MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING HELD BY THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN THE ARMORY CIVIC CENTER MEETING ROOM ON WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 17, 2016 AT 5:30 PM.

The Special Meeting was called to order by Chairman Barry Richardson. Other Commissioners present: Tare Davis and Victor Hunt. Commissioner absent: Bertadean Baker. Others in attendance: County Manager Linda T. Worth, Finance Director Gloria Edmonds and County Attorney Karlene Turrentine.

Commissioner Jennifer Jordan arrived at 5:45 pm

A moment of silence was followed by the Clerk to the Board reading the "Conflict of Interest Disclaimer."

"Members of the County Board of Commissioners are advised, hereby, of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of such conflict; and, further, are instructed to refrain from participating in any matter coming before this Board of County Commissioners with respect to which there is a conflict of interest or appearance of such conflict".

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict.

Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before this Board today?

If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any undue participation in the particular matter involved.

Clerk to the Board read the Notice of Special Meeting.

NOTICE of Special Meeting Warren County Board of Commissioners

Notice is hereby given that the Warren County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the Warren County Armory Civic Center meeting room, 501 US Hwy 158 Business, East Warrenton, NC 27589. The purpose of this Special Meeting is to review letters of interest received for the Warren County Attorney position.

All interested persons are invited to attend this meeting.

Barry Richardson, Chairman Warren County Board of Commissioners

On motion of Commissioner Davis, which was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to enter into closed session for the discussion of Personnel Matters in accordance with NCGS § 143-318.11(a)(6).

Warren Record Newspaper Editor Jennifer Harris, challenged the legality of closed session for consideration of contracting for County Attorney.

Motion carried, Board of Commissioners entered into Closed Session for Personnel Matters in accordance with NCGS § 143-318.11(a)(6).

On motion of Commissioner Davis, which was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to return to the February 17, 2016 Special Meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Davis, which was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and duly carried, the February 17, 2016 Special Meeting was adjourned.

carney-Dunlap, Clerk