

APRIL 9, 2013

MINUTES OF
MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, met in Special Session in Conference Center Room 267 of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center located at 600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, N. C. on Tuesday, April 9, 2013.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Patricia Cotham and Commissioners Karen Bentley, Dumont Clarke, George Dunlap, Trevor Fuller, Bill James, Vilma Leake, Kim Ratliff and Matthew Ridenhour
County Attorney Marvin Bethune
Clerk to the Board Janice S. Paige

Absent: None

Commissioner Ratliff was absent when the meeting was called to order and until noted in the minutes.

Chairman Cotham called the meeting to order.

The purpose of the meeting was to go into Closed Session to discuss Personnel Matter.

Motion was made by Commissioner Fuller, seconded by Commissioner Leake and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Bentley, Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, and Ridenhour voting yes, to go into Closed Session to discuss Personnel Matter.

The Board went into Closed Session at 2:31 p.m. and came back into Open Session at 3:10 p.m.

Commissioner Ratliff was present when the Board came back into Open Session. She entered the meeting during Closed Session.

Motion was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Clarke and unanimously carried with Commissioners Bentley, Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to authorize the Chairman with the assistance of the County Attorney, to negotiate a letter of engagement with Felicia Washington to serve as Special Counsel to the Board of County Commissioners on matters related to the contract between the Manager and the County regarding the terms and conditions of his employment, and the Chairman is authorized to agree to the terms of such letter of engagement. Secondly, the Budget Director is authorized and directed to identify funds in the FY2013 budget that can be used to compensate the firm of the attorney selected to serve as Special Counsel, and the Director of Finance is authorized and directed to encumber and make payments from funds so identified.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bentley, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and unanimously carried with Commissioners Bentley, Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, that there being no further business to come before the Board, that the meeting be adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Janice S. Paige, Clerk

Patricia "Pat" Cotham, Chairman