

**Special Meeting Minutes of the Town Board of Commissioners Meeting of
August 2nd 2013 at the Highlands Community Building 71 Poplar Street
Highlands, North Carolina.**

Town Board Present: Mayor David Wilkes, Commissioner Gary Drake, Commissioner John Dotson, Commissioner Amy Patterson, and Commissioner Brian Stiehler.

Absent, Commissioner Eric Pierson

Town Staff Present: Town Manager Robert Frye, Interim Town Planning Director Josh Ward.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor David Wilkes called the Town Board into session at 3:00 p.m.

2. Discussion

Mayor Wilkes opened the meeting by stating that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the excessive meeting absences of Planning Board Member, Amanda Neumann. Mayor Wilkes stated that Mrs. Neumann had missed eight of twelve meetings during her first year as a member of the Planning Board and given the increasingly busy schedule of the Planning Board, the Board of Commissioners needed persons who would be able to attend Planning Board meetings.

After a brief discussion and on a motion by Commissioner Brian Stiehler; seconded by Commissioner Gary Drake; the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to remove Amanda Neumann from the Planning Board.

Mayor Wilkes then entertained a motion for nominations for a replacement member. On a motion by Commissioner John Dotson; seconded by Brian Stiehler; the Board of Commissioners unanimously appointed Steve Abranyi to serve in the place of Amanda Neumann on the Town of Highlands Planning Board.

2. Adjournment

As there were no further matters to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Dotson moved to adjourn, which was seconded by Commissioner Drake and upon unanimous vote, the Town Board adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

David Wilkes
Mayor

Robert A. Frye Jr.
Town Manager