

Special Meeting
November 29, 2006

The Chowan County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Wednesday, November 29, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. in the Panel Room of the 1767 Courthouse.

Present: Jimmy Alligood, Louis Belfield, Ralph Cole, Jerry Downum, Bill Gardner, Harry Lee Winslow.

Vice-Chairman Ralph Cole called the meeting to order and Commissioner Belfield presented the invocation.

County Manager Cliff Copeland stated the purpose of the meeting being to appoint a Sheriff of Chowan County effective 12:01a.m. Friday, December 1, 2006. He asked County Attorney Peter Rascoe to explain the action needed. A Sheriff's term of office is effective the first Monday of December, this year being Monday, December 4. Since Sheriff Fred Spruill's retirement is effective at midnight, Thursday, November 30, 2006, and Sheriff-Elect Dwayne Goodwin will not be sworn in office until Monday, December 4, which will create a lapse in the office of the Sheriff from November 30 to December 4. Mr. Rascoe explained that the General Statutes allow the Board of Commissioners to appoint a Sheriff to be sworn in December 1.

Mr. Copeland submitted the name of Dwayne Goodwin to be appointed Sheriff as of December 1, to fill the remainder of the term from November 30 to December 4.

Commissioner Alligood made a motion that the Board of Commissioners appoint Dwayne Goodwin as Sheriff to fill the remainder of the present term of office from November 30 to December 4.

Ayes 6
No 0

Resolution – Sheriff Fred Spruill
By motion of Commissioner Gardner, the following Resolution was approved.

Ayes 6
No 0

Resolution

WHEREAS, Sheriff Fred A. Spruill has served Chowan County as Sheriff for the past twenty years, since 1986; and,

WHEREAS, Sheriff Spruill will retire as Sheriff of Chowan County on November 30, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, NC General Statutes 20-187.2 provides that the governing body may award a retiring member of a law enforcement agency, at the time of his retirement, the badge worn during his service, and also his service weapon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Chowan County Board of Commissioners that in accordance with the NC General Statutes, that Sheriff Fred A. Spruill's service weapon, Serial # TDR-9037, and his badge be retired and awarded to him for his dedicated service to Chowan County.

Adopted today, November 29, 2006.

Nancy B. Morgan, County Clerk

Mr. Copeland reminded the Board of the reception for Sheriff Spruill on Thursday, November 30 in honor of his retirement. He announced that Sheriff-Elect Goodwin will be sworn in by Resident District Court Judge Chris Bean on Monday at 2:00pm on the Courthouse steps, and invited the Commissioners to lunch at 12:30pm at the Courthouse.

In Honor of Chairman Wayne Goodwin

Commissioner Downum made a motion that the County name the gymnasium at the Northern Chowan Community Center in honor and memory of deceased Chairman Wayne Goodwin.

Ayes 6

No 0

A dedication to unveil a plaque in the gymnasium will be arranged. Mr. Goodwin's family and friends will be included in the dedication ceremony.

The meeting was adjourned.

Nancy B. Morgan, County Clerk