

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2019 – 9:00 AM  
117 DICK STREET, 1ST FLOOR, ROOM 118  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Commissioner Jeannette Council, Chair  
Commissioner Marshall Faircloth, Vice Chairman  
Commissioner Glenn Adams  
Commissioner Michael Boose  
Commissioner Charles Evans  
Commissioner Jimmy Keefe  
Commissioner Larry Lancaster  
Amy Cannon, County Manager  
Melissa Cardinal, Assistant County Manager  
Sally Shutt, Assistant County Manager  
Duane Holder, Assistant County Manager/Interim Health Director  
Rick Moorefield, County Attorney  
Vicki Evans, Finance Director  
Deborah Shaw, Budget Analyst  
Heather Harris, Budget Analyst  
Jeffrey Brown, Engineering and Infrastructure Director  
Joel Strickland, FAMPO Director and Interim Planning Director  
Brenda Jackson, Social Services Director  
Candice White, Clerk to the Board  
Kellie Beam, Deputy Clerk  
Press

Chair Council called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Boose provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

RECOGNITION

County Departments for Earning 2018 United Way Excellence and Achievement Awards

BACKGROUND

Cumberland County employees contributed \$31,984.02 to the 2018 United Way campaign, an increase of \$2,193.77 over 2017 and the highest amount raised since 2014.

Eight County departments earned campaign awards from the United Way for their contributions.

The United Way presents Campaign Excellence Awards to organizations with at least 85 percent employee participation rate and either a \$104 per capita gift or a 20 percent increase in employee giving over the previous year. Three County departments earned Campaign Excellence Awards:

Central Maintenance Facility  
Community Development  
Tax Administration

The Campaign Achievement Awards are presented to companies with at least 50 percent employee participation and either a \$52 per capita gift or a 10 percent increase in employee giving over the previous year. Five County departments earned Campaign Excellence Awards:

County Administration  
Cumberland County Cooperative Extension  
Finance Department  
Human Resources  
Register of Deeds Office

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED ACTION

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Recognize and congratulate the eight County departments for their successful United Way campaigns.

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Amy Cannon, County Manager, presented the background information recorded above and recognized representatives from the eight County departments with a framed Achievement Award for outstanding community support and valuable contributions to the United Way of Cumberland County 2018 annual campaign.

## 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Cannon requested the addition to the agenda of a closed session for Attorney Client Matter(s) pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) as Item 7.B.

MOTION: Commissioner Faircloth moved to approve the agenda with the addition of a closed session for Attorney Client Matter(s) pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) as Item 7.B.

SECOND: Commissioner Boose

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

## 2. PRESENTATIONS

### A. Thank You to the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners for Their Assistance During Hurricane Florence by Manna Church

#### BACKGROUND

Manna Church requested to make a presentation to the Board of Commissioners at the April 1, 2019 Board meeting to thank them for their assistance during Hurricane Florence.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

No action required.

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Lead Pastor Chris Fletcher stated during Hurricane Florence, a volunteer team from Manna Church mobilized to serve the community and because they were received by the County with such openness and receptiveness, they wanted to present to the Board of Commissioners a red shirt bearing the signatures of key volunteer leaders. Pastor Fletcher thanked the Board of Commissioners for a job well done during Hurricane Florence and for letting Manna Church proudly serve alongside Cumberland County.

### B. 2020 Census Preparation and Promotion

#### BACKGROUND

April 1, 2019 has been declared a national Day of Action to promote the U.S. Census. This date marks the one-year countdown to the 2020 Census. Several communities across North Carolina will mark the day with events.

During the Board of Commissioners meeting, Kenneth Wilkins from the U.S. Census Bureau will provide a brief overview of the Census and Aaron Barnes from the Comprehensive Planning Section will present information on local preparations.

As part of the Day of Action on April 1, the County will hold an organizational meeting for the Complete Count Committee at 2 p.m. at the Department of Social Services. Key stakeholder organizations have been invited, including all nine municipalities, the Cumberland Community Foundation, Cumberland County Schools, Fayetteville-Cumberland County Economic Development Corporation, Mid-Carolina Council of Governments, Fort Bragg, Greater Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce and Fayetteville State University.

Trey Smith and Aaron Barnes from the Planning Department will serve as the County's Census Coordinators and several county departments are participating on the committee. The library

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system will play a key role in the County's outreach efforts and Library Director Jody Risacher has agreed to chair the Complete Count Committee.

Mr. Wilkins will address the committee and assist as the group develops a list of barriers and establishes subcommittees. Additional community organizations will join the efforts through the subcommittees.

The Complete Count Committee will work to accomplish the stated goal of the 2020 NC Complete Count Commission – "To count everyone once, only once and in the right place."

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

For informational purposes.

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Sally Shutt, Assistant County manager, presented the background information recorded above and called on Kenneth Wilkins from the U.S. Census Bureau to provide a brief overview of the Census and Aaron Barnes from the Planning Department to present information on local preparations.

Mr. Wilkins, Partner Specialist U. S. Census Bureau Atlanta Region, stated every ten years the U. S. Census Bureau has conducted the constitutionally mandated census to count the number of people living in the United States and its territories. Mr. Wilkins stated the census is about power and money.

Mr. Wilkins stated as the census relates to power, it will be used to determine the number of congressional seats in the United States, of which there are only 435. Mr. Wilkins stated the N. C. House of Representatives has 13 members but given the increase in population in N. C., there is a good chance a seat will be added so the goal is to have a good census count.

Mr. Wilkins stated the response rate in Cumberland Count in 2000 was 69% and in 2010 was 73%, so the goal is to continue to build on that progress. Mr. Wilkins stated in 2010, an estimated 5% of children were not counted in the United States and they are among the hard to count populations along with renters, non-English speaking people, rural area people, low income community people and those experiencing homelessness. Mr. Wilkins stated the upcoming census will more accurately reflect the makeup of N. C. military communities.

Mr. Wilkins stated as the census relates to money, \$675 billion will be returned to the states each year for the next ten years, or approximately \$1,623 per person in N. C. every year for the next ten years, which will help offset the cost of a number of programs that help assist members in the community.

Mr. Wilkins stated in mid-March 2020 a postcard with a barcode will be mailed to addresses and new ways to respond to the 2020 census will include online, by phone or by mail. Mr. Wilkins explained steps that will be taken when no response is received from an address and at what point the address will be closed out.

Mr. Wilkins stated each community is asked to put together a Complete Count Committee and develop an outreach plan tailored to the unique characteristics of the community. Mr. Wilkins stated the Census Bureau is hiring almost 6,000 individuals in N. C. and the Governor would like to see an 80% response.

Mr. Barnes, County Census Coordinator, stated 2019 will be spent working with the Complete County Committee, to include membership from Ft. Bragg, and a census logo and message will be developed and disseminated by the end of 2019. Mr. Barnes stated there will be a major promotion event in January – March 2020 and the ask is for elected officials to encourage households to complete the census. Mr. Barnes stated the final push will take place April 2020 – December 2020 with public service announcements and census rallies to urge household who do not respond to cooperate with census takers going household to household.

Chair Council thanked Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Barnes for their presentations.

- C. Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center by Ms. Reka Reyna, Outreach Coordinator

#### BACKGROUND

Ms. Reka Reyna, Outreach Coordinator, will be making a presentation to the Board of Commissioners at the April 1, 2019 Board meeting on the Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Cape Fear Valley.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

No action required.

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Reka Reyna, Outreach Coordinator, stated the Cohen Veterans Network was founded by Steven A. Cohen in 2016 and was created to provide post-9/11 veterans and military families easily accessible, client-centered outpatient behavioral health services. Ms. Reyna stated the 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation plans to operate 24 clinics across the nation by 2020. Ms. Reyna stated Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Cape Fear Valley Medical provides high-quality, evidence based behavioral healthcare services and case management resources and referrals for not only post-9/11 veterans and their families, but also families of active duty service members, National Guards and Reserves when not activated, families of National Guards and Reserves and children as young as 4 years of age. Ms. Reyna stated these individuals are eligible for services regardless of the veteran's discharge status, role while in uniform or combat experience.

Ms. Reyna stated there is no charge for services and there are no barriers to care with extended hours, self-referrals, personalized treatment, strength-based approach, resource connections and confidentiality.

Ms. Reyna stated treatment is provided for a variety of mental health issues including depression, anxiety, post-traumatic stress, adjustment issues, anger, grief and loss, family issues, transition challenges, relationship problems and children's therapy services.

Ms. Reyna stated since the Fayetteville Cohen Center opened 1½ to 2 years ago, it has seen over 1,000 individuals.

Chair Council thanked Ms. Reyna for her presentation.

#### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Adams requested the removal of Items 3.C., 3.D. and 3.E. from the consent agenda for separate discussion and action.

- A. Approval of Minutes for the March 18, 2019 Special Meeting with FTCC Board of Trustees, March 18, 2019 Regular Meeting and March 26, 2019 Special Meeting for a Public Hearing to Consider an Economic Development Incentive Package
- B. Approval of Proclamation Declaring April 14-20, 2019 to be National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

#### BACKGROUND

Request was received for a proclamation declaring the week of April 14-20, 2019 to be "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" in Cumberland County.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

The Board of Commissioners is respectfully requested to consider approval of the proclamation.

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

NORTH CAROLINA

#### PROCLAMATION

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week April 14-20, 2019

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at anytime that require law enforcement, fire or emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of law enforcement officers, firefighters and medical services personnel is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency medical workers is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Cumberland County Communications Center; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical workers by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and insuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Cumberland County Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, dispatchers have exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their jobs over the past year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners declares the week of April 4-20, 2019 to be "NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK" in Cumberland County in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our County and citizens safe.

Adopted this 1st day of April 2019

- C. Removed for separate discussion and action as recorded below.
- D. Removed for separate discussion and action as recorded below.
- E. Removed for separate discussion and action as recorded below.
- F. Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendments for the April 1, 2019 Board of Commissioners' Agenda

#### BACKGROUND

##### Inmate Welfare Fund 207

- 1) Inmate Welfare Fund - Budget Ordinance Amendment B190714 to recognize revenue in the amount of \$75,000 from telephone commissions

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B190714 in the amount of \$75,000 to recognize revenue from telephone commissions generated from inmate usage. This additional revenue will be utilized to purchase an Inmate Discovery Server which is needed to provide inmates with the capability to review their specific case information. The server cost will be approximately \$100,000. The additional \$25,000 needed has been identified from within the Inmate Welfare Fund.

Please note this amendment requires no additional county funds.

##### NC Elderly Handicap Transportation Fund 277

- 2) Mid Carolina Senior Transportation- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190240 to recognize additional revenue in the amount of \$21,968 and to appropriate general fund balance in the amount of \$2,441 for the local match

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The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B190240 to recognize additional grant funds in the amount of \$21,968 from the North Carolina Home and Community Care Block Grant – Community Transportation Program. Funds from this grant will be used to provide medical, work and/or general transportation services for county residents. Appropriation of general fund balance in the amount of \$2,441 is the required local match.

Please note this amendment requires appropriation of general fund balance.

REGARDING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS 3-16 PLEASE NOTE:

Each fiscal year during the budget process, the fire districts are budgeted at 100% of the tax value for their district. Occasionally additional money is collected during the year above the anticipated budget for their district. The following budget revisions are recognizing additional revenue expected during FY19 or recognizing additional money received in prior years. The following amendments are recognizing the additional tax revenue for the districts to be utilized towards expenses within the fire districts.

- 3) Beaver Dam Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190233 to recognize prior year tax revenue in the amount of \$1,129.
- 4) Bethany Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190234 to recognize prior year tax revenue in the amount of \$2,669.
- 5) Cotton Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190236 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$20,249 and \$16,795 of prior year tax revenue.
- 6) Cumberland Road Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190238 to recognize FY19 additional tax revenue in the amount of \$3,102 and \$4,378 of prior year tax revenue.
- 7) Eastover Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190239 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$20,249 and \$1,738 of prior year tax revenue.
- 8) Godwin Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190241 to recognized prior year tax revenue in the amount of \$628.
- 9) Grays Creek Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190242 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$29,863 and \$10,346 of prior year tax revenue.
- 10) Manchester Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190243 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$2,586 and \$1,048 of prior year tax revenue.
- 11) Pearces Mill Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190260 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$13,681 and \$10,023 of prior year tax revenue.
- 12) Stedman Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190261 to recognize prior year tax revenue in the amount of \$1,447.
- 13) Stoney Point Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190263 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$1,427 and \$10,133 of prior year tax revenue.
- 14) Vander Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190264 to recognize prior year tax revenue in the amount of \$10,148.
- 15) Wade Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190265 to recognize prior year tax revenue in the amount of \$618.
- 16) Westarea Fire District- Budget Ordinance Amendment B190266 to recognize additional FY19 tax revenue in the amount of \$9,852 and \$15,374 of prior year tax revenue.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

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## Approve Budget Ordinance Amendments

### G. Approval of Cumberland County Board of Commissioners Agenda Session Items

#### 1. Health Insurance Plan Changes for Fiscal Year 2020

##### BACKGROUND

During the March 14, 2019 Agenda Session, Kevin Quinn of Chernoff Diamond presented renewal options for the health insurance plan year beginning July 1, 2019. The Board considered the options presented.

##### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

At the March 14, 2019 Agenda Session Meeting, the Board of Commissioners approved placing the action below as a Consent Item on the April 1, 2019 Board of Commissioners Meeting (to allow staff additional time to explore options related to item #4 below):

Approval of the Health Insurance Plan renewal to be included in the fiscal year 2020 budget process which will incorporate the following changes/additions:

1. Add Diagnostic Imaging Management;
2. Under prescription coverage, adopt RX Savings Solutions Portal and adopt Specialty Co-Pay Solutions;
3. Reduce the Telemedicine co-payment from \$30 to \$15; and,
4. Carve out the aged 65+ retirees to be covered by AmWINS. After exploring the impact of credentialing our Employee Pharmacy with Express Scripts or changing the terms of the program, retirees aged 65+ will no longer have access to the Employee Pharmacy. Instead, retirees aged 65+ will have pharmacy coverage available at any retail pharmacy that is Medicare credentialed.

MOTION: Commissioner Lancaster moved to approve consent agenda Items 3.A. – 3.G.1. with the exception of Items 3.C., 3.D. and 3.E. as removed for separate discussion and action.

SECOND: Commissioner Adams

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

#### 3.C. Approval of Offer to Purchase Two Lots Located at Ashley Street, Fayetteville

##### BACKGROUND

Friendship Community Gardens, Inc., has made an offer to purchase two lots on Ashley Street in Fayetteville.

The County acquired the lot with PIN 0437-12-3719, being Lot 18 E T Spence Sub Div Tolar Ld (0.19 ac), located at Ashley St., Fayetteville, NC, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2004 for a purchase price of \$3,672.03. The property is zoned MR5 with a tax value of \$7,500.00. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is no structure on the lot. This property has not yet been declared surplus by the Board of Commissioners, so it has not been on the surplus property list; however; it has been identified to all County Government and City Departments to determine if there was any governmental use for it. No County or City Departments expressed interest in the lot. Friendship Community Gardens, Inc., has made an offer to purchase the property for \$3,672.03.

The County and City acquired the lot with PIN 0437-12-3815, located at Ashley St., Fayetteville, NC, and being the first tract described in the deed recorded in Book 8832 at page 371 at a tax foreclosure sale in 2012, along with two other parcels. The balance of the foreclosure judgment for this lot is \$3,180.88. The City deeded its interest to the County by the deed recorded in Book 9904 at page 139. The property is zoned MR5 with a tax value of \$7,500.00. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is no structure on the lot. Friendship Community Gardens, Inc., has made an offer to purchase the property for \$3,180.88.

Exhibit 1 is a map setting out the location of each parcel and its associated PIN number.

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If the Board proposes to accept these offers, the proposed sale must be advertised subject to the upset bid process of G. S. § 160A-269. The proposed advertisement is included in the recommendation below.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends that the Board find these lots are not needed for governmental purposes and declare them surplus. Furthermore, if the Board proposes to accept the offers of Friendship Community Gardens, Inc., resolve that the described real properties shall be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G. S. § 160A-269, in accordance with the advertisement below.

#### CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADVERTISEMENT OF PROPOSAL TO ACCEPT AN OFFER TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S § 160A-269

Take notice that the Board of Commissioners finds the real property with PIN 0437-12-3719, being Lot 18 E T Spence Sub Div Tolar Ld (0.19 ac), located at Ashley St., Fayetteville, NC, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$3,672.03. The Board further finds that the real property with PIN 0437-12-3815, being the first tract described in the deed recorded in Book 8832 at page 312, located at Ashley St., Fayetteville, NC, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$3,180.88. Within 10 days of this notice any person may raise the bid by not less than ten percent (10%) of the first one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and five percent (5%) of the remainder by making a five percent (5%) deposit of the bid with the Clerk. This procedure shall be repeated until no further qualifying upset bids are received. The Board of Commissioners may at any time reject any and all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

3.D. Approval of Offer to Purchase Two Lots Located at 6321 Aladdin Drive, Fayetteville, NC

#### BACKGROUND

The County acquired the real property with the PIN 0442-56-5560, being Lt 185 Twin Oaks Sec 5 Pt 2, located at 6321 Aladdin Drive, Fayetteville, NC, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2016 for a purchase price of \$2,699.96. The property is zoned RR with a tax value of \$12,500.00. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is no structure on the lot. Gladys Heredia made an offer to purchase the property for \$2,699.96. If the Board proposes to accept this offer, the proposed sale must be advertised subject to the upset bid process of G. S. § 160A-269. The proposed advertisement is included in the recommendation below.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

The County Attorney recommends the Board consider the offer of Gladys Heredia. If the Board proposes to accept the offer, resolve that the described real property is not needed for governmental purposes and direct that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G. S. § 160A-269.

#### CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADVERTISEMENT OF PROPOSAL TO ACCEPT AN OFFER TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S § 160A-269

Take notice that the Board of Commissioners finds the real property with PIN 0442-56-5560, being Lt 185 Twin Oaks Sec 5 Pt 2, located at 6321 Aladdin Drive, Fayetteville, NC, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$2,699.96. Within 10 days of this notice any person may raise the bid by not less than ten percent (10%) of the first one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and five percent (5%) of the remainder by making a five percent (5%) deposit of the bid with the Clerk. This procedure shall be repeated until no further qualifying upset bids are received. The Board of Commissioners may at any time reject any and all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.



3.E. Approval of Offer to Purchase Surplus Property Located at 6383 Canadian Avenue, Fayetteville, NC

BACKGROUND

The County acquired the real property with the PIN 0442-55-6720, being Lt 123 Twin Oaks Sec 4 Pt 4, located at 6383 Canadian Avenue, Fayetteville, NC, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2016 for a purchase price of \$2,159.57. The property is zoned RR with a tax value of \$10,000.00. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is no structure on the lot. Gladys Heredia made an offer to purchase the property for \$2,159.57. If the Board proposes to accept this offer, the proposed sale must be advertised subject to the upset bid process of G. S. § 160A-269. The proposed advertisement is included in the recommendation below.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

The County Attorney recommends the Board consider the offer of Gladys Heredia. If the Board proposes to accept the offer, resolve that the described real property is not needed for governmental purposes and direct that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G. S. § 160A-269.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADVERTISEMENT OF  
PROPOSAL TO ACCEPT AN OFFER TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY  
PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S § 160A-269

Take notice that the Board of Commissioners finds the real property with PIN 0442-55-6720, being Lt 123 Twin Oaks Sec 4 Pt 4, located at 6383 Canadian Avenue, Fayetteville, NC, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$2,159.57. Within 10 days of this notice any person may raise the bid by not less than ten percent (10%) of the first one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and five percent (5%) of the remainder by making a five percent (5%) deposit of the bid with the Clerk. This procedure shall be repeated until no further qualifying upset bids are received. The Board of Commissioners may at any time reject any and all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

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Commissioner Adams stated he will address Items 3.C., 3.D. and 3.E. together. Commissioner Adams stated he does not understand why the regular procedure has been circumvented because none of this has been declared surplus by the Board of Commissioners, which is required by statute. Commissioner Adams stated the Board is being asked to declare the properties surplus by consent and he thinks doing so sets a bad precedent because they have not been declared surplus nor placed on the surplus property list for everyone in the County to look at. Rick Moorefield, County Attorney, stated only the first parcel in Item 3.C. had not been declared surplus or placed on the Surplus List and the resolution of intent has always included language that the property “is not needed for governmental purposes”. Mr. Moorefield stated the property in Item 3.C. was acquired in 2004, was never on the surplus list, the reason for which is not known, and Friendship Community Gardens, Inc. came to the County and identified the property. Commissioner Adams stated information should be presented to the Board to determine whether it is surplus. Mr. Moorefield stated the reason Item 3.C. was handled in this manner was that an offer was made on the property. Mr. Moorefield stated the identity of this parcel was circulated to all City and County departments as is the procedure before taking property to the Board to declare it surplus and place on the surplus property list.

Commissioner Faircloth asked how this property is made available to the public. Mr. Moorefield stated it is made public by advertisement in the *Fayetteville Observer* and on the County’s website. Commissioner Adams stated the items should be removed from the consent agenda, information should be presented to the Board and then a vote should be taken to declare it surplus.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to forward Items 3.C., 3.D. and 3.E. to the next meeting.  
SECOND: Commissioner Faircloth  
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

#### 4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- A. Consideration and Approval of a Resolution to Authorize the Transfer of the "Cumberland County Celebrates the Babe" Exhibit from the Crown Coliseum to SEGRA Stadium, Home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers

##### BACKGROUND

During a stop in Fayetteville on the way to spring training in Florida with the Baltimore Orioles, George Herman Ruth hit his very first professional home run on March 7, 1914 and acquired his famous "Babe" nickname. The feat is documented by a N.C. Highway Historical Marker on Gillespie Street.

In addition, a commemorative display panel about Ruth's visit was created as part of Cumberland County's 250th Anniversary Celebration in March 2004. The exhibit has been on permanent display at the Crown Coliseum.

The City of Fayetteville is completing construction of SEGRA Stadium, home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers, and will hold a Fans First Look event on April 13, 2019. The County Manager was contacted by City officials requesting that the County approve permanently moving the display to the stadium. Jim Grafstrom, Crown General Manager, supports having the exhibit moved from the Crown to the baseball stadium.

With the approval of the Board of Commissioners, transferring the display from the Crown Coliseum to SEGRA Stadium will allow thousands of baseball fans to learn about Ruth's connection to Fayetteville and Cumberland County.

##### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Consider a resolution authorizing the transfer of the Babe Ruth exhibit from the Crown Coliseum to SEGRA Stadium, the home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers.

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Ms. Cannon reviewed the background information recorded above and stated there have been further discussions involving officials with the City and Fayetteville Woodpeckers so that the display will remain intact and a plaque will be prepared to describe the donation from the Board of County Commissioners to the SEGRA Stadium.

Commissioner Boose stated he is opposed to transferring ownership of the commemorative panel but not to displaying it at SEGRA Stadium. Commissioner Faircloth concurred. Commissioner Council asked whether the intent was to lend it. Commissioner Boose stated his intent is to display it with Cumberland County maintaining ownership.

MOTION: Commissioner Boose moved that Cumberland County maintains ownership of the "Cumberland County Celebrates the Babe" exhibit and transfers it for display at SEGRA Stadium, home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Adams asked that it include the entire commemorative display. Ms. Cannon stated during conversations involving officials with the City and Fayetteville Woodpeckers, the County asked that the display remain intact "as is". Commissioner Faircloth asked to have the resolution revised to clarify the nature of the transfer. Commissioner Adams suggested it be "on loan".

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Commissioner Faircloth moved that Cumberland County maintains ownership of the "Cumberland County Celebrates the Babe" exhibit, transfers it for display at SEGRA Stadium, home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers and that wording in the resolution be changed from "transfer" to "loan".

Commissioner Boose accepted the friendly amendment. Commissioner Council accepted with a second.

VOTE ON FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

The resolution recorded below contains revised wording to clarify the nature of the transfer.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LOAN OF THE ‘CUMBERLAND COUNTY CELEBRATES THE BABE’ EXHIBIT FROM THE CROWN COLISEUM TO SEGRA STADIUM, HOME OF THE FAYETTEVILLE WOODPECKERS

Whereas, 19-year-old George Herman Ruth Jr. arrived in Fayetteville, North Carolina, in March 2014 with his Baltimore Oriole teammates on their way to spring training in Florida; and

Whereas, during an exhibition game on a Gillespie Street lot, Ruth hit his very first professional home run on March 7, 1914, and acquired his famous “Babe” nickname in Fayetteville; and

Whereas, a N. C. Highway Historical Marker on Gillespie Street states the homerun traveled 135 yards; and

Whereas, Babe Ruth dominated as a power hitter and is considered one of the greatest baseball players of all time; and

Whereas, the Babe Ruth Museum of Baltimore, Maryland, displayed a travel exhibit during Cumberland County’s 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in March 2004 and included a special panel about Ruth’s visit to Cumberland County when he hit that historic homer; and

Whereas, that exhibit panel was given to county citizens by the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners and the Cumberland 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and placed on permanent display at the Crown Coliseum; and

Whereas, SEGRA stadium will serve as home to the Fayetteville Woodpeckers and provide thousands of fans the chance to learn about Babe Ruth’s connection to Cumberland County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners authorizes the loan of the “Cumberland County Celebrates the Babe” exhibit from the Crown Coliseum to the SEGRA Stadium, home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers, with ownership of the Exhibit to remain with the County.

Adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2019.

- B. Conveyance of Lots 37 and 43, Cumberland Industrial Center, to FTCC for Fire and Rescue Training Facility

BACKGROUND

David Sullivan, attorney for FTCC, has asked the county to convey the property in the Cumberland Industrial Center for the Fire and Rescue Training Facility. He identified Lots 37 and 43 as the property being conveyed. The county attorney prepared the deed based on this information. A copy of the plat showing these lots and the proposed deed are attached. The county manager requested the county attorney to place this request on the April 1, 2019, agenda.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

If the Board is going forward with this project, approve the Chair’s execution of the deed to transfer this property to FTCC.

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Ms. Cannon stated Cumberland County is partnering with FTCC to construct a regional training facility using a significant portion of the community college’s state bonds. Ms. Cannon stated in order for FTCC to utilize the bonds, the property needs to be in the name of the community college.

All references to any materials which are described in these minutes or incorporated into these minutes are to the materials that are contained in the same numbered item in the agenda for this meeting. These may be viewed online in the agenda set out on this web page <http://co.cumberland.nc.us/departments/commissioners-group/commissioners/meeting-documents>

Ms. Cannon stated the request of the Board is to consider conveying the property to FTCC and the deed as prepared states if the property is not used for this specific purpose, the property will revert back to the County.

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to approve the Chair's execution of the deed to transfer this property to FTCC.  
SECOND: Commissioner Adams  
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

## 5. NOMINATIONS

### A. Senior Citizens Advisory Commission (1 Vacancy)

Commissioner Adams nominated Donald Bennett, Sr.

### B. Cumberland County Workforce Development Board (5 Vacancies)

Commissioner Adams nominated Joy Miller, Jesse Brayboy, Jr., Dina Simcox, Sherri Turner and Chas Sampson.

## 6. APPOINTMENTS

### A. Animal Control Board (1 Vacancy)

MOTION: Commissioner Faircloth moved to appoint Charlotte Davis to the Animal Control Board.  
SECOND: Commissioner Adams  
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

### B. Cape Fear Valley Health System Board of Trustees (3 Vacancies)

MOTION: Commissioner Faircloth moved to appoint Murtis Worth to the Cape Fear Valley Health System Board of Trustees in the R. N. position.  
SECOND: Commissioner Adams  
VOTE: PASSED (6-1) (Commissioners Keefe, Lancaster, Faircloth, Council, Boose and Adams voted in favor; Commissioner Evans voted in opposition)

Commissioner Evans withdrew his nomination of Dr. Daniel Uba for the General Public position on the Cape Fear Valley Health System Board of Trustees.

There being three nominees for two General Public positions on the Cape Fear Valley Health System Board of Trustees, Commissioner Faircloth called for votes.

Commissioners Faircloth, Council, Adams and Evans voted to appoint Billy R. King  
Commissioners Keefe, Lancaster, Faircloth and Adams voted to appoint Dr. Warren McDonald.  
Commissioners Keefe, Lancaster, Council, Boose and Evans voted to appoint Pamela Suggs Story

With the vote being tied between Billy R. King and Dr. Warren McDonald, the following motion was offered.

MOTION: Commissioner Evans moved that the vacancies for the two General Public positions on the Cape Fear Valley Health System Board of Trustees be brought back to the Board.  
SECOND: Commissioner Adams  
VOTE: FAILED (2-5) (Commissioners Evans and Council voted in favor; Commissioners Keefe, Lancaster, Faircloth, Boose and Adams voted in opposition)

With the motion having failed, Commissioner Faircloth called for votes.

Commissioners Council, Adams and Evans voted to appoint Billy R. King  
Commissioners Keefe, Lancaster, Faircloth and Boose voted to appoint Dr. Warren McDonald.

Having received a majority of the votes for appointment to the Cape Fear Valley Health System Board of Trustees, Pamela S. Story and Dr. Warren McDonald were appointed to the two General Public positions.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

A. Economic Development Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4)

B. Attorney Client Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3)

MOTION: Commissioner Boose moved to go into closed session for Economic Development Matter(s) pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11(a)(4) and Attorney Client Matter(s) pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11(a)(3).

SECOND: Commissioner Council

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Evans moved to reconvene in open session.

SECOND: Commissioner Keefe

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Evans moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Commissioner Keefe

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

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Candice H. White  
Clerk to the Board