

**MINUTES**  
**WILKES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**August 15, 2017**

**PUBLIC CONCERNS – None**

**PUBLIC HEARING – ROAD NAME REQUEST – NEW BEGINNINGS LANE, MORAVIAN FALLS TOWNSHIP** – Chairman Greg Minton declared the Public Hearing open regarding the Road Name Request for New Beginnings Lane at 6:56 P.M. on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 with the following members present: Chairman Greg Minton, Vice Chairman Gary D. Blevins, Commissioner Keith Elmore, Commissioner David Gambill, and Commissioner Eddie Settle.

Also present were Tony Triplett, County Attorney; John Yates, County Manager; Eddie Barnes, Planning Director; and Sarah Call, Clerk to the Board.

Chairman Minton asked if anyone would like to speak regarding the proposed Road Name Request. Hearing no comments on the proposed Road Name Request for New Beginnings Lane, Chairman Greg Minton declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:56 P.M.

**PUBLIC HEARING – ROAD NAME CHANGE REQUEST – RENAME A PORTION OF CONLEY SHUMAKER ROAD TO CHAMPION MT. PLEASANT ROAD, ELK TOWNSHIP** – Chairman Greg Minton declared the Public Hearing open regarding the Road Name Change Request for Conley Shumaker Road at 6:57 P.M. on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 with the following members present: Chairman Greg Minton, Vice Chairman Gary D. Blevins, Commissioner Keith Elmore, Commissioner David Gambill, and Commissioner Eddie Settle.

Also present were Tony Triplett, County Attorney; John Yates, County Manager; Eddie Barnes, Planning Director; and Sarah Call, Clerk to the Board.

Chairman Minton asked if anyone would like to speak regarding the proposed Road Name Change Request. Hearing no comments on the proposed Road Name Change Request for a portion of the Conley Shumaker Road to Champion Mt. Pleasant Road, Chairman Greg Minton declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:57 P.M.

The Wilkes County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 6:58 P.M. with the following members present: Chairman Greg Minton, Vice Chairman Gary D. Blevins, Commissioner Keith Elmore, Commissioner David Gambill, and Commissioner Eddie Settle.

Also present for the meeting were Tony Triplett, County Attorney; John Yates, County Manager; and Sarah Call, Clerk to the Board.

Chairman Greg Minton welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION** – Commissioner David Gambill led the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chairman Greg Minton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion was made by Commissioner Keith Elmore, seconded by Commissioner Eddie Settle and unanimously adopted to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting held on August 1, 2017.

Chairman Greg Minton stated Item G Duke Power Easements will need to be removed from the Agenda, the Easements are not ready at this time. He asked if the easements would be ready by the next meeting. County Attorney Tony Triplett replied hopefully.

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT:**

**1. ROAD NAME REQUEST – NEW BEGINNINGS LANE – MORAVIAN FALLS TOWNSHIP** – Planning Director Eddie Barnes stated a Public Hearing was held earlier this evening to receive public input on a proposed Road Name Request for New Beginnings Lane in Moravian Falls Township, with no opposition. He stated this request meets the requirements of the Wilkes County Road Naming Ordinance and a ten-day notification period has been met. He stated the Planning Department has not received any comments opposing the Road Name Request.

Commissioner Keith Elmore made a motion to approve the Road Name Request for New Beginnings Lane, as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner David Gambill and unanimously approved.

**2. ROAD NAME CHANGE REQUEST – RENAME A PORTION OF CONLEY SHUMAKER ROAD TO CHAMPION MT. PLEASANT ROAD – ELK TOWNSHIP** – Planning Director Eddie Barnes stated a Public Hearing was held earlier this evening to receive public input on a proposed Road Name Change Request for a portion of Conley Shumaker Road to Champion Mt. Pleasant Road in Elk Township, with no opposition. He stated this request meets the requirements of the Wilkes County Road Naming Ordinance and a ten-day notification period has been met. He stated the Planning Department has not received any comments opposing the Road Name Change Request.

Commissioner Eddie Settle made a motion to approve the Road Name Change Request for a portion of Conley Shumaker Road to Champion Mt. Pleasant Road, as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Gary D. Blevins and unanimously approved.

**CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT – JURY COMMISSION – REAPPOINTMENT** – Chairman Greg Minton recognized Tony Triplett, County Attorney. Mr. Triplett stated a letter has been received and is in the packets from Janet Handy, Clerk of Superior Court recommending Herb Settle for reappointment to the Jury Commissioner from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019. He added Jury Commission Members serve 2-year terms, one is appointed by the County Commissioners, one by the Clerk of Superior Court, and one by the

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resident Superior Court Judge and is a 3 member commission. Mr. Triplett said Mr. Settle has been on this commission for many years. He added the Clerk has recommended him and he has completed the no change form in order to be reappointed if that is the desire of the Board.

Commissioner Keith Elmore made a motion to approve the reappointment of Mr. Herbert Settle to serve on the Jury Commission for a two year term, as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eddie Settle and unanimously approved.

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT – SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES** – County Manager John Yates stated the Wilkes County Purchasing Department is requesting approval from the Wilkes County Board of Commissioners to sell the following surplus vehicles and equipment using electronic auction method, govdeals.com:

*1996 Odessa Motorhome Vin 01714-Sheriff's Dept. No longer needed and in poor condition  
2005 Fleetwood Camper Vin 12214-Emergency Management. Roof leaks and floor needs replacing.*

*1984 Chevrolet Truck Vin 89306-Landfill. No transmission*

*1985 Chevrolet Truck Vin 43717-Landfill. Needs major repairs*

*1997 Chevrolet Blazar Vin 41445-Garage. Needs new head gasket and other repairs.*

*2000 Ford Crown Victoria Vin 15558-Garage. Mileage is over 200,000*

*2005 Ford Crown Victoria Vin 23078-DSS. High Mileage and Body damage repairs needed.*

*2006 Ford Crown Victoria Vin 08614-Sheriff Repairs needed and over 200,000 miles*

*VHF – Two way radios-Sheriff. Will not meet FCC requirements.*

*Emergency vehicle equipment removed from older patrol cars. The condition of equipment is unknown.*

*Snow plow for 2 Ton truck-Sheriff*

*Generators (1) ECCO, (1) Libby Corporation, (1) John R Hollingsworth and (1) Caterpillar from old Jail. Repairs are needed on all four generators.*

Commissioner Keith Elmore asked if this is the best way to sale the surplus items. Mr. Yates replied yes, it works very well, the county gets the best price and it is advertised across the world. Commissioner Elmore asked if everything gets sold. Mr. Yates replied yes. Chairman Minton said it has been used for many years and the best thing about this is no one has to worry about getting rid of surplus items. He added someone always buys it, they come here, pick it up, they have to pay within a set amount of time, and it is very successful. Finance Director Jerry Shepherd said there is a lot less cost to the county when using the electronic auction as opposed to having live auctions.

Commissioner David Gambill made a motion to approve the sale of surplus vehicles and equipment using the electronic auction method govdeals.com as requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Keith Elmore and unanimously approved.

**CLOSED SESSION** – Motion was made by Vice Chairman Gary D. Blevins to go into closed session under Section 143-318.11(a)(3) of the North Carolina General Statute to consult with the Board’s attorney to protect the attorney-client privilege, and to consult with and give instructions to the Board’s attorney with respect to one or more potential judicial or administrative actions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner David Gambill and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner David Gambill, seconded by Commissioner Keith Elmore and by unanimous vote adopted to adjourn back into regular session. No action was taken in the closed session.

**ADJOURN** – Motion was made by Commissioner David Gambill, seconded by Commissioner Keith Elmore and by unanimous vote adopted to adjourn the meeting of the Wilkes County Board of Commissioners at 8:00 P. M.

Sarah D. Call, Clerk

Gregory A. Minton, Chairman

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Approved: