

February 8, 2017

The Martin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Martin County Governmental Center, Commissioners' Boardroom at 305 East Main Street, Williamston, North Carolina.

ASSEMBLY

Those in attendance: Chairman Elmo "Butch" Lilley, Vice Chairman Tommy Bowen, Commissioner Ronnie Smith, Commissioner Dempsey Bond, Jr., Commissioner Joe R. Ayers, County Manager David Bone, County Attorney J. Melvin Bowen, Clerk to the Board Marion B. Thompson and Finance Officer/Deputy Clerk Cindy Ange.

Chairman Lilley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Bond led the pledge of allegiance. Vice Chairman Bowen provided the invocation.

Chairman Lilley welcomed everyone and stated it was good when citizens keep up with what's going on in the county. Chairman Lilley acknowledged elected officials, Bear Grass Mayor Charlotte Griffin, Sheriff Dan Gibbs, and Parmele Mayor Jerry McCrary.

Clarity on Media Reporting Regarding Martin Community College and the County Commissioners

It had been reported by various media/news outlets that the County would pay for the entire settlement for retiring Martin Community College President Dr. Ann Britt. Chairman Lilley asked County Manager Bone to provide clarity to the confusion about the incorrect information reported regarding the action taken by the Martin County Board of Commissioner at the January 18, 2017 meeting, on Martin Community College funding.

County Manager Bone explained the County does not pay the salary of the President of MCC. The State does. The County contributes a small supplement to the President's salary. On January 18, 2017, the Board of Commissioners RESCINDED its previous action to suspend all future funding and freeze existing fund balances provided by the County to Martin Community College for the purpose of paying the salary and settlements to Dr. Ann Britt, effective immediately; adding, failure to comply would result in the College jeopardizing future, partial or full funding.

County Manager Bone stated the only action taken at the January 18, 2017 meeting was to retract or rescind the previous motion. Thus, the Board voted to remove all restrictions that had been placed on MCC funding at the December 30, 2016 Board of Commissioners' meeting. As a result of the retraction, the County would release the remaining County FY 2016-17 funding allocated for MCC, in the normal manner.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Smith made the MOTION to approve the agenda, as presented, with a SECOND by Commissioner Ayers. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Kathy Mellette, of 13484 US Hwy 64, Williamston, NC asked to speak concerning the Martin County Child Protective Services (CPS)/Department of Social Services. Ms. Mellette spoke of a Martin County family whose children (8) have been taken by CPS/DSS. Ms. Mellette stated almost every senator and congressman she contacted told her to contact the local authorities. Due to the confidentiality of the information, Ms. Mellette did not go into details. However, written information was given to the Board. Ms. Mellette sought the Board of Commissioners' help on behalf of the parents in getting their children back.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice Chairman Bowen made the MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below, with a SECOND by Commissioner Ayers. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

1. **Minutes** for January 18, 2017, Regular Session.
2. **Financial Report** for December 2016 included for informational purposes.
3. **Finance – Request to Dispose of Administrative Records**

Finance Officer Cindy Ange requested the Board of Commissioners' approval to dispose of the following Administrative records:

2010-2011	Cash receipts files, original and duplicate copies – state requires retention for three years.
2010-2011	Green copies of purchase orders, duplicated.
2010-2011	Building Inspector permits copies: originals kept in another office.
2010-2011	Paid invoice file, original invoices and duplicate copies of checks – state requires retention for three years.
2010-2011	Centura bank statements and cancelled checks – state requires retention for three years.
2010-2011	Centura payroll bank statements and cancelled checks; original corresponding reports kept on file in the Finance Office.
2013-2014	Computer generated print-outs (Supporting documents will be retained for five years).
2010-2011	Landfill billing statements, payments, daily ticket report and financial report.
2011-2012	Budget Amendments
2010-2011	Gasoline reports
2010-2011	Welfare drafts
2011-2011	Capital Trust statements
2010-2011	Sales tax
2010-2011	Journal entries
2010-2011	Retirement & SS backup reports
2010-2011	Transit invoices
2010-2011	Return check copies

4. Finance – Request to Dispose of Old Personnel Records

Finance Officer Cindy Ange requested the Board of Commissioners’ approval to dispose of the following old Personnel records:

Prior to 2009	Monthly accumulators (FYTD &CYTD), payroll, payroll deductions records, terminated employees’ time sheets – state law requires retention for 7 years.
Prior to 2009	Payroll earning records – state law requires retention for 7 years.
Prior to 2012	Supporting documents to W-2, W-3, 1099 – state law requires retention for 4 years. (W-2, W-3, & 1099 maintained permanently)
Prior to 2011	Leave Reports and Payroll Transmittal Reports – state law requires retention for 5 years for leave reports.
Prior to 2013	Local Government retirement reports – state law requires retention for 3 years.
Prior to 2013	Cafeteria plan records – state law requires retention for 3 years after audit.
Prior to 2013	Personnel correspondence/memoranda – state law requires retention for 3 years.
Prior to 2013	Receipts for County retiree payments for insurance – state law requires retention for 3 years.

5. Tax Refund Requests – January 2017

a. **Mr. James Arthur Peaks (Account #7868)** requested a refund for an incorrect listing on a 1988 17’ Dixie boat, which had been billed and paid for by Mr. Peak, since tax year 2012.

Per General Statute §105-381 (a)(1), Martin County may refund the current year plus 5 additional years. The refund amount would be \$24.75, plus any interest. Mr. Peaks requested the refund be mailed to him, since the taxes have been paid in full.

b. **Mr. Allen Mark Gurganus (Account #44386, Parcel #01-02378)** requested a refund for tax year 2016, for 2 extra solid waste availability fees. There is one occupied dwelling on this parcel. Mr. Gurganus was charged with 3 solid waste availability fees for 2016.

Per Martin County Landfill Ordinance, incorrect billing of solid waste availability fees may be adjusted up to 2 years. The refund amount would be \$344.00. Mr. Gurganus requested the refund be mailed to him, since all of his taxes have been paid through 2016.

6. Tax Relief Orders – January 2017

<u>Year Levy</u>	<u>Lname</u>	<u>Fname</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Total</u>
2016	Gurganus	Jesse Daniel III	Error in Listing		8.97
2015	Gurganus	Jesse Daniel III	Error in Listing		8.97
2014	Gurganus	Jesse Daniel III	Error in Listing		8.80
				Total	\$26.74

7. Tax Collector's Report – January 2017

Category	January	January Y-T-D
20	\$1,019,709.02	\$7,854,700.39
25	<u>140,831.43</u>	<u>3,939,436.76</u>
	\$1,160,540.45	\$11,794,137.15
30	<u>259.00</u>	<u>2,644.27</u>
	\$259.00	\$2,644.27
	\$1,160,799.45	\$11,796,781.42

8. Board Appointments/Reappointments/Resignations

a. Airport Commission Board & Airport Height Restrictions Ordinance Board of Appeals

On behalf of the Airport Commission, Chairman Gene Powell requested that the Board of Commissioners appoint Mr. Lynn Howell to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Milton Bennett, who resigned September 2016, due to scheduling conflicts. The term would expire January 31, 2019.

Additionally, Chairman Powell requested the reappointment of Mr. Veo Bunting and Mr. John Gurganus for another four year term, which would expire January 31, 2021.

The Board was also asked to reappoint Mr. Veo Bunting, Mr. Abner House, and Mr Jesse Council to the Airport Height Restrictions Ordinance Board of Appeals for another three year term, which would expire October 31, 2020.

b. Community Child Protection Team Board

The Community Child Protection Team (CCPT) was established by law (General Statute 7B-1406) in May of 1991, as a means for the state and local communities to form a partnership to strengthen child protection. The CCPT is an interdisciplinary group of community representatives who meet regularly to promote a community-wide approach to the problem of child abuse and neglect.

Community Child Protection Team reviews are designed to assist DSS and families in protecting children by identifying barriers in services and collaborating on strategies to remedy the situation. The purpose of these reviews is also to inform county commissioners about actions needed to prevent child abuse, neglect or dependency.

Membership is mandated by law and includes various ex officio positions throughout the community.

The Board of Commissioners shall appoint a law enforcement officer and a maximum of five additional members to represent various county agencies or the community at large to

serve on the local CCPT. Team members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners should represent the diversity of the community.

Although the terms would be on-going, the Board of Commissioners was asked to appoint/reappoint the following individuals to the Martin County Community Child Protection Team, in an effort to keep the list of Board of Commissioners' appointments current:

- Law Enforcement Officer – Drew Robinson, Martin County Sheriff's Department

Additional five team members include:

- Jason Steward – Director of Martin County Communications
- Stacey Pippin – Williamston Fire and Rescue
- Jane Pacenta – Parent Representative
- James Ward – Department of Public Safety, Juvenile Services
- Jodie Bickerstaff – Memorial Baptist Preschool

c. Council of Aging Board

The Council of Aging recommended the reappointment of Ms. Dinah Gradis for another three year term, which would expire February 10, 2020. Ms. Gradis recently completed the unexpired term vacated by Ms. Fannie Smith.

d. Martin Community College Board of Trustees

Ms. Jackie Gilliam submitted a letter of resignation from the Martin Community College Board of Trustees, on January 25, 2017.

Some interested citizens, along with some MCC Board of Trustees members recommended Mr. Clint Saunders to complete the unexpired term of Ms. Gilliam, which would end June 30, 2018.

It stated in the letter that Mr. Saunders is a corporate accountant and Senior Controller for DSM Services in Greenville, NC. It further stated that Mr. Saunders has experience in auditing, finance, management, and would bring needed expertise for the college to grow and to prosper.

e. Martin County Water District Advisory Board

Commissioner Ayers recommended appointing Mr. William Roy Mobley, Oak City, NC to the Water District #1 Advisory Board to replace Mr. Doug Cannon, who died in December 2016. Mr. Mobley had stated his willingness to serve.

- 9. Trillium Health Resources Report Quarter Ending 12/31/16** included for informational purposes.

10. **Clerk Report** included for informational purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEE (S) - None

PRESENTATION(S)

2017-18 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Application

Executive Director Sallie Surface, Deputy Director Melvin Powers and Manager of Community Services Christopher Moody, of Choanoke Area Development Association, Inc. (CADA) presented a summary of the application for FY 2017-18 Community Services Block Grant Program.

Choanoke Area Development Association (CADA) of North Carolina, Inc. was designated the Community Action Agency for Martin County in 2016.

The North Carolina Administrative Code (10A NCAC 97C.0111 (b) (1) (A) requires that each Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG) grant recipient submit its Community Anti-Poverty Plan (grant application) to each Board of Commissioners in the counties it serves.

CADA's Community Action Agency service area includes Bertie, Halifax, Hertford, Martin and Northampton Counties. The grant total amount being requested from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services for FY 2017-18 is \$397,784, for all counties in the CADA service area.

Deputy Director Melvin Powers reported that currently the distribution of funds is being done by population, in accordance with the current State formula, which may not necessarily be the area with the greatest need. Listed below are the 2017-18 Funding allocation requested per county:

County	Allocation
Bertie	\$ 62,316
Halifax	152,142
Hertford	67,338
Martin	54,808
Northampton	61,181
Total	\$ 397,785

CADA, also, has been overseeing the NC Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) in Martin and Edgecombe Counties since 2014. Additionally, Executive Director Surface stated April 2017 would mark 55 years of service to eastern North Carolina.

Commissioner Smith commented on enjoying the December 2016 meeting CADA hosted in Martin County. Commissioner Smith thanked CADA for holding the meeting locally, and for inviting the County Commissioners.

Annual Community Child Protection Team Report

CCPT Chairman Nancy Conner, DSS Social Worker Supervisor provided an oral presentation of the 2016 Community Child Protection Team (CCPT) report to the Board of Commissioners. N C G. S. §7B-1406 mandates the report be presented on an annual basis. Currently, the Martin County CCPT meets the 1st Thursday of the month, except July and January.

The Community Child Protection Team (CCPT) was established by law (General Statute 7B-1406) in May of 1991 as a means for the state and local communities to form a partnership to strengthen child protection.

The CCPT is an interdisciplinary group of community representatives who meet regularly to promote a community-wide approach to the problem of child abuse and neglect. The CCPT is not a Department of Social Services team. The composition of the CCPT is mandated by law and includes appointed members of various agencies and organizations.

Duties and responsibilities of the Community Child Protection team include reviewing active cases in which abuse, neglect or dependency was substantiated, and identifying where resources may be lacking, which as a result, affected the outcome of the case. Cases may also be brought for review at the specific request of a team member or the Department of Social Services.

Chairman Conner reported mental illness and the lack of services, domestic violence, poverty and substance abuse are the current major factors that are impacting the Martin County community. In 2016, Martin County Department of Social Services assumed custody of twelve (12) children under the age of eighteen (18). Out of the twelve (12) children, seven (7) children were taken into custody as the primary factor being mental health/substance abuse, four (4) children were exposed to domestic violence in the home and nine (9) children were in situations where there was unstable housing/poor living conditions and or underemployed. These factors place children at risk for failure to thrive issues, mental health issues, unstable housing, educational delays, truancy, and improper supervision. Five (5) of the children that came into care in 2016 experienced serious physical abuse from their parents, and as a result two (2) children experienced fractures and broken bones.

In 2016, Martin County DSS established permanence for twenty-one (21) children. Out of the twenty-one (21) children, six (6) were adopted, ten (10) children received permanence by guardianship with a family member, four (4) returned to their parents and one (1) child turned eighteen (18) years of age.

In 2016, Martin County DSS received two hundred sixty-one (261) Child Protective Services Reports; one hundred seventy-six (176) reports were screened in and investigated. In December 2016, there remained forty-nine (49) children in foster care. Forty-five percent (45%) of the children in foster care are five years old and under, Thirty percent (30%) are ages six through twelve years and twenty-five percent (25%) are teenagers.

In April 2016, the team launched a “Blue Ribbon Campaign” to raise awareness during child abuse prevention month. The team also participated in Kids Fest, where pamphlets were passed out and a craft project was done with the children.

In December 2016, the team sponsored and assisted in its second annual Christmas party for our foster children. Santa was there to greet the children and Santa's elf was there making balloon animals for the children. Light refreshments were provided for the families. Reportedly, a great time was had by all.

Chairman Conner stated the Martin County Community Child Protection Team appreciated the efforts of the Board of Commissioners to provide programs and services to the families of Martin County.

The Board of Commissioners expressed support and appreciation for the work being done by the CCPT.

February NCACC Video Update

The NC Association of County Commissioners February video update reminded County Commissioners of several informational and training opportunities as listed below:

- February 22-23, 2017, Essentials of County Government, New Bern, NC
- March 2, 2017 – Convening on Medicaid, Raleigh, NC
- April 2017 – NCACC District meetings, Various locations
- May 2017 – County Assembly Day, Raleigh, NC

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Engineering Services Agreement – Martin County Transit Capital / Renovation Project

County Manager Bone recalled in the Martin County's CTP/Section 5311 grant application for 2016-17, Martin County included a funding request in the Capital Budget for the development and paving of a parking lot for Martin County Transit vehicles next to the County-owned building on Ray Street. The parking lot would be a locked, fenced-in development with security cameras and lighting, which would provide secured parking lot for twenty public transit vehicles, as well as employee parking. This would help guard MCT vehicles and employees against thief, vandalism, or terrorist threats.

In the Martin County 2017-18 CTP/Section 5311 grant application, Martin County also applied for funds to renovate the Ray Street building.

While engineering services would be required for the project(s) at the Ray Street building, the Board of Commissioners approved a resolution that would exempt Martin County from the RFQ process for this project, at its September 27, 2016 meeting.

Under the proposed engineering services contract, The Wooten Company would provide engineering design and construction phase services including engineering survey, design, plan preparation, informal bidding, construction contract administration, construction observation and

other additional items to allow for the construction of a new 20 space paved parking facility on S. Harrell Street in Williamston, NC.

Engineer Derek Smith stated the process for this grant started in October 2015. Engineer Smith also stated the hourly rates plus reimbursable expenses would be the basis of payment. The total compensation for engineering services and reimbursable expenses was estimated to be \$25,000.

Commissioner Bond made the MOTION to approve the “Short Form of Agreement between Martin County (Owner) and The Wooten Company (Engineer)” for engineering services (*agreement entered into these minutes by title reference*) as presented, with a SECOND by Commissioner Smith. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Agreement Amendment - Additional Services - Water, Sewer & Road Infrastructure Project – Industrial Park in Everetts

The NC Department of Commerce, Rural Infrastructure Authority awarded Martin County \$926,675 to fund improvements to the Martin County Industrial Park in Everetts. The grant was disbursed from the North Carolina's Industrial Development Fund (IDF), which makes incentive industrial financing grants and loans available to local municipal or county government applicants located in the eighty (80) most economically distressed counties in the State. The County was not required to provide a match for this grant.

The infrastructure expansion was for road, water, and sewer extensions to the present end of the paved road and infrastructure running to the rear of the shell building. Improvements included extension of a 25-foot wide roadway, 2,000 linear feet of 8-inch water line, and 2,000 linear feet of 8-inch gravity sewer line extension. Without these improvements, there would have been only one buildable lot remaining in the industrial park.

Bids for the project were opened on March 24, 2016. The project was awarded on April 13, 2016 to Water and Waste System Construction from Garner.

County Manager Bone stated the original scope of work with the Industrial Park Infrastructure Project was completed in October 2016. Martin County received good bids on the project, and the original scope was completed with grant funds remaining. The County asked the NC Commerce Department to expand the scope to allow Martin County to utilize the remaining funds. The Commerce Department approved the expansion of the project west, to include water and sewer further down Twin Bridges Road, as well as additional grading work. The County was approved to spend any remaining funds on infrastructure only.

The County received a preliminary estimate of the construction and engineering fees needed to complete the expanded scope. Infrastructure costs were estimated to be \$95,105, which can be paid from remaining grant funding. Engineering fees (Survey, engineering design, permitting, construction administration and full-time construction observation) were estimated to be \$38,000, which must be paid from local funds. This would create a total project cost of \$133,105.

Commissioner Smith made the MOTION to approve amending the Engineering Services Agreement (entered into these minutes as *Exhibit K- Amendment #2 to Water, Sewer, and Road*

Improvements for Everetts Industrial Park) with The Wooten Company for Additional Services for the Water, Sewer & Road Infrastructure Project in the Industrial Park in Everetts as presented, with a SECOND by Vice Chairman Bowen. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Budget Amendments

Budget Amendments #13, 14 & 15

Finance Officer Cindy Ange stated Budget Amendment #13 would appropriate \$10,874 from the County's General Fund for the engineering services for the expansion of the infrastructure project westward in the Industrial park in Everetts, to include water and sewer further down Twin Bridges Road. Budget Amendment #14 would appropriate the remaining Fund Balance in the Business Park Fund of \$27,126 for the engineering services. Amendment #15 would appropriate these transfers to the engineering fees line item for the project.

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-13

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Martin County, North Carolina, that the following amendments be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows.

	Increase	Decrease
Transfers		
Program Grant Fund	\$10,874	

This will result in an increase of \$10,874 in the expenditures of the General Fund. To provide an increase in the revenues for the above, the following revenues will be changed.

Fund Balance Appropriation	\$10,874
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Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board and to the Finance Officer for their direction.

MOTIONED by Vice Chairman Bowen and SECONDED by Commissioner Ayers to adopt the above budget ordinance amendment this 8th day of February 2017. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-14

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Martin County, North Carolina, that the following amendments be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

Section 1. To amend the Business Park Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows.

	Increase	Decrease
Transfers		
Program Grant Fund	\$27,126	

This will result in an increase of \$27,126 in the expenditures of the Business Park Fund. To provide an increase in the revenues for the above, the following revenues will be changed.

Fund Balance Appropriation	\$27,126
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Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board and to the Finance Officer for their direction.

MOTIONED by Vice Chairman Bowen and SECONDED by Commissioner Ayers to adopt the above budget ordinance amendment this 8th day of February 2017. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-15

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Martin County, North Carolina, that the following amendments be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

Section 1. To amend the Program Grant Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows.

	Increase	Decrease
Industrial Park Infrastructure Grant		
Engineering Fees	\$38,000	

This will result in an increase of \$38,000 in the expenditures of the Program Grant Fund. To provide an increase in the revenues for the above, the following revenues will be changed.

Transfer from the General Fund	\$10,874
Transfer from the Business Park Fund	\$27,126

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board and to the Finance Officer for their direction.

MOTIONED by Vice Chairman Bowen and SECONDED by Commissioner Ayers to adopt the above budget ordinance amendment this 8th day of February 2017. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Budget Amendment #16

Finance Officer Ange stated budget amendment #16 was necessary because the NC Department of Health and Human Services final allocations released for the Crisis Intervention Fund and LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program) were less than predicted. The Crisis Intervention Fund, used to assist citizens with heating and cooling bills throughout the year, was decreased from the original projection by \$19,030. LIEAP funds, used to help citizens with heating bills December through March, was also reduced by \$14,069.

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-16

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Martin County, North Carolina, that the following amendments be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows.

	Increase	Decrease
Human Services		
Department of Social Services		\$33,099

This will result in a decrease of \$ 33,099 in the expenditures of the General Fund. To provide a decrease in the revenues for the above, the following revenues will be changed.

Restricted Intergovernmental		\$33,099
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Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board and to the Finance Officer for their direction.

MOTIONED by Commissioner Bond and SECONDED by Commissioner Smith to adopt the above budget ordinance amendment this 8th day of February 2017. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Budget Amendment #17

Finance Officer Ange explained Budget amendment #17 would allocate the additional funding (\$154,336) Martin County Communication requested and the North Carolina 911 Board approved on December 2, 2016, to pay for the back-up center. The funding reconsideration request for 2016-2017 was made to help the department meet the mandate to have a back-up center in place by the July 1, 2017 deadline. With this increase, Martin County's funding from the NC 911 Board for 2016-2017 would be \$402,393.

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-17

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Martin County, North Carolina, that the following amendments be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

Section 1. To amend the 911 Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows.

	Increase	Decrease
Public Safety		
Communications	\$ 154,336	

This will result in an increase of \$154,336 in the expenditures of the 911 Fund. To provide an increase in the revenues for the above, the following revenues will be changed.

Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 154,336
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Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board and to the Finance Officer for their direction.

MOTIONED by Commissioner Smith and SECONDED by Commissioner Bowen to adopt the above budget ordinance amendment this 8th day of February 2017. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

BOARD REPORTS / COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Vice Chairman Bowen stated he had received complaints about standing water on the riding range at Martin Community College. Vice Chairman Bowen asked Commissioner Bond, a member of the MCC Grounds Committee, what the plans were regarding the unsightly big pond there. Adding, the solution was simple. Commissioner Bond replied the situation was already being addressed.

Chairman Lilley thanked everyone for the prayers and support, during his brief disability.

CLOSED SESSION - Economic Development NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (4)

Around 8:00 p.m., Vice Chairman Bowen made the MOTION to enter Closed Session in pursuant of NC G.S. §143-318.11(a)(4) Economic Development, with a SECOND by Commissioner Bond. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Around 8:34 p.m., Vice Chairman Bowen made the MOTION to end Closed Session in pursuant of NC G.S. §143-318.11(a)(4) Economic Development, with a SECOND by Commissioner Smith. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

OPEN SESSION

No action was taken in open session regarding the Closed Session discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Bowen made the MOTION to adjourn at 8:35 p.m., with a SECOND by Commissioner Smith. The motion was unanimously APPROVED.

The next regular meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Martin County Governmental Center, 305 East Main Street, Williamston, North Carolina.

Elmo "Butch" Lilley, Chairman

Marion B. Thompson, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board