

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AUGUST 2, 2021 – 9:00 AM  
117 DICK STREET, FIRST FLOOR, ROOM 118  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Commissioner Charles Evans, Chairman  
Commissioner Glenn Adams, Vice Chairman  
Commissioner Michael Boose  
Commissioner Jeannette Council  
Commissioner Jimmy Keefe  
Commissioner Larry Lancaster  
Commissioner Toni Stewart  
Amy Cannon, 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  
Candice H. White, Clerk to the Board  
Kellie Beam, Deputy Clerk

Chairman Evans 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 - Cumberland County Animal Services for Receiving the Best Friends Animal Society Transformational Change Award

Chairman Evans called Animal Services Director Elaine Smith to the podium and provided the following remarks in recognition of Cumberland County Animal Services for Receiving the Best Friends Animal Society Transformational Change Award.

The mission of the Cumberland County Animal Services Department is to protect our citizens by active enforcement of state and local laws, provide for the humane sheltering and outcome of stray and unwanted animals, and promote responsible pet ownership. The primary objective of Animal Services employees is to provide excellent service to the citizens while dedicating themselves to improving the welfare of animals and humans.

I am pleased to announce that the Cumberland County Animal Services Department has been recognized with the Transformational Change Award from Best Friends Animal Society, a national animal welfare organization dedicated to ending the killing of dogs and cats in America's shelters. The department received the honor for having the largest improvement in their "live release rate" (the number of animals leaving the shelter in a positive outcome) for shelters intaking 2,000 to 10,000 animals per year.

Animal Services is a member of the Best Friends Network, which comprises more than 3,300 animal shelters, spay/neuter organizations and other 501(c)(3) public charity rescue groups across the country working to save the lives of dogs and cats in their communities. The department was selected for the Transformational Change Award based on national shelter data and work from calendar year 2020 (compared to 2019). National, state and shelter level data can be found on the pet lifesaving dashboard published by Best Friends.

Please join me in congratulating the Cumberland County Animal Services Department on this recognition.

Ms. Smith offered comments and introduced Dr. April Kelly, staff veterinarian, and Customer Services Supervisor Kimberly Blue who were also in attendance and had joined her at the podium.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

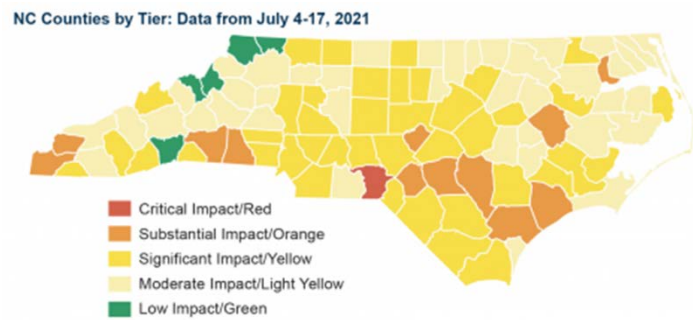
MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to approve the agenda.  
SECOND: Commissioner Boose  
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

2. PRESENTATIONS

A. Update on COVID-19 by Dr. Jennifer Green, Public Health Director

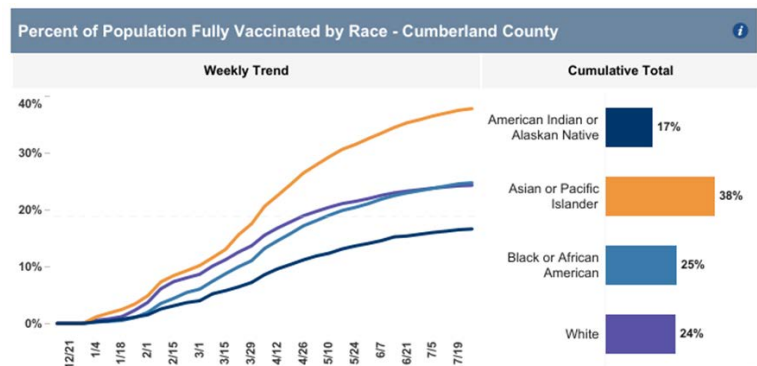
Dr. Jennifer Green, Public Health Director, provided the following PowerPoint presentation as an update on COVID-19 and what it looks like in Cumberland County.

North Carolina County Alert System



- 818 cases last 7 days
- 1,425 cases last 14 days
- 330 deaths total
- 15% case positivity
- Increasing hospitalizations

Vaccination Data



- CDC Data Tracker
- 55.1% of population age 12 and older fully vaccinated
  - 58.3% of adult (18+) population fully vaccinated
  - 82.5% of population 65+ fully vaccinated

\*CDC data includes data from VA, DOD, Federal Bureau of Prisons, and Indian Health Service. Demographic data does NOT include information from these sources.

Delta Variant Updates

- Delta spreads more than twice as easily from one person to another, compared with earlier strains.
- Delta has most recently surged to become the predominant variant –from <1% in May to over 80% of cases in July.
- People infected with Delta have higher viral loads—meaning more virus in their body—than with previous variants.
- Some vaccinated people can get Delta in a breakthrough infection and may be contagious.
  - In North Carolina, 94% of new cases and deaths are among the unvaccinated

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- Even so, vaccinated individuals represent a very small amount of transmission occurring around the country.
- Virtually all hospitalizations and deaths continue to be among the unvaccinated
- In NC, the Delta Variant has been the most commonly circulating variant since the week ending June 26, 2021.
  - No County level data

#### CDC and NC DHHS Guidance Updates

- In areas with substantial and high transmission, CDC recommends that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) should wear a mask in public indoor settings
  - Includes Cumberland County
- Universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status.
- Fully vaccinated:
  - Get tested if you have any symptoms of COVID-19.
  - After an exposure to COVID-19, get tested 3-5 days after exposure and wear a mask around others until you get a negative test result.

#### Upcoming Testing and Vaccination Efforts

- Distribution of at home COVID test kits
- Vaccination locations
  - Health Department, Monday-Friday
  - 5 rotating library locations on Saturdays
- Back to school immunizations/COVID vaccine clinic
- NC DHHS OptumServ
- Collaboration with community partners for outreach clinics and communication
  - Healthier Together
  - College and university students
  - Fayetteville Millennial Council

Dr. Green concluded her presentation and responded to questions that followed.

#### B. OrgCode Presentation of the Homelessness Strategic Plan

##### BACKGROUND

In the spring of 2021, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners entered into an agreement with OrgCode for the development of a Gap Analysis Report and a Homelessness Strategic Plan. In a few short months, OrgCode worked with Delores Taylor, Director Cumberland Community Development, the Fayetteville / Cumberland County Continuum of Care on Homelessness, homeless service providers, and persons experiencing homelessness to complete the contracted work. As you will see via OrgCode's presentation, they worked collaboratively with stakeholders, including homeless residents, throughout Cumberland County to provide insight for the creation of the Homelessness Strategic Plan. The plan outlines the strategic objectives and action steps to address four impact areas over the period of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2024.

At the Board August 2, 2021, meeting, Cindy Crain, Sr. Associate with OrgCode, will present the plan and entertain questions from the Board of Commissioners. After reading both documents, an implementation plan will be required to move this effort forward.

OrgCode Consulting is one of the leading consultants in the United States, Australia, and Canada with an expansive knowledge in the area of homelessness. Their founder, Ian De Jong literally wrote the book on ending homelessness. OrgCode conducts trainings with cities and counties all over the world to help implement plans to deal with this vexing problem of homelessness. According to their website (<https://www.orgcode.com/>): "They produce tools, products, and papers to advance community and frontline effort to end homelessness. We are most famously known as the creators of the Service Prioritization Decision Assistant Tool (SPDAT) suite of products." OrgCode has also done work in our state with Winston-Salem, Guilford County, NC, Durham, Raleigh, and Wake County.

##### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Due to the volume of recommendations set out in the Homelessness Strategic Plan, staff is

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recommending that the County enter an agreement with OrgCode to develop an implementation plan for the Homelessness Strategic Plan.

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Cindy Crain, Sr. Associate with OrgCode, attended virtually and provided the following PowerPoint presentation of the 2021-2024 Homelessness Strategic Plan beginning with the first slide outlining how OrgCode learned about the community’s needs.

- Community Survey
- Brief Survey of unsheltered people by The Salvation Army Street Outreach team
- Homeless Service Providers survey
- Homeless Service Providers interviews
- Conversations with elected and government officials
- Group conversations with stakeholders in shelter, housing, and the coordinated entry system
- HMIS, HUD, NLIHC and Census and other local data analysis
- Virtual Three-Session strategic planning retreat

Community Opinion on Needs

<b>HOUSING</b> – Build more housing, develop collaboration with landlords, provide sufficient housing subsidies and assure long term access to affordable housing.	24%
<b>SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS</b> – From outreach, to shelter, to housing, need for more resources to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, cooperation and collaboration throughout the system of care.	20%
<b>SHELTER</b> – The building or provision of day shelter and more emergency shelter beds. Services in shelter that provide connections to wellness supports, basic needs, employment and housing.	15%
<b>WELLNESS</b> – The community wants to see that the needed health care, mental health care, behavioral care and supports will be available to persons experiencing homelessness.	12%
<b>REDUCING HOMELESSNESS</b> – Primary measure of accomplishment would be overall reduction in homelessness.	12%
<b>OUTREACH</b> – Street outreach, and pathways to supports, housing for the unsheltered. Desire for reduction in nuisance activity and panhandling.	10%
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b> – Long-term stability and self-sufficiency is the goal of incorporating employment to homeless services. Helping people find meaningful work to meet housing needs.	10%
<b>A PLAN</b> - To actually produce, approve, and implement the plan with cooperation and community collaboration.	9%
<b>AWARENESS</b> – Raise the awareness of the community on the solutions to homelessness and support more housing.	8%

Highlights of Gaps Analysis

	2020		2021
Rank	County	Rank	County
1		1	Mecklenburg, NC
2	Mecklenburg, NC	2	
3	Buncombe, NC	3	Pitt, NC
4	Pitt, NC	4	Wilson, NC
5	Edgecombe, NC	5	Edgecombe, NC

Cumberland County has a higher volume of persons seeking assistance with Housing and Emergency Shelter through 2-1-1 compared to other North Carolina counties.

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Highlights of Gaps Analysis

	Fayetteville/ Cumberland County CoC (NC-511)	Shreveport LA/NW LA CoC (LA-502)	Huntsville/North Alabama CoC (AL-503)	Asheville Buncombe County CoC (NC-501)	Raleigh/Wake County CoC (NC-507)
ES Beds per 1,000 population	38 beds .113 beds per 1000	253 beds .537 per 1000	530 beds .896 per 1000	259 beds .9916 per 1000	509 beds .454 per 1000
% UN of PIT	55%	14%	28%	12%	24%

- Cumberland County has a comparatively very high number of unsheltered homeless as a portion of all persons experiencing homelessness
- Cumberland County has a comparatively low number of emergency shelter beds

North Carolina Housing Gap Data <small>US Census Data &amp; analysis by National Low Income Housing Coalition</small>	North Carolina	Cumberland County	Charlotte- Concord- Gastonia, NC-SC	Raleigh, NC	Virginia Beach- Norfolk- Newport News, VA-NC
<b>Extremely Low Income Households and Available Rentals</b>					
EXTREMELY LOW INCOME RENTER HOUSEHOLDS	347,275	9,445	67,121	43,823	50,311
AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE RENTAL HOMES	156,365	5,141	25,198	14,978	17,623
<b>Surplus (Deficit) of Affordable &amp; Available Rental Units</b>					
AT OR BELOW EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	-190,910	-4,305	-41,923	-28,845	-32,688
<b>Affordable and Available Rental Units per 100 Households at or below Threshold</b>					
AT OR BELOW EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	45	22	38	34	35
<b>% of Renter Households with Cost Burden</b>					
AT EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	85%	90%	87%	84%	85%
<b>% of Renter Households with Severe Cost Burden</b>					
AT EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	66%	84%	67%	68%	72%

- Cumberland has fewer Affordable and Available Rental units for extremely low income hhlds (22/100) compared to other North Carolina communities – only half of the statewide average (45/100)
- Cumberland has higher Renter Cost Burdens for extremely low income hhlds (90% and 84%) compared to other North Carolina Communities.

Homelessness Strategic Plan / Mission and Vision of the Strategic Plan

Our Vision

Our system of care will meet the needs of all people at risk of and experiencing homelessness through a collaborative process anchored by our shared vision and priorities and supported by an innovative housing focused service delivery approach that is holistic, trauma informed, and culturally competent.

Our Mission

To make homelessness a rare, brief and one-time experience in Cumberland County.

Structure of the Homelessness Strategic Plan

Impact Areas: These are prioritized categories of need observed by leaders, providers and the community.

Objectives: Specific strategic transformations needed by the systems of care impacting households experiencing homelessness within the impact area essential to realize meaningful change.

Leading Voices: These organizations with the expertise, experience and knowledge of resources, needs and experiences of people at risk of and experiencing homelessness.

Action Steps: Representing the work that needs to be completed by leaders, providers and the community in order to create the transformation envisioned through the stated strategic objective.

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Impact Areas of Strategic Plan

 <b>ACCESS TO ASSISTANCE</b>  The front door of <u>the</u> homeless response system is sufficiently resourced, staffed and coordinated to provide a person centered housing focused approach to serve all people who are at risk of and experiencing homelessness.	 <b>PERMANENT HOUSING</b>  People should have access to safe, affordable housing solutions. Our housing first approach recognizes barriers to housing and provides quality housing-based case management that results in long term housing stability.	 <b>WELLNESS &amp; OPPORTUNITY</b>  <u>Creating connections</u> to supportive services and social networks addressing the employment, income, physical, mental and spiritual needs of households to facilitate successful return to community and self-sufficiency.	 <b>COMMUNITY INVESTMENT</b>  Community partnerships are essential to leverage and grow the funding, resources, <u>leadership</u> and advocacy necessary to achieve the vision and mission of the Homelessness Strategic Plan.
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Access to Assistance

ACCESS TO ASSISTANCE Strategic Objectives
<b>Objective 1:</b> Bring the <u>Coordinated Entry System to scale</u> to meet access, assessment, prioritization, and housing referral needs.
<b>Objective 2:</b> Develop the <u>Day Resource Center</u> .
<b>Objective 3:</b> <u>Increase the inventory</u> of year-round <u>emergency shelter beds</u> .
<b>Objective 4:</b> <u>Increase</u> the number and effectiveness of <u>housing navigators</u> and case management services at the front door of the homeless response system.
<b>Objective 5:</b> Provide homeless <u>prevention and shelter diversion</u> programs to people at imminent risk of homelessness.
<b>Objective 6:</b> Create <u>housing – focused street outreach</u> programs to provide direct services to people experiencing unsheltered homelessness.

Permanent Housing

PERMANENT HOUSING Strategic Objectives
<b>Objective 1:</b> <u>Increase</u> the supply of <u>affordable housing</u> for extremely low and very low-income households.
<b>Objective 2:</b> Strengthen the <u>partnerships</u> between the Fayetteville Metropolitan Housing Authority (FMHA) to develop housing opportunities.
<b>Objective 3:</b> Provide quality <u>housing-based case management</u> to support housing stability and self-sufficiency of program participants and to improve exits to permanent housing.
<b>Objective 4:</b> Develop <u>tenancy support</u> programs that assist households in obtaining and maintaining housing stability and self-sufficiency.
<b>Objective 5:</b> Develop a <u>landlord engagement</u> program to expand housing opportunities for households with vouchers, improve tenancy success, and housing program landlord relations.
<b>Objective 6:</b> Develop <u>bridge housing</u> for vulnerable and chronically homeless households to secure housing and prepare for transition to permanent housing.

Wellness & Opportunity

WELLNESS & OPPORTUNITY Strategic Objectives
<b>Objective 1:</b> Create <u>partnerships</u> between basic needs service providers and housing providers to maintain supports for people transitioning to permanent housing.
<b>Objective 2:</b> <u>Align mental health services</u> , engagements with existing homeless service providers (e.g., meals, shelter, street outreach) to secure consistent centralized connections to services.
<b>Objective 3:</b> Develop <u>care transition protocols</u> for mental health, medical, and behavioral health services from the emergency response system setting to housing ensuring no breaks in patient care or services.
<b>Objective 4:</b> Provide opportunities for <u>meaningful skill-building and employment</u> sufficient to maintain housing.
<b>Objective 5:</b> Provide flexible <u>transportation</u> resources to support wellness and employment.

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Community Investment





COMMUNITY INVESTMENT Strategic Objectives
<b>Objective 1:</b> Develop <u>grant writing resource</u> / liaison dedicated to seeking and applying for funding opportunities to expand housing and homeless services.
<b>Objective 2:</b> Educate and <u>influence community, business, and organizational leaders</u> to champion and secure funding for solutions to homelessness.
<b>Objective 3:</b> <u>Professionally staff the Continuum of Care</u> nonprofit organization.
<b>Objective 4:</b> Develop marketing and messaging strategies that will <u>inspire community buy-in</u> and support increased local funding.

Measuring and Monitoring the Effectiveness of the Strategic Plan

Measuring Plan Progress – Quarterly Reporting

	Total Action Steps	No Action	In Progress	Completed
Access to Assistance				
Permanent Housing				
Wellness & Opportunity				
Community Investment				
Summary of activity in the quarter:				

Measuring Plan Impact – Quarterly Dashboard

	In the Quarter	Change from last Quarter
Total number of new households entering the homeless system		
Number of households entering the homeless system after a previous exit to housing in the last 24 months.		
Total number of households exiting the homeless system		
Number of households exiting to permanent housing		
Significant data findings in the quarter:		

Next Steps – Where do we go from here?

- Community review and endorsement of the Homelessness Strategic Plan.
- Identify the leading body to guide the implementation and measure and monitor the progress of the Homelessness Strategic Plan.
- Determine priority Objectives for year one.
- Seek input from Leading Voices.
- Begin planning, organizing and taking action.

Chairman Evans thanked Ms. Crain for the update. Amy Cannon, County Manager, stated this presentation contained a lot of information and her suggestion would be to bring the Homelessness Strategic Plan to an Agenda Session for further discussion and consideration. Ms. Cannon stated as the Board considers it, management’s recommendation would be to seek assistance from OrgCode with an implementation plan for what has been presented.

Commissioner Keefe asked to have Item 3.I. Approval of Formal Bid Award for DSS Security Officer Services, pulled from the consent agenda for separate discussion and action.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of June 2, 2021, FY22 Budget Work Session, June 7, 2021 FY22 Budget Public Hearing/Work Session and June 21, 2021, Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of a Resolution to Ratify Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act Funds

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## BACKGROUND

Action was taken during the June 7, 2021, Board of Commissioners' meeting to approve budget ordinance amendment #B210055 to accept American Rescue Plan Act funds in the amount of \$32,584,345. That amount represents the amount of cash received to date and half of Cumberland County's total ARPA allocation. Attorneys with the UNC School of Government also recommend the Board adopt a resolution to accept the award of federal funds. The attached resolution confirms/ratifies acceptance of Cumberland County's ARPA funds totaling \$65,168,690.

## RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Management recommends the Board adopt the resolution to ratify acceptance of the ARPA funds.

### RESOLUTION OF THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO RATIFY ACCEPTANCE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 (H.R. 1319) into law; and

WHEREAS, approximately \$350 billion was provided to help states, territories, counties, cities, and tribal governments cover increased expenditures, replenish lost revenue, and mitigate economic harm from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County will receive direct federal aid totaling approximately \$65,168,690 based on the county share of the U.S. population; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 160A-17.1 requires that a local governing board must vote to accept the funds; and

WHEREAS, revenue received under the ARPA must only be spent for purposes authorized by the Act, and applicable regulations, and by state law;

WHEREAS, revenue received under the ARPA must be accounted for in a separate fund and not co-mingled with other revenue for accounting purposes; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County must comply with all applicable budgeting, accounting, contracting, reporting, and other compliance requirements for the ARPA funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Cumberland County that we do hereby accept the ARPA funds to be distributed by the Federal Government; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that Cumberland County affirms that the ARPA revenue will only be used for the purposes prescribed in the America Rescue Plan Act, and in US Treasury guidance in 31 CFR, Part 35, and any applicable regulations, and in accordance with state law; and

FUTHER RESOLVED that Cumberland County will comply with procedures created by the North Carolina General Assembly and the US Treasury Department to receive funds under the act; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that Cumberland County will account for ARPA funds in a separate fund and will not co-mingle the funds with other revenues for accounting purposes and will comply with all applicable federal and state budgeting, accounting, contracting, reporting, and other compliance requirements for ARPA funds; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners designates and directs the County Manager, County Attorney, and Finance Director to take all actions necessary on behalf of the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners to accept the ARPA funds.

ADOPTED, this the 2nd day of August, 2021.



C. Approval of Resolution for Designation of First and Last Week of August as World Breastfeeding Week and Black Breastfeeding Week

BACKGROUND

World Breastfeeding Week and Black Breastfeeding Week are globally and nationally celebrated the first and last week of every August. Both campaigns increase the awareness that breastfeeding gives babies a healthy start in life. Research supports that breastfeeding lowers a baby's risk of certain infections and diseases; such as, ear infections, asthma, childhood obesity, eczema, diabetes, and other conditions, etc. Black Breastfeeding Week also seeks to highlight the racial disparities that exist among black mothers and to encourage and empower diversity within the lactation community.

The Public Health Department is recognized as a "Breastfeeding Friendly Business" and a "Breastfeeding Workplace".

The Health Department educates local businesses about the importance of adopting breastfeeding friendly policies; as well as assisting local business/organizations in obtaining the Breastfeeding Friendly designation awards and supports local breastfeeding community organizations. Social media campaigns, Health Department educational resources and breastfeeding programs will be held to continue to spread awareness and educate the public about the importance of breastfeeding community support.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Recommend approval that the first and last week in August 2021 be designated for World Breastfeeding Week and Black Breastfeeding Week in Cumberland County.

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NORTH CAROLINA

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, August is National Breastfeeding Month and World Breastfeeding Week is celebrated August 1-7, followed by Black Breastfeeding Week August 25-31; and*

*WHEREAS, breastfeeding gives babies a healthy start in life with research suggesting breastfeeding lowers a baby's risk of certain infections and diseases, including ear infections, asthma, childhood obesity, eczema, diabetes and other conditions; and*

*WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Department of Public Health promotes breastfeeding through the Women, Infants and Children's Program (WIC), Children's Health Clinic and the Health Education Section by providing breastfeeding education to prenatal women and support to help mothers meet their breastfeeding goals; and*

*WHEREAS, the Health Department is recognized as a "Breastfeeding Friendly Business" and a "Breastfeeding Friendly Workplace" by the North Carolina Breastfeeding Coalition; and*

*WHEREAS, Health Department employees are encouraged to provide their infants with breastmilk and are given time and space to express milk during the workday for the infant's first year of life; and*

*WHEREAS, the Health Department is working together with community partners to "Empower Parents and Enable Breastfeeding" in Cumberland County through education, advocacy and support.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners declares Cumberland County a "Breastfeeding Friendly Community."*

*Adopted this 2nd day of August 2021.*

D. Approval of a Purple Heart Proclamation

BACKGROUND

Request was received for a Purple Heart proclamation to honor Purple Heart recipients, Gold Star Mothers and the families of those killed in action at the Sandhills Purple Heart dinner being held on August 21, 2021. Cumberland County was proclaimed a Purple Heart County on August 7, 2012.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

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

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart medal, an American decoration that is awarded in the name of the President of the United States, is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart was established by General George Washington at Newburgh, New York, on August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War, as an incentive to the Continental Army; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is awarded directly or posthumously to members of the Armed Forces who are wounded, or die from wounds received, in armed conflict with an enemy force or while held by an enemy force as a prisoner of war, or are wounded or killed as a result of friendly fire, or as otherwise designated by the President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart may also be awarded to a civil or foreign service employee from a U. S. Government Agency or Department attached to a military unit performing intelligence, counter-terrorist, or other duties, with the military unit wounded by international terrorists; and

WHEREAS, a new design of the Purple Heart medal was issued on February 22, 1932; and

WHEREAS, the recipients of the Purple Heart have known the meaning of sacrifice in the preservation of the United States of America and the preservation of national interests at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifices made on our behalf will forever be an inspiration to all citizens of Cumberland County, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County, North Carolina was proclaimed a Purple Heart County on August 7, 2012 and pledges its ongoing commitment to and support for the men and women who so honorably serve our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners hereby salutes the valiant men and women who are recipients of the Purple Heart and recognizes the support and sacrifice of their loved ones.

Adopted this 2nd day of August 2021.

E. Approval of Proclamation Recognizing the Month of August as Cumberland County Preparedness Month

BACKGROUND

Cumberland County Emergency Services recognizes that in North Carolina, we are susceptible to many types of natural and manmade hazards. North Carolina Department of Public Safety has teamed up with local Emergency Managers to provide a preparedness campaign to North Carolina. Cumberland County Emergency Services shares in the desire to provide preparedness information

to Cumberland County residents as it aligns with the Emergency Services mission to create a more resilient community.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Cumberland County Emergency Services respectfully request that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners proclaim the month of August as Cumberland County Preparedness Month

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#### PROCLAMATION Preparedness Month 2021 August 2021

WHEREAS, all North Carolinians should be prepared for natural and man-made disasters as well as disease outbreaks; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is traditionally an active state for tornadoes and severe thunderstorms, with tornado touchdowns and straight-line winds causing severe damage in parts of the state this year; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the state experienced 48 tornado touchdowns, 247 flood incidents and 609 severe thunderstorms with damaging wind and hail, all of which resulted in more than \$27.5 million in damages statewide; and

WHEREAS, last year the National Weather Service in North Carolina issued 312 tornado warnings and 1,450 severe thunderstorm warnings, with an average warning time of 19 minutes; and 451 flash flood warnings, with an average warning time of 60 minutes; and

WHEREAS, communities across the state have borne the impacts from wildfires, severe weather, damaging hail, high winds and flooding; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Governor Cooper declared a State of Emergency to coordinate the state's response and protective actions to address the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") public health emergency and provide for the health, safety and welfare of residents and visitors to North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, every community, business, family and individual in Cumberland County must be ready for natural and man-made disasters including tornadoes, flooding, hurricanes and public disturbances that might disrupt normal daily activities; and

WHEREAS, all Cumberland County residents can take a few simple steps – making a family disaster plan, creating an emergency supply kit and staying informed – to help make preparedness and personal responsibility a priority; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County residents should know the risks for their area and plan accordingly;  
and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County residents should help the elderly and those who cannot help themselves; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County residents should include the safety of their pets and/or livestock in their emergency plans; and

WHEREAS, Cumberland County, North Carolina Emergency Management and the State of North Carolina have collaborated to recognize August as North Carolina Preparedness Month to encourage Cumberland County residents to be disaster ready.

NOW THEREFORE, We, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaim the month of August 2021, as "CUMBERLAND COUNTY PREPAREDNESS MONTH" in Cumberland County, and encourage all county residents to plan and prepare weather-

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related and man-made disasters by assembling their emergency supply kits and updating their emergency plans.

Adopted this 2nd day of August, 2021.

F. Approval of Tax Collector's Preliminary Report and Proposed Annual Settlement

**BACKGROUND**

North Carolina General Statutes, Section 105-373 requires the Tax Collector of Cumberland County after the 1st day of July of each year to render a preliminary report to the Board of County Commissioners concerning persons whose tax liabilities remain unpaid and to propose an annual settlement of taxes charged to him for collection for the past year. The Tax Collector has submitted such preliminary report and proposed settlement. The preliminary report consists of (i) a list of persons owning real property whose taxes for the tax year of 2020-2021 remain unpaid, (ii) a list of the persons not owning real property whose taxes for the year 2020-2021 remain unpaid (the proposed insolvent list), and (iii) a statement under oath by the Tax Collector that he has made diligent efforts to collect such taxes. The proposed settlement consists of the amounts of taxes with which the Tax Collector has been charged for the year and the amounts of credits against such charges, the real and personal property tax balance is charged to the forthcoming tax year. The preliminary report has been provided to the County Clerk to the Board.

**RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION**

As required by NCGS 105-373, the Tax Collector recommends the Board of Commissioners accept the preliminary report and approve the proposed annual settlement.

That the Board adopts the resolution attached as Exhibit A.

**OFFICE OF THE TAX ADMINISTRATOR**

**County Settlement**  
June 30, 2021

<u>Charge:</u>		
Real and Personal Charge 2020	\$	181,014,258.88
Vehicles Charge 2020	\$	-
Added Charge Real & Personal 2020	\$	19,475,217.80
Added Charge Vehicles 2020	\$	-
Solid Waste 2020	\$	5,907,197.33
Added Solid Waste 2020	\$	48,776.00
Total Tax Interest	\$	895,475.86
Added Charge Advertising Cost 2020	\$	54,381.35
County Demolition Fee	\$	9,886.42
Interest Collected County Demolition	\$	-
Certified Mail Fee Collected	\$	8,231.76
Garnishment Fee Collected	\$	20,188.98
Return Check Processing Fee Collected	\$	1,144.00
Worthless Check Penalty Collected	\$	12,137.36
Legal Fees	\$	15,244.01
Prepared Food & Beverage Tax Collected	\$	7,741,469.05
Prepared Food & Beverage Tax Collected Interest & Penalty	\$	60,648.20
Room Occupancy Tax Collected	\$	6,519,477.65
Room Occupancy Tax Collected Interest & Penalty	\$	45,812.33
County Gross Receipts Vehicle Tax Current Year	\$	709,489.34
County Gross Receipts Vehicle Tax Interest & Penalty	\$	2.30
County Heavy Equipment Rentals	\$	217,287.27
County Heavy Equipment Rentals Interest & Penalty	\$	-
Bullard Circle Water Extension	\$	4,616.60
Bullard Circle Water Extension Interest	\$	1,154.68
Lake Upchurch Dam Assessment	\$	-
Lake Upchurch Dam Assessment Interest	\$	-
Brooklyn Circle Water Extension Assessment	\$	-
Brooklyn Circle Water Extension Assessment Interest	\$	-
Cedar Creek Rd Water Extension	\$	807.53
Cedar Creek Rd Water Extension Interest	\$	223.76
Adjustment - Advertising Beginning Balance Booked	\$	106,754.91
	<b>\$</b>	<b>222,669,681.37</b>

**Credits:**

Deposit with Finance	\$	203,964,082.23
Advertising Cost Deposited with Finance	\$	52,867.40
Interest Deposited with Finance	\$	803,317.13
Real & Personal Releases Allowed	\$	15,754,013.82
Vehicles Releases Allowed	\$	-
Solid Waste Releases Allowed	\$	48,369.20
Total Discount Allowed	\$	-
Real & Personal Balance	\$	1,838,909.39
Advertising Cost Balance	\$	108,268.86
Vehicle Balance	\$	-
Solid Waste Balance	\$	99,853.34
Adjustment	\$	-
	<b>\$</b>	<b>222,669,681.37</b>

**Charge:**

Real & Personal Balance 2019	\$	2,231,358.09
Vehicle Balance 2019	\$	125,289.65
Solid Waste Balance 2019	\$	127,595.08
County Gross Receipts Vehicle Tax 1st Year Prior 2019	\$	-
Prepared Food & Beverage Tax All Prior	\$	259.25
Room Occupancy Tax Collected All Prior	\$	-
Real & Personal Balance 2018	\$	581,494.43
Vehicle Balance 2018	\$	238,198.10
Solid Waste Balance 2018	\$	40,077.48
Real & Personal Balance 2017 & Prior	\$	1,620,597.04
Vehicle Balance 2017 & Prior	\$	1,771,710.83
Solid Waste Balance 2017 & Prior	\$	61,967.18
2009 & Prior Taxes Collected After Being Barred	\$	26,289.98
	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,824,837.11</b>

**Credits:**

Real & Personal Collected 2019	\$	1,471,706.29
Vehicles Collected 2019	\$	24,281.57
Solid Waste Collected 2019	\$	83,514.92
County Gross Receipts Vehicle Tax 1st Year Prior 2019	\$	-
Prepared Food & Beverage Tax All Prior	\$	259.25
Room Occupancy Tax Collected All Prior	\$	-
Real & Personal Collected 2018	\$	190,776.90
Vehicles Collected 2018	\$	17,233.52
Solid Waste Collected 2018	\$	16,679.39
Real & Personal Collected 2017 & Prior	\$	119,002.40
Vehicles Collected 2017 & Prior	\$	22,263.32
Solid Waste Collected 2017 & Prior	\$	10,092.87
Real & Personal Releases Allowed 2019	\$	12,717.60
Vehicle Releases Allowed 2019	\$	3,097.49
Solid Waste Releases Allowed 2019	\$	56.00
Real & Personal Releases Allowed 2018	\$	10,034.93
Vehicle Releases Allowed 2018	\$	1,155.24
Solid Waste Releases Allowed 2018	\$	-
Real & Personal Releases Allowed 2017 & Prior	\$	15,093.70
Vehicle Releases Allowed 2017 & Prior	\$	1,309.65
Solid Waste Releases Allowed 2017 & Prior	\$	-
2009 & Prior Taxes Collected After Being Barred	\$	26,289.98
	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,025,565.02</b>

**Taxes Barred by Statute: 2010**

Real Property	\$	22,321.05
Personal	\$	134,882.44
Vehicles	\$	385,042.30
Public Service	\$	-
Solid Waste Fees	\$	2,576.71
Advertising	\$	2,166.99
Credit for Five Year & Prior Insolvents	\$	-
	<b>\$</b>	<b>546,989.49</b>

**Balance Prior Years Taxes:**

Real & Personal Balance 2019	\$	746,934.20
Vehicles Balance 2019	\$	97,910.59
Solid Waste Balance 2019	\$	44,024.16
Real & Personal Balance 2018	\$	380,682.60
Vehicles Balance 2018	\$	219,809.34
Solid Waste Balance 2018	\$	23,398.09
Real & Personal Balance 2017 & Prior	\$	1,327,130.46
Vehicles Balance 2017 & Prior	\$	1,363,095.56
Solid Waste Balance 2017 & Prior	\$	49,297.60
	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,252,282.60</b>

**TOTAL CREDITS:**

<b>\$</b>	<b>6,824,837.11</b>
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OFFICE OF THE TAX ADMINISTRATOR

Summary of 2010 Real/Personal & Vehicles Taxes to be Barred

	Vehicles	Personal	Real	Public Service	Fees	Total
County	385,042.30	120,966.25	22,321.05	-	-	528,329.60
County Pets	-	13,886.19	-	-	-	13,886.19
Fayetteville	159,100.41	48,144.40	4,888.11	-	-	212,132.92
Revlt	30.01	664.41	-	-	-	694.42
Fayetteville Vehicle Fee	29,584.38	-	-	-	-	29,584.38
FTT	29,584.50	-	-	-	-	29,584.50
Annexation	-	-	-	-	35.50	35.50
Fayetteville Storm Water	-	-	382.01	-	-	382.01
Storm Water	-	-	191.01	-	-	191.01
Fayetteville Solid Waste	-	-	452.86	-	-	452.86
Hope Mills	7,440.06	1,428.18	78.47	-	-	8,946.71
Hope Mills Vehicle Fee	1,720.00	-	-	-	-	1,720.00
Hope Mills Pets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spring Lake	14,659.73	1,517.95	335.75	-	-	16,513.43
SLVT	1,970.00	-	-	-	-	1,970.00
SLTT	1,970.00	-	-	-	-	1,970.00
Spring Lake Storm Water	-	-	32.40	-	-	32.40
Stedman	317.71	187.83	-	-	-	505.54
Stedman Vehicle Fee	120.00	-	-	-	-	120.00
Godwin	12.15	-	23.29	-	-	35.44
Wade	179.86	41.70	-	-	-	221.56
Falcon	36.97	11.31	-	-	-	48.28
Linden	55.41	-	0.94	-	-	56.35
Eastover	602.68	312.27	117.67	-	-	1,032.62
Solid Waste User Fee	-	-	2,576.71	-	-	2,576.71
Advertising Fee	-	-	2,166.99	-	-	2,166.99
Total	632,326.27	187,180.49	33,667.26	-	35.50	853,209.52

EXHIBIT A

Resolution accepting preliminary report of the Tax Collector, crediting the insolvent list, and approving proposed annual settlement.

Whereas, North Carolina General Statutes, Section 105-373, requires the Tax Collector of Cumberland County after the 1st day of July of each year to render a preliminary report to the Board of County Commissioners concerning persons whose tax liabilities remain unpaid and to propose an annual settlement of taxes charged to the Tax Collector for collection for the past ten years; and

Whereas, the Tax Collector has submitted such preliminary report and proposed settlement. Now therefore, the Board of Commissioners of Cumberland County hereby resolves:

1.
- That the preliminary report of the Tax Collector of Cumberland County, consisting of (i) a list of persons owning real property whose taxes for the preceding fiscal year 2020-2021 remain unpaid and the principal amount owned by each person; (ii) a list of the persons not owning or who have not listed real property whose taxes for the preceding fiscal tax year 2020–2021 remain unpaid and the principal amount owned by each person (the proposed insolvent list) and (iii) a statement under oath by the Tax Collector that he has made diligent efforts to collect such taxes, be and it hereby is, accepted;

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2. That the Board hereby finds that the persons in the list of those that do not own or have not listed real property are insolvent as that term is used in G.S. 105-373, directs that the list of such person be entered into the minutes of the meeting of the Board as the insolvent list, and further directs that the amounts in such list be, and hereby are, credited to the Tax Collector in his annual settlement;
  3. That the proposed settlement of the Tax Collector, appended hereto, for taxes in his hands for collection for the fiscal tax year 2020-2021, be and it hereby is, approved and that he be, and thereby is, charged with the amounts set forth in the settlement under the heading "Charges" and credited with the amounts set forth in the settlement under the heading "Credits".
- G. Approval of Report on Fiscal Year 2020 Summary of Activities Funded by County ABC Fund Contributions

#### BACKGROUND

In accordance with North Carolina General Statute 18B-805(h), Expenditure of Alcoholism Funds: *Funds distributed under subdivisions (b)(4) and (c)(3) of this section shall be spent for the treatment of alcoholism or substance abuse or for research or education on alcohol or substance abuse. The minutes of the board of county commissioners or local board spending funds allocated under this subsection shall describe the activity for which the funds are to be spent. Any agency or person receiving funds from the county commissioners or local board under this subsection shall submit an annual report to the board of county commissioners or local board from which funds were received, describing how the funds were spent.*

For fiscal year 2020 collections related to (b)(4) totaled \$129,985; collections related to (c)(3) totaled \$278,700; for a combined total of \$408,685. Alliance Health has reported that multiple provider agencies provided and were paid for substance abuse services totaling \$2,102,137 and served 1,014 substance abuse consumers over the course of fiscal year 2020.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Accept the report and include same in the minutes of the August 2, 2021 Board of Commissioners' meeting.

- H. Approval of Extension of The North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission (NCHTC) Grant Agreement between the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) and Cumberland County for the Human Trafficking Worth Court Project and the Associated Budget Ordinance Amendment #B220805

#### BACKGROUND

The Commissioners approved the North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission (NCHTC) Grant Agreement between the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) and Cumberland County for funding in the amount of \$105,193.54 for the North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission for Cumberland County WORTH Court Project at the November 16, 2020 Board of Commissioners meeting. The term of the agreement expired June 30, 2021. The North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission (NCHTC) has agreed to grant an extension of the remaining grant funds in the amount of \$57,338.34 through December 31, 2021.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Management requests approval of the Grant Agreement between the North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission (NCHTC) and the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) and Cumberland County for the Human Trafficking Worth Court Project to extend the remaining grant funds through December 31, 2021 and the Associated Budget Ordinance Amendment #B220805 (which includes remaining grant and county funding) and authorize the County Manager to sign the required documents.

- I. Removed from consent agenda for separate discussion and action recorded below.
- J. Approval of Report on the Disposal of Surplus Property Pursuant to N.C.G.S.160A- 226(a)

BACKGROUND

On June 15, 1998, the Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution found in the statutes allowing disposal of County “personal property, worth less than \$5,000 per item or group of similar items, which have become obsolete, unusable, economically unrepairable, or otherwise surplus to the needs of the county.” On October 6, 2008, the Board raised this limit to \$30,000. The approval allows the Assistant County Manager to authorize the disposal.

Please find attached a list of miscellaneous items from various County departments or agencies that met the above criteria and that have been disposed of. All items were taken to the Ann Street Landfill for disposal as appropriate. Also included is multiple lists of vehicles and equipment/tools that have been declared surplus and are in the process of being placed on GovDeals for auction or have already been sold.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Approval of the attached report, so that the report may be duly recorded in the official minutes, and the disposal of the items indicated on the report.

ITEM NO.	PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	RENDERING DEPARTMENT	DISPOSAL METHOD
1	50 Desks	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
2	15 Chairs	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
3	10 Bookshelves	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
4	7 File Cabinets	Clerk of Courts	Landfill-Ann Street
5	3 File Cabinets	Health Department	Landfill-Ann Street
6	1 Desk	Health Department	Landfill-Ann Street
7	5 File Cabinets	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
8	8 Desks	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
9	1 Bookshelf	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
10	4 File Cabinets	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
11	2 Dry Erase Boards	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
12	1 Wooden desk	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
13	1 Wooden bookshelf	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
14	2 TVs	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
15	1 TV Cart	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
16	35 Office Chairs	Health Department	Landfill-Ann Street
17	3 Microwaves	Health Department	Landfill-Ann Street
18	1 Small Cart	Health Department	Landfill-Ann Street
19	8 File Cabinets	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
20	5 Bookshelves	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
21	8 Desks	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
22	26 Chairs	Child Support	Landfill-Ann Street
23	4 Desks	Bradford	Landfill-Ann Street
24	4 File Cabinets	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
25	4 Bookshelves	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
26	2 Desks	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
27	1 Refrigerator	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
28	8 Chairs	<a href="#">Sheriffs Office</a>	Landfill-Ann Street
29	7 Chairs	Public Defenders Office	Landfill-Ann Street
30	10 Chairs	Child Support	Landfill-Ann Street
31	1 Desk	Child Support	Landfill-Ann Street
30	2 Tables	Child Support	Landfill-Ann Street
31	25 Chairs	Clerk of Courts	Landfill-Ann Street
32	9 Filing Cabinets	Child Support	Landfill-Ann Street
33	1 Hutch	Clerk of Courts	Landfill-Ann Street

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SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL LIST  
February 1, 2021 - July 26, 2021

ITEM NO.	PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	RENDERING DEPARTMENT	DISPOSAL METHOD
34	2 Chairs	Tax Administration	Landfill-Ann Street
35	2 File Cabinets	Clerk of Courts	Landfill-Ann Street
36	1 Large Desk	Tax Administration	Landfill-Ann Street
37	2 File Cabinets	Clerk of Courts	Landfill-Ann Street
38	1 Dishwasher	Detention Center	Landfill-Ann Street
39	2 Wheelchairs	Detention Center	Landfill-Ann Street
40	1 Table	Detention Center	Landfill-Ann Street
41	1 Chair	Detention Center	Landfill-Ann Street
42	1 Desk	Information Services	Landfill-Ann Street
43	15 Desks	Sheriffs Office	Landfill-Ann Street
44	5 Chairs	Sheriffs Office	Landfill-Ann Street
45	Cutting Machine	Print Shop	Landfill-Ann Street
46	Insertor	Print Shop	Landfill-Ann Street
47	Paper Drill Press	Print Shop	Landfill-Ann Street
48	Plate Maker	Print Shop	Landfill-Ann Street
49	Collate Machine	Print Shop	Landfill-Ann Street
50	2 Mini Fridges	Social Services	Landfill-Ann Street
51	1 Microwave	Social Services	Landfill-Ann Street
52	4 Chairs	Social Services	Landfill-Ann Street

CUMBERLAND COUNTY  
VEHICLES REQUESTED FOR SURPLUS

Department	Vehicle Description	Reason for Surplus	Mileage	Year	Fleet #	Estimated Value	Disposition
Tax	1999 Ford Taurus SW	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	56,451	1999	TS-002	\$1,800.00	Gov Deals
Planning	2007 Ford E-350 15 Passenger Van	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	191,559	2007	PD-003	\$4,000.00	Gov Deals
Central Maintenance	Motorcycle Trailer	End of useful life, not needed for county operations.	N/A	Unknown	N/A	\$250.00	Gov Deals
Central Maintenance	Heavy Cargo Trailer	End of useful life, not needed for county operations.	N/A	Unknown	N/A	\$ 125.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2005 Ford Explorer	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	205,346	2005	FL-301	\$1,500.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2013 Ford E-350 15 Passenger Van	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	135,056	2013	FL-011	\$5,500.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2007 Ford Crown Vic	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	210,519	2007	FL-346	\$2,000.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	1985 AMCHMV	End of useful life not cost effective to repair.	173,330	1985	FL-371	\$3,500.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2006 Crown Vic	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	208,676	2006	FL-176	\$1,800.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2006 Crown Vic	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	209,890	2006	FL-024	\$1,800.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	1998 Chevy Venture	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	91,289	1998	FL-267	\$500.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2009 Nissan Maxima	Seized asset, not cost effective to repair. Does not start or run at this time due to sitting for several years.	Unknown does not run	2009	N/A	\$2,800.00	Gov Deals
Sheriff's Office	2007 Nissan Armada SUV	Seized asset, not cost effective to repair. Does not start or run at this time due to sitting for several years.	Unknown does not run	2007	N/A	\$2,000.00	Gov Deals
Social Services	1998 Ford E-350 Van	End of useful life, not cost effective to repair.	192,192	1998	SS-016	\$1,500.00	Gov Deals

CUMBERLAND COUNTY  
VEHICLES AND TOOLS REQUESTED FOR SURPLUS

Department	Vehicle Description	Reason for Surplus	Mileage	Year	Fleet#	Estimated Value	Disposition
Tax	2001 Mitsubishi Montero	End of useful life - blown head gasket and not cost effective to repair.	156672	2001	TS-13	\$500.00	GOV DEALS
CCSO	2006 Ford Crown Vic	End of useful life - needs multiple repairs, not cost effective.	197880	2006	FL-125	\$1,200.00	GOV DEALS
CCSO	2011 Ford Crown Vic	End of useful life - needs engine, not cost effective to repair.	185890	2011	FL-480	\$1,800.00	GOV DEALS
Central Maintenance	Tools & Diagnostic Equipment	Miscellaneous outdated tools and diagnostic equipment that no longer have a purpose now that certain older vehicles have been removed from the fleet.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$2,500.00	GOV DEALS

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CUMBERLAND COUNTY VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT REQUESTED FOR SURPLUS							
Department	Vehicle Description	Reason for Surplus	Mileage	Year	Fleet #	Estimated Value	Disposition
CCSO	Jon Boat	End of useful life	N/A	N/A	FL-421	\$500.00	Gov Deals
CCSO	Trailer	End of useful life	N/A	N/A	FL-510	\$500.00	Gov Deals
CCSO	30KW Generator	End of useful life	N/A	N/A	FL-502	\$500.00	Gov Deals
CCSO	1997 Ford Mustang	End of useful life	129,335	1997	FL-241	\$2,500.00	Gov Deals
CCSO	2002 Lincoln Navigator	End of useful life	164,217	2002	FL-0395	\$2,500.00	Gov Deals

CUMBERLAND COUNTY VEHICLES REQUESTED FOR SURPLUS							
Department	Vehicle Description	Reason for Surplus	Mileage	Year	Fleet#	Estimated Value	Disposition
Animal Services	2004 E-350 Passenger Van	End of useful life	215,087	2004	AC-0012	\$2,000.00	Gov Deals

K. Approval of Declaration of Foreclosed Real Properties as Surplus

BACKGROUND

The County acquired the real properties described below by tax foreclosure. All County departments and the City of Fayetteville were noticed of the acquisition of these properties to determine if either property was needed for a governmental purpose. No interest was expressed in the properties.

REID 0432417939000: located at 6513 Celestial Pine Drive; being Lot 61, Cedar Oaks, Section 5, Plat Book 75-45; deed recorded 3/10/20 in Book 10713-844; tax value of \$16,000; purchase price of \$9,936.07

REID 0461399250000: located at 4777 Old Savannah Church Rd.; being 1 acre of Hair Land; deed recorded 10/01/19 in Book 10598-678; tax value \$60,200; purchase price of \$7,517.96

A GIS map of each property is attached.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends the Board to find these properties not needed for governmental purposes, declare them surplus, and direct that they be placed on the Surplus Property List to be offered for sale.

L. Acceptance of Offer to Purchase Surplus Property Located at 4210 Scary Creek Road, Fayetteville

BACKGROUND

The County acquired the real property with the PIN 0472-08-4858, being Lot 14 McNeill Sands, Sec. 1, Plat Book 93 at Page 42, located at 4210 Scary Creek Road, Fayetteville, at a tax foreclosure sale in 2007 for a purchase price of \$5,614.39. The property is zoned A1 with a tax value of \$8,000.00. Based on the GIS Mapping and the tax records, there is no structure on the lot. Kendra E. Adams made an offer to purchase the property for \$5,614.39. 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 Kendra E. Adams. 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. The proposed advertisement of intent follows:

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

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Take notice that the Board of Commissioners finds the real property with PIN 0472-08-4858, being Lot 14 McNeill Sands, Sec. 1, Plat Book 93 at Page 42, located at 4210 Scary Creek Road, Fayetteville, is not needed for governmental purposes and proposes to accept an offer to purchase the property for \$5,614.39. 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.

M. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 209 B Street, Fayetteville

**BACKGROUND**

On June 21, 2021, the Board adopted a resolution of its intent to accept the offer of Ketsanee Chaianut to purchase property with PIN 0437-93-2517, being J. S. Maulsby Property, Lots ½ Lot 4, Plat Book 204, Page 46, located at 209 B Street, Fayetteville, for \$9,328.39, and directed that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G.S. § 160A-269. The parcel is zoned MR5, with a tax value of \$5,000.00. 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 May 21, 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.

N. Approval of Sale of Surplus Real Property Located at 4691 Matt Hair Road, Fayetteville

**BACKGROUND**

On June 21, 2021, the Board adopted a resolution of its intent to accept the offer of Jackie T. Samuel to purchase property with PIN 0462-14-6903, being Lot 11 David N. Girard, Section 1, Plat Book 118, Page 47, located at 4691 Matt Hair Road, Fayetteville, for \$17,255.08, and directed that it be advertised and sold pursuant to the upset bid process of G.S. § 160A-269. The parcel is zoned A1, with a tax value of \$19,746.00. 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 June 25, 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.

O. Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendments for the August 2, 2021 Board of Commissioners' Agenda

**BACKGROUND**

**Special Fire District Fund 220**

1) Special Fire District - Budget Ordinance Amendment B220154 to recognize additional revenue received in the amount of \$6,882

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B220154 to recognize additional revenue in the amount of \$6,882. Each fiscal year during the budget process, the fire

districts are budgeted at 100% of the tax value of their district. This revision is recognizing additional revenue for the districts received per an update May 27, 2021.

Please note this amendment requires no additional county funds.

#### Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Fund 269/Community Development Fund 265

2) Emergency Rental Assistance – Budget Ordinance Amendment B220151 to transfer Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) funds currently held in Community Development Fund 265 into the newly established Emergency Rental Assistance Fund 269 in the amount of \$1,867,772

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B220151 to transfer Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) funds currently held in Community Development Fund 265 into the newly established Emergency Rental Assistance Fund 269 in the amount of \$1,867,772 This transfer is needed to track and monitor these funds to maintain compliance with U.S. Treasury policies.

Please note this amendment requires no additional county funds.

#### REGARDING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS #3 - #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 (6/30/21) or items ordered that had not been received by fiscal year end. These projects or items were approved in the Fiscal Year 2021 budget; however, the money was not spent by June 30, 2021.

The following amendments seek to bring those funds forward from FY 2021 into the current fiscal year, allowing departments to complete and pay for these projects and items. These revisions are not using 'new' funds but are recognizing the use of FY21 funds in FY22.

#### General Fund 101

3) General Government Other – Budget Ordinance Amendment B220702 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$45,154

The Board is requested to approved Budget Ordinance Amendment B220702 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$45,154. This amount represents freed-up capacity assigned to replace aging vehicle lifts in the central maintenance facility in FY21.

4) Library Grants – Budget Ordinance Amendment B220534 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$207,679 for the E-Rate program

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B220534 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$207,679. These funds are from the Microelectronics Center of North Carolina and are used to support library services such as equipment and computer software. These funds were re-appropriated in FY21 at the September 8, 2020 Board of Commissioners meeting.

5) Library – Budget Ordinance Amendment B220550 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$5,900

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B220550 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$5,900. These funds are needed to repair a light pole at the North Regional Library. These funds were originally recognized in FY21 at the May 3, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting.

#### Capital Investment Fund 107

6) Capital Investment Fund – Budget Ordinance Amendment B220617 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$249,297

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B220617 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$249,297. These funds are needed to complete vehicle purchases that

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were delayed due to the lack of a state contract. These purchases were approved during the FY21 budget process.

Recreation Fund 250

7) Parks and Recreation – Budget Ordinance Amendment B220573 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$100,258

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment B220573 to re-appropriate FY21 funds in the amount of \$100,258. These funds were approved during the FY21 budget process and are needed for Parks and Recreation projects not completed by fiscal year end.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION  
Approve Budget Ordinance Amendments

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to approve consent agenda Items 3.A. - 3.O) with the exception of Item 3.I. as pulled for separate discussion and action.  
SECOND: Commissioner Boose  
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

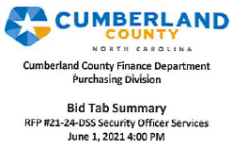
3.I. Approval of Formal Bid Award for DSS Security Officer Services

BACKGROUND

Formal bids were solicited to identify companies who can provide armed security services for two DSS facilities; DSS main office and Family Resource Center.

Eight responses were received, two were considered non-responsive. North State Security Group was responsive and met all specifications, the proposed cost was the lowest bid received totaling \$212,151.95.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION  
Finance staff and county management recommends approval of Bid number 21-24-DSS totaling \$212,11.95 to North State Security Group based on lowest, responsive, responsible bidder standard of award.



Vendor Name	Date Received	Time Received	Proposal Sealed	1 Review Original Sealed Proposal Response	4 Photocopies	1 Electronic Copy on CD or Flash Drive	Copy of License to Perform Security Officer Services Inc	Attachment B	Attachment C	Attachment D	References	Cost	Cost (Vehicle)	Total	Comments
N C Special Police	6/1/21	3:18 PM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$160,301.20	Vehicle not mentioned	\$160,301.20	NON-RESPONSIVE Attachment C: Incomplete - Did not quote Spring Lake, as requested, Vehicle not mentioned.
GuardOne Security	6/1/21	3:15 PM	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	\$178,880.00	\$19,200.00	\$198,080.00	NON-RESPONSIVE Attachment B: Did not sign. Vehicle cost based on quoted price of \$1,600/month x 12 months.
North State Security Group	6/1/21	1:09 PM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$195,952.00	\$13,199.95	\$212,151.95	
American Security and Protection Service	5/24/21	10:38 AM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$230,048.00	Included in Cost	\$230,048.00	Per vendor, vehicle included in cost.
Allied Universal	6/1/21	9:27 AM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$219,232.00	\$15,000.00	\$234,232.00	Vehicle cost based on quoted price of \$1,250/month x 12 months.
Sakom Services	6/1/21	9:27 AM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$224,546.40	\$10,000.00	\$234,546.40	Vehicle cost based on quoted price of \$10,000/year.
New Age Protection Inc.	5/28/21	10:30 AM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$268,100.00	Vehicle not mentioned	\$268,100.00	Vehicle not mentioned - vendor did not respond to e-mail to clarify.
Lotair Protection Agency, Inc.	6/1/21	11:39 AM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$295,931.00	\$7,280.00	\$303,211.00	Vehicle cost based on quoted price of \$3.50 per hour x 2,080 hours (standard working hours).

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Commissioner Keefe stated the two lowest bidders were considered nonresponsive because they left out something. Commissioner Keefe stated one of the nonresponsive bidders is a local company that has a whole fleet of vehicles. Commissioner Keefe spoke to the difference in cost between the responsive bidder, North State Security Group, and the two nonresponsive bidders and asked whether the nonresponsive bidders were contacted again. Vicki Evans, Finance Director, stated staff conduct a fair and competitive process by following the standardized bid process. Ms. Evans stated the required attachments are required for all bidders so to ensure the process is fair and competitive, staff would not contact the nonresponsive bidders.

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MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to approve Bid number 21-24-DSS totaling \$212,11.95 to North State Security Group based on lowest, responsive, responsible bidder standard of award.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

VOTE: PASSED (5-2) (Commissioners Lancaster, Council, Evans, Adams and Stewart voted in favor; Commissioners Keefe and Boose voted in opposition.)

#### 4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

##### A. Consideration of Incentives Agreement for SkyREM, LLC

###### BACKGROUND

Attached is the incentives agreement with SkyREM, LLC, for the purchase of the remainder of property in the Cedar Creek Industrial Park and the Sand Hill Road Site. The project was approved by the Board after a public hearing on May 17, 2021. The notice of the public hearing advertised that the company would: (1) construct not less than 40,000 square feet in a commercial building or buildings on the Cedar Creek Site within three years of closing, and (2) construct a commercial building or buildings of not less than 120,000 square feet on the Sand Hill Road Site by May 1, 2025. The agreement states these terms as to the construction of the buildings. The agreement does not require the company to purchase either of the sites. It merely gives the company the right to conduct due diligence and purchase either or both of the sites before November 1, 2021. Robert Van Geon reported that the company proposed that if it failed to meet the obligation to construct the buildings, the county could elect to buy back that site at the sales price of the land plus seventy percent (70%) of the costs of construction. The company has increased the buy-back amount to the land sales price plus seventy five percent (75%) of all the development costs associated with the project. This is known as a “claw- back” provision and is required in economic development incentives agreements. Although this is a significant increase in the potential cost to the county should it elect to exercise the claw-back provision, it is not mandatory that the county do so.

###### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

County Attorney recommends approval of the agreement for execution by County Manager.

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Rick Moorefield, County Attorney, presented the background information recorded above and stated what was advertised and discussed at the beginning of the process was if the company failed to meet the obligation to construct the buildings, the county could elect to buy back the site at the sales price of the land plus seventy percent (70%) of the costs of construction. Mr. Moorefield stated this is what is referenced as a “claw-back” provision and is a legal requirement in incentives agreements. Mr. Moorefield stated the company has increased the buy-back amount to the land sales price plus seventy five percent (75%) of all the development costs associated with the project. Mr. Moorefield stated this is the only change that differs from what was advertised for the public hearing. Mr. Moorefield stated due to the nature of the transaction involving properties that have been in these sites since the 1980’s, he recommends that the Board move forward with the agreement with the increased claw-back provision even though it does increase in the potential cost to the county should it elect to exercise the provision.

MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to approve the agreement with SkyREM and authorize the County Manager to sign the deeds and any documents required to close these transactions.

SECOND: Commissioner Adams

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

##### B. Consideration of Grant Award for the Connecting the Last Mile Digital Inclusion and Navigation at Cumberland County Public Library and Approval of Associated Budget Ordinance Amendment B#220633

###### BACKGROUND

The Cumberland County Public Library has been awarded \$95,846.00 in funding from the State

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Library of North Carolina to fund the project: Connecting the Last Mile: Digital Inclusion and Navigation at Cumberland County Public Library. The funding is via a State Library of North Carolina Adapts project grant. The Adapts grants are one-time American Rescue Plan funding initiatives with no match in funding required from the library.

Connecting the Last Mile seeks to enhance digital inclusion and navigation services to the members of our community. This initiative will be primarily outreach focused, partnering with local organizations and county departments to not only provide access to technology and the internet, but also to fund dedicated library staff to provide and facilitate digital navigation assistance to our community members.

The project will allow for the hire of one full time and one part time staff to serve specifically as Digital Navigators, who will assist community members in navigating the various aspects of the internet. Connecting the Last Mile is outreach and community engagement focused and will work heavily with community partners and other government agencies to meet community members where they are. Signed partnership letters from Cindy Black, Cumberland County Public Defender, and NC Works are included. Conversations and partnership plans have also been made with Veterans Services as well as the Housing Authority.

The project will also fund laptops, chairs, tables, and other items to create a truly mobile classroom for the navigators who can use the 100 hotspots gained in a separate partnership from the State Library.

The term of this grant will extend through June 30, 2022. Mrs. Faith Phillips will be available to make a presentation on the grant award at the August 2, 2021, Board of Commissioners meeting.

#### RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Consider accepting the grant award for the Connecting the Last Mile Digital Inclusion and Navigation at Cumberland County Public Library in the amount of \$95,846, approve the associated Budget Ordinance Amendment B#220633 and authorize the County Manager to sign the required documents on behalf of Cumberland County.

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Faith Phillips, Public Library Director, presented the background information recorded above and further explained what the grant project will fund and the role the digital navigators will have in assisting members of the community.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Adams moved to accept the grant award for the Connecting the Last Mile Digital Inclusion and Navigation at Cumberland County Public Library in the amount of \$95,846, approve the associated Budget Ordinance Amendment B#220633 and authorize the County Manager to sign the required documents on behalf of Cumberland County.

**SECOND:** Commissioner Boose

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS (7-0)

#### 5. NOMINATIONS

Commissioner Adams stated the boards and commissions with nominations all had members resign and he would like conversation at the upcoming Agenda Session about why the members resigned.

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

Commissioner Adams nominated Shamona Ross.

##### B. Board of Adjustment (3 Vacancies)

Commissioner Adams nominated Kenneth Turner as an Alternate Member, current Alternate Member Robert Davis as a Regular Member, and current Alternate Member Linda Amos as a Regular Member.

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C. Transportation Advisory Board (2 Vacancies)

Commissioner Adams nominated Debra Kinney to the At-large Representative category and Randy Hume to the Urban Transit Provider Representative category.

D. Joint Appearance Commission (2 Vacancies)

Commissioner Adams nominated Kenneth Rogers and asked that the second vacancy be brought back to the August 16, 2021, meeting for nominations.

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Appointment of Chairman of ABC Board

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to Paul Crenshaw as ABC Board Chairman for the 2021-2022 year.

SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

B. Jury Commission (1 Vacancy)

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to appoint Scott Flowers to the Jury Commission.

SECOND: Commissioner Boose

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

C. ABC Board (1 Vacancy)

Chairman Evans withdrew his nomination of Sonya Washington Edmonds.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to appoint Harold Lee Boughman, Jr.

SECOND: Commissioner Boose

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

7. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Commissioner Stewart

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

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Candice H. White  
Clerk to the Board