

IREDELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BRIEFING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 1, 2005

The Iredell County Board of Commissioners met in Briefing Session on Tuesday, February 1, 2005, at 5:00 p.m., in the Iredell County Government Center (South Wing Conference Room), 200 South Center Street, Statesville, NC.

Present were:

Chairman Sara Haire Tice
Vice Chairman Godfrey Williams
Steve D. Johnson
Marvin Norman
Ken Robertson

Staff present: County Manager Joel Mashburn, Finance Director Susan Blumenstein, Planning & Code Enforcement Director Lynn Niblock, Planning Supervisor Steve Warren, County Planner Emily Jackson, Tax Administrator Bill Doolittle, Mapping Supervisor Lee Anne Owens, EMS Director Lee Darnell, Transportation Director Ben Garrison, and Clerk to the Board Jean Moore.

CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Tice.

Request from the Crossroads Behavioral Healthcare for Permission to Sub-Lease Space at Two Facilities (Turnersburg Road, Statesville site & East Center Avenue, Mooresville site) to Telecare Mental Health Services of North Carolina beginning March 1, 2005: County Manager Mashburn said Crossroads desired to sub-lease a portion of space at the Statesville (Hwy. 21) and Mooresville (East Center Avenue) site to an agency that planned to provide mental health, developmental disabilities and substance abuse services. Mashburn said Crossroads was seeking permission to enter into a contract for the sub-leasing. He said it appeared the Mooresville contract already allowed for the sub-leasing, but the Hwy. 21 agreement would need to be amended.

Finance Director Blumenstein mentioned that since Telecare was a for-profit entity, the staff might need to check on whether or not the agency might have to pay rent in lieu of property taxes.

Due to the staff needing to research G.S. 105-282.7, this request was deleted from the agenda.

Discussion on the James W. Hoffner Property Situated at the Rowan & Iredell County Border (house in Iredell County/dairy barn & other structures in Rowan County): Tax Administrator Bill Doolittle and Mapping Supervisor Lee Anne Owens shared information on property owned by James (Bill) Hoffner. They said Mr. Hoffner had requested that his home be relinquished to Rowan County for taxation and school purposes.

Owens gave the following timeline on what had occurred in achieving a recorded county boundary line with the seven counties (Cabarrus, Davie, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Wilkes, Yadkin & Alexander) that bordered Iredell County by land. (Catawba & Lincoln County adjoin Iredell by water).

1992: Board of Commissioners adopts a resolution to determine the county line due to 911 Telephone Services.

1996: County line adopted after receiving a North Carolina Geodetic Survey. All counties sign the agreement with the exception of Cabarrus County.

1999: County lines officially recorded by the North Carolina Secretary of State's Office.

Mrs. Owens said the Hoffner house was approximately 200 feet away from the Rowan County line. She said the current orthophotography project might be off eight to ten feet, but certainly not 200 feet. Owens said the Hoffner family had recently received a letter from Iredell County's 911 Addressing Office, and this was what prompted the family's request.

Doolittle said the property lines had been finalized with all of the counties with the exception of Alexander, Wilkes and Yadkin. He said other property owners, who had situations similar to the Hoffner family, had accepted the boundary lines. Doolittle shared a copy of G.S. 153A-149, the law that provides authorization to a county to tax property having "situs" within its jurisdiction or boundary lines.

Bike Routes: County Manager Mashburn displayed a map of the proposed bike routes, and he advised that a copy would be made for the board members.

Adjournment: Chairman Tice adjourned the briefing at 6:09 p.m.

Approved: _____

Clerk to the Board