

**Minutes of the 5 December 2016
Special Meeting of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners
Held at 1:00 o'clock p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room
Yancey County Courthouse, Burnsville, North Carolina**

Present at the 5 December 2016 meeting of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners were Commissioner Jill Austin, Commissioner Mark Ledford, Commissioner Johnny Riddle, Commissioner John Stallings, Commissioner Jeff Whitson, County Manager Nathan Bennett, Clerk to the Board Jason Robinson, County Attorney Donny Laws, and County Planner Jamie McMahan.

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

County Attorney Donny Laws called the meeting to order and asked the Board to approve the agenda. Commissioner Riddle made a motion to approve the agenda and it was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The motion to approve was unanimous. (Attachment A)

Nomination and Election of Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners

County Attorney Donny Laws next opened up the floor for nominations for chairperson of the board of commissioners. Commissioner Ledford made the nomination of Commissioner Jeff Whitson for chairperson. Commissioner Austin made the nomination of Commissioner Riddle. Upon the vote, Commissioner Whitson received two votes (Commissioners Ledford and Whitson) and Commissioner Riddle received three votes (Commissioners Riddle, Austin, and Stallings). With three votes, Commissioner Riddle was elected as chairman.

Nomination and Election of Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners

Chairman Riddle then opened the floor for nomination of vice-chairperson of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Stallings nominated Commissioner Austin for vice-chairperson and Commissioner Ledford nominated Commissioner Whitson. Upon the vote, Commissioners Austin and Stallings and Chairman Riddle voted for Commissioner Austin as vice-chair and no other vote was taken being that a majority of the Board had voted for Commissioner Austin for vice-chair.

Appointment of Commission Members to vacant civic board/committee positions

The Board next heard from County Manager Nathan Bennett who stated that there were numerous civic and community boards and committees that have vacancies that need to have appointments made to them. Chairman Riddle asked for any volunteers for these various boards and commissions. Commissioner Stallings stated that he would be interested in serving on the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council. Commissioner Whitson then made a motion to appoint Commissioner Stallings to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council and it was seconded by Commissioner Ledford. The vote to approve was unanimous. Commissioner Stallings stated that he would also be interested in serving as the delegate to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners because of his flexible schedule. Commissioner Ledford then made a motion to appoint Commissioner Stallings as the delegate to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitson and the vote to approve was unanimous. Chairman Riddle stated that he wanted to step off the Toe River Board of Health. Commissioner Stallings made a motion to appoint Commissioner Ledford to the Toe River Board of Health. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Austin and the vote to approve was unanimous. There is also a vacancy on the Yancey County Social Services Board of Directors, this appointment does not have to be a commissioner. Commissioner Austin made a motion to appoint Cathy King to the social services board. Commissioner Whitson seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Approval of the Register of Deeds Bond

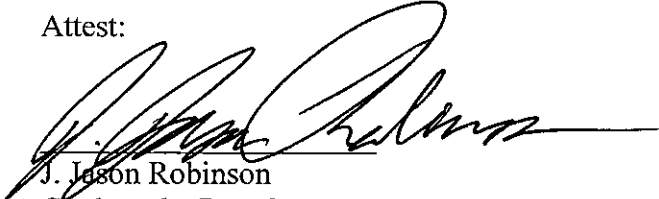
According to Mr. Bennett by statute the Board must approve the bond of the Register of Deeds each time they are elected. Currently the Register of Deeds, Mrs. Susan Jobe, has a \$25,000 bond. Upon hearing from Mr. Bennett, Commissioner Austin made a motion to continue the existing bond of the Register of Deeds. Commissioner Stallings seconded the motion and the vote to continue the bond was unanimous.

Adjournment

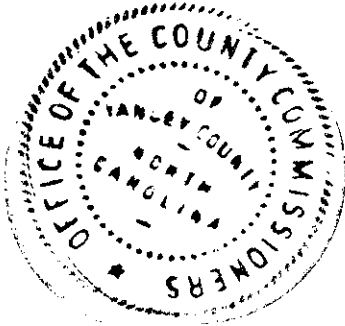
Having no further business Commissioner Whitson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Commissioner Ledford. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

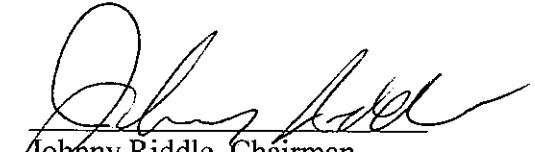
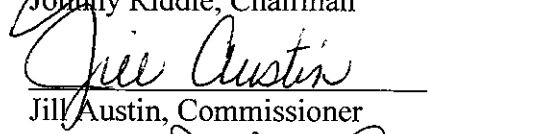
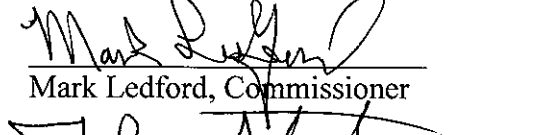
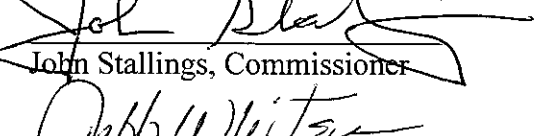
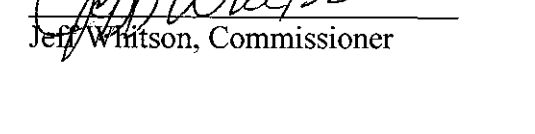
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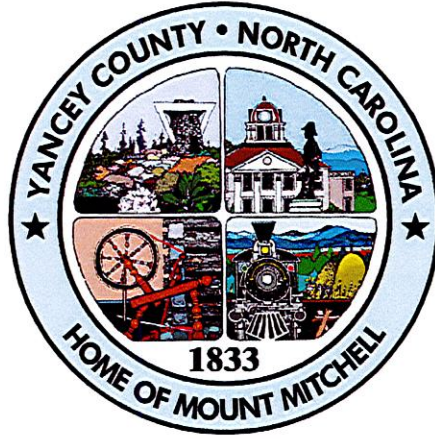

J. Jason Robinson
Clerk to the Board

(county seal)




Johnny Riddle, Chairman

Jill Austin, Commissioner

Mark Ledford, Commissioner

John Stallings, Commissioner

Jeff Whitson, Commissioner

Attachment A



**AGENDA
YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

December 5, 2016

1:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Agenda
- III. Nomination and Election of Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners
- IV. Nomination and Election of Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners
- V. Appointments to vacant civic board/committee positions
 - a. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
 - b. N.C. Association of County Commissioners Delegate
 - c. Toe River Health Board of Directors
 - d. Yancey County Social Services Board of Directors
- VI. Approval of Register of Deeds Bond
- VII. Adjourn