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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held a Special meeting on Monday, September 25, 2006 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: Sharon F. Nichols, Chairman
Glenna Myers, Vice-Chairman
W. Jeff Evans
L.J. Jones
Joseph H. Early, III
Ralph J. "Bob" Martin, Jr.
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Administrator
Bradley Dalton, County Attorney

Mrs. Nichols called the meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m. and thanked everyone for coming. She expressed the Board's condolences for the Rippey family. She then ask Mr. Gary Larrowe to lead in prayer.

Mrs. Nichols stated that Mt. Rogers PDC hold meetings on the 1st Thursday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m. and told that she currently serves on the Executive Committee. She told that the PDC provides grants and loans for localities and also have helped out with water, sewer, business loans, etc. in Carroll County and other localities. Mrs. Nichols expressed that with her current workload that she is unable to attend these meetings and feels like she needs to resign from this appointment.. Mrs. Nichols stated that she would like to extend the opportunity for one of the other Board Members to represent Carroll County of this Board.

(Order)

APPOINT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE TO MOUNT ROGERS PDC

Mr. L.J. Jones nominated Jeff Evans to serve on the PDC Board. Mrs. Glenna Myers seconded the motion.

Voting on the above nomination was as follows:

Jeff Evans – Abstained
L. J. Jones – Yes
Jody Early – No
Bob Martin – Yes

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Glenna Myers – Yes
Sharon Nichols – Yes

Mrs. Nichols went on to state that a supervisor must donate many hours to properly represent their district and the County. They must attend meetings in and out of the area, check roads, return calls and letters, answer e-mails and talk to people. A Supervisor has to be constantly searching for new business and companies, additional jobs, and benefits that will help the residents of the county.

Mrs. Nichols state that if a Supervisor does his or her job properly, it is nearly a full-time job. In the past few months, she was assigned a new job and with that job came new responsibilities, new training and a list of new duties plus trying to juggle a family and her Supervisor's duties.

Mrs. Nichols stated that she could better serve the people of Carroll County with her present job, and then announced her resignation as Supervisor of the Sulphur Springs District of Carroll County effective October 1, 2006. She told that there are many community leaders in her district and Mrs. Nichols felt that there were 3 that needed to be acknowledged. These community leaders are Julian Pierce, Jenny Crater and Benny Jennings. She told that these individuals have taken great strides to volunteer and help the County grow and that they work endless hours and any of them would make a good Supervisor with the support from the people of the Sulphur Springs District. Mrs. Nichols told that she can never say enough good things about the people of Sulphur Springs District and of Carroll County, they are warm and caring. If they see a person in need they are always there to help. She told that she was proud to be able to brag about the people of Carroll County. Mrs. Nichols also wanted to thank her family and told that they have stood behind her 100%. She told that they are the ones who have worked around her schedule, answered endless calls, and ate many sandwiches instead of home cooked meals so she could attend meetings.

Mrs. Nichols stated that if she could ever do anything to help anyone in Carroll County that she would be glad to try to do anything possible. She told that she has always had an open door policy and anyone who has ever needed my help, she has tried to assist them. I wish the Board my best, she stated.

Mrs. Nichols told the Board that she hopes that the person they chose as her replacement would have an economic mind, that they would be for education, and knowledge that Carroll County does have low income families.

Mr. Martin ask how the Board goes about re-appointing a Supervisor.

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Mrs. Nichols stated that the Board would have 45 days and since she was turning in her notice today that the Board would have 50 days to pick from numerous people in the Sulphur Springs District.

Mr. Early ask if the Board could go ahead and schedule a meeting shortly after October 1, 2006 to be able to name a successor.

Mr. Evans stated that something would need to be decided before the next Board meeting.

After some discussion, the meeting was set for Thursday, October 5, 2006 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Mr. Martin told that this job was sometimes a pain in the neck. He stated that he appreciated everything that Mrs. Nichols has done and that he would miss her.

Mr. Evans stated that there had been a lot of ups and downs, but that he has grown to have more respect for Mrs. Nichols and told that she is someone that you can talk to. He told that he will leave here with a heavy heart and he appreciates what Mrs. Nichols has done.

Mrs. Myers thanked Mrs. Nichols.

Mr. Early wished Mrs. Nichols good luck in the future.

Mr. Larowe stated that Mrs. Nichols has always been there whenever the office needed her and had always communicated in a timely manner. He stated that Mrs. Nichols has done an incredible job and we appreciate her efforts.

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ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Sharon F. Nichols, Chairman

Ronald L. Newman,, Assistant Clerk