

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024 7:00 PM
CROWN COMPLEX BALLROOM
1960 COLISEUM DRIVE, FAYETTEVILLE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

PRESENT: Commissioner Glenn Adams, Chairman
Commissioner Toni Stewart, Vice Chairwoman
Commissioner Michael Boose
Commissioner Jeannette Council
Commissioner Jimmy Keefe
Commissioner Marshall Faircloth
Commissioner Veronica Jones
Commissioner-Elect Kirk deViere
Commissioner-Elect Pavan Patel
Commissioner-Elect Henry Tyson
Clarence Grier, County Manager
Sally Shutt, Assistant County Manager
Brian Haney, Assistant County Manager
Heather Skeens, Assistant County Manager
Rick Moorefield, County Attorney
Andrea Tebbe, Clerk to the Board
Iva Clark, Deputy Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the Public
Members of the Press

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Iva Clark, Deputy Clerk to the Board performed the National Anthem.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Jones provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS

Chairman Adams provided remarks and shared a video highlighting events, projects and progress from his time as Chairman in 2024.

1. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES TO OUTGOING COMMISSIONERS

A. Commissioner Michael Boose

Chairman Adams presented Commissioner Boose with a plaque and token of appreciation from the Board of Commissioners.

A video that highlighted Commissioner Boose’s time in office was presented.

Commissioner Boose delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, the Board of Commissioners and the public.

B. Commissioner Dr. Toni Stewart, Vice Chairwoman

Chairman Adams presented Vice Chairwoman Stewart with a plaque and token of appreciation from the Board of Commissioners.

A video that highlighted Vice Chairwoman Stewart’s time in office was presented.

Vice Chairwoman Stewart delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, the Board of Commissioners and the public.

C. Commissioner Jimmy Keefe

Chairman Adams presented Commissioner Keefe with a plaque and token of appreciation from the Board of Commissioners.

A video that highlighted Commissioner Keefe's time in office was presented.

Commissioner Keefe delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, the Board of Commissioners and the public.

2. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO:

A. Commissioner-Elect Kirk deViere

North Carolina Secretary of State Elaine Marshall administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Kirk deViere.

Commissioner deViere took a seat at the dais.

B. Commissioner-Elect Pavan Patel

North Carolina Senator Tom McInnis administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Pavan Patel.

Commissioner Patel took a seat at the dais.

C. Commissioner-Elect Henry Tyson

North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge John M. Tyson administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Henry Tyson.

Commissioner Tyson took a seat at the dais.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. Chairman

Chairman Glenn Adams called for nominations for Chair

Commissioner Jeannette Council nominated Commissioner Faircloth for Chair.

Commissioner Jones nominated Commissioner deViere for Chair.

Chairman Adams called for a vote

VOTE:

Commissioner Faircloth:

Voting in favor of Commissioner Faircloth – Commissioner Faircloth, Commissioner Council and Chairman Adams

Commissioner deViere:

Voting in favor of Commissioner deViere – Commissioner Jones, Commissioner deViere, Commissioner Patel and Commissioner Tyson

With a vote of 4-3, Commissioner deViere is Chairman.

Chairman deViere and Commissioner Adams moved seats on the dais, with Chairman deViere seated in the Chair position.

B. Vice Chairman

Chairman deViere called for nominations for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Patel nominated Commissioner Jones as Vice Chair.

Chairman deViere called for any additional nominations.

There being no additional nominations, Chairman deViere closed nominations and called for a vote.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

Commissioner Jones is Vice Chairwoman.

Vice Chairwoman Jones moved to the Vice Chair position on the dais

4. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO OUTGOING CHAIRMAN

Chairman deViere presented a plaque to outgoing Chairman Adams recognizing his service as Chairman for 2024.

Chairman deViere stated he would deliver remarks after the approval of the consent agenda.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman deViere presented the agenda and asked for any changes to the agenda.

MOTION: Vice Chairwoman Jones moved to approve the agenda

SECOND: Commissioner Council

Chairman deViere asked for any objections to the agenda as presented.

Without objections, the agenda is approved.

6. CONSENT AGNEDA

A. Approval of Public Official Bonds

Pursuant to Noarth Carolina General Statutes, the Board of Commissioners must approve bonds for selected officials at its first meeting in December.

North Carolina General Statute 159-29 – Fidelity bonds, was updated and enacted in Session Law 2022-53 as follows. Accordingly, the dollar amounts in the attached listing are reflective of the updated minimum requirements.

Session Law 2022-53 SECTION 9.(a) G.S. 159-29 reads as rewritten:

“§ 159-29. Fidelity bonds.

(a) The finance officer shall give a true accounting and faithful performance bond with sufficient sureties in an amount to be fixed by the governing board, not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). board. A person may not be appointed as a finance officer if the person is unable to obtain the bond required by this section. The premium on the bond shall be paid by the local government or public authority. The amount of the bond fixed by the governing board may not be less than the greater of the following:

(1) Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

(2) An amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the unit's annually budgeted funds, up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

(b) Each officer, employee, or agent of a local government or public authority who handles or has in his custody more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the unit's or public authority's funds at any time, or who handles or has access to the inventories of the unit or public authority, shall, before being entitled to assume his duties, give a faithful performance bond with sufficient sureties payable to the local government or public authority. A person who is unable to secure the bond required by this section cannot assume the duties for which a bond is required under this section. The governing board shall determine the amount of the bond, and the unit or public authority may pay the premium on the bond. Each bond, when approved by the governing board, shall be deposited with the clerk to the board.

If another statute requires an officer, employee, or agent to be bonded, this subsection does not require an additional bond for that officer, employee, or agent.

(c) A local government or public authority may adopt a system of blanket faithful performance bonding as an alternative to individual bonds. If such a system is adopted, statutory requirements of individual bonds, except for elected officials and for finance officers and tax collectors by whatever title known, do not apply to an officer, employee, or agent covered by the blanket bond. However, although an individual bond is required for an elected official, a tax collector, or finance officer, such an officer or elected official may also be included within the coverage of a blanket bond if the blanket bond protects against risks not protected against by the individual bond.”

| Name/Position | Amount | Expires | Broker | Carrier |
|--|-----------------|------------|--------|------------------------|
| Finance Officer | \$ 1,000,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - County of Cumberland) | | | | |
| Finance Officer | \$ 142,137.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - Norcross Water and Sewer District) | | | | |
| Finance Officer | \$ 897,605.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - Tourism Development Authority) | | | | |
| Finance Officer | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - Grays Creek Water and Sewer District) | | | | |
| Finance Officer | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - Overhills Park Water and Sewer District) | | | | |
| Finance Officer | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - Kelly Hills Water and Sewer District) | | | | |
| Finance Officer | \$ 264,151.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Robin Deaver - Eastover Sanitary District) | | | | |
| Deputy Finance Officer | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Jessica Hullender) | | | | |
| Register of Deeds | \$ 25,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Andra S. Brewington) | | | | |
| Tax Administrator | \$ 200,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Joe Utley) | | | | |
| Social Services | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Brenda Reid Jackson - Social Services Director) | | | | |
| Social Services | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Donnie Perry - Deputy Finance Officer) | | | | |
| Social Services | \$ 50,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Melinda Murray - Deputy Finance Officer) | | | | |
| Community Development | \$ 20,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Tye Vaught - Interim Director) | | | | |
| Sheriff | \$ 25,000.00 | Indefinite | Marsh | Ohio Casualty Ins. Co. |
| (Ennis Wright) | | | | |

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Teresa Tyndall, Business Manager)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Major Tandra Adams, Detention Center Administrator)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Captain Nichole Hoking, Deputy Detention Center Administrator)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Lt. Clavion Morning, Deputy Sheriff)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Captain Donald Williams, Deputy Sheriff)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Donald Carl, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Lt. Vida Harrington, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Lt. Shemire Norwood, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Sgt. Tyrone Cooper)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Senior Sgt. Terrance Mitchell, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Lt. James Collins, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Lt. Joshua Gordon, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Sgt. Kimberly White-Flowers, Detention Center)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 20,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Casper Broadus III, Chief Deputy Sheriff)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Sgt. Jeffrey Hash, Deputy Sheriff)

Deputy Finance Officer \$ 50,000.00 Indefinite Marsh Ohio Casualty Ins. Co.

(Sheriff's Office - Captain Roberto Reyes, Deputy Sheriff)

Chairman deViere asked if there were any items to be changed or removed from the Consent agenda.

With no objections or changes to the Consent Agenda, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

7. INCOMING CHAIRMAN REMARKS

Chairman deViere granted time to Commissioner Patel to deliver remarks.

Commissioner Patel delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, the Board of Commissioners and the public.

Chairman deViere granted time to Commissioner Patel to deliver remarks.

Commissioner Tyson delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, the Board of Commissioners and the public.

Chairman deViere granted time to Vice Chairwoman Jones to deliver remarks.

Vice Chairwoman Jones delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, the Board of Commissioners and the public.

Chairman deViere delivered remarks to family, friends, staff, Board of Commissioners, and the public.

ADJOURN

MOTION: Vice Chairwoman Jones moved to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting

SECOND: Commissioner Patel

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Tebbe
Clerk to the Board