



County of Dare

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**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
AFFORDABLE HOUSING
DARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

9:00 a.m., June 15, 2022

Commissioners present: Chairman Robert Woodard, Sr., Vice Chairman Wally Overman
Rob Ross, Steve House, Jim Tobin, Danny Couch, Ervin Bateman

Commissioners absent: None

Others present: County Manager/Attorney, Robert Outten
Deputy County Manager/Finance Director, David Clawson
Master Public Information Officer, Dorothy Hester
Skyler Foley, Assistant Clerk

A full and complete account of the entire Board of Commissioners meeting is archived on a video that is available for viewing on the Dare County website www.darenc.com.

At 8:59 a.m. Chairman Woodard called to order the special meeting with appropriate prior public notice having been given. He invited Commissioner Couch to share a prayer, and then Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

COASTAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING:

County Manager Outten stated how they have previously discussed many issues that Dare County had faced with the housing projects to be built with Coastal Affordable Housing. He stated that those issues were going to be resolved in Raleigh on June 15, 2022. He had had conversations with our delegation and individuals in the offices of management and budget. If all issues were resolved, it would allow the projects to commence.

WODA COOPER:

Mr. Outten also discussed the other proposed project with Woda Cooper that involved Bowsertown and Nags Head. He stated they had discussed land cost issues and concerns at the staff level and had had several meetings with Woda Cooper. He ensured that Dare County had done all of their due diligence and that they were in a position to move forward with the contract as it was proposed upon the Boards approval. This would allow Woda Cooper to go ahead and apply for the State LIHTC Grant and to move along with the project.

a) **Discussion:**

Commissioner Ross stated the County had two partners securing two properties; one at a price that was very affordable and one that was very expensive. He asked what would happen if the two partners were to switch properties. Chairman Woodard and Mr. Outten stated they had addressed this question to both companies and neither partner wanted to make the trade.

MOTION:

Vice-Chairman Overman motioned to move forward with the Woda Cooper proposed contract for the Nags Head and Bowsertown Projects.

Commissioner Bateman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous.

Commissioner House announced there were concerns with the signage on the Marc Basnight Bridge brought up at the Oregon Inlet Task Force meeting on June 14, 2022. He stated that on the Old Bonner Bridge, NCDOT had signage/numbers for events and the new bridge did not. The Department of Transportation did not have a plan to do anything about this at the moment. The task force asked the Board to draft a letter to NCDOT to address the situation.

Commissioner Tobin had discussed an issue with CAMA and the Army Corps that involved dredging the interior channel of Oregon Inlet. The Corps could not do it under their permit, so Barton Grover was going to contract with Ken Wilson and Coastal Engineering to modify Dare County's permit to allow the side cast dredging to be performed to open the channel up.

Chairman Woodard took a moment to acknowledge the Board and all of their efforts on housing.

MOTION:

Commissioner Tobin motioned to adjourn the meeting until 5:00 p.m., June 20, 2022.

Commissioner Bateman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous.

At 9:15 a.m., the Board of Commissioners adjourned the Affordable Housing Special Meeting.



Respectfully submitted,

By: _____

Cheryl C. Anby
Cheryl C. Anby, Clerk to the Board
Transcribed by Skyler Foley, Asst. Clerk

APPROVED:

By: _____

Robert Woodard, Sr.
Robert Woodard, Sr., Chairman
Dare County Board of Commissioners

Note: Copies of attachments (Att.), ordinances, resolutions, contracts, presentations, and supporting material considered by the Board of Commissioners at this meeting are on file in the office of the Clerk.