

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
APRIL 5, 2021 – 9:00 AM  
117 DICK STREET, FIRST FLOOR, ROOM 118  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

This meeting was conducted as a remote meeting under the N. C. Governor's State of Emergency Declaration. In compliance with the N. C. General Assembly's S.L. 2020-3, SB 704, this remote meeting was simultaneously streamed online with live audio and video and was available to the public and media live via the Cumberland County website (co.cumberland.nc.us), Youtube page (youtube.com/user/CumberlandCountyNC/videos) and on Cumberland County North Carolina TV (CCNC-TV) on Spectrum Cable Channel 5.

PRESENT: Commissioner Charles Evans, Chairman  
Commissioner Glenn Adams, Vice Chairman  
Commissioner Jeannette Council  
Commissioner Jimmy Keefe  
Commissioner Larry Lancaster  
Commissioner Toni Stewart (attended remotely)  
Amy Cannon, County Manager  
Duane Holder, Deputy County Manager  
Tracy Jackson, Assistant County Manager  
Sally Shutt, Assistant County Manager  
Angel Wright-Lanier, Assistant County Manager  
Rick Moorefield, County Attorney  
Vicki Evans, Finance Director  
Brenda Jackson, Social Services Director  
Dee Taylor, Community Development Director  
Eric Redrick, Veterans Services Director  
Amanda Bader, Solid Waste Director  
Thomas Powell, Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. Chief Legal Officer  
Candice H. White, Clerk to the Board

ABSENT: Commissioner Michael Boose

Chairman Evans called the meeting to order and acknowledged the remote attendance of Commissioner Toni Stewart.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Evans provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Amy Cannon, County Manager, stated Chairman Evans requested that Item 4.B. Consideration of Professional Services Agreement with Excel Contracting, LLC to Administer the Emergency Rental Assistance Program be removed from the agenda and forwarded to the April 8, 2021 Agenda Session for consideration.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to approve the agenda with the forward of Item 4.B. Consideration of Professional Services Agreement with Excel Contracting, LLC to Administer the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to the April 8, 2021 Agenda Session as requested.

SECOND: Commissioner Adams

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

## 2. PRESENTATIONS

### A. Update on Community Child Abuse Prevention Plan by Ms. Faith Boehmer, Child Advocacy Center

#### BACKGROUND

Ms. Faith Boehmer, Child Advocacy Center and Ms. Elizabeth (Liz) Simpler, Partnership for Children will be providing an updated on the Community Child Abuse Prevention Plan at the April 5, 2021 Board of Commissioners' meeting.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

This presentation is for informational purposes only.

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Faith Boehmer, Child Advocacy Center, and Elizabeth (Liz) Simpler, Partnership for Children, provided an update on the Community Child Abuse Prevention Plan with the following PowerPoint presentation.

#### WHO WE ARE

- ☐ Over 30 agencies in Cumberland County provide leadership and education to community about preventing child abuse
- ☐ Coalition is divided into three sub-committees
  - ☐ Community Engagement
  - ☐ DART (Data and Research Team)
  - ☐ Parent Engagement

#### SUB-COMMITTEES

- ☐ Community Engagement
  - ☐ Committee responsible for engaging the community in the coalitions activities
  - ☐ Goals:
    - ☐ Develop Communication Briefs by means of video(s)  
These will be used to share the work of SOAR
    - ☐ Reach out to Media Outlets through PSA(s)  
Media would intern partner with us to take deeper into community
- ☐ DART (Data and Research Team)
  - ☐ Responsible for collecting, organizing, translating, and sharing data on SOAR's activities and overall goals.
  - ☐ Goals:
    - ☐ Preparing and disseminating a quarterly report tool (possibly using Survey Monkey) to collect SOAR data.
    - ☐ Achieve consensus on and request specific data on key CAN metrics for Cumberland County to request from DSS for quarterly reporting to SOAR
- ☐ Parent Engagement
  - ☐ Connections Matter
  - ☐ Designed to engage community members in building caring connections to improve resiliency.
  - ☐ Parent Cafe's
    - ☐ Goals:
      - ☐ Offer two trainings either Connections Matter or Parent Café's each month—one during the day and one at night
      - ☐ Recruit/train others who have experienced one of the workshops to support our efforts and provide assistance in planning and leading workshops.

#### Ongoing SOAR (Strength in Overcoming Adversity through Resiliency) Activities and Accomplishments

- ☐ Resilience Documentary training provided to community members
- ☐ Paper Tigers Documentary shown to community members
- ☐ Family Connects community stakeholder buy in and support
- ☐ Protective Factors Training Provided to community

- ☐ Triple P Program brought to community. Program is housed at Cumberland County Health Department
- ☐ Connections Matter trainings provided to trainers and to the community
- ☐ Parent Cafes provided to community members
- ☐ Resolutions of support signed by:
  - ☐ 2,166 Individuals
  - ☐ 53 Agencies

Following conclusion of the update, Chairman Evans read aloud Item 3.C., a proclamation recognizing April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month.

B. Presentation by Solid Waste Director Amanda Bader on Cumberland Clean Litter Pickup Event

**BACKGROUND**

Cumberland County Solid Waste is sponsoring a litter pickup event that will coincide with the Fayetteville Beautiful event on Saturday, April 17, 2021 from 8 am to 12 pm. County residents that are interested in participating in this event are encouraged to register with Solid Waste so they can receive supplies and so that Solid Waste crews know where to pick up bags after the event. Cumberland County Solid Waste sponsors this grassroots initiative along with the 5 for Friday reverse litter campaign to promote education, awareness, and action in the County.

**RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION**

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Amanda Bader, Solid Waste Director, stated Cumberland County Solid Waste is kicking off a new countywide litter pickup initiative called Cumberland Clean. Ms. Bader stated volunteers are invited to help clean up areas of the county outside of Fayetteville on Saturday, April 17, between 8 a.m. and noon. Ms. Bader stated this event coincides with the Fayetteville Beautiful clean-up taking place on the same day. Ms. Bader stated all participants will receive a trash bag, reusable litter bag, an event T-shirt, water and hand sanitizer. Ms. Bader stated registered volunteers can pick up these items before the event at the Ann Street Landfill and volunteers can also pick up their items the day of the event in front of the Judge E. Maurice Braswell Cumberland County Courthouse.

C. Update on Veterans Services by Mr. Eric Redrick, Director

**BACKGROUND**

Mr. Eric Redrick, Veterans Services Director, will be providing an update at the April 5, 2021 Board of Commissioners' meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION**

For information purposes only.

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Eric Redrick, Veterans Services Director, provided an update on Veterans Services with the following PowerPoint presentation.

**Veterans' Promise / Abraham Lincoln**

"...to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan..."

**Mission**

- Communicate with you accurately, completely and clearly
- Treat you with courtesy, compassion and respect
- Provide timely service to you
- Make our services accessible to you
- Fully answer your questions and concerns
- Provide you with no cost services

Mr. Redrick displayed slides with the Veterans Service hours of operation and telephone hours.

#### Meet the Staff

Eric Redrick, Director

#### Veterans Service Officers

Joanie Rodriguez

Monishia Bland

Todd Shockley

Randall Blackburn

#### Administration

Michael Delarosa

Silvia Andrews

Mr. Redrick stated all Veteran Service officers are certified by the North Carolina Association of County Veteran Services Officers and the National Association of County Veteran Services Officer and receive the following training.

#### Training

- All service officers must complete a minimum of 16 continuing educational units yearly to maintain their certification.
- They also receive training from the North Carolina Division of Military & Veteran Affairs.
- Training enables the service officers to stay current with all VA rules & regulations.

#### Services

- Compensation & Pension
- Death Benefits
- Education
- Home Loan Guarantee
- Outreach Services
- Assist with questions concerning medical care
- Serve as the liaison between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the client

#### FY19 National Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures by State (GDX)

NOTE: North Carolina ranks #4 in the country for compensation & pension (revenue).

1. Texas: \$10,261,180,000
2. California: \$8,354,915,000
3. Florida: \$7,608,440,000
4. North Carolina: \$4,772,645,000
5. Pennsylvania: \$2,877,076,000
6. Ohio: \$2,759,809,000

#### FY19, Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures by County (GDX)

##### Veteran Population FY19

1. Cumberland: 60,509
2. Wake: 52,056
3. Mecklenburg: 49,421
4. Onslow: 42,279
5. Guilford: 29,197

#### FY18, Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures by County (GDX)

##### Veteran Population for FY18

1. Cumberland: 59,850
2. Wake: 52,200
3. Mecklenburg: 49,887
4. Onslow: 39,994
5. Guilford: 29,841

#### Compensation & Pension by County

NOTE: Cumberland County Veterans remains #1 in the State for Compensation & Pension.

- Cumberland: \$683,971,000
- Onslow: \$371,358,000

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- Wake: \$293,697,000
- Mecklenburg: \$263,701,000
- Guilford: \$162,063,000

Veteran Service Officers (VSOs) in each County

- Mecklenburg: 12 – VSOs
- Wake: 7 – VSOs
- Onslow: 7 – VSOs
- Cumberland: 5 – VSOs
- Guilford: 4 – VSOs

Veterans Services Goals for FY2022

- Become fully automated by the end of the year
- Reach more veterans in rural areas
- Continue our efforts in outreach
- Continue our efforts in Functional Zero, ending homelessness
- Support the Department of Veterans Affairs with local Claim Clinics
- Office continuing to be fully operational

Mr. Redrick concluded his presentation and responded to questions that followed. In response to a question about the number of VSOs in Cumberland County compared to the other geographic data and North Carolina counties, Ms. Cannon stated additional VSOs are being considered as part of the budget process.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Keefe asked to have Item 3.G. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 504 Carteret Place, Fayetteville and Item 3.H. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 2012 Bain Drive, Fayetteville removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion and action.

- A. Approval of March 15, 2021 Special Meeting and March 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of a Proclamation Recognizing April 2021 as National County Government Month

BACKGROUND

A request was received for a proclamation recognizing April 2021 as National County Government Month.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Respectfully request approval of the proclamation.

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

NORTH CAROLINA

PROCLAMATION

National County Government Month - April 2021  
“Counties Matter”

WHEREAS, the nation’s 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, counties provide health services, administer justice, keep communities safe, foster economic opportunities and much more; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County and all counties take pride in our responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of our residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of National Association of Counties President Gary Moore, NACo is demonstrating how “Counties Matter,” especially in supporting residents and businesses during the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to elevate awareness of county responsibilities, programs and services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Cumberland County do hereby proclaim April 2021 as National County Government Month and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

Adopted this 5th day of April 2021.

- C. Approval of a Proclamation Recognizing April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month

#### BACKGROUND

A request was received for a proclamation recognizing April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Respectfully request approval of the proclamation.

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

NORTH CAROLINA

#### PROCLAMATION

##### April 2021 Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month

Whereas, based on national best practice and research, The Child Advocacy Center (CAC) was founded in 1993 by a group of concerned local professionals seeking to coordinate services to child abuse victims and their families; and

Whereas, the primary goal of the CAC is to alleviate the trauma children experience once a disclosure of sexual abuse or serious physical abuse occurs; and

Whereas, the CAC provides a safe and child-friendly environment where professionals from 19 community agencies come together to interview, investigate and provide support for abused children and their families; and

Whereas, the CAC reduces the number of interviews for child victims of abuse by providing specially trained professionals to conduct forensic interviews in a centralized location; and

Whereas, the CAC provides continuing education to professionals who serve child abuse victims and child abuse prevention and awareness programs to the entire community; and

Whereas, the CAC coordinates Multidisciplinary Team case reviews where professionals from multiple agencies come together to plan the best course of legal and supportive action for the child abuse victim; and

Whereas, national research has determined that this type of coordinated approach can help alleviate trauma for children, increase the prosecution rate of perpetrators, and be fiscally beneficial to the community; and

Whereas, The Child Advocacy Center received 996 reports of child abuse and neglect during 2020 and completed 503 forensic interviews for child victims of sexual and physical abuse.



Now, Therefore, We, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens of Cumberland County, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month in Cumberland County, N.C. and recognize the Child Advocacy Center and the work of its community partners in creating a safer community for all and protecting our community's children.

Approved this 5th day of April 2021.

D. Approval of Proclamation Proclaiming April 11-17, 2021 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

**BACKGROUND**

Every year during the second week of April, the telecommunications personnel in the public safety community are honored. This week-long event, initially set up in 1981 by Patricia Anderson of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office in California, is a time to celebrate and thank those who dedicate their lives to serving the public. It is a week that should be set aside so everyone can be made aware of their hard work and dedication. This week of recognition coincides with National 9-1-1 Education Month.

**RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION**

Cumberland County Emergency Services respectfully request that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners' proclaim April 11-17, 2021 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

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**PROCLAMATION**

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 ensuring 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 proclaims the week of April 11-17, 2021 as "NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK" in Cumberland County in honor of the men and women whose diligence, professionalism and dedication keep our County and citizens safe each and every day.

Adopted this 5th day of April 2021.

- E. Approval of a Proclamation Recognizing April 11-17 as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week

**BACKGROUND**

A request was received to recognize April 11-17 as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week in Cumberland County.

**RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION**

Respectfully request approval of the proclamation.

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

NORTH CAROLINA

**PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the National Animal Care and Control Association has designated the second week of April each year as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week; and

WHEREAS, various federal, state, and local government officials throughout the country take this time to recognize, thank and commend all Animal Services Staff for the dedicated service they provide to the citizens and public safety agencies across the nation; and

WHEREAS, every day, Animal Services Officers and Shelter Staff put themselves in potentially dangerous situations to protect the health and welfare of the public and many types of animals; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 Cumberland County Animal Services staff answered nearly 40,000 phone calls, responded to over 25,000 requests for field service, safely impounded over 8,000 animals, successfully placed over 3,500 animals in new homes, returned over 600 animals safely to their owners, and daily cared for an average of almost 200 animals in the Animal Services Center; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County recognizes the Animal Services Staff for the many dedicated hours of service they perform in protecting and caring for the animals and citizens of our community, and for fulfilling Cumberland County Animal Services' commitment to providing the highest and most efficient level of customer service; and

NOW THEREFORE, We, the Board of Commissioners of Cumberland County, does hereby recognize April 11-17 as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week in Cumberland County and encourages all citizens to join us in expressing their sincere appreciation for the service and dedication of our Animal Services employees.

Adopted this 5th day of April 2021.

- F. Approval to Pay Prior Year Invoices

**BACKGROUND**

There is a period of time after June 30th of fiscal year-end in which transactions of the prior fiscal year will continue to be processed (typically until the third week in August). After that cutoff date has passed, a department may still receive a vendor invoice that is payable for services that were rendered, or goods received in the prior fiscal year. When that occurs, approval by the Board of Commissioners is required for payment. The following departmental invoices meet that criteria:

Sheriff's Office

Various Invoices

Dates of Service: December 2019-June 2020

Amount: \$20,012.13

Workforce Development Board

Various Invoices

Dates of Service: October 2019-June 2020

Amount: \$56,584.50



## DSS

### Various Invoices

Dates of Service: October 2019-June 2020

Amount: \$40,786.62

Staff have verified these invoices have not been paid. There are sufficient funds within the fiscal year 2021 departmental budget to cover these expenses.

### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Management is requesting approval to pay prior year invoices for the Sheriff's Office totaling \$20,012.13, Workforce Development totaling \$56,584.50, and DSS totaling \$40,786.62.

G. Removed for separate discussion and action as recorded below.

H. Removed for separate discussion and action as recorded below.

I. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 3239 Princess Ann Drive, Fayetteville

### BACKGROUND

On February 15, 2021, the Board adopted a resolution of its intent to accept the offer of Maline Crupi to purchase the property with PIN 0425-16-7712, being Lot 58, Haire Sub., Sec. 1, Plat Book 34, Pg. 32, located at 3239 Princess Ann Drive, Fayetteville, for \$7,868.48, and directed that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G.S. § 160A-269. The parcel is zoned R6A, with a tax value of \$34,700.00. Based on the County GIS Parcel View System and the tax records, there is a structure on the lot.

Notice of the proposed sale, subject to the upset bid process required by G.S. § 160A-269, was advertised in the Fayetteville Observer on February 20, 2021. The publisher's affidavit is attached. More than 10 days have elapsed since the notice was published. No upset bid was received.

### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends the Board accept this offer and authorize the Chair or the County Manager to execute a deed for the property upon the County's receipt of the balance of the purchase price.

J. Approval of Sale of Surplus Property Located at 823 McNeil Street, Spring Lake

### BACKGROUND

On February 15, 2021, the Board adopted a resolution of its intent to accept the offer of Michael Nepstad on behalf of MDN Rentals, LLC, to purchase the property with PIN 0501-78-6946, being Lot 1, Angela Black Subdivision., Plat Book 138, page 47, located at 823 McNeill Street, Spring Lake, for \$13,091.88 and directed that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G.S. § 160A-269. The property is zoned R6 with a tax value of \$10,000.00. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is a structure on the lot.

Notice of the proposed sale, subject to the upset bid process required by G.S. § 160A-269, was advertised in the Fayetteville Observer on February 20, 2021. The publisher's affidavit is attached. More than 10 days have elapsed since the notice was published. No upset bid was received.

### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends the Board accept this offer and authorize the Chair or the County Manager to execute a deed for the property upon the County's receipt of the balance of the purchase price.

K. Acceptance of Offer to Purchase Surplus Property Located at 1515 Pierce Street, Fayetteville

### BACKGROUND

The County and the City of Fayetteville acquired the real property with PIN 0427-91-0414, being Lots 15 & 16 Lakeview Heights, Plat Book 12, Pg. 48, located at 1515 Pierce Street, Fayetteville,

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at a tax foreclosure sale in 2015 for a purchase price of \$9,388.83. The property is zoned MR5 with a tax value of \$26,800.00. The City conveyed its interest in the property to the County on March 18, 2021, by a quitclaim deed recorded in Book 11062 at page 359. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is a structure on the lot. Michael and Susan Nepstad made an offer to purchase the property for \$9,388.83. 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 Michael and Susan Nepstad. 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 0427-91-0414, being Lots 15 & 16 Lakeview Heights, Plat Book 12, Pg. 48, located at 1515 Pierce Street, Fayetteville, NC, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$9,388.83. 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 all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

- L. Acceptance of Offer to Purchase Surplus Property Located at 4900 Panda Street, Fayetteville

#### BACKGROUND

The County acquired the real property with PIN 0413-45-4990, being Lot 86 Gilbert Sands, Sec. 8, Plat Book 65, Pg. 84, located at 4900 Panda Street, Fayetteville, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2013 for a purchase price of \$10,139.08. The property is zoned RR with a tax value of \$6,000.00. 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 \$10,139.08. 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 Ms. 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 0413-45-4990, being Lot 86 Gilbert Sands, Sec. 8, Plat Book 65, Pg. 84, located at 4900 Panda Street, Fayetteville, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$10,139.08. 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 all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

M. Acceptance of Offer to Purchase Surplus Property Located at 5906 St. Michaels Drive, Fayetteville

**BACKGROUND**

The County and the City of Fayetteville acquired the real property with PIN 0454-51-2694, being Lot 40 Kellys Landing, Sec. 3, Plat Book 63, Pg. 7, located at 5906 St. Micheals Drive, Fayetteville, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2016 for a purchase price of \$20,787.47. The property is zoned RR with a tax value of \$71,500.00. The City conveyed its interest in the property to the County on May 21, 2018, by a quitclaim deed recorded in Book 10308 at page 479. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is a structure on the lot. Carmen M. Heredia made an offer to purchase the property for the total amount of \$20,787.47. 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 Carmen M. 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 0454-51-2694, being Lot 40 Kellys Landing, Sec. 3, Plat Book 63, Pg. 7, located at 5906 St. Micheals Drive, Fayetteville, NC, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$20,787.47. 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 all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

N. Acceptance of Offer to Purchase Surplus Property Located at 6215 Canadian Avenue, Fayetteville

**BACKGROUND**

The County acquired the real property with the PIN 0442-76-0805, being Lot 100, Twin Oaks, Sec. 4 Part 13, Plat Book 86, Page 117, located at 6215 Canadian Avenue, Fayetteville, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2016 for a purchase price of \$2,275.42. 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. James T. Lewis, Jr. made an offer to purchase the property for \$2,275.42. 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 Mr. Lewis. 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 0442-76-0805, being Lot 100, Twin Oaks, Sec. 4 Part 13, Plat Book 86, Page 117, located at 6215 Canadian Avenue, Fayetteville, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$2,275.42. 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

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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 all offers. Further details may be obtained from the Office of the County Attorney, Suite 551-Courthouse, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

O. Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendments for the April 5, 2021 Board of Commissioners' Agenda

BACKGROUND

General Fund 101

1) Sheriff's Office Grants – Budget Ordinance Amendment B210191 to recognize a Byrne Grant award in the amount of \$147,229 from the United States Department of Justice

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B210191 in the amount of \$147,229 as follows: \$17,594 for Cumberland County Sheriff's Office and \$129,635 for Fayetteville Police Department. The allocation of funds is determined by the United States Department of Justice and is based on population. The County will use these funds for air cards to provide mobile internet services in vehicles. The City of Fayetteville will use these funds for license plate readers and crime scene laser scanners.

Please note this amendment requires no additional county funds.

2) Health Department – Budget Ordinance Amendment B210819 to recognize North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health funds for COVID-19 vaccination in the amount of \$905,684

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B210819 to recognize North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health funds for COVID-19 vaccination in the amount of \$905,684. These funds will be used for activities associated with COVID-19 mass vaccination planning, implementation, and operation.

Please note this amendment requires no additional county funds.

General Fund 101 and E911 Emergency Telephone Fund 260

3) General Government Other and Emergency Telephone – Budget Ordinance Amendment B210803 to transfer funds to the Emergency Telephone Fund in the amount of \$143,805

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B210803 to transfer funds to the Emergency Telephone Fund in the amount of \$143,805. These funds were deposited to the general fund and should have been credited to the E911 Emergency Telephone fund.

Please note this amendment requires appropriation of general fund balance.

Federal Drug Forfeiture Fund 205

4) Federal Forfeiture - Justice – Budget Ordinance Amendment B210898 to adjust the Federal Forfeiture – Justice budget based on actual expenses and revenues for Fiscal Year 2021 and appropriate Federal Drug Forfeiture fund balance in the amount of \$25,322

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B210898 to adjust the Federal Drug Forfeiture - Justice budget based on actual expenses and revenues for Fiscal Year 2021 and appropriate Federal Drug Forfeiture - Justice fund balance in the amount of \$25,322. Fund balance appropriation is requested due to lower than budgeted actual awards for Department of Justice (DOJ) Forfeiture programs and lower than budgeted interest revenue due to lower interest rates.

Please note this amendment requires appropriation of \$25,322 of Federal Drug Forfeiture fund balance.

## Inmate Welfare Fund 207

5) Inmate Canteen – Budget Ordinance Amendment B210905 to adjust the Inmate Welfare budget based on actual expenses and revenues for Fiscal Year 2021 and appropriate Inmate Canteen fund balance in the amount of \$48,250

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B210905 to adjust the Inmate Welfare budget based on actual expenses and revenues for Fiscal Year 2021 and appropriate Inmate Canteen fund balance in the amount of \$48,250. Fund balance appropriation is requested due to overtime resulting from staff vacancies.

Please note this amendment requires appropriation of Inmate Canteen fund balance.

### REGARDING THE FOLLOWING ITEM #6-#7 PLEASE NOTE:

Each fiscal year County departments may have projects that have been approved and initiated but were not complete by the fiscal year end (6/30/20) or items ordered that had not been received by fiscal year end. These projects or items were approved in the Fiscal Year 2020 budget; however, the money was not spent by June 30, 2020.

The following amendments seek to bring these funds forward from FY 2020 into the current fiscal year, allowing the department to complete and pay for these projects and items. These revisions are not using ‘new’ funds but are recognizing the use of FY20 funds in FY21.

6) Social Services Other – Budget Ordinance B210190 to re-appropriate Duke Endowment Grant funds in the amount of \$46,585

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B210190 to re-appropriate Duke Endowment Grant funds in the amount of \$46,585. These funds are used to continue Cumberland County’s redesign of child welfare policies and practices for older youth in foster care.

7) Emergency Services Grants – Budget Ordinance Amendment B211056 to re-appropriate state Hazard Mitigation Grant funds for demolitions in the amount of \$29,000

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B211056 to re-appropriate state Hazard Mitigation Grant funds for demolitions in the amount of \$29,000. These funds were received in March of 2020 and will be used for the demolition of two properties that were acquired after Hurricane Florence.

### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Approve Budget Ordinance Amendments

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to approve consent agenda Items 3.A. – 3.O.7) with the exception of Item 3.G. and Item 3.H. removed for separate discussion and action.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

3.G. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 504 Carteret Place, Fayetteville



## BACKGROUND

On February 15, 2021, the Board adopted a resolution of its intent to accept the offer of Michael Nepstad, on behalf of MDN Rentals, to purchase the property with PIN 0520-94-5534, being Lot 350 Sec. 10 College Lakes Part A, Plat Book 32, Pg. 44, located at 504 Carteret Place, Fayetteville, for \$9,226.29, and directed that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G.S. § 160A-269. The parcel is zoned SF10, with a tax value of \$20,000.00. Based on the County GIS Parcel View System and the tax records, there is no structure on the lot.

Notice of the proposed sale, subject to the upset bid process required by G.S. § 160A-269, was advertised in the Fayetteville Observer on February 20, 2021. The publisher's affidavit is attached. More than 10 days have elapsed since the notice was published. No upset bid was received.

## RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends the Board accept this offer and authorize the Chair or the County Manager to execute a deed for the property upon the County's receipt of the balance of the purchase price.

### 3.H. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 2012 Bain Drive, Fayetteville

## BACKGROUND

On February 15, 2021, the Board adopted a resolution of its intent to accept the offer of Michael Nepstad, on behalf of MDN Rentals, to purchase the property with PIN 0428-84-3816, being Lots 154-155 Council Heights, Plat Book 11, Pg. 32, located at 2012 Bain Drive, Fayetteville, for \$14,961.21, and directed that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G.S. § 160A-269. The parcel is zoned SF6, with a tax value of \$31,100.00. Based on the County GIS Parcel View System and the tax records, there is a structure on the lot.

Notice of the proposed sale, subject to the upset bid process required by G.S. § 160A-269, was advertised in the Fayetteville Observer on February 20, 2021. The publisher's affidavit is attached. More than 10 days have elapsed since the notice was published. No upset bid was received.

## RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends the Board accept this offer and authorize the Chair or the County Manager to execute a deed for the property upon the County's receipt of the balance of the purchase price.

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Commissioner Keefe stated an entity that has purchased several surplus properties owes delinquent taxes to the county. Commissioner Keefe asked whether there was a policy that would restrict bidders or look at the financial status of bidders. Rick Moorefield, County Attorney, stated any bid accepted would have to be subject to upset bid and final approval by the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Keefe asked whether there could be a stipulation or legal statement that all debts to the county must be satisfied. Mr. Moorefield stated his office can check to see whether anyone proposing a bid owes delinquent taxes and if the Board adopts a policy not to accept those bids, it could be done that way.

Commissioner Adams asked Commissioner Keefe whether he would consider tabling Item 3.G. and Item 3.H. and forward to the Agenda Session meeting for further discussion. Commissioner Keefe stated for the county to sell surplus property to an entity that owes the county delinquent taxes is an issue, but he is prepared to approve these two sales and have the matter taken to a future Agenda Session meeting.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Keefe moved to approve the sale of surplus properties associated with Item 3.G. and Item 3.H.

**SECOND:** Commissioner Council

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.

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>



When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of Revisions to the Articles of Amendment to Second Restated and Amended Articles of Incorporation of Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc.

BACKGROUND

Chief Legal Officer, Thomas Powell submitted the attached request for the Board of Commissioners to approve the revisions to the Articles of Amendment to Second Restated and Amended Articles of Incorporation of Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. This item was approved by the Hospital Board of Trustees on March 24, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Consider approving the revision to the Articles of Amendment to Second Restated and Amended Articles of Incorporation of Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc.

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Ms. Cannon introduced Thomas Powell, Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. Chief Legal Officer, who stated the Harnett Health System, Inc. is going to become part of the Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. and under the current Articles of Incorporation, any change to the Articles must come before the full Board of Commissioners for final approval. Mr. Powell stated this revision allows the appointment of one Harnett County citizen to the Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. Board of Trustees. Mr. Powell stated there is currently a vacant position on the Board of Trustees and no one new position is being added to the Board of Trustees; one of the existing positions is being reclassified for a Trustee from Harnett County.

Commissioner Adams stated he was unable to attend the meeting of the Cumberland County Hospital System Board of Trustees when this was discussed and posed questions about the HHS Board and recommendations/appointments moving forward for the Trustee from Harnett County. Mr. Powell stated the HHS Board will continue to function in an advisory capacity and the bylaws would have to be revised if the HHS Board dissolved over time. Mr. Powell stated although Harnett County has the right to make a recommendation, the Cumberland County Hospital System Board can reject it because the Cumberland County Hospital System makes the appointment.

MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to approve the revision to the Articles of Amendment to Second Restated and Amended Articles of Incorporation of Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc.

SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

B. REMOVED FROM AGENDA

5. NOMINATIONS

- A. Social Services Board (1 Vacancy)

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to nominate and appoint Commissioner Toni Stewart to the Social Services Board.  
SECOND: Commissioner Council

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.  
When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

B. Cumberland County Home and Community Care Block Grant Committee (1 Vacancy)

Commissioner Adams nominated Megan Honaker.

## 6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Fayetteville/Cumberland County Economic Development Corporation (1 Vacancy)

With Kelvin Farmer and Harold Lassiter having been nominated for the one vacancy on the Fayetteville/Cumberland County Economic Development Corporation, Commissioner Adams called for votes for Kelvin Farmer.

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted for Kelvin Farmer.  
When called on, Chairman Evans voted for Kelvin Farmer.  
When called on, Commissioner Adams voted for Kelvin Farmer.  
When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted for Kelvin Farmer.  
When called on, Commissioner Council voted for Kelvin Farmer.  
When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted for Kelvin Farmer.

Having received six out of six votes, Kelvin Farmer as appointed to the Fayetteville/Cumberland County Economic Development Corporation.

B. Fayetteville-Cumberland Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to appoint Lee Spruill to the Fayetteville-Cumberland Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission.  
SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.  
When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.  
When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

C. Joint Planning Board (1 Vacancy)

With James Baker and Lori Epler having been nominated for the one vacancy on the Joint Planning Board, Commissioner Adams called for votes for James Baker.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted for James Baker.  
When called on, Commissioner Adams voted for James Baker.  
When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted for James Baker.  
When called on, Commissioner Council voted for James Baker.

When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted for James Baker.

Commissioner Adams called for votes for Lori Epler.

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted for Lori Epler.

Having received five out of six votes, James Baker was appointed to the Joint Planning Board.

D. Cumberland County Workforce Development Board (2 Vacancies)

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to appoint Kevin Brooks and Naynesh Mehta to the Cumberland County Workforce Development Board in the Representative of Business category.

SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

7. CLOSED SESSION:

A. Personnel Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6)

MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to go into closed session for Personnel Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6).

SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Council voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Stewart voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to reconvene in open session.

SECOND: Commissioner Keefe

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0) (Commissioner Council was out of the room; Commissioner Stewart had disconnected from the meeting.)

MOTION: Commissioner Lancaster moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Commissioner Keefe

When called on, Commissioner Keefe voted in favor.

When called on, Chairman Evans voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Adams voted in favor.

When called on, Commissioner Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0) (Commissioner Council was out of the room; Commissioner Stewart had disconnected from the meeting.)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

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Candice H. White  
Clerk to the Board