

Minutes

(The following is a summary of the meeting)

FORSYTH COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS BOARD MEETING

August 30, 2011

The Forsyth County Environmental Affairs Board met on August 30, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Equalization and Review Boardroom, Forsyth County Government Center, 201 N. Chestnut St., 1st Floor, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter DeVries, Chairman
Tommy Thompson
Don Nielsen
Nathan Atkinson
William Mosko
Charles Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Sieg

FC EAD PRESENT: William Lewis
Keith Tart
Angie Evans

FC STAFF: Dudley Watts
Ed Jones

VISITORS: None

I. Call to Order

Peter DeVries called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Minutes of June 21, 2011.

Peter DeVries asked if there were any questions concerning the minutes of the last meeting. Tommy Thompson moved to accept the June 21, 2011 minutes. Don Nielsen seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Discussion on Director Position of Environmental Affairs.

Mr. Dudley Watts, County Manger, called a special meeting of the Environmental Affairs Board at 10:00 a.m. on August 30, 2011 to discuss the Environmental Affairs Department

and the Director's Position. Mr. Watts introduced Mr. Ed Jones, Deputy County Manager, and William Lewis, Interim Director of the Environmental Affairs Department. Mr. Watts knew most or all of the Board members, but was not familiar with their backgrounds, thus, Mr. Watts ask the Environmental Affairs Board members to introduce themselves and give a short description of their background, expertise and interest. The Board complied with Mr. Watts' request.

Mr. Watts informed the Board of the Department's pending move to the Government Center on September 23 and the combining of the Public Health's solid waste program with the Department. Mr. Watts indicated other environmental possibilities which could be combined with the Environmental Affairs Department, one such, being a County Storm Water program. A general discussion of the Department, its future and growth occurred with each Board member giving his ideas.

Also discussed were the Environmental Affairs Director's position and what the Board Members expected in the person that would be selected to fill the position. Education, background, expertise, interest, and personality, to name a few, were discussed.

Mr. Watts stated that the internal applicants had been reduced to four (4) for further consideration and that those individuals had been asked to submit a written response to questions provided. Mr. Watts thanked the Board for their candor and statements and that the information provided would be taken into consideration. Mr. Watts will keep the Board informed of the director position process.


IV. Next Tentative Meeting Date is September 20, 2011.

VI. Tour of the Facilities.

Keith Tart gave a tour of the new Environmental Affairs Department's facilities located on the fifth floor of the Forsyth County Government Center.

VII. Adjournment

Peter DeVries adjourned the meeting at 11:05 am.

Dated: 9/20/11 

Approved: 
Peter H. DeVries, Chairman