

MINUTES
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2021

The Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners met on February 15, 2021, at the Commissioners Room, Administration Building, 353 N. Generals Blvd, Lincolnton, the regular place of meeting at 4:00 PM. This meeting was a work session with representatives from Duke Energy concerning a playbeach in East Lincoln County.

Commissioners Present:

Carrol Mitchem, Chairman
Milton Sigmon, Vice-Chairman
Anita McCall
Bud Cesena
Cathy Davis

Others Present:

Kelly G. Atkins, County Manager
Wesley Deaton, County Attorney
Josh Grant, Programs Manager
Amy S. Atkins, Clerk to the Board

Duke representatives Present:

Robin Nicholson
Jennifer Bennett
Chris King
Jeff Lineberger
Ryan Snitker

Adoption of Agenda: Chairman Mitchem presented the agenda for the Board's approval.

AGENDA
Lincoln County Board of Commissioners Work Session
Monday, February 15, 2021
4:00 PM

Lincoln County Administration Office
353 N. Generals Blvd
Lincolnton, NC 28092

Call to Order – Chairman Mitchem

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Discussion with representatives from Duke Energy concerning proposed play beach on Unity Church Road

Adjourn

UPON MOTION by Commissioner McCall, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as presented.

Discussion with representatives from Duke Energy concerning proposed play beach on Unity Church Road:

Jennifer Bennett presented the conceptual site design and facility options for the proposed play beach.

Beatty's Ford Access Area Swim Beach
Conceptual Site Design and Facility Options
 DRAFT for Discussion Purposes Only
 Revised 2/15/2021—Not for Public Distribution



Current typical fence design planned for Duke Energy swim beaches



Existing County Facilities at Beatty's Ford



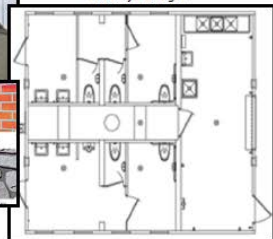
Duke Energy's Pines Recreation Area Lake Glenville, NC



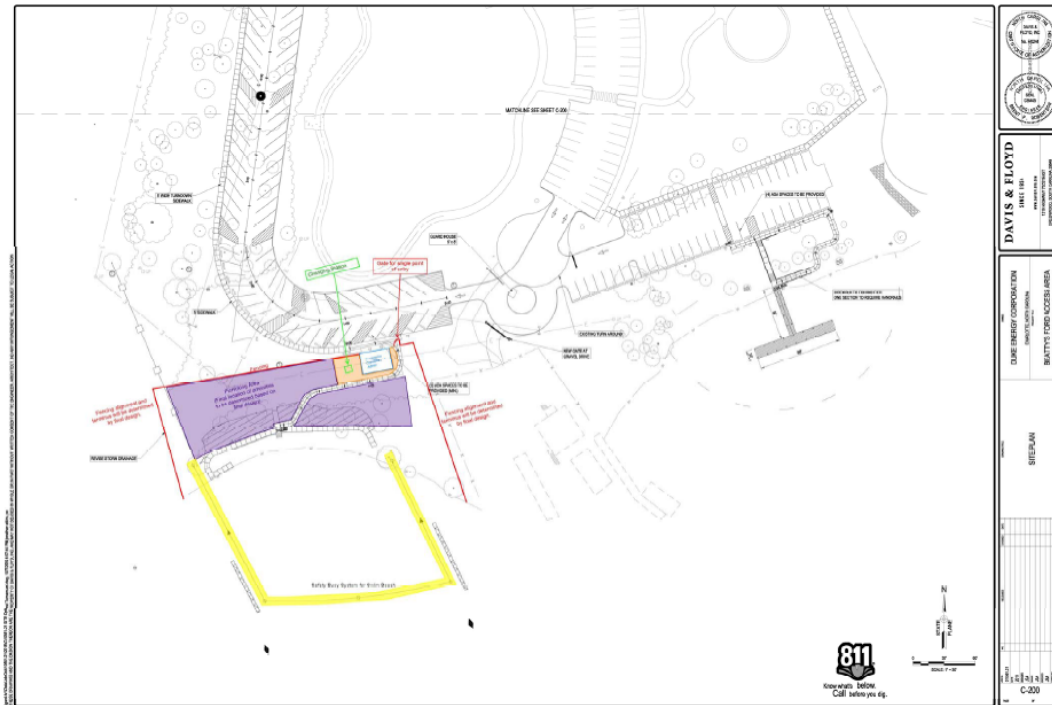
Typical Duke Energy Restroom Installation



CXT Pomona Building
 Customizable colors and layout to match existing facilities and suit site needs if site is actively managed*



*Installation of non-typical facilities such as the Pomona Building contingent on county management of the swim beach



The following topics were discussed:

1. Restroom/Staff Office/Guard House facilities: Board would like architectural features that are very similar to the existing facilities.
2. Restroom count: Board was very concerned with the idea of two toilets. Did not feel this was adequate
3. Restroom pump & haul method: Board encourages prefers plumbing and no pump and haul.
4. Restroom: Board would like running water in the restrooms.
5. Capital versus O&M: We will need to specifically decide which entity is responsible for what amenities. Maybe need to define capital versus maintenance with each amenity listed so there is no confusion. For example: If the county manages the beach, Duke would still maintain beach sand. However, the county would be responsible for litter and cleaning restroom facilities throughout the year. Example #2- Duke would be willing to maintain the fishing pier for major issues. The county would be responsible for staining and general cleanliness of the pier. Obviously, these are simply examples and not indicative of what might be decided in the future but thought I would get us started.
6. Speaker system: Commissioners would like to have a speaker system installed for announcements and emergency notifications.
7. Traffic Sign: Commissioners believe an automated traffic warning sign is needed at Hwy 16 and Unity Church Road. The sign would essentially be used to make motorist aware of beach capacity

8. Agreement: Need to clearly describe any decisions between the two entities in the agreement.
9. Fencing: Details of where the fence will be placed on a site plan.
10. Total cost(s) expected from these improvements will be beneficial.
11. Legal: Duke and County attorneys will review each aspect for oversights and/or legal concerns.
12. Fees: We should discuss “reasonable” fees that Duke would support if the county manages the beach.
13. Better define hours of operations.
14. Define dates the beach will be operational each year.
15. Identify the location and number of picnic tables to be located at the site.
16. Include provision in the agreement about annual meetings between Duke and Lincoln and any amendments as a result.

It was the consensus to let the Attorneys get together and hash out the details, bringing back an Agreement.

Adjourn: UPON MOTION by Commissioner , the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Amy S. Atkins, Clerk
Board of Commissioners

Carrol Mitchem, Chairman
Board of Commissioners