

The Beaufort County Police Force Committee met on August 26, 2021, at 6:00 PM, in boardroom located in the Financial Services Building located at 136 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Washington, NC with the following present:

**Committee Members:**

Chairman Hood Richardson  
Commissioner Stan Deatherage  
Commissioner Randy Walker

**Staff Present:**

Brain Alligood, County Manager  
Katie Mosher, Clerk to the Board

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Chairman Richardson called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Walker gave the prayer. Chairman Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Richardson said I guess the first thing we need to do is approve the minutes for the last 2 months, if we could approve those as a summary vote.

**Motion:** Commissioner Walker motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Chairman Richardson seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Richardson said at this point in the meeting do we have anyone that wishes to make public comments.

Ms. Dot Moate said thank you for allowing me to speak. She said I just want to ask a couple of questions. She said how long, and I hope you'll answer, how long are we going before this Board makes some kind of decision on this. She said do you have any date that may be the right date because a lot of us would really like to have this thing completed, whichever way it goes, and move on with life and other things.

Chairman Richardson said at the moment we haven't decided when we will bring our deliberations to conclusion. He said frankly we're waiting on the weather to cool off so we can go meet with Gaston County.

Ms. Moate said that was going to be my next question, you haven't been there yet.

Chairman Richardson said nope. He said we're waiting for cool weather before we do that. He said we'll be taking our time; this is a very important decision and education of the public is important. He said there's still a lot of people in the public who are misinformed about what we're doing. He said I'm answering your questions, don't think we're going to do this at every meeting if we have ten people out there we wouldn't be but you're there by yourself.

Ms. Moate said I understand but a lot of people are asking when this is going to happen so I'm just kind of projecting some of the questions from the community as to how long it's going to be before we make a decision. She said I think it's an important thing for you to do. She said I just wanted you to know and I'm not going to complain tonight.

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Chairman Richardson said Commissioner Deatherage, since you just arrived do you have anything you'd like to say.

Commissioner Deatherage said I'm sorry, Biden came on TV and right as he was leaving little Deucy got a question in and you're going to see it tonight, trust me. He said thank God he got that question in because all the other ones are scripted, and he read the answers. He said in light of the tragedy in Kabul, at the airport, and in light of what we are facing as a Nation I feel like what we do here tonight is very small in measure I would like to just, if we honor the 12-service people that have died so far and maybe call this meeting to a close and adjourn to our next meeting.

Chairman Richardson said one announcement before we vote and that is our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Motion:** Commissioner Deatherage motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Walker seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Clerk to the Board