

**Special Meeting**  
**YADKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS, FARM BUREAU INSURANCE**  
**Monday, May 4, 2009**

The Yadkin County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session with the Board of Directors of Farm Bureau on Monday, May 4, 2009 at 7:30 am at Ace's Family Restaurant at 217 Main Street, Yadkinville, NC.

Present for the meeting:

**Representing the Board of Commissioners**

Chairman, Chad Wagoner  
Vice Chairman, Kevin Austin  
Commissioner David Moxley

Commissioner Tommy Garner  
(arrived at 7:58am)

**Representing Farm Bureau**

Bobby "Bud" Matthews  
Brent Hunter  
Nancy Keith  
Jack Shore  
Joann White  
Walter Smith  
Justin Somers  
Becky Wood  
Howard Reinhardt

**County Staff**

Stan Kiser, County Manager  
Gina Brown, Clerk to the Board

Mr. Bobby "Bud" Matthews, representing Farm Bureau, welcomed the Board of Commissioners. Howard Reinhardt offered an invocation. Breakfast meal was served.

The Yadkin County Board of Commissioners came to order at 7:34am.

Discussion was very informal and specifically related to the need for a new agricultural building for Yadkin County. The parties prefer that the ASCS office, Soil and Water, Cooperative Extension, and Forestry stay under 1 roof in order to provide the best service delivery.

Other discussion included grant availability. It was noted that Farm Bureau does not qualify for grants through the Gold Leaf Foundation due to its 501C-5 designation. There are other grants that can be pursued but most require detailed plans and a commitment of matching funds.

There continues to be discussion of downsizing and merging 2 area ASCS offices. Yadkin could be merged with Wilkes or Surry. As Yadkin and Surry have the 2 largest workloads in northwestern North Carolina, it is likely that any merge would be with Wilkes County. Walter Smith, ASCS Director, and various Farm Bureau Board members indicated their preference for keeping these services in Yadkin County even if a merge does occur.

The Agricultural Building, as located at the present, is not accommodating to the local farmers. Parking is an issue for the farmers that are driving large trucks or hauling machinery. In addition, there is no storage area or parking space for the large equipment of various departments.

Mr. Matthews stated that Farm Bureau has been generous with funding for the agricultural departments. Just recently, Farm Bureau funded the new dishwasher for the Cooperative Extension. Mr. Jack Shore asked the Board for due consideration of the need for a new facility. Mr. Shore thanked the Board for their spirit of cooperation and expressed hope that the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Directors of Farm Bureau could work together for an amiable solution.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35am.

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Prepared by Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

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Date Approved by the Yadkin County Board of Commissioners