

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Cabarrus met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Cabarrus County Governmental Center in Concord, North Carolina at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 21, 2025.

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

live broadcast at 6:00 p.m. on Channel 22
<https://www.youtube.com/cabarruscounty>
<https://www.cabarruscounty.us/cabcotv>

Present - Chairman: Jeff Jones
Vice Chair: Laura B. Lindsey
Commissioners: Kenneth M. Wortman
Larry G. Pittman
Lynn W. Shue

Also present were Sean Newton, County Manager; Kelly Sifford, Deputy County Manager; Aalece Pugh, Assistant County Manager; Doug Hall, County Attorney; and Lauren Linker, Contract Analyst/Clerk to the Board.

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reverend Matt Hansen, St. John's Lutheran Church, gave the invocation.

(A) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(A-1) BOC - Changes to the Agenda

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as amended.

UPDATED:

New Business
E-27 Fair - 2025 County Fair Fee Schedule Approval

ADDITION:

New Business
E-2 Board of Commissioners - Voting Delegate Designation for NCACC 118th Annual Conference

MOVED:

New Business
E-5 to E-1 - County Manager - FY 2026 Economic Development Allocation - Supplemental Public Hearing 6:00 p.m.

D-24 to E-7 - Tax Administration - Refund and Release Reports - June 2025

REMOVED:

E-3 - County Manager - Agreement For Use Of School Property And Harrisburg Parks And Recreation

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Laura Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Larry Pittman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as amended.

(B) RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

(B-1) Recognition - Cooperative Extension

Tracy LeCompte, Cooperative Extension Director, recognized ten North Carolina 4-H Congress delegates under the leadership of current 4-H Agent Molly Murray. The ten delegates presented at the state level, with eight placing in the top three and five earning gold at the state presentation level in Raleigh. North Carolina State University (NCSU) intern Cecilia Maxwell was also recognized in Raleigh.

Ms. LeCompte then introduced Youth Commissioner Ved Modak who spoke about Pamela Cordell Outen's contributions to the 4-H programs. Ms. LeCompte shared comments.

Commissioner Wortman presented Ms. Outen with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine on behalf of Governor Josh Stein in recognition of her 50 years of service.

Ms. Outen expressed her appreciation.

(C) INFORMAL COMMENTS

Chairman Jeff Jones opened the meeting for Informal Public Comments at 6:11 p.m.

David Conrad, a resident at 1389 Lloyd Place, Concord, commented on the DSS upfit at the former ACN building and the contract with Messer construction.

Rich Wise, a resident at 3403 Brickwood Circle, Midland, spoke regarding discussions related to water and sewer for the town of Midland.

Jerry Anderson, a resident at 133 Kennedy Avenue, Kannapolis, spoke regarding the Department of Social Services.

Jeeter Anderson, a resident at 133 Kennedy Avenue, Kannapolis, commented on the Department of Social Services.

Jeff Phillips, a resident at 6005 The Meadows Lane, Harrisburg, commented on Rob Wallace Park.

Chris Cranston, a resident at 475 High Meadows Drive, Concord, spoke regarding various local government matters.

West Honeycutt, a resident at 2700 Cal Bost Road, Midland, commented on the need for foster parents in Cabarrus County.

(D) CONSENT

(D-1) Active Living and Parks - North Carolina Amateur Sports (NCAS) Youth Sports Grant

The North Carolina Amateur Sports (NCAS) program provides grant funding to support youth sports through equipment purchases and facility improvements. The Active Living and Parks Department has been awarded a \$1,500 NCAS grant to purchase pickleball training equipment for youth programming and camps at Frank Liske Park.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the \$1,500 grant award from North Carolina Amateur Sports for pickleball training equipment at Frank Liske Park and approved the associated budget amendment.

Budget Revision/Amendment Request

Date: Amount:
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 Internal Transfer Within Department
 Transfer Between Departments/Funds
 Supplemental Request

This amendment reflects the receipt of grant funds awarded by the NC Amateur Sports through their Youth Sports Grant program. The funds are to be allocated towards enhancing youth athletic programming by supporting equipment purchases, facility improvements, and the development of new or expanded recreational opportunities, such as youth softball, soccer, and pickleball programs. The Active Living and Parks Department intends to use the funds awarded towards purchasing new equipment, including pickleball training aids that will accommodate the growing participation in these programs. By investing in pickleball for our youth population, the grant will directly impact the quality of programs we currently offer.

Fund	Indicator	Department/ Object/ Project	Account Name	Approved Budget	Increase Amount	Decrease Amount	Revised Budget
001	6	8112-639999-FLPPB	One Time Grants Other	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
001	9	8112-9330-FLPPB	Tools & Minor Equipment	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00

(D-2) Board of Commissioners - Proclamation

A proclamation was presented recognizing the community service and contributions of Senior Pastor Bishop Elvin Mickens, Sr.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board adopted the proclamation recognizing the community service of Senior Pastor Bishop Elvin Mickens, Sr.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Senior Pastor, Bishop Elvin Mickens, Sr., celebrated his 70th birthday and 35 years of pastoral ministry on June 29, 2025 at a banquet held in his honor in Kannapolis, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, for more than three decades Bishop Mickens has served as the Senior Pastor of Mt. Calvary Holy Church Family Worship Center located in the City of Concord, Cabarrus County, State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, his passion for serving others, strengthening families, uplifting communities and transforming lives has led him to serve outside our local community and State; and

WHEREAS, he has served with distinction in national leadership roles within the Mt. Calvary Holy Church of America in the positions of: North Carolina Piedmont Jurisdictional Overseer, North Carolina Piedmont Jurisdictional Bishop, Second Vice-Presiding Bishop and is currently serving as Jurisdictional Bishop for California and Florida; and

WHEREAS, these roles reflect a life of tireless work, devotion and selfless leadership to others;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize Senior Pastor, Bishop Elvin Mickens, Sr., for his many years of dedicated service and congratulates him on his 70th birthday.

Adopted this 21st day of July, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners

(D-3) Board of Commissioners - Resolution Amending the Board of Commissioners' 2025 Meeting Schedule - Work Session

Resolution No. 2025-11

Resolution Amending the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners' 2025 Meeting Schedule

WHEREAS, the agenda work sessions of the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners will be held on the first Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Governmental Center; and

WHEREAS, the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners will be held on the third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Governmental Center; and

WHEREAS, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners' 2025 meetings may be conducted remotely in a virtual setting, as allowed by the Board's Remote Participation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday requires a change in the regular meeting date in January 2025; and

WHEREAS, the President's Day holiday requires a change in the regular meeting date in February 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Easter holiday requires a change in the regular meeting date in April 2025;

WHEREAS, the Labor Day holiday requires a change in the agenda work session meeting date in September 2025; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference requires a change in the work session meeting date in March 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 153A-40(a), does hereby:

- (1) Establish the Board's agenda work session schedule to meet at 5:00 p.m. (unless noted otherwise) in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Governmental Center on the following dates:

January 6, 2025	July 7, 2025
February 3, 2025	August 4, 2025
March 10, 2025	September 2, 2025 (Tuesday)
April 7, 2025	October 6, 2025
May 5, 2025	November 3, 2025
June 2, 2025*	December 1, 2025

*Commissioners' Meeting Room at 5:30 p.m.

- (2) Establish the Board's regular meeting schedule to meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Governmental Center on the following dates:

January 21, 2025 (Tuesday)	July 21, 2025
February 18, 2025 (Tuesday)	August 18, 2025
March 17, 2025	September 15, 2025
April 22, 2025 (Tuesday)	October 20, 2025
May 19, 2025	November 17, 2025
June 16, 2025	December 15, 2025

- (3) Sets quarterly summits scheduled at 6:00 p.m. at the following locations:

January 15, 2025	Mt. Pleasant
April 16, 2025	Cabarrus Arena
July 16, 2025	Library and Active Living Center at Afton Ridge
October 15, 2025	TBD

- (4) The Board will hold a Budget Public Hearing at the June 2, 2025 Work Session meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Governmental Center; and
- (5) Sets a Board retreat, to be held at the Governmental Center in the Multipurpose Room on February 21 at 5:00 p.m. to continue February 22 at 8:00 a.m.; and
- (6) Sets the NACo Legislative Conference in Washington, DC, on March 1-4, 2025; and
- (7) Sets the NCACC County Assembly Day and Legislative Reception in Raleigh, North Carolina on June 10-11, 2025; and
- (8) Sets budget workshop meetings on April 15, 2025 and June 4, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room in the Governmental Center; and
- (9) Sets the NACo Annual Conference in Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on July 11 - 14, 2025; and
- (10) Sets the NCACC Annual Conference in Pitt County, North Carolina on August 20 - 23, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any recessed, special or emergency meeting will be held as needed with proper notice as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-40.

Adopted this the 7th day of July, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones, Chairman
Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

/s/ Sheila Bruce
Sheila Bruce, Deputy Clerk to the Board

(D-4) Boards and Committees - Removal and Appointment - Cabarrus County Board of Equalization and Review

William Ferriss' term as Alternate on the Board of Equalization and Review has expired, and he has declined reappointment. At the request of the advisory board, it is requested that Robbie Jones be appointed to fill the Alternate seat for a term ending June 30, 2026.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board removed William Ferriss from the Alternate seat on the Board of Equalization and Review and thanked him for his service.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Robbie Jones to the Alternate seat on the Board of Equalization and Review for a term expiring June 30, 2026, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-5) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Library Board of Trustees

Lori Clay holds the Midland (Southern Cabarrus County) Seat on the Library Board of Trustees, her term will expire July 31, 2025. It is requested she be reappointed.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Lori Clay to the Midland (Southern Cabarrus County) Seat on the Library Board of Trustees for a term expiring July 31, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-6) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee

Wendy Betts has successfully completed all state program requirements and training. The Advisory Committee requested that Wendy Betts be appointed to fill the vacant Seat #1 on the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee for a one-year term

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Wendy Betts to the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee for a one-year term expiring July 31, 2026, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-7) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Region F Aging Advisory Committee

James Bernacki's term for the Delegate #2 Seat on the Region F Aging Advisory Committee has expired, and it is requested by the advisory committee that he be reappointed.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed James Bernacki to the Delegate #2 Seat on the Region F Aging Advisory Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2027, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-8) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Tourism Authority

DeVante' Watkins's term for seat #7, Hotelier, on the Tourism Authority has expired, and it is recommended by the advisory council to reappoint him.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed DeVante' Watkins to seat #7, Hotelier, on the Tourism Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-9) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Tourism Authority

Tourism Authority Seat #9, At-Large, is currently held by James Ross, whose term has expired. It is recommended by The Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce to reappoint him; the Tourism Authority concurs.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed James Ross to Seat #9, At-Large, on the Tourism Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-10) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Tourism Authority

Tourism Authority Seat #8, Hotelier, is currently held by Angela Brown, whose term has expired. The Cabarrus Tourism Authority and the advisory board recommended her reappointment.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Angela Brown to seat #8, Hotelier, on the Tourism Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-11) Boards and Committees - Removal and Appointment - Tourism Authority

Tourism Authority Seat #2, Tourism Activist, is currently held by Greg Walter, whose term will soon conclude his term. The Cabarrus County Tourism Authority recommended appointing Matthew Long to fill the unexpired term ending June 30, 2026.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board removed Greg Walter from Seat #2, Tourism Activist, from the Tourism Authority and thanked him for his service.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Matthew Long to Seat #2, Tourism Activist, on the Tourism Authority to fill the unexpired term, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy, with the term ending June 30, 2026.

(D-12) Boards and Committees - Removal and Appointment - Tourism Authority

Tourism Authority Seat #12, At-Large, is currently held by Jay White, whose term has expired. The Cabarrus County Tourism Authority recommended appointing Jennifer Teague to fill the seat.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board removed Jay White from seat #12, At-Large, on the Tourism Authority and thanked him for his service.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Jennifer Teague to seat #12, At-Large, on the Tourism Authority for a three-year term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-13) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Transportation Advisory Board

Judy Coble's term for the LIFE Center seat on the Transportation Advisory Board has expired; the advisory board recommended her reappointment.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Judy Coble to the LIFE Center seat on the Transportation Advisory Board for a term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-14) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Transportation Advisory Board

Jon Bradley's term for the County Safety Manager seat on the Transportation Advisory Board has expired and the seat needs filled. It is requested that Mr. Bradley be reappointed.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Jon Bradley to the County Safety Manager seat on the Transportation Advisory Board for a term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-15) Boards and Committees - Removal and Appointment - Transportation Advisory Board

Megan Shuping's term for the Cabarrus Health Alliance Healthy Cabarrus seat on the Transportation Advisory Board has expired; she does not wish to be reappointed. The advisory board recommended Alicia Primus to fill the seat.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board removed Megan Shuping from the Cabarrus Health Alliance Healthy Cabarrus seat on the Transportation Advisory Board and thanked her for her service.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Alicia Primus to the Cabarrus Health Alliance Healthy Cabarrus seat on the Transportation Advisory Board for a term

expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(D-16) Facilities Design and Construction - Progress Place Renovation Construction Manager at Risk Selection and Pre-Construction Services Contract

A Request for Qualifications for Construction Manager at Risk services for the renovation and upfit of the Progress Place buildings was posted on February 20, 2025, resulting in six submissions. After review and interviews, the committee unanimously recommends entering into a contract for pre-construction services with Messer Construction.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board approved the contract between Cabarrus County and Messer Construction and authorized the County Manager to execute the contract on behalf of Cabarrus County, subject to review or revisions by the County Attorney.

(D-17) Finance - Lottery Proceeds

Lottery proceeds provide funding for school capital projects, including construction, renovations, repairs, and debt payments. For Fiscal Year 2026, \$3,000,000 was included to pay a portion of the County's public-school debt, with an additional \$500,000 allocated for Rowan County's future requests. The agenda included the budget amendment to record the receipt and transfer of these funds, the Public-School Lottery Fund Project Ordinance, and applications to draw down lottery funds for Cabarrus County Schools and Kannapolis City Schools.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Chairman to execute the Public-School Building Capital Fund applications to release funds from the North Carolina Education Lottery, approved the associated budget amendment, and approved the Public-School Lottery Fund Project Ordinance.

Budget Revision/Amendment Request

Date: Amount:
 Dept. Head: Department:
 Internal Transfer Within Department Transfer Between Departments/Funds Supplemental Request

This amendment records the Public School Building Capital Lottery funds requested from the Department of Public Instruction. \$3,000,000 of the funds will be used towards the FY26 school debt service payments. Cabarrus County Schools' portion is \$2,690,000 and Kannapolis City Schools' portion is \$310,000. Rowan County's portion is \$500,000 set aside for Rowan County's future requests.

Fund	Indicator	Department/ Object/ Project	Account Name	Approved Budget	Increase Amount	Decrease Amount	Revised Budget
320	6	7210-6444	Lottery Proceeds	22,130,000.00	3,000,000.00		25,130,000.00
320	9	7210-9704	Contribution to GF/CIF	22,960,352.00	3,000,000.00		25,960,352.00
320	6	7210-6444 0617	Lottery Proceeds	1,297,858.00	500,000.00		1,797,858.00
320	9	7210-9702 0617	Kannapolis City Schools	1,297,858.00	500,000.00		1,797,858.00

Ordinance No. 2025-16

PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
BUDGET ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Cabarrus County, North Carolina that, Pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section I.

- A. The project authorized is the various County construction and renovation related projects. Details of the projects are listed in section C. of this Project Ordinance.
- B. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with this capital project within the terms of the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and the budget contained herein.
- C. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to complete capital projects as listed.

D.	
Lottery Proceeds	\$26,927,858
Lottery - Repairs and Renovations	<u>830,352</u>
 TOTAL REVENUES	 \$27,758,210

E. The following appropriations are made as listed.

Capital Outlay - Rowan County	\$1,797,858
Transfer out	<u>\$25,960,352</u>
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 \$27,758,210

GRAND TOTAL - REVENUES	\$27,758,210
GRAND TOTAL - EXPENDITURES	\$27,758,210

Section II.

A. Special appropriations to non-profit organizations shall be distributed after the execution of an agreement which ensures that all County funds are used for statutorily permissible public purposes.

B. The County Manager or designee is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within or between funds, or modify revenue and expenditure projections as contained herein under the following conditions:

1. The Manager may transfer amounts between objects of expenditure and revenues within a function without limitation.
2. The County Manager may transfer amounts up to \$500,000 between functions of the same fund.
3. The County Manager may transfer amounts between contingency funds which are set aside for a specific project for budgetary shortfalls or upon the appropriate approval of a change order.
4. The County Manager is authorized to transfer funds from the General Fund or Capital Reserve Fund to the appropriate fund for projects approved within the Capital Improvement Plan for the current fiscal year.
5. Upon notification of funding increases or decreases to existing grants or revenues, or the award of grants or revenues, the Manager or designee may adjust budgets to match, including grants that require a County match for which funds are available.
6. The Manager or designee may adjust debt financing from estimated projections to actual funds received.
7. The County Manager may enter into and execute change orders or amendments to construction contracts in amounts less than \$90,000 when the appropriate annual budget or capital project ordinance contains sufficient appropriated but unencumbered funds.
8. The County Manager may award and execute contracts which are not required to be bid or which G.S. 143-131 allows to be let on informal bids so long as the annual budget or appropriate capital project ordinance contains sufficient appropriated but unencumbered funds for such purposes.
9. The County Manager may execute contracts with outside agencies to properly document budgeted appropriations to such agencies where G.S. 153 A-248(b), 259, 449 and any similar statutes require such contracts.
10. The County Manager may reject formal bids when deemed appropriate and in the best interest of Cabarrus County pursuant to G.S.

143-129(a).

- 11. The County Manager may reduce revenue projections consistent with prevailing economic conditions, and also reduce expenditures correspondingly.

Section III.

This ordinance and the budget documents shall be the basis of the financial plan for the County of Cabarrus.

- a. The Finance Director is hereby directed to maintain within the Capital Project Fund sufficient detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the law.
- b. The Finance Director is directed to report, at the request of the Board, on the financial status of each project element in Section I and on the total revenues received or claimed.
- c. Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk to the governing Board, and to the Finance Director for direction in carrying out this project.
- d. At the completion of a construction project, all unrestricted excess funds are transferred to the General Fund and the portion of the Capital Project associated with the project is closed.

Adopted this the 21 day of July 2025.

CABARRUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: /s/ Jeff Jones
Chairperson

ATTEST:

/s/ Lauren Linker
Clerk to the Board

(D-18) Finance - Reimbursement Resolutions

The County may advance funds to cover certain capital expenditures prior to financing. Reimbursement Resolutions allow the County to be repaid from financing proceeds for expenditures paid with County funds. Two new capital projects approved in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, the A.L. Brown High School Addition and Jackson Park Elementary School Addition, require new Reimbursement Resolutions. Reimbursement Resolutions were provided for consideration.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Reimbursement Resolutions for Jackson Park Elementary School and A.L. Brown High School.

Resolution No. 2025-12

RESOLUTION DECLARING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES WITH PROCEEDS OF DEBT PURSUANT TO UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY REGULATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Cabarrus County:

- 1. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares as follows:

(a) Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2 (the "Regulations"), promulgated by the United States Department of Treasury on June 18, 1993, prescribes certain specific procedures applicable to certain obligations issued by the County after June 30, 1993, including, without limitation, a requirement that the County timely declare its official intent to reimburse certain expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be issued thereafter by the County.

(b) The County has advanced and/or will advance its own funds to pay certain capital costs (the "Original Expenditures") associated with financing, in whole or in part, (i) the design, acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of various new additions and improvements to Jackson Park Elementary School including, without limitation, (A) additional classrooms

for the existing building, (B) additional classrooms as part of the building expansion, (C) additional administrative offices and (D) any easements and rights-of-way, (ii) site development, (iii) any and all related utilities relocation and (iv) various real and/or personal property improvements related to any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Jackson Park Elementary School Addition Project").

(c) The funds heretofore advanced or to be advanced by the County to pay the Original Expenditures are or will be available only on a temporary basis, and do not consist of funds that were otherwise earmarked or intended to be used by the County to permanently finance the Original Expenditures.

(d) As of the date hereof, the County reasonably expects that it will reimburse itself for such Original Expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, and the maximum principal amount of debt to be incurred with respect to the Jackson Park Elementary School Addition Project is expected to be \$1,040,000.

(e) All Original Expenditures to be reimbursed by the County were paid no more than 60 days prior to or will be paid on or after the date of, this declaration of official intent. The County understands that such reimbursement must occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date the Original Expenditure was paid; or (ii) the date the Jackson Park Elementary School Addition Project was placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than 3 years after the Original Expenditure was paid.

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I, Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Cabarrus, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of said Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on July 21, 2025, as relates in any way to the passage of the resolutions hereinabove referenced, and that said proceedings are recorded in Minute Book No. [42] of the minutes of said Board of Commissioners, beginning at page ___ and ending at page ___.

I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that the schedule of regular meetings of said Board of Commissioners has been on file in my office pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes §143-318.12 as of a date not less than seven (7) days before said meeting.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of said County, this 21 day of July 2025.

/s/ Laruen Linker
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
for the County of Cabarrus, North Carolina

[SEAL]

Ordinance No. 2025-13

RESOLUTION DECLARING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES WITH PROCEEDS OF DEBT PURSUANT TO UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY REGULATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Cabarrus County:

1. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares as follows:

(a) Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2 (the "Regulations"), promulgated by the United States Department of Treasury on June 18, 1993, prescribes certain specific procedures applicable to certain obligations issued by the County after June 30, 1993, including, without limitation, a requirement that the County timely declare its official intent to reimburse certain expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be issued thereafter by the County.

(b) The County has advanced and/or will advance its own funds to pay certain capital costs (the "Original Expenditures") associated with financing, in whole or in part, (i) the design, acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of various new additions and improvements to A.L. Brown High School including, without limitation, (A) additional classrooms for the existing building, (B) additional classrooms as part of the building expansion, (C) additional administrative offices and (D) any easements and rights-of-way, (ii) site development, (iii) any and all related utilities relocation and (iv) various real and/or personal property improvements related to any of the foregoing (collectively, the "A.L. Brown High School Addition Project").

(c) The funds heretofore advanced or to be advanced by the County to pay the Original Expenditures are or will be available only on a temporary basis, and do not consist of funds that were otherwise earmarked or intended to be used by the County to permanently finance the Original Expenditures.

(d) As of the date hereof, the County reasonably expects that it will reimburse itself for such Original Expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, and the maximum principal amount of debt to be incurred with respect to the A.L. Brown High School Addition Project is expected to be \$1,950,000.

(e) All Original Expenditures to be reimbursed by the County were paid no more than 60 days prior to or will be paid on or after the date of, this declaration of official intent. The County understands that such reimbursement must occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date the Original Expenditure was paid; or (ii) the date the A.L. Brown High School Addition Project was placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than 3 years after the Original Expenditure was paid.

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I, Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Cabarrus, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of said Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on July 21, 2025, as relates in any way to the passage of the resolutions hereinabove referenced, and that said proceedings are recorded in Minute Book No. [42] of the minutes of said Board of Commissioners, beginning at page ___ and ending at page ___.

I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that the schedule of regular meetings of said Board of Commissioners has been on file in my office pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes §143-318.12 as of a date not less than seven (7) days before said meeting.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of said County, this 21 day of July 2025.

/s/ Lauren Linker
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
for the County of Cabarrus, North Carolina

[SEAL]

(D-19) Legal - Tentative Sandoz Opioid Settlement

The County's long-standing counsel in the National Opioid Settlement, Crueger Dickinson, LLC of Milwaukee, WI, has requested the County execute and return a tentative Settlement Agreement and Participation Agreement for the Sandoz manufacturer by July 24, 2025.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the County Manager to execute the tentative Settlement Agreement and Participation Agreement.

(D-20) Sheriff's Office - Acceptance of Highland Canine Connect Grant

Highland Canine Connect, in partnership with Highland Canine Training, has agreed to fund a therapy dog for the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office through a grant. The dog, a Bernese Mountain Dog/Poodle mix, all necessary

training and veterinary care are covered by the grant. The therapy dog will assist officers involved in critical incidents, support mental health and wellness, participate in department visits, and aid in recruiting efforts. There is no required county match and no budget amendment is needed.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the grant award.

(D-21) Sheriff's Office - Awarding of Service Weapon to Captain Chris Measimer Upon His Retirement

Captain Christopher Measimer will retire from the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office on August 1, 2025. It is requested that his service weapon, Sig Sauer P320 SN 58H320081, be declared surplus and awarded to him for \$1.00 upon retirement, in accordance with NC General Statute 14-187.2.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board declared the Sig Sauer P320 SN 58H320081 surplus property and authorized its disposition in accordance with the County's policy.

(D-22) Social Services - Energy Programs Outreach Plan

The Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) and the Crisis Intervention Program (CIP) are federally funded programs that help eligible North Carolina households with heating costs and energy-related emergencies. The annual Energy Programs Outreach Plan (EPOP) outlines how the County will ensure eligible households are aware of and can access assistance through these programs, with the county director or designee responsible for implementing the plan.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Energy Programs Outreach Plan.

(D-23) Tax Administration - Tax Collector's Annual Settlement and Order Authorizing Collection of FY 2025-2026 Taxes."

If an overpayment is less than \$15, the Tax Office has decided, for efficiency and cost savings, to utilize the general statute that allows these small refunds to be held rather than attempting to identify the taxpayer, issue a check, and make direct contact.

These funds are held and can be refunded if the taxpayer contacts the Tax Office. At the end of the fiscal year, the office reviews upcoming tax bills and applies these funds to any outstanding balances, ensuring that the taxpayer does not lose their money. If no applicable tax bill is identified and the taxpayer does not reach out, the funds are sent to the North Carolina State Unclaimed Funds, where taxpayers can claim them. The primary purpose of this process is to reduce costs for the overall tax base.

Taxpayers may search the unclaimed funds database maintained by the NC State Treasurer's Office to determine if they have funds due and request a refund through the state.

A discussion followed; during which Mr. Thrift answered questions from the Board.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the Tax Collector's annual settlement and approved the Order to Collect in accordance with NCGS 105-321.

(E) NEW BUSINESS

(E-1) County Manager - FY 2026 Economic Development Allocation - Supplemental Public Hearing 6:00 p. m.

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §158-7.1, a separate public hearing is required for economic development appropriations. A hearing for the County's annual contribution to the Cabarrus Economic Development Corporation was held on June 2, 2025. The Board approved the FY2026 budget ordinance on June 16, 2025, which included a \$400,000 appropriation differing from the amount noticed at the June 2 hearing. Therefore, a supplemental public hearing was required to use the appropriated funds.

Chairman Jones opened the public hearing at 6:33 p.m. The Public Hearing Notice posted on the County's website (www.cabarruscounty.us) on July 10, 2025 in accordance with Article 2, Administration, Section 2.1 (Use of Electronic Means to Provide Public Notices) of the Cabarrus County Code of Ordinances.

Justin Moore, a resident at 3365 Keady Mill Loop, Kannapolis, spoke regarding the positive impact of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) on small businesses and startups in Cabarrus County.

Barbi Jones, a resident at 9850 Flannery Place, Concord, commented on the work performed by the EDC and its benefits to Cabarrus County.

Rich Wise, a resident at 3403 Brickwood Circle, Midland, spoke regarding EDC tax incentives.

Nick Buysse, a resident at 6215 Tulip Poplar Place, Huntersville, spoke in support of continued funding for the EDC.

Steve Steinbacher, a resident at 1513 Hansom Lane, Concord, spoke in favor of the EDC and the work it performs on behalf of the County.

Mark Spitzer, a resident at 150 N. Research Campus Drive, Kannapolis, spoke about Cabarrus County's growth and expressed support for tax incentives to recruit businesses to the County.

Wes Huneycutt, a resident at 2700 Cal Bost Road, Midland, spoke regarding EDC tax incentives.

Cason Gardner, a resident at 2923 Brooknell Ct NW, Concord, spoke regarding the cost of living in Cabarrus County.

Chris Cranston, a resident at 475 High Meadows Drive, Concord, spoke regarding EDC practices.

There was no one else who wished to address the Board; therefore, Chairman Jones closed the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

(E-2) Board of Commissioners - Economic Development Grant Program Policy

Commissioner Wortman previously presented at the July 7th Work Session to reduce the incentive grant amount from 85% to 80%. After hearing public comments, he withdrew his proposal.

Commissioner Pittman **MOVED** to, exclusive of those incentive grants already in place, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners do hereby at this time sever all relations with the Economic Development Corporation and abolish the Economic Development Grant Program, to the end that Cabarrus County Commission no longer participate in any way in giving taxpayer funding to the support of the Economic Development Corporation or to any incentive programs for the recruitment or retention of private businesses into or remaining in this county, other than fulfilling any commitments previously made. Vice Chair Lindsey seconded the motion.

Following discussion, the **MOTION** failed with the following vote: AYES: Vice Chair Lindsey and Commissioner Pittman; NAYS: Chairman Jones, Commissioner Wortman and Commissioner Shue.

Commissioner Wortman **MOVED** to accept the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners' Economic Development Grant Program revised and effective December 2023, seconded by Commissioner Shue.

Vice Chair Lindsey **MOVED** to fund the EDC Grant Program at a rate of 50%, and that the 50% the county gets back goes specifically to public safety and to the school system.

Commissioner Wortman advised there is a motion on the floor. Discussion continued. Commissioner Wortman stated this would require an amendment to his motion and rejected the amendment.

The Board was advised for clarity and ease, there should be a vote on the first Motion and then another Motion could be made for vote.

Chairman Jones called for a vote on the **MOTION** to accept the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners' Economic Development Grant Program revised and effective December 2023. The **MOTION** carried by the following vote: Ayes: Chairman Jones and Commissioners Shue and Wortman; Nays: Vice Chair Lindsey and Commissioner Pittman.

(E-3) Board of Commissioners - Voting Delegate Designation for NCACC 118th Annual Conference

The NCACC's 118th Annual Conference Business Session will be held in Pitt County, and each county is entitled to one vote on matters before the membership. The NCACC has requested that each county designate a voting delegate to facilitate the voting process.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board designated Chairman Jeff Jones to represent Cabarrus County at the NCACC 118th Annual Conference Business Session in Pitt County.

(E-4) County Manager - Discuss Lobbying Firm

The County Manager provided an update on the Holloway Group, the County's lobbying firm, at the July 7 Work Session. The Board requested additional discussion and consideration.

Vice Chair Lindsey **MOVED** to approve to continue month-to-month provision of the Holloway Group contract until the Regular October Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Pittman seconded the motion.

Following discussion, the MOTION carried by the following vote: Ayes: Chairman Jones, Vice Chair Lindsey and Commissioners Pittman and Shue; Nays: Commissioner Wortman.

(E-5) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) - Grant Award

Chief Jimmy Lentz, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), presented a proposed initiative for Cabarrus County EMS to begin administering blood products in the prehospital setting. This treatment, which has long been used by the military and is gaining popularity in civilian emergency medicine, aims to improve outcomes for patients experiencing hemorrhagic shock, particularly those with traumatic injuries. Several counties in North Carolina have already implemented similar programs.

Atrium Health Cabarrus Blood Bank has agreed to support the program by providing blood products at no cost. In addition, Cabarrus County EMS has received grant funding from the Cannon Foundation to equip two EMS supervisor vehicles with the secure refrigeration and storage systems required to deploy whole blood in the field. A budget amendment was provided for consideration.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Shue, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the grant award and approved the associated budget amendment.

Budget Revision/Amendment Request

Date: Amount:

Dept. Head: Department:

Internal Transfer Within Department Transfer Between Departments/Funds Supplemental Request

Budgeting the funds awarded for the Cabarrus County EMS Prehospital Blood Program.

Fund	Indicator	Department/ Object/ Project	Account Name	Approved Budget	Increase Amount	Decrease Amount	Revised Budget
001	6	2730-6353-CAN02	Cannon Foundation Grant		45,000.00		45,000.00
001	9	2730-9330-CAN02	Tools & Minor Equipment - EMS Cannon Grant		45,000.00		45,000.00
							0.00
							0.00
							0.00
							0.00
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							0.00
Total							0.00

(E-6) Tax Administration - Refund and Release Reports - June 2025

The Release Report contains taxpayers' names, bill numbers, valuations, tax amounts, along with the justifications for releasing the valuation/tax amounts for outstanding levies in accordance with N.C.G.S. 105-381. The Refund Report is a summary sheet which lists data from each refund request form, along

with the justification for the refunds to the taxpayers in accordance with N.C.G.S. 105-381.

Note: Due to the transition of motor vehicles onto the new North Carolina Vehicle Tax System (NCVTS), motor vehicle-related refunds and releases will begin to be displayed on the new report generated by NCVTS.

Vice Chair Lindsey invited David Thrift, Tax Administrator, to provide further clarification on the refund process, specifically regarding how citizens would be notified or receive any refund money owed to them.

Mr. Thrift explained that the specific questions relate to Consent Agenda Item D-23.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the June 2025 Refund and Release Reports as submitted, including the NCVTS Refund Report, and grant authority to the Tax Collector to process the refunds and releases.

(E-7) Fair - 2025 County Fair Fee Schedule Approval

Chairman Jones stated that a previous vote regarding the 2025 County Fee Schedule was technically unsound. Therefore, it would require another vote.

Commissioner Pittman **MOVED** to approve the 2025 Fair Fee Schedule to reflect a \$3.00 entrance fee for County employees and veterans to attend any night of their choosing. Vice Chair Lindsey seconded the motion.

Following discussion, the **MOTION** failed with the following vote: Ayes: Vice Chair Lindsey and Commissioner Pittman; Nays: Chairman Jones and Commissioners Shue and Wortman.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Pittman and unanimously carried, the Board adopt the 2025 Fair Fee Schedule as originally submitted to include the exception of County employees and veterans entrance fee would be no cost on any day of their choosing.

(F) APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

(F-1) Boards and Committees - Appointments - Cabarrus County Board of Equalization and Review

David Thrift, Tax Administrator, addressed concerns regarding term limits for boards and committees, noting that while term limits help prevent stagnation and increase public access, limited exceptions may be beneficial.

Using the Cabarrus County Board of Equalization and Review as an example, he explained that property tax appeals involve complex legal, financial, and procedural matters, and that prior experience promotes fairness, accuracy, and consistency in decisions. He emphasized the significant learning curve associated with the Board's work and the importance of maintaining public trust in the tax program.

Mr. Thrift requested consideration of an exception to the standard two-term limit, suggesting an extension to three or four terms. He stated that seven terms may be excessive, but asked for time to develop a succession plan. He requested that Mr. Dover be reappointed for one year and that Mr. Felder be reappointed to a third term, with formal term limits to be addressed at a later date.

A discussion ensued.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Audy Dover to Seat #2 on the Board of Equalization and Review for a term expiring June 30, 2026, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(F-2) Boards and Committees - Appointments - Cabarrus County Board of Equalization

Refer to previous item

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Bernard Elder to Seat #1 on the Board of Equalization and Review for a term expiring June 30, 2028, including any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(G) REPORTS**(G-1) BOC - Receive Updates From Commission Members Who Serve As Liaisons To Municipalities Or On Various Boards/Committees**

Vice Chair Lindsey provided an update on the School Board meeting held on July 14, which included open-house dates and updates regarding changes in school principals. She noted the school system will transition from PowerSchool to Infinite Campus. The School Board also approved the Beginning Teacher Plan and contracts for SRO services, as well as Microsoft and Barracuda software updates. Vice Chair Lindsey encouraged everyone to watch the Title I program update on Title I schools in Cabarrus County.

Commissioner Wortman commented on the Super C report.

Commissioner Pittman advised County employees would need county ID and veterans would need their ID to receive the free fair entrance.

(G-2) BOC - Request for Applications for County Boards/Committees

- Active Living and Parks Commission - 1 Vacant and 4 Expired Positions
- Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee - 13 Vacant Positions
- Concord Planning and Zoning Commission (ETJ) - 1 Vacant Position
- Library Board of Trustees - 3 Expired Positions
- Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee - 11 Vacant Positions
- Region F Aging Advisory Committee - 2 Vacant Positions
- Transportation Advisory Board - 5 Vacant Positions
- Youth Commission - 7 Vacant and 5 Expired Positions

(G-3) Budget - Monthly Budget Amendment Report

The Board received the monthly budget amendment report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-4) Budget - Monthly Financial Update

The Board received the monthly financial update report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-5) Communications and Outreach - Monthly Summary Report

The Board received the monthly summary report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-6) County Manager - Monthly Building Activity Reports

The Board received the monthly building activity reports for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-7) EDC - June 2025 Monthly Summary Report

The Board received the June 2025 monthly summary report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-8) Super Cab Co - Monthly Report

The Board received the monthly Super Cab Co report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(H) GENERAL COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Vice Chair Lindsey shared a video highlighting two animals available for adoption at the Cabarrus Animal Shelter.

(I) CLOSED SESSION**(I-1) Closed Session - Consult with Attorney**

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Shue and unanimously carried, the Board moved to go into closed session to discuss matters related to pending litigation as authorized by NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3).

(J) RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Consensus was to return to Open Session.

(K) ADJOURN

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.


Ariadne Olvera, Clerk to the Board



