2012	103.39
16297	GODWIN LAW FIRM	04/20/2012	175.00
16298	GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORP	04/20/2012	411.68
16299	HARRELL SHARON G.	04/20/2012	73.39
16300	HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS LTD	04/20/2012	231.08
16301	LAWRENCE JR WATSON	04/20/2012	25.00
16302	LEXISNEXIS	04/20/2012	100.00
16303	LIGHT-N-UP, LLC	04/20/2012	266.88
16304	LS3P ASSOCIATES LTD	04/20/2012	1,200.00
16305	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC	04/20/2012	5,982.78
16306	NC FOREST SERVICE	04/20/2012	3,765.98
16307	NC STATE BUREAU OF INVEST	04/20/2012	9,570.00
16308	PAGEANTRY UNLIMITED, INC	04/20/2012	47.00
16309	PITNEY BOWES	04/20/2012	139.29
16310	PITTMAN SANDRA L.	04/20/2012	93.71
16311	PURCHASE POWER	04/20/2012	490.00
16312	QUILL CORP.	04/20/2012	905.36
16313	ROANOKE-CHOWAN PUBLISHING	04/20/2012	135.00
16314	SCOTT JOHN MICHEAL	04/20/2012	2,500.00
16315	SEARS JAMES H.	04/20/2012	25.00
16316	TAYLOR JR. KENNETH E.	04/20/2012	75.00
16317	WASTE INDUSTRIES INC	04/20/2012	297.21
16318	WATER GUARD, INC	04/20/2012	884.67
16319	WOMBLE GENERATOR SERVICE	04/20/2012	368.22
16320	XEROX CORPORATION	04/20/2012	80.00
16321	BASS JANET S.	04/23/2012	2.80
16322	CARTER MARY M.	04/23/2012	20.30
16323	FREEMAN, III JOSEPH R.	04/23/2012	60.50
16324	GATLING, III WILLIAM	04/23/2012	3.49
16325	MCCARLEY THALIA M.	04/23/2012	3.39
16326	NOWELL WALTER	04/23/2012	153.01
16327	PARKER III GEORGE A.	04/23/2012	147.00
16328	RAY RICHARD G.	04/23/2012	4.92
16329	SMITH WENDY Y.	04/23/2012	55.82
16330	ALBEMARLE HOPELINE	04/27/2012	330.00
16331	ARLINE CONSTANCE P.	04/27/2012	23.24
16332	GATES COUNTY HOUSING COMMITTEE	04/27/2012	4,048.04
16333	HORA JOHNNY M.	04/27/2012	77.78
16334	IMAGING SPECIALTIES USA INC	04/27/2012	897.24
16335	JENKINS CRYSTAL	04/27/2012	128.21
16336	JORDAN HENRY L.	04/27/2012	86.66
16337	LEWIS MARIE E.	04/27/2012	91.84
16338	NICKENS SANDRA	04/27/2012	76.11
16339	PRESLEY REV BILLY	04/27/2012	93.33
16340	ROANOKE ELEC MEMBERSHIP C	04/27/2012	2,051.16
16341	SPIVEY FANNIE M.	04/27/2012	78.33
16342	YOUNG WILLIAMS P.C.	04/27/2012	9,192.58
16343	ALBEMARLE COMMISSION	04/27/2012	6,850.00
16344	BRAME SPECIALTY CO.	04/27/2012	1,568.02
16345	BRINKLEY HARDWARE	04/27/2012	15.87
16346	BROTHERS CHARLES H.	04/27/2012	50.00
16347	CINTAS CORP #391	04/27/2012	330.79
16348	COLLINS WILLIAM	04/27/2012	600.00
16349	CROSSROADS FUEL	04/27/2012	1,205.59
16350	DANIELS WESLEY R.	04/27/2012	8.73
16351	ELLIS SWAMP DRAINAGE DIST	04/27/2012	921.35
16352	EURE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPAR	04/27/2012	10,834.50
16353	FOOD LION	04/27/2012	126.68

16354	GATES CO BOARD OF EDUCATI	04/27/2012	2,548.83
16355	GATES VOL FIRE DEPARTMENT	04/27/2012	10,834.50
16356	GATESVILLE VOL FIRE DEPAR	04/27/2012	10,834.50
16357	GODWIN LAW FIRM	04/27/2012	1,262.50
16358	GRANT JOHNNY LEE	04/27/2012	410.00
16359	GREENE RACHAEL	04/27/2012	27.38
16360	GREENE, JR JOSEPH H.	04/27/2012	50.00
16361	HARRISON ANTHONY	04/27/2012	670.00
16362	HAWKINS GRAHAM M.	04/27/2012	24.29
16363	HOBBS WENDELL L.	04/27/2012	50.00
16364	HOBBSVILLE DRAINAGE DIST	04/27/2012	667.20
16365	HOBBSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE	04/27/2012	10,834.50
16366	HOFLER LINDA	04/27/2012	50.00
16367	HOLLEY REBA G.	04/27/2012	6.60
16368	HOLLOWELL JENNIFER L.	04/27/2012	3.49
16369	HOLLY GROVE DRAINAGE #1	04/27/2012	438.62
16370	LANE RITA	04/27/2012	50.00
16371	LANG DANIEL W.	04/27/2012	50.00
16372	LANGSTON THOMAS	04/27/2012	50.00
16373	MORRIS JOHN L.	04/27/2012	15.23
16374	NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL SUPPLY SERVICE	04/27/2012	121.15
16375	NC CHILD SUPPORT	04/27/2012	317.00
16376	NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE	04/27/2012	377.26
16377	NC FOREST SERVICE	04/27/2012	5,131.48
16378	NCNEOA	04/27/2012	300.00
16379	NOWELL WALTER	04/27/2012	80.54
16380	OFFICE EQUIPMENT FINANCE SERVICES	04/27/2012	129.17
16381	QUILL CORP.	04/27/2012	237.83
16382	SOUTHERN BANK & TRUST CO	04/27/2012	48.00
16383	STATE INFORMATION PROC SE	04/27/2012	629.24
16384	SUNBURY FIRE DEPT STATION	04/27/2012	10,834.50
16385	SUNBURY FIRE DEPT STATION – CORAPEAKE	04/27/2012	9,559.86
16386	THOMPSON & PUREAZ PA	04/27/2012	20.00
16387	TOWN OF GATESVILLE	04/27/2012	12,762.99
16388	WATER GUARD, INC	04/27/2012	1,008.79
101423	HORA, JOHNNY M	4/30/2012	640.14
101424	MORRIS, BETTY	4/30/2012	1,441.81
101425	PLYLER, PATSY O	4/30/2012	393.60
101426	HORTON, MARY C	4/30/2012	1,270.20
101427	HOLLOWELL, JAMES	4/30/2012	797.20
101428	PERRONE, WILLIAM	4/30/2012	995.68
101429	RIDDICK, ESTHER	4/30/2012	649.75
101430	SPIVEY, JOHN L	4/30/2012	571.81
101431	LOWE, MATTHEW R	4/30/2012	1,874.66
101432	METZ, KIMBERLY J	4/30/2012	1,781.49
101433	PARKER, BRIAN C	4/30/2012	1,762.05
101434	STALLS, CHARLIE	4/30/2012	2,029.86
ACH	HARRELL, SHARON G.	4/30/2012	2,867.48
ACH	WILSON, PATSY M.	4/30/2012	1,493.47
ACH	MCGINNIS, RENEE' H.	4/30/2012	3,189.05
ACH	ROUNTREE, SANDRA W	4/30/2012	1,824.43
ACH	WESTER, PAMELA A	4/30/2012	1,906.63
ACH	BAUM, MARY K	4/30/2012	1,518.79
ACH	CROSS JR., EDWARD A	4/30/2012	1,546.45
ACH	HOLLEY, ANTOINETTE P	4/30/2012	3,055.99
ACH	PIERCE, GRACIE P	4/30/2012	1,598.39
ACH	POWELL, RHONDA B	4/30/2012	1,491.99
ACH	WEBB, EDWARD E	4/30/2012	3,429.61
ACH	POWELL, DANIEL S	4/30/2012	1,697.77
ACH	PARKER, GLYNDA S	4/30/2012	2,077.64
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ACH	REID, LINDA J	4/30/2012	645.01
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ACH	BRODIE, GEORGE S	4/30/2012	596.30
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ACH	PITTMAN, SANDRA L	4/30/2012	2,787.34
ACH	HEDGEPEETH, TIMOTHY M	4/30/2012	3,360.06
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ACH	JERNIGAN, KENNETH	4/30/2012	636.93
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ACH	DREWYOR, CHRISTINA M.	4/30/2012	428.39
ACH	BOONE, KELI N.	4/30/2012	1,376.55
ACH	TWINE, GRAHAM	4/30/2012	530.26
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ACH	WILLIAMS, DOMINIQUE D.	4/30/2012	2,185.14
ACH	JETHRO, MORGAN C	4/30/2012	2,895.97
ACH	HARVEY, RUTH M.	4/30/2012	1,707.82
ACH	WIGGINS, JOHN J	4/30/2012	711.69
ACH	WINSLOW, GARRETT W	4/30/2012	1,870.63
ACH	JOHNSON, CLYTIA A	4/30/2012	1,725.90
ACH	BOONE, MURRAY D	4/30/2012	722.66
ACH	RIDDICK, WILLIAM NATHA	4/30/2012	1,280.70
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ACH	UMPHLETT, SHANNON L	4/30/2012	1,726.06
ACH	OWENS, MICHAEL C.	4/30/2012	636.93
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ACH	DARRINGTON, WAYNE H.	4/30/2012	686.94
ACH	BOONE, WESLEY J.	4/30/2012	721.80
ACH	HOLLEY, GUY R.	4/30/2012	456.19
ACH	WEISS, HERMAN A.	4/30/2012	1,008.94
ACH	SMITH, DEBRA E.	4/30/2012	770.60
ACH	HOWELL, LLOYD T.	4/30/2012	490.12
ACH	FREEMAN III, JOSEPH R	4/30/2012	1,262.18
ACH	JONES, DARLENE L	4/30/2012	2,406.25
ACH	EURE, BILLIE JO	4/30/2012	1,493.08
ACH	LASSITER, LISA B	4/30/2012	727.10

**JOINT WORK SESSION WITH  
THE GATES COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
MAY 2, 2012**

The Gates County Board of Commissioners reconvened at 2:00 p.m., May 2 from their Regular Meeting on the same date. Commissioners Twine, Jordan, Hora, Owens and Jernigan were present. Planning Board members present were Joe Greene, Dan Lang, Linda Hofler, Rita Lane and Chuck Brothers. Also present was County Manager, Toby Chappell and Planning Director, Morgan Jethro. The purpose of the joint work session was to discuss the Proposed Landscaping Ordinance.

Commissioner Jordan stated in reviewing the current Planning and Zoning Ordinances there is already a landscaping ordinance. He feels the current ordinance needs to be amended rather than adopt a new ordinance.

After discussion it was decided the plant listing be removed, have a statement the plants to used be conducive to the coastal plan area and the plant listing to be consulted will be located in the County Planner's office.

A four (4) member committee was formed to put together a document that contains all landscaping requirements in one subsection. The members of the committee are Commissioners Jordan and Owens and Planning Board members Joe Greene and Chuck Brothers and County Planner, Morgan Jethro.

Chairman Twine and Planning Board Chairperson, Linda Hofler directed the committee to pull landscaping directives out of the existing zoning ordinance and compile a landscaping subsection to be completed in sixty (60) days. Ms. Jethro will coordinate all meetings.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to recess until 2:00 p.m., May 10, 2010. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion, motion carried without opposition.

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW**

**April 30, 2012**

The Gates County Board of Commissioners convened as the Board of Equalization and Review at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Room, April 30, 2012.

Those present were Chairperson Graham Twine, Kenneth Jernigan, John Hora, Henry Jordan and Tax Administrator Renée McGinnis.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Twine and opened with prayer by Mr. Jordan.

Clerk to the County Board of Commissioners Diane Hendrix administered oaths.

The following appellants appeared before the Board:

Mr. Steven Cluett appealed the value on his parcel located on Equestrian Lane and identified by PIN 10-01380. Mr. Cluett's concern was the value of the home. The grade on the home was a B+10. It was noted that eight homes are located in this subdivision and the majority of the homes are in a C+10 grade. All of the homes within the subdivision were built by the same contractor. Following some discussion and reviewing all homes located in the subdivision, Commissioner Jernigan moved to list all homes located in the subdivision at a C+10 grade. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hora and unanimously approved by the Board.

Richard and Shirley Jernigan appeared before the Board to discuss values on the following parcels:

03-00507 (746 US 13 North) – After review of the value by the Board, Mrs. McGinnis was asked to review the landscape quality of surrounding lots.

01-00137 (811 Court Street) – The Board asked that Mrs. McGinnis visit the property to review the outbuildings.

03-01357 (Jernigan Home place on Jernigan Lane) – Following some discussion the Board agreed to lower the value on the old home from 6,027 to 1,000 and to put the value of the barn and garage at zero because of the condition.

Mr. Mike Hawkins presented an appeal on his property located at 109 Muddy Cross Road and identified by PIN 06-01226. The home on the property was built in 1919. The only upgrades to the home had been central heat and air. Mr. Hawkins stated after having no luck with a realty company he placed a sign in the yard offering the property for \$45,000. Mr. Hawkins has recently entered into a rent to own agreement with a sale price of \$55,000. Following some discussion the Board decided to change the condition of the home from fair/average to poor.

Mr. Donald St. John appeared before the Board to discuss the value of his property located at 29 Adam Loop Road and identified by PIN 05-01225. Mr. St. John stated that approximately 3 to 4 acres centrally located on his property were swamp. He is unable to utilize the property and it keeps him from utilizing the back acreage of his property. The code for the road the property is situated on needs to be corrected from (02) dirt road to (03) private road. The Board asked that Mrs. McGinnis review the landscape code on other properties in the area.

Mr. Michael Day appeared before the Board to discuss the tax value of his property versus his cost in January 2011. Mr. Day's property is located at 82 Willeyton Road and identified by PIN 10-02593. Mr. Day stated that he understood the tax value was going to be more than what he paid due to the change in the market since the 2009 revaluation; however, he felt the current value was still high due to the nearby neighborhood. The Board discussed changing the condition of the home from good to average and asked Mrs. McGinnis to review the building site index of surrounding properties.

Mr. William Rountree appealed the value of the following properties to the Board:

10-01136 (750 US 158 West) – The road code needs to be corrected from (02) dirt road to (03) private road.

04-00539 (240 Drum Hill Road) – The Board asked Mrs. McGinnis to review the out buildings on the property.

07-00983 (2084 NC 37 South) – The Board asked Mrs. McGinnis to review the schedules for double wide homes and to review the value of double wide homes in the area.

07-01009 (178 Rountree Lane) – Mrs. McGinnis was asked to review values of other double wide mobile homes in the area.

07-00941 (2085 NC 37 South) – The Board asked Mrs. McGinnis to review the value on the garage.

Mr. Charlie Everette appeared before the Board to appeal the value on a parcel located at 139 Burke Road, identified by PIN 07-00223. Mr. Everette presented the Board with an appraisal dated November 2009 for 85,000 and the current tax value is 100,696. In reviewing the record, it was noted the 1.22 acre parcel was listed as a 1.22 acre home site. This will be corrected to a one-acre home site with 0.22 residual acreage. Upon further discussion it was the decision of the Board to change the condition of the older section of the home to fair and leave the 2002 addition in average condition.

With no further appeals scheduled Commissioner Jernigan moved to adjourn and to reconvene as the Board of Equalization and Review May 21, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hora and unanimously approved.



Renée H. McGinnis  
Clerk

