

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
HERTFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM -JUDICIAL CENTER  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019  
9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:**

Com. Ronald J. Gatling, Chairman  
Com. John D. Horton, Vice-Chair  
Com. Leroy Douglas  
Com. Andre' Lassiter  
Com. William F. Mitchell, Jr.  
*Absent:*

**ALSO PRESENT WITH THE BOARD:**

Ms. Loria Williams, County Manager  
Dr. Renee Fleetwood, Clerk to the Board  
Mr. Charles L Revelle, III, County Attorney  
  
Ms. Maria R. Jones, Attorney ~ Revelle &  
Lee, LLP

Chairman Ronald J. Gatling called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Invocation was provided by Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam, III, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, Ahoskie, NC. Chairman Gatling thanked Rev. Dr. Gilliam for the Invocation.

On a motion by Com. Lassiter and second by Com. Mitchell, the Board voted unanimously to amend the Agenda by removing Memo #9237 - Public Hearing: Financing of the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of a New Ahoskie Elementary School Pursuant to NCGS 160A-20; a - Presentation by Financial Advisor Davenport & Company, LLC and b - Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for Approval of An Installment Financing Agreement Authorized by NCGS §160a-20 and Making Certain Findings Required by NCGS §159-151; change Memo # 9239 NC Dept. of Information Technology Next Generation 911 Network Presentation to Memo # 9237 and add State of Emergency as Memo # 9237A as called by Chair Gatling.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and second by Com. Lassiter, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Request Approval of August 19, 2019 Minutes
2. Hertford Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Report FY2019

## **INTRODUCTION OF NEW HERTFORD COUNTY EMPLOYEES**

County Manager Williams presented the new employees as follows:

<b><u>Employees Hired</u></b>	<b><u>PT/FT</u></b>	<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u>Type</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
Barbara Cash	FT	Detention Center	Detention Officer	8/12/2019
Ron Lewter	FT	Detention Center	Detention Officer	8/12/2019
John Downing	PT	Solid Waste	Site Attendant	8/12/2019
Raymond Little, Jr.	PT	Solid Waste	Site Attendant	8/12/2019
Williams Brown	PT	Solid Waste	Site Attendant	8/12/2019
Kristen Durham	FT	EMS	EMT-Advanced	8/12/2019
Larry Lee	FT	Detention Center	Detention Officer	8/12/2019

New Hertford County employee in attendance, Kristen Durham, introduced herself to the Board. County Manager Williams announced that the remaining new employees would be present at the October 7<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

## **REENTRY INITIATIVE PROGRAM PARTNERSHIP PRESENTATION**

The Reentry Initiative Program Partnership Presentation did not occur as a result of Mr. Hinnant not being present.

## **NC DEPT. OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY NEXT GENERATION 911 NETWORK PRESENTATION**

Mr. Gerry Means, Network Engineer NC 911 Board with the NC Department of Information Technology, presented the Next Generation 911 Network as follows:

- \* ESINET project progress to 100% migration by EOY 2021
- \* desire to gain consensus to include Hertford County to the NG911 project
- \* no appropriation of funds from Hertford County required
- \* require email notification if wish to pursue
- \* calls delivered in less than one second

The Board agreed to hold off on any commitment with the Next Generation 911 Network until information is delivered to the Board from the county senior staff who would be responsible for using the NG911 network.

**HERTFORD COUNTY PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING TO REZONE PIN# 5071-08-5475**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and a second by Com. Lassiter, the Board voted to convene the Public Hearing to Rezone PIN # 5071-08-5475.

Mrs. Sara Turner, Director of Planning/GIS read the Notice of Public Hearing to Rezone PIN # 5071-08-5475 from Mr. Dennis Spruill to rezone his property from Light Industrial (IL) to Residential Agriculture (RA-30). The notice read as follows:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

THE PUBLIC SHOULD TAKE NOTICE the Hertford County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 9:30 A.M. in the MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM – JUDICIAL CENTER LOCATED AT 119 JUSTICE DRIVE, WINTON, N.C. for the purpose of hearing and considering public comments on a request by Dennis Spruill to rezone his property from Light Industrial (IL) to Residential Agricultural (RA-30) approximately 4.2 acres identified in Hertford County Land Records as PIN# 5071-08-5475 addressed as 1002 Statesville Road, Como, NC. The property is located on the east side of SR 1310 known as Statesville Road approximately 70 ft. west of its intersection with SR 1314, known as Whitley Road.

A copy of the full proposal is available for public inspection in the GIS & Planning Department located at Hertford County Government Center, 115 Justice Drive, Winton, NC between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P. M. For further information, call the GIS & Planning Department at 252-358-7809.

Interested citizens will be heard on this issue. Following the Public Hearing, the Hertford County Board of Commissioners may adopt, revise, or reject the requested rezoning.  
This the 24th day of August, 2019

Ronald J. Gatling, Chairman  
Hertford County Board of Commissioners

There were no citizen concerns given.

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and Second by Com. Lassiter the Board voted unanimously to return to Regular Session.

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and second by Com. Lassiter the Board of Commissioners approved rezoning Dennis Spruill Parcel # 5071-08-5475 from Light Industrial (LI) to Residential Agriculture (RA-30) based on the findings of the Hertford County Planning Board and the suitability of the land for all permitted and conditional uses.

**STATE OF EMERGENCY**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and second by Com. Douglas, with the approach of Hurricane Dorian, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Board Chair to declare a State of Emergency with restrictions as he deems appropriate based upon recommendations of the Hertford County Emergency Management Director, Chris Smith, and to lift any State of Emergency at his discretion.

Deputy Director Patrick Dilday announced to the Board that a Control Group Meeting will be held on today, September 3, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Com. Gatling advised Mr. Dilday to address issues that the county may encounter with Harrellsville at the Control Group Meeting.

### **NC MEDICAID MANAGED CARE UPDATE**

Director Brenda Brown presented the following NC Medicaid Managed Care update:

- Medicaid Transformation is changing the way most people receive Medicaid services
- beneficiaries enrolled in health plans by selecting a health plan through the enrollment broker, or indicate health plan preference in NC FAST (via ePASS application or caseworker entry, or auto-assigned to a health plan if they do not choose one by the deadline
- insurance companies assume all of the risk for the individuals they cover rather than the state
- approximately 1.6 million of the current 2.1 million Medicaid beneficiaries will transition to NC Medicaid Managed Care.
- Open enrollment 7/15/19 – 9/13/19
- February 2020 Health Plan implementation

### **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE UPDATE**

Director Brenda Brown presented the Department of Social Service Impact update for June 2019 highlighting Spirit Week 2019; employee recognitions, community events attended, and additional agency happenings.

### **HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK GRANT FOR OLDER ADULTS REVISED COUNTY FUNDING PLAN**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and second by Com. Lassiter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Home and Community Care Block Grant for Older Adults Revised County Funding Plan as presented by Mrs. Deidra Evans, Office of Aging Director.

### **APPROVAL OF HERTFORD COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT # 6**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and second by Com. Lassiter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amendment to Hertford County Budget Ordinance FY 2019-2020 Amendment # 6 Capital Outlay – Purchase of Sheriff's Office Vehicles as presented by County Manager Williams.

**AMENDMENT TO HERTFORD COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE FISCAL YEAR  
2019-2020**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the County of Hertford, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020:

**REVENUE:**

Department	Account Number	Account Description	Amount Increase	Amount Decrease
Revenues	100112-448500	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$58,000	
<b>Total Changes in Revenue</b>			<b>\$ 58,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

<b>Net Change in Revenue</b>	<b>\$58,000</b>
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**EXPENDITURE:**

Department	Account Number	Account Description	Amount Increase	Amount Decrease
Sheriff's Department	104180-551003	Capital Outlay - Vehicles	\$ 58,000	
<b>Total Changes in Expenditures</b>			<b>\$ 58,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

<b>Net Change in Expenditures</b>	<b>\$58,000</b>
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**Explanation:**

To purchase Sheriff's vehicles approved at previous meeting

Amendment # 6  
 Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Posted: \_\_\_\_\_

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 Finance Director                      Date

## **OFFER TO PURCHASE R. L. VANN NUTRITION SITE**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell second by Vice-Chair Horton, the Board voted unanimously to authorize advertising for Upset Bid a 0.4081 acre parcel on the Northeast side of the R. L. Vann Community Resource Center, along with a Limited Easement Area to access the tract, with the restriction that parking along the Easement Area is available to anyone as long as there is no blocking of access to the adjoining public park, at a bid price of \$500 as presented by County Manager Williams.

## **COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

No comments were given by County Manager Williams.

## **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

Com. Horton and Com. Douglas welcomed and thanked the citizens for attending the Board Meeting.

No additional comments were made by Com. Lassiter and Com. Mitchell.

Chairman Gatling encouraged the Board to attend the 2:00 p.m. Control Group Meeting on today, announced that the interviews for the Tax Assessor vacancy would be held today after the Board Meeting.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

On a motion by Com. Mitchell and a second by Vice-Chair Horton, the Board unanimously approved to move to Closed Session as allowed under G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (3) to consult with the County Attorney.

Minutes of Closed Session are on file in the Office of the Clerk to the Board.

On a motion by Vice-Chair Horton and a second by Com. Lassiter, the Board voted unanimously to return to Regular Session.

On a motion by Vice-Chair Horton and a second by Com. Douglas, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.