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Summary of Minutes

April 8, 2010

A Special Meeting of the Winston-Salem City Council was held on Thursday, April 8, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in the Public Works Conference Room at City Hall, Mayor Allen Joines presiding and the following members present:

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| Members Present: | Molly Leight | Vivian H. Burke |
| | Robert C. Clark | Denise D. Adams |
| | Dan Besse | Wanda Merschel |
| | Derwin Montgomery | James Taylor, Jr. |

Staff Present: Lee D. Garrity, City Manager
Angela I. Carmon, City Attorney
Renée L. Phillips, City Secretary

Mayor Joines thanked County Commissioner Chair David Plyler for the opportunity for the City Council and County Commissioners to meet.

Council Member Besse entered the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

Council Member Adams entered the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Chair Plyler stated that the County Commissioners have met with all elected bodies in the county. The idea is to get a better handle of problems, needs, and interests of the communities served. He further stated they want to keep the line of communications open for the elected bodies so they will know what is expected from the County.

Chair Plyler asked for introductions of the attendees: Vice Chair Debra Conrad, and County Commissioners Gloria D. Whisenhunt, Walter Marshall and Ted Kaplan.

Representing County staff: J. Dudley Watts, County Manager and Jane Cole, Director, External Communications.

Also in attendance was Nancy Gould, Joint Governmental Affairs Director of the Home Builders Association of Winston-Salem.

Mayor Joines stated we have done a lot of functional consolidation in this community. In fact, his Masters of Public Administration Thesis was on collaboration of City/County Managers. He then asked for comments from Council Members and County Commissioners.

1. DISCUSSION OF CITY AND COUNTY ISSUES.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Duplication of services, with the most expensive being public safety
- City representation on Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
- Cost sharing

Forsyth County Sheriff William T. Schatzman entered the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

- Winston-Salem's needs in comparison with smaller communities in the county

Council Member Montgomery entered the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

- Reasons not to consolidate services
- Economic development
- Solid waste issues
- Job opportunities
- Ballpark
- Sales tax distribution
- Change of Use Task Force
- Council/Commissioners meeting with Forsyth Delegation because of similar issues
- Environmental protection

- Concerns of small businesses

ADJOURNMENT: 12:07 p.m.