

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

January 26, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Commissioners Meeting on

January 26, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building.

In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2

Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry

Hammond, District 5 Commissioner David Walls and County Attorney Jerry Ann Conner.

Agenda Item # 2 - Welcome, Invocation, and Pledge to the American Flag - Chairman Boone called the meeting to order, gave the invocation and welcomed everyone present.

Special Guest- Robert Nelms- Mr. Robert Nelms, came before the Board to present the Board with his Early Retirement Letter.

Agenda Item # 3 –Public Hearing– None

Agenda Item # 4 – Approval of Minutes – December 15, 2021 Work Session and Regular Meeting – On motion (Hooks) and second (Perry), the Board unanimously approved the minutes as presented for the December 15, 2020 meeting.

Agenda Item # 5 – Amend Agenda – Chairman Boone requested amendment to add item “F” under New Business- reappoint member to Department of Public Health Board and discuss vacancy on the Planning Commission. On motion (Hammond) and second (Walls), the Board unanimously approves this request.

Agenda Item # 6 – New Business – a. Discussion/Decision- Special Election- Tonnie Adams- Chairman Boone introduced Mr. Tonnie Adams, Elections Supervisor, regarding The City of Franklin’s request for Mr. Adams to conduct their upcoming special election. Mr. Adams shared with the Board that The City of Franklin came to him and asked if he could hold the election for them, it would only be for the special

election held on March 16, 2021. Jerry Ann Conner, county attorney, stated that she had reviewed the intergovernmental agreement, and it looked fine to her. Commissioner Hooks made the motion to approve this request and give Chairman Boone permission to sign on behalf of the county.

Commissioner Hammond seconds this motion, and the Board unanimously approved this request.

b. Appoint Vice Chair for 2021- Commissioner Hammond nominated Commissioner Walls for Vice Chair.

On motion (Hammond) and second (Hooks), the Board unanimously approved this request.

c. Appoint County Clerk- Chairman Boone makes the recommendation to appoint Hope Cole as the County Clerk. On motion (Perry) and second (Caldwell), the Board unanimously approved this request.

d. Appoint County Attorney- Chairman Boone recommended keeping Jerry Ann Conner as the county attorney. On motion (Perry) and second (Walls), the Board unanimously approved this recommendation.

e. Appoint County Auditor- Chairman Boone recommended keeping Mr. Kim Kimmel as the county auditor and informed the Board that Mr. Kimmel's fee will stay the same. Chairman Boone also informed the Board that this recommendation comes from Felicia Adams, the Finance Director. On motion (Hammond) and second (Caldwell), the Board unanimously approved this recommendation.

f. Appoint Department of Public Health Board member- Chairman Boone received a request to reappoint Dr. Cory Butzon, to serve another term on the Department of Public Health Board. Chairman Boone explained to the Board that this is a position that must be filled by a physician. On motion (Hooks) and second (Hammond), the Board unanimously approved this request. Chairman Boone also, informed the Board of a vacancy on the Planning Commission, due to Mr. Bill Gregory's resignation. The Board requested this item be tabled until the February 23, 2021 meeting to give them time to ask their constituents if they would like to join the Planning Commission.

Agenda Item # 6 – Old Business – Item “a” – Discussion/Decision- Amendments to the Definitions of Subdivision Regulations and the subdivision definition- Planning Commission- Chairman Boone asked Jerry Ann Conner to remind the Board what they need to decide on regarding the amendments to the definitions of subdivision regulations and the subdivision definition. Ms. Conner read aloud the exceptions and told the Board that they also need to think about developments off an easement. Ms. Conner that the current ordinance does not allow easements, but there are certain circumstances that need exceptions, that these are coming up more and more. After much more discussion, on motion (Hooks) and second (Hammond), the Board unanimously approves the amendment to the definition of subdivision 46.1 and Zoning Chapter 40. Chairman Boone also makes the recommendation for the Board to have a work session before the next meeting to discuss the easement issues and any other matters.

Agenda Item #7 – Public Comments – Mike Robinson- 5100 Five Notch Road- addressed the Board regarding their decision on the subdivision matter.

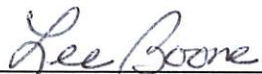
Agenda Item # 8 – Executive Session – Yes, on motion (Walls) and second (Hooks), the Board unanimously agreed to enter an Executive Session.

There being no further business, on motion (Caldwell) and second (Hooks), the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



County Clerk



Chairman

Date 2/24/2021