

CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 16, 2004

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on this date, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., in the Commission Chamber of the Cleveland County Administrative Offices.

PRESENT: Mary S. Accor, Chairwoman
Ronald J. Hawkins, Vice-Chair
Tom Bridges, Commissioner
Willie B. McIntosh, Commissioner
Jerry L. Self, Commissioner
R. L. Alexander, County Manager
David Dear, Assistant County Manager/Finance Director
Bob Yelton, County Attorney
Wanda Crotts, CMC, County Clerk
Patricia D. Spangler, Deputy Clerk
Eddie Bailes, Human Resources Director
Bill McCarter, Planning Director
Joy Scott, The Star
Jennipher Hammerstein, Cleveland Headline News
Other individual names on file in the Clerk's Office

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Accor called the meeting to order and led the audience in the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the flag of the United States of America. Vice-Chairman Hawkins provided the invocation for the meeting.

AGENDA ADOPTION

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Board, to ***adopt the agenda as presented by the County Clerk, with the following additions:***

- (1) **Closed Session:** Personnel and Real Estate matters. (R. L. Alexander)

CITIZENS RECOGNITION

DRIVE IN THEATERS

John McBrayer expressed his concern regarding issues surrounding the Sunset drive-in theater, stating it has been a "landmark in Cleveland County" for many years and affords a low cost form of entertainment for families. He said it was his understanding that the complaints have come from one neighbor and he felt a resolution could be reached between the theater owner and the adjoining property owner if they discussed the matters of concern to both. He requested Commissioners talk with other neighboring property owners before a decision is made.

Rick Stinnett advised he is the current owner of the drive-in and has been in the "theater business" all of his life. He stated he has "never shown an x-rated film" and does not intend too. He said the wooden barrier was put in place by the previous owners but some of the panels had fallen down, so he installed flood lights in order to be in compliance with Code. He stated it was "too expensive" to install any other type of barrier.

Warren McSwain advised he has been a Swainsville resident for twelve years and was the first manager of the Sunset drive-in theater and had been in the "movie business for thirty years." He stated he could see part of the screen from his home and that "some forty people live around there and only one complaint has been made." He felt that one complaint could be "addressed" without amending the code.

Mel Lockhart said he lives directly across from the theater and is the complainant. He said when he moved there seven years ago the wooden barriers were in place but over time has

fallen down. He said he feels the "lights don't comply with the spirit of the law" and create a traffic safety hazard.

VIDEO GAMING MACHINES

David Morrow expressed his opposition to the proposed code amendment regarding video gaming machines. He advised he felt the amendment, if adopted, would "put 200 plus people out of jobs" thereby eliminating an estimated \$60,000 per week payroll; bring about the loss of rentals on some 67 buildings at an average of \$600.00 per month. He stated "very little" property is zoned General Business (GB) within the county, which is the classification for video gaming machines, and that video machines "is already one of the most regulated businesses in the county." He stated he felt that the citizen argument that video "parlors" bring in crime and robbery is unfounded since "crime and robbery" happens in other businesses. He encouraged Commissioners to "think this through" and to "just do the right thing."

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There being no corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes of **February 2, 2004, February 11, 2004, February 12, 2004, February 17, 2004, February 18, 2004,** and **February 20, 2004,** motion was made by Tom Bridges, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to **approve the minutes as written.**

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (HRSA GRANT): BUDGET PROJECT ORDINANCE (BNP #025)

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to **approve the following budget amendments.**

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department/Account Name</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
010.446.4.310.00	EMS/Federal Gov't Grants	\$24,224.	
010.446.5.210.00	EMS/Departmental Supplies	3,697.	
010.446.5.230.00	EMS/Medicine & Supplies	1,192.	
010.446.5.310.00	EMS/Travel/Training	15,200.	
010.446.5.910.00	EMS/Capital Equipment	4,135.	

Explanation: To budget funds from the federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) passing through the NCDHHS Office of Emergency Medical Services. This grant will allow for purchase of equipment, decon materials, medicine, etc. in order for EMS systems to respond to any bioterrorist event or disaster.

TAX ABATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS

The Tax Assessor provided Commissioners with a detailed written report regarding tax abatements and supplements during **February 2004.** The monthly grand total of tax abatements was listed as (\$22,275.41); and, the monthly grand total for tax supplements was listed as \$8,520.94.

TAX COLLECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

The Tax Collector provided Commissioners with the following detailed written report regarding taxes collected during **February 2004** (copy found on Page _____ of Minute Book 27).

PROCLAMATION: CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH - APRIL 2004

ACTION: Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to **adopt the following proclamation,** as presented by Dr. Leslie Richardson, Chair of the Cleveland County Child Protection/Fatality Prevention Team.

NUMBER 01-2004

**PROCLAIMING APRIL 2004
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
IN CLEVELAND COUNTY**

WHEREAS, child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community;

WHEREAS, approximately three million children are reported as abused and neglected in this country each year;

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 children are reported as abused and neglected in North Carolina each year;

WHEREAS, 24 children were victims of child abuse homicide in North Carolina during the year 2001;

WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities, and need to be addressed by the entire community;

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social services agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

WHEREAS, all citizens should become more aware of the negative effects of child abuse and its prevention within the community, and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in Cleveland County and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

ADOPTED THIS THE 16 DAY OF MARCH 2004.

(Original signed by each Commissioner)

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC HEARING - ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - DAVID WRIGHT (Case #04-02)(1220 & 1222 Mary's Grove Church Road)

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to open the public hearing regarding the rezoning petition. (Public notice of this hearing was conducted in accordance with NCGS 153A-343 with legal advertisements published in the Star on March 3 and March 10, 2004.)

Mr. McCarter advised that David Wright has presented a petition to rezone the property at 1220 and 1222 Mary's Grove Church Road (approximately 1.5 acres) from Residential (R) to Neighborhood Business (NB). He reviewed the following information regarding this case:

Existing Land Use: Building has been vacant for several years, but the last occupant was a convenience store. Surrounding land uses are predominately residential.

Future Land Use: Expanding Residential.

Utilities: Cleveland County Sanitary District has a six-inch water line available along Mary's Grove Church Road.

Transportation: This street is classified as "rural local" by NCDOT, serving as the connecting street between local and residential streets

Mr. McCarter also reviewed the following recommendations from the Planning Board and the Planning Consultant.

Planning Consultant, Chuck Nance

Isothermal Planning Commission

Recommendation: Deny

All of this area is zoned Residential, and it is my opinion this proposal might be considered "spot zoning," in that this property would benefit from relief of the restrictions of the adjoining property. I would recommend not approving this proposal.

It should be noted that David Owens, of the Institute of Government, in his book "Legislative Zoning Decisions" defines spot zoning as follows - "A zoning amendment, which singles out and reclassifies a relatively small tract, owned by a single person and surrounded by a much larger area uniformly zoned, so as to impose upon the smaller tract greater restrictions than those imposed upon the larger area, or so as to relieve the smaller tract from restrictions to which the rest of the area is subjected."

In this case the word "relative" has to do with where the request is, and the size of the parcel. In towns and cities this may pertain to parcels of less than an acre. In counties "relative" may pertain to tracts of many acres.

Planning Board Chairman, John McCulloch
Cleveland County Planning Board
Recommendation: Approve

The Board unanimously recommended approving this request. The board had previously recommended to the property owner that the property be rezoned to Neighborhood Business (NB), since the building was previously used as a convenience store. This will restore the original use without further impact to the neighborhood.

Conforms with the Land Use Plan: The purpose of the Neighborhood Business district is to provide needed services to the surrounding neighborhood. This area is indicated as "Expanding Residential" on the 2005+ Projected Land Use Plan.

Surrounding Properties: Adjoining properties are predominately residential.

Non-conforming Uses: The building is currently abandoned, but it appears that the previous use was a small general store. The store would have been a non-conforming use, but this status has expired, requiring that the property be rezoned in order to establish a new business.

ACTION: Hearing no other comments, Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to close the public hearing.

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***accept the recommendation of the Planning Board and approve the rezoning petition as requested*** (reference Page _____ of Minute Book _____ for a copy of the Ordinance).

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - FRANK RUDISILL (Case #04-01; 2221 South Post Road, Shelby)

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Tom Bridges, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to open the public hearing regarding this rezoning petition. (Public notice of this hearing was conducted in accordance with NCGS 153A-343 with legal advertisements published in the Star on March 3 and March 10, 2004.)

Mr. McCarter advised that Mr. Rudisill has presented a petition to rezone a portion of the property at 2221 South Post Road (approximately two acres) from Neighborhood Business (NB) to General Business (GB). Mr. Rudisill leases the property from Energy United Propane. He provided the following background information.

Existing Land Use: The building is currently being used for a clothing store, which is a permitted use in Neighborhood Business (NB). Large propane storage tanks are also located on this property, although wholesale storage of petroleum products is a permitted use only in Heavy Industrial. Surrounding land uses are predominantly residential.

Mr. McCarter also reviewed the following recommendations from the Planning Consultant and Planning Board.
Chuck Nance, Planning Consultant
Isothermal Planning Commission
Recommendation: Deny

Unless there is a General Business zoning district located adjacent to the property in question, I would consider this case to rezone one piece of property from Neighborhood Business

to General Business as spot zoning. However, because South Post Road is a major thoroughfare, and there are numerous businesses located sporadically along the road, you may want to consider changing or updating your land use plan to reflect this as expanding commercial, which may in the future allow rezoning to General Business.

John McCulloch, Chairman
Cleveland County Planning Board
Recommendation: Deny

The Planning Board voted unanimously to deny this request, based on spot zoning and lack of support from adjoining property owners.

Spot Zoning: Rezoning a single property to a use that would allow this property owner certain privileges that the neighboring properties do not enjoy may be found by the courts to be arbitrary and capricious, therefore invalidating the rezoning.

Does Not Conform with the Land Use Plan: This area is indicated as “expanding residential” on the 2005+ Projected Land Use Plan. Rezoning to a more intensive commercial use should be in an area designated as Expanding Commercial/Industrial.

Surrounding Properties: Adjoining properties are a mix of commercial uses along NC 180 and residential to the south along Sulphur Springs Church Road. No support was indicated from these adjoining property owners.

Non-Conforming Uses: Energy United Propane is considered a non-conforming use in the Neighborhood Business (NB) zoning district. Wholesale storage of petroleum products is only permitted in Heavy Industrial (HI). Rezoning would not eliminate the non-conforming status.

Brian Gold, attorney representing the petitioners, provided Commissioners with pictures of the property in question stating they plan to use the building for “retail trade” and discussed his interpretation of what qualifies as spot zoning, contending this would not be considered as such. He explained that Mr. and Mrs. Rudisill have a “life dream to open a business” and he feels the proposed business would be no more intrusive to the community than the previous occupants who operated a lawn mower repair shop. He said there was no opposition to the petition presented at the Planning Board meeting.

The following people spoke against the rezoning petition, stating they wished the property to remain as currently zoned or be rezoned to strictly Residential. They also expressed concerns over the possibility that this property may be used for video gaming machines.

R. W. Lowery
Joyce Kegan
Jim Brackett
Ted Easter
Matthew Holland
Elizabeth Smith
Wayne Blanton
David Hamrick
Diane Bridges
Roger Owens

The following people spoke in support of the rezoning petition:

Mrs. Frank Rudisill
Frank Rudisill
David Morrow

ACTION: Jerry Self made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to close the public hearing.

Commissioners requested Mr. Yelton to provide a legal opinion as to whether this would be considered spot zoning. Mr. Yelton advised, "I don't disagree with what Mr. Gold says the courts have said about spot zoning, but you have to look at, as he said, the benefits and detriments. I feel like the size of this piece of property definitely could be considered spot zoning . . ."

Commissioner Self stated, "I think this is spot zoning, the question is would it be legal spot zoning because in North Carolina there are some areas where there are some things that are legal spot zoning. This, I don't think would hold up as legal spot zoning because we'd have to say that it's a big enough tract, which I don't think it is with two acres, we'd have to say it's an overwhelming advantage to the community by making it this zoning. The other issue is the Land Use Plan and it doesn't conform to the Land Use Plan. We are presently going through the process of the new Land Use Plan this year and if that would happen to say commercial should be down that corridor, then we might could reconsider the issue . . . I think it is still non-conforming even if it were upgraded to General Business." Commissioner McIntosh stated, "I think we need to look at our ordinance also because arcades, video machines, they can be in General Business . . . although I do agree that this is right in the middle of Neighborhood Business, I think we need to consider, and I hope the public will consider, yes we do have arcades and machines in General Business. We've got some coming up before us pretty soon, is every time that a General Business zoning comes up are we going to be met with this same thing because if so, then we're not going to have any general businesses in this county if everybody assumes that somebody's going to have video poker machines. . . . we can't get rid of video poker in our zoning ordinance because the machines are not illegal."

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the recommendation, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***accept the recommendation of the Planning Board and deny the petition to rezone.***

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: REDMAN ROAD (SR 1968) RIGHT-OF-WAY ABANDONMENT

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to open a public hearing regarding this matter. (*Public notice of this hearing was conducted in accordance with NCGS 136-63, with legal advertisement public in the Star on February 25, March 3, and March 10, 2004.*)

Eric Lingerfelt, petitioner, told Commissioners his reason for requesting a portion (0.17 miles) the public right-of-way for Redman Road (SR 1968) be abandoned is to stop night parking at the end of the road. Mr. Lingerfelt stated his lawyer has not completed the right-of-way easement which would contain the signatures of the adjoining property owners allowing him guaranteed access to his property. He requested Commissioners delay action until their next meeting, at which time he will have the easement completed.

ACTION: Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to close the public hearing.

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***table this request until the next regular Commission meeting (April 6, 2004).***

SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT TO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - CEDS PROJECT (GRANT #02-P-1018)

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to open the public hearing on this matter. (*Public notice of this hearing was published in the Star.*)

Teresa Spires, Project Manager for Isothermal Planning Commission, explained this \$63,000.00 grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce used CDBG and EDA funds to hire a consultant to lead the development of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Cleveland and Gaston Counties. She said that the Isothermal Planning and Development Commission worked with the grantee and sub-recipient to insure that CDBG rules and regulations were adhered to during the process. The consultant has completed the “strategy and communities are now working to implement strategies developed as a result of this planning process and this grant is now ready to be closed out.” Ms. Spires advised a public hearing is a requirement for finalization of the grant.

ACTION: Hearing no further comments, Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to close the public hearing.

ACTION: Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to **approve the Final Performance Report as submitted** (*copy found on Pages _____ of Minute Book 27.*)

GROVER RURAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT: REQUEST FOR SURPLUS EMS TRUCK

Mr. Alexander explained that Grover Rural VFD has requested the donation of a surplus 4X4 pickup truck from Cleveland County EMS to replace an “antiquated truck.”

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to **approve the request and allow the truck to be transferred to the Grover RVFD.**

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: CODE AMENDMENT - SECTION 5-1: VISIBILITY OF DRIVE IN THEATER SCREENS

Mr. McCarter advised this section does not apply to the zoning code; however, is a “stand alone section” under “police powers.” He reported that Commissioner Self has received a complaint from a property owner living across US74 from the Sunset drive-in expressing concern about his children being able to watch adult rated movies projected on the screen.

He explained that based on the current wording, the drive-in owner is preventing his screen from being visible by shining large lights toward the road so that you are blinded and therefore cannot see the movie being projected on the screen. Mr. McCarter stated, “I don’t think that was the intent of the author of this section. In order to address this problem, we felt Section 5-1 of our code needed to be revised, to make it clearer that drive-ins’ are required to construct or install a **material barrier** between the public road and the screen.” He reviewed the following suggested wording:

Section 5-1 Visibility of drive-in theater screens to motorists.

- (1) It shall be unlawful **to establish, operate, or maintain** (*for any person operating*) a drive-in motion picture theater (*to establish, operate or maintain a theater screen*) in the vicinity of any public street or highway, **unless a material barrier is constructed or installed to prevent** (*in such a manner that*) the surface of such theater screen upon which picture **may be** (*are being*) projected, from being visible to any person operating a motor vehicle upon such street or highway.

Mr. Alexander advised this Section was adopted in December 1, 1971, as a result of citizen complaints to the Board of Commissioners that adult movies being shown at the Skyvue Drive-in could be seen from the road. A public hearing on the ordinance was held on

September 20, 1971 and citizens were mainly concerned that drivers would be watching the screen and cause an accident. The Skyvue management installed lights.

There was discussion regarding the wording of the proposed changes, with Commissioner Self stating the lights are also a safety issue. Chairwoman Accor expressed concern over the word "material" stating a clear definition of material needs to be determined. Vice-Chairman Hawkins stated he felt this issue needed further investigation, such as determining the estimated cost of a barrier, and Commissioner Self also noted that some places have no regulations, presenting yet another option to be considered.

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***table this matter upon further investigation.***
Information requested to be included in the future report is: (1) least expensive possibility, (2) traffic reports, (3) look to see what other communities have done in an ordinance that addressed a similar problem, and (4) consider no regulation at all.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: CODE TEXT AMENDMENT (Case #04-04) - TABLE OF PERMITTED USES: MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS (Request to schedule public hearing for April 6, 2004)

Mr. McCarter advised the Planning Board has identified several changes to the code over the last several months dealing with the Table of Permitted Uses and Manufactured Home Parks. He requested a public hearing be set to consider these proposed amendments.

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***set the public hearing for April 6, 2004 as requested.***

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: CODE TEXT AMENDMENT (Case #03-12) - VIDEO GAMING MACHINES (Request to schedule public hearing for April 20, 2004)

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***schedule a public hearing for April 20, 2004 as requested.***

The wording of the legal advertisement for the public hearing was discussed, specifically dealing with the amortization period. Mr. Yelton advised it was not necessary to include a specific length of time as long as the advertisement stated Commissioners would consider an amortization schedule.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (Case #04-30) - SILAS MASK (400 Mt. Sinai Church Road) (Request to schedule public hearing for April 6, 2004)

ACTION: Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***schedule a public hearing for May 4, 2004 to consider this petition.***

CLOSED SESSION

ACTION: Tom Bridges made the motion, which was seconded by Ronnie Hawkins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***conduct a closed session regarding real estate and personnel matters,*** as allowed under North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1)(3)(6).

RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION

Chairwoman Accor reconvened the meeting and announced the Board did conduct a closed session for the stated purposes.

Emergency Medical Services Base Station

Chairwoman Accor reported direction was given to the Assistant County Manager to negotiate a purchase agreement for a parcel of land in eastern Cleveland County to be used for an Emergency Medical Services base station. The contract will be contingent on a satisfactory environmental evaluation.

Health Department: Pharmacy Position

ACTION: Ronnie Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to ***approve the “hire a new Pharmacist at Grade 78, Step 8A.***

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Commissioner McIntosh reported that former County Commissioner Ralph Gilbert has suffered a heart attack and is a patient at Crawley Medical facility in Boiling Springs.

Vice-Chairman Hawkins reminded Commissioners of the ground breaking ceremony for the Kings Mountain Hospital addition tomorrow morning at 7:30.

Commissioner Bridges noted the Council on Aging received a Certificate of Excellence from the State. He advised he attended the Casar Town Council meeting where they were considering adopting the county’s Animal Control Ordinance.

Commissioner Self advised he attended the Waco town meeting and they received \$150,000 grant from the Golden Leaf Foundation to go toward their part of the equestrian center and “Mayor Lutz also encouraged us to contribute.”

Chairwoman Accor reported on the Star Teachers Banquet held recently at Gardner-Webb University stating the students will be recognized at an upcoming Commission meeting.

She also reported, “We did receive a letter from Eddie Holbrook, Dean of Community Relations and Development at Cleveland Community College, which reads, “The Community College appreciates your efforts to improve the economy of Cleveland County. We would like to offer our efforts of the Community College to assist in resurrection of a county that has been devastated by job loss. As you know, we are in the midst of a capital campaign that will hopefully lead to the construction of a building that will lend support to your efforts. In unity there is strength. We will look forward to an open door policy as we proceed with the campaign and look forward to working with you so that the LeGrand Center will have a positive effect on all our efforts in economic development. Our citizens and county deserve the best from all of us.”

Chairwoman Accor said she attended a meeting on crime prevention held at Cleveland Regional Medical Center last evening, where community efforts toward combating crime and violence in our county were discussed.

She also stated, “Mr. Alexander has spoken with Christine Hill with Senator Dole’s office. Christine does all the Department of Defense appropriations. She has a meeting scheduled with Scott Carlton, Bill Carlton and Jim Webbing for March 23, 2004 to discuss the defense industry we talked about during our last meeting.”

Chairwoman Accor also noted that today is the national holiday Liberty Day. She reported that earlier today she participated in a Lions Club sponsored celebration of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, where she had the opportunity to speak with middle and high school students regarding the role of county commissioners.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time (8:50 p.m.), Tom Bridges made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to adjourn the meeting. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 6, 2004, at 6:00 p.m.**

Mary S. Accor, Chairwoman
CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wanda Crotts, CMC, Clerk
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