

COUNTY OF DARE, NORTH CAROLINA

District 1: Roanoke Island & Mainland; District 2: Nags Head, Colington, Kill Devil Hills; District 3: Kitty Hawk, Southern Shores, Duck; District 4: Chicamacomico, Avon, Buxton, Frisco, Hatteras; District 5: At Large

MINUTES

DARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Dare County Administration Building, Manteo, NC

SPECIAL MEETING

to consider reengaging the services of McGuireWoods Consulting for assistance with legislative issues

8:00 a.m., April 7, 2017

Commissioners present: Chairman Robert Woodard

Vice Chairman Wally Overman Jack Shea, Steve House, Rob Ross

Commissioners absent: Danny Couch

Note: Margarette Umphlett resigned effective 3/31/17.

Her replacement has not yet been named.

Others present: County Manager/Attorney, Robert Outten

Finance Director, David Clawson

Public Information Officer, Dorothy Hester

Clerk to the Board, Gary Gross

Chairman Woodard called the Special Meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. He offered a prayer, and afterward he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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

ITEM 1 - OPENING REMARKS

Chairman Woodard outlined the purpose of the Special Meeting.

ITEM 2 - PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Manager outlined the procedure for making public comments in Manteo and via the video link to the Fessenden Center in Buxton. There were no public comments.

ITEM 3 – CONSIDER REENGAGING THE SERVICES OF MCGUIREWOODS CONSULTING FOR ASSISTANCE WITH LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Chairman Woodard explained that there are a number of bills proposed in the current session of the legislature that are of interest to the people of Dare County. He asked the County Manager to outline the costs to reengage with McGuireWoods Consulting.

Mr. Outten said the fee would be the same as last year, which is \$5,000 per month through the term of the current legislative session. He noted that this arrangement can be terminated at any time and there is a budget line available for this expenditure. Commissioners discussed the scope of services that the firm will provide and how legislative information will be communicated to the County. Vice Chairman Overman said based on the outstanding job they did last year, he would support using them again. Commissioner Ross noted that the firm is competent and professional.

MOTION

Commissioner Shea motioned to reengage with McGuireWoods Consulting as outlined by the County Manager and authorize the Manager and Chairman to sign an engagement letter or contract with firm.

Vice Chairman Overman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

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

Commissioner Shea and Commissioner House motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ross seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES unanimous

At 8:10 a.m., the Dare County Board of Commissioners adjourned the Special Meeting.

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APPROVED:

Respectfully submitted,

By: Gary Lee Gross, Clerk to the Board

By: Robert Woodard, Chairman

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