

MINUTES

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HENDERSON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 6, 1997

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners met for a continuation of the regularly scheduled meeting of November 3, 1997 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Henderson County Office Building.

Those present were: Chairman Robert D. Eklund, Vice-Chairman Grady Hawkins, Commissioner Vollie G. Good, Commissioner Renee Kumor, Commissioner Don Ward, Assistant County Manager/Staff Attorney Angela M. Skerrett, Assistant Staff Attorney Jennifer O. Jackson, and Clerk to the Board Elizabeth W. Corn.

Absent was: County Manager David E. Nicholson.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chairman Eklund called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Review/Approval of Minutes

Minutes were presented for the Board's review of the September 17, 1997 meeting. Commissioner Kumor made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Countywide Ordinance to Regulate Communications Towers in Henderson County

Jennifer Jackson reviewed with the Board AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE PLACEMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS IN HENDERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA. She particularly reviewed the summary of the Ordinance and requested the Board set a Public Hearing on this Ordinance. Ms. Jackson answered questions from the Board.

Ms. Jackson had served as staff person on the Communications Tower Task Force. She briefly reviewed a report from that Task Force. This Ordinance was drafted as a result of the Task Force review and meetings.

It was the consensus of the Board to extend the moratorium which expires December 5, 1997.

Commissioner Kumor made the motion that on December 1 the Board hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. to extend the moratorium for 90 days. Commissioner Good seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

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The Planning Board has set a special called meeting on November 18 to receive the draft Ordinance. They will consider setting a work session.

Commissioner Good made the motion to adopt a Special Order setting a Public Hearing on the Countywide Telecommunications Towers Ordinance for December 8, 1997 at 7:00 p.m., a special called meeting. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Commissioner Hawkins made the motion to send the proposed draft of the Countywide Telecommunications Towers Ordinance to the Planning Board for comment and recommendation, and require that the Planning Board submit it's comments back to the Board of Commissioners no later than December 1, 1997. In the event the Planning Board does not submit it's comments by that date, the proposed draft will be deemed to have been given a favorable recommendation. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Commissioner Ward made the motion to direct staff to prepare proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments to regulate the placement of towers in the zoned areas based upon the task force's report, and to submit them to the Planning Board no later than November 18, 1997. The Board of Commissioners further directed the Planning Board to review the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance upon receipt from staff, and respond to the Board of Commissioners no later than the Board's first regular meeting in January, January 5, 1998. In the event this time frame is not met, the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments would be deemed to have been given a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

CABLEVISION

Staff had told the Board that perhaps Cablevision would be on the agenda but they have agreed to an extension of the time to review until November 19 so this item will be on the November 19 agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Hawkins made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:52 p.m. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Attest:


Elizabeth W. Corn, Clerk


Robert D. Eklund, Chairman