



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Post Meeting Brief

On Tuesday, January 3, 2023, the Hertford County Board of County Commissioners held their first meeting of the New Year. Meetings are held in-person, in the Multipurpose Room/Commissioners Chambers, located on the 2nd floor of the Judicial Center (119 Justice Drive, Winton). This Post-Meeting Brief will be published on the County’s website, Facebook Page, Twitter page, and it will be shared with our Sunshine List, media and County staff.

Regular Session Highlights from the January 3, 2022 Commissioners’ Meeting:

- Under the Consent Agenda, the Board approved the minutes from the November 21, 2022 meeting and the December 5, 2022 meeting. Taxpayer releases were also approved under this agenda item. As well as, taxpayer refunds for real property and personal property.
- The Commissioners consider it of high importance to recruit and retain qualified staff. Therefore, they make it a priority to show their appreciation to new employees with the Agenda Item “Introduction of New Hertford County Employees”. This month, Shanita Cherry and Lisa Bond were welcomed to Hertford County by the Commissioners. They both began their employment with the Department of Social Services in December 2022.
- As a special addition to the Agenda, Commissioners Ronald J. Gatling and John D. Horton were both recognized for their service as the preceding Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Gatling served as Chairman for the last seven years and Commissioner Horton served as Vice-Chairman for the last five years.
- The Board approved Budget Amendment #10 to the Hertford County Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. This amendment included adding funds received for APS Essential Services, LIHEAP, and Crisis Intervention.



- Appointing citizen volunteers is an important function of the Commissioners. At this meeting, they unanimously reappointed individuals to the Hertford County Economic Advisory Board, Industrial Facilities & Pollution Control Financing Authority, Medical Service Transportation Advisory Council and Murfreesboro Planning Board of Adjustments ETJ.
- The Commissioners unanimously approved additional clarifying information to be added to the Landowner Protection Act. As the existing local law was adopted by the General Assembly, the Board directed the County Manager in consultation with the County Attorney to contact Hertford County's North Carolina General Assembly Representative during the spring 2023 Short Session to request that a local bill be introduced with the referenced clarifying language. In summary, the proposed language would require written permission to hunt, fish and/or allow hunting dogs to work on private property.
- The Board approved the CADA Community Services Block Grant proposed 2023-2024 Anti-Poverty Work Plan, which guides CADA in their goals, objectives and priorities for assisting individuals and families who qualify for the program.
- The Commissioners received the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget Development Schedule from the County Manager. The Board will review the draft schedule and provide guidance to staff at the January 17th, 2023 meeting.
- The County Manager provided an update on the USDA office space renovation project. He stated that the additional quotes needed would be provided at the January 17th, 2023 Board Meeting and the renovations are scheduled to begin in February.
- The County Manager also announced that through the Community Project Funding Request, Hertford County has been awarded \$35,000,000 for an Economic Development Center.
- The Board Clerk announced several upcoming meetings and events.
- In the Commissioners Closing Comments, the Commissioners wished everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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