

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 AUGUST 13, 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, August 13, 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
Attorney Adam Hall
DSS Director Stacey Elmes
Interim Tax Administrator Richard Brim
Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall

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 August 13th Agenda.

Commissioner Booth moved to approve the August 13th Agenda.
Commissioner Jones seconded the motion.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for discussion.

County Manager Oakley requested to add an item to the Information agenda concerning the North Carolina D.O.T.

Commissioner Booth amended the motion to approve the August 13, 2018 Agenda to include the addition of Item C., North Carolina D.O.T., to the Information agenda.
Commissioner Jones seconded the amended motion.

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for discussion.

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS - Manager/Commissioners

Commissioner Jones commented:

- Have been really busy lately.
- Looking forward to seeing you at the conference next week.
- Always glad to see everyone here.
- Spent the morning at the early college doing a presentation for career day.
- Spoke to them about what I do.
- Nice to see such a young, respectful group.
- Of course the facilities are gorgeous.
- Last Tuesday I spent the day in Raleigh at the oil and gas commission.
- That is a daunting Board.
- It is rigorous.
- There a lots of meetings.
- They are still trying to get organized and up and running.
- Conveying this so that you know I am out here working for Stokes County as best as I can.
- Spent Wednesday at three meetings at the PTRC.
- The annual report just came out so you guys should really take a look at it.
- This particular board has really come a long way in the last 10 years.
- It is ran so well and is making so many accomplishments

- Three counties are going to be doing drone navigation.
- I tried to get our county on board with that about three years ago.
- Would have been a great opportunity.
- Spoke with some key people in the school system.
- Never brought up other than speaking about doing some coding.
- I wanted our kids to learn to navigate them.
- It never happened.
- Another opportunity I am afraid we are going to be behind the curve on again.
- If you are keeping up with the opioid lawsuit, saw that prescriptions from doctors have been reduced by 35%.
- The usage is no better, but wanted to convey that.
- Want to compliment Cardinal.
- Had a constituent that reached out to me.
- I was a little nervous.
- I kept Ronda in the loop, and that person's situation is far better than when they started.
- I want to give my special appreciation for that because I could tell this individual was in bad shape.
- Participation in the SNAP program is way down.
- This probably means the economy is better.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- Welcome everyone.
- Doesn't matter the reason for being here.
- Surprised Commissioner Jones did not mention the farmers market today.
- That is an area that is growing in importance with me.
- Our produce travels an average distance of 1500 miles before it reaches us.
- We are capable of growing good produce and would be so much better for our people.
- We could be the county that is the front runner and quit lagging behind.
- This is something our kids and grandkids can take advantage of.
- Commissioner Jones makes a good point in looking to the future with drone navigation.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- Concerning the drones, like you said it has already happened.
- My grandson had one the other day and was flying it at my house using his phone.
- It is out there and the young people are able to use them.
- Thank everyone for being here today.
- Thank the Lord for his many blessings, and his leadership and guidance he gives me every day through his word.
- Thank him for this and salvation he has given me.
- Looking forward to this meeting today and that it may be led by the Spirit.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- Thank you to everyone that is here today.
- Can tell by the group here today, that we have a variety of issues.
- That is always good.
- As far as the drones, I am more worried about someone that is able to get on an airplane and fly it around for an hour and no one knows.
- This shows me we are still not where we need to be with security.
- Thank all of you for being here.
- It means a lot that you come out and are part of the governmental process.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Ethics for Life: "For wisdom is better than ruby's and all the things that are desired are not to be compared to it". Proverbs 8:11.
- The meaning I get from this is that, God gives us wisdom and wants us to use it in the right way.
- As long as we do that, we do not have to worry.
- He gives us the wisdom we need to do especially to honor him.
- I am very supportive of agriculture in our county.
- We do have to understand that we do not have the types and quality of land to be the forerunner in agriculture.
- You are talking about the 1500 miles that our produce travels.
- The highways are full of tractor trailers.
- If you look at the eastern part of the state, take sweet potatoes for instance, they plant around 6000 acres.
- This would take up half of Stokes County.
- We have to use our wisdom in this.
- You will find that every large producer in agriculture is somewhere the land mass is significant.
- We have to do what we can with what we have to work with.
- This is to produce smaller amounts.
- It will be healthy to at least teach our young people how to garden and plant extra for those who can't help themselves.
- This is where we need to tune in on agriculture.
- It is something we need to think about and I am very supportive of it.

County Manager Oakley commented:

- Will Carter and I attended the City of King's regular meeting.
- Had a good meeting with them.
- Just letting them know that as County Manager and Economic Development Director we are reaching out to our municipalities to let them know we are here if they need us.

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:

Kathleen Edwards
1726 Rogers Road
Mount Airy, NC 27030

RE: Dog Tethering Ordinance

We have a heartbreaking problem in Stokes County. Many dogs are confined outdoors year round, tied by their necks to the earth, on chains, ropes, and cables. Some are chained to trees, some to dog houses, and some to porches around which they often become entangled due to their inability to get exercise, or relief from unrelenting boredom. Many spend their days unable to reach water or shelter.

I know that, together, we can do better; and I'm willing to help work out a solution for the dogs and dog owners of this county.

I graduated from Wake Forest University and have lived in Stokes County for 23 years. I've witnessed dogs living sad, lonely lives, and dying on chains. While volunteering for several local rescue organizations, I have seen dogs frozen to death inside plastic houses in winter. I have seen dogs die from dehydration and heat stroke in the summer. I have seen dogs so badly starved that they had to be put down. I have seen collars embedded in the necks of dogs so deeply that they had to be surgically removed.

Guilford, Forsyth, and Surry Counties have all passed tethering bans to protect dogs. Dogs are the most vulnerable members of our community. They possess an immense capacity for suffering. They are entirely dependent upon us for everything they need to survive and are defenseless in the face of neglect.

Three of you will be leaving your seats this November, and I think it would be a wonderful goal, before you go, to vote on and enact an ordinance similar to successful ordinances in surrounding counties.

The Board of Commissioners in the City of Mount Airy adopted the County's tethering ban in a matter of two days. Once the County Attorney approves the language you have agreed upon, all it takes is a vote.

The way that chained dogs in Stokes County are being neglected is grossly unjust, and we all share a moral obligation to do something about that, without delay. I am available to meet with

anyone you designate to have a serious discussion exploring ways to arrive at a rational and effective solution to the problem.

For your reference, I have made copies of the Forsyth County tethering ban. It is three pages and I hope you will read it, and move forward to take action on this matter.

Each one of you is on this board because you wanted to make a difference in this community. Dogs deserve our protection, and I hope you will make it a priority to help the many dogs who are suffering.

I've given my contact information to the secretary; and I'd be delighted to hear from you. It would be an honor for me to work on this project, serving at the pleasure of the board.

Ellen Peric
1095 Wheeler Smith Road
Lawsonville, NC 27022

RE: Arts Update

The last two weeks we presented two plays, "Quilters", and "The Life & Legend of John Wayne". Both were well attended and folks enjoyed having their picture taken with "The Duke".

The Apple Gallery

We welcome Diane Plaisted to the Apple Galley this August. This exhibit features colorful oil paintings of local country to French country painted in the impressionist style.

Plaisted's work has been in juried shows at Associated Artists Winston Salem, and the Red Dog Gallery. She is currently the featured artist at the Gateway Gallery Culinary Show at the Enrichment Center. Diane's reception was held last Friday and we had a good crowd.

The Jayebird Gallery at Hanging Rock State Park

Take a break from hiking and pop into the visitor center where you can learn about local wildlife and experience the beauty that artist Teresa Rose Everhart captures on canvas, paper, and more. This exhibition will be on display July 8th through August 31st. All items are available for purchase through the Stokes County Arts Council's online store at Squareup.com.

The Danbury Songwriters Series

Thursday August 16th at 7pm. Tickets are \$5.

The Danbury Songwriters series presents a special 2 hour show with Hubert Lawson & the Bluegrass Country Boys. Hubert, Vera Lawson, and their sons, Lee, and Eddie organized their family band in 1980. The goal being to provide great traditional and modern bluegrass, country, square dance music, occasional rock and roll, and often some of their own original compositions.

Since then, they have played everywhere up and down the east coast. They have released five CD's so far. Along the way, Hubert and the band have played shows with Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver, Jim & Jesse McReynolds, Bill Monroe, Jimmy Martin, The Lost & Found, The Tony Rice Unit, Ralph Stanley, and The Clinch Mountain Boys, and others.

Thursday August 23rd at 7pm. Tickets are \$5.

The Danbury Songwriters series welcomes Monroe Lewis and Laurelyn Dossett to the stage at The Arts Place of Stokes on August 23rd. Monroe "Monk" Lewis has played saxophone since the 1960's with famous beach bands across the South including the Casuals, the Fabulous Five, the Note-tations, and many others. He was inspired by none other than the legendary Boots Randolph, and now plays tribute by performing many of Boots Randolph's familiar hit songs. Laurelyn Dossett lives and writes in beautiful Stokes County, North Carolina. Her songs tend to reflect stories of the region, both traditional and contemporary. One of the most sought after voices in creative collaborations, she has toured with Rhiannon Giddens, folk legend Alice Gerrard, composer/violinist Daniel Bernard Roumain, composer Kenneth Frazell's and the North Carolina Symphony.

An Evening of Songs and Stories with John Berry – The Arts Place

August 19th at 4pm.

Advance tickets through Friday the 17th are \$25.00.

Day of show tickets are \$35.00.

Doors will open at 3pm for the 4pm show.

During the 1990's, John Berry placed 20 singles on the Country Music Charts, six which landed in the Top 5. He scored a #1 hit with "Your Love Amazes Me". He has earned multiple Gold and Platinum records over the years. John was nominated for the ACM top new male vocalist in 1994. He won a Grammy in 1996 for his participation in Amazing Grace: A Country Salute to Gospel Vol.1. He was nominated for another Grammy in 1995 for his smash hit, Your Love Amazes Me, and was nominated for the CMA Horizon Award and top male vocalist in 1995. In 1997 he was nominated for Vocal Event of the Year, for Long Haired Country Boy with Charlie Daniels and Hal Ketchum. In 2013 John was nominated for the Mainstream Country Male Artist by the ICM Awards. Thanks to the miracles of modern technology, he even sang a duet with the late, great Patsy Cline. In 2018 John kicks off the 2nd season of Songs and Stories with John Berry on The Heartland Network. He will be joined by guests such as Tracy Lawrence, Pam Tillis, Ronda Vincent, Radney Foster, and others. His 90 minute performance at The Arts Place of Stokes on August 19th will begin at 4 pm and will include John's latest smash hit, "Beautifully Broken", which has spent four weeks at #1 on the Christian Music Weekly Chart.

Frank Duncan Print Signing at The Arts Place

Join Stokes Arts, Artist Frank Duncan, and Sheriffs from Stokes, Surry, Yadkin, and Rockingham counties for a signing of the new print, "Sheriff's Taking Care of Business".

Moonshine Stills were a way of life, but illegal, in these rural counties in the 1940's. Occasionally Sheriff's from these counties were called upon to participate in a common bust as illustrated in the print.

This is a free event and will be held at The Arts Place of Stokes on August 24th from 6-8pm.

44th Stokes Stomp – Festival on the Dan

We're gearing up for a big time by the Dan River September 8th and 9th. This year will feature a rock climbing wall. More details to come in the following weeks.

River to Rock Hiking Challenge

Online ticket sales are already pouring in for this 10 mile challenge – from the Dan River up to Hanging Rock and back. More details to come.

The Arts Place hosted the NC Arts Council Board of Directors last Tuesday. About 30 attendees from all over the state enjoyed breakfast and lunch catered by Artist's Way, and hospitality from the Arts Council Board. Many said they would definitely return to see more of Stokes County.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Minutes

June 19, 2018 – Budget Work Session
June 20, 2018 – Budget Work Session
June 22, 2018 – Budget Work Session
July 23, 2018 – Regular Meeting

Budget Amendments

LifeBrite Medical Center - Budget Amendment #4

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #4.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Section 1. 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	\$ 15,055.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 22,555.00
	Total	\$ 15,055.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 22,555.00
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND				
201.5700.000	Hospital Capital	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (7,500.00)	\$ 32,500.00
201.9810.000	Transfer to General Fund	\$ 60,055.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 67,555.00
		\$ 100,055.00	\$ -	\$ 67,555.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from Capital Reserve Fund to replace air conditioner unit add LiteBright Medical Center of King.

This will result in a net increase of \$7,500.00 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	\$ 60,055.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 67,555.00
				\$ -
	TOTALS	\$ 60,055.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 67,555.00

District Resource Center - Budget Amendment #5

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #5.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
District Resource Center				
100.4321.352	Maint. & Repairs Buildings	\$ -	\$ 2,006.00	\$ 2,006.00
				\$ -
	Total	\$ -	\$ 2,006.00	\$ 2,006.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To appropriate funds from District Resource fees for repairs to ice machine and terminix services at facility.

This will result in a net increase of \$2,006.00 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
100.3433.410	District Resource Fees	\$ 645.00	\$ 2,006.00	\$ 2,651.00
				\$ -
	TOTALS	\$ 645.00	\$ 2,006.00	\$ 2,651.00

General Fund - Budget Amendment # 6

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #6.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
	Administration			
100.4120.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 172,277.00	\$ 308.00	\$ 172,585.00
	Jail			
100.4320.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 919,582.00	\$ 5,135.00	\$ 924,717.00
	Emergency Communications			
100.4325.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 483,624.00	\$ 3,793.00	\$ 487,417.00
	Social Services			
100.5310.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,387,587.00	\$ 14,088.00	\$ 2,401,675.00
	Contingency			
100.9100.100	Leave Contingency	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
	Total	\$ 4,063,070.00	\$ 23,324.00	\$ 4,086,394.00

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 07/20/18

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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Public Building/Arts Council - Budget Amendment #7

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #7.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Section 1. 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				
100.4190.590	Improvements	\$ -	\$ 57,921.00	\$ 57,921.00
Total		\$ -	\$ 57,921.00	\$ 57,921.00
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND				
201.4190.013	Public Buildings	\$ 813,440.00	\$ (8,780.00)	\$ 804,660.00
201.9810.000	Transfer to General Fund	\$ 67,555.00	\$ 8,780.00	\$ 76,335.00
		\$ 880,995.00	\$ -	\$ 76,335.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To re-appropriate funds from fiscal year 2017-18 for the parking lot behind the Arts Council and transfer funds from Capital Reserve for removal of trees, stumps and etc. for the parking lot not include in the original quote.

This will result in a net increase of \$57,921.00 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				
100.3991.000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 2,961,656.00	\$ 49,141.00	\$ 3,010,797.00
100.3982.960	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 67,555.00	\$ 8,780.00	\$ 76,335.00
TOTALS		\$ 3,029,211.00	\$ 57,921.00	\$ 3,087,132.00

Public Buildings/Courthouse Circle -Budget Amendment #8

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #8.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
Public Buildings				
100.4190.590	Improvements	\$ 57,921.00	\$ 33,275.00	\$ 91,196.00
Total		\$ 57,921.00	\$ 33,275.00	\$ 91,196.00
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND				
201.4190.013	Public Buildings	\$ 804,660.00	\$ (33,275.00)	\$ 771,385.00
201.9810.000	Transfer to General Fund	\$ 76,335.00	\$ 33,275.00	\$ 109,610.00
		\$ 880,995.00	\$ -	\$ 109,610.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from Capital Reserve Fund for 8 parking spaces at the Old Courthouse per quote.

This will result in a net increase of \$33,275.00 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	\$ 76,335.00	\$ 33,275.00	\$ 109,610.00
TOTALS		\$ 76,335.00	\$ 33,275.00	\$ 109,610.00

Solid Waste- Budget Amendment #9

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #9.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
Solid Waste				
100.4720.000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 191,733.00	\$ 20,373.00	\$ 212,106.00
100.4720.090	Social Security	\$ 22,946.00	\$ 1,263.00	\$ 24,209.00
100.4720.091	Medicare Tax	\$ 5,367.00	\$ 295.00	\$ 5,662.00
100.4720.100	Retirement	\$ 15,013.00	\$ 1,595.00	\$ 16,608.00
100.4720.101	401K	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 204.00	\$ 1,704.00
100.4720.110	Health Insurance	\$ 40,313.00	\$ 5,599.00	\$ 45,912.00
100.4720.111	Dental Insurance	\$ 2,277.00	\$ 316.00	\$ 2,593.00
100.4720.130	Unemployment Tax	\$ 1,410.00	\$ 234.00	\$ 1,644.00
100.4720.171	Term Life	\$ 359.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 409.00
100.4720.351	Maint. & Repairs Auto	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
100.4720.510	Equipment	\$ 23,015.00	\$ 307,900.00	\$ 330,915.00
Contingency				
100.9910.000	Contingency	\$ 125,000.00	\$ (34,929.00)	\$ 90,071.00
Total		\$ 568,933.00	\$ 307,900.00	\$ 876,833.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To appropriate and transfer funds for truck driver, fringes, truck, recycle boxes and etc. to bring recycling in-house.

This will result in a net increase of \$307,900.00 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				
100.3920.911	Proceeds from Financing	\$ 441,482.00	\$ 307,900.00	\$ 749,382.00
TOTALS		\$ 441,482.00	\$ 307,900.00	\$ 749,382.00

Health Department - Budget Amendment #10

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #10.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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

Account Number	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT	INCREASE (DECREASE)	AS AMENDED
Health Medicaid Title XIX				
110.5104.260	Departmental Supplies	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 27,500.00
110.5104.352	Maint. & Repairs Buildings	\$ -	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 5,750.00
110.5104.230	Medical Supplies	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,349.00	\$ 13,849.00
Total		\$ 25,000.00	\$ 22,099.00	\$ 47,099.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

The Health Department had received on-time funds from the state to be used for general health department purposes. These funds were budgeted and were not spend. These funds had not restrictions for carry forward. We would like to use these funds to update the older portion of our health department and purchase some updated medical supplies and patient educational materials.

This will result in a net increase of \$22,099.00 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
Health Medicaid Title XIX				
110.3301.000	General Aid to County	\$ 83,689.00	\$ 22,099.00	\$ 105,788.00
TOTALS		\$ 83,689.00	\$ 22,099.00	\$ 105,788.00

Communications - Budget Amendment #11

Finance Director Julia Edwards submitted Budget Amendment #11.

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Section 1. 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				
Emergency Communications				
100.4325.511	Equipment Non Capitalized	\$ -	\$ 3,677.00	\$ 3,677.00
	Total	\$ -	\$ 3,677.00	\$ 3,677.00
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND				
201.4325.002	Emergency Communications	\$ 35,521.00	\$ (3,677.00)	\$ 31,844.00
201.9810.000	Transfer to General Fund	\$ 109,610.00	\$ 3,677.00	\$ 113,287.00
		\$ 145,131.00	\$ -	\$ 145,131.00

This budget amendment is justified as follows:

To transfer funds from Capital Reserve Fund to replace a server in communications.

This will result in a net increase of \$3,677.00 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	\$ 109,610.00	\$ 3,677.00	\$ 113,287.00
	TOTALS	\$ 109,610.00	\$ 3,677.00	\$ 113,287.00

Proposed 2019 Holiday Schedule

Holiday	Day of Week	Date
New Year's Day	Tuesday	January 1, 2019
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday	January 21, 2019
Good Friday	Friday	April 19, 2019
Memorial Day	Monday	May 27, 2019
Independence Day	Thursday	July 4, 2019
Labor Day	Monday	September 2, 2019
Veterans Day	Monday	November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving	Thursday	November 28, 2019
	Friday	November 29, 2019
Christmas	Tuesday	December 24, 2019
	Wednesday	December 25, 2019

Floating Holiday – (1) day to be used by employees during the calendar year of 2019 upon approval of supervisor. Can't be carried over to calendar year 2020.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Vice Chairman Walker seconded.

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

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- Looking over the Budget Amendments.
- One is for the air conditioning replacement at LifeBrite Medical Center of King.
- I know the emergency room, urgent care, and family clinic have all moved out.
- I am wondering what is left that belongs to LifeBrite in that particular facility.
- If they are leasing it, is it still our responsibility to replace the air conditioner?
- I would like a legal opinion on that if necessary from our Attorney.

Chairman Mendenhall asked Finance Director Julia Edwards if she could provide any information concerning this.

Finance Director Julia Edwards responded:

- I thought LifeBrite had offices in there.
- I understand they are leasing the space.

County Manager Oakley responded:

- In the contract you have with LifeBrite, it is the counties responsibility to replace the unit.
- It is LifeBrite's responsibility to maintain the unit.
- In this case the unit went out and needs to be replaced.
- It is my understanding there are doctors from the old medical center in this space.
- The County owns the building and it their responsibility.

Vice Chairman Walker continued:

- I understand this but if they are leasing it and making a profit, is it still our responsibility?
- Does the contract include something about a sub-lease?

Finance Director Julia Edwards responded:

- There is still \$10,000.00 in the contract that we place in capital reserve with LifeBrite for capital repairs, like this air conditioning unit.
- It is transferring from capital reserve.

Vice Chairman Walker responded:

- I did not see that in the budget amendment.
- This still does not completely address whose responsibility it is if they are now leasing that building.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- Our Attorney is not here today.
- He is sending one of his associates Adam Hall.
- He will be here before the meeting is over.
- He can provide verification.

Vice Chairman Walker responded:

- Danny Stovall is here and familiar with contracts.
- Could we get his advice on that?

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall.

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall commented:

- I would have to look at the contract.
- I am not sure if the sub-lease changes that.

- I do know the A/C unit is not in the big building.
- It is in the modular unit behind that building.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- My understanding of the lease as our County Manager was saying is that it is our responsibility to replace the A/C units, roof, etc...
- I do know that if an air conditioning unit goes out in a building, we better get one back in it.
- This will cause problems.
- Whether they are using it or not, it is our property and we do not want to have an issue.

Vice Chairman Walker continued:

- This property is not being used for what it was originally intended.
- That is what has caused the question to come up.

Chairman Mendenhall noted that the Proposed Holiday Schedule for 2019 is in the consent agenda and wanted to be sure that all Board members had a chance to review.
All gave concurrence.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- We can wait to approve the consent agenda until the attorney arrives and we can get clarification on the LifeBrite budget amendment.

Commissioner Lankford responded:

- It is in the contract.
- We can get a copy.
- I don't know that we need an Attorney for that.

Chairman Mendenhall noted that there is a motion and a second to approve the consent agenda and inquired if further discussion is needed.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- I would like to approve the rest of the consent agenda until we can get clarification on this item.
- We didn't see this coming.
- No one knew that all the services would be pulled out of this building.
- It is kind of an unusual situation.
- My preference would be to approve the other items and hold off on this item.
- If we need to place this on the discussion agenda, we can request that.

Commissioner Jones moved to amend the motion to approve the consent agenda with the exception of budget amendment #4.

Vice Chairman Walker seconded.

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

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Before we discuss this I would like verification from Pam Tillman on what the building is being used for.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- That is a good decision.
- Would also like to know what the plan to do in the future.
- If they are just going to lease it out, then that would be something else to consider.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- The only thing we are going to get into here is delaying this.
- Whether we lease it and LifeBrite is providing services there or we lease it to someone else, we are still going to have to replace the A/C.
- That is what the lease says.
- It would have to wait until another meeting.

Vice Chairman Walker responded:

- I am not saying not to replace it.
- We can go ahead and if we find out it is LifeBrite's responsibility since they do not have anything there anymore, then we could recover the funds.

Chairman Mendenhall noted that if budget amendment #4 is added back to the consent agenda, we would need to go back to Commissioner Jones original motion.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the consent agenda with the original motion.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- Still a little confused.
- We need something in the minutes to show that if it is found to be LifeBrite's responsibility, they would need to reimburse, unless the contract says otherwise.

Commissioner Jones responded:

- This entire conversation will be in the minutes.
- It is recorded and noted.
- The fact of the matter is that is our building and our problem.
- It needs to be addressed.
- We are in a hot and humid season.
- That detail can be worked out later.
- I still resubmit my original motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Booth seconded.

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

With no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

Cardinal Innovations – Quarterly Update

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Ronda Outlaw, Senior Community Executive.

Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw presented the following information to the Board:

2018 Community Reinvestment Plan

Medicaid Savings Funds
Annual “Reinvestment” in Services & Supports
2018 Plan Targets Locally Identified Community Needs
Capital projects, equipment, programs
“Requests for Proposals” from community
240 Proposals Received
Comprehensive Decision-Making Process
Multiple internal and external reviews to support equitable decision-making
Rating system
State review
Over \$4m Distributed

2018 Community Reinvestments

Triad Awards \$521,296

County	Entity	Initiative
Forsyth	iCan House	IDD program expansion
Forsyth	School Health Alliance	Mobile Integrated Health
Forsyth	United Way	“Rapid Response” housing
Stokes	Children’s Center	Parenting classes

Davie	Davie County	Child residential services pilot
Rockingham	School System	Trauma training for staff

Highland Center Update

Fully Operational
 Forsyth Wellness Center
 Behavioral Health Urgent Care
 Outpatient Behavioral Health Services
 Coming Late Summer 2018
 Primary Care Medical Clinic
 Forsyth Wellness Center Opened 3/26/18
 Training & education for members, families, community stakeholders
 Recovery supports
 Behavioral health-focused community meetings and events
 Behavioral Health Urgent Care Opened 5/17/18
 Assessment and linkage to care at any hour
 “23-hour” observations beds (extended assessment; awaiting inpatient care; crisis “cool down”)
 Access to inpatient and outpatient care
 Transportation to crisis bed & back home
 Crisis and Outpatient Services
 Primary Care Medical Clinic Opening TBD
 Joint venture of Novant and Wake Forest Baptist Health
 Bringing much-needed medical care to underserved community
 Serving those with Medicaid & the uninsured
 Tentative opening late summer 2018

Addressing Opioid Use

Narcan Distribution “Round 3”
 Provided to all Triad Counties 5/18
 Town Hall 5/1/18
 Narcan Kit Assembly
 Q/A with Cardinal Board Chair Bryan Thompson
 Funders
 Round 1 & 2: Federal CURES Grant
 Round 3: Cardinal Innovations (\$1m)



Addressing Opioid Use

Narcan Distribution

County	Round 1 7/17	Round 2 11/17	Round 3 5/18	YTD Totals
Forsyth	72	36	164	272
Stokes	12	16	26	54
Davie	14	41	45	100
Rockingham	24	16	96	136

Numbers = Number of Narcan kits distributed. Each kit contains two doses, as multiple doses may be required for one individual.

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Annual MOE Funds Designations

Supporting Counties in Identifying Local Needs & Planning for FY18-19 Funding
Coordinated interface with Cardinal funding (Medicaid, state, federal funds)
Encourage use of MOE for local needs without a funding source
All County Designations Complete 6/18
Popular Funding Allocations
Opioid & Substance Use Initiatives (All Counties)
Integrated Health / Paramedicine Initiatives (Forsyth, Stokes, Rockingham)
Local Dept of Social Services support (Forsyth, Stokes, Rockingham)
All County Designations Complete 6/18
Popular Funding Allocations (continued)
Member transportation (Stokes, Rockingham)
Safety net providers – Unfunded/underfunded costs (All Triad Counties)

Stokes County Update

NC MedAssist Free Pharmacy Event 5/21/18
Free Over-the-Counter Meds & Supplies (over \$100 per individual / family)
Over 400 Stokes County Individuals / Families Served
40 Community Volunteers

Stokes Community Supports Children

Film Viewing, Speakers & Discussion 4/23/18

“Resilience: Biology of Stress & Science of Hope”

Sponsors: Stokes Partnership for Children, Stokes DSS, The Children’s Center, Stokes Arts Council, Cardinal Innovations

Film addresses prevalence of adverse childhood experiences and their impact on physical health & overall functioning

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

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- Always glad to see you.
- Seems things are running smoothly.
- Encouraged by the Highland Avenue Center.
- You mentioned someone can walk in and be treated based on their need at that moment.
- Suppose someone walks in the hospital in Danbury, could they transport that individual to the Highland Avenue Center?

Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw responded:

- If they were being committed involuntary they could be transported.
- If it is voluntary then a family member would bring them to the Highland Avenue Center.

Vice Chairman continued:

- One ongoing issue in the past was that when the officers took someone in they had to stay.
- Have we made some progress with that?

Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw responded:

- With the Highland Avenue Center, they can be brought in after they have been cleared from the hospital.
- They could then be left with the Daymark staff to complete their assessment.
- Many people can avoid a hospital admission.
- They have the 23 hour observation chairs.
- This coupled with extensive outpatient therapy usually beginning the next day can avoid a hospital admission.

Vice Chairman continued:

- How is our opportunity center?
- I am not hearing anything bad so I assume things are going well.

Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw responded:

- I have not heard anything else about it since we last spoke.
- I believe everything is going well.

Vice Chairman continued:

- Commissioner Lankford keeps a pretty close watch on it.
- Have you heard any feedback?

Commissioner Lankford responded:

- The parents and clients are happy.
- They seem to well understand what the role is with Cardinal and how it works.
- Most that are able are out volunteering.
- The parents feel this is good for their child, even though they are no longer receiving any money for this.
- They are strictly volunteering.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- What happens when the deputies take someone and they are released?
- Do they have to go back and pick them up?

Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw responded:

- The transportation is provided back home.
- The officers do not have to come back out.
- Stokes County actually had the first client.
- It was an involuntary commitment and we were all a little nervous.
- It is my understanding that it went very well, and that both the client and law enforcement were happy.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- Looking at the numbers for Narcan distribution.
- We had 54 and everyone else received a 100 or more.
- Can you explain how that is distributed?

Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw responded:

- It was based on the amount the county requested.
- Last summer we asked the county how many they needed.
- The first two rounds were provided with federal grant money.
- We funded the third round ourselves due to some counties had not received the requested amounts.
- This is a good example of how the saving dollars get used throughout the year to support local needs.

Chairman Mendenhall on behalf of the Board expressed his appreciation to Cardinal Senior Community Executive Ronda Outlaw for the update.

Department of Social Services – Monthly Update

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Stacey Elmes, DSS Director.

DSS Director Stacey Elmes presented the following information to the Board:

On October 6th at Moratock Park we are having a Breast Cancer Survivor Support breakfast. We have a group of employees that provide baskets to breast cancers patients and survivors.

Stokes County DSS Dashboard 2018				
	April	May	June	Total
ADULT SOCIAL WORK SERVICES				
Guardianship Cases	29	28	28	
New APS Reports Received	13	7	9	29
APS Reports Accepted	9	1	5	15
Investigations Initiated Timely [Goal 95%]	100%	100%	100%	
Outreach Visits	2	4	4	10
In Home Aide Programs/Family Caregiver	43	42	41	
Community Alternatives Program (CAP/DA)	73	74	75	
Representative Payee	13	13	13	
SA - In-Home	62	62	63	
Placement	0	0	0	
Adult Care Homes Monitored	6	6	6	
Total Requests for CIP	18	14	28	60
CIP Expenditures	\$9,220	\$5,045	\$4,013	\$18,278
Total Requests for LIEAP	1	0	0	1
LIEAP Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$-
Unclaimed Bodies	0	0	0	0
Staff Hours Spent at Shelters	0	0	0	0
CHILD CARE SUBSIDY				
Children Receiving Services	266	246	unavailable	
Expenditures	\$91,437	\$86,407	unavailable	\$177,844
Waiting List	210	219	238	
CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES				
CPS Reports Received	51	48	46	145
CPS Reports Accepted	27	31	29	87
Children Opened	45	65	67	177
Open Reports	41	38	36	
Open Case Management	17	17	17	
Courtesy Requests	12	10	9	31

Substance Affected Infants Reported to DSS	1	3	1	5
Substance Affected Infants Accepted for Inv.	1	1	1	3
Reports Initiated Timely [Goal 95%]	100%	100%	100%	
Reports Completed Timely [Goal 75%]	77%	70%	96%	
Children Remaining at Home [Goal 95%]	76%	91%	98%	
CHILD SUPPORT				
Number of Children Served	1,349	1,357	1,350	
Total Collections	\$211,702	\$237,076	\$225,919	\$674,697
Paternities Established	4	0	5	9
New Court Orders	8	11	10	29
FISHING LICENSE WAIVERS				
Fishing License Waivers	4	2	1	7
FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES				
Total Households	2,668	2,659	2,656	
Total Individuals	5,530	5,631	5,662	
Report Card (App. Timeliness) [Goal: 95%]	97%	100%	100%	
Report Card (Recert. Timeliness) [Goal: 95%]	98%	99%	99%	
Benefits Distributed	\$585,276	\$585,950.00	582,318	\$1,753,544
	April	May	June	Total
FOSTER CARE				
Children Entering Care	11	6	1	18
Total Children in Care	94	95	91	
Children Discharged	9	5	4	18
Children in Care Over 1 Year	34	20	19	
% Receiving a Monthly Visit [Goal 100%]	100%	100%	100%	
% Visited in the Home [Goal > 90%]	90%	99%	85%	
Foster Care 18-21	7	7	7	21
Monitoring of Children No Longer in Custody	4	4	7	4
Licensed Foster Homes	17	17	15	
Sanctioned Homes	16	10	13	39
# of Individuals/Families Receiving Training	33	5	41	33
Recruitment Events Held	5	1	0	6
Foster Care Costs (county/state/fed)	\$101,212	\$51,554	\$46,562	\$199,328
Children Open for LINKS	78	69	80	
Adoptions Completed	5	5	2	12
Adoption Assistance Cases	149	153	153	455
Adoption Assistance Costs (fed & state)	\$21,485	\$19,783	\$19,776	\$61,044

MEDICAID [ADULT, FAMILY & CHILDREN'S]				
# of Cases	8,683	8,776	8,811	
Report Card (Timeliness) [Goal: 85%]	98%	98%	97%	
Public Assistance Hearings (All Areas)	5	6	6	
MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION				
Clients Served	401	384	171	
Trips Provided	2,038	2,040	1,199	5,277
Monthly Cost	\$ 50,288.89	\$52,387	\$ 58,132.43	\$ 160,808.10
PROGRAM INTEGRITY				
New Claims Established	\$ 2,429	\$ 13,320	\$ 3,457	\$ 19,206
Total Collections	\$7,245	\$13,224	\$10,316	\$30,785
Retained in County	\$1,240	\$797	\$630	\$2,667
SPECIAL ASSISTANCE				
# of Special Assistance Cases	159	160	159	
Benefits Distributed	\$67,467	\$68,926	\$65,667	\$202,060
SA/MH LIAISON				
Number of Referrals during the Month	3	11	6	20
Open Cases at end of Month	31	35	39	
VACANCIES				
Social Work	1	0	1	2
Clerical/Income Maintenance/Child Support	1	0	0	1
WORK FIRST				
Total Work First Cases	61	65	65	
Number of Child Only Cases	58	60	61	
Employment Cases	3	3	4	
Referrals for Drug Testing	0	0	0	
Applicants Testing Positive	0	0	0	
Benefits Distributed	\$13,046	\$13,209	\$13,480	\$ 39,735
OTHER				
Walk-In Traffic	936	842	746	2,524

Stokes County DSS Dashboard 2018

	July	August	September	Total
ADULT SOCIAL WORK SERVICES				
Guardianship Cases	26			
New APS Reports Received	25			25
APS Reports Accepted	11			11
Investigations Initiated Timely [Goal 95%]	100%			

Outreach Visits	10			10
In Home Aide Programs/Family Caregiver	26			
Community Alternatives Program (CAP/DA)	74			
Representative Payee	13			
SA - In-Home	62			
Placement	1			
Adult Care Homes Monitored	3			
Total Requests for CIP	32			32
CIP Expenditures	\$3,143			\$3,143
Total Requests for LIEAP	0			0
LIEAP Expenditures	\$0			\$-
Unclaimed Bodies	0			0
Staff Hours Spent at Shelters	0			0
CHILD CARE SUBSIDY				
Children Receiving Services	unavailable			
Expenditures	unavailable			\$0
Waiting List	unavailable			
CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES				
CPS Reports Received	50			50
CPS Reports Accepted	34			34
Children Opened	64			64
Open Reports	52			
Open Case Management	18			
Courtesy Requests	7			7
Substance Affected Infants Reported to DSS	1			1
Substance Affected Infants Accepted for Inv.	1			1
Reports Initiated Timely [Goal 95%]	100%			
Reports Completed Timely [Goal 75%]	80%			
Children Remaining at Home [Goal 95%]	88%			
CHILD SUPPORT				
Number of Children Served	1,304			
Total Collections	\$201,728			\$201,728
Paternities Established	8			8
New Court Orders	11			11
FISHING LICENSE WAIVERS				
Fishing License Waivers	6			6
FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES				

Total Households	2,616			
Total Individuals	5,536			
Report Card (App. Timeliness) [Goal: 95%]	99%			
Report Card (Recert. Timeliness) [Goal: 95%]	unavailable			
Benefits Distributed	\$ 577,455			
	July	August	September	Total
FOSTER CARE				
Children Entering Care	8			8
Total Children in Care	92			
Children Discharged	0			0
Children in Care Over 1 Year	32			
% Receiving a Monthly Visit [Goal 100%]	100%			
% Visited in the Home [Goal > 90%]	77%			
Foster Care 18-21	8			8
Monitoring of Children No Longer in Custody	7			4
Licensed Foster Homes	19			
Sanctioned Homes	13			13
# of Individuals/Families Receiving Training	34/21			
Recruitment Events Held	0			
Foster Care Costs (county/state/fed)	\$54,044			\$54,044
Children Open for LINKS	69			
Adoptions Completed	2			2
Adoption Assistance Cases	152			152
Adoption Assistance Costs (fed & state)	\$11,231			\$11,231
MEDICAID [ADULT, FAMILY & CHILDREN'S]				
# of Cases	8,121			
Report Card (Timeliness) [Goal: 85%]	99%			
Public Assistance Hearings (All Areas)	4			
MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION				
Clients Served	374			
Trips Provided	1,804			1,804
Monthly Cost	\$75,195.30			\$ 75,195.30
PROGRAM INTEGRITY				
New Claims Established	\$ 2,140			\$ 2,140
Total Collections	\$3,622			\$3,622
Retained in County	\$523			\$523
SPECIAL ASSISTANCE				

# of Special Assistance Cases	152			
Benefits Distributed	\$65,244			\$65,244
SA/MH LIAISON				
Number of Referrals during the Month	2			
Open Cases at end of Month	39			
VACANCIES				
Social Work	1			1
Clerical/Income Maintenance/Child Support	0			0
WORK FIRST				
Total Work First Cases	56			
Number of Child Only Cases	53			
Employment Cases	3			
Referrals for Drug Testing	0			
Applicants Testing Positive	0			
Benefits Distributed	\$11,970			\$11,970
OTHER				
Walk-In Traffic	875			

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

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- What kind of response did we get from Senator Berger?

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- I have not gotten any response.
- I sent a letter and a copy of the letter sent to Mr. Black.

Vice Chairman Walker continued:

- Our Chairman was there with me when he offered this.
- Maybe a reminder would be good.
- How do you feel the numbers are looking in foster care?
- What is your feeling on the opioid crisis?

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- They numbers are ok right now.
- I am seeing a slow increase right now.
- I feel like this trend will continue unfortunately.
- The opioid crisis is still a problem.
- It is not going away.
- I am greatly appreciative of all the support we receive in fighting this epidemic.

Vice Chairman Walker continued:

- How is our liaison?

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- She is a huge asset to the people of this county.
- She is very busy.
- That is to be expected.
- That has been a wonderful thing you allowed us to do.
- She is getting referrals from all departments.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- I noticed in your report the request amount of \$10,000.00 for Narcan kits for all first responders.
- Does this include volunteer fire departments?
- Are they trained to use them?

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- It does include all first responders.
- Not that \$10,000.00 will buy a lot of them.
- They should all be trained.
- A two pack is about \$125.00.

Commissioner Jones commented:

- We still are not meeting the Supervisors with the rate of Social Workers.
- Our turnover rate is 28%.
- I am afraid the state is going to come in on that.
- Are you feeling any heat from that?
- Are they threatening any fines?
- We have got to find a way to balance those numbers out.

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- We are starting to.
- I am especially afraid that since we have had to sign all those agreements, that this will be one of the places they come down on us.
- Policy is you have 5 Social Workers and 1 Supervisor.
- We have 18 Social Workers and 2 Supervisors.
- They are not threatening any fines at this time.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- I think I heard you say the opioid crisis is no change.
- We actually put three new employees on and had hoped that would help.
- How many clients has the liaison seen since she has been on board?
- I would like to know if we are keeping up with those she is seeing and how they are progressing.
- It would be interesting to know the numbers on that.

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- She currently has 39 active clients.
- I can certainly track those numbers.

Commissioner Booth continued:

- With what Cardinal was mentioning with the Narcan kits, why did we not ask for more, rather than have to buy them now.

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- I can't really answer that as I am not the one that requests those.
- I can tell you they do have an expiration date, so you cannot keep too many on hand.

Chairman Mendenhall on behalf of the Board expressed his appreciation to DSS Director Stacey Elmes for the update.

North Carolina D.O.T.

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

County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board:

- The State of North Carolina is evaluating the roads needing to be paved for 2019.
- They are requesting any roads that the Commissioners want to add to the list.
- They are requesting this information by August 24th.
- This letter was received after the agenda went out, which is why I asked for this to be added.
- I will pass along any request you may have.

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

Chairman Mendenhall noted that County Manager Oakley has a deadline of August 24th.

Commissioner Booth commented:

- With the experience I have had in the past, they already have a predetermined list.
- We do not have a lot of influence over this.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Proposal to use unused M.O.E. Funds from 17/18

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Stacey Elmes, DSS Director.

DSS Director Stacey Elmes presented the following information to the Board:

**TRANSPORTATION TO
SUBSTANCE ABUSE/MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT**

Requested Amount: \$20,000

Use: Monies will be used to provide transportation assistance to residents in Stokes County who do not have Medicaid and cannot access Medicaid transportation assistance. Monies will assist Stokes County residents get to appropriate substance abuse and mental health treatment.

Assistance will be provided by gas voucher (if the individual has a vehicle or has someone who can provide the transportation). Gas vouchers are issued after the confirmation of appointment has been received and are issued based on the amount of mileage from the individual's home to the treatment provider and back to the home at 27 cents per mile. If the individual does not have access to a vehicle, the option for using JD Cruise or YVEDDI exists.

MED ASSIST EVENT

Requested Amount: \$8,500

Use: \$7,500 of these dollars will be used to fund a Med Assist event in Stokes County in the spring. These dollars will be paid directly to the Med Assist Company to provide the medications, etc. during the event. \$1,000 is allotted to be used for advertising of the event through the newspaper, through posters, through social media, etc.

**MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONFERENCE
PROVIDED TO MINISTERS (FAITH BASED COMMUNITY)**

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Use: In collaboration with Cardinal Innovations, the county will provide a day of training for ministers or anyone from the faith based community regarding what mental health/substance abuse looks like and how to make appropriate referrals for assistance for these individuals.

A lot more planning is to be done, but at this time we are planning for a key note speaker, possibly use of the Arts Place, provide QPR (Question, Persuade, Response) training by Cardinal staff, and have an open forum with those present about the stigma associated with mental health and substance abuse as well as how to refer for assistance. We are looking at a date in early Spring.

NARCAN KITS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT & EMS AGENCIES IN THE COUNTY

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Use: These dollars are to be used to purchase Narcan kits for local law enforcement agencies and local EMS agencies in the county (including volunteer agencies).

SMOKING CESSATION/DRUG ABUSE INFORMATION

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Use: These dollars will be used to purchase needed informational posters, signs, and other information regarding smoking cessation and drug abuse. This information will be used in area agencies and in the schools.

CIT TRAINING

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Use: Monies would be used to fund employees (law enforcement or EMS professionals) to receive Critical Incident Training and would also provide funding for the agencies to have coverage of other personnel while regular personnel was in training.

EMS PILOT – COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC PROGRAM

Requested Amount: \$21,000

Use: \$25,000 has already been allotted for EMS to begin this pilot program during the '18-'19 fiscal year. This extra \$21,000 would allow EMS to grow the program and ensure that it works with the hope that this could become a full-time position with EMS in the future. This program is working very well in surrounding counties and would provide a huge benefit to Stokes County citizens.

Unused Funds from 2017-2018

Jail Diversion: \$25,000

Narcan Kits: \$10,000

Treatment Services: \$15,000

CIT Training: \$10,000

Transportation: \$19,500

\$79,500

Requested to be used of these funds: \$79,500

DSS Director Stacey Elmes noted that the exact dollar amount of unused funds is \$78,459.74.

MED ASSIST EVENT – Stokes County – May 19, 2018

417 Stokes County citizens served (including home bound residents).

Over \$100,000.00 of over-the-counter products were available to our citizens. Left over items were distributed to DSS, Health Department, School System, and East Stokes Outreach.

- Just a few items that were available:
 - ✓ 10 – 15 different types of vitamins
 - ✓ Fish Oil
 - ✓ Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Naproxene
 - ✓ First Aid Supplies
 - ✓ Benadryl
 - ✓ Cold, sinus, flu medications
 - ✓ Children's cough syrup and pain relievers
 - ✓ Digestive aids such as Immodium, Pepto Bismol, and Antacids
 - ✓ Knee braces
 - ✓ Lice shampoo
- Volunteers helped in the event from all over the county.
- Citizens heard about the event through various means:
 - Friends and Family
 - Flyers from Various Organizations
 - Social Media
 - TV/Media

- Having these items available at home may take care of needs that do not require higher levels of pain medication and may discourage Emergency Department visits or sharing of medications.

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

Commissioner Booth commented:

- You did not use this in the past fiscal year.
- We put in \$398,000.00 beginning July 1st.
- You see a need right now that you did not have before.
- A lot of what the \$398,000.00 is used for is continuing programs.
- I do not want to start a program that we cannot continue and people will expect it.

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- That is correct.
- I have spoken with everyone and they understand this could just be a onetime thing or increase.

Finance Director Julia Edwards commented:

- The \$78,000.00 is after the appropriation of the \$160,000.00.
- We used fund balance to help appropriate that balance.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- What exactly are you seeking?
- Do you just need Board approval and what is the timeline?

DSS Director Stacey Elmes responded:

- We need Board approval.
- We cannot act on any of this until we have that.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- I can see this on action at the next 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.

Tax Administration - Monthly Report

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Interim Tax Administrator Richard Brim.

Interim Tax Administrator Richard Brim presented the following information to the Board:

TAX COLLECTION STATUS REPORT

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED BY MONTH FY 2018-2019

CURRENT	COUNTY	SCHOOL	USE VALUE	INTEREST		KING	RURAL HALL	WALNUT COVE	SERVICE	CITY OF	TOWN OF		EDU DEBT
2018 TAX	REG & MV	OPERATING EXP	TAX BILLS	PEN & FEES	DOGS	(FIRE)	(FIRE)	(FIRE)	(FIRE)	KING	WALNUT COVE	DANBURY	BLDG FUND
JULY	185,092.57	185,292.92	3,003.38	482.80	751.97	7,649.15	639.00	3,566.71	27,478.69	41,922.78	4,379.95	884.14	24,117.44
AUGUST	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SEPTEMBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OCTOBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NOVEMBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DECEMBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JANUARY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FEBRUARY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MARCH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
APRIL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MAY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JUNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUB TOTAL	\$ 185,092.57	\$ 185,292.92	CONT'D	CONT'D	\$ 751.97	\$ 7,649.15	\$ 639.00	\$ 3,566.71	\$ 27,478.69	\$ 41,922.78	\$ 4,379.95	\$ 884.14	CONT'D
BUDGET AMT	\$ 10,670,525.00	CONT'D	CONT'D	CONT'D	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 330,363.00	\$ 64,206.00	\$ 230,278.00	\$ 1,641,470.00				CONT'D
BALANCE	\$ 10,485,432.43				\$ 29,248.03	\$ 322,713.85	\$ 63,567.00	\$ 226,711.29	\$ 1,613,991.31				
PERCENTAGE	1.73%				2.51%	2.32%	1.00%	1.55%	1.67%				

PRIOR	COUNTY	SCHOOL	USE VALUE	INTEREST		KING	RURAL HALL	WALNUT COVE	SERVICE	CITY OF	TOWN OF	TOWN OF	EDU DEBT
	REG & MV	OPERATING EXP	TAX BILLS	PEN & FEES	DOGS	(FIRE)	(FIRE)	(FIRE)	(FIRE)	KING	WALNUT COVE	DANBURY	BLDG FUND
JULY	65,031.50	-	-	12,461.78	96.65	716.89	122.44	686.23	5,555.76	3,544.63	2,922.89	138.46	4,578.54
AUGUST	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SEPTEMBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OCTOBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NOVEMBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DECEMBER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JANUARY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FEBRUARY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MARCH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
APRIL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MAY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JUNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUB TOTAL	\$ 65,031.50	\$ 185,292.92	\$ 3,003.38	\$ 12,944.58	\$ 96.65	\$ 716.89	\$ 122.44	\$ 686.23	\$ 5,555.76	\$ 3,544.63	\$ 2,922.89	\$ 138.46	\$ 28,695.98
BUDGET AMT	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 10,670,525.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 42,000.00				#####
BALANCE	\$ 484,968.50		\$ 31,996.62	\$ 187,055.42		\$ 4,283.11	\$ 877.56	\$ 4,513.77	\$ 36,444.24				#####
PERCENTAGE	11.82%	1.74%	8.58%	6.47%	9.67%	14.34%	12.24%	13.20%	13.23%				2.08%

Collection of Motor Vehicle Billings

The requested report by the Stokes County Board of Commissioners shows the State reporting on collections of Motor Vehicles for each taxing districts.

NCVTS MOTOR VEHICLE BILLINGS & COLLECTIONS FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018 REPORT – JULY 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

Tax Code Jurisdiction	Number of Vehicles To Date	Levy Billed To Date	Interest Paid To Date	Adjustment Made To Date	Billing Cost To Date	NC Gap Billing Collected	Total Collected To Date	Avg. Billing Cost Per Bill
King City	6,238	\$235,925	\$1,347	(\$1,135)	(\$11,412)		\$224,725	\$1.83
King Car Fee	5,796	\$28,980	N/A	(\$20)	(\$0)		\$28,960	\$0
W.C. Town	1,276	\$37,211	\$171	(\$33)	(\$1,572)	Will	\$35,777	\$1.23
Dan. Town	165	\$2,621	\$4	(\$5)	(\$119)	Begin	\$2,501	\$0.72
Edu. Fund	53,639	\$154,220	\$754	(\$621)	(\$6,637)	Billing	\$147,716	\$0.12
King Fire	8,231	\$49,969	\$272	(\$131)	(\$2,157)	August	\$47,953	\$0.26
R.H. Fire	1,462	\$8,875	\$37	(\$30)	(\$368)	2018	\$8,514	\$0.25
W.C. Fire	5,749	\$32,037	\$130	(\$133)	(\$1,378)		\$30,656	\$0.24
Gen. County	53,639	\$2,390,428	\$11,841	(\$9,628)	(\$102,886)		\$2,289,755	\$1.92
Service Fire	30,683	\$162,130	\$746	(\$690)	(\$7,002)		\$155,184	\$0.23

TOTALS 53,639 \$3,102,396 \$15,302 (\$12,426) (\$133,531) \$2,971,741

TOTAL REFUNDS (\$12,510)

TOTAL COLLECTED \$2,959,231

Cost in the New VTS system is calculated in all areas of billing (staffing, contracting, postage, DMV, software, etc.) by the N.C. Department of Revenue and prorated on each taxing district per bill.

- N.C. Gap Billing refers to vehicles that were renewed late. This is taxes due on months that the vehicle was not tagged.
- Billing Cost in car fees for the City of King are calculated in the King City Bills.
- Lowest cost billed = \$2.27 Highest cost billed = \$3.87 Average cost per bill = \$2.49
(County, Education Fund, Ser. Fire-tax rates) (County, Education Fund, King City-tax rates)

STOKES COUNTY TAX ADMINISTRATION RELEASE REPORT FOR JULY, 2018

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
LORIMER, DEREK	1127 BLACKBURN RD, PINNACLE, NC 27043	286049-2018-2018	\$55.50
		286051-2018-2018	\$10.36
RHODES, LEONARD RAY	1316 RHODES LOOP, MADISON, NC 27025	318426-2018-2018	\$25.90
YOUR PLACE TOO LLC	109 VESTA DR, KING, NC 27021	4862-2017-2017	\$55.23
		4862-2016-2016	\$55.23
		4862-2015-2015	\$55.23
		4862-2014-2014	\$54.22
		4862-2013-2013	\$54.20
		4863-2012-2012	\$53.08
		4862-2011-2011	\$53.09
		4862-2010-2010	\$50.02
SEVERT, TERRY	1035 WHISPERING LN, PILOT MOUNTAIN, NC 27041	9994-2018-2018	\$28.50
SMITHERMAN, JOSEPH B	208 WINFIELD DR, KING, NC 27021	283085-2018-2018	\$5.41
NAVITAS LEASE CORP	303 FELLOWSHIP RD, SUITE 310 MOUNT LAUREL, NJ 08054	851169-2018-2018	\$56.33
MARTIN, MARIE D	1178 NC 770 HWY, SANDY RIDGE, NC 27046	281806-2018-2018	\$36.19
NELSON, DAVID L NELSON, DARLENE B	1241 MOUNTAIN RD, WALNUT COVE, NC 27052	284985-2018-2018	\$13.91
STEWART, ROBERT W	PO BOX 3, PILOT MOUNTAIN, NC 27041	320895-2018-2018	\$19.45
PATE, SHIRLEY J	1393 LEMMONS RD, WALNUT COVE, NC 27052	320836-2018-2018	\$18.94
TOTAL AMOUNT			\$700.79

STOKES COUNTY TAX ADMINISTRATION RELEASE REPORT FOR JULY, 2018

REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY RELEASES MORE THAN \$100

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
NANCE, LARONALD F NANCE, PATRICIA S	PO BOX 202, KING, NC 27021	851773-2018-2018	\$1,704.15	ZONING CORRECTION
RIFFE, EDDIE DEWAYNE RIFFE, GENEVA OSBORNE	1303 SURRY LINE RD PINNACLE, NC 27043	286250-2018-2018	\$159.84	MOBILE HOME BURNED IN YEAR 2017
DAVIDSON, TERRY R DAVIDSON, DEBORAH	1427 S MARTIN LUTHER KING DR WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27107	287175-2018-2018	\$574.98	NEW BLDG CHANGED TO 60% COMPLETE FOR 2018
MOORE, RICHARD MOORE, KATHRYN	216 WILLOUGHBY BLVD GREENSBORO, NC 27408	320153-2018-2018	\$227.18	CABIN DOUBLE-BILLED DUE TO SOFTWARE ERROR
TOTAL AMOUNT			\$2,666.15	

STOKES COUNTY TAX ADMINISTRATION REFUND REPORT FOR JULY, 2018

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL NUMBER</u>	<u>LEDGER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
CARTER, WILLIAM C III	PO BOX 1336, KING, NC 27021	27400444	100.2130.068	\$109.03	SITUS ERROR
		27400444	100.2130.068	\$124.52	SITUS ERROR
CULLEN, JEFFREY SCOTT	1495 AMOSTOWN RD	27496682	100.3100.113	\$130.99	VEHICLE SOLD
CULLEN, LORI LEA	SANDY RIDGE, NC 27046		209.3100.112	\$16.90	
			211.3100.001	\$8.45	
TOTAL AMOUNT					\$389.89

Tax Office (EMS Billing) Write-Off Requests

The Tax Office has determined, based upon information furnished to us from the Stokes County Jail (Sheriff's Office), that there is no further recourse of collection on the below listed billings to inmates and is requesting that these amounts be written-off:

<u>Call Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Charge</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
E18-01882	02/28/2018	\$ 737.80	Inmate-No Insurance.
E18-02021	03/05/2018	\$ 484.00	Inmate-No Insurance.
E18-03778	05/01/2018	\$ 738.70	Inmate-No Insurance.
E18-04178	05/15/2018	\$ 459.90	Inmate-No Insurance.
Total		\$ 2,420.40	

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

Commissioner Booth commented:

- I believe a lot of the collection rate is from the 2% discount we give for paying your taxes in August.

Interim Tax Administrator Richard Brim responded:

- The 2% helps as well as the mortgage companies are mandated to take advantage of the 2% with escrow accounts.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- On the EMS write off, I have been having problems with that.
- What happens when they get out of jail?
- Looks like we could have some recourse to track them and reclaim some of this.

Finance Director Julia Edwards commented:

- There is a statute that states we have to do this.
- We cannot bill them once they are out.

Commissioner Lankford continued:

- We just need to work on getting the statute changed.

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place Real and Personal Releases more than \$100.00, Real and Personal Refunds more than \$100.00, and Write-Off Requests-EMS Billing on the Consent Agenda at the next meeting.

JCPC – Appointment Request

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

County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board:

The following letter was received from Rusty Slate, Chief Court Counselor requesting re-appointments, and one new appointment.

Dear Commissioners:

The Stokes County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council would like to make the following recommendations for re-appointment of board members:

RE-APPOINTEES:

Tiffany Cone	BOCC Appointee-DJJ	06-30-20
Terri Fowler	BOCC Appointee-Insight	06-30-20
Tamara Veit	BOCC Appointee-SCAN	06-30-20
Rusty Slate	Chief Court Counselor	06-30-20
Stacey Elmes	DSS Director	06-30-20
Kim Palmer	BOCC Appointee	06-30-20
Brittany Newsome	Insight-SA Professional	06-30-20
James Booth	Stokes County Comm.	06-30-20
Gina Calloway	City of King-Parks/Rec.	06-30-20

Please note that the following have resigned from the Council:

Barbara Stevens	Business Owner
Melanie Tudor	MH Rep.

We would like to recommend the following new members:

Kim Morgan

Cardinal Innovations

06-30-20

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Please note that the Officers for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 will be:

Chairperson: Kim Palmer

Vice-Chair: Gina Calloway

Secretary: Tiffany Cone

Sincerely,

Rusty Slate

Chief Court Counselor

Judicial District 17A & 17B

Chairman Mendenhall opened the floor for nominations.

Commissioner Booth nominated

Commissioner Jones seconded.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to close nominations.

Commissioner Booth seconded.

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

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

Equipment Financing for FY 2018/19 - Resolution

Chairman Mendenhall turned the floor over to Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall.

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall presented the following information to the Board:

FY 2018/19						\$749,482.00
Company	# of Payments	Fixed Rate	Annual Payment Amount	Interest Paid	Bank Charges	Payback Amount
BB&T	3	2.97%	264,811.83	44,953.49	0.00	794,435.49
Sun Trust	3	2.984%	264,883.14	45,167.42	250.00	794,899.42
First National Bank	3	2.960%	264,984.19	45,470.57	up to 2500.00 legal fees UCC filing fees 32.00	797,484.57
PNC	3	3.11%	266,203.93	49,129.79	350.00	798,961.79
First Community Bank "quote is not for 3 equal payments as requested"	3	3.25%	330,475.75 2-yr 127,298.01 3rd yr	42,904.70	450.00	788,699.51
Capital Bank	No quote received					

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

Commissioner Booth commented:

- Looks like First National is the cheapest route.

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall responded:

- The interest rate is a little less but with their attorney fee it makes the overall cost more.
- BB&T is the lowest.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- When do you need this?
- Would it be better to place this on action tonight?

Support Services Supervisor Danny Stovall responded:

- That is up to the Board.
- I would like to have it completed tonight with the resolution so I can get it to the bank.

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

Tax Administrator Appointment Request

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

County Manager Jake Oakley presented the following information to the Board:

It is my pleasure to recommend to the Board, Richard Thomas Brim to be appointed as the New Tax Administrator for Stokes County, in accordance with N.C.G.S. 105-294. I have worked with and known Richard for over 23 years, with 21 of these years being employed in the Stokes County Tax Office. Richard has always displayed the ability to handle difficult taxing issues when it comes to appraisal of property for the assessment of taxes in accordance with State Statute. On these occasions, Richard has always handled himself in a professional and respectful manner towards the Taxpaying Citizens.

If it is the Board's pleasure to move forward with Mr. Brim's appointment as Tax Administrator for the County of Stokes, then it is my request that this be placed on the August 27, 2018 Action Agenda for final approval. This will allow Richard to be in this position on September 1, 2018, when Ad Valorem Taxes come due for the current year. This would be a two (2) year appointment, with Mr. Brim coming back before the Board at the end of this term.

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

Commissioner Booth commented:

- I am good with consensus to move this to action for the next meeting.
- It has always been a pleasure to deal with the tax office.
- This was true under the past Tax Administrator Jake Oakley and now.

Vice Chairman Walker commented:

- I continue to be grateful for the employees we have in Stokes County.
- It says something about the area we live in.
- Richard is a very positive person to work with and is very effective at what he does.
- Is there any advantage to waiting until the next meeting?
- Would moving it tonight be helpful in any way?
- If taxes are due September 1st, I would have no problem moving it tonight.

Commissioner Lankford commented:

- Richard is a great candidate.
- He has been trained by the best.
- I don't see any urgency.
- I believe we can take care of it on the 27th.

Commissioner Jones commented;

- I am very grateful that we had someone with so much experience to put into this position.
- To me this is just a formality.
- It matters not to me whether it is now or later.
- I do thank you for being there and being a good Stokes County worker.
- I am very appreciative of all of our workers.

Chairman Mendenhall commented:

- I will echo all those comments.
- I have known Richard for a long time and believe he will do an outstanding job.
- You are the best person for this position.
- I am certainly supportive of that.

Chairman Mendenhall polled the Board on moving this item to today's Action Agenda or the meeting on the 27th.

With the majority of the Board, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to place this item on the Action Agenda at today's meeting.

ACTION AGENDA

Equipment Financing for FY 2018/19 - Resolution

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion regarding the Equipment Financing for FY 2018/19 presented at tonight's meeting, with the decision being made to go with BB&T for financing.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the Equipment Financing for FY 2018/19 and Resolution presented at tonight's meeting, with the decision being made to go with BB&T for financing with a payback of \$794,435.49, and an interest rate of 2.97%.

Commissioner Booth seconded.

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

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board the motion carried unanimously.

Tax Administrator Appointment Request

Chairman Mendenhall entertained a motion regarding the appointment of Richard Brim as Stokes County Tax Administrator.

Commissioner Lankford moved to approve the appointment of Richard Brim as Stokes County Tax Administrator.

Commissioner Booth seconded.

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

County Manager Oakley commented:

- Being that the original request was for August 27th, his effective date was going to be August 28th.
- If you are approving it today at the request of Finance Director Julia Edwards the effective date should be today as it is the beginning of the new pay period.

Commissioner Lankford amended the motion to include the effective date of August 13, 2018. Commissioner Booth seconded.

With no further discussion and full consensus of the Board the motion carried unanimously.

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Mendenhall offered congratulations to Richard Brim on his appointment as Stokes County Tax Administrator.

Closed Session

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 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(a) (6)

To consider and take action with respect to the position to be taken by the county in negotiating the price or other material terms of an agreement for the acquisition or lease of real property pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5)

Commissioner Lankford 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 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(a)(6)

To consider and take action with respect to the position to be taken by the county in negotiating the price or other material terms of an agreement for the acquisition or lease of real property pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5)

Commissioner Booth seconded.

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

With no further discussion the Board entered into closed session.

The Board re-entered the open session of the August 13, 2018 meeting.

Adjournment

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

Commissioner Lankford moved to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Shannon Shaver
Clerk to the Board

Ronnie Mendenhall
Chairman