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Commissioner

POLK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING  
July 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m.  
R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice, Womack Building  
Columbus, NC  
AGENDA

1. Call to Order – Chair Gage
2. Invocation – Pastor Ronnie Hodge, Mountain Valley Baptist Church
3. Pledge of Allegiance – Ret. U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sergeant Jack Sauve
4. Reading of Poem Entitled "Great Leaders" Submitted by Sonya Twitty – Vice-Chair Owens
- √ 5. Approval of Minutes – Approval of the June 10, 2013, budget public hearing and June 17, 2013, regular meeting minutes. Motion to approve. **Pages 1-9.**
6. Approval of Agenda – Agenda items may be added and/or deleted at this time. Motion to approve.
- √ 7. June Refund Request – Melissa Bowlin, Tax Administrator, will present the request. Motion to approve. **Page 10.**
- √ 8. Schedule a Public Hearing for the Draft Ordinance Concerning Customary Home Occupation Class II & Residential Vacation Rentals – To schedule a public hearing for the draft Ordinance Concerning Customary Home Occupation Class II and Residential Vacation Rentals; Providing a Definition; Amending the Polk County Zoning Ordinance to Authorize Customary Home Occupations Class II and Residential Vacation Rentals in the Multiple Use (MU), Equestrian (E) and Agricultural Residential Very Low Density (AR5) Zoning Districts. Cathy Ruth, Planner will be present to answer questions. Citizen comments. Motion to approve. **Pages 11-14.**
9. 2013 Appearance Commission Awards – Joe Cooper, Appearance Commission Chair, will present certificates to the three 2013 winners. Citizen comments.

10. Saluda Senior Center Repairs – Commissioner Pack asked that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion. Citizen comments.
11. County-Owned Parcel of Land on Park St. in Columbus – Commissioner Pack asked that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion. Citizen comments.
12. DSS Building – Commissioner Holbert asked that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion. Citizen comments.
- √ 13. Noise Ordinance – Commissioner Gasperson asked that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion, and to potentially direct the County Attorney to draft a noise ordinance. Citizen comments. **Pages 15-19.**
- √ 14. Designation of NCACC Annual Conference Delegate – To elect a voting delegate for the NCACC annual conference August 22-25, 2013. Citizen comments. **Page 20.**
15. Manager's Report – Introduction of the new EMS Director, Mr. Michael Crater. Citizen comments.
16. Volunteer Boards & Procedures Review – Vice-Chair Owens asked that this item be placed on the agenda to discuss the BOC authorizing him to work with Administrative Assistant Angé High in reviewing the various county volunteer boards, and to report back to the BOC with recommendations. Citizen comments.
- √ 17. Volunteer Boards for Vote – Zoning Board of Adjustment – 1 application, 1 alternate vacancy. **Page 21.**
18. Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees' Appointment – County Attorney Berg will present Option 1: Ratify Commissioner Gasperson's 1/7/13 appointment effective 7/1/13, and Option 2: Rescind Commissioner Gasperson's 1/7/13 appointment, review applications, and make the board appointment at the August 5, 2013, regular BOC meeting. Citizen comments.
- √ 19. Volunteer Boards for Review – ETDC – 4 applications, 2 regular and 1 alternate vacancy; Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees (if the Board chooses Option 2 under Agenda Item 17) – 2 applications, 1 vacancy; JCPC – 1 application, 2 vacancies; Library Board of Trustees – 2 applications, 4 vacancies. **Pages 22-30.**
20. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items
21. Commissioner Comments
22. Closed Session – Motion to go in to closed session to discuss matters relating to attorney-client privilege, G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) personnel.
23. Open Session – Motion to return to open session.

24. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn.

√ *Indicates information is included in the agenda packet.*