PASQUOTANK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA April 16, 2018

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners met today in a budget work session on Monday, April 16, 2018 in the Community Room at the W.C. Witherspoon Memorial Library.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cecil Perry, Chairman

Dr. William R. Sterritt, Vice-Chairman Lloyd E. Griffin, III (*arrived at 2:20*)

Jeff Dixon Frankie Meads Charles H. Jordan

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joseph S. Winslow, Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT: Sparty Hammett, County Manager

R. Michael Cox, County Attorney Sheri Small, Finance Officer Jackie King, Librarian

Lynn Scott, Clerk to the Board

The work session was called to order at 2:00 PM by Chairman Cecil Perry.

1. <u>BUDGET WORK SESSION:</u>

CLERK TO THE BOARD

Chairman Perry called on President Robert Wynegar to present College of the Albemarle's proposed budget for 2018-19. Mr. Wynegar said basically they are requesting the same amount of funds as last year. He noted that the County is facing a lot of stiff challenges this year so they are trying to be good partners. He thanked the Board for their generosity last year. He provided a copy of the college's deferred maintenance 5-year plan.

Commissioner Sterritt requested COA make a formal request to include \$3,000 in their budget to help cover the cost of the grant match for the Fenwick Hollowell Walking Trail repair project.

Finance Officer Sheri Small reviewed the proposed budgets for the Library, Governing Board, Finance Department, Tax Administration, Court Facilities, Election Board, Register of Deeds, Non-Departmental, Emergency Management, Animal Control, Planning Department, GIS, Economic Development, Public Health, Contingency, and Debt Retirement. She stated that all remain relatively flat, with the exception of an across-the-board increase in employee salaries, as well as career development costs.

Chairman Perry mentioned the possibility of the Board being provided a monthly stipend. He feels it would make reimbursement much easier. The Board discussed briefly.

Sheri Small noted that the SPCA has requested an increase, but the proposed budget funds them flat. She noted that their financial statement showed an increase in the fund balance of a little over \$79,000. Commissioner Sterritt noted that the SPCA has made great efforts to raise funds and he is really impressed with what they do with very little money. He feels we should reconsider their request. Commissioner Meads said there is no doubt that they do a great job, but he thinks if we are going to increase funds for someone it should be done for our children.

Attorney Mike Cox informed the Board that the County has received an offer on the Moyock Property in the amount of \$200,000.

Motion was made by Lloyd Griffin, seconded by Jeff Dixon to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

CHAIRMAN	