

The Sampson County Board of Commissioners convened for their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2017 in the County Auditorium, 435 Rowan Road in Clinton, North Carolina. Members present: Chairman Clark Wooten, Vice Chairperson Sue Lee, and Commissioners Albert Kirby Jr. (arrived late – see below), Jerol Kivett, and Harry Parker.

Chairperson Wooten convened the meeting and recognized Vice Chairperson Lee. She called upon County Manager Ed Causey for the invocation. She then led the Pledge Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted to approve the agenda with the following changes: Item 3(a): Consideration of Resolution Regarding Use and Protection of Ponderberry Bay Plant Conservation Preserve as Part of Mountains-to-Sea Trail was tabled until the November 6, 2017 meeting; Item 3(d): Tentative Award of Test and Production Well; Item 3(e): Acceptance of State SRP Loan and Grant; and Item 4(h): Tax Overpayment Reimbursement to Belinda Morrisey were added.

Commissioner Kirby arrived at this time.

Roads (first Monday of each Quarter)

Roads - Quarterly Report Keith Jackson, NCDOT Highway Maintenance Engineer, presented the quarterly report to the Board. He updated the Board that the projects relative to Hurricane Matthew were near completion, with only 12 pipe replacement projects remaining, along currently opened roads. The expected project completion date was said to be March 2018. He also noted that there were several places along the I-40 corridor being closely monitored until project completion. Mr. Jackson informed the Board that the 2017 resurfacing plan was expected to be completed on October 27, 2017, and the 2018 resurfacing plan was expected to begin on October 5, 2017 and be completed by November 2018. He concluded by informing the Board that his staff was currently working on a 5-year resurfacing preservation plan, including the 2020 plan, as directed by legislation.

Item 1: Old Business

Consideration of Acquisition of Planning Services Currently Provided by the City of Clinton on Behalf of the County Commissioner Kivett made a motion for the County to acquire planning services currently provided for the County by the City of Clinton. Vice Chairperson Lee seconded the motion. The Chairman called for votes in

in favor and Commissioners Kivett and Lee voted aye; however, before the remainder of the votes could be cast, Commissioner Kirby asked for discussion and the opportunity to ask questions of Planning Director Mary Rose. Commissioner Kirby asked Ms. Rose for clarification on the division of labor of her current staff, how much business was done on behalf of the county versus the city. Ms. Rose responded that the five staff members were cross-trained to serve both the city and the county, and typically the planning staff had more county-related business than city, as noted in a log provided in a requested report to Mr. Causey and to the Board. Ms. Rose noted that while the City valued having five staff members, those staff members assist more county residents that require one-on-one contact. Mr. Kirby then asked for numbers for county versus city walk-ins. Ms. Rose stated that she did not have data for walk-ins on hand, however, she had permit data which showed that the County had 111 permits issued compared to the City's 9 in one year, plus 97 bona fide farm exemptions issued for the County. Commissioner Kirby asked for numbers on mapping signatures. Ms. Rose noted that there were 310 maps signed in 2016, as noted in a previously submitted report. Commissioner Kirby then asked if Planning had received any citizen complaints about the multi-location setup. Ms. Rose stated that she had not received any personal complaints; however, she had heard over the years that some citizens would enjoy the benefits of a one-stop shop setup. Mr. Kirby then asked if online permitting would address the concern of one-stop shop. Ms. Rose noted that the Planning Department had been working to implement an online permitting program which would provide the convenience of applying for permits, as well as other services. Commissioner Kirby asked if online permitting would essentially be a one-stop shop from a citizen's living room, and Ms. Rose concurred. Commissioner Kirby asked Ms. Rose's opinion, as the Director, of the consolidation proposal made during the September 11, 2017 meeting (Item 3c), which included two new hires, and whether she felt they could carry the same workload of the 5 planning staff members. Ms. Rose stated that it was certainly up to the County how they wished to manage their Planning functions, but stated she would not want to be one of two people administering the functions her office did at this time. Commissioner Kirby concluded by reiterating his thoughts on consolidating, stating that he considered the proposal was ill-advised due to fact it expands government by increasing positions and the associated costs, including potential future costs. He also noted that he believed the move would decrease the County's ability to provide the services county residents needed.

Upon a motion previously made by Commissioner Kivett and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted (3-2) to acquire planning services currently provided for the County by the City of Clinton, Commissioners Kirby and Parker cast the dissenting votes.

Consideration of Resolution Levying Additional 3% Occupancy Tax Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Commissioner Kivett, the Board voted 3-2 to adopt the resolution levying the additional 3% room occupancy tax, with Commissioners Kirby and Parker casting the dissenting votes (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____).

Item 2: Planning and Zoning

CZ-9-17-1 The Chairman called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 2.02 acres located at 4115 Suttontown Road from RA-Residential Agriculture to CZC-Conditional Zoning Commercial. She explained how conditional zoning worked as this was an unusual case where she could describe the actual planned use for the property, a rental venue for events such as weddings, birthday parties, and family reunions. The Chairman opened the floor for public comment, and none were received. The Chairman closed the hearing. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to approve rezoning request CZ-9-17-1, accepting the presented findings of fact and making the following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment CZ-9-17-1 is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and other long range planning documents due to the fact this property is located in close proximity to a major thoroughfare near which commercial development is encouraged.*

RZ-9-17-1 The request was withdrawn by the applicant.

RZ-9-17-2 The Chairman called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 2.3 acres located along Hobbton Highway from RA-Residential Agriculture to C-Commercial. She provided additional excerpts from the Land Use Plan with the pertinent section on goals and objectives highlighted. The Chairman opened the floor for public comment, and the following were received:

Scott Brown: Mr. Brown, of Par 5 Development Group, LLC, spoke on behalf of the applicant. He noted that he was present at the Planning Board and disagreed with some of the Planning Board's findings of fact and their recommendation for denial. He stated that there was an existing billboard on the corner, and there was some thought that the corner area was once zoned as Commercial; billboards are not allowed on residential zoned property and by default the property was non-conforming as it exists now. He stated there was commercial property across the street, only separated by a street; the Board would be continuing commercial zoning, not spot zoning. He stated that he knew one of the main concerns of the Planning Board was reducing rural/urban sprawl to maximize wise and efficient use of limited natural and manmade resources; if it were spot zoning, he would not disagree with what the Board recommended, but typically commercial zoning was done at major intersections to capture traffic, which is what they were asking for in this particular case. He noted that three of the four sides of the intersection were commercial use with billboards and the store. He stated what was not brought up as part of the objectives was to promote continued economic investment through the retention and expansion of existing industrial concerns and the recruitment

of new industries and commercial businesses; that was what they were trying to do with the piece of property. His client was aware of the 41 +/- acres of commercial zoned property, but preferred to catch the traffic at the intersection as most commercial businesses would. He also noted another objective of the land use plan highlighted by Ms. Rose was to encourage development of small service-oriented commercial activities only at existing intersections or median crossovers on major thoroughfares, and he stated the applicant's request met that objective. He stated that the request did not create urban sprawl. As to spatial separation from non-compatible uses such as residential development, there was only one house. In his career as a civil engineer, he did not see that classified as a residential development. He stated that they would be spatially separated by the road. Now, he noted, they would look out of the house window and see a billboard, a non-conforming use. He suggested that it should be corrected and allow the property to be zoned commercial as it should have been.

Commissioner Kivett asked what the plan was for the property, and it was noted that it would be any possible use allowed under commercial zoning classification. The commissioners asked about the neighboring residential development, and Mr. Brown noted that it was across the road, and his interpretation was that residential development should be more than one house. Commissioner Kirby stated there was more than one house in the area, and Mr. Brown stated not in the general vicinity.

Scott Dunnigan: With Dunnigan Law, PLLC, attorney for Par 5 Development, LLC. In addition to the comments provided by Scott Brown, Mr. Dunnigan stated that Par 5 Development's position was this was an ideal location for commercial zoning because there is already a billboard location there, suggesting that it should be zoned commercial as it is, and the location of the 2.3 acres being along a major thoroughfare (Hobbton Hwy) designated as such by NCDOT. He noted that the highway has a fair amount of traffic per counts on the NCDOT website: 6700 in 2010, 6900 in 2011, 6700 in 2012, 6000 in 2013, and 6600 in 2016. Thus, he stated, having commercial zoning should not impact the traffic patterns. He added that Keener Road, a secondary road, had 900 vehicles in 2011, 860 vehicles in 2013, 860 in 2015. Mr. Dunnigan noted discussions regarding urban sprawl with concerns that once this property was zoned commercial that gives way to other commercial zoning, and stated that the property in question was owned by Bobby Lockamy, part of a larger 40-acre tract zoned residential agricultural. It appears, he stated, to be very little risk of that property being zoned commercial later. With regard to the Land Use Plan and the discussed separation, he reiterated that there was the separation by the road.

Brian Bullard (attorney representing Mr. Allie Ray McCullen, Bullard Law Firm, PLLC): Mr. Bullard noted that there were actually two houses on the property directly across Hobbton Highway from the proposed property, and that those residents appreciate their property; they had lived there since 1951. Mr. McCullen is opposed to commercial development across from him as he has already been in two accidents where he was rear-ended in this area. He opposes the rezoning as it would significantly decrease the value of his home and the peaceful enjoyment of his property by increasing traffic,

noise, light pollution and congestion. Mr. Bullard also noted that Mr. Lewis Herring had also requested that he share his concerns; his wife was struck from behind on that highway three years ago. Mr. Bullard stated that Mr. McCullen supported his neighbor Mr. Lockamy being able to use his already existing 41 acres of commercially zoned property, especially the vacant land across from the home of Mr. Lockamy. Mr. Bullard noted there was precedent here in the past, if hypothetically speaking a Dollar General were to be looking at this location, such as in the Plainview community. There were residents in opposition, so they were willing to back it down the road and capture traffic at a major intersection. Mr. Bullard noted there was plenty of land already commercially zoned. He referred to Section 1 and Section 2 of the Land Use Plan and found this was not consistent with its goals and objectives.

County Attorney Joel Starling noted that it was not a quasi-judicial hearing, it was legislative determination, but the Board in considering the request should consider any potential use permitted under the commercial designation.

The Chairman closed the public hearing. Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Commissioner Kirby, the Board voted unanimously to deny rezoning request RZ-9-17-2, accepting the presented findings of fact and making the following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment RZ-9-17-2 is not consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and other long range planning documents due to the fact Section 1 of the Sampson County Land Use Plan promotes reducing rural/urban sprawl to maximize wise and efficient use of limited natural and manmade resources, and in Section 2 of the Land Use Plan locational criteria for nonresidential uses addresses spatial separation from non-compatible uses such as existing residential development.*

Commissioner Kirby noted that he voted against the request due to the fact that there was already a property zoned commercial which could have been used, and also due to the Planning Board's recommendation to deny the request. Chairman Wooten then made reference to the former Plainview Dollar General request, which he voted in opposition of due to the fact there was already an appropriately zoned piece of property that could be used, and noted that his current vote was done to remain consistent.

ZA-9-17-1 The Chairman called the hearing to order and recognized Planning Director Mary Rose who reviewed a proposed amendment to Section 4.10 of the Sampson County Zoning Ordinance regarding Projection Into Public Rights-of-Way. The Chairman opened the floor for public comment, and none were received. The Chairman closed the public hearing. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kirby and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve text amendment ZA-9-17-1, as recommended by the Planning Board as follows:

4.10 PROJECTION INTO PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS

No private sign, or structure, or other items shall project beyond an imaginary line drawn ten (10) feet from and parallel to the outer edge of into the public right-of-way. Any projection into a public right-of-way, new or existing, shall be removed.

Item 3: New Business

Consideration of Resolution Regarding Use and Protection of Ponderberry Bay Plant Conservation Preserve as Part of Mountains-to-Sea Trail The item was tabled until the November 6, 2017 meeting.

Public Hearing – FY2019 Community Transportation Program (CTP) Grant Funding Application The Chairman called the hearing to order and recognized Aging Director Lorie Sutton, who presented the Board with details regarding the grant, noting a total administrative request amount of \$203,980.00, with 15% being a local match of \$30,597.00, and a total capital request amount of \$265,792.00, with a 10% local match of \$13,291.00. Ms. Sutton also noted that the administrative funding would primarily cover staff salaries and benefits, and marketing, while the capital funding would be used to replace five vans that have met their mileage threshold and are in need of replacing and equipment. The Chairman opened the floor for comments, and none were received. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Commissioner Kivett, the Board voted unanimously to adopt grant resolutions authorizing submission of the grant and making assurances and certifications regarding compliance with federal and state requirements. (Copies filed in Inc. Minute Book ____, Page ____.)

Public Hearing – Naming of a Private Road The Chairman opened the hearing and called upon Assistant County Manager Susan Holder who reviewed the recommendations for naming certain private roads. The floor was opened for public comments, and none were received. The hearing was closed. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kirby and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to name private roads PVT 1325 1187 as Lilly Mae Lane, as requested.

Tentative Award of Water Test and Production Well Public Works Director Lin Reynolds informed the Board that bids for the I40/NC 403 test and production well had been received on September 26, with three bids received. Dewberry Engineering had analyzed the bids, found them to be responsive and recommended that the bid be tentatively awarded to the apparent low, responsible, responsive bidder, McCall Brothers, Inc. (pending subsequent approval by EDA) in the amount of \$219,300.00. Upon a motion by Commissioner Kirby and seconded by Commissioner Kivett, the Board voted unanimously to tentatively award the bid, pending EDA approval of the bid and award documents (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____).

Acceptance of State SRP Loan and Grant County Manager Ed Causey provided the Board with details regarding the SRRP Loan and Grant, noting the grant amount of \$1,013,250.00 and loan amount of \$337,750.00 for the Manganese Dioxide Treatment

System. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Commissioner Kivett, the Board voted unanimously to (1) adopt a resolution of the governing body as applicant accepting the loan and grant and providing assurances that the loan and grant conditions will be adhered to, and (2) to approve the associated capital project ordinance (Copies filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____ and Ordinance Book _____, Page _____).

Item 4: Consent Agenda

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

- a. Approved the minutes of the September 11, 2017 and September 25, 2017 meetings
- b. Approved a resolution proclaiming October as Breast Cancer Awareness and Pink Ribbon Month (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____).
- c. Adopted a resolution proclaiming November as Native American Heritage Month (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____).
- d. Approved the waiver of competitive bidding and use of “piggybacking” on previous bidding to award bid for purchase of ambulance to Northwestern Emergency Vehicles in the amount of \$142,582 (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____).
- e. Approved the late disabled veteran exclusion applications filed by Grady Butler, Jr.
- f. Approved tax refunds and releases as submitted:

#8232	Morris Johnson	\$208.90
#3213	Valerie Upshaw	\$148.91
#8227	Julian Williams	\$151.37
#8233	Owen Williford	\$159.53
#8218	Mittie Williams, Estate	\$1,050.27
#8159	MHC Truck Leasing, Inc	\$1,644.93
#8235	Ezzell Trucking, Inc.	\$2,618.55
#8211	Prestage Farms, Inc.	\$589.72
Tax Release	Mittie Williams, Estate	\$245.92

- g. Approved budget amendments as submitted

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Debt Service Dept</u>	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	
			<u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u>
31891116	571100	Principal PW	\$23,500.00
31891116	572100	Interest PW	\$29,200.00
31891116	575101	Reserve PW	\$5,254.00
31891117	571100	Principal Human Svcs	\$151,000.00

31891117	572100	Interest Human Svcs	\$353,000.00
31891117	575101	Reserve Human Svcs	\$48,104.00
31891118	571100	Principal Detention Ctr	\$185,900.00
31891118	572100	Interest Detention Ctr	\$409,700.00
31891118	575101	Reserve Detention Ctr	\$59,530.00
31891119	571100	Principal Bldg renovation	\$21,500.00
31891119	572100	Interest Bldg renovation	\$38,200.00
31891119	535101	Reserve Bldg renovation	\$5,963.00

REVENUE

<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
31839114	409609	Tr from fund 10		\$142,788.00
31839116	409600	Tr from fund 11		\$52,537.00
31839117	409600	Tr from fund 11		\$503,885.00

EXPENDITURE

Debt Service Dept (cont.)

<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
31891120	571100	Principal Coop Ext & Animal Shelter		\$35,700.00
31891120	572100	Interest Coop Ext & Animal Shelter		\$87,700.00
31891120	575101	Reserve Coop Ext & Animal Shelter		\$12,353.00
31891114	571100	Principal Courthouse Ext		\$63,000.00
31891114	572100	Interest Courthouse Ext		\$66,900.00

REVENUE

<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
31839118	409600	Tr from fund 11		\$595,301.00
31839119	409600	Tr from fund 11		\$59,586.00
31839120	409600	Tr from fund 11		\$123,222.00
31839112	409900	Fund balance approp		\$119,185.00

EXPENDITURE

County Schools

<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11998110	596012	Tr to fund 31		\$52,537.00
11998110	596013	Tr to fund 31		\$403,885.00
11998110	596014	Tr to fund 31		\$504,966.00
11998110	596015	Tr to fund 31		\$59,586.00
11998110	596056	Tr to fund 31		\$123,222.00
10142600	596070	Tr to fund 31		142,788.00

REVENUE

<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11039999	409900	Fund balance approp		\$1,144,196.00
10033834	408600	Lease rental fees		\$142,788.00

EXPENDITURE

Aging Family Caregiver

<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
31891112	571100	Principal 2017 LOBs	\$322,000.00	
31891112	572100	Interest 2017 LOBs	\$422,500.00	
31891112	575100	Trustee Charges 2017 LOBs	\$10,000.00	
10142600	596070	Tr to fund 31	\$142,788.00	

11998110	596012	Tr to fund 31	\$611,712.00	
<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11039999	409900	Fund balance approp	\$611,712.00	
10033834	408600	Lease rental fees	\$142,788.00	
31839112	409600	County contribution	\$611,712.00	
31839112	409609	Tr from fund 10	\$142,788.00	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>Sampson County Exposition Center</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
31891113	571100	Principal and interest	\$23,601,000.00	
31891113	575100	Cost of issuance	\$197,000.00	
<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
31839113	409100	Bond proceeds	\$23,798,000.00	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>School Debt Service Dept</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
32891114	571100	Principal RES		\$177,000.00
32891114	572100	Interest RES		\$441,000.00
32891114	575100	Debt Reserve RES		\$61,800.00
32891117	571100	Principal UHS and MHS		\$106,500.00
32891117	572100	Interest UHS and MHS		\$281,200.00
32891117	575101	Debt reserve UHS and MHS		\$38,730.00
32891116	575101	Debt reserve CHS		\$157,572.00
11998110	596068	Tr to fund 32	\$190,198.00	
32891112	571100	Principal 2017 LOBs	\$624,000.00	
32891112	572100	Interest 2017 LOBs	\$820,000.00	
32891112	575100	Debt service charge	\$10,000.00	
<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
32839110	409600	Tr from fund 11	\$190,198.00	
11039999	409900	Fund balance approp	\$190,198.00	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>School Debt Service Dept (cont.)</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
32891100	571100	Principal and interest	\$45,700,000.00	
32891100	575100	Cost of issuance	\$382,000.00	
<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
32839110	409100	Bond proceeds	\$46,082,000.00	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>Health Department</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
12551100	532100	Telephone and postage	\$2,268.00	

REVENUE				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
12535110	409800	Fund balance approp encumbrances	\$2,268.00	

- h. Authorized the refund of overpayment of taxes by Belinda Morrissey due to a clerical error of garnishment of the wrong customer in the amount of \$479.10.

Item 5: Tax Appeal Requests

Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to adjust the penalty applied to the following tax accounts for failure to timely list business personal property by forgiving one-half of the assessed penalties.

William Dodson, Jr. (Tax \$11,815.46) Penalty \$4,429.71 Adjusted by Half
 Underwood Farms (Mark Underwood) (Tax \$6,514.66) Penalty \$2,068.63 Adjusted by Half
 Chris Matthis Farming, LLC (Tax \$32,963.79) Penalty \$9,184.40 Adjusted by Half
 Makin Bacon Hog Farm, LLC (Tax \$6,193.72) Penalty \$2,301.14 Adjusted by Half
 Samuel J. Hope (Tax \$12,944.20) Penalty \$4,507.53 Adjusted by Half
 Hope Farming (Tax \$11,591.55) Penalty \$3,564.71 Adjusted by Half
 John R. Hope (Tax \$16,314.50) Penalty \$3,673.05 Adjusted by Half
 W.S. Matthews Farms, Inc./David Matthews (Tax \$21,655.49) Penalty \$6,278.87 Adjusted by Half
 Johnny N. Williams (Tax 12,459.86) Penalty \$4,492.36 Adjusted by Half
 Terrell Williams: (Tax \$7,809.76) Penalty \$2,783.59 Adjusted by Half

Item 6: Board Information

The Board was provided with the following items for information only:

- a. 4th Annual Garland Community Day Event

County Manager Reports

County Manager Ed Causey reminded the Board of the NCACC questionnaire deadline of October 20, 2017. He also reminded the Board of the meeting with the NC School of Government to discuss consolidation of Human Service agencies on October 9, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Heritage Hall of the Exposition Center. Mr. Causey then informed the Board that staff would continue to work closely and carefully with the Planning Department to accommodate the needs of all.

Public Comments

The floor was opened for comments, and the following was received:

Kim Underwood: Ms. Underwood expressed her concerns with the limitation of services provided to seniors throughout the county due to budgeting. She offered fund

raising ideas such as staffing grant writers at the senior sites to help with grant funding. She then expressed concern with a senior citizen's home-delivered food waiting list, stating that according to the reports she has heard, she felt the average wait is too long.

Recess to Reconvene

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Chairman Wooten, the Board voted unanimously to recess to reconvene on October 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in Heritage Hall of the Sampson County Exposition Center.