

THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS convened for a recessed meeting on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 12:00 Noon in the board room, Suite 209 of the Anson County Government Center.

Commissioners present: Anna Baucom, Chair
Ross Streater, Vice Chair
Bobby Sikes
Dr. Jim Sims
Vancine Sturdivant

Staff members present: Bonnie M. Huntley, NCCCC Clerk to the Board
Rita James, Data Processing
Tiffany Randall, CPA, Finance Officer
Mike Sessions, Utilities Director

Others: Scott Forbes, County Attorney

Chairman Baucom called the recessed meeting to **Order**, welcoming those present. Chairman Baucom noted it was good to have everyone here.

Approval of the Agenda by Commissioners: Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Sikes, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Lease with SanStone for Kitchen: Chairman Baucom asked with board approval to address this item next. Alex Atchison, Attorney for SanStone, was present to discuss the lease for the kitchen at the hospital. Chairman Baucom shared that they have agreed to pay for the lease with a 30-day notice and she was notified on the 13th of May. Chairman Baucom felt there was not a problem holding to the 30 days' notice. Mr. Atchison stated that they want to be a good corporate citizen so whatever it takes to transition the property they will do. Chairman Baucom felt the issue was liability and asked how liable SanStone was for anything that goes on in the building now. Mr. Atchison felt if they are the tenant they are the occupant in possession and under the lease have responsibility for security. Chairman Baucom asked the clerk if our liability insurance covered the building at this time with the clerk answering yes. Mr. Atchison stated that they were required under the lease to provide a 30-day notice before the end of the lease so there is no question about that. Mr. Atchison feels they have approximately two to three weeks left under that notice and asked what obligations the board wants them to fulfill with regard to the property. Mr. Atchison noted they have vacated the property and they have no further interest. Chairman Baucom stated that according to our records SanStone paid rent for August, September, October, November, December of last year and January, February this year. Vice Chair Streater asked if the lease provides they pay through June 13th with Mr. Atchison answering that

the lease requires prorated rent through the end of the month so it would be whatever portion of the days during June. Chairman Baucom asked if they could catch up March, April, May and through June 13th. Mr. Atchison asked if they could provide the county with a check for March, April, May and midway through June would the county be willing to terminate the lease at that point. Chairman Baucom felt the board had already agreed to do that at the last meeting. Mr. Atchison asked if they go ahead and pay through June could we terminate the lease early. Mr. Atchison stated that this was all as a result of the hospital doing investigations now as they move forward with demolishing the building or whatever the plans are. Mr. Atchison understands last Friday there were a number of people coming in and out of the hospital and this gives his client some concern if they have responsibility over the property with all the people that need to come and go. Vice Chair Streater felt that was probably the people that will tear it down. Mr. Atchison stated that they did not have any affiliation or control over those people and they are just coming in and out. Vice Chair Streater wondered how they were getting in with someone saying probably Carolinas Healthcare. Mr. Atchison understood there were people on the roof and it was a bit challenging on their part. Chairman Baucom stated that she understand their concern but she did not see SanStone being liable for anything those folks do. Mr. Atchison felt they would be if they were in possession with Vice Chair Streater thinking July 11 is when they are to announce they are tearing it down. Commissioner Sturdivant added that all Mr. Atchison wants to know is that they are released from it and we've already voted on it. Mr. Atchison again said if they have two to three weeks left on their notice time what do you want them to fulfill with regard to the property. Chairman Baucom said they just want them to pay with Mr. Atchison saying that was no problem and apologized on behalf of his client that we've not been paid. Vice Chair Streater noted Carolinas Healthcare was covered under their contract. Chairman Baucom noted Carolinas Healthcare was the ones going in and out of the building and unless there is an Attorney somewhere that could get them on it, it would not come from the county. Mr. Atchison asked if it would be appropriate for the board to vote on the lease being terminated upon delivery of the outstanding rent through the middle of June with Chairman Baucom answering yes. Mr. Atchison asked if they deliver the check by Friday then they no longer have responsibility with regard to possession of the building. Chairman Baucom agreed. Mr. Atchison shared that he did speak with the County Attorney and he said that any concerns he had needed to be addressed with Chairman Baucom and the board. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, that upon receipt of the check for the months owed that we terminate the lease and release SanStone from any liability. Chairman Baucom explained that we were saying that when we get the check they are done with no obligations except to take care of them when they get old. Vice Chair Streater asked if they could deliver the check to the clerk with Mr. Atchison answering yes. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Atchison thanked the board for their time and apologized for adding to the length of the meeting but he appreciates them helping him out. Chairman Baucom voiced appreciation for the business saying every nickel helps.

Utilities Budget – Proposed Water/Sewer Rates: Mr. Sessions stated that in talking with Rita and Tiffany they've had a good year and all three departments are still strong. Mr. Sessions was of the impression that someone at wastewater was near retirement and if so they may be looking for someone pretty soon. Mr. Sessions shared that they have a van they plan to list on GovDeals just as soon as they can replace it with a truck. Mr. Sessions added that the van was 15 years old and they got their good out of it. Chairman Baucom asked the impact of the retirement with Mr. Sessions saying they put in the budget to purchase a truck. Mr. Sessions noted they have to work on the trickling filters and that is also in the proposed budget. Chairman Baucom thought we borrowed the money for the filters with Mr. Sessions answering no. The clerk noted that was for the filters at filtration. Mr. Sessions stated that they have a company hired to redo the filters at filtration and plans are to start the project in July so it will be in the New Year. Mr. Sessions shared that bids were taken for the project and Harper Corporation was the lowest bidder and Page Power Systems was the low bidder on the filter project and that too will begin in July. Mr. Sessions noted that their proposed budget includes a full time administrative assistant for filtration in order for Daniel to have more time to train. Mr. Sessions added that for the last two to three years they've had a hard time finding qualified people to work at filtration and because of that they are having a lot of overtime. Vice Chair Streater asked the cost of this with Ms. James answering they have that set at \$27,927 and benefits will run another \$11,000 to \$12,000. Mr. Sessions explained that this will keep Daniel away from the desk and out on the floor training in hopes of moving some of the employees along. Mr. Sessions noted that the work on the lagoons will start soon and Daniel will need to check on them daily. Mr. Sessions shared that water distribution was right at five miles of waterline added this year. Mr. Sessions noted that they were working on Phillips Road now and that will be another 4,000 plus feet. Mr. Sessions shared that right now they think three people on the road will sign for the water. Commissioner Sims asked if this would get Mr. Edwards with Mr. Sessions saying he has never come to the office but this will not reach him. Vice Chair Streater was of the impression that with all the new projects they were to get some money upfront from those that signed the petition. Mr. Sessions stated that these were already on the list and anything going forward they are going to get guarantees. Vice Chair Streater thought after the Pee Dee job they said that before we start a project we will ask for a deposit. Mr. Sessions said they were not going to ask for a monetary deposit as they have no way to hold their money. Ms. James did not think the General Statutes would allow us to hold their money for a long time. Vice Chair Streater felt that before we start a project we were supposed to go back and make sure they were still going to take the water. Mr. Sessions said Phillips Road was the only one he was worried about how many will actually take the water. Mr. Sessions stated that they did Faulkner Road where we already had a line and we needed to do an upgrade. Mr. Sessions explained that now if you put a line in, to add fire hydrants it has to be a six inch line and Faulkner Road has a four inch line and they were going to pick two customers up and they decided that right now they will hold off on this road. Vice Chair Streater asked again about the Phillips Road project saying the way they've been coming before the board and how many he said he had

signed up that would take the water, was he saying we will only pick up two customers. Mr. Sessions thinks someone said three would come on and there are probably seven or eight on the list. Mr. Sessions stated that until they get the line in they can't take their money to see how many will actually take the water. Vice Chair Streater asked how many signed the petition with Mr. Sessions saying he did not know how many signed his petition. Vice Chair Streater commented that a lot of people will sign it just to help their neighbor get water when they have no intentions of taking the water themselves. Vice Chair Streater felt they should visit residents prior to installing the line for a deposit with Mr. Sessions saying if the board will back him he will do that. Mr. Sessions explained that after the line is installed they have a certain amount of time to buy the water tap for half price. Mr. Sessions stated that they can change that but he doesn't know if that will hold water or not. Vice Chair Streater felt if we don't get the money we don't install the waterline. Commissioner Sikes felt before they run the waterline they get the customers to sign an agreement that they will take the water and pay the monthly bill. Commissioner Sikes noted that in times past they would pay the deposit to get it but they would not use the water. Mr. Sessions asked what would be their recourse if they sign it, they put the line in and they didn't sign up with Commissioner Sikes thinking everyone that signed would have to take the water and pay for it. Commissioner Sikes feels this is the only way to run a waterline. Commissioner Sims thinks Mr. Sessions is asking how he could force them to do that. Vice Chair Streater said don't put the waterline in until all of them pay. Chairman Baucom asked if there was some statute that prescribes how with Ms. James saying it would be about holding their money with nothing in the ground. Vice Chair Streater stated that once we get the permit to install the waterline, we go out and tell them that we are ready to install the line we just need their deposit. Mr. Sessions understands the water department can't hold people's money. Ms. James stated that the way it works now is we have the line going down the road and the persons express the desire to tap on to the line and they pay the fee and we tap them in and they start receiving water. Ms. James felt they were saying collect the fee upfront. Vice Chair Streater again stated that once we get the approval to put the waterline in, before we start that road we tell them we are ready to start the project within the next week or two and we need you to go ahead and pay your deposit. Mr. Sessions felt that would require another account to hold the money until the project is complete. Mr. Sessions shared that they get approval in the beginning then they have to pressure test and flush and at the end they have to get approved by the state that it is safe to start the taps. Ms. James feels the money will have to be placed in a liability account and hold it and not add it to the books because they could come back and change their minds and want a refund. Mr. Sessions feels if they pay they will want interest on their money. Chairman Baucom voiced a concern about the rate at which we lay waterlines and get the water out to the people, particularly White Store. Chairman Baucom noted they have a lot of rich farms. Mr. Sessions explained that it generally takes two to three years and feels the board wants to do this systematically and not have lines ran where we have dead ends and cover several miles just to get to one or two farms. Mr. Sessions stated that they don't want lines where we are not turning the water over. Mr. Sessions stated that most poultry

companies won't let them build unless there is already water there and they make them have wells and county water for a backup. Chairman Baucom felt it all worked together as we get property tax on the poultry houses and the farms are making money. Commissioner Sikes voiced that you did not want dead end lines you want it to circulate. Chairman Baucom agreed it should be in a systematic way but it doesn't seem that way. Chairman Baucom mentioned the priority list and the fact that some have been on there for years. Chairman Baucom added that they have not gotten a copy of the priority list in a long time. Chairman Baucom wondered how often we have run the line and then people not paid to hook on saying she favored getting the deposit. Commissioner Sikes stated that we did not necessarily have to get a deposit but have them sign a contract that they have to pay for the water when we put in the line. Commissioner Sikes explained that they will be billed for water whether they use it or not if they sign the contract. Chairman Baucom stated that she did not have a problem with that and felt our issue was getting the capital to lay the lines to start with. Mr. Sessions shared that so far they've been fine and they go down the priority list. Mr. Sessions noted the worse one they've had is Power Plant Road and they tried and tried to get customers. Vice Chair Streater and Commissioner Sturdivant both said that Mr. Spencer worked hard for these people to get water to them. Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, that before we run a waterline that we get people to sign a contract that they will use the water and they will be billed for it monthly whether they use it or not if they sign up for it. Motion carried unanimously. Vice Chair Streater added that we want to give other people water. Mr. Sessions shared that active services through April were 4,756, they installed in the last twelve months 39 new services and the range of gallons pumped has been from 191 million to 236 million gallons a month over the last year. Mr. Sessions reminded board members that two years ago they went up on the base pay from \$11 to \$12 and last year they increased fees. Mr. Sessions feels they are strong enough to go one more year without an increase. Mr. Sessions shared that he would like to look at different scenarios next year to change our per gallon rate. Mr. Sessions stated that currently the more you use the cheaper the price and he wants to look at a different way of charging. Mr. Sessions noted this would affect the big users and not homeowners. Vice Chair Streater asked who would this be with Mr. Sessions answering Union County, Hornwood, Richmond County and others. Commissioner Sikes asked how many gallons do they get for the \$12 a month with Mr. Sessions answering 2,000 gallons. Vice Chair Streater asked what the average household uses with Mr. Sessions answering 5,000 or under. Mr. Sessions noted that farmers use a lot three to four months a year but not year round. Chairman Baucom asked Mr. Sessions if he was recommending no increase this year with Mr. Sessions answering yes. Chairman Baucom noted that they need to be prepared with Mr. Sessions saying that when he calls the towns this afternoon he will let them know that next year may see an increase. Commissioner Sims voiced that he did not want people like Richmond and Union counties to pay less than an Ansonian. Commissioner Sikes felt one reason they pay less if we don't have to collect the water or maintain their lines. Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the utilities budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Baucom stated that we have agreed today that we will use the same fees and rates this year as it is now and in the future before running lines potential users will sign a contract. Chairman Baucom asked Mr. Sessions to work with the County Attorney. The clerk noted they did a contract years ago when she worked at the water department and Mr. Sessions stated that they may have a copy. Chairman Baucom asked to get the County Attorney involved to make sure it is enforceable. Mr. Sessions wanted it understood that if they need ten customers on a particular line and only seven sign then they will skip over that road and he is sure board members will get phone calls when this happens. Commissioner Sikes added that this is what the contract is for as they will pay for it if they don't take it. Commissioner Sturdivant referred to the closed session meeting five or six months ago when he and Ms. Beck were asked to work together and asked Mr. Sessions how many meetings had they had with Mr. Sessions saying they've not had any yet and he doesn't know the status of Project X. Commissioner Sturdivant asked if he knew anything about what has happened since then with Mr. Sessions answering no. Commissioner Sims voiced that he is afraid nothing has happened. Mr. Sessions asked the board when they decide to go forward with the project to please talk to Wadesboro and get them to help.

Chairman Baucom shared that she received an application from Charles Edward Smith, Mayor of Chicago. Chairman Baucom stated that he applied for our County Manager position and it was postmarked May 19th and the deadline was the 15th. Chairman Baucom asked if board members would like to review what she received with Commissioner Sims feeling if he was unqualified they owed him nothing because he did not meet the deadline.

Commissioner Sikes voiced that in the proposed budget he wants someone looking after our landfill. Commissioner Sikes shared that he hears so much that is going on and understands they did away with the road that you used to drive around to inspect and if that is so it is against the law. Commissioner Sikes stated that when this was built we promised the county that we would have someone from Anson County overseeing and making sure things were done right. Vice Chair Streater asked Ms. James if this was put in the budget with Ms. James answering she did. Ms. James explained that she put this under the sheriff and she had a conversation with him and he wants it called Environmental Sheriff so it would be a sworn officer that could take charges against someone that creates an illegal dump and that kind of thing. Vice Chair Streater felt this was what we need and hopes the board can find the money to fund the position. Vice Chair Streater felt this should be the first thing the board looks at when they do the budget. Chairman Baucom felt this person was needed to monitor the whole county. Chairman Baucom shared that she went out there Saturday morning and drove back in there and everything looked fine. Chairman Baucom noted they drove back in there almost a mile and she didn't see anything amiss. Chairman Baucom noted there were right many people there recycling and taking their household trash. Chairman Baucom felt one issue is you don't know where they are from and residents here shouldn't pay anything but others should be charged. Vice Chair Streater stated

that he has seen people from South Carolina at the Gatewood Convenience Center with Commissioner Sims thinking they should ask for driver's license to make sure they are valid in Anson County North Carolina. Commissioner Sikes commented that before we built the new Emergency Services Center they were having monthly meetings with all the departments about GIS on what they needed and what was not working and that has not happened since they built the building. Commissioner Sikes shared that Randy has to stay out there all the time now to keep things running. Commissioner Sikes wants to make sure everybody can use GIS and it is working like it needs to be but all he hears is complaints. Chairman Baucom stated that we have a lot invested in the system and she would like to know what it will take to make it work right. Ms. James stated that it was going to take money with Chairman Baucom asking how much. Ms. James explained that the files got encrypted by the lady that works in GIS Pam Ward and it is going to take a detailed person time to get the all the problems solved. Commissioner Sikes asked Ms. James if she thought we needed a full time person in GIS rather than a part time with Ms. James noting it was going to be an expensive proposition because if you get the kind of person that needs to be there it will cost. Ms. James shared that it was proposed in the budget but at this point we are 1.2 million dollars away from balancing. Ms. James added that this was eight cents on the tax rate. Ms. James noted it was critical and reminded board members that we lost that \$945,000 revenue right off the top so that is \$945,000 of the 1.2 million dollars. Commissioner Sikes asked which revenue was this with Ms. James answering it was revenue that was set up for sale of the property behind the high school and the hospital property and none of that materialized. Ms. James pointed out that there were no raises in the budget with Vice Chair Streater asking why the revenue we did not receive would affect this year's budget. Ms. James said because she can't budget that revenue again this year because we are not going to sell that and she has to take it out. Chairman Baucom asked if the 1.2 million shortfall include the \$945,000 with Ms. James saying she was taking the \$945,000 out and that causes us a \$945,000 hole. Commissioner Sikes asked about what the fire departments were asking with Ms. James explaining they are at five cents and Wadesboro is at 7.6. Ms. James stated that the fire departments have asked for 9 cents but the conversation she heard that night was the board would allow the fire departments to go from five to 7.6 to match the Wadesboro Fire District. Commissioner Sikes asked if that would mean eight and then two and one-half with a 10.5 increase with Ms. James answering yes if they are in those fire districts. Ms. James noted that people in Wadesboro's Fire District was already paying 7.6 so the 2.6 cents would not affect them but it would everybody else. Ms. James explained that the board established Gullledge, Lilesville and Morven not as a fire district but as a fire service district. Commissioner Sims asked the difference with Ms. James explaining fire service means that the citizens did not come to you and ask to have a fire district established but the board decided to establish the districts. Vice Chair Streater noted that they had Public Hearings with Ms. James saying it was because the board did it and it was not like the citizens coming and asking for it. Ms. James stated that we had Ansonville, Burnsville, Lanesboro and Wadesboro but all these other places didn't have fire service so to make everything equal the board at

that time set up three more districts as fire service districts. Ms. James said of the fire districts that came to the board, only three can ask for this as the board has to approve the increase for the others. Vice Chair Streater asked which three requested it with Ms. James answering Ansonville, Burnsville and Lanesboro. Commissioner Sikes asked how far were we from the six mile radius with Vice Chair Streater saying Mr. Diggs would be at the next meeting to update board members on this. Commissioner Sikes stated that they have a customer that is five miles and one-tenth from the fire department and his insurance went up \$1,000 a year because of the one-tenth of a mile. Commissioner Sikes thinks it has a lot to do with GIS and mapping with Ms. James saying you have to have a GIS person because all these properties have to be redefined for taxing purposes. Commissioner Sims stated that he heard that Rodney did his job and notified Raleigh. Commissioner Sims added that Raleigh needs maps and Rodney can't send them because the Assessor said he needed more help so now that he has it he understands the maps are being done and are due in Raleigh by the end of the year. Commissioner Sikes felt we needed a full time GIS person and not part time with Chairman Baucom feeling it needed to be under IT. Ms. James agreed that it needed to be changed from the tax office to IT. Chairman Baucom stated that it needs to be a part of the total technology department. Ms. James stated that in the tax office they are concerned about parcel lines but when you talk about fire districts and six mile radius that is something else. Ms. James noted that it involves the tax office because they will have to change all their records because monies are assigned. Chairman Baucom shared that she was not saying they should not have access to it and she understands this consist of layers. Vice Chair Streater asked how many fire departments can they approve with Ms. James answering they can approve it for Ansonville, Burnsville and Lanesboro. Ms. James stated that the board established the fire service districts and they will also have to make a motion for Lilesville, Morven and Gulledge to have the same rates. Commissioner Sikes stated that Ansonville and Burnsville will lap each other as well as Ansonville and Polkton and asked what they would do about this. Ms. James said she did not know but Chairman Baucom commented if only we had a GIS system that could set it up so that each parcel would be in only one district. Ms. James stated that there is only one fire district code that can be in your real estate property record and we want it to be the right one so that fire district will get the money when the taxes are paid. Commissioner Sikes favored leaving the districts as they are and let everybody that is six miles from the station be covered but let the lines stay the same. Ms. James referred to the earlier discussion of water saying when they talked to you about the line there is a filter at filtration, filter #5 that was done and they had not fixed it. Ms. James noted this was one of the things to do that was required and the cost to repair the filter is approximately \$200,000 and it is budgeted to be paid through capital outlay cash. Ms. James added that they also talked about needing a generator for filtration at a cost of around \$625,000 and that is also included in the budget to do this coming year. Ms. James felt the need for the generator came about due to a problem there with power. Chairman Baucom remembered the discussion as a need to upgrade and repair the system regardless of whether or not Project X comes. Vice Chair Streater asked Ms. James

what kind of increase did she think they were facing with Ms. James saying about eight cents. Ms. James explained that we've been living off fund balance and we've been cutting timber and selling some of our property and we've just run to the end of the rope. Ms. James noted that a penny yields about \$150,000. Commissioner Sikes asked for something valued at \$100,000 how much the eight cents would increase the tax with Ms. James answering \$80. Ms. James shared that 2.6 cents for fire and 8 for the county that is 10.6 and it would be \$106 on a \$100,000 home. Ms. James shared that there were no big dollars in there but taking out the \$945,000 revenue was like taking a prop out from under you. Ms. James stated that what is left is about \$250,000 that is increased from last year to this year or else the revenues have decreased. Commissioner Sims asked about fund balance with Ms. James answering unassigned is \$5.6 million. Commissioner Sturdivant asked if we found the money for Rodney's truck with Ms. James answering it was in there but it could be taken out. Vice Chair Streater felt there was a bunch of stuff they were not going to be able to fund at this rate. Commissioner Sims favored taking .6 from fund balance with Ms. James noting the \$1.2 million short fall was already using \$800,000 from fund balance to balance it. Ms. James noted this was the same amount they used last year. Commissioner Sims asked if we built it back up in another way with Ms. James thinking we contributed around \$380,000 to fund balance last year. Ms. James explained that last year they said they could use as much as \$800,000 but they ended up not using the \$800,000 and instead they contributed \$380,000. Ms. James stated that they budgeted \$800,000 again this year but that is not saying they could not budget a little more like maybe \$1 million or \$1.1 million from fund balance but if you get a bad year that will not be good. Commissioner Sims commented if you do that you should not put anything new in the budget. Commissioner Sikes asked if there were any payments we were currently making that will go way in the next year or so with Ms. James sharing that the energy payments go away in year 15/16. Ms. James said we have to make 3 monthly payments in July, August and September. Commissioner Sikes asked what term we have on the EMS building with Ms. James answering 15 years and this is our second year. Commissioner Sims felt like at some time we got money from the water department with Ms. James saying we still get money from water but it is for services we provide. Ms. James explained that the water department does not have their own finance office so they write payroll and AP checks for them among other things. Ms. James stated that this information is sent to a company called Maximus that does a cost allocation plan for us and it tells us how much of the time and resources of the general fund do we use to keep the water and wastewater department going and they contribute back in-kind. Vice Chair Streater felt they may to do line item by line item cuts this year. Chairman Baucom felt we were not buying new law enforcement vehicles this year with Ms. James saying that was not in there because we rotate. Ms. James explained that they go out and get the loan, they recognize the loan and the same amount in expenses and then you get the cars. Ms. James reminded board member we do our loans for three year terms so we always have three payments for the sheriff's department. Vice Chair Streater felt we should not have any at the end of these new cars because they extended the rotation. Commissioner Sikes noted there

were new cars at the EMS building waiting to be painted. Vice Chair Streater mentioned the new rotation the board voted on and asked when it goes into effect with Ms. Randall thinking it was effective then approved. Vice Chair Streater stated that they knew the cars that were already ordered were coming with Ms. Randall thinking there was a misconception in the fact that the board approved a longer time frame before vehicles are rotated but there will still be vehicles rotated every year it just won't be as many. Ms. James stated that we were doing six to eight vehicles but they stretched it out and said let's don't replace but five so you will still go out every year but you'll only get five. Ms. James stated that right now our debt service is pretty high because it is covering six to eight vehicles but you won't see any affect from this action for three years when you order only five vehicles instead of eight. Commissioner Sims felt Vice Chair Streater was right about the cars but he felt that once you do for one community you have to do for all. Vice Chair Streater felt that was not really going to affect this because those were old cars we are getting rid of but that won't help our budget. Vice Chair Streater felt that at some point in time we extended it from five to seven with Ms. James saying it was not the years but the number of vehicles to be ordered. Board members thought it was the years going from five to six years. Commissioner Sikes felt we should go from five to seven. Vice Chair Streater felt there should be one year where no vehicles are ordered. Ms. Randall didn't think that is how what was approved by the board was interpreted. Ms. Randall stated that the sheriff has a rotation schedule with Vice Chair Streater feeling they needed to go back and make it work like they thought it was supposed to work. Vice Chair Streater stated that the board wants it moved from five to seven years and if you get a new car this year you will keep that car seven years. Commissioner Sikes felt the board went from five to six years but agreed it should be from five to seven. Chairman Baucom thought they kept them four years and rotated them every four with Commissioner Sikes thinking it was those that were ordered would come but from then on it was going to be on the new rotation. Ms. James showed a paper to board members saying if we were doing seven vehicles a year for five years that is 35 vehicles and then say they interpreted the motion that said instead of doing seven vehicles to cut our annual payments we would do five vehicles for seven years and that is still 35 vehicles but you will still get a loan every year. Ms. James noted the loan will be less for five vehicles than it was for seven so there is never a year you would not have that. Ms. James said maybe they interpreted it wrong.

Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to adjourn.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

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Clerk to the Board

Meeting time: 1 hr. 25 min.