

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  
MONDAY JUNE 11, 2018

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Stokes, State of North Carolina, met for a regular session in the Commissioners’ Chambers of the Ronald Wilson Reagan Memorial Building (Administration Building) located in Danbury, North Carolina on Monday, June 11, 2018 at 1:30 pm with the following members present:

Chairman Ronnie Mendenhall  
Vice Chairman Jimmy Walker  
Commissioner James D. Booth  
Commissioner Ronda Jones  
Commissioner Ernest Lankford

County Personnel in Attendance:  
County Manager Jake M. Oakley  
Clerk to the Board Shannon Shaver  
Finance Director Julia Edwards  
County Attorney Ty Browder

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

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Jones delivered the invocation.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT-GOVERNING BODY-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Mendenhall invited those in attendance to join the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion to approve or amend the June 11th Agenda.

Commissioner Booth moved to approve the June 11<sup>th</sup> Agenda

Commissioner Jones seconded the motion.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for discussion.

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

### **COMMENTS - Manager/Commissioners**

Commissioner Jones commented:

- Went to Raleigh a few weeks ago for a combined agriculture and environmental steering committee for the association.
- It was very interesting how we are so involved throughout the world with pig farming, spanning as far as China.
- These folks are so important.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- There have been some changes in trade relations with other countries.
- Long term some of the things that are happening can be good for our country.
- Amazing how many of the items sold in our country today come from other countries.
- Glad to see that we are finally able to utilize some of our goods to other countries.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- Welcome everybody.
- Thank you for being here today.
- This is a day the Lord has made.
- I will rejoice in it and be glad.
- Thank the Lord for his leadership, guidance, and mercy he shows me every day.
- Thankful for all of his many blessings.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- Welcome to each person here.
- We have a small group today.
- Participation in our local government is so important.
- As always thank you for being here today.
- We appreciate everyone that comes out and participates in the meetings.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Ethics for Life – “Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom and instruction and understanding.” Proverbs 23:23
- Seems like these days we are reckless with the truth.
- Especially on social media.
- Social media is good but those using it need to speak the truth.

County Manager Oakley did not have any comments at today’s meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Mendenhall noted that the Board of Commissioners will hear Public Comments, but will not respond to Public Comments and that each speaker will be allowed three (3) minutes.

The following spoke during Public Comments:

Ellen Peric  
1095 Wheeler Smith Rd.  
Lawsonville, NC 27022

### **RE: Arts Update**

#### **The Apple Gallery**

Featured in the Apple Gallery during the month of June:

Paintings by Eileen Wilhelm. An artist reception and meet and greet were held Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Grass**

Join the Stokes Arts for the second installment of our monthly Bluegrass series, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday grass on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at The Arts Place. This month we welcome The Brothers Band to the stage. Tickets are \$5.

#### **The Danbury Songwriters Series**

Thursday June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm The Danbury Songwriters series welcomes Jack Benedict & Bruce Piephoff to the stage at The Arts Place of Stokes. Jack Benedict considers himself a guitar builder who accidentally writes songs and plays his own handmade instruments. Greensboro native, Bruce Piephoff, has been writing, performing and recording his folk/blues songs and poetry since 1969. Bruce has performed all over the U.S. and in Europe. Tickets are \$5.00.

Thursday June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm The Danbury Songwriters Series continues with Joshua Shelton and Steve Kilby on stage at The Arts Place of Stokes. Carrying his Hanging Rock home inside a busted 1953 Gibson flattop, Joshua Shelton stirs flatpicking, folk, and soulful country sounds into one cast iron cauldron of sonic satisfaction. A 30 year veteran of many bands, recordings, and competitions, Steve learned much of the music he plays from his grandfather, and is honored to be part of a living musical tradition. Over the years, Steve's guitar wizardry has earned him many honors including:

- Seven-time Fiddler's Grove guitar champion
- Two first-place ribbons and a best all-around performer trophy from Galax convention
- North Carolina State guitar champion

### **Uncorked Painting Series**

The Stokes Uncorked Painting Series returns to the Green Heron Ale House for the summer. Paint, sip, and enjoy the evening with this month's theme, "In Bloom". Justine Luzwick will guide you in creating your own masterpiece. Registration is \$25.00 and the event is on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

### **UNCSA Summer Strings Concert**

Stokes Arts is proud to present two free concerts at The Arts Place of Stokes performed by the UNCSA String Ensemble on June 17<sup>th</sup> and June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm. This is a real treat to hear these talented students perform.

### **Phase Two – The Arts Place Construction**

June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup> the original heart pine planks were installed in the upstairs of The Arts Place. These boards were salvaged from the main level and when sanded they will look amazing.

The Arts Place had to close for 3 days as we moved the entire retail space to avoid the dust.

The enclosure for the pottery kiln is underway on the outside of the lower level. Next will come the lift to the second floor.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion to approve or amend the following items on the

### **Minutes**

- Minutes of April 26, 2018 – Joint Meeting with Rockingham/Caswell
- Minutes of May 29, 2018 – Regular Meeting

### **Budget Amendments**

#### **Public Works - Budget Amendment #73**

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #73.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	General Fund Public Buildings			
100.4190.510	Equipment	\$ -	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
				\$ -
	Total	\$ -	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
	Capital Reserve Fund			
201.4190.013	Public Buildings	\$ 414,985.00	\$ (12,500.00)	\$ 402,485.00
201.9810.000	Transfer to General Fund	\$ 73,051.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 85,551.00
		\$ 488,036.00	\$ -	\$ 488,036.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of a heat pump for the SOC building.

This will result in a net increase of \$12,500.00 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 in this fiscal year.

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	General Fund			
100.3982.960	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 73,051.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 85,551.00
				\$ -
	TOTALS	\$ 73,051.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 85,551.00

### **Governing Body - Budget Amendment #74**

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #74.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	Mental Health MOE Fund			
111.5200.001	ABC Bottle Tax	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 3,700.00
				\$ -
	Total	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 3,700.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To appropriate funds from ABC bottle tax to be paid to Cardinal for AA.

This will result in a net increase of \$700.00 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 in this fiscal year.

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	Mental Health MOE Fund			
111.3838.000	ABC Bottle Tax	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 3,700.00
	TOTALS	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 3,700.00

**Governing Body - Budget Amendment #75**

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #75.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	Emergency Communications			
100.4325.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 458,214.00	\$ 5,938.00	\$ 464,152.00
	Emergency Medical Services			
100.4370.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 1,219,545.00	\$ 5,433.00	\$ 1,224,978.00
	Social Services			
100.5310.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,307,031.00	\$ 1,223.00	\$ 2,308,254.00
	Contingency			
100.9910.000	Contingency	\$ 426,168.00	\$ (12,594.00)	\$ 413,574.00
	Total	\$ 4,410,958.00	\$ -	\$ 4,410,958.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from leave payoff contingency for retired, resigned, terminated and comp time over limit payoff as of 05/30/18.

This will result in a net increase of \$0.00 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 in this fiscal year.

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	General Fund			\$ -
				\$ -
	TOTALS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Vice Chairman Walker seconded.

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – INFORMATION AGENDA

Chairman Mendenhall noted that there were no items on the Information Agenda at today's meeting.

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – DISCUSSION AGENDA

## Tax Administration Report – May 2018

### TAX COLLECTION STATUS REPORT

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED BY MONTH FY 2017-2018

CURRENT 2017 TAX	COUNTY REG & MV	USE VALUE TAX BILLS	INTEREST PEN & FEES	DOGS	KING (FIRE)	RURAL HALL (FIRE)	WALNUT COVE (FIRE)	SERVICE (FIRE)	CITY OF KING	TOWN OF WALNUT COVE	DANBURY	NEW SCHOOL F-TECH FUND
JULY	143,136.99	2,592.33	405.41	222.00	2,950.37	465.46	1,403.14	11,178.36	13,552.81	1,001.13	120.99	9,427.31
AUGUST	10,998,103.62	6,577.47	1,171.75	13,921.85	212,586.33	39,680.62	116,056.37	736,476.98	1,394,872.47	252,856.65	23,231.76	710,061.81
SEPTEMBER	818,323.59	1,576.86	456.68	2,284.44	11,525.43	3,222.80	22,291.42	50,972.20	85,898.21	7,161.33	1,009.21	52,926.62
OCTOBER	500,355.04	6,545.03	875.43	1,375.12	8,070.09	1,916.03	5,835.96	39,619.38	40,090.62	11,486.79	105.82	32,769.24
NOVEMBER	534,195.01	7,697.28	1,195.43	1,295.84	10,226.94	1,235.22	7,635.78	38,820.61	50,103.34	11,435.15	1,320.34	35,045.01
DECEMBER	2,153,725.21	5,352.85	852.26	3,282.19	34,716.18	6,602.90	33,024.68	149,878.22	214,781.90	67,653.29	5,593.29	139,348.85
JANUARY	4,853,315.97	2,316.21	6,588.35	3,171.58	34,124.46	7,712.49	27,286.84	509,685.63	186,272.62	62,106.19	5,174.26	313,631.27
FEBRUARY	230,500.72	3,217.00	9,448.55	841.49	4,441.30	1,015.28	2,416.54	17,511.41	22,010.78	3,541.06	301.42	15,563.79
MARCH	400,101.42	44.91	17,774.58	1,555.64	5,610.06	886.86	6,839.60	32,808.01	23,183.41	6,470.63	676.97	26,790.84
APRIL	143,904.08	4,455.75	11,032.45	242.40	1,736.84	271.85	2,042.35	13,560.17	7,278.74	954.30	2.57	10,037.76
MAY	106,005.94	2,967.53	10,810.59	92.68	1,841.43	188.70	1,942.15	8,934.66	5,759.14	222.12	-	7,431.16
JUNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUB TOTAL	\$ 20,881,667.59	CONT'D	CONT'D	\$ 28,285.23	\$327,829.43	\$ 63,198.21	\$ 226,774.83	\$ 1,609,445.63	#####	\$ 424,888.64	\$37,536.63	CONT'D
BUDGET AMT	\$ 21,179,104.00	CONT'D	CONT'D	\$ 30,000.00	\$327,888.00	\$ 64,099.00	\$ 233,502.00	\$ 1,637,260.00				CONT'D
BALANCE	\$ 297,436.41			\$ 1,714.77	\$ 58.57	\$ 900.79	\$ 6,727.17	\$ 27,814.37				
PERCENTAGE	98.60%			94.28%	99.98%	98.59%	97.12%	98.30%				
PRIOR	COUNTY REG & MV	USE VALUE TAX BILLS	INTEREST PEN & FEES	DOGS	KING (FIRE)	RURAL HALL (FIRE)	WALNUT COVE (FIRE)	SERVICE (FIRE)	CITY OF KING	TOWN OF WALNUT COVE	TOWN OF DANBURY	NEW SCHOOL F-TECH FUND
JULY	81,477.05	-	12,294.70	171.92	959.01	163.08	1,092.73	6,598.16	4,208.25	1,100.14	140.80	5,661.59
AUGUST	69,274.68	-	12,806.19	181.55	518.22	46.61	761.75	4,719.39	11,044.46	2,045.19	139.26	4,957.26
SEPTEMBER	36,861.24	-	8,458.44	82.50	491.74	7.06	639.07	2,838.08	2,136.64	170.35	138.46	2,581.96
OCTOBER	64,696.53	-	16,922.51	96.29	277.27	7.36	763.26	5,555.71	4,277.35	1,420.51	138.46	4,908.28
NOVEMBER	64,726.86	256.80	15,658.01	87.87	547.29	15.82	565.93	2,425.64	22,290.39	4,736.19	136.39	4,909.31
DECEMBER	51,069.28	57.05	11,727.34	125.95	678.84	56.81	163.70	2,403.45	16,496.57	1,487.70	191.44	3,843.34
JANUARY	45,959.17	140.25	13,726.03	58.35	319.13	86.57	626.74	3,613.85	4,651.48	231.22	138.46	3,434.77
FEBRUARY	32,949.42	53.50	11,023.25	7.02	504.28	23.33	401.26	2,018.12	6,239.53	555.56	138.46	2,553.96
MARCH	53,342.59	259.16	18,018.82	88.47	325.45	223.67	193.34	4,277.93	5,892.99	1,674.43	128.74	4,181.56
APRIL	28,417.04	6,065.11	10,037.49	86.39	120.10	161.70	159.22	2,499.46	2,275.26	109.54	310.67	2,123.70
MAY	25,217.38	-	10,337.68	9.29	541.97	40.13	757.52	2,029.59	1,203.94	78.79	136.37	2,290.15
JUNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUB TOTAL	\$ 553,991.24	\$ 50,175.09	\$201,621.94	\$ 995.60	\$ 5,283.30	\$ 832.14	\$ 6,124.52	\$ 38,979.38	\$ 80,716.86	\$ 13,609.62	\$ 1,737.51	#####
BUDGET AMT	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 35,000.00				#####
BALANCE	\$ (53,991.24)	\$(35,175.09)	\$(1,621.94)	\$ 504.40	\$(283.30)	\$ 667.86	\$(1,124.52)	\$(3,979.38)				\$(28,085.54)
PERCENTAGE	110.80%	334.50%	100.81%	66.37%	105.67%	55.48%	122.49%	111.37%				102.06%



**RELEASES LESS THAN \$100-REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY PER NCGS 105-381(b)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>BILL NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
NEWSOME, ROSS MCKENZIE	PO BOX 1573, KING, NC 27021	N/A	850568-2017-2017	\$1.63

**REFUNDS LESS THAN \$100 - REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY PER NCGS 105-381(b)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>BILL NUMBER</u>	<u>LEDGER NO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
NANCE, VERA K.	3733 KONNOAK DR. WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27127	N/A	310267-2017-2017	100.3100.160	\$9.72
				209.3100.160	\$1.25
				211.3100.160	\$0.63
"	"	N/A	310267-2016-2016	100.4140.390	\$9.72
				209.3100.160	\$1.18
				211.3100.160	\$0.63
"	"	N/A	310267-2015-2015	100.4140.390	\$9.92
				209.3100.160	\$1.12
				211.3100.160	\$0.64
"	"	N/A	310267-2014-2014	100.4140.390	\$9.60
				209.3100.160	\$1.04
				211.3100.160	\$0.64
"	"	N/A	310267-2013-2013	100.4140.390	\$9.60
				209.3100.160	\$1.04
				211.3100.160	\$0.64
"	"	N/A	310251-2017-2017	100.3100.160	\$31.59
				209.3100.160	\$4.08
				211.3100.160	\$2.04
"	"	N/A	310251-2016-2016	100.4140.390	\$31.60
				209.3100.160	\$3.82
				211.3100.160	\$2.04
"	"	N/A	310251-2015-2015	100.4140.390	\$32.24
				209.3100.160	\$3.64
				211.3100.160	\$2.08
"	"	N/A	310251-2014-2014	100.4140.390	\$31.20
				209.3100.160	\$3.38
				211.3100.160	\$2.08
"	"	N/A	310251-2013-2013	100.4140.390	\$30.18
				209.3100.160	\$3.26
				211.3100.160	\$2.02
					\$242.62

**REFUNDS MORE THAN \$100-REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY PER NCGS 105-381(b)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>BILL NUMBER</u>	<u>LEDGER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
KIRBY, SALLY FOWLER	120 KREEGER CT KING, NC 27021	N/A	34601725	100.3100.113	\$120.12	VEHICLE SOLD
				100.2130.068	\$81.77	
				211.3100.009	\$7.75	

**Present-Use Value Late Application**

Per NCGS 105-277.4(a1), "Late Application.....an application may be approved by the board of equalization and review or, if that board is not in session, by the board of county commissioners."

We have (4) late applications for year 2018 on which the Tax Office is recommending approval:

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Pack, Odell R.	5989-02-77-3896	13.45	Agricultural Use Value
Pack, Rita V.	5989-02-77-0943	0.65	Late Delivery
	5989-02-76-0252	10.00	
Inman, Patrick W.	5989-00-38-6793	42.84	Agricultural Use Value
Inman, Ashley P.			Late Delivery
Morgan, Stephen T.	6939-00-16-8980	20.74	Forestry Use Value
Morgan, Tiffany D.	6939-00-27-1679	11.35	Late Delivery
Hall, W. Ray	6905-00-28-3548	20.03	Forestry Use Value

6905-00-18-9744	1.54	Late Delivery
6905-00-28-5057	1.50	
6905-00-29-1171	0.47	

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

With no discussion and full consensus of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place the Refunds More Than \$100 and the Present – Use Value Late Application on the next meetings Consent Agenda.

**Fireworks Display Request – The Vineyard Camp**

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Interim County Manager Jake Oakley.

Interim County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board.

*Stokes County Fire Marshal's Office  
P.O. Box 20  
1012 Main Street  
Danbury, NC 27016  
Telephone: 336-593-2484 Fax 336-593-2438*

Date: June 4, 2018  
To: Stokes County Commissioners  
From: Scott Aaron, Fire Marshal  
Re: Fireworks Display - The Vineyard Camp

We've received application from East Coast Pyrotechnics for a Fireworks Display at the Vineyard on July 6, 2018.

We have reviewed the application and plans and recommend that this application be approved by the Stokes County Board of County Commissioners.

If approved my office will complete the application process and inspect the site prior to the issuance of a permit as approved by North Carolina Fire Code.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding this matter.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- In previous years we have approved this before now.
- I am thinking we should move this to the Action Agenda tonight.
- This gives them time to get their vendors and permits in place for the event.

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place this item on the Action Agenda at today's meeting.

## **Duke Energy's Utility Easement for the Jail Expansion**

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Interim County Manager Jake Oakley.

Interim County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board.

- A request has been received from Duke Power regarding an easement for the jail expansion.
- County Attorney Browder has reviewed this request and has provided his memorandum of approval.
- I am requesting that this item be placed on the Action Agenda at today's meeting so that this project can continue to move forward.
- This will ensure no delays on the expansion.

Memorandum

To: Jake Oakley Interim County Manager

From: Danny Stovall, Support Services Supervisor

Date: June 5, 2018

Re: Duke Power Utility Easement – Jail Expansion

On June 11, 2018, please have the Board of Commissioners approve the attached Duke Power utility easement for the Jail expansion that is under construction. County Attorney Ty Browder for approval has provided a memorandum of approval.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- This seems like a must do situation.
- I have no problems with Action Agenda today.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- I agree with Commissioner Lankford.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- This just sounds like some administrative details that need to be taken care of.
- No use holding up progress.
- I am on board with it.

Commissioner Jones commented:

- This is just protocol.

Chairman Mendenhall agreed with placing the item on the Action Agenda at today's meeting and had no comments.

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place this item on the Action Agenda at today's meeting.

### **Donation of County Vehicle to Lawsonville Fire Department**

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Interim County Manager Jake Oakley.

Interim County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board.

Memorandum

To: Jake Oakley Interim County Manager

From: Danny Stovall Support Services Supervisor

Date: June 5, 2018

Re: Surplus Vehicle

Fire Chief Scott Aaron has ask for the County to donate a 2009 Ford Crown Vic VIN number 2FAHP71V89X118318 to the Lawsonville Volunteer Fire Department. In the past we have donated surplus vehicles to other VFD's in the County.

Attached is a Resolution the needs Board of Commissioners approval before I can move forward with this request from Fire Chief Aaron.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- I believe this policy was put in place to save the wear and tear on some of the more expensive equipment at the fire stations.
- It seems to be working.
- I am curious how we prioritize who gets the next one.
- So far it seems to work out that we have one available for a fire department that asks.
- Any idea how long this has been in place?

Commissioner Lankford responded:

- 3 or 4 years.

Vice Chairman Walker continued:

- I am glad to see that we are getting some use out of our surplus county vehicles.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- First of all we need to make sure none of the departments need this vehicle.
- I am sure that has already been done.
- We have done a couple of these in the past.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Is the Sheriff aware of this?
- I am sure it is fine.
- Would just like to make sure.

Interim County Manager Oakley commented:

- I am positive that Danny Stovall has checked with everyone before this came before you.
- I will certainly check with the Sheriff and other county departments and be sure that no one else needs this vehicle within the county.

Commissioner Jones commented;

- I concur with this on checking.
- Seems like protocol.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- Looks like approval is requested at our next meeting.
- This will give time to check into this.

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place this item on the Action Agenda at the next meeting.

**Resolution authorizing sale of personal property worth less than \$30,000.00  
(G.S. 153A-176; 160A-267, 160A-279)**

WHEREAS, The County of Stokes owns a 2009 Ford Crown Vic 2FAHP71V89X118318 that has become surplus; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 160A-279 authorizes the County to appropriate funds to any public or private entity which carries out a public purpose, the County may, in lieu of or in addition to the appropriation of funds, convey by private sale to such entity any real or personal property which it owns.

WHEREAS, Procedural provisions of North Carolina 160A-267 Private Sale shall apply;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners are convened in a regular meeting;

THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF STOKES COUNTY RESOLVES THAT:

1. The Board of Commissioners authorizes the Support Services Supervisor to sell with or without compensation the following vehicle to:

Lawsonville Volunteer Fire Department Inc.

2009 Ford Crown Vic VIN # 2FAHP71V89X118318

2. The Support Services Supervisor shall publish a notice summarizing this Resolution and transfer of ownership of said vehicle shall not be executed pursuant to this resolution until at least ten (10) days after the date notice was published.

Adopted this the \_\_\_\_ day of June 2018.

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Ronnie Mendenhall - Chairman

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Jimmy Walker – Vice Chairman

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Ernest Lankford - Commissioner

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James D. Booth - Commissioner

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Rhonda Jones – Commissioner

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Shannon Shaver -Clerk to the Board

June, 11 2018

**Copier Lease**

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Interim County Manager Jake Oakley.

Interim County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board.

Memorandum

To: Jake Oakley Interim County Manager

From: Danny Stovall Support Services Supervisor

Date: June 5, 2018

Re: Copier Upgrades

County's current copier rental agreement with Sharp Business Systems will expire in March 2019.

Mr. Richard Shackelford with Sharp Business System has presented me with a proposal for early replacement of 22 copiers plus adding 3 color copiers in departments to replace personal color printers that utilized very expensive toner cartridges.

A total of 25 copiers are included in this proposal for the following Departments:

Day Reporting Center, Fire Marshal, Landfill, E911 Communications, Health Department, Information Systems, Tax Collections, Board of Elections, Natural Resources, Tax Listing, EMS, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Reagan Building, Senior Services, Cooperative Extension, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reagan Building, Southwest Service Center, Sheriff's Office, Jail, Walnut Cove Senior Center, Tax Mapping.

Social Service copiers were upgraded in August 2016 and that's the reason they are not included in the above list.



2,330.00 – New Rental payment (25 machines) (toner included)

2,038.44 – Current payment (22 machines) (toner included)

291.56 increase per month

Service/Maintenance cost would stay as is .0062 per black copy and .085 per color copy

Even though the new monthly rental amount is higher, we will see a cost saving by not purchasing those expensive toner cartridges for the personal color printers that will be taken out of service in County departments.

Xerox black toner @ 111.00 each      Xerox color toner @ 121.00 each

HP black toner @ 417.04 each      HP color toner @ 408.49 each

I'm asking for your guidance. Do I move forward with copier replacements/upgrades with Sharp Business Systems now or wait until our contract expires in February 2019.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- I have request for your consideration.
- I notice that Mr. Shackelford with with Sharp Business System is here today.
- Would like to see if he has anything to share regarding this.

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Mr. Shackelford.

Mr. Shackelford commented:

- There is 11 months left on the lease.
- Sharp will periodically come to us with an early upgrade offer.
- 6 out of the 22 machines are over utilized.
- 3 departments have color printers.
- We are spending around \$400.00 per month on ink and supplies.
- There are 2 machines at the Sheriff's Departments and the jail that are over utilized.
- This is really a win win for the county.
- The total cost of ownership is a lot less that what you are spending per month.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- Are the refills included on color and black and white ink?

Mr. Shackleford responded:

- It includes both and you will have 3 new machines.
- This is a locked in rate for five years so your cost per copy will be the same for five years.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

What is the difference in cost for black and white vs. color copies?

Mr. Shackleford responded:

- Black and white copies are 00.62.
- Color copies are 00.85.

Chairman Mendenhall thanked Mr. Shackleford for attending the meeting

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place this item on the Action Agenda at the next meeting.

## **GENERAL GOVERNMENT – GOVERNING BODY – ACTION AGENDA**

### **Appointment Request – PTRC Aging Planning Committee**

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion regarding the appointment request for Mike Stewart to the PTRC Aging Planning Committee.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for nominations.

Commissioner Booth motioned to close nominations. Commissioner Jones seconded.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

Chairman Mendenhall polled the Board.

Commissioner Jones:

- Mike Stewart

Vice Chairman Walker:

- Mike Stewart

Chairman Mendenhall:

- Mike Stewart

Commissioner Booth:

- Mike Stewart

Commissioner Lankford:

- Mike Stewart

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

### **Fireworks Display Request – The Vineyard Camp**

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion regarding Fireworks Display at The Vineyard Camp presented at today's meeting.

*Stokes County Fire Marshal's Office  
P.O. Box 20  
1012 Main Street  
Danbury, NC 27016  
Telephone: 336-593-2484 Fax 336-593-2438*

Date: June 4, 2018  
To: Stokes County Commissioners  
From: Scott Aaron, Fire Marshal  
Re: Fireworks Display - The Vineyard Camp

We've received application from East Coast Pyrotechnics for a Fireworks Display at the Vineyard on July 6, 2018.

We have reviewed the application and plans and recommend that this application be approved by the Stokes County Board of County Commissioners.

If approved my office will complete the application process and inspect the site prior to the issuance of a permit as approved by North Carolina Fire Code.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding this matter.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the Fireworks Display at The Vineyard Camp presented at today's meeting.

Commissioner Lankford seconded.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

### **Duke Energy's Utility Easement for the Jail Expansion**

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion regarding the Duke Energy Utility Easement for the Jail Expansion presented at today's meeting.

- A request has been received from Duke Power regarding an easement for the jail expansion.
- County Attorney Browder has reviewed this request and has provided his memorandum of approval.
- I am requesting that this item be placed on the Action Agenda at today's meeting so that this project can continue to move forward.
- This will ensure no delays on the expansion.

Memorandum

To: Jake Oakley Interim County Manager

From: Danny Stovall, Support Services Supervisor

Date: June 5, 2018

Re: Duke Power Utility Easement – Jail Expansion

On June 11, 2018, please have the Board of Commissioners approve the attached Duke Power utility easement for the Jail expansion that is under construction. County Attorney Ty Browder for approval has provided a memorandum of approval.

Commissioner Booth made a motion to approve the Duke Energy Utility Easement for the Jail Expansion presented at today's meeting.

Commissioner Jones seconded.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for any discussion/questions/comments.

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion to enter Closed Session for the following:

- 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 G.S. 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(a)(6)

Commissioner Booth moved to enter Closed Session for the following:

- 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 G.S. 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(a)(6)

Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board re-entered the open session of the June 11, 2018 meeting.

Vice Chairman Walker requested to be excused from the next Regular Meeting on June 25, 2018.

With full consensus of the Board, Chairman Mendenhall excused Vice Chairman Walker from the June 25, 2018 meeting.

### **Adjournment**

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

Commissioner Booth moved to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Lankford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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**Shannon Shaver**

**Clerk to the Board**

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**Ronnie Mendenhall**

**Chairman**