



County of Dare

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MINUTES

DARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Dare County Administration Building, Manteo, NC

9:00 a.m., January 2nd, 2024

Commissioners present: Chairman Robert Woodard, Sr., Vice Chairman Wally Overman
Rob Ross, Steve House, Bea Basnight, 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
Clerk, Skyler Foley

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At 9:03 a.m. Chairman Woodard called to order the regularly scheduled meeting with appropriate prior public notice having been given. He invited Rev. Spottswood Graves to share a prayer, and then he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The Chairman asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add Item 4A Resolution Concerning HB 259.

MOTION

Vice-Chairman Overman and Commissioner Couch motioned to amend the agenda to add Item 4A.

Commissioner Bateman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 1 – OPENING REMARKS – CHAIRMAN’S UPDATE

Following is a brief outline of the items mentioned by Chairman Woodard:

- Announced that the State of the County will be held on January 23rd, 2024 at 8 a.m. at Captain George’s Restaurant from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Reminded everyone that the 33rd Annual Martin Luther King Celebration will take place Saturday January 13th at 11:00 a.m. at First Flight High School Auditorium.
- Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

ITEM 2 – PRESENTATION OF COUNTY SERVICE PINS

- 1) Allison Woodard, received a 15-year pin from Beth Bradley.

ITEM 3 – EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – JANUARY 2024

Due to scheduling conflicts, the January recipient of the Employee of the Month award would be presented at the February meeting.

ITEM 4 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

At 9:13 a.m. the Manager outlined the procedure for making public comments in Manteo and via the video link to the Fessenden Center Annex in Buxton. Following is a summary of all citizen remarks, which may be viewed in their entirety in a video on the County website:

The following comments were made in Manteo-

1. Spottswood Graves
 - Spoke on the history and importance of Dr. King and that Americans celebrate the official Martin Luther King Day on January 20th, which was first celebrated in 1986.
 - Stated that on January 13th at 11 a.m. at First Flight High School, the Elizabeth City State Senior Choir will perform a musical concert that presents the legacy of Dr. King.
2. Duke Geraghty
 - Expressed his concern on Item 13 – Stormwater Management Update and explained he does not understand the purpose and asked the Board to provide further detail.
 - Concerned on how it will affect individual property owners.
3. Malcolm Fearing
 - Wanted to address two important issues that affect the community: healthcare and housing.
 - Referenced the 1950 Census and that Dare County had roughly 5,000 people, Currituck & Hyde County had a higher population.
 - Median cost for a house in Duck is \$940,000 and the lowest cost for a house in the County is \$322,000 in Wanchese, which both have extravagant down payments and mortgages.
 - Median income in Dare County is south of \$70,000 – Individual is \$41,000.
 - The Carolina Study showed that Dare County needs 3,000 units – roughly 750 acres of land.
 - He is concerned for the next generation and how majority of them will not reside in Dare County.
 - Stated that he has proposed his Buffalo City idea throughout the county and is concerned that it is being advertised for lease for farmland.

The following comments were made in Buxton – There were no comments made in Buxton

The County Manager closed Public Comments at 9:30 a.m.

ITEM 4A – RESOLUTION CONCERNING HB 259 (Att. #1)

Chairman Woodard emphasized the importance of housing within Dare County and expressed his optimism that by forming a Task Force, the municipalities and the county can

collaborate effectively and achieve a mutual agreement to address the housing issue. It is crucial to note that he stated that the Board have no intentions of bypassing or disregarding any municipal ordinances, rules, or regulations in this process.

MOTION

Chairman Woodard presented a motion to adopt Resolution Concerning HB 259.

Vice-Chairman Overman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 5 – PUBLIC HEARING – ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO SECTION 22-23.2 MH-A ZONING DISTRICT, SECTION 22-2 DEFINITIONS, AND ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 22-58.10 PORTABLE STORAGE CONTAINERS (Att. #2)

At 9:38 a.m. the Board held a Public Hearing to receive input concerning this agenda item. The Manager outlined the procedure for making public comments in Manteo and via the video link to the Fessenden Center Annex in Buxton. Following is a summary of all citizen remarks, which may be viewed in their entirety in a video on the County website:

No one responded to the invitation to address the Board of Commissioners on this issue.

The County Manager closed the Public Hearing at 9:38a.m.

Mr. Gillam informed the Board that William and Shelly Daugherty submitted a zoning text amendment application to include portable storage container services in mini storage facilities in the MH-A area. Additionally, they proposed the introduction of a new section in the Dare County Zoning Ordinance that would govern the regulation of these services and storage containers. During the review conducted by the Planning Board, it was determined that the proposed addition to the MH-A area seemed reasonable and appropriate because it expands upon an existing use. Furthermore, Mr. Gillam highlighted that he expanded the language regarding the new section to address concerns related to flooding and signage. The Planning Board subsequently discussed the matter and agreed that provisions should be included to ensure that the construction of these units meets the requirements of the NC Building Code for our Wind Zone Rating, which is Zone 3 with a rating of 140 MPH. Furthermore, The Planning Board found the amendments consistent with the Dare County Land Use Plan and included to expand it to other commercial districts that offered commercial storage facilities.

A full and complete account of the Board's discussion on this agenda item is archived on a video that is available for viewing on the Dare County website www.darenc.com.

Ben Gallop, attorney on behalf of the applicants, addressed the Board and stated that they have no issues with what has been proposed and what has been changed since the initial application.

MOTION

Commissioner Bateman motioned to move the draft amendments to Section 22-23.2 MH-A zoning district, Section 22-2 Definitions, and new Section 22-58.10 Portable Storage Containers to be adopted as drafted by Planning Staff.

Commissioner Couch and Commissioner House seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 6 – PUBLIC HEARING – COUNTY ADOPTION OF DARE COUNTY 2022 LAND USE PLAN (Att. #3)

At 9:48 a.m. the Board held a Public Hearing to receive input concerning this agenda item. The Manager outlined the procedure for making public comments in Manteo and via the video link to the Fessenden Center Annex in Buxton. Following is a summary of all citizen remarks, which may be viewed in their entirety in a video on the County website:

No one responded to the invitation to address the Board of Commissioners on this issue.

The County Manager closed the Public Hearing at 9:48 a.m.

In the previous Board of Commissioners Meeting, Mr. Gillam provided a presentation on the Land Use Plan, along with its developmental background. Furthermore, he emphasized that adhering to the state's regulations entails conducting a public hearing before proceeding with any adoption. It is important to note that there is a Resolution that needs to be submitted to the state as a component of the local adoption plan.

MOTION

Commissioner House motioned that the Dare County 2022 Land Use Plan be adopted as recommended by the Dare County Planning Staff.

Commissioner Bateman and Commissioner Basnight seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 7 – PROCLAMATION – HONORING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHICAMACOMICO LIFE-SAVING STATION (Att. #4)

Larry Grubs, President of the Chicamacomico Historical Association, explained that this is not just a celebration of Chicamacomico, but commemorates all seven of the original stations that were built in 1874, in which only three of those buildings are still in place today.

MOTION

Commissioner House & Vice-Chairman motioned to adopt the Proclamation Honoring the 150th Anniversary of the Chicamacomico Life Saving Station.

Commissioner Basnight seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 8 – SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION 7-2023 – PROPOSED GROUP HOUSING ON EXISTING RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

This agenda item was handled as a quasi-judicial proceeding. Planning Director Noah Gillam, and the applicant, Rick House, were both duly sworn by the Clerk before offering any testimony.

Mr. Gillam presented the special use permit application submitted by James Yak and John Kutcha to the Board. He stated that the property is identified as parcel #015154000, which is located at 53770 NC 12 HWY in Frisco. During the presentation, he mentioned that there is currently a single-family dwelling on the site. However, the applicants are suggesting the construction of two additional single-family dwellings, as per the requirements outlined in Section 22-31 of the Dare County Ordinance regarding group development standards. Mr. Gillam informed the Board that the proposed site plan adheres to the specifications outlined in Section 22-31 and the S1 Zoning Ordinance. The buildings are appropriately separated by

a distance of 20 feet and the project also complies with lot coverage regulations, and sufficient parking is demonstrated on the site plan. Moreover, Mr. Gillam emphasized that the project aligns with the objectives of the ordinance and that the Planning Board has deemed the conditions to be reasonable and appropriate.

The engineer Rick House, from House Engineering, spoke on behalf of Mr. Yak.

The County Manager asked the applicant if he agrees to the admission into evidence of the material submitted by the Planning Director, which is on file in the Planning Department, the facts presented by the Planner, and the terms and conditions outlined in the SUP. Mr. House indicated his agreement.

MOTION

Commissioner Couch motioned that the proposed group development housing development and site plan submitted by James Yax and John Kuchta be approved.

Commissioner Bateman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 9 – SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION 8 – 2023 – TRAVEL TRAILER SITES ON EXISTING COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

This agenda item was handled as a quasi-judicial proceeding. Planning Director Noah Gillam, and the applicant, Tod Gaskill, were both duly sworn by the Clerk before offering any testimony.

Mr. Gillam presented the special use permit to the Board that was submitted by Todd and Angela Gaskill. He explained that they are seeking permission to establish travel trailer sites on a commercial property located at 53013 NC Hwy 12 in Frisco, parcel number #015069000. Currently, there is a commercial building on the site, serving as a restaurant/deli. This existing structure allows the property to meet the requirements of the travel trailer park ordinance. The entire parcel covers an area of 4.32 acres, out of which 3.55 acres will be allocated for the travel trailer sites. According to the ordinance, travel trailer sites in conjunction with commercial use are required to have a minimum of 20 sites. However, the applicants are proposing 24 sites, exceeding the ordinance's minimum requirement. These 24 spaces will be accessed through a gravel road, and the Fire Marshall has reviewed and approved the configuration, confirming that emergency vehicles will have proper access. To cater to the needs of the travel trailer sites, the applicants plan to install two wastewater treatment systems. Additionally, each site will have access to full hookup water and electricity. In compliance with the ordinance, a bath house will also be installed on the property. The extent of disturbance on the site surpasses the threshold, leading to a requirement for a state stormwater management plan permit and a sedimentation erosion control permit. These permits must be obtained and submitted to the Planning Department before any ground-breaking activity takes place. The applicants have included a proposal for a vegetative buffer around the travel trailer sites in their site plan and there are conditions that have been added to the Special Use Permit that reflect that. The Dare County Planning Board conducted a review of this application on December 8th, 2023. They found the conditions to be reasonable and suitable for this project.

Commissioner Basnight: Will the existing commercial building remain?

Mr. Gillam: Yes.

The County Manager asked the applicant if he agrees to the admission into evidence of the material submitted by the Planning Director, which is on file in the Planning Department, the facts presented by the Planner, and the terms and conditions outlined in the SUP. Mr. Gaskill indicated his agreement.

Chairman Woodard: Will you provide 30- and 50-amp service?

Mr. Gaskill: Yes sir.

Chairman Woodard: Looks like you have pull through sites and back in sites?

Mr. Gaskill: Yes sir.

Chairman Woodard: I know you said some might be year-round, would they be primarily in the pull in sites or back in sites?

Mr. Gaskill: We really haven't determined yet, it depends on the individual.

Commissioner Bateman: Do you have any fire pits at each individual site?

Mr. Gaskill: Not at this time.

Commissioner Ross: Year-round rentals?

Chairman Woodard: The applicant says there is potential for year-round rentals.

Commissioner Ross: Item five says the length of occupancy of any trailer shall be less than 90 consecutive days.

Mr. Gillam: The travel trailer park ordinance allows for a travel trailer to sit on the property in a ready to move fashion for a year-round basis. Meaning that you could park your camper there, it could stay in that travel trailer park for a year, but you could not occupy it as a permanent residence.

Commissioner Bateman: This also has the same restrictions that so many days between a named storm you have to remove the trailers?

Mr. Gillam: There is a condition in the travel trailer park ordinance that addressed inclement weather situations and that the park owner is responsible in those situations.

Mr. Outten: The ordinance requires compliance with the FEMA rules about those and the FEMA rules require that it can't be permanently fixed, it has to have the wheels and tongues on and you can not have something attached. You are supposed to move it once every 364 days or so and that has to be complied with.

Vice Chairman Overman: So, you can put a step or porch as long as it is not attached?

Mr. Gillam: Yes, there is a size limitation of 100 ft.

Vice-Chairman Overman: In an inclement weather situation that travel trailer has to be pulled out and taken away, what happens to the porch?

Mr. Gillam: Those should be anchored and secured, there should be some type of helical anchor or some way for it to be embedment into the ground.

Vice-Chairman Overman: When it floods they are not going anywhere.

Mr. Gillam: Yes sir.

Commissioner Couch: This is in the center of the island, it's a good half a mile away so it would be standing water more than anything from a storm.

MOTION

Commissioner Couch motioned that the proposed travel trailer sites in conjunction with an existing commercial property, and site plan submitted by Tod and Angie Gaskill be approved as recommended by the Planning Board.

Commissioner Bateman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 10 – COUNTY AUDIT REQUIREMENT FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER NONPROFITS (Att. #4)

Mr. Clawson addressed the Board and explained that Dare County currently requires nonprofits to have an audit if they profit over \$100,000 a year. There has been more trouble in getting the audits completed in the past two or three years due various reasons such as cost, timeliness, and difficulty in finding auditors to perform the work the work. He stated that Dowdy & Osborne, Potter & Company, and Burgess, Lowman & Lay helped research some alternate procedures, known as "agreed upon procedures." These procedures, unlike audits, are less extensive, but still engage with a CPA firm. Instead of conducting a full audit, specific procedures are performed on a random sample of transactions from the fiscal year.

Mr. Clawson further informed the Board that the Audit Committee voted to recommend retroactively changing the nonprofit audit requirements for all audits that have not been completed yet. This decision was made because a few fire departments are behind on their audits. This change will primarily impact the Hatteras Rescue Squad, and the Avon, Buxton, Frisco, Hatteras, Salvo, Rodanthe, and Waves Fire Departments, as well as the Roanoke Island Fire Department, unless they have specific requirements from the Town of Manteo. However, it will not affect the Community Centers or the Children Youth Partnership, as they have separate audit requirements that are not imposed by the county.

MOTION

Commissioner Ross motioned to authorize staff to change the County policy for nonprofit financial reporting to include those changes in the future nonprofit contracts.

Commissioner House seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 11 – PRESENTATION OF THE JUNE 30TH, 2023 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT & AUDIT

Full comments may be viewed on the County's archived website video. Mr. Dan Morrow, auditor of Potter & Company, discussed the 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Audit. He gave a brief overview of the audit process and shared the results of the fiscal audit and compliance audits, stating that it received a clean audit opinion. Mr. Clawson then provided more information on various financial aspects, including the General Fund, CIP, tax increases, education expenses, AMI for the water department, FEMA Grants, Medicaid, Dredge Loans, building permit increases, purchase orders, and other factors that impact financial reporting.

The ACFR is posted at: <https://www.darenc.gov/departments/finance/annual-comprehensive-financial-reports>

ITEM 17 – CLOSED SESSION

Note – this agenda item was handled out of sequential order to accommodate an arrangement at a specific time.

The Manager asked for a Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the County in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege; and to approve the minutes of the last Closed Session.

MOTION

Commissioner Bateman & Commissioner Couch motioned to go into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of the North Carolina General Statutes cited by the County Manager.

Commissioner House seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

At 10:50 a.m., the Commissioners exited the room to meet in Closed Session. They reconvened at 11:57 a.m. and Mr. Outten reported that during the Closed Session the Board approved the Minutes, gave the attorney guidance with regard to the O'Hara case, and gave the County Manager authority to enter into a legal services agreement with Baron & Budd to join the class action with regard to the PFAS suit settlement.

MOTION

Vice-Chairman motioned to approve to give the County Manager authority to enter into a legal services agreement with Baron & Budd to join the class action with regard to the PFAS suit settlement.

Commissioner House seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 12 – UPDATE TO COUNTY FINANCIAL POLICIES

Mr. Clawson addressed the Board and noted that the update addressed prior mistakes and was a simple cleanup of the policies. Although, there were two substantial changes; changes to the investment policy, and a change in the minimum target for the General Fund Unassigned Balance, previously set at 21%, it has now been raised to 25%.

MOTION

Vice-Chairman Overman motioned to approve the update to the County Financial Policies.

Commissioner Basnight seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 13 – STORMWATER MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Outten provided an explanation regarding the objective of the plan, which was to create a comprehensive blueprint that identifies the areas with the greatest stormwater infrastructure concerns in order to effectively allocate grant or county funds. It is important to note that this plan does not aim to establish new rules or regulations.

Mr. Grover informed the Board that Dare County has received a FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance grant to enhance the Stormwater Master Plan for the unincorporated regions of the county. WithersRavenel, the consulting agency, actively sought public input, evaluated the risks and hazards associated with stormwater, pinpointed critical project areas, conducted

thorough site surveys, and developed two engineered designs that can be utilized for future grant opportunities

During the presentation, Mr. Dori Sabeh highlighted various aspects of the project, which included its purpose, engagement with the public, public sentiment, the implementation of stormwater utility fees, an assessment of the current conditions, specific areas of concern, proposed solutions, and conceptual designs.

A full and complete account of the Board's discussion on this agenda item is archived on a video that is available for viewing on the Dare County website www.darenc.com. Following is a brief synopsis:

Commissioner Bateman raised a question regarding the placement of the projects within the DOT right-of-way. In response, Mr. Sabeh clarified that while the DOT will not financially support these projects, they still need to grant approval to ensure that they align with their standards and do not pose any risks to the road or compromise safety. Mr. Outten added that conversations have taken place with the DOT over the years, and it has been made clear that their drainage projects are designed to manage road runoff, not serve as storm water systems for local neighborhoods and communities. However, if the DOT grants us encroachment agreements, we do have the opportunity to improve these projects. DOT cannot provide funding for these ventures as it is not necessary to address road runoff.

Commissioner Couch commented on the Stormwater Management Recommendation and how the County follows the State's recommendation-he believes that Dare County needs to step it up and be more hands on. Mr. Outten stated that it will take multiple years to decades to acquire all that is necessary to solve many of the stormwater issues, but this is a start in the right direction.

Dorothy Hester, Public Information Officer left the room at 12:12 p.m. she returned at 12:15 p.m.

MOTION

Commissioner Couch motioned to adopt the Stormwater Master Plan.
Commissioner House seconded the motion.
VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 14 – CONSENT AGENDA

The Manager announced the items as they were visually displayed in the meeting room.

MOTION

Commissioner Bateman motioned to approve the Consent Agenda:

- 1) Approval of Minutes (12.04.23) **(Att. #5)**
- 2) Tax Collector's Report
- 3) McGuireWoods Consulting
- 4) Dare County Transportation – Title VI Policy Update
- 5) Budget Amendment – Emergency Management
- 6) Budget Amendment – Parks & Recreation
- 7) Health & Human Services – Public Health Division Lead and Asbestos Inspection Funding
- 8) Health & Human Services – Public Health Division NENCPPH Public Health Workforce Grant
- 9) DHHS – Public Health Division Vehicle Lease Agreement with Port Health

Commissioner House seconded the motion.
VOTE: AYES unanimous

ITEM 15 – BOARD APPOINTMENTS

1) Older Adult Services

Postponed to the February Agenda.

2) Tourism Board

Town of Southern Shores

Commissioner House motioned to appoint Councilman Mark Batenic.

Commissioner Bateman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

Town of Kill Devil Hills

Commissioner Couch motioned to appoint Commissioner Terry Gray

Commissioner Bateman & Vice-Chairman Overman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

3) Upcoming Board Appointments

The upcoming Board appointments for February, March and April, 2024 were announced.

ITEM 16 – COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS & MANAGER'S/ATTORNEY'S BUSINESS

Following is a brief summary outline of the items mentioned by Commissioners and the County Manager during this segment:

MANAGER'S/ATTORNEY'S BUSINESS

Mr. Outten

1. Asked the Board to approve the letter to the Army Corp of Engineers regarding the realignment of the Sloop Channel for the ferries.

MOTION

Vice-Chairman Overman motioned to approve the letter to the Army Corp of Engineers regarding the realignment of the Sloop Channel for the ferries.

Commissioner House seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

2. During the discussion with Oakley Collier about the Early College project, it was brought to our attention that the costs involved are significantly higher than originally anticipated. To get the east side of the college ready for the fall, it would require a couple of million dollars, and we would need approval immediately in order to start construction in May. Unfortunately, the west side of the building cannot be renovated and would need to be demolished and replaced. However, the east side of the building can be salvaged, but it would require extensive work both internally and externally. He believed that the best course of action would be to undergo the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) process and explore alternative options and make a well-thought-out decision and aim for a completion date of fall 2025. The board members agreed with this approach. Commissioner Basnight expressed concerns about the school's budget, particularly if they needed to expand the existing schools along with implementing the Early College Project. Mr. Outten responded by assuring that their

CIP for the next five years does not indicate a need for any expansions. Additionally, there are already allocated funds for maintenance such as chillers and roofs. The utilization of Lottery Funds and the School Capital Fund were discussed

Chairman Woodard left the room at 12:46 p.m., he returned at 12:49 p.m.

3. Shared that the Sanitation Department is currently facing challenges in maintaining a full staff of 17 drivers. Specifically, one employee plans to relocate, two employees are on workers' compensation leave, and several positions are vacant due to retirements. Additionally, three employees are nearing retirement. The Board engaged in discussions on potential strategies to address this issue and find potential solutions."

Dorothy Hester

None

Dave Clawson

None

COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS

Commissioner Basnight

- Attended the Board of Education Meeting, Congratulated the new Chair David Twiddy and Vice-Chairman Carl Woody.
- Attended the Town of Manteo Healthcare Task Force meeting in December and stated a plan was presented to bring a preceptor hub to Dare County-they would accept up to 15 students to learn healthcare practices.
- Joe Rockenstein of the Manteo Community Health Center reported that the Manteo Health Center had 842 visits between July and October of 2023. As of December 12th, they had no primary physician but an offer has been made – They currently share a physician who comes from Engelhard. The center is looking to expand and wants to have six providers and a 6,000 square feet space.
- Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Ross

- Reported that the Washington DC Public Schools were having absenteeism problem-24% of ninth grade students had 20 or more unexcused absences in the prior school year. Contacted Superintendent Basnight for the comparable statistics and was pleased to announce that Dare County's report showed FFHS having a 0.5% and Manteo was at 2.8% - a District Overall 1.4%
- Referenced the Financial Report-Cost per helicopter ride is \$22,000

Commissioner House

- NC Department of Marine Fisheries Northern Regional Advisory Committee will be meeting on January 9th in the BOC Meeting Room at 5:00. Stated he plans to attend to voice opinions.
- The Animals at the SPCA had a wonderful Christmas and New Year.
- Our Day in History: 1967 Ronald Regan was first sworn in as his first term as Governor of California, he signed the emergency Care Act which started the paramedic program.
- Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Vice Chairman:

- Thanked Allison Woodard for her 15 years of Service to Dare County.
- Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Bateman

- Recognized the life of Tim White, stated how wonderful of an individual he was.

Chairman Woodard:

- Echoed Commissioner Bateman and expressed how amazing Tim White was. Stated that he was always so positive and always had a smile on his face.

Commissioner Couch

- Recognized the life Tim White and stated that he was a solution finder.
- Expressed that it was a busy time in Hatteras.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Chairman Woodard asked for a motion to adjourn.

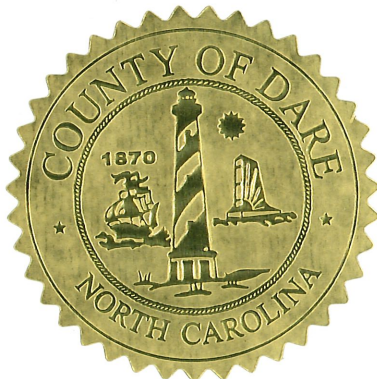
MOTION

Commissioner House motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Ross seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

At 1:08p.m., the Board of Commissioners adjourned until 9:00 a.m., February 5th, 2024.



Respectfully submitted,

By: *Skylar Foley*
Skylar Foley, Clerk to the Board

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. Attempts have been made to accurately spell each podium speaker.