

**PITT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA  
JANUARY 28, 2002 MINUTES**

The Pitt County Board of Commissioners met in closed session on Monday, January 28, 2002, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Auditorium, Pitt County Office Building, 1717 W. 5th Street, Greenville, North Carolina.

**Commissioners present:**

David Hammond, Commissioner  
Glenn Bowen, Commissioner  
Beth Ward, Vice Chairman  
Tom Johnson, Commissioner  
Tom Coulson, Commissioner  
Eugene James, Commissioner  
Mark Owens, Chairman  
Terry Shank, Commissioner

**Absent:**

Randy Royal, Commissioner

**Staff present:**

Susan J. Banks, Clerk to the Board  
Florida Hardy, Human Resources Director

Chairman Owens called the meeting to order.

Commissioner James gave the invocation. Commissioner Johnson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion:**

**Motion to approve the agenda as presented.**

**Motion by Commissioner Hammond.**

**Motion seconded by Commissioner James.**

**Vote Record:**

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| <b>Tom Coulson</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Beth Ward</b>       | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>David Hammond</b>   | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Glenn Bowen</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Eugene James</b>    | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Tom Johnson</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Mark Owens, Jr.</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Terry Shank</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |

**Total Yes Votes: 8**

**Total No Votes: 0**

**Motion Passed.**

Chairman Owens stated the purpose of the meeting was to hold a closed session to review applications for the County Manager position. He stated that the names would not be released at this time.

Chairman Owens asked the Clerk to read the General Statute under which the Board had the authority to go into closed session.

Ms. Banks read the following: The Board goes into closed session under the following authority: G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged information; and, (6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.

**Motion:**

**Motion to go into closed session.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Glenn Bowen.**

**Motion seconded by Commissioner David Hammond.**

**Vote Record:**

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| <b>Tom Coulson</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Beth Ward</b>       | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>David Hammond</b>   | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Glenn Bowen</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Eugene James</b>    | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Tom Johnson</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Mark Owens, Jr.</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Terry Shank</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |

**Total Yes Votes: 8**

**Total No Votes: 0**

**Motion Passed.**

**Motion to return to open session.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Eugene James.**

**Motion seconded by Commissioner David Hammond.**

**Vote Record:**

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| <b>Tom Coulson</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Beth Ward</b>       | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>David Hammond</b>   | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Glenn Bowen</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Eugene James</b>    | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Tom Johnson</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Mark Owens, Jr.</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
| <b>Terry Shank</b>     | <b>Yes</b> |

**Total Yes Votes: 8**

**Total No Votes: 0**

**Motion Passed.**

Chairman Owens recessed the meeting to be reconvened in the Commissioners' Auditorium on February 5, 2002 at 6 p.m. to conduct closed session business.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Banks, CMC  
Clerk to the Board