

CURRITUCK COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA
May 18, 2009

The Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Corridor Enhancement.

The Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. for its regularly scheduled meeting at the Historic Courthouse in the Commissioners Meeting Room with the following members present: Chairman Etheridge, Commissioners O'Neal, Aydlett, Nelms, Rorer, Gregory and Commissioner Taylor was absent.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Reverend David Coxson, Powells Point Christian Church, was present to give the invocation.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Aydlett moved to amend the agenda to delete Item 6 and add 6a, David Blackman, Lower Currituck Food Drop. Commissioner Gregory seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Item 1 Approval of Agenda
- Item 2 Public Comment
Please limit comments to items not appearing on the regular agenda, please limit comments to 3 minutes.
- Item 3 **Sheriff to Retire K-9 and Present Plaque to K-9 Handler**
- Item 4 **Public Hearing and Action** PB 09-12 Billy Barnes/Dennis Anderson: Request to rezone 1.505 acres from Agricultural (A) to General Business (GB). The property is located at 6158 Caratoke Highway, Tax Map 94, Lot 88F, Poplar Branch Township.
- Item 5 **Public Hearing and Action** PB 08-55 Christopher J. Susko: Text amendment to the UDO to allow a limousine service as a conditional use in the Agricultural zoning district and a permitted use in the General Business, Commercial, and Limited Business Hotels zoning districts.
- Item 6 **Discussion and consideration of license agreement fee for Flight Instruction at airport**
- Item 7 **Appointment to ABC Board**
- Item 8 **Appointment to Fire & EMS Advisory Board**
- Item 9 **Appointments to Library Board**
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Item 11 Commissioner's Report

Item 12 County Manager's Report

Item 13 **Closed Session:**

1. To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1);
2. To consult with an attorney employed by the county in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege and to consider and give instructions concerning the handling of the matter entitled Currituck County v. Perry Construction and Holley Construction pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

Public Comment

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Chairman Etheridge opened the public comment period.

Blanche Hailey, stated that this was the 10th anniversary for Relay for Life and invited the public to the upcoming events that will take place next Saturday, May 23.

Barbara Snowden, invited the public to the 150th anniversary of the Albemarle Chesapeake Canal Celebration June 14 at the Currituck Middle School presented by the Currituck Historical Society and the Coinjock Ruritan Club.

Ms. Snowden commented on the success of the Currituck Day at the Museum of the Albemarle.

Commissioner O'Neal moved to send a resolution to DOT, Governor Perdue, Senator Basnight, and Rep. Owens opposing the proposed jersey wall to be installed in Coinjock when the new Mid-County Bridge was to be constructed. Commissioner Nelms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further comments, Chairman Etheridge closed the public comment period.

Sheriff to Retire K-9 and Present Plaque to K-9 Handler

Sheriff Johnson, recognized the retirement of Deputy "Buck", K-9, and presented a plaque to handler, Deputy Randy Jones.

Public Hearing and Action PB 09-12 Billy Barnes/Dennis Anderson: Request to rezone 1.505 acres from Agricultural (A) to General Business (GB). The property is located at

6158 Caratoke Highway, Tax Map 94, Lot 88F, Poplar Branch Township.

Ben Woody, Planning Director, reviewed the request.

TYPE OF REQUEST: To rezone 1.505 acres from A to GB

LOCATION: Located at 6158 Caratoke Highway

TAX ID: Tax Map 94, Parcel 88F
0094-000-088F-0000

OWNER: Dennis W. Anderson
5650 Caratoke Highway
Poplar Branch, NC 27965

APPLICANT: Billy Barnes
3823 Caratoke Highway
Maple, NC 27956

CURRENT ZONING: Agricultural (A)

PROPOSED ZONING: General Business (GB)

ZONING HISTORY:

- The property was rezoned from A-30 to B-30 on September 6, 1988 with the condition that a 25 foot buffer is provided between adjacent residential uses and zones.
- The property was unintentionally mapped as Agricultural (A) when the Unified Development Ordinance was adopted in April 2, 1989.

SURROUNDING PROPERTY:

	Land Use	Zoning
NORTH:	Residential	A
SOUTH:	Residential	GB
EAST:	Residential /Undeveloped	GB
WEST:	Undeveloped	A

EXISTING LAND USE: Single Family Residential

PROPOSED LAND USE: Any use permitted in the GB zoning district

COMMUNITY MEETING: A community meeting was not held.

LAND USE PLAN CLASSIFICATION:

The 2006 Land Use Plan classifies the site as **Full Service** within the **Grandy Sub area**.

The purpose of the Full Service Area class is to provide areas preferred for community centers. Areas designated as Full Service are those parts of the county where a broad range of infrastructure and service investments have been provided or will be made available to the public and/or private

sectors. With nonresidential uses, it is essential that the existing community character be preserved.

The policy emphasis of the Grandy Sub-Area is to allow Grandy to further evolve as a community center. Residential development densities should be medium to high depending upon available services.

The following Land Use Plan policies are also relevant to this request:

POLICY CD1: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVING COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS should be encouraged to locate where a collector or secondary street intersects with a street of equal or greater size. Appropriately designated, small-scale businesses may also be near other neighborhood serving facilities such as schools and parks.

POLICY CD4. HIGHWAY ORIENTED COMMERCIAL USES should be clustered along segments of highways and contain land uses which are mutually compatible and reinforcing in use and design; they should be designed in such a way as to minimize signage, access points, and to prevent unsightly, dysfunctional STRIP DEVELOPMENT.

PUBLIC SERVICES AND UTILITIES:

Fire protection for this area is provided by the Grandy Fire Department. Public water is available to the site. On-site wastewater exists on the property.

FLOOD ZONE:

Flood Zone X.

WETLANDS:

The wetland inventory maps do not identify wetlands on the site.

SOILS:

The Currituck County Soils map indicates the front portion of the lot contains suitable soils, while the rear contains soils not-suitable for development.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends **approval** of the request to establish a 1.505 acre tract from Agricultural (A) to General Business (GB) for the following reasons:

1. The proposed request is in general compliance with the Full Service designation of the 2006 Land Use Plan and the Grandy Sub-Area Policy Emphasis.
2. The property was previously approved for commercial zoning; however, due to a mapping error when the Unified Development Ordinance was adopted in

1989, the designation was changed to Agricultural (A).

3. Staff has typically discouraged additional GB zoning along the corridor due the high vacancy rate that exists and potential for exacerbating strip development (nearly 80% of land zoned GB is not actively used for commercial purposes). However, in light of the circumstances staff does feel this particular request is reasonable.

PLANNING BOARD DISCUSSION

Mr. Kovacs asked if this request should be agricultural to commercial.

Ms. White stated there is an existing residential structure on the property as well as a warehouse. Ms. White does not know the future uses of the property.

Mr. Barnes stated the property was previously approved for commercial zoning; however, due to a mapping error when the Unified Development Ordinance was adopted in 1989, the designation was changed to Agricultural (A).

ACTION

Mr. West motioned to recommend approval to rezone 1.505 acres from Agricultural (A) to General Business (GB) which is in compliance with 2006 Land Use Plan. Mr. Bell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Etheridge opened the public hearing.

There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Nelms moved to approve and waive the fee for application. Commissioner O'Neal seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Hearing and Action PB 08-55 Christopher J. Susko: Text amendment to the UDO to allow a limousine service as a conditional use in the Agricultural zoning district and a permitted use in the General Business, Commercial, and Limited Business Hotels zoning districts.

Ben Woody, Planning Director, reviewed the request.

Christopher J. Susko is requesting a text amendment to the UDO to allow a limousine service as a permitted use in the Agricultural (A) zoning district. A limousine service is currently not addressed in the UDO and; therefore, is not a permitted use within Currituck County.

Initially Staff did not support allowing a taxi service business as a permitted use within the Agricultural (A) zoning district due to the potential intrusion into the residential and rural character of such areas. As an alternative, Staff proposed allowing taxi services as a permitted use in the General Business (GB), Commercial (C), and Limited Business-Hotel (LBH) zoning districts. During the Planning Board meeting, it was suggested that taxi services be permitted in the Agricultural (A) zone with a conditional use permit. Staff feels this alternative provides a reasonable compromise and subsequently supports the Planning Board's recommended changes.

While Mr. Susko submitted a generalized text amendment request, staff has proposed a more detailed version as recommended by the Planning Board which is attached hereto. Also find the Planning Board meeting minutes attached.

Should you have additional questions please contact Ben Woody at 232-6029.

PLANNING BOARD DISCUSSION

Mr. West asked how this would work since this was a home based operation in a residential area.

Mr. Woody stated the operation could be moved or the lot rezoned.

Mr. Susko stated that this request is for a home office use and he has two limousines. Mr. Susko stated he is legal to pick up passengers and take them to Virginia. To be able to pick up passengers in Virginia, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles application requires rezoning compliance verification, which he must comply with and that his home base operation is where he resides.

Mr. Midgette asked why this was presented as a text amendment and not a special use permit.

Mr. Woody stated that in the Permitted Uses Table it does not address limousine or taxi service.

The board discussed a limousine service business as a permitted use within the Agricultural zoning district vs. the property being rezoned to commercial or general business. The board was concerned with a commercial or general business zoning district in an agricultural area.

Mr. Woody stated that the options are to, (1) Allow by right in an Agricultural zoning district which is what the applicant requested; (2) To only allow in a commercial district which would require the property to be rezoned; or (3) To allow in an Agricultural district with a Conditional Use Permit (CUP).

The Planning Board discussed the length of time of the CUP.

ACTION

Mr. Keel motioned to recommend approval of the text amendment to the UDO to allow a limousine service as a permitted use in the Agricultural zoning district with the addition of a Conditional Use Permit and the limit of two vehicles. Mr. West seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**PB 08-55
UDO Amendment Request
Christopher J. Susko
Taxi Service**

An amendment to Chapter 2: Zoning Districts, Chapter 3: Special Requirements. and Chapter 17: Definitions to allow a taxi service as a permitted use.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Currituck County Board of Commissioners that the Unified Development Ordinance be amended as follows:

Item 1: That Section 2.5 Permitted Uses Table is amended by adding the following language:

Use	LUC	Zoning Districts											Special Requirements
<i>Office & Service</i>		A	RA	R	RO1	RO2	RR	GB	C	LBH	LM	HM	
<i>Taxi Service</i>	<u>III</u>	<u>C</u>						<u>Z</u>	<u>Z</u>	<u>Z</u>			<u>3.5.9</u>

Item 2: That Section 3.5 Office and Service Uses is amended by adding the following language:

Section 3.5 Office and Service Uses

3.5.9 Taxi Service

A. The following special requirements shall apply in the GB, C, and LBH Districts:

1. The taxi shall display no form of advertising other than that of the taxi company itself.
2. When not in service, vehicles shall be stored in a secure compound, fully enclosed with a fence and gate. The compound surface area shall be paved or graveled to not less than three inches deep and compacted and graded for proper drainage.
3. The taxi service compound shall be fully screened from adjacent rights-of-way and residentially zoned properties using a combination of opaque fencing and/or evergreen plant materials.

B. The following special requirements shall apply in the A District:

1. The use shall not disturb or intrude on the residential character of the surrounding neighborhood.
2. No more than two motor vehicles associated with the taxi service shall be permitted on the subject property.

Item 3: That Section 17.2 Definitions is amended by adding in alphabetical order the following language:

Section 17.2 Definitions

Taxi Service

Transport by vehicle (ex. taxi, limousine) for a single passenger or small group of passengers between locations of their choice.

Item 4: The provisions of this ordinance are severable and if any of its provisions or any sentence, clause, or paragraph, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held unconstitutional or violative of the Laws of the State of North Carolina by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of such court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

Chairman Etheridge opened the public hearing. There being no comments, he closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Aydlett moved to approve with Staff and Planning Board recommendations. Commissioner Rorer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion and consideration of license agreement fee for Flight Instruction at airport.

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David Blackman, presentation on Lower Currituck Food Drop.

The Reverend Blackman, United Methodist Church, Hebron & Mt. Zion Churches, discussed the food drop. It began 25 years ago as a church sponsored organization. The Food Bank now serves the hungry in 15 northeast counties. As of June 2008, four agencies in Currituck are eligible to receive food from the Food Bank. They are: Fellowship Baptist Church, Pilmoor Memorial Food Pantry, Foundations Child Development Center and Mobile Food Pantry.

Appointment to ABC Board

Tabled

Appointment to Fire & EMS Advisory Board

Commissioner O'Neal moved to appoint Ronnie Powell. Commissioner Gregory seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Appointments to Library Board

Commissioner O'Neal moved to appoint the following. Commissioner Aydlett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stephanie Miller, District 1

Dr. Norman Dahm, District 2

George Gregory, At Large.

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Commissioner Gregory moved to approve. Commissioner O'Neal seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
61818-516000	Maintenance & Repair	\$ 25,355	
61360-467000	Sales and materials		\$ 25,355
		<u>\$ 25,355</u>	<u>\$ 25,355</u>

Explanation: Mainland Water (61818) - To record sales of materials charged to customers for this fiscal year.

Net Budget Effect: Mainland Water Fund (10) - Increased by \$25,355.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
66868-533800	Chemicals	\$ 4,500	
66868-532000	Supplies	\$ 1,000	
66868-557100	Software License Fee	\$ 300	
66868-561000	Professional Services		\$ 300
66868-545000	Contract Services		\$ 5,500

\$	5,500	\$	5,500
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Explanation: Southern Outer Banks Water System (66868) - Operating transfer needed for the remainder of this fiscal year.

Net Budget Effect: Southern Outer Banks Water System Fund (66) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
10650-545000	Contract Services	\$ 13,580	
10650-514800	Fees Paid to officials		\$ 2,100
10650-532441	Technology < \$1,000		\$ 800
10650-590441	Technology > \$1,000		\$ 1,800
10650-532000	Supplies		\$ 1,000
10650-526000	Advertising		\$ 3,000
10650-516000	Maintenance & Repair		\$ 700
10650-514500	Training & Education		\$ 680
10650-514000	Travel		\$ 2,500
10650-511000	Telephone & Postage		\$ 1,000
		<u>\$ 13,580</u>	<u>\$ 13,580</u>

Explanation: Economic Development (10650) - Fees associated with foreign trade zone application.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
10793-532000	Supplies	\$ 3	
10793-514000	Travel		\$ 15
10793-511500	Printing & Binding	\$ 20	
10793-514500	Training & Education		\$ 8
		<u>\$ 23</u>	<u>\$ 23</u>

Explanation: Smart Start: Eat Smart, Mover More (10793) - To transfer funds to align with State funding approval.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

Explanation: Communications (10535) - To transfer funds for operations for the remainder of this fiscal year.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
10750-511000	Telephone & Postage	\$ 1,900	
10750-514500	Training & Education		\$ 1,900
		\$ 1,900	\$ 1,900

Explanation: Social Services (10750) - To transfer funds for increased postage due to increase in case loads and clients.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
10660-532000	Supplies	\$ 598	
10660-526000	Advertising		\$ 598
		\$ 598	\$ 598

Explanation: Planning (10660) - To transfer fund for the planning annual report.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
10530-532000	Supplies	\$ 1,850	
10380-483530	EMS Donations		\$ 1,850
		\$ 1,850	\$ 1,850

Explanation: Emergency Medical Service (10530) - To record EMS donations received this fiscal year. Funds will be used for awards and EMS week celebration.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - Increased by \$1,850.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit		Credit	
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense		Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense	
10795-592000	Recreation projects	\$	800		
10795-516000	Maintenance & Repair	\$	1,000		
10795-590000	Capital Outlay	\$	1,884		
10795-576011	Adult Volleyball			\$	1,800
10795-576009	Youth Soccer			\$	1,884
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		\$	3,684	\$	3,684

Explanation: Recreation (10795) - Transfer funds for 1/2 cost to repair irrigation pump on ball field and for soccer goal to prepare for hosting tournament.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit		Credit	
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense		Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense	
10641-503000	Salaries - part time	\$	3,480		
10641-511500	Printing	\$	669		
10641-514300	Student Activities	\$	2,542		
10641-514500	Training & Education	\$	250		
10641-532000	Supplies	\$	2,728		
10641-502000	Salaries			\$	312
10641-506000	Insurance Expense			\$	338
10641-511000	Telephone & Postage			\$	219
10641-514000	Travel			\$	800
10641-545000	Contract Services			\$	8,000
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		\$	9,669	\$	9,669

Explanation: Support Our Students (10641) - To adjust funds to State allocation.

Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit		Credit	
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense		Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense	
10461-532000	Supplies	\$	300		
10461-514500	Training and Education			\$	300
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		\$	300	\$	300

Explanation: Public Utilities (10461) - Transfer for increased supply costs.
Net Budget Effect: Operating Fund (10) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit		Credit	
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense		Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense	
65858-532000	Supplies	\$	3,000		
65858-545100	Credit Card Fees	\$	300		
65858-561000	Professional Services			\$	3,300
		\$	3,300	\$	3,300

Explanation: Moyock Commons (65858) - Transfer funds due to increased supply costs and credit card usage by customers.

Net Budget Effect: Moyock Commons Sewer Fund (65) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit		Credit	
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense		Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense	
60808-533201	Chemicals	\$	5,000		
60808-532001	Supplies	\$	2,000		
60808-545001	Contracted Services			\$	7,000
		\$	7,000	\$	7,000

Explanation: Ocean Sands Water and Sewer (60808) - To transfer funds for operations.

Net Budget Effect: Ocean Sands Water and Sewer Fund (60) - No change.

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit		Credit	
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense		Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense	
10550-511000	Telephone & Postage	\$	500		
10550-531002	Aviation Fuel	\$	50,000		
10350-464500	Aviation Fees			\$	10,500
10350-467100	Aviation Fuel Revenue			\$	40,000
		\$	50,500	\$	50,500

Explanation: Airport (10550) - To increase appropriations due to increase in fuel sales and increase in rental fees at the airport.

Net Budget Operating Fund (10) - Increased by \$50,500.

Effect:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	Debit	Credit
		Decrease Revenue or Increase Expense	Increase Revenue or Decrease Expense
50548-545000	Contract Services	\$ 7,740	
50548-588000	Contingency		\$ 7,740
		\$ 7,740	\$ 7,740

Explanation: Knotts Island Fire Station (50548) - To transfer funds from contingency for pond fountain and water parts.

Net Budget Effect: County Governmental Construction Fund (50) - No change.

A Proclamation for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Currituck County

Whereas, Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells which, if not controlled, can result in premature death; and

Whereas, Cancer is predicted to strike one out of every three Americans sometime in our lifetime with an estimated 133,225 new cases of cancer diagnosed in North Carolina in 2009; and

Whereas, The American Cancer Society is the nation's largest and most respected voluntary health organization since 1913 and has funded research which has contributed to every known method for detecting cancer and techniques for treating cancer: thereby increasing the cancer survival rates from 10% to over 65%; and

Whereas, The American Cancer Society is a voluntary community-based coalition of local citizens dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem through financial support and education awareness; and

Whereas, the color purple is the signature color of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life events signifying the passion that cancer survivors and their families and loved ones feel for the eradication of this disease; and

Whereas, the **RELAY FOR LIFE** event financially benefits the American Cancer Society's research and patient support programs, and educationally benefits our local citizens; and
Whereas, the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Currituck County is a community event that allows an opportunity to network with businesses, associates, family and friends, with the same goal of making a difference in the battle against cancer;

Now therefore, We the Board of County Commissioners of Currituck County, North Carolina DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of **May23-30th, 2009 as RELAY FOR LIFE** Week throughout Currituck, North Carolina. We further urge all citizens to recognize and participate in this anticancer campaign held in our community.

**Resolution
Animal Lovers Assistance League**

WHEREAS, Currituck County has infrastructure needs, required to accommodate our growing population, since Currituck is the 82nd fastest growing County in the nation, one of the fastest growing counties in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Currituck County contracts the operation of the County animal shelter with a 501(C)3 cooperation, Animal Lovers Assistance League, Inc., in an outdated County owned, over-crowded building, below current North Carolina shelter standards; and

WHEREAS, jobs are needed in Currituck County, the new animal shelter could provide employment with improved potential of a better variety of jobs and higher compensation, as well as, continuing the aspect of the rural cultural heritage, and it is necessary to move the current shelter due to future development of the airport and the lack of expansion room on the site; and

WHEREAS, the County fund for capital improvements has been allocated for other projects, the need for a new animal shelter is continuing, considering the number of animals cared for by ALAL, Inc, and the need for extended educational for pre-veterinarian training, technicians in veterinary medicine, high school student introduction to veterinarian careers and in animal services and hands-on training by providing volunteer and paid labor; and

WHEREAS, this building could provide regional training experience with animals, through the local Community College for a new aspect of pre-veterinarian courses and animal services in Northeastern North Carolina, and could meet the requirements for a portion of the State's allocation of the Federal stimulus funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Currituck County Board of Commissioners support the construction of a new animal shelter building and the proposed educational projects by requesting funds that may be available through the stimulus fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to Governor Perdue, Senators Burr and Hagan, Congressman Walter B. Jones, Senator Basnight and Representative Owens.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Rorer encouraged the public to recycle.

County Manager's Report

Eric Weatherly, Engineer, made a presentation on the completed mainland RO Plant which would be up and running on June 1.

The Board commended Eric for his efforts and work on the water plant.

Closed Session:

1. To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1);

2.To consult with an attorney employed by the county in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege and to consider and give instructions concerning the handling of the matter entitled Currituck County v. Perry Construction and Holley Construction pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

Commissioner Nelms moved to go into closed session.
Commissioner O'Neal seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjourn

After reconvening from closed session, no action was taken. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned