

**February 12, 2013– Regular Session**

The Swain County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Session on February 12, 2013. Present were Chairman Carson, Vice-Chair White, Commissioner Moon, Commissioner Dixon and Commissioner Monteith.

Chairman Carson called the regular session to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

**Adjust Agenda**

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to adjust the agenda to better facilitate the meeting. Vice-Chair White seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

**Resolution – DOT – Alarka Bridge – Dockie Brendle**

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to NCDOT:



**Resolution # 900-2013-01**

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF SWAIN**

**REQUESTING THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME  
BRIDGE #860010 LOCATED IN SWAIN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA AT THE  
INTERSECTION OF US 74 AND ALARKA ROAD, EXIT 64,  
THE DOCK T. "DOCKIE" BRENDLE BRIDGE.  
IN HIS HONOR BY DESIGNATION AND ERECTION OF SIGNAGE**

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle is a native of Swain County, North Carolina and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle a Vietnam Veteran, served with the US Army in 1967/1968. He was assigned to the 11<sup>th</sup> Armored Cavalry as a Mortar Man on an Armored Personnel Carrier but later was promoted to Track Commander and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle fought many battles during the 1968 Tet Offensive and was wounded on three (3) separate occasions. His last and most severe wounds left him blind in the right eye and paralyzed on his entire left side and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle was awarded three (3) Purple Hearts along with numerous other awards and decorations for Valor during Combat and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle returned to his home in Swain County, North Carolina where he has resided since he left Walter Reed Hospital in 1968. The spirit in which he has coped with his disabilities is very uplifting and inspirational to other veterans and citizens as well and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle has always made himself available to promote veterans and other Humanitarian efforts, and is representative of the struggles of Vietnam Era Veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. 'Dockie' Brendle is a life member of VFW Post 9281 in Bryson City, North Carolina and is a life member of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 994 located in Franklin, North Carolina and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle is a past Commander of VFW Post 9281 leading the State of North Carolina in membership and Poppy sales. He served as a member of Post 9281 Honor Guard helping provide a Military Funeral by playing TAPS for many deceased veterans and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle has and continues to help raise funds for veterans widows, and the most needy of families and

**WHEREAS**, Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle has always been an avid fan of the Swain County football and basketball teams and supports youth athletics and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Swain County Board of Commissioners in conjunction with the Bryson City Town Board of Alderman does hereby proclaim and honor Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle, for his bravery, fortitude, and service to the United States of America and Swain County and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Swain County Board of Commissioners along with the Town of Bryson City hereby respectfully request the North Carolina Department of Transportation to dedicate the bridge located in Swain County, North Carolina at the intersection of US Highway 74 and Alarka Road # 860010 in honor of Dock T. "Dockie" Brendle by erecting the appropriate signage designating this honor.

This the 12th day of February, 2013

---

Phil Carson, Chairman  
Swain County Commissioners

Attest:

---

Cindi C. Woodard, Clerk to the Board  
Commissioner Monteith seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve minutes of the January 8 work session, January 8 regular session and January 22 work session. Commissioner Monteith seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

**Tax Collector's Report**

Peggy Hyde presented a report to the Board for the month of January, 2013. Ad-Valorem tax receivable was reported at \$4,624,966.52. There was \$690,211.07 collected for the month. Total collections year to date were \$5,071,597.15. The tax collection percentage year to date was 96.01%. Total releases were \$1,673.34, total discoveries were \$214.84 and total refunds were \$2,166.90. Commissioner Monteith made a motion to approve the Tax Collector's report as presented. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

**Finance Officer's Report**

Dean Kowal, Finance Officer, presented a report to the Board for January, 2013. Mrs. Kowal report revenues for the month were \$1,190,397.40. Total revenue year to date is \$10,348,061.07. We have approximately 74.13% of revenues for 2012/2013 fiscal year. Expenditures for the month were \$693,476.50. Year to date we have expended \$8,896,005.76. We have paid out approximately 63.77% of the General Fund appropriations for 2012/2013 fiscal year. Vice-Chair White made a motion to approve the Finance Report as presented. Commissioner Monteith seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

**Action Items**

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve a resolution approving financing terms with BB&T for purchase of a steam engine and turntable. Commissioner Monteith seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

**New Business:** NONE

**Informal Discussion:** Kevin King discussed possible joint session with Board of Education, also budget retreat dates.

**Public Comment:** None

**Closed Session:** Commissioner Monteith made a motion to go into closed session as required under G.S. 143-318-11(a)(3). Vice-Chair White made a motion to adjourn the closed session. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous. Chairman Carson noted no decisions were made at this time.

**Adjournment**

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Monteith seconded the motion. A vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindi C. Woodard  
Clerk to the Board  
Swain County Commissioners

Phil Carson  
Chairman  
Swain County Commissioners