The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on September 11, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners’ Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro; North Carolina.

PRESENT: Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston; Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioners Bill Bencini, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Coleman, Bruce Davis, Paul Gibson, John Parks, Kirk Perkins, Mike Winstead, Billy Yow.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Brenda Fox, County Manager; Sharisse Fuller, Deputy County Manager/ Human Resources Director; Mark Payne, County Attorney; Effie Varitimidis, Clerk to Board; Crystal Maurer, Deputy Clerk to Board.

I. INVOCATION

Kevin Webb, minister, Love Fellowship Believers, Greensboro, provided the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

IV. PRESENTED PLAQUE TO GUILFORD COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES FROM THE COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF AMBULANCE SERVICES AWARD FOR FULL THREE YEARS ACCREDITATION

Alan Perdue, EMS Director, accepted the plaque on behalf of the department from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS)award for full three year re-accreditation on behalf of the department. He said the agency has fully met the CAAS Gold Standards for the Medical Transportation Industry also thanked his staff and the public for their confidence in them for excellence in the delivery of emergency medical services.
Commissioner Shaw thanked EMS staff, Firemen, Sheriff’s Department personnel and all law enforcement personnel in honor of 9-11. She then asked for a Moment of Silence in memory of those that lost their lives on 9-11 and recognized the need to fund the 9-11 Memorial in Pennsylvania where Sandy Bradshaw (Guilford County native) lost her life.

V. PRESENTED RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. JAMES "JIM" CALVIN JOHNSON

Chairman Alston read the resolution in honor of the life of Dr. James “Jim” Calvin Johnson. Dr. Johnson’s son accepted the resolution on behalf of the family and thanked the Board for the recognition.

VI. ACKNOWLEDGED MELVIN SUTTON, GUILFORD COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, AS NC BUILDING INSPECTOR OF THE YEAR

Betty Garrett, Guilford County Planning and Development Director recognized Melvin Sutton, 25 year Guilford County employee, for being recognized as North Carolina Building Inspector of the Year.

VII. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins recognized Lenny Williams, Mayor of Gibsonville.

Tom Boney, Jr., Publisher, The Alamance News, Post Office Box 431, Graham, spoke on the merits of discussing property acquisition, economic development, and a Closed Session concerning the Prison Farm located at 7315 Howerton Road. He expressed concern regarding the disposition of property. He urged the Board to abide by the law to identify property, the owner of the property, and the purpose for which the property acquisition is being considered before a Closed Session. He indicated that he provided the County Attorney a copy of a letter regarding strict compliance.

Chairman Alston said the Board will seek advice from the County Attorney on Mr. Boney’s concerns.

County Attorney Payne advised that the Board does not plan to discuss the sale of any property or disposition of property. He indicated that it is appropriate the Board enter into Closed Session for property acquisition. He said he will caution the Board that any economic development concern as part of an economic development package is confidential until the Board makes a decision to hold a public hearing.

Marcia Williams, Executive Director, Guilford County Animal Shelter, thanked the County Commissioners for their support of the United Animal Coalition in the operation of the Guilford County Animal Shelter. She highlighted several accomplishments of the United Animal Coalition such as: 2011 Shelter of the Year and low cost spay/neuter and wellness programs. She informed everyone that the Guilford County Animal Shelter is one of the top five adoption centers in the nation as recognized by Pet Smart. She said the Guilford County Animal Shelter is
number two on the list of the top ten emergency placement partners of 2011. She also indicated that they are beginning a food program and raising money for Suzie's Fund (which helps the animal shelter the ability to afford expensive treatments, long-term treatments & care for animals that come into the shelter from severe trauma, neglect and cruelty situations).

Commissioner Linda Shaw also recognized Marcia Williams for receiving the 2011 Shelter Director of the Year award.

Haley Braxton, Guilford County Animal Shelter volunteer, compared the euthanasia rates of several surrounding shelters and pointed out that the Guilford County Animal Shelter is the number one animal shelter in the state.

Roberta Wall, 7410 Fairhaven Road, Greensboro, spoke in support of the Guilford County Animal Shelter. She said she has participated in several puppy mill saves and thanked Marcia and her staff for doing an outstanding job at the animal shelter.

VIII. APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Alston asked if any Commissioners would like to remove any items from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. Chairman Alston pointed out revised attachments have been placed at their seats for agenda item VIII. A. 5.

Commissioner Davis asked to remove Item VIII. A. 5.

Motion was made by Commissioner John Parks and seconded by Commissioner Linda Shaw to approve the following consent agenda. The motion carried 11 to 0 on the following roll call vote:

VOTE: Motion carried 11 – 0
AYES: Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston; Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioners Bill Bencini, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Coleman, Bruce Davis, Paul Gibson, Linda Shaw, John Parks, Mike Winstead, Billy Yow.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. Approved increase to Public Health's FY 2013 budget by $42,942 (includes a reduction on appropriated Fund Balance of $19,558). NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED. Adult Services: $41,500

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

General Fund:
Increase Appropriation
Public Health $42,942
Increase Federal State Revenue  $41,500
Increase Other Revenue  $21,000
Decrease Appropriated Fund Balance  ($19,558)

2. Approved increase to Cooperative Extension's FY 2013 budget in the amount of $500 from NCSU Dept. of Horticulture Science. The grant is being used for purchasing supplies to continue "Growing Healthy Families School Gardens" at various Guilford County Schools. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

The following Budget Amendment was adopted:

General Fund:
Increase Appropriation to Cooperative Extension by $500

3. Approved increase to Cooperative Extension's FY 2013 budget to reflect the remaining balance of a 2011 grant in the amount of $5669 from High Point Community Foundation. The grant is being used for purchasing supplies to continue "Growing Healthy Families School Gardens" at various Guilford County Schools. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

General Fund:
Increase Appropriation to Cooperative Extension by $5,669
Increase Appropriated fund Balance by $5,669

4. a. Approved receipt of the 2012 Governor's Highway Safety Grants for the Law Enforcement Liaison Program in the amount of $20,000 and the Bike Safe Program in the amount of $71,460.
b. Increased the FY 2012-2013 Law Enforcement budget by $91,460 to reflect the appropriation of the 2012 Governor’s Highway Safety Program Grants. The Law Enforcement Liaison Program grant funds will be used for the region wide coordination of the Booze It/Lose It and Click It & Ticket campaigns. The Bike Safe Program grant funds will be used to purchase two (2) motorcycles and law enforcement equipment to assist in providing education for motorcyclist and increase enforcement of traffic laws. NO LOCAL MATCH IS REQUIRED. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

General Fund:
6. Approved the establishment of a capital project ordinance in the amount of $502,000 to initiate a Fire and EMS Paging Systems Narrowbanding Project. This project was included in the FY 2012-2021 Capital Investment Plan approved by the Board in November 2011. The Narrowbanding Project will help the county achieve compliance with a mandate from the Federal Communications Commission requiring that all VHF and UHF public safety licensees migrate to narrowband 12.5 kHz technology by January 1, 2013. The project will be funded from an appropriation of fund balance in the County Building Construction Fund.

The following Capital Project Ordinance Amendment was approved:

County Building Construction Fund:

Increase appropriation

Fire/EMS Paging systems Narrowbanding Capital Project $502,000

Increase Appropriated Fund Balance $502,000

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE FOR FIRE / EMS PAGING SYSTEMS NARROWBANDING PROJECT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners for Guilford County, North Carolina that for the following capital project ordinance for Guilford County is hereby adopted in accordance with G.S. 159-13.2:

SECTION 1. The following planned expenditure and associated revenue are hereby authorized and appropriated in connection with this project:

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SECTION 2. This project ordinance authorizes all appropriations necessary for the completion of this project and it need not be readopted in any subsequent fiscal year. The budget officer shall include in subsequent budgets information and appropriations for this project during the budget year.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be duly entered in the minutes of the Guilford County Board of Commissioners. Within five days after adoption, a copy hereof shall be filed with the Finance Director, Budget Director, and Clerk.

SECTION 4. This ordinance may be amended in any manner so long as it continues to fulfill the requirements of G.S. 159-13.2 and other applicable laws.

ADOPTED on first reading this September 11, 2012, in accordance with G.S. 159-17.

7. Approved increase to Law Enforcement's FY 2012-2013 budget in the amount of $62,232 to reflect Guilford County's appropriation of the 2012 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for the purpose of purchasing one (1) fully equipped Law Enforcement Services Support vehicle. Purchasing Department released Bid Event 320 for a (No Substitute Bid) for the purpose of receiving bids for the 2013 Ford F-150 Tactical Command Support Truck. The lowest responsible bid received was from Green Ford LLC in the amount of $37,408. NO LOCAL MATCH IS REQUIRED. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

General Fund:

Increase Appropriation Law Enforcement $62,332
Increase Federal/State (Justice Assistance Grant) $62,332

B. CONTRACTS

1. Approved a Sole Source contract for the purchase of undercover equipment for the HIDTA Task Force (High Intensity Drug Task Force), in the amount of $6,696, from Sur-Tec, Inc., 7945 Flint Street, Lenexa, Kansas, 66214. Grant funds will be used for this purchase. This equipment will be used by the task force to enhance their ability to conduct surveillance. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

2. Approved a Sole Source contract for the purchase of undercover equipment for the HIDTA Task Force (High Intensity Drug Task Force), in the amount of $4,059, from Cellebrite USA, Inc., 266 Harristown Road, Suite 105, Glen Rock, New Jersey, 07452. Grant funds will be used for this purchase. This equipment will be used by the task force to enhance their ability to conduct surveillance. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.
3. Approved pursuing 10 year lease agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for 2,322 square feet of office space located at 3309 Burlington Road, Greensboro, for Farm Service Agency at $1,355 per month. The lease will produce annual revenue of $16,254. "Co-locating" with the Agriculture Center has proven to be beneficial, particularly for the citizens that use services provided by both Cooperative Extension and USDA.

4. Approved a one year (month-to-month) lease agreement at the rate of $1 per year with The LaStraw, Inc., a non-profit agency, for approximately 10,404 square feet in the County owned building located at 940 Beaumont Street in High Point. Terms of the lease will be comparable with the lease with People 4 Paws, making the Lessee responsible for a prorated portion of the utility charges.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Approved the Tax Department's Rebate and Release reports.

   Ben Chavis, Tax Director, submitted a list of corrections of clerical errors and assessments made in connection with taxes and assessments for the year 2012 and prior years, and lists were approved and ordered filed with these Minutes. (The Board also received a rebate release list of 10% and up.)

2. Approved the Tax Department's Beverage Licenses and Collection Reports.

   Ben Chavis, Tax Director, submitted list of applications for beverage licenses, which he stated, had been approved by the Sheriff's Department and the North Carolina ABC Board. The Board adopted the following resolution:

   BE IT RESOLVED that beverage licenses be issued to applicants as show by lists filed with these Minutes and that said parties be and they are hereby granted licenses in accordance with their applications effective upon the payment of the license tax, said licenses to be signed in the name of Guilford County by the Tax Supervisor or one of his assistance and delivered to the applicants upon receipt of the licenses tax as provided by law.

   Collection Reports
   Ben Chavis, Tax Director, filed reports of tax collections for the period ending, for the Greensboro, High Point, Jamestown, and countywide collections offices, and a back year financial report for period ending August 31, 2012.

3. Approved Minutes of the following County Commissioners Meetings:
   09/06/12 - Animal Committee
ITEM VIII. A. 5.

5. a. Approved receipt of the Governor's Highway Safety DWI Task Force Grant, in the amount $765,780 to be allocated through Guilford County to various law enforcement agencies in the county for the period of October 1, 2012 - September 30, 2013. Funds will be used to pay for five new positions (three for Law Enforcement/Sheriff's Office and two for the High Point Police Department) and associated vehicles and equipment.

b. Increased the FY 2012-2013 Law Enforcement budget by $765,780 to reflect appropriation of the Governor’s Highway Safety DWI Taskforce Grant.

c. Approved the addition of three new grant funded positions (1 Sgt. 1 Master Corporal/1 Deputy sheriff) in the Law Enforcement budget. These positions shall not be funded beyond the original grant term unless additional funding is approved by the Board of Commissioners. County funds are required for the initial grant. The county may, but is not required to apply for the continuation grants beyond September 2013. Future funding is subject to approval by the Governor’s Highway Safety Program and will require a local match. Agenda items will be presented to the Board of commissioners in future years for approval of additional grant funds and required local matches. The county will not assume any future program costs, including costs for the new positions, without approval of the Board of commissioners. NO COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED FOR THE INITIAL GRANT.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bruce Davis, and seconded by Commissioner Mike Winstead to approve Item VIII. C. 5.

Commissioner Davis asked questions regarding the new positions provided for in the grant and about hiring practices in the Sheriff’s Department, specifically for African Americans.

Colonel Randy Powers, Guilford County Sheriff’s Department, addressed employee qualifications and promotions.

Commissioner Davis indicated he would like to further discuss initiatives taken for hiring new employees.

The Board then voted on the motion made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Winstead to approve Item VIII. 5 on the following roll call vote:

VOTE: Motion carried 11 - 0
AYES: Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston; Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioners Bill Bencini, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Coleman, Bruce Davis, Paul Gibson, Linda Shaw, John Parks, Mike Winstead, Billy Yow.
The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:
General Fund:

- Increase Appropriation Law Enforcement: $765,780
- Increase Federal/State (Governor’s Highway Safety DWI Task Force): $765,780

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Adopted Legislative Goals Concerning Local Preferences for Purchasing for
   Consideration by the NC Association of County Commissioners as follows:

Support legislation to allow for local governments to adopt a local preference to suppliers
within certain limitation that seek contracts to do business with local governments. Areas
throughout the State have experienced significant unemployment and other financial
problems over the last several years as a result of the economic recession. To assist our
local businesses and residents to maintain employment, the Guilford County Board of
Commissioners supports giving a local preference option to any local government who
determines it is in the best interest of its citizens to assist suppliers, service providers and
contractors that want to conduct business with the County in which it is located.

Such a proposal could be structured similar to allow the governing body of the local
government to give preference to the lowest responsible, responsive local bidder if the
following conditions are met: (i) the bid of the lowest responsible, responsive resident
bidder is no greater than two percent (3%) of an in-state bidder or five (5%) of an out-of-
state bidder or ten thousand dollars ($10,000), whichever is less, of the bid of the lowest
responsible, responsive non-local bidder; and (iii) the lowest responsible, responsive local
bidder matches the bid of the lowest responsible, responsive non-local bidder. However,
when the lowest most responsible, responsive bidder is both an in-state provider as well as
a MWBE, this option will not apply.

Motion was made by Commissioner Paul Gibson, and seconded by Commissioner Linda Shaw to
adopt legislative goals concerning local preferences for purchasing for consideration by the NC
Association of County Commissioners (NCACC).

Commissioner Gibson spoke on the process for counties to submit their legislative goals to the
North Carolina Association of County Commissioners by September 17th. He added that the
process will be vetted many times. He then read his motion to adopt legislative goals concerning local preferences for purchasing by the NCACC as follows:

Support legislation to allow for local governments to adopt a local preference to suppliers within certain limitation that seek contracts to do business with local governments. Areas throughout the State have experienced significant unemployment and other financial problems over the last several years as a result of the economic recession. To assist our local businesses and residents to maintain employment, the Guilford County Board of Commissioners supports giving a local preference option to any local government who determines it is in the best interest of its citizens to assist suppliers, service providers and contractors that want to conduct business with the County in which it is located.

Such a proposal could be structured similar to allow the governing body of the local government to give preference to the lowest responsible, responsive local bidder if the following conditions are met: (i) the bid of the lowest responsible, responsive resident bidder is no greater than two percent (2%) of an in-state bidder or five (5%) of an out-of-state bidder or ten thousand dollars ($10,000), whichever is less, of the bid of the lowest responsible, responsive non-local bidder; and (ii) the lowest responsible, responsive local bidder matches the bid of the lowest responsible, responsive non-local bidder. However, when the lowest most responsible, responsive bidder is both an in-state provider as well as a MWBE, this option will not apply.

He pointed out that this will allow any county in North Carolina to have these options.

Commissioner Coleman commended Commissioner Gibson on his effort but said she was concerned as to how this legislative goal will impact minority women businesses enterprises (MWBE’s) statewide. She suggested Commissioner Gibson further review this matter with the County Attorney.

Commissioner Gibson said it is not his intent to harm MWBE’s. He’s added that upon submission the NCACC will provide a thorough vetting process. He said he welcomes any language to address Commissioner Coleman’s concerns.

Chairman Alston echoed Commissioner Coleman’s concerns.

Pat Danahy, Greensboro Partnership President & CEO, said the business community was not supportive of such action and expressed concern regarding Guilford County preferences because many firms do business outside of Guilford County. He urged the Board to be mindful in not setting up barriers.

Commissioner Davis said there could be unintended consequences. He said incorporating language to clarify MWBE concerns would allow him to support the motion.

Commissioner Yow said this motion allows county Boards to have more latitude and allows for more competition. He said this is a tool that could be an asset to Guilford County.

Commissioner Shaw identified a particular occasion regarding Thomas Built Buses. She said she would like to move forward at this time in order to meet the September 17th deadline.
Commissioner Gibson emphasized that approving his motion at this time is necessary to get the legislative goals process started. He said he would like to see a thorough discussion on the matter at the state level.

Commissioner Cashion indicated that it is her understanding this legislative goal will be tweaked many times as it goes through the process and that she will support moving forward in light of the timeline.

Commissioner Coleman added that there is no North Carolina State Statute that gives preferences and stated that preferences are the beginning of discrimination. She said she cannot support this goal with preferences in.

Vice Chairman Perkins said this is very complex and said he thinks a legislative goal with local preferences could hinder Guilford County.

Commissioner Davis asked for further clarification.

Commissioner Gibson urged the Board to support his motion that gives counties an option.

Commissioner Yow said "preferences" concern him too.

Commissioner Gibson said he is very concerned about businesses and citizens in Guilford County. He said this will allow an option for other counties in the state. He also said he is very supportive on enhancing the local economy and thinks this is a step in the right direction for everyone.

Commissioner Coleman offered the following amendment to the motion: “However, when the lowest most responsible, responsive bidder from another county or state is an MWBE business then this option will not apply.”

Commissioner Gibson accepted the amendment.

Following further discussion, Commissioner Coleman changed her amendment to add the sentence “However, when the lowest most responsible, responsive bidder is both an in-state provider as well as a MWBE, this option will not apply” and Commissioner Gibson accepted the change to the amendment as did Commissioner Shaw.

Following discussion, the Board voted on the motion made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Shaw as amended and it carried 9 to 2 on the following roll call vote:

**VOTE:** Motion carried 9 – 2

**AYES:** Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston; Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioners Kay Cashion, Carolyn Coleman, Bruce Davis, Paul Gibson, John Parks, Linda Shaw, Mike Winstead.

**NOES:** Commissioners Bill Bencini and Billy Yow.
ABSENT: None.

B. New Business from County Commissioners.

There was no New Business from County Commissioners.

XIII. HELD CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a) (4) TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND CONSULT WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

Motion was made by Commissioner Shaw, and seconded by Commissioner Gibson to enter Closed Session to discuss economic development, property acquisition and consult with the County Attorney.

The Board went into Closed Session at 5:40 p.m.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 7:16 p.m.

IN OPEN SESSION

APPROVED AS A PART OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY A PLAN WHEREBY THE COUNTY WILL AGREE TO TAKE STEPS TO DEVELOP A CORPORATE PARK AT THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE PRISON FARM AND FURTHER AGREES AT THIS TIME TO RELOCATE PORTIONS OF THE PRISON FARM OPERATIONS AND TO RESTRUCTURE CERTAIN OTHER FUNCTIONS OF THE PRISON FARM OPERATIONS IN SUCH A WAY TO MAKE APPROXIMATELY 760 ACRES AVAILABLE FOR INCLUSION IN THE CORPORATE PARK. THIS IS CONTINGENT UPON: A FIRM COMMITMENT OF A NEW INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL COMPANY LOCATING ON THE CORPORATE PARK. THIS IS CONTINGENT UPON: A FIRM COMMITMENT OF A NEW INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL COMPANY LOCATING ON THE CORPORATE PARK PROPERTY PROVIDING AT LEAST 400 JOBS AND AT LEAST $85 MILLION IN TAX BASE AND ACCOMMODATING THE NEEDS OF THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE TO MEET THE ONGOING NEEDS OF THE PRISON FARM FUNCTIONS WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THIS RESOLUTION.

Commissioner Shaw made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gibson, to approve as a part of an economic development policy a plan whereby the County will agree to take steps to develop a corporate park at the property known as the Prison Farm and further agrees at this time to relocate portions of the Prison Farm operations and to restructure certain other functions of the Prison Farm operations in such a way to make approximately 760 acres available for inclusion in the corporate park. This is contingent upon: a firm commitment of a new industrial/commercial company locating on the corporate park property providing at least 400 jobs and at least $85 million in tax base and accommodating the needs of the Sheriff’s office to meet the ongoing needs of the Prison Farm functions within 90 days of this resolution.
Commissioner Bencini said the citizens of Guilford County deserve a higher level of due diligence and that he will not make a decision at this time.

Commissioner Yow said the project has potential. He said it is the Board’s fiduciary responsibility to do their due diligence on the property. He said the Board should have a full understanding of costs before moving forward.

Commissioner Gibson said that as long as the Sheriff’s needs are accommodated the 800 acre Prison Farm land is too valuable not to develop. He said this project will create jobs and he will be supportive.

Commissioner Davis said the county has valuable land that can be developed to bring in millions of dollars and he will be supportive of those efforts.

Commissioner Shaw commended Dan Lynch and the economic developers for informing the Board on this project. She said this is also an opportunity to work together with other entities and move the county forward during these difficult economic times.

Commissioner Cashion said this is a window of opportunity to take advantage of and that she could not see a down side to the request.

Commissioner Bencini asked Commissioner Shaw if she received information concerning pro forma financials from Mr. Lynch.

Chairman Alston said the Board can show vision by approving this request. He said there is nothing to lose and much to be gained by moving forward. He confirmed that there is a 90 day clause in the motion that is contingent upon: a firm commitment of a new industrial/commercial company locating on the corporate park property.

Commissioner Perkins said he needs more information. He said the economic developers should have included the Town of Gibsonville in their discussions. He pointed out that the citizenry of the county owns this farm and pointed out it is a valuable asset.

Commissioner Yow stated this request is about taxpayer’s property.

Commissioner Perkins restated that the motion is to relocate the prison farm operations and pointed out the Prison Farm will not be closing. He said the initial proposal is for only a portion of the Prison Farm land.

Following discussion, the Board voted on the motion made by Commissioner Shaw and seconded by Commissioner Gibson to approve as a part of an economic development policy a plan whereby the County will agree to take steps to develop a corporate park at the property known as the Prison Farm and further agrees at this time to relocate portions of the Prison Farm operations and to restructure certain other functions of the Prison Farm operations in such a way to make approximately 760 acres available for inclusion in the corporate park. This is contingent upon: a firm commitment of a new industrial/commercial company locating on the corporate park property providing at least 400 jobs and at least $85 million in tax base and accommodating
the needs of the Sheriff’s office to meet the ongoing needs of the Prison Farm functions within 90 days of this resolution. The motion carried 7 to 3 on the following roll call vote:

VOTE: Motion carried 7 – 3
AYES: Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston; Commissioners Kay Cashion, Bruce Davis, Paul Gibson, John Parks, Linda Shaw, Mike Winstead.
NOES: Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioners Bill Bencini, Billy Yow.
ABSENT: Commissioner Carolyn Coleman.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER WINSTEAD, AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER YOW TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF LAND, BUILDING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION AND FURNISHINGS IN THE AMOUNT OF $574,580 FOR A NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT SHERIFF DISTRICT 1 OFFICE IN SUMMERFIELD. AUTHORIZED THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $507,500 WITH HOSKINS HOUSE FOR THE PURCHASE LAND, BUILDING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR A NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT SHERIFF DISTRICT 1 OFFICE IN SUMMERFIELD SUBJECT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPROVED BY STAFF AND THE COUNTY ATTORNEY. APPROVED THE NECESSARY BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO APPROPRIATE $574,580 OF FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUND BALANCE IN THE GENERAL FUND TO PAY FOR THE BUILDING PROJECT, INCLUDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE COUNTY BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FUND AND THE APPROVAL OF A CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT 1 OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF $574,580.

Motion was made by Commissioner Winstead, and seconded by Commissioner Yow to approve the purchase of land, building design and construction and furnishing in the amount of $574,580 for a New Law Enforcement Sheriff District 1 office in Summerfield. Authorize the County Manager to enter into the necessary contracts in the amount of $507,500 with Hoskins House for the purchase land, building design and construction services for a new Law Enforcement Sheriff District 1 Office in Summerfield subject terms and conditions approved by staff and the County Attorney. Approve the necessary budget amendments to appropriate $574,580 of federal forfeiture fund balance in the general fund to pay for the building project, including the transfer of funds to the County Building Construction Fund and the approval of a capital project ordinance Law Enforcement District 1 Office in the amount of $574,580. The motion carried 10 to 0 on the following roll call vote:

VOTE: Motion carried 10 – 0
AYES: Chairman Melvin “Skip” Alston; Vice Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioners Bill Bencini, Kay Cashion, Bruce Davis, Paul Gibson, Linda Shaw, John Parks, Mike Winstead, Billy Yow.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: Commissioner Carolyn Coleman.

X. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner Cashion announced the second annual Guilford County Citizen's Academy began with 28 participants enrolled. She invited Commissioners to attend future sessions. She also informed everyone of a WIN-WIN community event she recently attended and recognized student Peacemaker award recipients.

Commissioner Davis asked about the possibility of selling advertising space during the televised Board meetings.

County Attorney Mark Payne responded that the channel Guilford County uses to televise Board meetings is not a county channel and said the City of Greensboro provides the county a time slot to air Board meetings at no cost. Mr. Payne said he will review the cable franchise agreement and report back to the Board.

XI. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER

There were no comments from the County Manager at this time.

COUNTY MANAGER FILES REPORTS OF OUT OF STATE TRAVEL AND CONTRACTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2012

County Manager Fox filed her report of out of state travel and contracts approved by her for the month on August 2012. (See copy in file with these minutes.)

XII. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no Speakers from the Floor at this time.

XIV. ADJOURNED

Commissioner Yow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. and it was seconded by Commissioner Parks. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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Chairman

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Clerk