

Closed Session I (Malt-O-Meal) — November 1, 2010

At 4:50 p.m., the Board convened closed session on a matter relating to the location or expansion of business in the area, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4). Commissioners Holmes, Frye, Kemp, Lanier and Haywood were present. Also present were County Manager Richard Wells; Will Massie, Finance Officer; Darren Allen, County Attorney; Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney; Cheryl Ivey, Clerk to the Board; and Bonnie Renfro from Randolph County EDC.

Bonnie Renfro, EDC President, updated the Board on a Malt-O-Meal expansion project in Asheboro, noting that the company is now the county's largest taxpayer. She said that Malt-O-Meal is ready to move forward to add the originally proposed two new cereal lines, and now also plans to add a new high speed oatmeal line to be online by mid-2013. The project will provide 80 new jobs. Ms. Renfro said that the total capital investment is estimated at \$136 million (\$61 million in real property and \$75 million in personal property) with projected revenues of \$6,211,534 over the first six years of the project.

Ms. Renfro presented the following incentive option:

\$3,160,000 to be split equally (at \$1.58 million) by Randolph County and the City of Asheboro to be paid over 8 years, which would equal 50% of projected tax revenue for 6 years, paid at \$395,000 per annum, or \$197,500 for each unit of government annually.

The consensus of the Board was favorable to the project and the Board directed the Clerk to publish notice for a joint public hearing with the City of Asheboro on the matter for 6:00 p.m. on November 16, 2010. Ms. Renfro also noted that the project is contingent upon all local and state incentives.

Closed session on this topic ended at 5:10 p.m.

J. Harold Holmes, Chairman

Darrell L. Frye

Phil Kemp

Stan Haywood

Arnold Lanier

Cheryl A. Ivey, Clerk to the Board