

May 11, 2022

The Martin County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 7:00 p.m. in the Superior Courtroom at the Martin County Governmental Center, 305 East Main Street, Williamston, North Carolina.

ASSEMBLY

Present in the Courtroom: Chairman Ronnie Smith, Vice Chairman Dempsey Bond Jr., Commissioner Joe. R. Ayers, Commissioner Emily Biggs, Commissioner David “Skip” Gurganus, County Manager U. James Bennett, Clerk to the Board Julia Rease, Attorney Benjamin Eisner, and Finance Officer Cindy Ange

Chairman Ronnie Smith called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Commissioner Biggs led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Gurganus provided the invocation.

Chairman Smith extended a welcome to all in attendance.

AGENDA Approval

Vice Chairman Bond Jr. made the **Motion** to approve the agenda with a **Second** from Commissioner Gurganus. Motion **Carried** unanimously (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Ayers stated his concerns with the March 16, 2022 Special Session minutes and the minutes were moved to New Business in the approval of the consent agenda.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with March 16, 2022 Special Call Session minutes pulled made by Vice Chairman Bond Jr. and a **Second** by Commissioner Gurganus. Motion was **Carried** unanimously.

- 1. Financial Report – March & April 2022**
- 2. Tax Assessor – Tax Refund Request – March & April 2022**
- 3. Tax Assessor – Tax Relief Orders – March & April 2022**

March 2022

Year Levy	Lname	Fname	Reason	Value	Total
2021	Beddard	Christopher Wayne	Sold Vehicle	1,705	15.00
2017	Castillo	Tammy	Sold Vehicle	300	2.76
2018	Castillo	Tammy	Sold Vehicle	500	4.60
2019	Castillo	Tammy	Sold Vehicle	500	4.82

4. Tax Collector's Report – April 2022

May 2022

	Category	21-May	5-21 Y-T-D
Real Property	20	\$14,932.83	\$131,363.19
Personal Property	25	\$965.75	\$13,398.22
Total		\$15,898.58	\$144,761.41
Motor Vehicle	30	\$287.24	\$653.23
Total MV		\$287.24	\$653.23
All Total		\$16,185.82	\$14,145,413.64

5. Board Appointments/Reappointments

Home & Community Care Block Grant Lead Agency

Section V-A.1 of the Development of the County Funding Plan for the Home & Community Care Block Grant states that it is the responsibility of the County Board of Commissioners to annually designate an agency or office within the county with the lead responsibility for planning and coordination of the County funding Plan. The Martin County Adult & Aging Services Department continues to do a great job serving as the lead agency. Section V-A.2 lists the appointment of a committee to serve as a Block Grant Advisory Committee to the lead agency for planning and coordination in the development of the County Funding Plan as a responsibility of the County Commissioners.

The Board **Designated** the Martin County Adult & Aging Services Department as the Lead Agency, and approved the board member appointments/reappointments for fiscal 2022-23 as part of the Consent Agenda.

Tourism Development Authority Board

There were three vacancies on the Martin County Tourism Development Authority Board. The state statutes require that at least one-third of the members must be individuals affiliated with businesses that collect the tax in the county and at least one-half of the members must be individuals currently active in the promotion of travel and tourism in the county. Ms. Jean Spruell-Boyd, Ms. Tina Brown, and Mr. Gary Manning were recommended for appointment in these vacancies.

The Board **Approved** the board appointments as part of the consent agenda.

6. Juneteenth As a Holiday

Juneteenth (short for “June Nineteenth”) marks the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1865 to take control of the state and ensure that all enslaved people be freed. The troops’

arrival came a full two and a half years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation. Juneteenth honors the end to slavery in the United States and is considered the longest-running African American holiday. On June 17, 2021, it officially became a federal holiday. The Board of Commissioners are asked to accept and observe this holiday starting June 19, 2023.

The Board **Approved** this item as part of the consent agenda.

7. Additional Day for Christmas

At the Budget Retreat that took March 29th- 30th, 2022, the Board discussed the additional day given on Christmas of 2021. It was well received by the employees and Human Resource Director Donna Zube has conducted a survey and found that if approved, we would follow the State Schedule. This change would not increase the budget and the schedule is as follows:

Christmas Day	Observation Day(s)
Friday	Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday
Saturday	Thursday, Friday, and Monday
Sunday	Friday, Monday, and Tuesday

The Board **Approved** this item as part of the consent agenda.

8. Department Head Residency

At the March 2022 Budget Retreat and on April 13th, the Board discussed if there was still a need to require Departments Heads to live within Martin County. Human Resources Director Donna Zube presented information that reflected neighboring counties that dropped their requirements due to difficulty in recruiting and retaining qualified employees. Departments Heads living out of the county currently and that this has not caused a problem in their job performance.

The Board Approved this item as part of the consent agenda.

9. Providence Omnistructure

Providence Omnistructure, a broadband group, presented a partnership with Martin County to quickly deploy low cost, high performance broadband to every Martin County resident. The partnership would include vertical asset leasing, development and management; digital skills training, subsidized service, revenue share, career development, corporate recruitment, partnerships with schools, ISPs and resource providers.

The Board **Approved** this item as part of the consent agenda.

7. **Clerk Report**- included for informational purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEE(S)

Martin County Tax Assessor

Human Resources Director Donna Zube presented Ms. Mellissa Phillips who was hired as the new Tax Assessor for Martin County. Ms. Melissa Phillips stated she had 9 years of experience with

the Tax Assessors Office from real estate appraiser appraising property, business and or personal. Ms. Phillips stated she worked part time as an EMT, an EMT instructor, and she volunteers with a fire department in Nashville County. Ms. Phillips also reported being the captain and secretary of the Nashville County fire department as well as the junior advisor for junior fire firefighters. Ms. Phillips stated that she began work this week and planned to get the Tax Office updated.

Martin County DSS

Martin County DSS Director Angela Ellis introduced Mr. Daniel Pierce and Mr. Frank Fairley. Mr. Earley was introduced as a new Foster Care Social Worker and Mr. Pierce was introduced as the Income Maintenance Worker of the Crisis Unit. MC DSS Director Ellis reported both employees began work at the beginning of the month.

PRESENTATION (S)

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Mr. Derrick Smith, Wooten Company Project Engineer, discussed the application to receive ARPA funds for distressed communities in April 2022. He stated on May 2, 2022 the application was submitted and there was a hardcopy available for review. Wooten Project Engineer Smith stated the application included multiple “closing loops” in the Oak City and Bear Grass areas. Project Manager Smith reported the biggest item in the application was the automatic meter readers, which was one thing that will serve the county in multiple purposes. Mr. Smith reported there being around 20 days each month that staff has to read meters. Project Manager Smith stated Automatic Meter Readers would be instantaneous, would allow staff to make repairs or work on pressing issues, increase revenue, and the meters would read more accurately by them being brand new. Mr. Smith informed the board that the closing loops and valving would help with water quality and pressure issues. Mr. Smith stated more applications were submitted this year, but allocation of these funds were still on time to be presented in July 2022. Lastly Mr. Smith stated that there were no county funding invested in this application.

Manager Bennett added that the new meter readers would improve water bills with accurate meter reading and send notifications of a malfunction (water leak, device malfunction, tampering).

EMS and Fire Services

Fire Marshall Michael Bryant gave an update on the EMS and Fire Services of Martin County by explaining the diversion of the hospital that occurred in the past weeks. Mr. Bryant reported Martin General had issues with overcrowding and called for an EMS diversion. Mr. Bryant reported this meant that EMS agencies would have to go to another facility outside of the county with their patients. Mr. Bryant reported receiving about 18 calls received where EMS sent patients to other facilities outside of the county. Mr. Bryant reported all calls were made and none were missed during the diversion. Mr. Bryant explained this could cause another facility out of county to become overcrowded and EMS has to rely on other agencies to backfill those facilities. On the 26th of April, Mr. Bryant and Medical Director Dr. Ketch met with the ER Medical Director, Dr. Meredith and the Chief Nursing Officer Haley Taffer. Mr. Bryant stated EMS were asked to be respectful of the diversion policy and Dr. Kitch reiterated that the diversion was a request and not a mandate that EMS has to transport patients to another facility. Mr. Bryant reported by law,

Martin General could not deny patients. Mr. Bryant stated asking the Martin General Staff at the meeting if they could respect the EMS policy as there are limited to resources and there was a verbal agreement.

Next, Mr. Bryant reported on the EMS Assessment that was discussed in the March 2022 Budget Retreat. Mr. Bryant stated the EMS assessment could be conducted by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners with no cost to the county. Mr. Bryant stated he was presented with a formal letter from county employed Medical Director, Dr. Kitch, to have a full assessment done of the EMS services. Mr. Bryant stated that this assessment was only to give an understanding of the services provided and where the EMS services operations are.

Then, Mr. Bryant discussed staffing shortages and the lack of volunteers. Mr. Bryant stated it was fortunate enough to have paid personnel at all five of EMS stations. Mr. Bryant explained that each station had at least two people with the exception of Hamilton who were filling in positions with part time people. Mr. Bryant announces as of May the 17th, 2022 the Jamesville station would no longer have a paid help in their station full time and they would have to fill positions with paid part time personnel. Mr. Bryant noted that the Jamesville station would not have permanent dedicated staff that is guaranteed Monday through Friday at their station. The Jamesville station reportedly called Mr. Bryant recently because their station failed most of their dates with part time help. Mr. Bryant stated the biggest opposition was personnel, but also gas and supply increases. Mr. Bryant reported there was an increase in the call volume and retreat, which increases gas usage and personnel needed to cover all calls. It was stated that the five squads completed 4,216 calls last year. It was stated as of May 11, 2022, those same five squads have already run 1688 calls. If they continue on that projected path by the end of the year, it was projected that they will exceed 5,000 calls this year. This process reportedly wears the EMS system down.

Lastly, Mr. Bryant reminded the board of another discussion at the March 2022 Budget Retreat regarding the transition to a modern practice for cardiac arrest. Mr. Bryant reported there would be a new implementation of pit crew CPR starting January 1, 2023. Fire Marshall Bryant reported this implementation would cause an ambulance to stay on scene for an hour and would increase mutual aid amongst the stations. The other issue with the implementation was having enough personnel to staff the ambulance on a scene and responding to calls at the same time. Mr. Bryant reported Martin County was the only county that was not on a paramedic level in the state and implementation of paramedic services was needed soon. Mr. Bryant asked the board that they consider approving the EMS assessment to find out where the services were and what could be done to improve them we need that assessment to see where it wants to say before writing down the key piece to come for the town of Graceland wasted and they can add some things to that before school decide.

Williamston Fire Chief Michael Peaks gave a short update for the EMS and Fire services as well. Chief Peaks reported serving the Farm Life Community, Bear Grass Community, and Skewarkee Park district, serving over 126 square miles. Chief Peaks reported rely heavily on volunteer firefighters and first responders as staffing is an issue. Chief Peaks reported having great collaboration with different local and state agencies in a recent fire. Chief Peaks reported that he cost of supplies was a major issue. Chief Peaks stated in the last five years, there has been an average loss of \$173,000 in the last five years. Chief Peaks stated the Town of Williamston was

paid this amount to provide emergency medical services. Both Chief Peaks and Chief Bryant thanked all EMS and Fire stations, first responders, the Board of Commissioners, and every agency that helps support the Fire and EMS Services of Martin County.

Motion to approve of a full EMS assessment made by Commissioner Gurganus with a **Second** by Commissioner Biggs. Motion was **Carried** unanimously.

Economic Development Update

Jason Semple, Martin County Economic Development Council CEO and President, gave an update on the EDC. Mr. Semple stated the mission statement was to create new businesses and industries, and to aid the growth of growth existing businesses and industries within the Martin County marketing the community's business climate and assets, building relationships with key partners and striving to increase value for new and expanding industries. Mr. Semple stated Economic Development was purely and simply the creation of wealth in which community benefits were created. Martin County EDC President Semple stated monies from outside the county being sent inside the county were needed as it creates more disposable income in the county, which raises the economy, which hopefully leverages more outside money to be spent in the community. President Semple of the MC EDC stated the EDC has been around for about 20 to 23 years, it was a 501 C three nonprofit organization, and it was governed by 11 member board.

MC EDC CEO Semple reported the EDC served as the county's lead economic development organization, was the official developer of the NC Rail and Commerce Park in Everetts, hosts the NC Telecenter Business and Meeting Center, coordinates recruitment and retention efforts, works with allies and partners on all levels (state, regional, and local), offers comprehensive facility location services. Traditionally, and this is true of most counties, the economic developers role has been primarily focused on industrial recruitment and retention. CEO and President Jason Semple reported at the beginning of the Industrial Revolution, economic development was the highest multiplier effect of any sector of the US economy.

President Semple explained the project process and process of recruiting a business. Mr. Semple reported project contact was the first step and this contact would come from partners such as the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina. Mr. Semple reported the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina was the states leading economic development entity. Mr. Semple stated that there were utility and regional partners such as NC East Alliance to produce marketing on the board's behalf at a regional level. After these sources make contact with MC EDC, the first conversation is typically about real estate, buildings and sites, site placement for the population and the business' needs, and more. Mr. Semple reported he would follow up with a phone call of responses for the business's needs and potential solutions the EDC could offer. Step four, would be a client visit, but this step has slowed since COVID.

MC Economic Development Council President and CEO stated site selection was really site elimination because companies looked for reasons to check the county or a site within the county off their list. Mr. Semple reported the EDC's job separate from the project process was to make sure infrastructure (Water and Sewer, Roads, and Broadband). Next, Mr. Semple reported final negotiations were made with the company /business and usually incentives are discussed which are needed in order to compete. Lastly, the EDC takes care of any needs from training needs,

relationships with our community agencies, recycling or other tax programs, and overall assistance that can be provided to them to help a business flourish the county.

CEO and President of the Martin County Economic Development Council was thanked for his presentation and updates.

Opioid Discussion

MTW Health Director Wes Gray presented an update regarding the Opioid Settlement and Epidemic. Mr. Gray discussed the data received from the CDC and stated there was a steady increase in opioid deaths until 2018-2019 when there was a dip in numbers. MTW Health Director noticed the decline as people started prescribing less opioids and gave more information around the subject. In 2019 there was an increase in opioid deaths with a 15% increase in 2021. . MTW Health Director Wes Gray stated opioid deaths in the United States were fueled by fentanyl, synthetic opioids, and methamphetamine. Mr. Gray reported increases in deaths attributed by fentanyl and synthetic opioids began around 2013. Mr. Gray stated cocaine, prescription opioids, heroin, and methadone related deaths were steady in numbers, but did not come close to the level of trends for fentanyl and synthetic opioids. Mr. Gray reported that most of the Fentanyl were legal products coming in from China, manufactured and combined in Mexico, then it is disbursed in the states. Mr. Gray reported trends of Fentanyl in the West Coast first, then to the East Coast, the Northeastern part of the country, and lastly the Southwest. Mr. Gray reported the American Indian, Alaska Natives, and White populations were affected the most by opioid deaths. African Americans were reportedly showing increases in opioid deaths within the last 2 years with Hispanics slightly increasing in rates, and the Asian population shows steady low numbers.

Next MTW Health Director Gray discussed measuring opioid indicators. MTW Health Director reported opioid indicators were measured by four major things: overdose deaths, overdose emergency room visits, illicit drug overdose deaths, and prescription opioids and how many drugs are prescribed per member of the community. MTW Health Director Gray reported Martin County was in the low category of opioid deaths with a rate 27 of 100,000, whereas the state level was 28 people out of every 100,000. Mr. Gray reported Martin County was in the lowest category with a rate of 62 out of every 100,000 people. The third indicator for measuring opioid deaths was overdose illicit drug involvement. Mr. Gray reported Martin County having six overdoses in 2020 and of those 6, 5 individuals were using illicit drugs instead of prescribes. MTW Health Director Gray reported Martin County had a rate of 19 out of every 100 people in 2020 that represented about 4200 people in Martin County that were prescribed opioids. Mr. Gray stated that this was almost a fifth of the county's' population that was prescribed an opioid in the year 2020. That trend showed evidence of a decrease since then.

Lastly, MTW Health Director Wes Gray discussed the ongoing Opioid Litigation. The two major things is the memoranda agreement. This agreement was signed by all counties, it tells how the money could be spent, and it explained how it gets allocated to the state. 50% goes to the State General Assembly, 80% of the funds are going to local governments, including all 100 counties, and 17 municipalities. Mr. Gray stated an additional 5% would go in an incentive fund to encourage counties of large sizes to sign on to the agreement. MTW Health Director Gray stated all 100 counties signed the national settlement agreement which states that \$26 billion would be allocated to communities impacted by opioids up to \$850,000 in the long term to North Carolina over the next 18 years. MTW Health Director Gray explained that monies were to be spent by two

options. Option A stated local governments may fund one or more strategies from a short list of evidence base and pick strategies to address the epidemic. Option B is funding for one or more strategies from a longer list after engaging the strategic planning process with different stakeholders. MTW Health Director Gray reported a Leadership Forum on Opioid Abuse was active about 5 years ago, in which three counties were brought together. MTW Health Director Wes Gray explained resources in Martin County related to substance abuse treatment and or conditions.

Manager Bennett reported speaking with the county managers in Tyrell and Washington counties and scheduled a meeting for Friday. Manager Bennett stated with the monies received from the Opioid Litigation, the counties could pool their monies together to provide further services to the community. Manager Bennett reported sending a document that gave proof that funding could be allocated to the county by May.

March 16, 2022 Special Called Minute Approval

At the April 11, 2022 Regular Board meeting Commissioner Ayers expressed that there were things incorrect and or missing from the March 16, 2022 Special Call meeting minutes . Clerk to the Board Julia Rease asked that Commissioner Ayers call or make an office visit with the clerk to make changes. As of May 13, 2022, no changes were disclosed to the Clerk by office visit or phone call.

Motion to approve the March 16, 2022 Special Call meeting minutes by Commissioner Biggs with a **Second** by Vice Chairman Bond Jr. Motion was **Carried** 4-1.

Ayes: Chairman Ronnie Smith, Vice Chairman Dempsey Bond Jr., Commissioner Emily Biggs, and Commissioner David “Skip” Gurganus. **Nays:** Commissioner Joe R. Ayers

OLD BUSINESS

East End School Resolution

Attorney Benjamin Eisner discussed the East End School Surplus Property. Attorney Eisner stated this property was comprised of about 21.29 acres. In the March 9, 2022 meeting the Board exercised its option to make an offer to purchase the property after the Board of Education made a declaration of surplus property. An offer was presented, which the board accepted of \$60,000. Attorney Eisner reported that the process was still on track for June 2022. Attorney Eisner discussed what the Board needed to work on next. Attorney Eisner referred to General Statute under Article 12, 160 A-267 and 160a-279 which were statutes on the sale and disposition of property primarily looking at a private sale and the sales entity to use the property for a public purpose. Attorney Eisner gave a timeline of actions that occur at regular board meetings. Attorney Eisner stated if there was to be a private sale to an entity that uses it for public purpose, a few things needed to happen. Attorney Eisner reported a resolution being presented at a regular board meeting, the resolution adopted authorizing a county official to dispose of the property by private sale and negotiated price, the resolution should identify the property to be sold, a notice must be published once the resolution is adopted, the resolution would be published in the Enterprise with a summary that summarized the contents of the resolution. Attorney Eisner reported the sale could not be take place until the publication summary has run for at least 10 day. Attorney Eisner stated

that the 501 (c)(3) identified to purchase the property would fit the instance for a private entity with a use for a particular purpose. Lastly, Attorney Eisner stated the action to approve the resolution at a regular meeting would begin the process and County Clerk Rease read the resolution aloud.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE
OF REAL PROPERTY (FORMER EAST END ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL) TO W C CHANCE - EAST END SCHOOLS ALUMI**

WHEREAS, Martin County is in the process of purchasing property located at 1121 Third Street Extension, Robersonville, NC 27871, formerly known as East End Elementary School; a level tract of land with road frontage along Third Street Extension and Cochran Street;

WHEREAS, the property encompasses 21.29 acres more or less, which contains a school building (originally built in 1950 - approximately 10,188 square feet); a school building (originally built in 1950 - approximately 6,966 square feet); and a school building and gymnasium (originally built in 1950 - approximately 49,168 square feet);

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-176, N.C.G.S. § 160A-267, and N.C.G.S. § 160A-279, the Martin County Board of Commissioners may adopt a resolution or authorize an appropriate county official, in lieu of or in addition to the appropriation of funds, convey by private sale real or personal property to any public or non-profit entity which carries out a public purpose;

WHEREAS, Martin County desires to convey said real property "As Is" to the WC Chance - East End Schools Alumni, a 501(c)(3) non-profit private entity; and,

WHEREAS, the W C Chance - East End Schools Alumni seeks to improve the quality of life of the citizens in the community and surrounding areas by holding various monumental educational, social, and cultural activities through use of the facility, now deemed the W C Chance - East End Culture and Martin County Community's Complex.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Martin County hereby resolves as follows:

1. The Board of Commissioners, upon completion of the purchase of the property from the Martin County Board of Education, declare said property surplus and authorize the Chairman of the Martin County Board of Commissioners to execute all documents necessary to convey fee simple defeasible title to the 21.29 acres more or less property formerly known as East End Elementary School, now deemed WC Chance - East End Culture and Martin County Community's Complex, to WC Chance - East End Schools Alumni.

2. The consideration for the conveyance is the following set of conditions, covenants, and restrictions, which shall be incorporated in the deed given by Martin County

to W C Chance - East End Schools Alumni.

- a. The W C Chance - East End Schools Alumni will use the property to improve the quality of life of the citizens in the Community and surrounding areas by holding various educational, social, and cultural activities through the use of the facility, now deemed the W C Chance - East End Culture and Martin County Community's Complex;
 - b. The deed given by Martin County to the 21.29 acres more or less tract of land and all improvements thereon shall convey a title in fee simple determinable. The fee simple interest of the W C Chance - East End Schools Alumni in the property shall terminate if at any time during the next ten (10) years the W C Chance - East End Schools Alumni stops using the property for its intended public use.
3. A notice of this exchange will be published at least once after the adoption of this resolution in The Enterprise. Said notice will identify the property to be sold and may, but need not, specify a minimum price. No sale/conveyance shall be consummated thereunder until ten (10) days after its publication pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 160A-267.
4. Adoption of this resolution in a regular meeting will serve as authorization by the Board of Commissioners to convey the property as required by the North Carolina General Statutes.

Adopted this ____ day of May, 2022.

Ronnie Smith
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Julia S. Rease Clerk to the Board

Motion by Vice Chairman Bond Jr. to Adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Conveyance of Real Property (Former East End Elementary School) to W.C. Chance – East End Schools Alumni with a **Second** by Commissioner Biggs, and **Discussion** by Commissioner Ayers. Motion **was not carried** due to a discussion called by Commissioner Ayers.

Commissioner Ayers stated he wanted it crystal clear that he did not have a problem giving the property to the organization WC Chance. Commissioner Ayers stated he did have a problem spending \$60,000 of taxpayer’s money to do this when it could have been conducted without spending \$60,000 of taxpayer’s money. Commissioner Ayers stated he tried to get the motion approving the purchase of the East End property for \$60,000 amended to \$50,000, but was not successful. Commissioner Ayers stated that he would vote against this resolution, but the vote would not be against WC Chance in any means.

Motion by Vice Chairman Bond Jr. to Adopt of the Resolution Authorizing the Conveyance of Real Property (Former East End Elementary School) to W.C. Chance – East End Schools Alumni with a **Second** by Commissioner Biggs. Motion was Carried 3-2.

Ayes: Chairman Ronnie Smith, Vice Chairman Dempsey Bond Jr, and Commissioner Emily Biggs
Nays: Commissioner Joe R. Ayers and Commissioner David “Skip” Gurganus.

NEW BUSINESS

Solar Farm Discussion

Motion to remove the Solar Farm Discussion from the Agenda and add budget amendments made by Chairman Smith with a **Second** by Commissioner Biggs. Motion was **Carried** unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION (S) - NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (3) Attorney/Client Privilege, NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (4) Contracts and Agreements, NC G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (6) Personnel

At 9:18 p.m., Commissioner Biggs made a **Motion** to enter Closed Sessions NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (3) Attorney/Client Privilege, NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (4) Contracts and Agreements, NC G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (6) Personnel with a **Second** from Vice Chairman Bond Jr. Motion was **Carried** unanimously (5-0).

Around 9:55 p.m., Vice Chairman Bond Jr. made a **Motion** to go out of Closed Sessions NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (3) Attorney/Client Privilege, NC G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (4) Contracts and Agreements, NC G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (6) Personnel, with a **Second** from Commissioner Biggs. Motion was **Carried** unanimously (5-0).

OPEN SESSION

BOARD REPORTS/COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Biggs made the **Motion** to adjourn at 9:58 pm with a **Second** by Vice Chairman Bond Jr. Motion was **Carried** unanimously.

Ronnie Smith, Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Julia S. Rease, Clerk to the Board