

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE RUTHERFORD COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING ROOM ON DECEMBER 21, 2009 AT 8:00 A.M.

**PRESENT: CHAIRMAN BRENT WASHBURN
VICE CHAIRMAN MARGARET HELTON
SUSAN CROWE
EDDIE HOLLAND
PAUL MCINTOSH**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Washburn called the meeting to order.

AGENDA

Chairman Washburn presented the agenda for the meeting.

- Public hearing – incentive agreement for unnamed industry
- PANGAEA Contract
- Budget Amendment

Commissioner McIntosh made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. There was a unanimous vote of approval.

PUBLIC HEARING\INDUSTRIAL INCENTIVE GRANTRIVER TEXTILE SERVICES, INC.

Chairman Washburn opened the public hearing to listen to comments regarding the granting of an industrial development grant to a new company pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 158-7.1 in the total amount of \$100,000 or more spread over 5 years, depending upon the amounts of capital improvements and jobs created in the initial two years of the operation of the facility in Rutherford County. The company commits to invest at least \$3,000,000 and to create at least 40 jobs prior to the end of the calendar year 2011.

Economic Development Commission Director Tom Johnson told the Board that the proposed incentive grant for River Textiles, Inc. is for 90% of property taxes paid for five years. He introduced Mr. George Forenz of River Textiles.

Mr. Forenz said his company which will provide health care textiles services will create approximately 40 jobs and increase this number to 55 in the first year of operation.

Mr. Johnson also told the Board that an application has been made for a Rural Center grant in the amount of \$480,000 which is based on jobs. If jobs are not created, it will be the responsibility of the owners of the property to repay the grant.

Mr. Duncan Edwards asked several questions regarding the project to which Mr. Johnson and Mr. Forenz responded.

At 8:14 A.M. Chairman Washburn declared the public hearing to be closed.

Commissioner Crowe moved the approval of the incentive agreement. There was a unanimous vote of approval.

PANGAEA/CONTRACT

County Manager John Condrey told the Board that the proposed contract between PANGAEA and Rutherford County scheduled to be discussed at this meeting would be included on the January regular meeting agenda.

BUDGET AMENDMENT/AIRPORT

Chairman of the Airport Authority Alan Guffey presented a budget amendment for the Board's consideration that would extend the FBO transition period through March 31, 2010.

Vice Chairman Helton questioned the extended time. Chairman Guffey said the initial request had been for a short term resolution. It is possible that an agreement may be reached shortly with a potential candidate for fixed base operator.

Commissioner McIntosh moved the approval of the budget amendment. The vote was:

Ayes: Commissioners Washburn, Holland, and McIntosh.

Noes: Commissioners Helton and Crowe

Revenues

Fuel Sales	\$64,650
Hangar Rent/Tie Downs	3,000
Total Revenues	\$67,650

Expenses

Fuel Purchases	\$51,000	9000 g jet a @\$2.75, 7000 g 11 at \$3.75
Part Time Salaries	15,045	(through March 31)
Maintenance to Equipment	105	(credit card machine)
Utilities	1,200	increased for wireless internet
Services – GDS	300	
Total Expenses	\$67,650	

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Washburn declared the meeting to be adjourned.

8:23 A.M. - Adjourned.

Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Vice Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Clerk, Board of Commissioners