

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Cabarrus met for an Agenda Work Session in the Multipurpose Room at the Cabarrus County Governmental Center in Concord, North Carolina at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 01, 2024.

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

- live broadcast at 4:00 p.m. on Channel 22
- <https://www.youtube.com/cabarruscounty>
- <https://www.cabarruscounty.us/cabcotv>

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

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

1. Call to Order

Chairman Morris called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Updated:
Discussion Items for Action
4.8 Tax Administration - Tax Collector's Annual Settlement and Authorizing Collection of FY 2024-2025 Taxes

Addition:
Closed Session
6.1 Closed Session - Acquisition of Real Property

Removed:
Discussion Items for Action
4.1 Juvenile Crime Prevention Council - Youth Development Initiatives (YDI) Funding Appeal

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

3. Discussion Items - No Action

3.1 Cooperative Extension - Youth Commission - Invitation to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC)

Molly Kleman, Extension Agent, introduced Youth Commissioner Kava Saxena who shared a warm invitation to the Commissioners to attend the 2024 NCACC. She will be representing Cabarrus County this year at the Youth Voice Conference.

Chairman Morris, commented on the NCACC and thanked Kava for her invitation.

3.2 Finance - FY 2025 CIP Financing

Jim Howden, Finance Director, reported Cabarrus County will be looking to finance their Fiscal Year 2025 capital projects using a draw program. This will be the third time utilizing this program. As part of that process, we are required to hold a public hearing prior to the Board's approval of the financing resolution. The public hearing will be on July 16th at our regular Board meeting.

The draw program will be funding of up to \$270,000,000 to be converted to permanent financing in 36 months of when the program starts.

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

4. Discussion Items - For Action

4.1 Department of Social Services - Energy Programs Outreach Plan

Lora Lipe, Economic Support Services Program Administrator, presented the outreach plan designed to assure that all eligible households are aware of the assistance available through three energy programs. To maximize this year's success, the economic support services department will provide on-site

applications. The program will extend to households with children under the age of five, 60 and older, as well as disabled citizens. As in year's past, the department of social services plans to work together with the Communications and Outreach department to assist with preparation of materials, messaging, and distribution.

A brief discussion ensued.

4.2 Emergency Medical Services - Cannon Grant Funds

Jimmy Lentz, Emergency Medical Services Chief, provided an overview and introduced Kara Clarke, Emergency Medical Services Deputy Chief. Chief Clark reported Cabarrus County responded to 1,133 pediatric patients over the last year; 607 were transported. Taking care of these patients can be stressful and present unique challenges as well as stress to our providers in pediatric patient care. The County has received the Cannon Grant in the amount of \$30,108.00. Upon approval, the funds will be utilized for HandTevy equipment, new Pediatric restraint systems, Pediatric Training equipment, and Pediatric thermometer probes. A budget amendment will be required.

Chairman Morris expressed appreciation to the Cannon Foundation for their support.

4.3 Emergency Medical Services - RACE CARS Grant Funds

Kara Clarke, Emergency Medical Services Deputy Chief, reported EMS plans to use approximately \$7,000 of the grant funds from the Randomized Cluster Evaluation of Cardiac Arrest Systems (RACECARS) trail grant to purchase challenge coins, CPR cards and items in preparation for fall festivals.

Jimmy Lentz, Emergency Medical Services Director, advised the fund currently holds a balance of \$22,125.

A short discussion ensued. Chief Clarke responded.

4.4 Facilities Design & Construction - Presentation of Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for Behavioral Health Building

Michael Miller, Design and Construction Director, presented the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the behavioral healthcare building. He reviewed the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) 1 was an early procurement package for long lead time items to ensure that the lead time did not negatively impact the overall schedule. Now we will be receiving bids for GMP2, which is an early site package to include areas of work such as site clearing, site work, erosion control, building pad preparation, site utilities, footings and foundation, concrete slab, and structural steel erection.

The GMP2 bid totals \$6,767,785. A breakdown list of costs was provided to the Board.

Jason Harris, Messer Construction, Senior Project Executive, provided additional information regarding the lead time for materials.

Kevin Taylor and Amaya Labrador with Human Xperience attended by virtual means.

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Mr. Miller and Mr. Harris responded to questions from the Board.

4.5 Facilities Design & Construction - Recommended Approval of Preferred Alternates and Sole Source Purchases for the Cabarrus County Behavioral Healthcare Facility

Michael Miller, Design and Construction Director, requested consideration for preferred brand alternates for equipment to be used on the construction of the behavioral health facility as per NCGS 133-3. A list of the alternates was provided for the Board's review.

4.6 Finance - FY 2025 CIP Budget

Jim Howden, Finance Director, advised all Capital Projects and PayGo projects within the County's Capital Project Fund, and the School's Capital Project Fund are tracked and recorded. In that regard, Mr. Howden presented budget amendments and project ordinances for each of the funds for the Board's consideration.

4.7 Planning Department - North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Request for Updated Resolution

Susie Morris, Planning and Development Director, reported upon The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Division 10 receiving a request to add Grey Hawk Court, located in the Fieldstone subdivision, to the state road maintenance system it was discovered the resolution 2001. As a result of the petition, Division 10 Staff is requesting the Resolution on file be updated. NCDOT staff informed the County the Resolution must now be renewed every five years. Therefore, an updated resolution was provided for.

4.8 Tax Administration - Tax Collector's Annual Settlement and Order Authorizing Collection of FY 2024-2025 Taxes

David Thrift, Tax Administrator, reported the Tax Collector is required by NCGS 105-373 to give an annual settlement on current and delinquent taxes. The fiscal year 2023-2024 settlement summary by jurisdiction was provided. The summary includes outstanding real property taxes in the amount of \$1,575,801 and outstanding personal property taxes in the amount of \$598,901 for a total of \$2,174,702. Mr. Thrift also provided a list of minimal refunds (a little over \$900) currently being analyzed by staff for application to accounts or issued to the State.

Lastly, Mr. Thrift provided the Order to collect next year's tax receipts and levies for consideration.

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

4.9 County Manager - Energy Temporary Construction Easement Request

Kelly Sifford, Assistant County Manager, reported Dominion Energy has requested a temporary construction easement along Deal Street. This property is part of the Concord Senior Center property. This request is to allow the workers to get out of the street while working. They are offering \$500 in exchange for the temporary easement.

4.10 County Manager - Opioid Settlement - Kroger Settlement Resolution and Approval of Second Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds

Aalece Pugh, Assistant County Manager, presented a Resolution in connection with the opioid settlement authorizing Cabarrus County to participate in receipt of funds from the Kroger Settlement funds and Second Supplemental Agreement. If all 100 local governments participate including municipalities, the disbursement would be \$647,000 in addition to the approximate \$22,000,000 the county is already receiving. It also includes the allocation for the City of Concord.

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Ms. Pugh and Rich Koch, County Attorney, responded to questions from the Board.

4.11 County Manager - Opioid Settlement Strategic Funding Plan Resolution

Aalece Pugh, Assistant County Manager, presented the resolution related to the strategies outlined in the opioid strategic funding plan approved by the Board in June 2024. The strategies to be funded within the first three to five years include:

- Treating opioid use disorders
- Supporting individuals in treatment and/or recovery
- Connecting individuals with assistance programs needed
- Addressing the needs of criminal justice involved persons
- Addressing the needs of pregnant and parenting women and families including infants with neonatal abstinence syndrome
- Prevention of opioid misuse
- Prevention of overdose deaths and other harm reduction strategies
- Leadership, planning, and coordination

4.12 BOC - Appointments to Boards and Committees

Chairman Morris stated information for July 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.

4.13 BOC - NCACC County Legislative Goals

Chairman Morris advised every two years, North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) members engage in a process to determine the legislative goals that are in the best interest of counties. The NCACC goals-setting process begins in August of even-numbered years and consists of five stages: beginning with the solicitation of county proposals and ending with the adoption of the legislative agenda at the Legislative Goals Conference.

The submission deadline for legislative goals is August 23, 2024, and goals submitted by or before the deadline will be referred to a steering committee for review and consideration.

A discussion ensued.

4.14 BOC - Voting Delegate Designation for NCACC 117th Annual Conference

Chairman Morris announced The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, NCACC, will hold their 117th Annual Conference Business Session in Forsyth County, August 8-10 with each county being entitled to one vote on items that come before the membership.

In order to facilitate the voting process, the NCACC asks that each county designate one voting delegate and one alternate voting delegate be chosen.

Chairman Morris volunteered to be the designated voting delegate.

5. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda**5.1 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 July 16, 2024, regular meeting as presented.

Consent

- Appointments and Removal(s) - Planning and Zoning Commission
- Appointments - Region F Aging Advisory Committee
- (Appointment) and Removals - Early Childhood Task Force Advisory Board
- BOC - NCACC County Legislative Goals
- BOC - Voting Delegate Designation for NCACC 117th Annual Conference
- County Manager - Energy Temporary Construction Easement Request
- County Manager - Opioid Settlement Strategic Funding Plan Resolution
- Department of Social Services - Energy Programs Outreach Plan
- Emergency Medical Services - Cannon Grant Funds
- Emergency Medical Services - RACE CARS Grant Funds
- Facilities Design & Construction - Presentation of Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for Behavioral Health Building
- Facilities Design & Construction - Recommended Approval of Preferred Alternates and Sole Source Purchases for the Cabarrus County Behavioral Healthcare Facility
- Finance - FY 2025 CIP Budget
- Planning Department - North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Request for Updated Resolution
- Tax Administration - Tax Collector's Annual Settlement and Order Authorizing Collection of FY 2024-2025 Taxes
- Tax Administration - Refund and Release Reports - June 2024

New Business

Finance - Approval of Resolution for Installment Financing Contract for 2024B Draw Program - Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

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
- Department of Human Services -Emergency Assistance Quarterly Report

- EDC - June 2024 Monthly Summary Report

6. CLOSED SESSION

6.1 Closed Session - Acquisition of Real Property

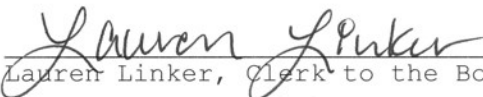
UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Commissioner Furr, and unanimously carried, the Board moved to go into closed session to discuss matters related to acquisition of real property as authorized by NCGS 143-318.11(a) (5).

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Measmer, seconded by Commissioner Wortman, and unanimously carried, the Board moved to come out of Closed Session.

7. ADJOURN

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Measmer, seconded by Commissioner Furr, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.





Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board