

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Cabarrus met for an Agenda Work Session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Cabarrus County Governmental Center in Concord, North Carolina at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024.

Public access to the meeting could also be obtained through the following means:

- live broadcast at 5:30 p.m. on Channel 22
- <https://www.youtube.com/cabarruscounty>
- <https://www.cabarruscounty.us/cabcotv>

Present - Chairman:	Stephen M. Morris
Commissioners:	Christopher A. Measmer
	Kenneth M. Wortman
	Timothy A. Furr
Absent - Vice Chairman:	Lynn W. Shue

Also present were Mike Downs, County Manager; Richard M. Koch, County Attorney; Kelly Sifford, Assistant County Manager; Aalece Pugh, Assistant County Manager; and Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board.

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Morris called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Commissioner Furr and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

**3. Public Hearings**

**3.1 County Manager - FY2025 Budget - Public Hearing 5:30 p.m.**

Chairman Morris opened the public hearing at 5:31 p.m. The public hearing notice was published in the Independent Tribune on May 22, 2024. The public hearing notice was also posted on the County's website ([www.cabarruscounty.us](http://www.cabarruscounty.us)) on May 22, 2024, in accordance with Article 2, Administration, Section 2.1 (Use of Electronic Means to Provide Public Notices) of the Cabarrus County Code of Ordinances.

Tracy Drye, a resident at 4700 Pless Road, Rockwell, commented on inflation and property purchases.

Martin Erickson, a resident at 788 Courtney Street SE, Concord, expressed support of the new budget and tax rate.

Wesley Huneycutt, a resident at 2700 Cal Bost Road, Midland, commented on revaluation, Cabarrus County positions, private sector, and spending.

Mark Ortiz, a resident at 155 Wankel Drive, Kannapolis, commented on emergency rental assistance programs.

Clarence Templeton, a resident at 4715 Stoney Brook Lane, Harrisburg, commented on affordable housing.

Jeremy Gross, a resident at 252 Glenn Street NW, Concord, commented on tax rates, cost of living, and inflation.

There was no one else present to address the Board; therefore, Chairman Morris closed the public hearing at 5:46 p.m.

**3.2 Fire Marshal - Fire District Boundary Change - Public Hearing 5:30 p.m.**

Jason Burnett, Emergency Management Director, provided a brief summary of the fire district boundary change.

Chairman Morris opened the public hearing at 5:47 p.m. The public hearing notice was posted on the County's website ([www.cabarruscounty.us](http://www.cabarruscounty.us)) on May 17, 2023, in accordance with Article 2, Administration, Section 2.1 (Use of Electronic Means to Provide Public Notices) of the Cabarrus County Code of Ordinances.

There was no one present to address the Board; therefore, Chairman Morris closed the public hearing at 5:47 p.m.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Measmer, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board adopted the ordinance changing the fire district.

AN ORDINANCE CHANGIN THE BOUNDARIES  
OF THE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS  
WITHIN CABARRUS COUNTY

WHEREAS, notwithstanding N.C.G.S. 69-25.11, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners may change the boundaries of fire districts in Cabarrus County by ordinance pursuant to section 19.1 of Chapter 558 of the 1987 Session Laws, as added by N.C. Sess. Laws 2006-1, and amended by N.C. Sess. Laws 2010-17; and

WHEREAS, upon the application of the owner or owners of Parcel No. 56502999180000, having an address of 4545 HWY 73 E, Concord, NC 28025 for the parcel to be removed from the Mt. Pleasant district and included in the Coldwater District; and

WHEREAS, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on this ordinance on May 20, 2024, after public notice was given on May 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, a map showing the proposed changes to the rural fire protection districts within Cabarrus County were made available in the office of the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, no area in the proposed fire districts will be in more than one district; and

WHEREAS, no area in the proposed fire districts will be within the corporate limits of a municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners as follows:

Section 1. Revision of Rural Fire Protection District Boundaries.

The boundaries of the Rural Fire Protection Districts within Cabarrus County, North Carolina are revised as indicated in the map identified as "Proposed Fire Districts:", which is attached to this ordinance and identified as Attachment A.

Sec. 2. Effective date.

This ordinance shall become effective on June 3, 2024.

ADOPTED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2024.

/s/ Stephen M. Morris  
Stephen M. Morris, Chairman  
Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Lauren Linker  
Clerk to the Board

**4. Discussion Items - For Action**

**4.1 County Manager - Opioid Settlement Strategic Funding Plan - Cabarrus County**

Dr. Pugh, Assistant County Manager, reported on the development of the Cabarrus County's Strategic Plan in connection with the North Carolina Opioid Settlement. She then introduced Mr. John Eller, Health Management Associates, Managing Principal, who presented a PowerPoint presentation to include the following:

- Project Overview
  - o Project Team
  - o Process Overview
  - o Stakeholder Engagement
- Prioritized Strategies
  - o Memorandum of Understanding (MOA) A
  - o Memorandum of Understanding (MOA) B
- Implementing the plan
- Next Steps
  - o Review and approval of the opioid settlement funds collaborative strategic plan
  - o Resolution approval in July
  - o Required forms and documents submitted to the state TA team within 90 days of plan approval

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Dr. Pugh and Mr. Eller responded to questions from the Board.

**4.2 Juvenile Crime Prevention Council - Approval of JCPC FY2024-25 Certification**

Joanie Bischer, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Administrative Assistant, reported the FY2024-2025 Funding Plan has been appealed. In that regard, she requested approval of \$15,500 from the FY2024-2025 JCPC Certification for administration expenses.

Chairman Morris provided additional information.

**4.3 Active Living and Parks - New Pool Contract**

Londa Strong, Active Living and Parks Director, introduced Jacob Wentink, Park Manager at Camp T.N. Spencer Park who reported the Swim Club Management Group (SCMG) is the new contract vendor for the Camp T.N. Spencer Swimming Pool. Mr. Wentink stated the company has been performing well and asked that the contract be extended to cover July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.

**4.4 Department of Social Services - FY 25 Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding Plan**

Kelly Sifford, Assistant County Manager, on behalf of Tammy Bare, Adult and Aging Services Program Administrator, presented the FY25 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) funding plan for the Board's consideration. The grant provides programs for citizens 60 years of age and older. It would require a 10% County match.

A brief discussion ensued. During discussion, Ms. Sifford responded to questions from the Board.

**4.5 Finance - Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 87 and 96 Budget Amendments**

Jim Howden, Finance Director, advised Governmental Accounting Standards Board established (GASB) 87 and GASB 96, which requires the county to recognize certain leases and technology subscriptions as debt service payments of principal and interest. The original expenditures are budgeted in the general fund within the departments. The principal and interest accounts are in CIF for reporting purposes. A budget amendment will be needed.

**4.6 Finance - Budget Amendment for Interest Received on Grant Project**

Jim Howden, Finance Director, reported Grant funds received for the PAVE project earned interest. The grant requires the interest to be used for the project. A budget amendment would allow us to increase the revenue and expenditure for the grant so we may distribute the interest to the subrecipient for the program. A budget amendment was provided for review and consideration.

**4.7 Finance - Year End Budget Amendments - Multi-Year and Annual Funds**

Jim Howden, Finance Director, reported at the end of each fiscal year the Finance Department evaluates both our annual and multiyear funds based on current revenue and expenditure trends to ensure expenditures do not exceed the budget for the fiscal year. A budget amendment/project ordinance update will be required. A budget amendment will be required for the following funds and accounts:

- Fund 460 - Small Projects Fund
- Fund 461 - Sheriff's Department Fund
- Fund 571 - Fines and Forfeitures Fund
- Fund 610 - Self Insured Medical Fund
- Fund 001 - General Fund (Sales Tax and Ambulance Billing Revenue and Expenditure/Turnover)

**4.8 BOC - Appointments to Boards and Committees**

Chairman Morris advised information for June appointments to boards and committees has been provided to the commissioners. He asked if anyone had any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the upcoming requests. There were none.

**4.9 BOC - NACo Voting Credentials - 2024 Annual Conference**

The National Association of Counties, NACo, will hold their 2024 Annual Conference in Hillsborough County, Florida from July 12 through 15, 2024. To participate in the Association's annual election of officers, a voting delegate will need to be designated. Chairman Morris volunteered to be the designated voting delegate.

**5. Discussion Items - No Action****5.1 Finance - Refinancing of Draw Program**

Jim Howden, Finance Director, advised Cabarrus County plans to refinance the current Draw Program with fixed financing in July. As part of that process, a public hearing will be required, which will be at the June 17, 2024 Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting. The County plans to refinance no more than \$230,000,000 as part of the financing to pay off the current draw program and purchase the ACN building. A resolution will be needed.

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Mr. Howden responded to questions from the Board.

**5.2 BOC - Budget Discussion**

Rosh Khatri, Budget Director, provided an overview of the proposed FY2025 budget and the upcoming budget workshop.

A lengthy discussion ensued. During discussion, Mike Downs, County Manager, and Mr. Khatri responded to questions from the Board.

**6. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda****6.1 BOC - Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda**

The Board discussed the placement of the items on the agenda.

**UPON MOTION** of Commissioner Measmer seconded by Commissioner Furr and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as follows for the June 17, 2024 regular meeting as presented.

## Approval of the Agenda

## Recognitions and Presentations

- Active Living and Parks - NC Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Aging Award
- Active Living and Parks - July - Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation

## Consent

- Appointments - Cabarrus County Board of Equalization and Review
- Appointments - Centralina Workforce Development Board
- Appointments - Early Childhood Task Force Advisory Board
- Appointments - Human Services Advisory Board
- Appointments - Water and Sewer Authority of Cabarrus County
- Appointments and Removals - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
- Appointments and Removals - Public Health Authority of Cabarrus County
- Appointments and Removals - Cabarrus County Tourism Authority
- Appointments and Removals - Transportation Advisory Board
- Appointments (Removals) - Youth Commission
- Active Living and Parks - New Pool Contract
- BOC - NACo Voting Credentials - 2024 Annual Conference
- County Manager - Opioid Settlement Strategic Funding Plan - Cabarrus County
- Department of Social Services - FY 25 Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding Plan
- Finance - Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 87 and 96 Budget Amendments
- Finance - Budget Amendment for Interest Received on Grant Project
- Finance - Year End Budget Amendments - Multi-Year and Annual Funds
- Juvenile Crime Prevention Council - Approval of JCPC FY2024-25 Certification
- Tax Administration - Refund and Release Reports - May 2024

## New Business

- County Manager - FY 2025 Economic Development Allocation - Public Hearing 6:30 p.m.
- Finance - Refinancing of Draw Program - Public Hearing 6:30 p.m.
- County Manager - Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget

## Reports

- BOC - Receive Updates from Commission Members who Serve as Liaisons to Municipalities or on Various Boards/Committees
- BOC - Request for Applications for County Boards/Committees

- Budget - Monthly Budget Amendment Report
- Budget - Monthly Financial Update
- Communications and Outreach - Monthly Summary Report
- County Manager - Cabarrus Arena and Events Center Financial Report
- County Manager - Monthly Building Activity Reports
- EDC - May 2024 Monthly Summary Report

**7. Closed Session**

**7.1 Closed Session - Acquisition of Real Property**

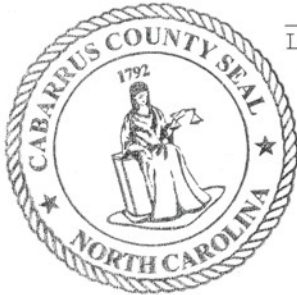
UPON MOTION of Commissioner Furr, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board moved to go into closed session to discuss matters related to acquisition of real property as authorized by NCGS 143-318.11(a) (5).

**Return to Open Session**

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Commissioner Measmer and unanimously carried, the Board returned to open session.

**6. Adjourn**

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Measmer, seconded by Commissioner Wortman, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



  
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Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board