- **John Long**: Mr. Long came before the Board to express his opinion as to why the monument should remain where it is. As Ms. McPherson stated, the mothers, grandmothers, and sisters of these rebel soldiers were just trying to erect a place where they could remember their family members who left their homes to go fight in the war to protect their homes and state and lost their lives fighting. It has been there a long time and has not hurt anybody. He further stated that, before this topic has been brought up, 85% of the county residents did not even know it was there. He stated that Jimmy "Catfish" Hunter has a monument out there and that offends him because he played for the New York Yankees. He said let's go tear that down because it offends him because he does not like the Yankees. He is just saying that the Confederate Monument should stay because it never hurt anyone until the black movement came down and desired that it be removed from the courthouse lawn. He further explained how the black movement has operated. He thinks that it needs to stay where it is and maybe sometime some of the chaos will wind down. He closed his remarks by saying that Red Skelton said that God put us on this earth to build up and not to tear down.

There being no further comments or questions, Chairman Nelson thanked them for their comments and if there was any further business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to discuss, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on motion made by Fondella A. Leigh, seconded by Charles Woodard.

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Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman

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Clerk to the Board

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SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
September 21, 2020
7:00 p.m.

***Special Notice for tonight's meeting**: The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners' **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING** will be held on Monday, September 21, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Perquimans County Library located at 514 S. Church Street, Hertford, NC 27944. Because this is considered an essential meeting, the public will be able to attend but social distancing will be required. If you have any questions, please contact the County Manager's Office at (252) 426-8484.*

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners met in a SPECIAL CALLED MEETING on Monday, September 21, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Perquimans County Library located at 514 S. Church Street, Hertford, NC 27944. The meeting was moved from Commissioners Room located on the first floor of the Perquimans County Courthouse Annex.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman Kyle Jones Charles Woodard	Joseph W. Hoffler Alan Lennon
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Fondella A. Leigh, Vice Chair	
OTHERS PRESENT:	Frank Heath, County Manager Hackney High, County Attorney	Mary Hunnicutt, Clerk to the Board

Chairman Nelson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Lennon gave the invocation and the Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Nelson explained that this Special Called Meeting was scheduled to hold a Closed Session, per NCGS #143-318-11(3), to consult with the county attorney regarding a legal matter.

CLOSED SESSION: CONSULT WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING A LEGAL MATTER

Pursuant to NC General Statute 143-318.11(3), the Board will need to go into Closed Session to consult with the county attorney regarding a legal matter. On motion made by Alan Lennon, seconded by Charles Woodard, the Board unanimously voted to go into Closed Session.

The Closed Session was adjourned and the Special Called Meeting reconvened on motion made by Alan Lennon, seconded by Charles Woodard, and unanimously approved by the Board.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to discuss, the Special Called Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m. on motion made by Charles Woodard, seconded by Joseph W. Hoffler.

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Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman

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Clerk to the Board

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WORK SESSION
September 21, 2020
7:00 p.m.

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners Regular Work Session scheduled for Monday, September 21, at 7:00 p.m. has been **cancelled**.

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