

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 7:00 p.m. on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013, at the Cumberland County Circuit Court Room:

Present: William F. Osl, Jr., District 1  
Lloyd Banks, Jr., District 2, Vice-Chairman  
Kevin Ingle, District 3  
David Meinhard, District 4, Chairman  
Parker Wheeler, District 5  
Vivian Giles, County Administrator / Attorney  
Howard Paras, Finance Director  
Rachel Falkenstein, Planning Director  
Meghan Allen, Deputy Clerk

Absent: NONE

**1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Meinhard.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

On a motion by Supervisor Osl and carried the Board approved the Agenda as amended:

**6. Count Attorney/County Administrator Report**

e) Appointment to SVCC Board

**7. Finance Director's Report**

e) Appropriation of local receipts Cumberland County School

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

**3. Public Hearings**

a) CUP 11-05 Bodacious Motorsports Event

Rachel Falkenstein, Planning Director reviewed the Staff Report that was in the packet for the Board.

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing. There were ten (10) citizens signed up to speak. Their comments for the Board included: Numerous concerns from citizens who live near the Bodacious event about the road conditions, the safety of drivers due to reckless drivers, the noise from the event, and trash left on the roads. There were also numerous questions such as: what was the monetary benefit of the event, who paid VDOT to fix the roads, and were the conditions of the CUP going to be monitored. There were also some legal concerns mentioned to the Board. With no further comments for the Board the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Supervisor Osl questioned the legal concerns with the CUP.

County Attorney Vivian Giles stated this was the first she had heard of these issues and would look into it.

Supervisor Osl commented that he had met with citizens about this and was confused based on past conversations. Citizens were not less in favor of discontinuing the event than changing it. He stated that in the past couple of years the event has seemed to lose its way. It used to be a family event and now it is not that way. With previous permits the Board did not have control, but with the change in the permit

they now they do. He had spoken with the event owners and promoters and they are embarrassed by the reputation the event has currently and they want changes as well. But if the conditions in the CUP cannot be met then he will vote to shut it down.

Supervisor Banks commented that the people in District two (2) were not in favor of the event, along with members of the Sheriff's, Fire, and Rescue departments.

Supervisor Ingle commented that he has also spoken to citizens and also went to the Bodacious site. He could see both sides and would hate to turn down an event that generates funds for the Fire and Rescue. He stated that the owners of Bodacious were very much willing to work with neighbors and he was not pleased with the condition of the road either.

Supervisor Meinhard commented that he went to the site. and has talked to citizens and fellow Board members. His concerns with the event are that they need more regulations. He would consider approving the event for one time and would like to look into it further. He suggested that the speed limit be lowered on the road and he also had concerns with underage children being at the event.

Supervisor Wheeler commented that the Planning Commission had spent a lot of time working with the sponsors and trying to make the event safe. He suggested that if the event does not go well this weekend then the Board could get together to discuss it.

On a motion by Supervisor Osl and carried the Board approved CUP 11-05 Bodacious Motorsports Event for one (1) year.

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – nay  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – nay  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

**4.            Public Comments**

There were three (3) citizens signed up to speak. Their comments for the Board included: the Board doesn't care about the citizens, the county is poor and they have the highest paid teachers in the area; would like the tax rate to go down, there are many ways for the County to save money, instead of the County giving money to Patriot Day would like to see the dump open another day; and concern with the Bodacious event.

**5.            State and Local Department/Agencies**

a) VDOT

There was no representative present from VDOT

b) Dr. Amy Griffin Superintendent of Cumberland County Schools

Dr. Amy Griffin advised the Board that on March 31<sup>st</sup> the state determines how much they will fund based on the School's daily attendance average, they are only six (6) students under. Met with the student panel at all the schools to see what they thought they needed to learn by the year 2025 and most all the students knew. The schools have been applying for numerous grants. The Cumberland Public Schools Foundation raised \$11,462 on the 5K that money will go to providing scholarships and teacher grants. The Cartersville Garden Club received a \$1,250 grant to help with the research garden. Alex Baptist placed 7<sup>th</sup>

in the National JROTC Competition, Alexis Massey placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State Forensic Competition. The County placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Bus Rodeo. Three (3) employees received the SVRCT Tech Award. Six (6) students received their CAN License and twelve (12) students received their Microsoft Certifications. Elementary School held a showcase event; seven hundred ninety two (792) parents came out to support students. Cumberland is going to again be a Longwood lab school. VCU students will be conducting a study to see where the schools are on the Twenty-first Century Learning. The theater group will be doing the Wizard of Oz Friday and Saturday night. In collaboration with the Public Library the School will be holding a "Get off the Couch 5K" on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Prom is on April 27<sup>th</sup>, graduation is May 17<sup>th</sup> and the last day of school is May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Supervisor Osl commented that he wanted to thank Dr. Griffin for advocating for the Schools.

- c) Mr. James Dayton, Assistant Manager Bear Creek Lake State Park

There was no representative present from Bear Creek Lake State Park.

- d) Alliance Autogas

A representative from the Company reviewed a Power Point Presentation for the Board(Copy of presentation in Official Board File)

6. County Attorney/County Administrator Report

a) Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Supervisor Osl and carried the Board approved

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

b) Adoption of FY 2013 Tax Rates

County Administrator Vivian Giles advised the Board that the proposed tax rates were the same as last year.

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried the Board approved FY 2013 Tax Rates.

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

c) Adoption of FY 2013-14 Budget

County Administrator Vivian Giles reviewed the proposed FY 2013-14 Budget with the Board.

Supervisor Ingle questioned if Randolph Volunteer fire Department would be receiving funding for the payment of their new truck.

Ms. Giles stated that money for that was not in the budget for the CIP, they are getting the same amount of funding that they used to operate last year but none for the CIP.

Supervisor Osl stated that Meals on Wheels would not need the money that was budgeted for them, so he suggested the money from that be moved to fund S.T.E.P.S. and Piedmont Area Transit.

Supervisor Osl moved to relocate funds not being used by Meals on Wheels to Piedmont Area Transit and S.T.E.P.S.

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – nay  
Mr. Ingle – nay                      Mr. Meinhard – nay  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

Supervisor Wheeler moved not to approve the budget as presented.

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – nay  
Mr. Ingle – nay                      Mr. Meinhard – nay  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

On a motion by Supervisor Ingle and carried the Board approved to move \$11,820 from Meals on Wheels to Randolph Fire Department CIP.

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

On a motion by Supervisor Meinhard and carried the Board adopted the Budget as advertised and as amended to move the \$11,820 from Meals on Wheels to the CIP for the Randolph Fire Department Tanker payment.

Vote: Mr. Osl – nay                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – nay

Supervisor Osl commented that he opposed adoption of the budget because he had concerns with funding being eliminated, felt that it was anti-business

d) Adoption of 2013-14 – 2017-18 CIP

County Administrator Vivian Giles advised the Board that in the information provided in the packet was what the Planning Commission is recommending.

Supervisor Wheeler asked that the Planning Commission was recommending this but there was no money in the budget to fund it.

On a motion by Supervisor Meinhard and carried the Board approved

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

e) Appointment to SVCC Board

After some discussion from the Board about the appointment it was suggested that the appointment be tabled until next month.

On a motion by Supervisor Meinhard and carried the Board approved to table the appointment to the SVCC Board until next month.

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – abstain  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

Supervisor Osl stepped out for a moment and was not present at the time of some of the votes

**7. Finance Director's Report**

a) Consent Agenda

1) Approval of Bills March 2013 and April 2013. Approved bills for April total \$106,267.85 Ratified bills for March warrants total \$292,665.92 with check numbers ranging from 65795-66016. Direct Deposits total \$153,758.02.

2) Monthly Budget Report

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried the Board approved the Consent Agenda

Vote: Mr. Osl – absent                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

b) Appropriation \$350.56 Building Inspections

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried the Board approved the appropriation of \$350.56 for the Building Inspections Department.

Vote: Mr. Osl – absent                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                              Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

c) Appropriation of \$50.15 Sheriff's Department

Finance Director Howard Paras advised the Board that a donation was made from a citizen to the Sheriff's Department for their Christmas program.

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried the Board approved the appropriation of \$50.15 for the Sheriff's Department.

Vote: Mr. Osl – absent                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                              Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

d) Appropriation of \$3,200 Utilities Department

Mr. Paras advised the Board that this money was from insurance recoveries for a broken pump. He stated that this amount was only half; they should be receiving the rest soon.

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried the Board approved the appropriation of \$3,200 for the Utilities Department.

Vote: Mr. Osl – absent                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                              Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

The Board discussed briefly their issues and concerns with Piedmont Regional Jail funding.

- e) Appropriation of local receipts to Cumberland County Schools

On a motion by Supervisor Osl and carried the Board approved

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – aye                      Mr. Meinhard – aye  
Mr. Wheeler – aye

**8. Planning Director’s Report**

- a) Update on Planning Commission Activities

Rachel Falkenstein Planning Director advised the board that the Planning Commission is recommending they hold a joint work session with the Board to discuss the Comprehensive Plan. They would like to hold the meeting May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

- b) County Project update

Rachel Falkenstein Planning Director advised the board that the list of project updates was in the packet and to let her know if they had any questions.

Supervisor Ingle asked about the status of the Buggs Island Wireless.

Ms. Falkenstein stated that she has not been able to get in contact with them and there may be some opportunity for other providers.

Ms. Giles commented that they were addressing some Federal Government issues.

9. **Public Comments (Part 2)**

There were three (3) citizens signed up to speak, their comments for the Board included: the County needed to do more to bring business in, and suggested a hotel or conference center; A request for Supervisor Wheeler to be removed from all Boards; and for the Board to take all the questions that were asked to them about Bodatious and ask the same about the School.

Supervisor Banks motioned and failed that Supervisor Meinhard take the place of Supervisor Wheeler on the Piedmont Regional Jail Board.

Vote: Mr. Osl – nay                      Mr. Banks – aye  
Mr. Ingle – nay                      Mr. Meinhard – abstain  
Mr. Wheeler – nay

10. **Board Member Comments**

Supervisor Ingle commented that he wanted to thank everyone for coming out. He stated that the comment that was made that the Board didn't listen to the people who came to speak, that they were only a small percent of people that he actually spoke to. The CUP was put into place to help control the Bodatious event. He wanted to thank Ms. Falkenstein and the Planning Commission for all their hard work on the event. He also commented that money does need to be invested into the school but right now funding is limited. He stated he appreciated all the hard work that the School staff and Dr. Griffin are doing.

Supervisor Osl commented that any concerns people have with school they he hoped they were going to the School Board meetings and letting them know as well. He also commented that they can't vote solely on what the people that showed up to the meetings said, they have to go by everyone. He stated that most of the people he spoke to wanted to work with Bodatious not shut it down.

Supervisor Banks commented that the County is in debt and the County needs to wake up.

Supervisor Meinhard commented that he recalculated the budget figures and the revenue from personal property and real estate taxes, 90% of that revenue goes to the schools and debt services.

**11. Additional Information**

- a) Treasurer's Report
- b) DMV Report
- c) Building Inspections Report

**12. Adjourn - Regular monthly meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

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David Meinhard, Chairman

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Vivian Giles, County Administrator