

The Sampson County Board of Commissioners convened for their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017 in the County Auditorium, 435 Rowan Road in Clinton, North Carolina. Members present: Chairman Clark Wooten, Vice Chairperson Sue Lee, and Commissioners Albert Kirby Jr., and Harry Parker. Absent: Commissioner Jerol Kivett.

The Chairman convened the meeting and called upon Commissioner Parker for the invocation. Commissioner Kirby then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Commissioner Kirby, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda with the following changes: Sheriff's Department Budget Amendment was added as Item 4 (h).

Roads

Keith Jackson, NCDOT Highway Maintenance Engineer, was present to provide the Board an update on county road conditions. He informed the Board that all roads damaged by Hurricane Matthew had been repaired. He also mentioned that eight roads were scheduled to be temporarily closed for maintenance, and that recent flooding had resulted in three road closures. He concluded by informing the Board that Operation Litter Sweep 2017 was a great success. The floor was opened for public comment, and the following were received:

Lithia Fields (1044 Isaac Weeks Rd., Clinton): Ms. Fields expressed concerns of flooding on her property and neighboring properties due to drainage being emptied into her yard, which has caused erosion to her property of up to approximately 10 feet. She explained that during Hurricane Matthew of October 2016 that the flooding was so severe that drainage created a huge mass of standing water which eventually flooded her yard, a section of Isaac Weeks Road, as well as other properties in the adjacent Miry Creek subdivision. She noted that she had previously spoken with Soil and Water Conservation staff, and they had evaluated the cause of flooding noting that creeks are bringing sand into the drainage pipes causing blockage, which subsequently causes flooding. Commissioner Kirby questioned whether the drainage pipe was inappropriately positioned, thus causing the flooding, and requested that Mr. Jackson to assist Ms. Fields in resolving the issue.

Item 1: Reports and Presentations

Recognition of Retirees Service plaques were presented to retirees Connie Fann and Addie Hodges.

Recognition of Employee Accomplishments (Admin/Finance) The Board acknowledged the recent accomplishments of Juanita Brewington, who earned the designation as a Certified Local Government Purchasing Officer (CLGPO), and Richard Carr, who successfully completed the UNC School of Government Municipal and County Administration Course.

Reports - Human Service Agencies - Social Services: 2016 Community Child Protection Team Annual Report Social Services Director Sarah Bradshaw introduced DSS staff member Lynn Fields who presented the 2016 CCPT Annual Report to the Board on behalf of the Community Child Protection Team, as required to meet the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPA), as amended in 1998, and the Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2003. Ms. Fields provided a program update, highlighting accomplishments, achievements, and study findings.

Reports - Human Service Agencies - Health: 2016 Communicable Disease Report; 2017 NC Child Health Report Card Health Director Wanda Robinson introduced Communicable Disease Nurse Ms. Kelly Parrish who provided overview of the 2016 Communicable Disease Report. Ms. Robinson then presented the 2017 NC Child Health Report Card to the Board, noting significant improvement in health insurance coverage for children, ranking Sampson County in the top 25 percentile. Ms. Robinson also noted that the Report showed a decrease in uninsured children totals and teen pregnancy rates.

Item 2: Planning and Zoning

CZ-3-17-1 Chairman Wooten called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who informed the Board that the applicant had withdrawn the request. The hearing was closed.

RZ-4-17-1 Chairman Wooten called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 1.83 acres located along Roseboro Highway from RA-Residential Agriculture to C-Commercial. The Chairman opened the floor for comments, and none were received. The hearing was closed. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to approve rezoning request RZ-4-17-1, accepting the presented findings of fact and making the following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A- 341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and*

determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment RZ-4-17-1 is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and other long range planning documents due to the fact this property is located along a major thoroughfare where commercial development is encouraged.

RZ-4-17-2 Chairman Wooten called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 49 acres located along Autry Highway from RA-Residential Agriculture to C-Commercial. Commissioner Kirby inquired of the purpose of the rezoning request. Ms. Rose stated that it could possibly be for billboard development but could not guarantee being the property could accommodate other commercial uses. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kirby and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve rezoning request RZ-4-17-2, accepting the presented findings of fact and making the following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment RZ-4-17-2 is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and other long range planning documents due to the fact this property is located along a major thoroughfare where commercial development is encouraged.*

RZ-4-17-3 Chairman Wooten called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 1.68 acres located along Autry Mill Road from RA-Residential Agriculture to C-Commercial. The Chairman opened the floor for comments, and none were received. Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve rezoning request RZ-4-17-3, accepting the presented findings of fact and making the following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment RZ-4-17-3 is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and other long range planning documents due to the fact this property is located along a major thoroughfare where commercial development is encouraged.*

Item 3: Action Items

Award of Bid for County Complex Paving Finance Officer David Clack reported that the Finance Office sent Requests for Proposals (RFPs) to fourteen paving companies whose names were obtained from the NC Licensing Board of General Contractors. Seven contractors responded that the project was out of their service area, four were booked with other work, and one had bonding issues. After only one bid was received by the initial bid opening, 47 additional companies were contacted. Again, 36 of the companies stated the project was out of their service area, five were already booked, and three did not offer asphalt paving services. Seventeen RFPs were again sent out,

and two bids were received. Based upon evaluation of these bids, it was recommended that the bid be awarded to the lowest bidder, Blizzard Construction, in the amount of \$871,925. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kirby and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to award the bid as recommended to lowest bidder, Blizzard Construction, in the amount of \$871,925.

Calendaring of Budget Adoption Process County Manager Ed Causey presented the Board the following meeting dates for consideration, obtaining a consensus for each:

- May 22, 6 pm – Special Meeting for presentation of the proposed budget (this would immediately follow the water summit planned for 1-5 pm that same day)
- June 5, 6 pm – Public Hearing regarding proposed budget (at regularly scheduled Board meeting)
- June 19, 6 pm – Special Meeting for Adoption of FY 2017-2018 budget

Mr. Causey also noted the Board of Equalization meeting on May 11 at 10 am, the Cooperative Extension Report to the People on May 15, and that dates for budget work sessions would be determined at a later date.

Appointment – Sampson Community College Board of Trustees Upon a motion by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Michael Chestnut to the Sampson Community College Board of Trustees to fill the remainder of Jimmy Thornton’s term.

Item 4: Consent Agenda

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda items as follows:

- a. Approved the minutes of the April 3, 2017 meeting
- b. Adopted a resolution proclaiming May as Older Americans Month (Copy of resolution filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- c. Authorized renewal of the lease between the County and State Employees Credit Union for the SECU Cash Points ATM kiosk located on the County Complex for a period of one year (Copy of resolution filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- d. Authorized execution of a revision to the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funding Plan (Copy of resolution filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- e. Declared as surplus two Sheriff’s vehicles (2010 Charger VIN# 2B3AA4CT7AH303189 and 2010 Charger VIN# 2C3CDXAT4CH13822) and authorized transfer to Bladen County Sheriff’s Office Training Division.

Commissioners Parker and Kirby asked for more information regarding the surplus of Sheriff's vehicles. Mr. Causey and Mr. Clack informed that Board that the Bladen County Sheriff's Department assisted in advanced law enforcement driver's training of Sampson County officers and that providing Bladen County surplus vehicles, which were not in condition for patrol use, was considered to assist in the training efforts.

f. Approved tax refunds and releases as submitted

#7960	Ricky I. Lee, Jr.	\$860.50
#7967	Crown Farms, Inc.	\$573.43
#7990	Robert Clayton Sink	\$201.96
#7992	Theresa Recasino Guy	\$303.50
#8002	Michael Ross Harrison	\$254.62
#7998	Cynthia Ann Wallace	\$287.31
#7980	Mark Kevin Faircloth	\$318.09
#8003	Joseph McRae Andrews	\$186.23
#7996	Linda Faye McDuffie	\$154.68
#7963	Stephanie Denise Hollingsworth	\$1,860.83
Tax Release	Tasha Carr Sanders	\$630.71

g. Approved budget amendments as submitted

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Sampson Soil & Water</u>			
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
28349610	523100	Educational Supplies		\$2,630.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>					
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
28349610	523100	Fund Bal Appropriated State		\$2,630.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Finance – Suppl. Current Expense Fund</u>			
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
26659100	581001	Transfer of Funds		\$112,000.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>					
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
26031840	412000	Ad Valorem Taxes-Current		\$112,000.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Aging</u>			
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
02549580	526200	Rural Health – Senior Health Ins-Dept Sup		\$2,412.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>					
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
02034958	404088	Rural Health – Senior Health Insurance		\$2,412.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>City Schools Capital Outlay</u>	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
11659110	555030	Category 1-drainage at various sites	\$60,000.00
11659110	555031	Category 2-furniture and equipment	\$165,000.00
11659110	555032	Category 3-vehicles	\$104,500.00
11659110	550000	Unallocated capital outlay	\$329,500.00

<u>REVENUE</u>			<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Sampson Soil & Water</u>	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
28349610	531109	Travel	\$1,950.00

<u>REVENUE</u>			<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	
28334961	403609	Conservation District Revenues	\$1,950.00

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Aging</u>	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
02558670	526200	H/R – Departmental Supplies	\$644.00

<u>REVENUE</u>			<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	
02035867	408403	H/R – Fan Project	\$644.00

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Aging</u>	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
02558660	544000	PCII – Contracted Services	\$6,443.00
02558680	526200	Senior Center – Dept Supplies	\$5,000.00
02558710	526200	ADHC – Dept Supplies	\$7,243.00
02558800	522100	Nutrition – Food Provision	\$6,205.00
02558800	596000	Nutrition – Trans To SAT	\$405.00

<u>REVENUE</u>			<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	
02035866	403601	PC II – State Grant – Mid-Carolina	\$6,443.00
02035868	403601	Senior Center – State Grant – Mid-Caroli	\$5,000.00
02035871	403601	ADHC – State Grant – Mid-Carolina	\$7,243.00
02035880	403601	Nutrition – State Grant – Mid-Carolina	\$6,205.00
02035880	403665	Nutrition – Transp- State Grant – Mid-Car	\$405.00

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>CD</u>	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
12551250	523900	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$608.00

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
12535125	404000	STATE ASSISTANCE	\$608.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
		<u>EH FOOD & LODGING</u>		
12551830	532100	TELEPHONE AND POSTAGE	\$1,500.00	
12551830	535300	M/R VEHICLES	\$500.00	
12551830	526200		\$2,416.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
12535183	404000	STATE ASSISTANCE	\$4,416.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
		<u>SHERIFF'S</u>		
11243100	535300	MAINT/REPAIR VEHICLES	\$2,400.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11034310	535300	MISC. REV.	\$2,400.00	

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		<u>SHERIFF'S</u>		
11243100	554070	C.O. – VEHICLES FED ASSETS FUND	\$35,000.00	
11243100	555079	C.O. – OTHER EQUIPMENT-NARCOTICS	\$5,000.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11034310	402603	FED ASSEST FUNDS (NARC)	\$40,000.00	

- Approved Clinton City Schools Amendment No. 6 (State) as submitted.

h. (Walk-on Budget Amendment)

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11243100	554070	C/O – VEHICLES FED ASSETS FUND	\$6,205.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11034310	402603	FED ASSET FUNDS (NARC)	\$6,205.00	

County Manager Reports

County Manager Ed Causey invited the Board to attend a NCACC Human Services program session on May 31, 2017 in Wilmington, NC. He then reminded the Board of the upcoming Water Summit scheduled for May 22, 2017 to discuss water planning. Mr. Causey concluded by providing the Board a recap on a meeting held by himself, Mr. Clack and the Board of Education regarding the county school system's declining fund balance and budget request, and the State's decline in low-wealth funding. Commissioner Kirby noted concerns with school funding and requested the opportunity for he and Commissioner Parker to also meet with representatives of the County School system to hear the presentation firsthand.

Public Comments

The floor was opened for comments, and none were received.

Recess to Reconvene

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kirby and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to recess to reconvene on May 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. for Cooperative Extension Service's annual Report to the People dinner.