

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF STOKES)
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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS
STOKES COUNTY GOVERNMENT
DANBURY, NORTH CAROLINA
MARCH 10, 2014

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met for regular session in the Commissioners' Chambers of the Ronald Wilson Reagan Memorial Building (Administration Building) located in Danbury, North Carolina on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 1:30 pm with the following members present:

Chairman James D. Booth
Vice Chairman Ronda Jones
Commissioner J. Leon Inman
Commissioner Jimmy Walker
Commissioner Ernest Lankford

County Personnel in Attendance:
County Manager Richard D. Morris
Clerk to the Board Darlene Bullins
Finance Director Julia Edwards
Tax Administrator Jake Oakley
DSS Director Stacey Elmes
County Attorney Tyrone Browder
Sheriff Mike Marshall

Chairman James Booth called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Vice Chairman Jones delivered the invocation.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Booth opened the meeting by inviting everyone in attendance to join the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to approve or amend the March 10, 2014 Agenda.

County Manager Rick Morris presented a request to add the following item to today's March 10, 2014

Discussion Agenda:

- CDBGrant for the Water/Sewer Project to the Meadows Area
 - County has an opportunity to apply for a CDBGrant, if eligible, for funding for the Water and Sewer Project to the Meadows area
 - Would need for the Board to schedule two (2) mandatory Public Hearings for different topics for the March 24th meeting on the condition that the County is deemed eligible to apply

The Board discussed the manager's request.

It was consensus of the Board to add the item requested by Manager Morris to the Discussion Agenda (Item I).

Commissioner Inman moved to approve the March 10th Agenda as amended.

Vice Chairman Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Stokes Family YMCA – Request to Approve the Issuance of the Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Northwest North Carolina) on Behalf of the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina

Chairman Booth called the Public Hearing for the Stokes Family YMCA – Request to Approve the Issuance of the Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Northwest North Carolina) on Behalf of the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina to order.

Chairman Booth read the following:

- “The Board will proceed in holding a Public Hearing and will now hear anyone that wishes to be heard concerning the proposed issuance by the Public Finance Authority of Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000, the proceeds of which will be loaned to the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina. On February 20, 2014, a notice of public hearing was published in *The Stokes News* setting forth a general, functional description of the type and use of the facilities to be financed and refinanced, the maximum principal amount of the bonds to be issued, the initial owner, operator or manager of the facilities and the location of the facilities, among other things. In order to comply with federal law, the YMCA has requested that the County of Stokes Board of Commissioners hold this Public Hearing and approve the bond issue. This approval will not make the County responsible in any way for the bonds or the projects financed or refinanced with bond proceeds. Is there anyone present that would like to offer comments on the proposed issuance of the bonds?”

Chairman Booth verified with Clerk Darlene Bullins that no one had signed up to speak.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Booth adjourned the Public Hearing.

COMMENTS - Manager/Commissioners

Chairman Booth opened the floor for comments from the County Manager and the Board of Commissioners.

County Manager Rick Morris presented the following comments:

- Camp Sertoma
 - This week will be coming up on a couple of weeks since staff of the Parks System met with County officials/staff and NC State officials
 - NC State Officials stated that the Parks System was going to take a couple of weeks to evaluate the possibility and the feasibility of taking ownership of the Camp Sertoma/Moore's Springs properties
 - Will be getting back with NC State Officials to see if they have heard back from the Parks System
 - If NC State Officials have not heard from the Parks System, will be calling Dave Cook to see where the Parks System is in their evaluation
 - Want to get a follow up meeting scheduled with NC State and other parties that need to be involved to try to get the Sertoma issue worked out in a timely manner
- VIPER Radio Update
 - County is finishing up with the installation of the VIPER System for the King Police Department
 - The County's E911 Console System has been working on both the old E911 System and the new VIPER System
 - On Monday, March 17th, the old E911 System will be closed out; therefore, the old system will no longer work on the law enforcement side
 - This will disenable broadcast of all law enforcement activity to local scanners across the county
 - The next segment will be to schedule installation of the VIPER System to all the fire departments
 - Once all the fire departments have been upgraded to the VIPER System, the old system will no longer work on the fire department side
 - This will disenable broadcast of fire department/EMS activity to local scanners across the county
 - There may be scanners available for purchase, but understand they are fairly expensive
- North Carolina Department of Commerce
 - Dr. Patricia Mitchell, Assistant Secretary for Rural Economic at NC Commerce, recently visited the County to review the County's Water and Sewer Project

- Received an email this week from Dr. Mitchell who explained that she has been very busy, but would contact the County this Friday to discuss the status of the Rural Center Grant that was transferred to NC Commerce
- Will keep the Board updated regarding the grant

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Ethics for Life
 - Life is like a coin, you can spin it anyway you wish, but you can only spin it once
 - Feel this is a message that everyone can adhere to
- PTRC Meeting
 - Discussed the Clean Water Grant (grant Manager Morris added to the Discussion Agenda) with PTRC Director Matthew Dolge last week at the PTRC Meeting
- Went to the musical fund raiser in Sandy Ridge and found it to be cancelled
- Attended the 4H Awards Banquet on Friday night, very inspirational event; very good 4H Program in Stokes County that continues to grow and be good for the county's youth
- At the last commissioner meeting, a citizen questioned the status of the HWY 311 Bypass Project from Walkertown in public comments
 - Project is still on the NCDOT Project List
 - Estimated cost is \$100 million
 - Probably will be on a waiting list for a long time
- March is declared as "Social Work Month"
 - Would like to thank the County's dedicated employees that keep our programs strong at Social Services

Commissioner Inman commented:

- This past Thursday at the regular CenterPoint Human Services Board of Directors' Meeting, Senator Shirley Randleman held an informal session with Board members that was very informative
- Would like for CEO Betty Taylor, who is in attendance for today's meeting, to speak a few moments regarding regionalization of MCOs (will be four statewide with CenterPoint being a part of a 35-county consolidation)
- Attended the Public Education Steering Committee in Raleigh on February 19th
 - Representative Craig Horn, co-chair of the Education Budget in the House, spoke to the committee specifically about the lottery
 - One thing Representative Horn spoke about was possibly restructuring the lottery
 - County is currently getting an unfunded mandate with the lottery
 - Counties have lost ADM funding and other funds which are being used in the State's General Fund
 - Lottery proceeds are now being used in the State's General Fund
 - Instead of receiving 40% as originated, counties currently are only receiving 20% of the lottery proceeds

- Representative Horn stated for the NCACC to not hold anything back, that is the NCACC's intention
- Top three (3) NCACC Goals:
 - (1) Restore lottery funding
 - (2) To assure no unfunded mandates are handed down to the counties
 - (3) To assure adequate funding for mental health in North Carolina
- Legislative "short session" starts on May 14th
- Representative Holloway feels it will be a very long "short session" this year
- Will be back in Raleigh for another meeting this week

Chairman Booth commented:

- The County's school construction projects were all based on the original 40% of lottery proceeds, this is another unfunded mandated for the County

Vice Chairman Jones commented:

- Have a PART meeting this Wednesday
- Will be speaking to the Future Farmers at North Stokes High School this week
- All went well in Wilkes County last Friday with the Community Grants Program
- Been on the telephone with Raleigh today trying to figure out the new rules for Farmers Markets and how it will impact Stokes County
- Attended the 4H Awards Banquet
 - Wonderful to see these young kids grow (maturity) from year to year
 - Can tell they are truly leaders
 - Very exceptional event

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Would like to welcome everyone here today
- Can always see folks here for a variety of reasons, whatever reason that brought you here today, appreciate your attendance and being a part of the process
- Convinced that government works best when there is citizen involvement
- Appreciate the ongoing update involving Camp Sertoma from the County Manager, Camp Sertoma fits well with the County's tourism concept for a good part of the county; several citizens want to see things work out in a positive way for both properties
- Watching television recently, saw an advertisement for the lottery, thought it was very interesting that it stated all the lottery funds were being used for education
 - Makes me wonder what definition of education they are using
- Regretted missing the 4H Awards Banquet this year due to a prior commitment
- Recently seen an article that stated the county's average family income from 2007 to 2012 had decreased by 16.1%; alarming information
 - Good news is that a lot of other categories, which add to the quality of life for our citizens, has improved
- Don't remember the County every doing a survey to find out what our citizens feel about how things are in the County (general happiness)
 - There is always a chance that there are things not being done that citizens want

- Without input, you will never know what our citizens really want unless we ask
- Feel there will be some unhappy citizens once they are not able to listen to scanners once the old system has been disenabled

Vice Chairman Jones responded:

- Would like to let Commissioner Walker know that there is a survey being conducted (starting today) by Destination Design who is preparing the Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the county and municipalities (workshops are scheduled throughout the County within the next few weeks)

Chairman Booth commented:

- Would like to make sure everyone knows that Commissioner Inman and Commissioner Lankford have been serving on a committee regarding Camp Sertoma since September 2013 when the issue started
- As Chairman, have requested both commissioners to continue to serve on the committee, as well as, the County Manager Morris in order to keep the public informed
- Also attended the 4H Awards Banquet which was an excellent event
- Read the Proposed Resolution – Farmer Appreciation Day in Stokes County that is included in today's Consent Agenda
 - Reiterated that local businesses within the County provide funding for a BBQ and Chicken Dinner with live entertainment to be held this year at North Stokes High School on Thursday, April 10th starting at around 5:30 pm
 - Reiterated that the Board of Commissioners extends its appreciation and gratitude to the county's farmers for their many contributions to Stokes County
 - Serving as a Supervisor for the Stokes County Soil and Water Conservation District, would like to invite everyone to attend the event at North Stokes High School on Thursday, April 10th

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Booth opened the floor for Public Comments.

Chairman Booth reminded those in attendance that the Board does not reply to Public Comments.

Chairman Booth also reminded those speaking that there was a three (3) minute time limit.

The following spoke during public comments:

Mr. Buddy Timm
708 Summit Street
Walnut Cove, NC 27052
Re: **Common Core**

Mr. Timm read the following:

“My concern is over the Common Core education curriculum for our children.

I am against the Nationalized Standardized Common Core education curriculum, because our Nation is divided between the socialistic policies and principles of the Communist Party USA and those for Constitutional assured Freedoms; and with the Communist’s goal to centralized power that threatens the Constitution’s limits over powers.

Common Core with its Nationalized Standardized curriculum is tailored for a stealth Federal takeover. Just like the Federal Department of Education, was never, and still is not a lawful delegated power to the Federal Government; and no one has been able to correct that.

Besides, Common Core’s sex education book, “*It is Perfectly Normal*”, is repulsive to morals, and therefore, harmful to our children’s future.

Education is a fundamental Natural Right of the parents and is best handled locally. Common Core makes that Natural Right untouchable by the parents and opens the door to National Totalitarian control, which is antithetical to parental Natural and Constitutional Rights and freedoms.

The Tenth Amendment states: “The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution... are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.” Either that is: truth or a lie. The idea, that Federal opinions and laws substantiate they are delegated powers is a mythical interpretation of words that are not there. We must adhere to the words written on the pages of the Constitution, for that is what you and I swore to uphold against all enemies foreign or domestic.

Whereas: James Madison in his *Virginia Resolution of 1798*, states: “...it would mark a reproachable inconsistency and criminal degeneracy, if an indifference were now shown to the most palpable violation of one of the Rights.... to consolidate the states by degrees, into one sovereignty, the obvious tendency and inevitable consequence of which would be, to transform the present republican system of the United States, into an absolute, or at best a mixed monarchy.” That would violate the Constitutional guarantee to the States of: “a Republican Form of Government” in Article IV, Section 4, of the Constitution.”

Ramona Timm
708 Summit Street
Walnut Cove, NC 27052
Re: **Documentary film “Blue”**

Ms. Timm presented the following comments:

- Appreciate the opportunity to speak to the Board today and hear the Board’s reports
- Just received a copy of a new documentary film called “*Blue*” (Landmark Film)

- Read the following regarding the film
 - “For decades, the green movement has claimed that the Earth is threatened by the activity and even the existence of mankind. Green policies dictate that the noble response is relinquishing our liberties to “Save the Planet” from peril. This film challenges these green philosophies and explores issues like carbon emissions, climate change, over population, natural resources and unmasks the United Nation’s Agenda 21 Plan. Blue casts a bold, new vision that through greater freedom we call Earth”
- Know this Board is very concerned about our environment and where Stokes County is going
- Stokes Tea is planning on hosting this film for the County in the month of April, probably will be sometime during the third week of April (date and time to be announced) at the King Library
- Everyone is invited
- Hope to do a press release in the *Stokes News* with the date and time

Chairman Booth expressed the Board’s appreciation to those who spoke today during Public Comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to approve or amend the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Minutes

- Minutes of February 24, 2014 – Regular Meeting

Tax Administration, Revaluation, GIS Mapping and Capital Reserve Fund - Budget Amendment #58

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #58.

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Tax Administration			
100.4140.311	Training	\$22,800.00	\$(20,000.00)	\$2,800.00
100.4140.440	Misc. Contractual Services	\$210,000.00	\$(35,000.00)	\$175,000.00
100.4140.510	Equipment	\$25,000.00	\$(25,000.00)	\$00.00
	Revaluation			
100.4142.311	Training	\$3,500.00	\$(3,000.00)	\$500.00

100.4142.440	Misc. Contractual Services	\$27,400.00	\$(17,000.00)	\$10,400.00
	GIS Mapping			
100.4141.440	Misc. Contractual Services	\$36,000.00	\$(10,000.00)	\$26,000.00
	Transfers			
100.9820.960	Transfer to Capital Reserve Fd	<u>\$3,291.00</u>	<u>\$110,000.00</u>	<u>\$113,291.00</u>
	Total	\$327,991.00	\$00.00	\$327,991.00
	Capital Reserve Fund			
201.4140.000	Tax Administration	<u>\$00.00</u>	<u>\$110,000.00</u>	<u>\$110,000.00</u>
	Total	\$00.00	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds to Capital Reserve Fund for the Tax Office software project.

This will result in a **net increase** of **\$110,000.00** in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Capital Reserve Fund			
201.3981.000	Transfer from General Fund	<u>\$3,291.00</u>	<u>\$110,000.00</u>	<u>\$113,291.00</u>
	Totals	\$3,291.00	\$110,000.00	\$113,291.00

Sheriff's Department - Budget Amendment #59

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #59.

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Sheriff's Department			
100.4310.351	Maintenance & Repairs-Auto	<u>\$85,995.00</u>	<u>\$1,669.00</u>	<u>\$87,664.00</u>
	Totals	\$85,995.00	\$1,669.00	\$87,664.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To appropriate insurance claim funds to repair a vehicle damaged during the recent snow storm.

This will result in a **net increase** of **\$1,669.00** in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Current Budgeted Amount	As Amended
100.3839.850	Insurance Claims	<u>\$5,183.00</u>	<u>\$1,669.00</u>	<u>\$6,852.00</u>
	Totals	\$5,183.00	\$1,669.00	\$6,852.00

Sheriff's Department - Budget Amendment #60

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #60.

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Sheriff's Department			
100.4310.511	Equipment Non-Capital	<u>\$18,325.00</u>	<u>\$5,380.00</u>	<u>\$23,705.00</u>
	Totals	\$18,325.00	\$5,380.00	\$23,705.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To purchase two (2) laptop computers. No County Funding.

This will result in a **net increase** of **\$5,380.00** in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Current Budgeted Amount	As Amended
100.3301.413	State Fines & Forfeitures	<u>\$24,029.00</u>	<u>\$5,380.00</u>	<u>\$29,409.00</u>
	Totals	\$24,029.00	\$5,380.00	\$29,409.00

Proposed Resolution -- Farmer Appreciation Day in Stokes County

Clerk Darlene Bullins presented the following proposed Resolution – Farmer Appreciation Day in Stokes County for the Board's consideration and approval:

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FARMER APPRECIATION DAY IN STOKES COUNTY

Whereas, the County of Stokes, the Stokes Soil & Water Conservation District, the Cooperative Extension, Farm Service Agency, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the NC Forest Service desire to host the Farmer Appreciation Day to recognize the contributions of our farmers to Stokes County; and

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners recognizes that the county's farmers contribute greatly to Stokes County's economic base; and

Whereas, the Board believes that all county citizens benefit from farming activities in some manner; and

Whereas, the Board agrees that a Farmer Appreciation Day would show our county's support for the existing farming community and honor past activities that have contributed so much to the culture and heritage of Stokes County; and

Whereas, the Board recognizes and supports a BBQ and Chicken Dinner along with live entertainment that will be held at South Stokes High School with all Stokes County citizens invited.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

The Stokes County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims April 10, 2014 as **Farmer Appreciation Day** in Stokes County and extends its appreciation and gratitude to the county's farmers for their many contributions to Stokes County.

Adopted by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners this 10th day **March, 2014**.

Chairman James D. Booth

Vice Chairman Ronda Jones

Commissioner J. Leon Inman

Commissioner Jimmy Walker

Commissioner Ernest Lankford

Attest:

Darlene M. Bullins
Clerk to the Board

Commissioner Lankford moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Vice Chairman Jones seconded the motion.

Commissioner Walker confirmed with Manager Morris that the \$110,000 being transferred to Capital Reserve (Budget Amendment #58) is in this year's Fiscal Budget (2013-14) and will be March 10, 2014

used for the new software project in Fiscal Year 2014-15.

Commissioner Walker also confirmed with Tax Administrator Jake Oakley (Budget Amendment #58) that the new tax software system should be installed by September 2014 with 2015 tax bills being billed from the new software system.

The motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – INFORMATION AGENDA

CenterPoint Human Services – Biannual Report

Chairman Booth welcomed the following who were here today from CenterPoint Human Services to present the Biannual Report:

- CEO Betty Taylor
- CAO Ronda Outlaw
- CFO Kevin Beauchamp

CEO Betty Taylor commented:

- Appreciate the opportunity to address the Board with the Biannual Report which includes the first year of waiver operations that ended January 31, 2014
- CFO Beauchamp will present the financial report
- CAO Outlaw will present the current activity and outreach in the rural counties
- I will be reporting the current update on the political climate and the move toward regionalization
- CFO Beauchamp will be presenting some exciting financial news regarding the waiver operation

CFO Kevin Beauchamp presented the following financial summary:

- Medicaid Financial Performance Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2013
 - Medicaid is on a different cycle than the regular fiscal year budget
 - Contract for Medicaid is on a calendar year basis
 - This first year for the waiver is for an eleven-month period
- Medicaid Services (first year of waiver operation) (calendar year 2013)
 - Service Revenue = \$105,304,862
 - Service Expenditures = \$101,545,057
 - Revenue Less Expenditures = \$3,759,805
- Medicaid Administration
 - Administration Revenue = \$14,366,233
 - Administration Expenditures = \$12,524,383
 - Revenue Less Expenditures = \$1,841,850
- Total Medicaid

- Revenue = \$119,671,095
- Expenditures = \$114,069,440
- Revenue Less Expenditures = \$5,601,655
- Excess revenue will be rolled back to enhanced Medicaid services, currently working on that now
- Average Days to Pay Medicaid Claims
 - Want to make sure that providers are receiving reimbursement for services
 - Benchmark for payment to providers is 30 days
 - From February 2013 to December 2013, the average days have been as low as 7.1 and the highest at 12.2
 - The average for December 2013 was 8.8
 - Want to make sure providers are able to provide services to the clients
- Average Claim Denial Percentage
 - Want to make sure that denied claims are being tracked
 - Benchmark is 10%
 - From February 2013 to December 2013, the average has been as low as 6% and the highest at 16%
 - The average for December 2013 was 7%
 - It is important that providers submit their claims so that they pass all edits, so that claims are paid promptly back to them
 - Focus on providers who consistently exceed the 10% benchmark, provide technical assistance, get providers to work with claims staff, try to find out why the claims are consistently being denied
 - Claims staff makes sure that providers know about their denied claims on a daily basis
- Number of Medicaid Claims Submitted by Month
 - For the period from 02-01-2013 to 12-31-13, claims processed averaged 62,957 claims per month
- Medicaid Financial Overview Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2013
 - Medical Expense Ratio = 96%
 - Ratio measures the percentage of Medicaid service revenue that was received to Medicaid service expenses incurred
 - Administrative Expense Ratio = 87%
 - Ratio measures the percentage of Medicaid administrative revenue that was received to Medicaid administrative expenses incurred
 - Medicaid Current Ratio = 1.94
 - The Current Ratio is a liquidity ratio that measures an entity's ability to pay short-term obligations. The higher the ratio, the more capable the entity is of paying its obligations. A ratio under 1 suggests that the entity would be unable to pay off its obligations if they came due at that point being measured. Per CenterPoint's contract with DMA, current ratio cannot fall below 1.0.
 - Medicaid Defensive Interval Ratio = 48.57
 - The Defensive Interval is an efficiency ratio that measures how many days an entity can operate without having to access its long-term assets. Per CenterPoint's contract with DMA, our Defensive Interval Ratio cannot fall below 30.

▪ Financial Performance Fiscal Year-To-Date as of January 31, 2014

	Annual Budget	Budget YTD	Actual YTD	Variance YTD	Percentage
Total Revenue	161,222,312	94,046,349	97,125,333	3,078,984	3%
Fund Balance Appropriation	<u>404,231</u>	<u>235,801</u>	-	-	
Total	161,626,543	94,282,150	97,125,333	3,078,984	3%
Total Expenditures	161,626,543	94,282,150	<u>92,066,488</u>	(2,215,662)	-2%
Revenue Less Expenditures			\$5,058,845		

Note: The above includes revenue and expenditures for all funding sources –Medicaid, State, Federal, County and other sources

▪ F/Y 2014 Allocation of Stokes County Discretionary Funds

Area	Amount	Percentage
MH	84,666	23%
I/DD	16,029	45%
SA	54,815	15%
Inpatient	52,500	14%
Transportation	<u>10,000</u>	<u>3%</u>
Total	368,010	100%

▪ Old Vineyard Behavioral Health Inpatient Services

Quarter	Admissions	Bed Days	Cost	County Funding
Q1	9	57	\$ 37,050	\$ 17,500
Q2	7	47	\$ 30,576	\$ 17,500
Total	16	104	\$ 67,626	\$ 35,000

- Utilization reduces wait time for law enforcement
- Local inpatient care benefits consumers and families
- Stokes County Utilization thru December 31, 2013 illustrated above

Reimbursement for Funding Loaned CenterPoint for Medicaid Waiver

CFO Beauchamp noted the following regarding the funding loaned CenterPoint for the

Medicaid Waiver:

- Stokes County allocated a one-time financial assistance for the Medicaid waiver in the amount of \$150,682
- CenterPoint has reimbursed the County \$60,435 so far through withholding of discretionary funding
- Staff is planning to recommend to the finance committee next week and then to the Board of Directors at their regular meeting in March to repay the remaining outstanding balances to all the counties before June 30, 2014

- Stokes County will be receiving \$90,247

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Very positive information presented today
- Questioned CFO Beauchamp how the excess amount of \$5.6 million occurred?

CFO Beauchamp responded:

- Medicaid funding is received on a per member per month basis
- For the four county area, for everyone on Medicaid, CenterPoint receives funding for them
- Not everyone accesses mental health services
- Any profit must roll back into other services for Medicaid
- Currently looking into how to utilize the additional revenue
- Can pay providers higher than the Medicaid rate in cases where there is a certain service that CenterPoint might want to incentivize in our catchment area; can look at new initiatives for Medicaid services
- If CenterPoint continues to show this type of profit, the PMP will get adjusted by the State
- This was the first year and the PMP was based on the prior year of Medicaid experience
- For 2014, the rates are actually less than the 2013 rates, that adjustment has already been made
- For the first two or three years, CenterPoint was told this would probably happen; but the PMP rates will be adjusted accordingly going forward until there is a breakeven point

Commissioner Walker continued:

- Confirmed with CFO Beauchamp that the Medicaid waiver is working out very well

CEO Taylor commented:

- CenterPoint has been managing services since the beginning and wanted the BOCC to know that CenterPoint is not in the business to deny services to consumers who need the services
- This has shown us that before the local management entities and manage care organizations took over, management for those funds were less than stellar
- For example, care was not handled properly
- The team at CenterPoint has done an excellent job
- CFO Beauchamp did an outstanding job with the administrative side of the budget which is totally separate from the service dollars
- Have a very lean staff
- Have been very conscientious with our use of dollars
- Hope to repeat savings this year so that excess profit can again be rolled back into services
- Once those dollars are back into services, the PMP continues to fund them

- Appreciate the County's support during the initial startup of the Medicaid waiver

Commissioner Lankford confirmed with CFO Beauchamp that the Medicaid budgets for 2013 and 2014 are pretty much the same.

CAO Ronda Outlaw presented the following information:

- Strengthening Services and Supports
 - Key Performance Indicator/Outcomes in 02-01-2014 Renewal Contracts
 - Improve service quality and provider sustainability; reflect national standards
 - Strengthen providers
 - Strengthen services
 - Worked with a national consultant in December to develop key performance indicators or outcomes to include in the renewal contracts
 - Outcomes address both financial, health, and sustainability of providers
 - Want providers on sound footing in order to be able to continue to provide services
 - Outcomes include providing clients their rights as a consumer of services, timely access to care and engagement to treatment
 - Providers will be providing CenterPoint a report on where they stand on each of the outcomes
 - They will provide CenterPoint information on how each provider stands
 - Outcomes reflect national standards
 - Consultant indicated that providers need to be able to meet those outcomes in order to sustain themselves over time
 - As the manager, it is our responsibility to set those standards, provide support and technical assistance necessary so that providers can achieve those standards
 - There may be a few providers who can't achieve those standards
 - Claims Denial Benchmarks
 - Support provider sustainability and cash flow
 - Meet national standards (denial rate of 10% or lower)
 - Offer graduated levels of intervention (training, technical assistance, plan of correction)
 - Want providers to have a low denial rate so that they can receive a steady flow of funding to be able to sustain
 - Meaningful Provider Training
 - "Accountable Care Solutions" – intensive two-day training, targeting 52 agency CEOs, was provided by the national consultant
 - Annual Comprehensive Training Plan with mandatory and locally identified training topics

- Requests for Proposal (RFP)
 - “Right size” provider network at service level; assures adequate market share for specific services while maintaining adequate capacity; includes quality indicators
 - Only those providers who were providing services were offered a new contract
- Criteria for Network Participation
 - “Right size” network at provider level; streamlines CenterPoint oversight
 - Eliminated provider contracts and specific services with no billing
- Standardize processes with western region partners and provider input to reduce administrative burden
 - Simplified provider credentialing process
 - Streamlined provider monitoring for shared providers
- Network Development based on capacity analysis
 - Services, sites, and providers added based on capacity/gap analysis and client need

Current Provider Network

- Credentialed/contracted provider network (as of 02-01-2014)
 - CenterPoint has over 300 contracts
 - 1147 Licensed Practitioners (59 independent practice; 294 group; 794 agency practice)
 - 37 Outpatient Group Practices
 - 160 Agencies delivering enhanced Medicaid services
 - 25 Hospitals
- Provided first quarter services which reflected new services provided for Stokes County consumers during July-September 2013
 - Services added:
 - B3 Respite
 - B3 Peer Support Services (PSS)
 - Supported Employment/Long Term Vocational Support (SE/LTCS)
 - Intensive Alternative Family Treatment
 - ACTT/Assertive Community Treatment Team (State-funded, serving people without Medicaid)
- Provided second quarter services which reflected new services provided for Stokes County consumers during October-December 2013
 - Services added:
 - Rural six-bed geriatric psychiatric unit at Pioneer Community Hospital of Stokes
 - Integrated Psychiatric Services (MD)
 - Intensive In-Home Services
- Stokes County Wellness Center
 - Centrally and conveniently located on Highway 8
 - Education and outreach to clients and community
 - Wellness and recovery options
 - Information available for easy access

- Currently operating on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons with plans to extend operating hours Monday thru Friday as soon as possible
- Exploring the possibility of adding a provider at the center who would deliver adult substance abuse services – such a dramatic need for that in Stokes County

CEO Taylor presented the following comments and information:

- Just as the waters were calming down, have been challenged by the Secretary and Governor's partnership for a healthy North Carolina which initially envisioned privatizing all services
- That triggered a lot of efforts by managed care organizations such as CenterPoint because we believe in public management
- In a severely underfunded area, we didn't feel we could tolerate without a fight
- Taking that same level of funds to private companies, who by their own charter and type of organization, would need to make a profit off the top
- CenterPoint is very gratified that we were successful in working with SecretaryWos and with the Department of Health and Human Services so that in December, the Secretary announced publicly that she endorsed the regions of MCOs to be formed to publicly manage the Behavioral Health Services in North Carolina
- Provided a press release that announced the proposed Local Management Entity – Managed Care Organizations (LME-MCOs) as of 12-13-2013
 - Smokey Mountain Center, Partners Behavioral Health Management, and CenterPoint Human Services (includes 35 counties)
 - Will require a lot of travel to serve 35 counties effectively
 - Sandhills Center and Alliance Behavioral Healthcare
 - East Carolina Behavioral Health, Eastpointe, and CoastalCare
 - Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions and MeckLINK Behavioral Healthcare
- The plan from the NC Council of Community Programs, which represents the LME-MCOs worked out the three main characteristics:
 - Four regions (one in Western, two in Central, and one in Eastern)
 - Geographic contiguity (with the exception of existing MCO configurations)
 - 300,000 to 350,000 covered lives per region
- CenterPoint began extensive work with Partners Behavioral Health Management and Smokey Mountain Center in July 2013
- Decided going in knowing that we operate within a very political environment, not knowing exactly what the Secretary's plan would be when she presents it to the Legislature on March 17th, not knowing what the Legislative response to that plan will be
- We needed to do a lot of work that would benefit consumers, providers and the system right now
- Not to just focus on the sole target of creating a new entity out of these 35 counties
- Feel this is important for the Board to know what is currently going on
- First, focused on wanting to sustain three publicly managed MCOs that are currently doing a good job managing the waiver

- Wanted to address the goals of the Governor's partnership plan for a healthy North Carolina
- Wanted to initiate standardization efforts across the region that benefits everyone
- The more the process is made efficient for providers, the less stress and cost for providers, the more they can focus on delivering quality services to the ones who need the services
- Wanted to capture administrative efficiencies
- Wanted, above all, to support the continuation of public management
- On the operational effort, have developed a Steering Committee that meets once a month (currently has nine different subgroups that are looking under every rock and behind every door at every operation of MCOs to see how to improve them, elevate them and make them best practice)
- On an organizational effort, we defined that our values that we are going to stand on, this is not a merger, this is not a MCO taking over another MCO; we wanted this to be a state of the art, new enhanced entity that does this management level of work really well
- We will focus on personal center care, integration of behavioral healthcare with medical care, continued committed to local systems of care, financial stewardship and stability/accountability
- One thing that kept our adrenaline pumping was all the human cry about Medicaid is out of control and the automatic consumption that it was due to MCOs
- We are one small piece of the pie and the one piece of the pie that is under control; it is the rest of Medicaid that is not capitated
- We can give you predictability regarding finances
- If we go over our budget, it is on CenterPoint, it is not on the State nor the counties
- Spent a lot of time and effort educating people that the rest of the system needs your attention, not the MCOs
- All the CEOs want this to be a new entity, equal participation with partnering among the staff and board
- There is going to be transparency and openness on how the process is proceeding
- Do a Western Regional Partnership Monthly Update that is posted on the CenterPoint website
- Discussions on CEO selection or primary corporate site have not occurred, deliberately made a conscious decision to park those topics knowing that regardless of what the decision was, it would impact staff and communities; that item will be addressed later
- 35 counties is a lot of square miles
- Among the three entities, there is already 345,000 eligible with a population of approximately 2.5 million
- Will be a budget of approximately \$800 million without affordable health care
- Quite endeavor
- Will see how the Legislator responds to the Secretary's plan

Chairman Booth opened the floor discussion.

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Encouraged that the process seems to be on track
- Currently Mental Health seems to very stable in the County, a compliment to CEO Taylor and staff
- Feel CEO Taylor has brought a degree of stability and vision that is beginning to pay off in very good ways
- Bit concerned about some of the aspects presented today (for example: 35-county MCO)
- Questioned CEO Taylor what were her concerns?

CEO Taylor responded:

- Concerned about the size of the region
- Believe different people could make different presentations to validate size
- Concerned that the State will only know if the region is too large after it has already been implemented; working with a consultant on this concern
- Would like to prevent that; want what is best for the consumers, the communities being served, etc.
- Still have concerns that 4 MCOs may be too restrictive, but if that is what it takes for public management to continue, we will do it
- The Secretary and DHHS is currently talking about 6 or 7 regions for medical care, that causes some concerns, would hope there would be some consistency of boundaries at some point in time
- Know there are some legislators who are well versed on these issues and have very defined opinions about them

Commissioner Walker continued:

- It seems like going in, in my view, is cost efficiencies
- Don't see an advantage for the users of the services
- Am I overlooking those advantages?

CEO Taylor responded:

- There are some advantages, feel that are less obvious, but feel we all know this is about North Carolina's budget and Medicaid spending which most states in the Nation are wrestling with right now
- Feel there is synergy among a lot of talented people
- Have already seen some of CenterPoint's ideas put on the table and Smokey and Partners say they are going to do it the way CenterPoint is doing it and also seen it reverse
- Feel that works to the benefit the consumers
- Have identified 75 common providers across the MCOs; this will improve operations which will flow to the consumers

Commissioner Walker questioned what is next and how close are we currently to where you would like to see us be?

CEO Taylor responded:

- When Sheriff Marshall can stand before this Board and say that not one of his officers had to stay in an emergency room at all with a consumer; when we can see the people who need inpatient care or truly that percentage has been driven as low as for those people who really do need that as a part to maintain their quality of life; when we began to see that fewer people are served in the system because they have gotten community and family support and they are so established in their recovery that they don't need access to more enhanced services, etc.; then we will be where we want to be
- How to predict that, that takes a combination, first of all, stability in the management system; can't keep changing the system and expect it to become all it is capable of coming; increase in the funding (have had 20% decrease in state funding over the last four years and at the same time had a parallel increase of the numbers served); until our communities value these people and stand on their values that it is our community obligation to provide this care
- We are not there yet, doubt we will ever be there, but as long as improvements are being made, we are making progress

Commissioner Inman questioned CEO Taylor about the first opinion waivers?

CEO Taylor responded:

- There is still a need to educate magistrates, bring the Assistant Attorney General Angel Gray to work with law enforcement and magistrates, work with doctors, have other services available, mobile crisis team available
- Looking at incentivizing mobile crisis visits in order to provide better, quicker services

Commissioner Inman concurred with CEO Taylor that size of the MCO should be decided before implementation of the four regions.

Commissioner Inman questioned CEO Taylor what was the target date for joining Smokey Mountain and Partners Behavioral Health?

CEO Taylor responded:

- Will become a region no later than July 1, 2016
- Some talk is that the Secretary would like it sooner than that

Chairman Booth noted that the County and CenterPoint are still both working toward eliminating officers having to stay for hours and even days with a consumer in the Emergency Room.

Chairman Booth, on behalf of the Board, expressed the Board's appreciation to

CEO Taylor and staff for the update.

NACC Legislative Update – Video

County Manager Morris noted the NCACC had requested the Legislative Video be presented at the first meeting in March.

The following made comments during the NCACC video:

President Ray Jeffers:

- NCACC's number one goal is to restore the full share of lottery funding
- Need as much help as possible
- Legislature "short session" starts in May
- Together, we can make a difference

Government Relations Director Janet Reece:

- "Short session" starts on May 14th
- Achieved a number of our goals last year
- Going to ask Legislature to reinstate language in the State Statutes to place 40% of lottery proceeds for school construction
- That was how the original law was written
- This section was repealed in 2013
- Without this expressed intent in the law, it is possible that future Legislators will not appropriate any lottery funds to counties for school construction needs
- Will also ask that the State to increase the lottery school construction appropriation over time until it reaches 40% as we have seen a significant decrease in school construction funding over the past four years
- Will continue to monitor legislative activity and address other concerns that may arise, particularly, when it concerns our priority goals
- Our primary focus will be on funds to meet critical school construction needs facing so many of our counties
- Will again count on your help to make our case with your local delegation to tell your county story

Executive Director David Thompson:

- Your Association has developed a reputation of being a great partner with the State in finding solutions to complex problems
- The past years, the Association has worked with state leaders to prevent unfunded mandates to counties and to protect county revenues in the recent tax reform legislation discussions
- Could not achieve any of these goals without the support of local Board of Commissioners from across North Carolina
- You are part of the reason why the advocates are so highly respected at the Legislature
- Need your help again

- Asking each County Board of Commissioners to hold a special meeting with its delegation prior to the “short session” to explain the importance of lottery funds in their county
- Best advocacy is for County Commissioners to speak to their elected House and Senate members
- No one knows your story better than you
- Please plan to attend one of the upcoming District Meetings to share what you learn from your meeting with delegates
- Mark your calendars for the 2014 County Assembly Day on May 28th

Chairman Booth noted a special meeting has already been scheduled for Friday, March 21st to meet with Senator Shirley Randleman and Representative Bryan Holloway.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – DISCUSSION AGENDA

Tax Administration Report – February 2014

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following informational data for the

February Report:

Fiscal Year 2013-14	Budget Amt	Collected Amt	Over Budget	Under Budget
County Regular & Motor Vehicles	\$20,480,675.00	\$19,261,924.11		\$1,218,750.89
New Schools F-Tech Fund	\$1,365,378.00	\$1,322,066.96		\$43,311.04
Prior Taxes				
1998-2012 Tax Years				
County Regular & Motor Vehicles	\$750,000.00	\$562,461.50		\$187,538.50

Collection Percentage
As of February 28, 2014
 County Regular & Motor Vehicles = .9405%
 New School F-Tech Fund = .9683%
 Prior 1998-2012 Tax Years = .7499%

EMS Current Collections
Total Collected
 (02-01-14/02-28-14)
 \$124,649.60
Total Collected
 (07-01-13/06-30-14)
 \$979,259.68
 Percentage of Collection =
 0.6528%
 Balance to collect =\$520,740.32

**Delinquent EMS Collection
Report**

Total Collected

(02-01-14/02-28-14)

\$30,692.95

(07-01-13/06-30-14)

\$142,227.27

Percentage of Collection = 0.9482%

Balance to Collect = \$7,772.73

**Business and Personal Property Discovery
Report**

Audit Dates

**# of
Accts**

**Total
Value**

**Taxes
Due**

(02-01-14/02-28-14)

26

\$113,566.00

\$1,101.05

(07-01-13/06-30-14)

1,317

\$8,692,530.00

\$72,440.60

Motor Vehicle Release Report

Accounts

Total Value

Audit Dates

(02-01-14/02-28-14)

18

\$661.35

Motor Vehicle Refund Report

Accounts

Total Value

Audit Dates

(02-01-14/02-28-14)

2

\$217.50

Garnishment Totals

Month	Total Accounts	Original Levy Amt	Collected Amt
(02-01-14/2-28-14)	142	\$19,752.45	\$25,922.40
F/Year 2013-14			
(07-1-13/6-30-14)	1169	\$388,652.77	\$247,954.88

Monthly Delinquent Tax Collection Report

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following Monthly Delinquent Tax Collection

Report for February 2014:

<u>County</u>	<u>Real/Personal</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>2014</u>			
Year	Beginning Balance	Releases	Refunds	Debits/ Credits	Writeoffs	Payments	Ending Balance
2012	\$ 345,073.21			\$35.08	\$(0448)	\$(11,524.74)	\$ 333,583.11
2011	\$ 164,238.34					\$(3,983.77)	\$ 160,254.57
2010	\$ 92,462.51					\$(2,299.61)	\$ 90,162.90
2009	\$ 57,388.37					\$(2,272.66)	\$ 55,115.71
2008	\$ 36,186.29					\$(502.90)	\$ 35,683.39
2007	\$ 23,787.52					\$(256.66)	\$ 23,530.86
2006	\$ 15,978.61					\$(436.89)	\$ 15,541.72
2005	\$ 11,556.12					\$(45.00)	\$ 11,511.12
2004	\$ 11,294.64					\$(179.68)	\$ 11,114.96

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2003	\$	9,080.94		\$	9,080.94
2002	\$	1,518.75		\$	1,518.75
2001	\$	102.54		\$	102.54
2000	\$	362.74		\$	362.74
1999	\$	391.72		\$	391.72
1998	\$	359.67		\$	359.67

<u>County</u>	<u>Motor</u>	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>2014</u>			
Year	Beginning Balance	Releases	Refunds	Debits/ Credits	Writeoffs	Payments	Ending Balance
2012	\$ 60,091.64	\$(34.97)		\$17.64	\$(1.86)	\$(16,804.08)	\$ 43,268.19
2011	\$ 27,606.54				\$(3.59)	\$(1,412.93)	\$ 26,190.02
2010	\$ 26,882.34	\$(38.40)			\$(2.01)	\$(749.28)	\$ 26,092.65
2009	\$ 20,755.90				\$(2.42)	\$(459.45)	\$ 20,294.03
2008	\$ 20,683.88					\$(340.40)	\$ 20,343.48
2007	\$ 18,134.55					\$(270.80)	\$ 17,863.75
2006	\$ 12,711.29					\$(246.36)	\$ 12,464.93
2005	\$ 15,558.91					\$(68.92)	\$ 15,489.99
2004	\$ 14,029.27					\$(13.08)	\$ 14,016.19
2003	\$ 13,967.12					\$(51.42)	\$ 13,915.70
2002							
2001							
2000							
1999							
1998							

<u>New</u>	<u>Schools</u>	<u>Forsyth</u>	<u>Tech</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>2014</u>	
Year	Beginning Balance	Releases	Refunds	Debits/ Credits	Writeoffs	Payments	Ending Balance
2012	\$28,993.77					\$	28,993.77
2011	\$11,689.16					\$	11,689.16

<u>Interstate Collection Report</u>	<u>Collection</u>	<u>Total Collected</u>
February 2014		
Cumulative Total Collected to Date	NC Debt Setoff	\$178,450.25
Cumulative Total Collected (to date)	Motor Vehicles	\$110,854.69
Cumulative Total Collected (to date)	Property Taxes	\$38,402.07
Cumulative Total Collected (to date)	EMS	<u>\$195,474.82</u>
Collected (to date)	All Categories	\$344,731.58

Collection of New and Old Motor Vehicle Bills

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following new report for the combination of

County/State reporting of the collection of Motor Vehicles:

- Graph shows each month's collection per taxing codes:

January 2014		January		
Old Tax System		Renewals		
Tax Code	Tax	Levy	Cost to	Net
Jurisdiction	Rate	Billed	Collect	Collected
City of King	\$0.422	\$ 12,581.00	\$828.00	\$ 11,753.00
King Car Fee	\$5.00	\$ 1,754.00		
Walnut Cove Town	\$0.400	\$ 1,926.00	\$111.00	\$ 1,815.00
Danbury Town	\$0.270	\$ 1,636.00	\$94.00	\$ 1,542.00
School Tax	\$0.040	\$ 9,168.00	\$522.00	\$ 8,646.00
King Fire	\$0.065	\$ 2,284.00	\$132.00	\$ 2,152.00
Rural Hall Fire	\$0.065	\$ 385.00	23.00	\$ 362.00
Walnut Cove Fire	\$0.065	\$ 1,551.00	\$89.00	\$ 1,462.00
General County	\$0.600	\$137,520.00	\$7,842.00	\$129,678.00
Service Fire	\$0.065	\$ 8,427.00	\$477.00	\$ 7,950.00
Total Collected		\$177,282.00	\$10,118.00	\$165,360.00

February 2014		February		
New VTS State		Renewals		
Tax Code	Tax	Levy	Cost to	Net
Jurisdiction	Rate	Billed	Collect	Collected
City of King	\$0.422	\$ 12,102.00		\$ 12,102.00
King Car Fee	\$5.00	\$ 1,765.00		\$ 1,765.00
Walnut Cove Town	\$0.400	\$ 2,277.00		\$ 2,277.00
Danbury Town	\$0.270	\$ 2,249.00		\$ 2,249.00
School Tax	\$0.040	\$ 9,382.00		\$ 9,382.00
King Fire	\$0.065	\$ 2,429.00		\$ 2,429.00
Rural Hall Fire	\$0.065	\$ 477.00		\$ 477.00
Walnut Cove Fire	\$0.065	\$ 1,504.00		\$ 1,504.00
General County	\$0.600	\$ 140,715.00		\$ 140,715.00
Service Fire	\$0.065	\$ 8,602.00		\$ 8,602.00
Total Collected		\$181,502.00	\$0.000	\$181,502.00

Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	City of King/Car fee	\$81,733.00
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 2,215	Total Expenses	<u>\$(3,316.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$1.50	Total Net Collected	\$78,417.00

Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	Town of Walnut Cove	\$10,419.12
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 446	Total Expenses	<u>\$(387.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$0.87	Total Net Collected	\$10,032.12
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	Town of Danbury	

		\$10,488.85
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 596	Total Expenses	<u>\$(599.85)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$1.01	Total Net Collected	\$9,889.00
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	F Tech/School Fund	\$50,392.00
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 20,225	Total Expenses	<u>\$(1,976.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$0.10	Total Net Collected	\$48,146.00
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	King Fire District	\$13,018.00
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 3,041	Total Expenses	<u>\$(502.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$0.16	Total Net Collected	\$12,516.00
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	Rural Hall Fire District	\$2,378.00
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 579	Total Expenses	<u>\$(90.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$0.15	Total Net Collected	\$2,288.00
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	Walnut Cove Fire Dist	\$8,082.12
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 2,200	Total Expenses	<u>\$(330.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$0.15	Total Net Collected	\$7,752.12
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	General County	\$755,871.44
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 20,225	Total Expenses	<u>\$(29,642.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$1.46	Total Net Collected	\$726,229.44
Total Cumulative Collected to date (NCVTS) system	Service Fire District	\$45,293.16
Total Vehicles Billed Per Tax Code 11,744	Total Expenses	<u>\$(1,771.00)</u>
Average Cost per Bill = \$0.15	Total Net Collected	\$43,522.16
Total Cumulative Collected NCVTS to date (all tax districts)	\$	977,676.29
Total Expenses for NCVTS to date (all tax districts)	\$	(38,613.85)
Total net collected for NCVTS to date (all tax districts)	\$	939,062.44
Average cost per total billings to date (all tax district)		\$2.46 per bill

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion regarding sizing down the report.

The Board commented on the new design of the report.

The Board had no issues with the information presented by Tax Administrator Oakley.

Discount for Early Payment of Annual Bills

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following regarding the Discount

for Early Payment of Annual Bills:

- For many years, the County has offered a two (2%) percent discount for payment of Annual Tax Bills (real and personal) prior to September 1st per NCGS 105-360(c)
- Unless the BOCC chooses to alter this policy, the Tax Department's Annual Bills will continue to reflect the offering of the early payment discount
- No action is needed by the Board of Commissioners to continue the existing policy
- Any amendment to the existing resolution must be approved by the Governing Body by May 1st of each year
- Any new or revised schedules must be submitted to the Property Tax Division for approval and published once in a newspaper
- Discounts average approximately \$250,000 to \$280,000 each year for all tax codes

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

It was the consensus of the Board to keep the 2% discount for early payment of annual tax bills for real and personal property.

GIS/Aerial Maps Update

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following GIS/Aerial Maps Update:

- The State of North Carolina, currently on a four-year rotating basis, provides all 100 counties with new digital aerial imagery, free of charge through the FEMA budget from which each county can develop their own individual GIS/Mapping aerial photography data base
- During the latter part of February of this year, Spatial Data Consultants, Inc. (state contractor) conducted an aerial photographic flyover of Stokes County
- Staff will begin reviewing and processing this data when it is received from the State later this year
- Project that new aerial maps will be available for public use sometime in 2015

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

There were no comments from the Board.

Refunds more than \$100 – Real and Personal Property

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following Refunds more than \$100 – Real and Personal Property (February 2014) for the Board's review and consideration at the March 24th meeting:

**Refund more than
\$100 - Real/Personal**

Property	February 2014	
Name	Bill Number	Amount
Paul Ravon Smith	13VEH7682	\$207.19
Vehicle Sold		
Kristin Southern	6876492	<u>\$117.65</u>
Vehicle Sold		
	Total Amount	\$324.84

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

The BOCC had no issues with the Refunds more than \$100 for Real/Personal Property.

Tax Administrator Oakley requested to place the Refunds more than \$100 for Real/Personal Property on the March 24th Consent Agenda.

Present Use Value Late Application

Tax Administrator Jake Oakley presented the following information regarding the Present-Use Value Late Application (February 2014) for the Board's review and consideration at the March 24th meeting:

- Taxpayer: Ryan Steele
- Address: 1120 Bradford Lane, Tobaccoville, NC 27050
- Parcel: 691301079444
- Acreage: 31.01
- Reason: Has owned this woodland property since 2009
- Tax Office is recommending approval

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

The BOCC had no issues with the Present-Use Value Late Application.

Tax Administrator Oakley requested to place the Present-Use Value Late Application on the March 24th Consent Agenda.

Chairman Booth, with full consensus of the Board, directed the Clerk to place the following items on the March 24th Consent Agenda:

- Real and Personal Refunds more than \$100.00
- Present-Use Value Late Application

Social Services Monthly Report

DSS Director Stacey Elmes presented the following Monthly Report for the Board's review:

- NC Fast Update
 - Provided the results of a Survey of County DSS Directors on unanticipated county impacts of NC Fast Implementation
 - Survey from 74 counties estimate the total impact possibly being up to \$11.7 million
 - NCACC estimated impacts for all 100 counties could be as much as \$14.9 million
- Services Report
 - Social Work Services
 - Family Support Services
 - Administration
- Miscellaneous Information
 - Family Caregiver Voucher Monitoring Letter
 - On-site monitoring visit was made on January 28, 2014
 - No unverified units
 - Social Work Month
 - March is declared as Social Work month
 - Stokes County DSS is fortunate to have dependable and committed social workers to work with children, their families, and the elderly and disabled population
 - A wide range of services if provided from child and adult protection to adoption services to reunification services to in home aide programs to providing foster care for children and guardianship for adults in need of services

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

Vice Chairman Jones confirmed with Director Elmes that Stokes DSS currently has 58 children in foster care who are placed in foster homes or kinship places.

Director Elmes noted a new MAPP Training is starting tonight to license additional foster homes.

Commissioner Inman questioned DSS Director Elmes if both dollar figures (\$11.7 million and \$14.9 million) for the impact of NC Fast need to be added together for a final total?

Director Elmes noted that she was unsure about the answer, but would be happy to find out.

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Sounds like things are going well
- Confirmed with Director Elmes that DSS is currently sending out 20 boxes of cases each month to be imaged
- Probably need approximately one more year to be paperless

Commissioner Walker confirmed that the County may revisit imaging for other county departments in the future; Sheriff's Department is also currently imaging records.

Director Elmes commented:

- USDA is still pushing the State to have the backlog of Food Stamps application down to zero by the end of March
- Feel Stokes County will be alright in this area
- Had four overdue applications this morning, by lunch, there were only two remaining
- NC Fast Reports allow counties to check for overdue applications each morning

Chairman Booth commented:

- County was very fortunate to have lapsed salaries to help with the NC Fast Program in the current Fiscal Year 2013-14
- Concerned funding may not be available in the upcoming Fiscal Year 2014-15 budget

DSS Director Elmes responded:

- Goal is to have everything completely caught up by June 30, 2014

Historical Wall of Sheriffs – Government Center

County Manager Rick Morris noted Sheriff Mike Marshall was in attendance for today's meeting to finalize the plans for the Historical Wall of Sheriffs.

County Manager Rick Morris noted the following:

- Approximately three years ago, the Sheriff started compiling all the photographic history of all past Stokes County Sheriffs
- This project was very active within the Sheriff's Office, along with the planning of the Office Memorial and the new US Flag Pole which is now located on the sidewalk area at the lower level entrance of the Government Center
- Compiling all these old photographs has taken a considerable amount of time
- Would request consensus of the Board to allow the Sheriff to proceed with the Historical Wall of Sheriffs

Sheriff Mike Marshall commented:

- Has taken a very long time to compile the old photographs, found a lot of the older the photographs in Forsyth County (they were taken to Forsyth when Forsyth and Stokes County split)
- State Fines and Forfeitures has provided the necessary funding for the photograph preparation and framing of the pictures
- Planning, with the Board's approval, to mount the framed photographs inside the lower level lobby of the Stokes County Government Center, on the wall between the Fire Marshal's office and the Sheriff's Office (located just outside the door of the Fire Marshal's office)
- Intentions are to hold a special ceremony (with the help of the Stokes County Historical Society) to honor this Historical Wall of Sheriffs
- Have purchased additional frames for future Sheriffs

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

Commissioner Inman commented:

- Great project
- Compliment the Sheriff for taking this project on
- Other projects have already enhanced the entrance to the lower lobby
- Appreciate the Sheriff taking this project on to preserve Stokes County history at no cost to the taxpayers of Stokes County
- No issues with the request

Vice Chairman Jones commented:

- Great project
- Has enhanced the lower level entrance
- Would also like to commend whoever was responsible for the cleanup of the upper level entrance – great job

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Appreciate all the work the Sheriff has done with these projects
- Nice to preserve history
- What is next?

Sheriff Marshall responded:

- Don't have one in mind right now

Chairman Booth commented:

- Sheriff has done several projects within his department using Fines and Forfeitures revenues which is no cost to the taxpayer
- Appreciate all the hard work done with these projects

It was the consensus of the Board to allow Sheriff Marshall to continue with the Historical

Wall of Sheriffs and to place the framed photographs in the lower lobby of the Stokes County Government Center on the wall between the Fire Marshal's Office and the Sheriff's Office.

Francisco Vol. Fire Department Inc. –Financing for a Fire Engine

County Manager Rick Morris presented the following request from the Francisco

Vol. Fire Department, Inc:

- Would request consensus from the Board of Commissioners to direct the Chairman to execute the following financing letter for a lease purchase of a fire engine:

March 10, 2014

United Financial of North Carolina, Inc.
58 Wilkie Way
Fletcher, NC 28732

**Re: Lease Purchase Agreement between United Financial of North Carolina, Inc. and
Francisco Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**

Dear Sirs:

I am Chairman of the County Commissioners of Stokes County. This letter is to advise you that Francisco Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. is a qualified Volunteer Fire Department, assigned to protect a specific Fire District within this County.

In addition, a special ad valorem (fire tax) is assessed on the real property owners of this district. Said tax is to be used exclusively to provide equipment, facilities, and training as is necessary to provide fire protection for said district. Said funds may also be used to upgrade equipment as the need arises. This tax is collected by the County and disbursed by the Finance Office to the Fire Department on a regular basis by the County Finance Officer. The Fire Department is operated and managed by the Board of Directors of the Fire Department and the Officers of said Department. The Department is currently meeting the requirements of their fire service contract.

The Fire Department has made us aware of their intention to acquire new capital assets through a Lease Purchase transaction with your firm. Please be advised that the County has no objection to this transaction.

Sincerely yours,

James D. Booth
Chairman
Stokes County Board of Commissioners

- Equipment purchase has been approved by the Fire Commission
- Mandatory Public Hearing was held on February 6, 2014 at Francisco Vol. Fire Department
- Fire Department needs the approval letter to submit with the financing package
- County Attorney Ty Browder has approved the proposed financing letter

Chairman Booth opened the floor discussion.

Commissioner Walker confirmed with Manager Morris the lease purchase is for a fire

engine for the department and funding will be provided by service district fire tax revenue.

Commissioner Inman confirmed with Manager Morris that this is a replacement fire engine.

It was the consensus of the Board to direct Chairman Booth to execute the financing letter to United Financing for Francisco Vol. Fire Department for a lease purchase.

Proposed Audit Contract – Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, PA – F/Y 2013-14

County Manager Rick Morris presented the following information regarding the proposed Audit Contract with Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs PA for Fiscal Year 2013-14:

- The proposed audit contract is for Fiscal Year 2013-14 (07-01-14/06-30-14)
- Would request Finance Director Edwards comment regarding the proposed contract since she is responsible for the audit each year and works closely with the audit firm

Finance Director Edwards presented the following amounts that have been paid to Martin Starnes & Associates for audit services:

Fiscal Year	Amount
2005-06	\$40,500.00
2006-07	\$42,000.00
2007-08	\$43,600.00
2008-09	\$45,000.00
2009-10	\$45,000.00
2010-11	\$45,000.00
2011-12	\$45,000.00
2012-13	\$45,000.00
2013-14	\$45,000.00
2014-15	\$45,000.00 Proposed

Commissioner Walker commented:

- From year to year, hear Finance Director Edwards say that these are good folks to work with
- Just finished up another year, questioned Director Edwards if Martin Starnes & Associates was still the firm of choice, still good working relationship?

Finance Director Edwards responded:

- Still feel there is a good working relationship
- Had some issues during this past audit which have been taken care of by Martin Starnes internally
- Will pay special attention to make sure those issues do not occur again

- The audit was late this year
- Feel they will make sure the audit is done on time this year

Commissioner Walker confirmed with Director Edwards that her recommendation was to give Martin Starnes another year.

Commissioner Inman commented:

- Martin Starnes has done a great job, but it did concern me that the audit was not done by October 31st per the contract
- As a result of the lateness, Chairman Booth had to send a corrective action letter to the Local Government Commission (LGC)
- Don't like to have to send letters to the LGC
- Questioned if the County could add language (perhaps a penalty) to this proposed contract to make sure the audit is completed and to LGC by October 31st

Finance Director Edwards responded:

- Asked that same question last week to Sharon Edmonds, LGC, at the Finance Conference
- Ms. Edmonds stated that the proposed contract is a standardized state contract that can't be modified
- Have made Martin Starnes aware that the Board of Commissioners were very concerned with the lateness of the audit this year
- Martin Starnes has assured me that this will not happen this year

County Manager Rick Morris responded:

- If the audit is late this year, the firm will be fired

Chairman Booth commented:

- Like to hear that the Finance Director will be looking at the time factor of the audit very closely
- As Chairman, I will, as well as the County Manager, will also be monitoring the situation very closely to make sure the audit is completed and to LGC by October 31st

Finance Director Edwards noted that since Martin Starnes has been completing the audit, this is the only time it has been late.

Commissioner Inman noted that Martin Starnes did not have to do a corrective action letter to LGC, it was Stokes County.

Commissioner Walker confirmed with Finance Director Edwards that Martin Starnes took responsibility of what happen causing the audit to be late and provided assurance that positive steps

would be taken this year to complete the audit by October 31st.

Chairman Booth noted it was on record that the County would not tolerate the audit being late to LGC this year.

Finance Director Edwards questioned the Board regarding doing a RFP next year for audit services? Finance Edwards noted that she would need to have the RFP out by November in order to review the proposals and award a contract for the Fiscal Year 2014-15.

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Questioned if there was any reason not to go out periodically for bids?

County Manager Morris responded:

- Feel it is kind of healthy to do that, to see what is out there
- But if things are going good with their performance and you feel the price is competitive, it is good not to do all that extra work
- It is a roll of the dice

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Generally speaking, feel competition is healthy
- Keeps folks on their toes
- There is no way to find a better option, if you don't bid

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Work with three (3) different organizations that have budgets that require audits
- Have never seen as many years at the same cost that the County has received from Martin Starnes
- As long as they do a superior job and continue to not increase their price, don't see any use to bid out the service
- Have never seen an RFP come in cheaper, they always increase

Chairman Booth commented:

- Remember a few years back, Martin Starnes requested an increase, but this Board declined their increase and Martin Starnes still did the audit at the same fee

Commissioner Walker questioned Manager Morris what his recommendation would be regarding going out for bids for audit services?

Manager Morris responded:

- As long as they complete and submit the audit to LGC by October 31st and keep their fee at \$45,000, would not compete

- If Martin Starnes comes back higher than \$45,000 next year, would then bid the next year

Finance Director Edwards commented:

- Once the audit is complete, can possibly request what Martin Starnes intends to put on the upcoming contract renewal, if their fee is higher, can go out for bids
- Will come back to the Board in the fall to discuss bids for audit services

County Manager Morris noted that staff can collect data regarding audit fees from similar sized counties.

Chairman Booth commented:

- For 21 years, the audit has never been late
- Understand specific circumstances caused the lateness this year, but one thing for sure is that this Board and County does not want to see the audit late again

Chairman Booth, with full consensus from the Board, directed the Clerk to place the item on the March 24th Action Agenda.

Clerk of Court – Minor Renovations for IT Upgrade

County Manager Rick Morris presented the following information regarding the Minor Renovations needed for IT Upgrade in the Clerk of Court's Office

- This issue was discussed during the recent Board's Goals/Budget Work Sessions
- This involves an IT Upgrade that the State did for the Clerk of Court's office
- State installed a new server which made the environment too noisy for employees who are located in the same area
- Have personally investigated the issue
- If the server was located in a different place, County staff would have had to turn new cables, relocate equipment, etc. which could have cost the county several thousand dollars
- During the work session, the Board unanimously direct the Manager to make the state pay for the problem
- Looked at any all other options
- There was no choice but to locate the new server where the other main IT equipment is located
- It is something that needs to be taken care
- Estimated cost is \$1,400 to add one wall and relocation one employee which would give the Clerk's office a true computer room
- This would eliminate the excess noise, improve security for their equipment and have room for additional equipment

- This does fall under the statute that requires the County provide the facility and to take care of the situation
- There is funding that can be transferred within the Superior Court's budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14
- Would recommend the Board authorize the county to install the new wall
- Would request the Board move the item to today's Action Agenda in order to take care of the issue
- If approved today, the Board would need to approve the following Budget Amendment for funding:

Superior Court - Budget Amendment #

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Superior Court			
100.4160.441	Juvenile Detention	\$10,000.00	\$(1,400.00)	\$8,600.00
	Public Buildings			
100.4190.352	Main. & Repairs – Buildings	<u>\$35,005.00</u>	<u>\$1,400.00</u>	<u>\$36,405.00</u>
	Totals	\$45,005.00	\$00.00	\$45,005.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds for the building of a wall in the Clerk of Superior Court's office.

This will result in a net increase of \$00.00 in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

Commissioner Walker commented:

- Questioned Manager Morris if the equipment could be defective?

Manager Morris responded:

- Had IT personnel also investigate the issue and agree that the server is not defective

Vice Chairman Jones responded:

- Unfortunate that employees have had to put up with the noise, recommend moving the item to today's Action Agenda in order to take care of the situation as soon as possible

Chairman Booth commented:

- Appreciate the manager investigating the situation and finding a less expensive fix

The Board unanimously agreed to move the item to today's Action Agenda.

Chairman Booth, with full consensus from the Board, directed the Clerk to place the item on today's Action Agenda.

Clerk Bullins noted to add #61 to the Budget Amendment for approval.

Kitts Environmental Settlement

County Attorney Ty Browder presented the following information regarding the final Environmental Settlement for Charles Jay Kitts and Pamela Kitts:

- Information provided to the Board is the final settlement agreement for Charles Jay Kitts and Pamela Kitts involving their septic system
- The agreement has been approved by the Industrial Commission and requires approval from the Board of Commissioners
- The suit is actually against the State, but the County is responsible for one-half of the settlement
- Would request the item be moved to today's Action Agenda in order to execute the settlement

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

There were no questions for Attorney Browder.

The Board unanimously agreed to move the item to today's Action Agenda.

Chairman Booth, with full consensus from the Board, directed the Clerk to place the item on today's Action Agenda.

Manager Morris noted the following Budget Amendment would need to be approved:

Environmental Health - Budget Amendment

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Environmental Health			
100.5192.180	Professional Services	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Contingency			
100.9910.000	Contingency	<u>\$153,837.00</u>	<u>(9,000.00)</u>	<u>\$144,837.00</u>
	Totals	\$163,837.00	\$00.00	\$163,837.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from Contingency to settle an Environmental Health issue.

This will result in a net increase of \$00.00 in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Clerk Bullins noted to add #62 to the Budget Amendment for approval.

Appointments – Northwestern Regional Library Board of Trustees – King Library Appointment

County Manager Rick Morris submitted the following request from the Director John Hedrick, Northwestern Regional Library System:

- Ms. Virginia Southern, who represented the King Library Board, submitted her resignation from the Northwestern Regional Library Board of Trustees
- The King Library has submitted Robert T Jones as a recommendation to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Southern (term expires June 30, 2015)
- The appointment must be a member of the King Library Board

Chairman Booth opened the floor for nominations.

Commissioner Lankford nominated Robert T. Jones.

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to close the nominations.

Vice Chairman Jones moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Booth, with full consensus from the Board, directed the Clerk to place the item on the March 24th Action Agenda.

CDBGrant –Scheduling of Public Hearings

Manager Rick Morris presented the following information regarding a CDBGrant for the Water and Sewer Project to the Meadows area which was added to today's Agenda:

- Would request the Board schedule two (2) Public Hearings for the March 24th meeting regarding a possible CDBGrant for the Water and Sewer Project to the Meadows area
- The Public Hearings will be on two different topics
- Public Hearings will only be advertised if the County is eligible for the Grant

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

Commissioner Walker stated that he did not have any issues scheduling the Public Hearings, but would like additional information regarding the grant.

Manager Morris responded:

- The Public Hearings will be scheduled only if the County is eligible to apply for the grant
- If the Public Hearings are held on March 24th, all the details will be included in the March 24th Agenda
- There are two deadline application dates: April 1st and May 1st

Commissioner Walker confirmed with Manager Morris that Pilot View was involved with the finding of this grant.

Manager Morris noted that Pilot View would be assisting the County with the grant application and submission.

Manager Morris commented:

- Public Hearings will be scheduled if the County is eligible for the application submission
- These loans were considered by the County earlier, but the County was not eligible due to the Low Medium Income (LMI) Rating
- Unsure if the County will be eligible since the LMI has not changed
- There is a possibility that some of the rules may have changed now that they are under the NC Department of Commerce
- The decision will have to be determined by tomorrow in order to advertise the Public Hearings for the March 24th meeting in *the Stokes News*
- Available funding for the first round is \$10 million and \$15,000 for the second round

- One of the grant funding is a discretionary amount (NCDEHNR - \$3.5 million) and the other is the previous \$500,000 that the County had applied for through NC Rural Center
- Not sure what the amount the County would receive if eligible to apply
- None of this is holding up the release of the RFP for the Sewer Project

Chairman Booth opened the floor for discussion.

Commissioner Inman commented:

- Most of this is being brought about due to the transition to the NC Department of Commerce
- Rules have changed and it is the goal of the County to apply for any eligible grant funding
- Need to approve the scheduling of Public Hearings in case the County is eligible to apply
- PTRC Michael Blair stated that the LMI may be calculated different since the Early College was already located on the site
- Recently met with Regional Director for EDA, Hilary Sherman, in Raleigh last week
- Director Sherman has agreed to come to Stokes County and look at our facility in the near future to consider a possible EDA Grant

Chairman Booth noted that the County is seeking any grant funding available for the Water/Sewer Project to the Meadows area.

It was consensus of the Board to schedule two (2) Public Hearings for the March 24th meeting if the County is eligible for the application submission.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – ACTION AGENDA

Stokes Family YMCA – Request to Approve the Issuance of the Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Northwest North Carolina) on Behalf of the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina

Chairman Booth entertained a motion regarding the following proposed Resolution to Approve the Issuance of the Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Northwest North Carolina) on Behalf of the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina:

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, North Carolina (the “Board”) was held in the Commissioner’s Chambers, 2nd Floor of the Administrative Building, 1014 Main Street Danbury, NC 27016, at 1:30 p.m. on March 10, 2014, after proper notice, and was called to order by the Chairman.

Present: _____
March 10, 2014

Absent: _____

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At _____: _____ p.m., the Chairman announced that the Board would proceed to hold a public hearing and would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the proposed issuance by the Public Finance Authority, a public authority existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (the "*Authority*"), of its Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (the "*2014 Bonds*"), in one or more series, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000, the proceeds of which will be loaned to YMCA of Northwest North Carolina (the "*YMCA*") for the following purposes:

(A) to refund in advance of their maturity \$9,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Variable Rate Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Greater Winston-Salem, Inc.), Series 2000, originally issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$20,000,000 (the "*2000 Bonds*"), the proceeds of which were loaned to the YMCA to provide funds to (1) refinance a loan with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (f/k/a Wachovia Bank, N.A.), the proceeds of which were used to finance a portion of the cost of the expansion of the Kernersville Family YMCA Branch and refinance a loan with North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Inc., the proceeds of which were used to finance the cost of construction of the original Stokes Family YMCA Branch, (2) finance the balance of the cost of the expansion of the Kernersville Family YMCA, (3) finance the cost of the expansion of (a) the Davie Family YMCA Branch, (b) the YMCA Camp Hanes Branch, (c) the William G. White, Jr. Family Branch (originally the Central Family YMCA Branch), including the construction and equipping of administrative offices, (d) the Jerry Long Family YMCA Branch (originally the West Forsyth Family YMCA Branch), including the cost of acquiring additional land, (e) the Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch and (f) the Stokes Family YMCA Branch, (4) finance the cost of constructing and equipping of (a) the Yadkin Family YMCA Branch, (b) the Wilkes Family YMCA Branch, (c) the Fulton Family YMCA Branch, (originally the North Forsyth Family YMCA Branch) (d) an aquatic center with an outdoor water park at the Kernersville Family YMCA Branch and (5) finance other improvements related to the tax-exempt purpose of the YMCA (collectively, the "*2000 Prior Projects*") and (6) to pay certain costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the 2000 Bonds; and

(B) to refinance a portion of the outstanding principal amount secured by (1) a promissory note issued in favor of Branch Banking and Trust Company in the original principal amount of \$1,530,000, which were used for the acquisition, construction and equipping of the building for the Alexander County Family YMCA; (2) a promissory note issued in favor of Branch Banking and Trust Company in the original principal amount of \$1,000,000, which were used for the renovation, equipping and upfitting of the Jerry Long Family YMCA (the "*Refinancing Projects*" which together with the 2000 Prior Projects, are known as the "*Prior Projects*"); and

(C) to pay all or a portion of the costs of renovating, upfitting and equipping certain improvements, to (1) the YMCA Camp Hanes Family Branch, consisting of HVAC, septic system and roof improvements, (2) the Davie Family YMCA Branch, consisting of roof and HVAC improvements, (3) the Fulton Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements, (4) the Jerry Long Family YMCA, consisting of HVAC and related capital improvements, (5) the Kernersville Family YMCA, consisting of HVAC and roof improvements, (6) the Stokes Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements related to the pool therein, (7) the William G. White, Jr. Family YMCA Branch consisting of HVAC and roof related improvements, (8) the Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch consisting of the renovations of locker rooms therein, (9) the Yadkin Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements, and (10) the Wilkes Family

YMCA Branch, consisting of the renovating, upfitting and equipping of the wellness center (collectively, the "2014 Projects"); and

(D) to pay certain costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the 2014 Bonds.

The YMCA owns and operates all of the facilities and equipment to be financed and refinanced with the proceeds of the 2014 Bonds. The Prior Projects and the 2014 Projects are located as follows: (1) Stokes Family YMCA Branch - 105 Moore Road, King, North Carolina; (2) Davie Family YMCA Branch - 215 Cemetery Street, Mocksville, North Carolina; (3) Camp Hanes YMCA Branch - 1225 Camp Hanes Road, King, North Carolina; (4) William G. White, Jr. Family YMCA Branch - 775 West End Boulevard, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; (5) Jerry Long Family YMCA Branch - 1150 S. Peace Haven Road, Clemmons, North Carolina; (6) Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch - 901 Waterworks Road, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; (7) Yadkin Family YMCA Branch - 6540 Service Road, Yadkinville, North Carolina; (8) Wilkes Family YMCA Branch - 1801 YMCA Blvd., Wilkesboro, North Carolina; (9) Fulton Family YMCA Branch - 385 West Hanes Mill Road, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; (10) Kernersville Family YMCA Branch - 1113 West Mountain Street, Kernersville, North Carolina; and (11) Alexander County Family YMCA - 260 Black Oak Ridge Road, Taylorsville, NC.

On March __, 2014, a notice of public hearing was published in The Stokes News, a copy of the affidavit of publication being attached, setting forth a general, functional description of the type and use of the facilities to be financed and refinanced, the maximum principal amount of the 2014 Bonds, the initial owner, operator or manager of the facilities and the location of the facilities, among other things.

The names, address and testimony of the persons who were present and who offered comments on the proposed issuance of the 2014 Bonds or who responded in writing to the notice of public hearing are as follows: [None.];

The Chairman inquired elsewhere in and around the meeting room to determine whether there were any other persons who wished to speak at the public hearing. The Chairman determined that no other persons who wished to speak at the public hearing were found.

After the Board had heard all persons who had requested to be heard, Commissioner _____ moved that the public hearing be closed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and was unanimously adopted.

Commissioner _____ introduced the following resolution, a copy of which had been distributed to each Commissioner and the title of which appeared on the agenda:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF STOKES,
NORTH CAROLINA, APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE
AUTHORITY OF ITS RECREATIONAL FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS (YMCA OF
NORTHWEST NORTH CAROLINA), IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, IN AN AGGREGATE
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,500,000**

WHEREAS, the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina, a North Carolina nonprofit corporation (the "YMCA"), has requested that the Public Finance Authority, a public authority existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (the "Authority"), issue its Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Northwest North Carolina), in one or more series (the "2014 Bonds"), in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 for the following purposes:

(A) to refund in advance of their maturity \$9,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Variable Rate Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Greater Winston-Salem, Inc.), Series 2000, originally issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$20,000,000 (the "2000 Bonds"), the proceeds of which were loaned to the YMCA to provide funds to (1) refinance a loan with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (f/k/a Wachovia Bank, N.A.), the proceeds of which were used to finance a portion of the cost of the expansion of the Kernersville Family YMCA Branch and refinance a loan with North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Inc., the proceeds of which were used to finance the cost of construction of the original Stokes Family YMCA Branch, (2) finance the balance of the cost of the expansion of the Kernersville

Family YMCA, (3) finance the cost of the expansion of (a) the Davie Family YMCA Branch, (b) the YMCA Camp Hanes Branch, (c) the William G. White, Jr. Family Branch (originally the Central Family YMCA Branch), including the construction and equipping of administrative offices, (d) the Jerry Long Family YMCA Branch (originally the West Forsyth Family YMCA Branch), including the cost of acquiring additional land, (e) the Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch and (f) the Stokes Family YMCA Branch, (4) finance the cost of constructing and equipping of (a) the Yadkin Family YMCA Branch, (b) the Wilkes Family YMCA Branch, (c) the Fulton Family YMCA Branch, (originally the North Forsyth Family YMCA Branch) (d) an aquatic center with an outdoor water park at the Kernersville Family YMCA Branch and (5) finance other improvements related to the tax-exempt purpose of the YMCA (collectively, the "2000 Prior Projects") and (6) to pay certain costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the 2000 Bonds; and

(B) to refinance a portion of the outstanding principal amount secured by (1) a promissory note issued in favor of Branch Banking and Trust Company in the original principal amount of \$1,530,000, which were used for the acquisition, construction and equipping of the building for the Alexander County Family YMCA; (2) a promissory note issued in favor of Branch Banking and Trust Company in the original principal amount of \$1,000,000, which were used for the renovation, equipping and upfitting of the Jerry Long Family YMCA (the "Refinancing Projects" which together with the 2000 Prior Projects, are known as the "Prior Projects"); and

(C) to pay all or a portion of the costs of renovating, upfitting and equipping certain improvements, to (1) the YMCA Camp Hanes Family Branch, consisting of HVAC, septic system and roof improvements, (2) the Davie Family YMCA Branch, consisting of roof and HVAC improvements, (3) the Fulton Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements, (4) the Jerry Long Family YMCA, consisting of HVAC and related capital improvements, (5) the Kernersville Family YMCA, consisting of HVAC and roof improvements, (6) the Stokes Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements related to the pool therein, (7) the William G. White, Jr. Family YMCA Branch consisting of HVAC and roof related improvements, (8) the Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch consisting of the renovations of locker rooms therein, (9) the Yadkin Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements, and (10) the Wilkes Family YMCA Branch, consisting of the renovating, upfitting and equipping of the wellness center (collectively, the "2014 Projects"); and

(D) to pay certain costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the 2014 Bonds.

WHEREAS, the Prior Projects and the 2014 Projects (collectively, the "Projects") to be refinanced and financed, respectively, with proceeds of the 2014 Bonds are or will be initially owned and operated by the YMCA;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code, prior to their issuance, the 2014 Bonds are required to be approved by the "applicable elected representative" of a governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the Projects are located, after a public hearing held following reasonable public notice;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of the County of Stokes, North Carolina (the "County") is the "applicable elected representative" of the County for the Projects located within the County;

WHEREAS, the YMCA has requested that the Board approve the Authority's issuance of the 2014 Bonds and the financing and refinancing of the Projects located within the County in order to satisfy the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board, following notice duly given in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "TEFRA Notice"), held a public hearing today regarding the Authority's issuance of the 2014 Bonds and the financing and refinancing of the Projects and now desires to approve the Authority's issuance of the 2014 Bonds and the financing and refinancing of the Projects in accordance with the Code;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Bonds (YMCA of Greater Winston-Salem, Inc.), Series 2000, originally issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$20,000,000 (the "2000 Bonds"), the proceeds of which were loaned to the YMCA to provide funds to (1) refinance a loan with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (f/k/a Wachovia Bank, N.A.), the proceeds of which were used to finance a portion of the cost of the expansion of the Kernersville Family YMCA Branch and refinance a loan with North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Inc., the proceeds of which were used to finance the cost of construction of the original Stokes Family YMCA Branch, (2) finance the balance of the cost of the expansion of the Kernersville Family YMCA, (3) finance the cost of the expansion of (a) the Davie Family YMCA Branch, (b) the YMCA Camp Hanes Branch, (c) the William G. White, Jr. Family Branch (originally the Central Family YMCA Branch), including the construction and equipping of administrative offices, (d) the Jerry Long Family YMCA Branch (originally the West Forsyth Family YMCA Branch), including the cost of acquiring additional land, (e) the Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch and (f) the Stokes Family YMCA Branch, (4) finance the cost of constructing and equipping of (a) the Yadkin Family YMCA Branch, (b) the Wilkes Family YMCA Branch, (c) the Fulton Family YMCA Branch, (originally the North Forsyth Family YMCA Branch) (d) an aquatic center with an outdoor water park at the Kernersville Family YMCA Branch and (5) finance other improvements related to the tax-exempt purpose of the YMCA (collectively, the "2000 Prior Projects") and (6) to pay certain costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the 2000 Bonds; and

(B) to refinance a portion of the outstanding principal amount secured by (1) a promissory note issued in favor of Branch Banking and Trust Company in the original principal amount of \$1,530,000, which were used for the acquisition, construction and equipping of the building for the Alexander County Family YMCA; (2) a promissory note issued in favor of Branch Banking and Trust Company in the original principal amount of \$1,000,000, which were used for the renovation, equipping and upfitting of the Jerry Long Family YMCA (the "Refinancing Projects" which together with the 2000 Prior Projects, are known as the "Prior Projects"); and

(C) to pay all or a portion of the costs of renovating, upfitting and equipping certain improvements, to (1) the YMCA Camp Hanes Family Branch, consisting of HVAC, septic system and roof improvements, (2) the Davie Family YMCA Branch, consisting of roof and HVAC improvements, (3) the Fulton Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements, (4) the Jerry Long Family YMCA, consisting of HVAC and related capital improvements, (5) the Kernersville Family YMCA, consisting of HVAC and roof improvements, (6) the Stokes Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements related to the pool therein, (7) the William G. White, Jr. Family YMCA Branch consisting of HVAC and roof related improvements, (8) the Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch consisting of the renovations of locker rooms therein, (9) the Yadkin Family YMCA Branch, consisting of HVAC improvements, and (10) the Wilkes Family YMCA Branch, consisting of the renovating, upfitting and equipping of the wellness center (collectively, the "2014 Projects"); and

(D) to pay certain costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the 2014 Bonds.

The maximum principal amount of 2014 Bonds proposed to be issued by the Issuer is \$13,500,000; the maximum principal amount of 2014 Bonds to be used to finance the 2014 Projects is \$2,800,000.

The YMCA owns and operates all of the facilities and equipment to be financed and refinanced with the proceeds of the 2014 Bonds. The Prior Projects and the 2014 Projects are located as follows: (1) Stokes Family YMCA Branch - 105 Moore Road, King, North Carolina; (2) Davie Family YMCA Branch - 215 Cemetery Street, Mocksville, North Carolina; (3) Camp Hanes YMCA Branch - 1225 Camp Hanes Road, King, North Carolina; (4) William G. White, Jr. Family YMCA Branch - 775 West End Boulevard, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; (5) Jerry Long Family YMCA Branch - 1150 S. Peace Haven Road, Clemmons, North Carolina; (6) Winston Lake Family YMCA Branch - 901 Waterworks Road, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; (7) Yadkin Family YMCA Branch - 6540 Service Road, Yadkinville, North Carolina; (8) Wilkes Family YMCA Branch - 1801 YMCA Blvd., Wilkesboro, North Carolina; (9) Fulton Family YMCA Branch - 385 West Hanes Mill Road, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; (10) Kernersville Family YMCA Branch - 1113 West Mountain Street, Kernersville, North Carolina; and (11) Alexander County Family YMCA - 260 Black Oak Ridge Road, Taylorsville, NC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of Stokes County will hold a regular meeting in Commissioner's Chambers, 2nd Floor of the Administrative Building, 1014 Main Street Danbury, NC at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2014. At said meeting, the Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing at 1:25p.m., or as soon as practicable thereafter, concerning the proposed issuance of the 2014 Bonds and the nature and location of the Prior Projects and the 2014 Projects (collectively, the "*Projects*") to be refinanced and financed, respectively, thereby and will conduct such other business as may properly come before the Board of Commissioners. At the hearing, the Board of Commissioners will invite comments from the public concerning the issuance of the 2014 Bonds by the Issuer, the use of proceeds thereof and the nature and location of the Projects. The Board of Commissioners also intends at the March 10, 2014 meeting to consider and take action on a proposal to approve the issuance of the 2014 Bonds by the Issuer and to approve in principle the issuance of the 2014 Bonds for the purposes of financing and refinancing all or a part of the Projects.

The public hearing will provide an opportunity for all interested persons to express their views, both orally and in writing, on the proposed issuance of the 2014 Bonds and the Projects.

Any person interested in the issuance of the 2014 Bonds may appear and be heard or submit written comments. Any person wishing to submit written comments regarding the proposed issuance of the 2014 Bonds, the financing and refinancing of the Projects or any matter related thereto should do so within 10 days after the date of publication of this notice by mailing said written comments to the Board of Commissioners, c/o the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Stokes County, North Carolina, Administrative Building, 1014 Main Street Danbury, North Carolina 27016. This notice is given pursuant to the provisions of Section 147 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Additional information concerning the Projects may be obtained from Brandon Lewisohn, Esq., 401 South Tryon Street, Suite 3000, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202; Phone (704) 335-9859; Email Address: brandonlewisohn@parkerpoe.com. The Board of Commissioners does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of the Board of Commissioners' functions, including one's access to and participation in public hearings. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation for this meeting and/or needing this information in an alternative format because of a disability as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners by phone at (336)593-2448, or by fax at (336) 593-2346, or by e-mail at dbullins@co.stokes.nc.us.

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Stokes County, North Carolina

Commissioner Inman move to approve the proposed Resolution Approve the Issuance of the Recreational Facilities Revenue Bonds (YMCA of Northwest North Carolina) on Behalf of the YMCA of Northwest North Carolina. Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Appointments – City of King – Planning Board/Board of Adjustments – ETJ Appointment

Chairman Booth noted that Jerry Messick was nominated at the February 24th meeting to serve on the City of King –Planning Board/Board of Adjustments to fill the ETJ appointment.

Chairman Booth opened the floor for any further nominations.

There were no further nominations.

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to close the nominations.

Vice Chairman Jones moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Booth polled the Board:

Commissioner Lankford: Jerry Messick
Commissioner Inman: Jerry Messick
Chairman Booth: Jerry Messick
Vice Chairman Jones: Jerry Messick
Commissioner Walker: Jerry Messick

Chairman Booth noted that Jerry Messick was unanimously appointed to the City Of King – Planning Board/Board of Adjustments for the ETJ Appointment.

Appointments – Stokes County Animal Control Advisory Council

Chairman Booth noted the following were nominated at the February 24th meeting to serve on Stokes County Animal Control Advisory Council:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan
- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Chairman Booth opened the floor for any further nominations.

There were no further nominations.

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Inman moved to close the nominations. Vice Chairman Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Booth polled the Board:

Commissioner Walker:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan
- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Vice Chairman Jones:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan
- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Chairman Booth:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan

- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Commissioner Inman:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan
- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Commissioner Lankford:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan
- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Chairman Booth noted the following were unanimously appointed to serve on the Stokes County Animal Control Advisory Council:

- Private citizen: Leonard Hicks and Bob Sullivan
- Animal Advocacy Organization: Cindy Tilley

Appointments – Stokes County Adult Care Homes Community Advisory Committee

Chairman Booth noted that Rev. Gregory Hairston was nominated at the February 24th meeting to on the Stokes County Adult Care Homes Community Advisory Committee.

Chairman Booth opened the floor for any further nominations.

There were no further nominations.

Clerk Darlene Bullins noted that Rev. Hairston had agreed to serve on the Committee and will be considered by the Adult Care Homes Community Advisory Committee.

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Inman moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Booth polled the Board:

Commissioner Lankford: Rev. Gregory Hairston

Commissioner Inman: Rev. Gregory Hairston

Chairman Booth: Rev. Gregory Hairston

Vice Chairman Jones: Rev. Gregory Hairston

Commissioner Walker: Rev. Gregory Hairston

Chairman Booth noted that Rev. Gregory Hairston was unanimously appointed to the Stokes

County Adult Care Homes Community Advisory Committee.

Clerk of Court – Minor Renovations for IT Upgrade

Chairman Booth entertained a motion regarding the Clerk of Court – Minor Renovations for IT Upgrade and Budget Amendment #61 presented at today's meeting.

Superior Court - Budget Amendment #61

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Superior Court			
100.4160.441	Juvenile Detention	\$10,000.00	\$(1,400.00)	\$8,600.00
	Public Buildings			
100.4190.352	Main. & Repairs – Buildings	<u>\$35,005.00</u>	<u>\$1,400.00</u>	<u>\$36,405.00</u>
	Totals	\$45,005.00	\$00.00	\$45,005.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds for the building of a wall in the Clerk of Superior Court's office.

This will result in a net increase of \$00.00 in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Vice Chairman Jones moved to direct the County Manager to proceed with the minor renovations for the IT upgrade in the Clerk of Court's Office and to approve Budget Amendment #61. Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Kitts Environmental Settlement

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to approve the Kitts Environmental Settlement which has been approved by the North Carolina Industrial Commission and Budget Amendment #62 presented at today's meeting.

Environmental Health - Budget Amendment #62

To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budgeted Amount	Increase (Decrease)	As Amended
	Environmental Health			
100.5192.180	Professional Services	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Contingency			
100.9910.000	Contingency	<u>\$153,837.00</u>	<u>(9,000.00)</u>	<u>\$144,837.00</u>
	Totals	\$163,837.00	\$00.00	\$163,837.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from Contingency to settle an Environmental Health issue.

This will result in a net increase of \$00.00 in the expenditures and other financial use to the County's annual budget. To provide the additional revenue for the above, the following revenues will increase. These revenues have already been received or are verified they will be received this fiscal year.

Commissioner Inman moved to approve the Kitts Environmental Settlement and Budget Amendment #62. Vice Chairman Jones seconded the motion.

Commissioner Walker confirmed with County Attorney Tyrone Browder that his recommendation is to accept this settlement which is a complete release for the County with no further implications to the County of any kind once approved.

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Booth entertained a motion to enter closed session for the following reasons:

- To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1)
- To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(3)
- To consider the initial employment or appointment of an individual to any office or position, other than a vacancy in the Board of County Commissioners or any other public body, or to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, and

fitness of any public officer or employee, other than a member of the Board of Commissioners or of some other public body pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(6)

Commissioner Inman moved to enter closed session for the following:

- To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1)
- To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(3)
- To consider the initial employment or appointment of an individual to any office or position, other than a vacancy in the Board of County Commissioners or any other public body, or to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, and fitness of any public officer or employee, other than a member of the Board of Commissioners or of some other public body pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(6)

Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to the regular session of the March 10th meeting.

Health Department

Chairman Booth entertained a motion.

Vice Chairman Jones moved to approve the starting annual salary of \$40,215 (Grade 70-14A) for the Nutritionist III position for (M. McKnight). Commissioner Inman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Booth entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Inman moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Darlene M. Bullins
Clerk to the Board

James D. Booth
Chairman