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The Gaston County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met in Special Session on June 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in The Harley B. Gaston, Jr. Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse.

Chairman Tracy L. Philbeck presided with Commissioners Chad Brown, Vice-Chairman; Jack B. Brown, Bob Hovis, Tom Keigher and Ronnie Worley in attendance.

Commissioner Allen R. Fraley was not in attendance

Others present included Earl Mathers, County Manager; Samuel Shames, Assistant County Attorney; and Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board.

Upon request of Chairman Philbeck, Commissioner Hovis led those assembled in the Invocation and Commissioner Jack Brown led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointment of County Manager

2019-166 Board of Commissioners - Appointment of Dr. Kim Eagle as the Gaston County Manager Effective August 5, 2019 and Approval of Employment Contract

Chairman Philbeck called for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Chad Brown introduced the motion to approve. Commissioner Worley provided the second.

Chairman Philbeck called for discussion.

Commissioner Worley welcomed Dr. Eagle and her family and stated the County was blessed to have someone of Dr. Eagle's character and credentials to join the Gaston County family. He stated that he looked forward to serving with her.

Commissioner Hovis stated the County was very fortunate to find what they were looking for in Dr. Eagle. He thanked County Manager Earl Mathers for his service and for agreeing to stay on for a period of time to aid in a smooth transition.

Commissioner Chad Brown thanked County Manager Earl Mathers for his service and welcomed Dr. Eagle to the Gaston County family.

Commissioner Jack Brown stated he enjoyed working with County Manager Earl Mathers and is looking forward to working with Dr. Eagle.

Chairman Philbeck thanked County Manager Earl Mathers for his service and praised him for his honesty and integrity. He welcomed Dr. Eagle and noted that the Board wanted to really think outside of the box. Gaston is a growing county with low unemployment but there's still a lot to be done. He remarked on her background noting that her solid track record is why she was hired.

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Chairman Philbeck called for the vote and the BOC approved **2019-166** - *Appointment of Dr. Kim Eagle as the Gaston County Manager Effective August 5, 2019 and Approval of Employment Contract* by a unanimous vote.

Chairman Philbeck congratulated and welcomed Dr. Eagle to the podium.

Comments from Dr. Kim Eagle

Dr. Kim Eagle thanked the BOC for the opportunity and their confidence. She noted that she started her public service career working in Representative Cass Ballenger's District Office in Gastonia and expressed her excitement in returning to this area. She stated that she worked on many tough projects in her twenty five years with the City of Charlotte and has seen a lot of changes which strengthened her faith and intensified her commitment to public service. Noting that her roots are on this side of the river, she stated that her family currently lives in Kings Mountain. She thanked County Manager Earl Mathers for his willingness to stay during the transition.

She introduced members of her family and expressed her gratitude for the warm welcome her family had received. She concluded that she is enthused and anxious to meet staff and begin working in, and becoming part of, this community.

Chairman Philbeck invited those in attendance to Dr. Eagle's reception.

Adjournment

Chairman Philbeck called for a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Jack Brown, the BOC unanimously adjourned the Special Meeting of June 20, 2019 at 6:12 pm.

(All aforementioned documents are on file with the Clerk to the Board.)

Tracy L. Philbeck, Chairman
Gaston County Board of Commissioners

Donna S. Buff
Clerk to the Board

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