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Procedural Bulletin -- Public Forum

Effective Date: February 18, 2000

It is the intent of the Scotland County Board of Commissioners to allow a Public Forum at each of its regular meetings for citizens to address the Board regarding issues or questions of benefit and/or interest to the general public in a positive fashion. It is the Board's further intent that matters shared during this forum not be harmful, discriminatory, or embarrassing to any citizen or employee of Scotland County, but that any concerns brought forward be expressed in general terms that provide the Board appropriate data to research the issue and respond to the speaker at a later time.

It is strongly suggested that personnel concerns go first through the Office of the County Manager (507 West Covington Street, Laurinburg NC 28352) or directly to County Commissioners, preferably in writing, in order for staff and/or Commissioners to attempt to address those concerns privately and with the necessary available resources.

To assure the Board of Commissioners' positive intent for the Public Forum is upheld, the following "ground rules" have been set by the Board of Commissioners:

- 1) Each speaker shall register his/her name and mailing address in order to assure accurate minutes and/or ability to respond.
- 2) There will be a time limit of no more than *three* minutes per speaker.
- 3) Only one speaker will be recognized at any given time. Others must wait their turn.
- 4) Any applause shall be held until the end of the Public Forum.
- 5) Discussion of County personnel issues is limited to only those issues where satisfactory resolution has been pursued, but not achieved, through the chain of command ending with the County Manager.
- 6) Derogatory references to specific County staff, by name, are prohibited.

It should be understood that the Board allows the Public Forum in the interest of sharing information, which serves the common good.

Scotland County Board of Commissioners

SCOTLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO.   1    
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Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Introduction of FY 2016-2017 Economic Development budget and Public Hearing

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: Yes

CONTACT PERSON: County Manager Kevin Patterson

PURPOSE: Hold Public Hearing on the FY 2017 Economic Development budget

ATTACHMENTS: (Budget to be posted by Monday)  
Summary of Senate Bill 472

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Hold public hearing on proposed budget and consider continuing public hearing to 7 p.m. Monday, June 27, at the EOC, if desired.



# SENATE BILL 472: Local Incentives for Historic Rehabilitation

2015-2016 General Assembly

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<b>Committee:</b> Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	<b>Date:</b> September 22, 2015
<b>Introduced by:</b> Sens. Rucho, Brock	<b>Prepared by:</b> Greg Roney
<b>Analysis of:</b> First Edition	Committee Counsel

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**SUMMARY:** *Senate Bill 472 would authorize cities and counties to make grants or loans for the rehabilitation of commercial or noncommercial historic structures, whether the structure is publicly or privately owned.*

*The bill also clarifies the language of G.S. 158-7.1 which authorizes cities and counties to make appropriations for economic development purposes, including requiring all appropriations have public hearings, comply with the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act, and be reported in the annual financial report.*

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 158-7.1 authorizes cities and counties to make expenditures for economic development. G.S. 158-7.1(a) contains a general grant of authority. G.S. 158-7.1(b) grants express authority for 7 types of economic development projects and gives special rules for these 7 types of projects. G.S. 158-7.1(c) requires a public hearing for projects covered by G.S. 158-7.1(b). G.S. 158-7.1(d) and G.S. 158-7.1(d2) place additional requirements on projects authorized under G.S. 158-7.1(b) including a requirement that the proposed sale price of land plus future tax revenue to be generated by the project equal or exceed the fair market value of the land. The remainder of the statute imposes reporting rules, funding limits, and other requirements.

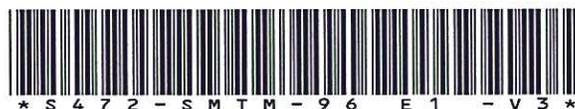
Specifically, G.S. 158-7.1(a) authorizes cities and counties to make appropriations for economic development that "increase the population, taxable property, agricultural industries and business prospects of any city or county." Without limiting the general grant of authority in subsection (a), G.S. 158-7.1(b) contains special rules for 7 types of economic development projects:

1. Industrial parks to be used for manufacturing, assembly, fabrication, processing, warehousing, research and development, office use, or similar industrial or commercial purposes.
2. Holding land for resale that is suitable for industrial or commercial use.
3. Options for the acquisition of land that is suitable for industrial or commercial use.
4. Acquisition or construction of a building suitable for industrial or commercial use.
5. Construction or assistance in the extension of utility services to industrial facilities, whether the utility is publicly or privately owned.
6. Construction or assistance in the extension of water and sewer lines to industrial facilities, whether the industrial facility is publicly or privately owned.
7. Site preparation for industrial facilities, whether the industrial facility is publicly or privately owned.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 472 would add an eighth authorization to G.S. 158-7.1(b) allowing cities and counties to make grants or loans for:

8. Rehabilitation of commercial or noncommercial historic structures, whether the structure is publicly or privately owned.

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# Senate Bill 472

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The bill would modify subsection (a) of G.S. 158-7.1 that grants general authority to cities and counties to make appropriations for economic development by:

- Replacing a list of economic development purposes that included "other purposes" with the words "economic development purposes."
- Adding "employment" and "industrial output" to the list of permissible economic development goals.

The bill standardizes the treatment of appropriations for economic development by:

- Making all appropriations subject to the public hearing requirement of G.S. 158-7.1(c).
- Making all appropriations subject to the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act and public disclosure in the local government's annual financial report under the requirements of G.S. 158-7.1(e).

The bill adds headings to all of the subsections of G.S. 158-7.1 and makes other technical changes.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Senate Bill 472 would be effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** Article 3D of Chapter 105, titled Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits, provided a State tax credit for rehabilitating income-producing historic structures (G.S. 105-129.35) and a State tax credit for rehabilitating non-income-producing historic structures (G.S. 105-129.36). Article 3D expired for rehabilitation expenditures incurred on or after January 1, 2015.

Article 3H of Chapter 105, titled Mill Rehabilitation Tax Credit, provided a State tax credit for income-producing rehabilitated mill property (G.S. 105-129.71) and a State tax credit for non-income-producing rehabilitated mill property (G.S. 105-129.72). Article 3H expired for rehabilitation projects for which an application for an eligibility certification is submitted on or after January 1, 2015.

The 2015 Appropriations Act (S.L. 2015-241, House Bill 97) enacted new Article 3L, titled "Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits Investment Program." The new historic tax credit is effective January 1, 2016, and expires on January 1, 2020.

The 2015 Appropriations Act would allow a tax credit for historic rehabilitation as follows:

- **Income Producing Property:** Tax credit capped at \$4,500,000 and equal to 15% of the first \$10 million, plus 10% of the next \$10 million, plus 5% for the first \$20 million if in Tier 1 or 2, plus 5% for certain sites (at least 65%-vacant manufacturing facility or agricultural warehouse) for expenses to rehabilitate a structural component of a building listed in the National Register or located in a registered historic district and certified by the Secretary of the Interior.
- **Non-Income Producing Property:** Tax credit capped at \$22,500 and equal to 15% of expense to rehabilitate a building listed in the National Register of Historic Places or certified by the State Historic Preservation Officer as contributing to the historic significance of a National Register Historic District or a locally designated historic district certified by the United States Department of the Interior. Expenses must exceed \$10,000.

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 2

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Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Introduction of FY 2016-2017 Budget Plan and Public Hearing

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: Yes

CONTACT PERSON: County Manager Kevin Patterson

PURPOSE: Hold Public Hearing on the FY 2016-2017 proposed budget

ATTACHMENTS: (To be posted by Monday)

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Hold public hearing on proposed budget and consider continuing public hearing to 7 p.m. Monday, June 27, at the EOC, if desired.

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ITEM NO.   3    
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Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Community report: Arts Council of Scotland County

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: Arts Council Executive Director Erin Rembert

PURPOSE: Discuss Arts Council activities and financial update

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive report

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ITEM NO. 4

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Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Department of Transportation report on US 15-501 and US 144

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: NCDOT Division Engineer Brandon Jones

PURPOSE: Provide and update on traffic patterns at Old Wire Road and US 15-501

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive report

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ITEM NO. 5

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Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Health Department FY 2017 personnel request

DEPARTMENT: Health Department

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: Interim Health Director Wayne Raynor

PURPOSE: Present request for additional personnel in the Health Department and explain how the positions would be funded over the long term.

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive information for consideration

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ITEM NO. 6

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Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Consent Agenda

a) Approve minutes of the May 2, 2016, regular meeting and May 4, 2016 budget work session, May 9, 2016, joint session and May 24, 2016 budget work session.

b) Approve one year contract for audit services conducted by Parker, Wagoner & Roche, PLLC, for the period beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

c) Approve Tax Office request for April 2016 release of funds in the amount of \$4,931.31, refunds in the amount of \$118.61 and discoveries in the amount of \$6,196.78.

d) Approve awarding FY 2017 and 2018 contract for in home care to Interim Healthcare of Eastern Carolinas, Inc. The contract is administered through the Home and Community Care Block Grant.

e) Approve FY 2017 Home and Community Care Block Grant funds in the amount of \$367,759, of which \$36,776 is the local match.

f) Approve SCATS System Safety Program Plan. The entire plan is available on the Scotland County website at:

<http://www.scotlandcounty.org/Data/Sites/1/media/departments/transportation/draftscatssafetyprogram.pdf>

g) Budget amendments

1. 911 Fund: Transfer funds in the amount of \$329,090 from the General Fund to the 911 Fund as repayment of unrestricted funds to the 911 Board, and authorize the Finance Officer to make the necessary arrangements to receive and expend the monies.

2. Health: Approve receipt of State funds for Environmental Health services in Food and Lodging in the amount of \$4,665, and authorize the Finance Officer to make the necessary arrangements to receive and expend the monies. No County dollars.

DEPARTMENT: Administration/Multiple

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive recommendations and consider action

*Scotland County Board of Commissioners regular meeting  
May 2, 2016, A.B. Gibson Center, 322 South Main Street, Laurinburg, NC*

**Scotland County Board of Commissioners regular meeting  
May 2, 2016, A.B. Gibson Center, 322 South Main Street, Laurinburg, NC 28352**

Commissioners in attendance: Chair Carol McCall, Vice Chair Whit Gibson and Commissioners John Alford, Bob Davis, Betty Blue Gholston, Guy McCook and Clarence McPhatter. Staff in attendance: County Manager Kevin Patterson, County Attorney Ed Johnston, Finance Officer Beth Hobbs and Clerk to the Board Ann Kurtzman.

At 7 p.m. Chair McCall called the meeting to order. Commissioner Davis delivered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner Alford to approve the May 2, 2016 agenda as presented. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Public Forum**

Chair McCall opened the Public Forum. No one came forward to speak.

Chair McCall then read the following proclamations:

**EMS Week Proclamation for Scotland County**

**WHEREAS**, each year residents and visitors to Scotland County may require emergency medical care for traumatic injuries, burns, poisonings, spinal cord injuries, cardiac events, strokes, and other critical medical emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency care personnel, including Emergency Medical Dispatchers, First Responders, Rescue Technicians, Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics, Nurses, and Physicians, whether volunteers or paid personnel, give selflessly of themselves for the welfare of others; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens of Scotland County benefit from the knowledge, skills and dedication of emergency medical services specialists as they work together to ensure prompt and appropriate treatment at the scene, in route to the hospital, and in the emergency department; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina has a wide range of emergency medical providers, including local first responder units, first aid and rescue squads, ambulance services, mobile intensive care programs, an EMS/Hospital helicopter response program, specialty burn care, a poison information and education center, designated trauma centers, rapid cardiac care protocol, and other vital services that have the potential to save lives and reduce disabilities of the critically ill or injured in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, advances in emergency medical care have increased the number of lives saved every year in North Carolina and in Scotland County; and

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**WHEREAS**, it is important for citizens to know about the Scotland County emergency medical services system, including what to do in a medical emergency and whom to call, and to benefit from reminders about ways to prevent emergencies from happening; and

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County desires to continue to improve upon its emergency medical services system in order to assure all citizens the highest standards of emergency medical care.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Carol McCall, Chairman of the Board of Commissioner of Scotland County do hereby proclaim May15 to 21, 2016 as

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK**

In Scotland County, in recognition of all those engaged in emergency medical services activities and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

**OLDER AMERICANS AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County joins the nation in recognizing Older Americans Awareness Month in May 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County includes a community of more than eight thousand older adults who deserve recognition for their contributions to our communities and nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County recognizes that older adults are trailblazers advocating for themselves, their peers, and their communities, and are paving the way for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County is committed to raising awareness about issues facing older Americans and helping all individuals to thrive in communities of their choice for as long as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County appreciates the value of inclusion and support in helping older adults successfully contribute to and benefit from their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Scotland County can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals of all ages by, promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and social involvement; emphasizing home and community based services that support independent living; and ensuring community members can benefit from the contributions and experience of older adults.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Chair Carol McCall, on behalf of the Scotland County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim Older Americans Awareness Month in May 2016 and encourage all citizens to join with us and take time this month to acknowledge older adults and the people who serve them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to our community.

**May Proclaimed as Mental Health Month**

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**WHEREAS**, mental health is essential to everyone’s overall health and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental illnesses; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a strong body of research that supports specific tools that all Americans can use to better handle challenges, and protect their health and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, mental illnesses are real and prevalent in our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, with early and effective treatment, those individuals with mental illnesses can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

**WHEREAS**, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental illnesses and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

**THEREFORE**, I, Chair Carol McCall, on behalf of the Scotland County Boards of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as Mental Health Month

As the Board Chair, I also call upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in our community to recommit to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illnesses at all stages

Economic Development Director Mark Ward was invited to introduce himself.

**U.S. Motto Action Committee**

USMA Vice Chair Rick Lanier asked the Commissioners to consider displaying the national motto ‘In God We Trust’ on a governmental building, which gives ceremonial honor to public occasions and expresses confidence in society. 100 percent of the cost comes from private donations, and in most cases from local citizens. 42 counties and 31 town halls in the State now display the national motto. The proposed building for the motto in anodized gold aluminum would be the courthouse. Mr. Lanier said USMA also sends out decals to Sheriff’s Departments.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Gholston and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gibson to approve the placement of ‘In God We Trust’ on the Scotland County Courthouse. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Report from the schools**

Chief Financial Officer Jay Toland discussed the current capital outlay budget and adjustments that were made in order to accomplish some capital projects, including the high school chiller.

**Update: Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Scotland County**

NCDOT Engineer Michael Abuya presented an update on the Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Scotland County that started in 2014. CTP identifies all transportation needs for the County. It does not promise to build roads, but identifying the needs is an important first step. Mr. Abuya identified several County highways that were near capacity for vehicle traffic such as US 15-401. Currently no roads are over capacity. Church Street, X-Way/West Boulevard and Lauchwood Drive among others would be above capacity by 2040.

Safety and crashes were also reviewed. Mr. Abuya discussed them as well as recommendations for widening roads. There are no recommendation on public transportation. Mr. Abuya discussed bicycle and pedestrian recommendations. Mr. Abuya said CTP is a recommended plan but it is not ready for adoption. Expansion of 401 is going through a feasibility study, which is ongoing.

**Policy Committee report**

The Policy Committee at an April 11 meeting reviewed Disposing of Personal Property Valued at less than \$5,000 and presented it to the full board for action.

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner Alford to approve Procedures for Disposing of Personal Property Valued at Less than \$5,000. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

The Policy Committee also presented the draft Standard of Professionalism for review.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gibson to review the Standard of Professionalism and bring it back for action at the June 6 meeting. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Consent Agenda**

- a) Approve minutes of the April 4, 2016, regular meeting.
- b) Approve Tax Office request for March 2016 release of funds in the amount of \$126.18 and in the amount of \$1,633.25, refunds in the amount of \$97.05 and in the amount of \$130.12 and discoveries in the amount of \$9,059.35. *(incorporated by reference)*
- c) Approve Public Works request to surplus a 1995 Chevrolet one-ton truck VIN 1GBH34K9SE225583. Budget amendments.
- d) Budget Amendments:
  1. **Home and Community Care Block Grant:** Approve reallocation of \$2,000 in HCCBG funds in the amount of \$2,000, \$1,800 of which is HCCBG funds and \$200 as the local match, and authorize the Finance Officer to make the necessary arrangements to receive and expend the money.

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May 2, 2016, A.B. Gibson Center, 322 South Main Street, Laurinburg, NC*

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner Gholston to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

#### **Capital and Facilities Committee update**

Commissioner Davis said there were numerous capital needs presented at the April 11 committee meeting. Mr. Patterson said he would have all the requests summed up for the May 4 budget work session. Commissioner McCook cited the communications system as a high priority.

#### **Appointments to Boards and Committees**

Vice Chair Gibson said Commissioners Alford and Gholston agreed to replace him on boards on which he serves.

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner McCook to appoint Mr. John Alford as the Commissioner-representative on the Partnership for Children and Families. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner McCook to appoint Ms. Betty Blue Gholston as the Commissioner-representative on the Juvenile Crime and Prevention Council. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

#### **Update from the County Manager**

Mr. Patterson reminded the Commissioners of several upcoming meetings and events.

#### **Closed Session**

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner Alford to go into Closed Session in accordance with N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of business in the area served by this body and Closed Session in accordance with N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

#### **OPEN SESSION RESUMED**

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner McCook to recess to 9 a.m. Wednesday, May 4, at the Emergency Operations Center. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

Ann W. Kurtzman  
Clerk to the Board

Carol McCall  
Chair

*Scotland County Board of Commissioners budget work session  
May 4, 2016, Emergency Operations Center, 1403 West Boulevard, Laurinburg, NC*

**Scotland County Board of Commissioners budget work session  
May 4, 2016, Emergency Operations Center, 1403 West Boulevard, Laurinburg, NC**

Commissioners in attendance: Chair Carol McCall, Vice Chair Whit Gibson and Commissioners John Alford, Bob Davis, Betty Blue Gholston and Guy McCook. Commissioners not in attendance: Commissioner Clarence McPhatter. Staff in attendance: County Manager Kevin Patterson, County Attorney Ed Johnston, Finance Officer Beth Hobbs and Clerk to the Board Ann Kurtzman.

At 9 a.m. Chair McCall reconvened the meeting.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gibson to approve the May 4, 2016 agenda as presented. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Goals for 2017 budget**

Mr. Patterson said he would look to improve capital structure of Water Districts. \$250,000 will be expended to repaint McEachin water tank with repainting of the other two tanks in the 2018 fiscal year. Placing an antenna corral on the Deercroft water tank is not in the immediate plans. Mr. Patterson expects improved cash flow but a loss is expected with depreciation. Mr. Patterson will recommend a 15 percent water rate increase to match last year's increase and to get the water districts to profitability and get the rates equal to Laurinburg City rates.

Mr. Patterson said the solid waste program goal is to develop positive net assets. The availability fee is on target and a positive cash balance is expected within next two years. The solid waste program will be able to generate a net income this year but it will be several years before there will be positive net assets. Mr. Patterson said he expects to maintain the availability fee structure for the next two years before initiating an in-depth analysis on where it needs to be.

Mr. Patterson said he would present a budget with a one or two-cent reduction in the property tax rate and include a COLA for all employees, which would be nominal. Mr. Patterson said he hopes to focus on salary compression issues and would recommend a one-step increase for employees who have worked three years or longer and a two-step increase for employees who have worked seven years or longer. The steps would not exceed nine. The probationary period would be one year before an employee could qualify for a one step increase. A step for every other year of employment would follow through the first 13 years of employment, which would put employees at market rate and in the middle of the pay range.

Mr. Patterson said for positions where there is high turnover — social workers, public buildings and law enforcement — staff will determine how much of that is salary-related and would compare salaries with other counties so a plan for comparable compensation could be developed.

Mr. Patterson said a goal is to continue to address capital needs. The County Manager said he would look to maintain a positive financial position and, in the long term, look at ways to get the County to where it should be with a capital reserve and economic development fund balance, not just a positive fund balance, because it would be best if they are not in the general fund.

*(Chair McCall was excused at 9:30 a.m.)*

Mr. Patterson then reviewed the proposed 2017 budget by department and highlighted those departments with significant operational and capital requests.

***Scotland County Board of Commissioners budget work session  
May 4, 2016, Emergency Operations Center, 1403 West Boulevard, Laurinburg, NC***

**Administration:** an accounting technician in finance, a redesign of the website and the addition of a personnel management system.

**Register of Deeds:** back-scanning project continues.

**Sheriff:** two additional officers for medical transport and seven cars, which would allow for a five-year rotation for most Sheriff's vehicles.

**EMS:** a remount of two diesel ambulances with gasoline chassis at about \$85,000 each.

**EOC:** a radio system, repairing and painting the tower and replacing the metal building that houses all the radio systems for the County with a secure concrete building. Incorporating a booster in the signal would enhance the transmission. The \$30,000 booster would be in addition to the \$145,000 capital request.

*(Chair McCall returned at 10:20 a.m.)*

**General Services:** countywide contracts will have a nominal increase on insurance through the pool, contracting services and consultants for strategic planning sessions.

*(Break was called, and the meeting resumed at 10:45 a.m.)*

**Public Buildings:** replace a vehicle and purchase an additional zero-turn mower, install a security system at Covington Street if it is to house the Tax Department and replace the courthouse control system, which would cost \$135,000. A Health Department control system replacement would cost \$105,000. Parking lots are in need of work at the government complex and at Covington Street with the government complex the primary concern.

**Library:** improve switches and fund two part-time employees.

**Health Department:** \$250,000 of Medicaid funds to hire an M.D. for a staff position so maternity and children's services could be expanded. The request would have to be approved by the State.

*(County Attorney Johnston arrived at 11:05 a.m.)*

**DSS:** three new positions — two income maintenance caseworkers to accommodate greater processing time and an officer who would provide security in DSS and the Health Department. DSS also requests an external contractor to conduct the scanning process and a replacement vehicle.

Mr. Patterson discussed the construction of fire substations — one on the north side of the County, the other on the south side of the County — where fire tax would fund construction.

***The Board of Commissioners by consensus agreed it is time to move forward with the construction of a substation in the southern part of the County.***

Commissioner McCook said he would like to see a Memorandum of Understanding with the City first as well as more detail on the north substation, particularly how many residents it would benefit.

Mr. Patterson said he would present a balanced budget for the May 24 budget work session. Mr. Patterson said the budget would not meet all of the goals but would include his recommendations for consideration.

*Scotland County Board of Commissioners budget work session  
May 4, 2016, Emergency Operations Center, 1403 West Boulevard, Laurinburg, NC*

*(Commissioner Alford was excused at 11:55 a.m.)*

Mr. Patterson said cost estimates for reconfiguring the Morgan Center range from \$1.25 to \$1.5 million. Currently the County has \$1.1 million. The cost estimate does not include furniture and equipment but does include the cost for the architect, roofing systems and HVAC. The parking lot also is not included in the cost estimate.

*The Commissioners asked for written projections and optional costs for the parking lot and purchase price of the building.*

There is concern among Commissioners the Morgan Center project would compete with previously discussed capital goals and where the money would come from to fund the project. The Commissioners discussed how much parking would actually be needed and the cost to redesign the Tax Department space at the courthouse for another purpose.

**Discussion: Funding for school expansion/new construction**

Mr. Patterson said the schools project a savings of \$2.8 million annually due to reductions in staff, custodial, transportation, utilities and supplies as a result of the expansion/new school construction. Planned expansion would commence with the 2017/2018 school year.

Mr. Patterson said the LGC would have to approve the project because it is a long-term commitment. Commissioner McCook asked what the projected savings for taking the next step would be before the County gets to construction of a new school, since the \$2.8 million savings would not occur until all expansion and new construction was complete.

Vice Chair Gibson said some of the savings, which is not restricted, should be returned to the County and the taxpayers. Vice Chair Gibson commented that it needs to be made clear how the project will be paid for and where the \$2.8 million is coming from since there has to be a benefit to the County and the taxpayers in order to move the project forward.

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner Davis to go into Closed Session in accordance with N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**OPEN SESSION RESUMED**

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCook and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gibson to recess to 12 p.m. Monday, May 9, at the A.B. Gibson Center. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

Ann W. Kurtzman  
Clerk to the Board

Carol McCall  
Chair

*Scotland County Board of Commissioners and Board of Education joint meeting  
May 9, 2016, A.B. Gibson Center, 322 South Main Street, Laurinburg, NC*

**Scotland County Board of Commissioners and Board of Education joint session  
May 9, 2016, A.B. Gibson Center, 322 South Main Street, Laurinburg, NC**

Commissioners in attendance: Chair Carol McCall, Vice Chair Whit Gibson and Commissioners Bob Davis and Guy McCook. Commissioners not in attendance: Commissioners John Alford, Betty Blue Gholston and Clarence McPhatter. Staff in attendance: County Manager Kevin Patterson, Finance Officer Beth Hobbs and Clerk to the Board Ann Kurtzman.

School Board members in attendance: Chair Jeff Byrd and School Board members Raymond Hyatt, Jamie Sutherland and Charles Brown. School Board members not in attendance: Vice Chair Darrel Gibson and Pat Gates, Wayne Cromartie and Summer Stanley. Staff in attendance: Superintendent Ron Hargrave, Chief Finance Officer Jay Toland, School Board Attorney Nick Sojka and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Nancy Baker.

At 12 p.m. Chair McCall reconvened the meeting. The Board of Education meeting was called to order. Chair McCall offered a word of prayer.

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner McCook to approve the May 9, 2016, agenda as presented. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Financials: School expansion and new construction**

Mr. Toland reviewed the ADM in the past six years and projections for the next four, which show a reduction. Mr. Toland reviewed the savings projected for all buildings, which would total a little more than \$2.8 million. He explained how the schools arrived at that projection.

Mr. Toland said as the square footage decreases so would the custodial staff. The savings would be local dollars. Transportation also saves by reducing the number of buildings. There is similar savings for utilities. Mr. Toland said in calculating the savings he also accounted for the positive square footage from the expansions and new school construction. He said contracted services such as mowing, HVAC and other maintenance contracts would be reduced due to fewer buildings. All cost savings would be recurring.

Commissioner McCook asked for a breakout of costs for Covington Street since it would remain open for SEARCH. Mr. Toland said he would provide the information.

The Commissioners discussed the possibility for a margin of error. Mr. Toland said conservative averages were used, and his concern would be what the State might do. Otherwise, the schools feel confident about the numbers.

Mr. Toland explained the method of allocating the funds in order to preserve low wealth funding. Acceptable class size would not change. Bus routes would be shorter and real jobs would not be lost, except through attrition.

Commissioner McCook asked for a Memorandum of Understanding that would address where the County and the School Board stand on the issue so there is no disagreement about what was

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supposed to happen. The MoU would hold both entities accountable while future boards would know what the agreement is.

Vice Chair Gibson requested figures on the actual cost of financing \$41 million. He asked for information on how much of the savings would offset the cost of financing. Vice Chair Gibson said restricted revenues could be directed toward the project in order to free some of the savings for the County and taxpayers.

Chair McCall said there is a four year gap before the debt service is satisfied in 2020. She asked how the project would be funded in the interim.

Mr. Sojka suggested an outside financial analysis could be conducted. The agency with taxing authority would have to contract and pay for the service. Chairman Byrd said initially the savings would be used to pay the debt, but that option would only be available in a private-public partnership. Commissioner McCook said Commissioners must be made aware of ongoing costs affiliated with the project so they can project long-term what might be the issues.

Chair McCall asked when location and the purchase of land for a new school would be part of the conversation. Superintendent Hargrave said that discussion would be premature until the schools know the project will move forward. If it does, it would include a committee of DPI representatives and the Commissioners. Dr. Hargrave said tax credits are available depending on where the school is built if it is to be a private-public partnership.

Dr. Hargrave said it would be important to release a series of joint statements affirming that both boards are not at odds and both boards are working together on the project. Vice Chair Gibson suggested the County Manager and Superintendent work on joint statements.

The Board of Education recessed. The Board of Commissioners continued with its agenda.

**Request to approve JCPC budget for FY2016/2017**

Mr. Patterson said the \$152,332 requested by the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council for FY 2016-2017 are pass-through revenues and expenditures that require approval by the County Commissioners before the JCPC budget could be submitted to the State.

**Motion was made by Vice Chair Gibson and duly seconded by Commissioner McCook to approve \$152,332 for Juvenile Crime Prevention Council for FY 2016-2017. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Discussion: SCEDC's interest in St. Andrews property**

Mr. Patterson discussed the following land transaction proposal. Last year the County purchased a 30 percent undivided interest in 90 acres of land owned by St. Andrews at Laurinburg-Maxton Airport for \$300,000. An option became effective January 1 where the County could transfer the \$300,000 and use that as an option to purchase approximately 58 acres from St. Andrews at

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appraised value. The acreage is inside the fence at LMA and is used as a drop zone. LMA had the 58 acres informally appraised at \$517,000.

The SCEDC received an offer from LMA to purchase the 58 acres for \$517,000. Part of the offer is to exchange 10.6 acres next to the shell building appraised at \$155,000. LMA offered that plus the remainder in cash in three equal payments. LMA will have to make a cash purchase of the 58 acres. The 10.6 acres will have to be a cash purchase, which would involve a check swap, as per FAA requirements. It will take several months before LMA receives pre-clearance from FAA to release the 10.6 acres.

The option currently is held by the SCEDC, which has \$100,000 in the bank. It would be necessary for the County to fund \$217,000 to execute the option on the St. Andrews property. Mr. Patterson said the \$217,000 is minus the \$300,000 the County already paid. Mr. Patterson recommended the balance remain with SCEDC for use at the Cascades facility to create a site that could be marketed.

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCook and duly seconded by Commissioner Davis to exercise the option on the 58 acres to transfer to the Airport Commission and swap the 10.6 acres next to the spec building and conduct the process through the SCEDC with County funds of \$217,000. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Davis and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gibson to recess to 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 24, at the Emergency Operations Center. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

Ann W. Kurtzman  
Clerk to the Board

Carol McCall  
Chair

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Commissioners in attendance: Chair Carol McCall, Vice Chair Whit Gibson and Commissioners John Alford, Bob Davis, Betty Blue Gholston and Guy McCook. Commissioners not in attendance: Commissioner Clarence McPhatter. Staff in attendance: County Manager Kevin Patterson, Finance Officer Beth Hobbs and Clerk to the Board Ann Kurtzman.

At 9 a.m. Chair McCall reconvened the meeting.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Commissioner McCook to approve the May 24, 2016 agenda as presented. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**School Budget presentation**

School CFO Jay Toland presented the 2017 local budget. The schools are using fund balance to balance the budget due to a reduction in ADM. The budget includes raises for teachers and other personnel mandated by the General Assembly although it will not increase the amount of money the schools receive. Mr. Toland reviewed expenditures by program and noted areas where there were reductions. Mr. Toland reviewed capital outlay revenue and projects for the upcoming year along with facility priorities.

Mr. Toland described a one to one access technology initiative at the high school and middle schools, which would satisfy education and economic development requirements of H.B. 97, a bill that expands sales tax revenue to the County for education, community colleges and economic development. The initiative would cost an estimated \$577,000.

Commissioner Gibson said the County has some definitive needs for industrial recruitment and the Commissioners might not be ready to make that kind of commitment. Superintendent Ron Hargrave said the schools would continue to look at grant opportunities if the expanded sales tax was not made available to the schools but the longer the initiative is put off the further kids might fall behind.

*(A break was called, and the meeting resumed at 10:15 a.m.)*

**Budget projections for 2016-2017**

Mr. Patterson said total Water Districts I and II budget is \$1.9 million, which includes funding for water tower renovations using the Water District I fund balance. Total revenues are \$1.7 million. Expenditures are \$1.1 million.

Mr. Patterson said the largest expenditure is for the purchase of water at \$660,000. The budget includes funding for all water towers. A 15 percent increase in water rates is included to cover the 30 percent City of Laurinburg water rate increase. Mr. Patterson said the County water rate increase will help move the Water Districts toward a positive net income.

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*Commissioner McCook asked for water rates in surrounding counties as a comparison. He also asked for volume of purchase per day.*

Mr. Patterson reviewed what the new water rates would be and noted that households pay more for more water used as a way to encourage conservation. Mr. Patterson said the typical household would see an increase of \$5 a month and it would be reflected on the August bill. Mr. Patterson said the water rates were kept artificially low for a very long time.

**Solid Waste**

Mr. Patterson said the \$2.1 million budget would have no change in tipping or availability fees while the operational change includes the annual increase from Uwharrie and the purchase of a roll off truck.

**City of Laurinburg request regarding tipping fees**

Mr. Patterson said the City of Laurinburg might bid direct haul of its MSW to St. Paul's because the tipping fee difference would represent a savings of \$145,000. The City asked if there might be any assistance on the tipping fee. Mr. Patterson recommended the Commissioners consider this next year due to the lateness of the request.

*Chair McCall suggested the County Manager meet with the City Manager to determine what the City's position is with the solid waste contract. If the City is moving in that direction, the County needs to know now rather than later.*

Mr. Patterson reported that the City brings in \$560,000 in revenue annually for solid waste. The County pays Uwharrie \$370,000. The City accounts for 78 percent of the yard waste and an insignificant amount of C&D.

Mr. Patterson said he would provide the Commissioners with information on how many houses the City demolished and disposed of at the landfill for no fee.

*Commissioner McCook said there needs to be a conversation about demolished homes because if the City moves its business elsewhere it would be difficult for the County to provide that service.*

Mr. Patterson said he would get more information before the next regular meeting.

**General Fund**

Mr. Patterson said the FY 2017 budget is not yet balanced although the target budget will be an estimated \$40 million assuming there is no change in the tax rate. The budget will include some employee pay modifications. Mr. Patterson reviewed requested positions from Administration, Health Department, Sheriff and DSS.

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*Commissioner McCook suggested the Health Department make a presentation at the June 6 Board of Commissioners meeting on its request for five additional positions and explain how the positions would be funded over the long term.*

The Commissioners discussed transitioning employee payroll from once a month to every two weeks. After some discussion the Commissioners agreed to take the issue up in July.

Mr. Patterson said a one percent COLA would cost \$143,555. A one time progression plan on 3/7 anniversary would cost \$232,161 and 3/7 in position would cost \$181,583. The progression plan is expected to ease salary compression.

*Commissioner McCook said there is a need for a compensation study and how the County goes about retaining employees.*

*(A break was called, and the meeting resumed at 11:40 a.m.)*

Mr. Patterson reviewed the General Fund by department and made note of any significant changes including capital. The only significant capital project in the budget is repair of the communications tower and communications equipment.

DSS will add a scanning project to start converting paper records to electronic records.

Mr. Patterson said property tax revenues and motor vehicle taxes are on the mark for collections in FY 2016. Sales tax revenues will be close to that of the current year budget. The County Manager said there are several million dollars in capital needs that are not in the budget including \$2 million for Morgan Center and the parking lot paving projects.

#### **Discussion: next steps for school expansion/new construction**

Mr. Patterson said if the County went with a COPS for the schools he would recommend bundling it with about \$2 million to take care of some County capital needs that would include upgrades to the parking lots and controls at County facilities for HVAC.

Currently the fund balance is at 18 percent and between \$6 million and \$7 million. Mr. Patterson does not expect an increase this year but he does expect to use some Fund Balance.

The County Manager said parking lots at the government complex, Covington Street, the Morgan Center to satisfy specific parking space needs and possibly the Annex all need upgrades. Mr. Patterson said he does not see an easy way of addressing some of the County's major capital needs.

*The Commissioners by consensus said the County should also look at the differences in the funding options for the schools so the best path forward could be determined.*

*(Commissioner Alford was excused at 12:40 p.m.)*

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Mr. Patterson said the budget presented at the June 6 regular meeting would maintain the tax rate. He also would include options on how to reduce the tax rate by one cent or two cents. Mr. Patterson said the budget he presents June 6 will be the recommended budget.

*The Commissioners by consensus agreed they wanted to see a reduction in the tax rate.*

Vice Chair Gibson said with the positive things the County has done there should be room for at least a one cent tax reduction.

*Commissioner McCook asked for a department by department account of where the increases are and why they increased.*

Mr. Patterson said even though there have been increases in revenues there have been increases in expenditures. Mr. Patterson said he would recommend a tax rate reduction only if it is sustainable and does not present consequences in the years to come.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Gholston and duly seconded by Vice Chair Gibson to adjourn. Vote: Motion unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.**

Ann W. Kurtzman  
Clerk to the Board

Carol McCall  
Chair

CONTRACT TO AUDIT ACCOUNTS

Of SCOTLAND COUNTY, NC  
Primary Governmental Unit

N/A

Discretely Presented Component Unit (DPCU) if applicable

On this 26TH day of MAY, 2016,

Auditor: PARKER, WAGONER & ROCHE, PLLC Auditor Mailing Address: P. O. BOX 1309

LAURINBURG, NC 28353-1309 Hereinafter referred to as The Auditor

and BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (Governing Board(s)) of SCOTLAND COUNTY, NC  
(Primary Government)

and N/A : hereinafter referred to as the Governmental Unit(s), agree as follows:  
(Discretely Presented Component Unit)

1. The Auditor shall audit all statements and disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and additional required legal statements and disclosures of all funds and/or divisions of the Governmental Unit (s) for the period beginning JULY 1, 2015, and ending JUNE 30, 2016. The non-major combining, and individual fund statements and schedules shall be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and an opinion will be rendered in relation to (as applicable) the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate DPCUs, each major governmental and enterprise fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information (non-major government and enterprise funds, the internal service fund type, and the fiduciary fund types).
2. At a minimum, the Auditor shall conduct his/her audit and render his/her report in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The Auditor shall perform the audit in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* if required by the State Single Audit Implementation Act, as codified in G.S. 159-34. If required by OMB *Uniform Administration Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, Final Rule*, (Uniform Guidance) and the State Single Audit Implementation Act, the Auditor shall perform a Single Audit. This audit and all associated audit documentation may be subject to review by Federal and State agencies in accordance with Federal and State laws, including the staffs of the Office of State Auditor (OSA) and the Local Government Commission (LGC). If the audit and/or audit documentation are found in this review to be substandard, the results of the review may be forwarded to the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners (NC CPA Board).

County and Multi-County Health Departments: The Office of State Auditor will designate certain programs that have eligibility requirements to be considered major programs in accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance for the State of North Carolina. The LGC will notify the auditor and the County and Multi-Health Department of these programs. A County or a Multi-County Health Department may be selected to audit any of these programs as major.

3. If an entity is determined to be a component of another government as defined by the group audit standards - the entity's auditor will make a good faith effort to comply in a timely manner with the requests of the group auditor in accordance with AU-6 §600.41 - §600.42.
4. This contract contemplates an unqualified opinion being rendered. The audit shall include such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as are considered by the Auditor to be necessary in the circumstances. Any limitations or restrictions in scope which would lead to a qualification should be fully explained in an attachment to this contract.
5. If this audit engagement is subject to the standards for audit as defined in *Government Auditing Standards*, 2011 revisions, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, then by accepting this engagement, the Auditor warrants that he has met the requirements for a peer review and continuing education as specified in *Government*

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N/A

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*Auditing Standards.* The Auditor agrees to provide a copy of their most recent peer review report regardless of the date of the prior peer review report to the Governmental Unit and the Secretary of the LGC prior to the execution of the audit contract (See Item 22). **If the audit firm received a peer review rating other than pass**, the Auditor shall not contract with the Governmental Unit without first contacting the Secretary of the LGC for a peer review analysis that may result in additional contractual requirements.

If the audit engagement is not subject to Government Accounting Standards or if financial statements are not prepared in accordance with GAAP and fail to include all disclosures required by GAAP, the Auditor shall provide an explanation as to why in an attachment..

6. It is agreed that time is of the essence in this contract. All audits are to be performed and the report of audit submitted to the State and Local Government Finance Division (SLGFD) within four months of fiscal year end. Audit report is due on: OCTOBER 31, 2016. If it becomes necessary to amend this due date or the audit fee, an amended contract along with a written explanation of the delay must be submitted to the secretary of the LGC for approval.
7. It is agreed that generally accepted auditing standards include a review of the Governmental Unit's systems of internal control and accounting as same relate to accountability of funds and adherence to budget and law requirements applicable thereto; that the Auditor will make a written report, which may or may not be a part of the written report of audit, to the Governing Board setting forth his findings, together with his recommendations for improvement. That written report must include all matters defined as "significant deficiencies and material weaknesses" in AU-C 265 of the *AICPA Professional Standards (Clarified)*. The Auditor shall file a copy of that report with the Secretary of the LGC.
8. All local government and public authority contracts for audit or audit-related work require the approval of the Secretary of the LGC. This includes annual or special audits, agreed upon procedures related to internal controls, bookkeeping or other assistance necessary to prepare the Governmental Unit's records for audit, financial statement preparation, any finance-related investigations, or any other audit-related work in the State of North Carolina. **Invoices for services rendered under these contracts shall not be paid by the Governmental Unit until the invoice has been approved by the Secretary of the LGC.** (This also includes any progress billings.) [G.S. 159-34 and 115C-447] All invoices for Audit work must be submitted by email in PDF format to the Secretary of the LGC for approval. The invoices must be sent via upload through the current portal address: <http://nctreasurer.slgfd.leapfile.net> Subject line should read "Invoice – [Unit Name]. The PDF invoice marked 'approved' with approval date will be returned by email to the Auditor to present to the Governmental Unit for payment. Approval is not required on contracts and invoices for system improvements and similar services of a non-auditing nature.
9. In consideration of the satisfactory performance of the provisions of this contract, the Primary Governmental Unit shall pay to the Auditor, upon approval by the Secretary of the LGC, the fee, which includes any cost the Auditor may incur from work paper or peer reviews or any other quality assurance program required by third parties (Federal and State grantor and oversight agencies or other organizations) as required under the Federal and State Single Audit Acts. (Note: **Fees listed on signature pages.**)
10. If the Governmental Unit has outstanding revenue bonds, the Auditor shall include documentation either in the notes to the audited financial statements or as a separate report submitted to the SLGFD along with the audit report, a calculation demonstrating compliance with the revenue bond rate covenant. Additionally, the Auditor should be aware that any other bond compliance statements or additional reports required in the authorizing bond documents need to be submitted to the SLGFD simultaneously with the Governmental Unit's audited financial statements unless otherwise specified in the bond documents.

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11. After completing the audit, the Auditor shall submit to the Governing Board a written report of audit. This report shall include, but not be limited to, the following information: (a) Management's Discussion and Analysis, (b) the financial statements and notes of the Governmental Unit and all of its component units prepared in accordance with GAAP, (c) supplementary information requested by the client or required for full disclosure under the law, and (d) the Auditor's opinion on the material presented. The Auditor shall furnish the required number of copies of the report of audit to the Governing Board as soon as practical after the close of the accounting period.
12. If the audit firm is required by the NC CPA Board or the Secretary of the LGC to have a pre-issuance review of their audit work, there must be a statement added to the engagement letter specifying the pre-issuance review including a statement that the Governmental Unit will not be billed for the pre-issuance review. The pre-issuance review must be performed **prior** to the completed audit being submitted to the LGC. The pre-issuance report must accompany the audit report upon submission to the LGC.
13. The Auditor shall electronically submit the report of audit to the LGC as a text-based PDF file when (or prior to) submitting the invoice for services rendered. The report of audit, as filed with the Secretary of the LGC, becomes a matter of public record for inspection, review and copy in the offices of the SLGFD by any interested parties. Any subsequent revisions to these reports must be sent to the Secretary of the LGC. These audited financial statements, excluding the Auditors' opinion, may be used in the preparation of official statements for debt offerings, by municipal bond rating services to fulfill secondary market disclosure requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission and other lawful purposes of the Governmental Unit without subsequent consent of the Auditor. If it is determined by the LGC that corrections need to be made to the Governmental Unit's financial statements, they should be provided within three days of notification unless another time frame is agreed to by the LGC.

If the OSA designates certain programs to be audited as major programs, as discussed in item #2, agreed-upon procedures report, a turnaround document and a representation letter addressed to the OSA shall be submitted to the LGC.

The LGC's process for submitting contracts, audit reports and invoices is subject to change. Auditors should use the submission process in effect at the time of submission. The most current instructions will be found on our website: <https://www.nctreasurer.com/slg/Pages/Audit-Forms-and-Resources.aspx>

14. Should circumstances disclosed by the audit call for a more detailed investigation by the Auditor than necessary under ordinary circumstances, the Auditor shall inform the Governing Board in writing of the need for such additional investigation and the additional compensation required therefore. Upon approval by the Secretary of the LGC, this contract may be varied or changed to include the increased time and/or compensation as may be agreed upon by the Governing Board and the Auditor
15. If an approved contract needs to be varied or changed for any reason, the change must be made in writing, on the Amended LGC-205 contract form and pre-audited if the change includes a change in audit fee. This amended contract needs to be completed in full, including a written explanation of the change, signed and dated by all original parties to the contract, and then must be submitted through the audit contract portal to the Secretary of the LGC for approval. The portal address to upload your amended contract is <http://nctreasurer.slgfd.leapfile.net>. No change shall be effective unless approved by the Secretary of the LGC, the Governing Board, and the Auditor.
16. Whenever the Auditor uses an engagement letter with the Governmental Unit, Item #17 is to be completed by referencing the engagement letter and attaching a copy of the engagement letter to the contract to incorporate the engagement letter into the contract. In case of conflict between the terms of the engagement letter and the terms of

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N/A

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this contract, the terms of this contract will control. Engagement letter terms are deemed to be void unless the conflicting terms of this contract are specifically deleted in Item #24 of this contract. Engagement letters containing indemnification clauses will not be approved by the LGC.

17. Special provisions should be limited. Please list any special provisions in an attachment.
18. A separate contract should not be made for each division to be audited or report to be submitted. If a DPCU is subject to the audit requirements detailed in the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act and a separate audit report is issued, a separate audit contract is required. If a separate report is not to be issued and the DPCU is included in the primary government audit, the DPCU must be named along with the parent government on this audit contract. Signatures from the DPCU Board chairman and finance officer also must be included on this contract.
19. The contract must be executed, pre-audited, physically signed by all parties including Governmental Unit and Auditor signatures and submitted in PDF format to the Secretary of the LGC. The current portal address to upload your contractual documents is <http://nctreasurer.slgfd.leapfile.net> Electronic signatures are not accepted at this time. Included with this contract are instructions to submit contracts and invoices for approval as of October 2015. These instructions are subject to change. Please check the NC Treasurer's web site at [www.nctreasurer.com](http://www.nctreasurer.com) for the most recent instructions.
20. The contract is not valid until it is approved by the LGC Secretary. The staff of the LGC shall notify the Governmental Unit and Auditor of contract approval by email. **The audit should not be started before the contract is approved.**
21. There are no other agreements between the parties hereto and no other agreements relative hereto that shall be enforceable unless entered into in accordance with the procedure set out herein and approved by the Secretary of the LGC.
22. **E-Verify.** Auditor **shall comply** with the requirements of NCGS Chapter 64 Article 2. Further, if Auditor utilizes any subcontractor(s), Auditor **shall require** such subcontractor(s) to comply with the requirements of NCGS Chapter 64, Article 2.
23. Contractor hereby certifies that Contractor, and all subcontractors, are not on the Iran Final Divestment List ("List") created by the North Carolina State Treasurer pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-6A-4. Contractor shall not utilize any subcontractor that is identified on the List.
24. All of the above paragraphs are understood and shall apply to this contract, except the following numbered paragraphs shall be deleted: (See Item 16 for clarification).

***SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW***



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May 3, 2016

Beth Hobbs  
Finance Officer Scotland County

Re: Release and Refund Request for April 2016

Dear Ms. Hobbs,

Please find attached releases, refunds and discoveries for the month of April 2016.

The grand totals are as follows:

1. Releases less than \$100 – Totaling: \$0;
2. Releases more than \$100 – Totaling: \$4,931.31;
3. Refunds less than \$100 – Totaling: \$0; All other refunds were due to overpayment;
4. Refunds more than \$100 – Totaling: \$118.61; All other refunds were due to overpayment; and,
5. Discoveries – Totaling: \$6,196.78.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marty Pate".

Marty Pate  
Scotland County Tax Collector

Enclosure

**RELEASES LESS THAN \$100**

NAME	DESC/BILL #	AMOUNT	REASON
<b>Total</b>			<b><u>\$ none</u></b>

**RELEASES MORE THAN \$100**

NAME	DESC/BILL #	AMOUNT	REASON
Hervey Locklear (Estate)	2016-200081	\$ 140.20	discovered to many years
Quinn Locklear	2015-12003	\$ 515.00	sold Sept – p/p listed in error
Jimmie Revels	2011-2015	\$ 144.96	listed in red – billed in error
Sprintcom, Inc.	2015-20656	\$1,245.92	billed in error – should be state assessed
Terrance Williams	2006-2015	<u>\$2,885.23</u>	foreclosed Jan 2015
<b>Total</b>			<b><u>\$4,931.31</u></b>

**REFUNDS LESS THAN \$100**

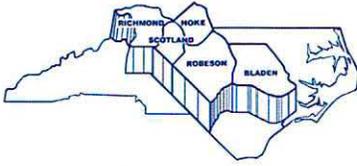
NAME	DESC/BILL #	AMOUNT	REASON
<b>Total</b>			<b><u>all refunds due to overpayment</u></b>

**REFUNDS MORE THAN \$100**

NAME	DESC/BILL #	AMOUNT	REASON
Jimmie Revels	2011 -2014	<u>Total \$118.61</u>	p/p billed in error
			<b>All others due to overpayment</b>

**DISCOVERIES**

NAME	AMOUNT	REASON
Hughie J Todd (Estate)	\$ 953.82	no longer qualified for exclusion
Mary Guinn (Estate)	\$ 963.08	no longer qualified for exclusion
Doris M Graham (Estate)	\$ 286.38	no longer qualified for exclusion
Hervey Locklear (Estate)	\$ 893.09	no longer qualified for exclusion
Thomasine Murphy (Estate)	\$ 800.00	no longer qualified for exclusion
Patrick Usher	<u>\$2,300.41</u>	PUV roll-back
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$6,196.78</u></b>	



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## Memorandum

To: Scotland County Board of Commissioners

From: David Richardson, JD/MBA, Area Agency on Aging Program Administrator  
Lumber River Council of Governments

Re: SFY 2017 & 2018 In-Home Aide Home & Community Care Block Grant Bid &  
SFY 2017 Home & Community Care Block Grant Funds for Scotland County

Date: May 26, 2016

### SFY 2017 & 2018 In-Home Aide Bid

The SFY 2017 & 2018 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Bid Process has been completed. The non-service provider members of the Scotland County Aging Advisory Council, met on May 25, 2016 to review the bids. The members of the committee recommend to the Scotland County Board of Commissioners the awarding the Scotland County In-Home Aide Level I, II, & III to the lowest bidder, Interim Healthcare of Eastern Carolinas, Inc. in the amounts stated in the SFY 2017 Home & Community Care Block section below.

### SFY 2017 Home & Community Care Block Grant Funds for Scotland County

The Scotland County Aging Advisory Council met on April 22, 2016 and is providing the following recommendations as to allocation and providers for the State Fiscal Year 2017 Home & Community Care Block Grant Funds for Scotland County:

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#### *Member Governments*

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##### **BLADEN COUNTY**

Bladenboro • Clarkton • Dublin  
East Arcadia • Elizabethtown  
Tar Heel • White Lake

##### **HOKE COUNTY**

Raeford

##### **RICHMOND COUNTY**

Dobbins Heights • Ellerbe • Hamlet  
Hoffman • Norman  
Rockingham

##### **SCOTLAND COUNTY**

Gibson • Laurinburg • Wagram

##### **ROBESON COUNTY**

Fairmont • Lumber Bridge • Lumberton  
Marietta • Maxton • McDonald  
Orrum • Parkton • Pembroke  
Proctorville • Red Springs • Rennert  
Rowland • St. Pauls

*Equal Opportunity Employer*

<b>Provider</b>	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Federal &amp; State Funds</b>	<b>Local Match</b>	<b>Total Funding</b>
Lumber River Council of Governments	Home Delivered Meals	\$66,605	\$7,401	\$74,006
	Congregate Nutrition	\$44,443	\$4,938	\$49,381
Interim Healthcare of Eastern Carolinas, Inc.	In Home Aide Level I	\$7,004	\$778	\$7,782
	In Home Aide Level II	\$106,463	\$11,829	\$118,292
	In Home Aide Level III	\$26,618	\$2,958	\$29,575
Scotland County Area Transit System - SCATS	General Transportation	\$8,892	\$988	\$9,880
	Medical Transportation	\$13,496	\$1,500	\$14,995
Scotland County Department of Social Services	Adult Day Care*	\$48,950	\$5,439	\$54,389
	Adult Day Care Transportation	\$2,817	\$313	\$3,130
Scotland Place Senior Center	Housing & Home Improvements	\$5,696	\$633	\$6,329
	<b>Total Funding for Scotland County</b>	<b>\$330,983</b>	<b>\$36,776</b>	<b>\$367,759</b>

\*During the Scotland County Aging Advisory Council meeting the Council originally recommended that \$28,706 (\$25,835 Federal & State and \$2,871 Local Match) be allocated to Adult Day Care and \$25,683 (\$23,115 Federal & State and \$2,568 Local Match) be allocated to Adult Day Health. Scotland County Department of Social Services and their subcontractor Scotland County Day Services have indicated that in the coming year only Adult Day Care services will be provided and have requested that the Adult Day Health funds be reallocated into the Adult Day Care category. This request is reflected in the above recommendation.

SCOTLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 7

Information

Action Item

Consent Agenda

Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Liaison Committee report

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: Commissioners Bob Davis, Whit Gibson and Guy McCook

PURPOSE: Report on the most recent Liaison Committee meeting

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive information

**SCOTLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 8  
     Information  
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     Consent Agenda

Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Policy Committee: Standard of Professionalism

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: Commissioners Carol McCall, John Alford and Whit Gibson

PURPOSE: Discuss the Standard of Professionalism and answer any questions

ATTACHMENTS: Standard of Professionalism

BACKGROUND: The document was presented to the Commissioners for review at the May 2, 2016 meeting

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Consider whether to approve the Standard of Professionalism



Policy Title

**DRAFT  
R1**

Standard of Professionalism

Number	Policy Date	Revision Date
004	01/06/2016	new

### **Purpose**

To establish expected behaviors for professional conduct

### **Scope**

Elected Officials; Governing Boards; Employees; paid and unpaid Interns; Volunteers (collectively referenced as "County Team Members")

### **General Statements**

Scotland County is committed to a high standard of professionalism by all County Team Members in the performance of their positions.

County Team Members are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which exemplifies courtesy and respect to all.

If a situation arises where it is difficult to determine the proper course of action, contact your supervisor, Department Head, Human Resources Manager or other appropriate authority.

### **Standard of Professionalism: Ethics**

Individual and team adherence to high ethical standards is critical for the continuance of public trust and confidence in our local government. County Team Members are expected to maintain a positive image in the workplace and in the community

County Team Members should exemplify personal integrity, honest and fair dealing, and observance of all applicable laws and regulations. We have this duty to Scotland County, its citizens, customers, and all members of the local government.

### **Appropriate Behaviors**

- Promote decisions which benefit public interest.
- Promote public confidence in Scotland County government.
- Demonstrate fiscal responsibility by making decisions that provide the best service and protect all funds and County property.
- Perform the work of the County diligently, promptly and with excellence.
- Comply with all laws, policies, rules and regulations.
- Maintain confidentiality regarding all non-public records and interactions.

### **Inappropriate Behaviors**

- Engage in outside interests not compatible with the impartial and objective performance of duties.
- Engage in business or professional activity which might require or induce disclosure of confidential information.



Policy Title

**DRAFT  
R1**

Standard of Professionalism

Number	Policy Date	Revision Date
004	01/06/2016	new

- Improperly influence or attempt to influence others to secure privileges or exemptions in his/her own interest.
- Accept anything of value (compensation, gift, reward or gratuity) from any source except the County for any matter related to his/her service, unless otherwise provided by law.
- Use County resources for personal or private benefit.
- Engage in political activity prohibited under the Personnel Policy.

#### **Standard of Professionalism: Customer Service**

The Standard of Professionalism encourages County Team Members to achieve Customer Service Standards by understanding right, wrong and situational appropriateness. Individual and team adherence to such a standard is critical in the delivery of exceptional customer service.

Professionalism in Customer Service not only exhibits courtesy and respect to our Customers, but also demonstrates the pursuit of opportunities to elevate the level of our service to customers.

The positive approach to Customer Service:

- Make eye contact.
- Call people by name when possible and introduce yourself to those you do not know.
- Ask if you can help when someone appears confused.
- Communicate with others in a positive, considerate manner; avoid the spread of misinformation and negative phrases such as "It's not my job".
- Try to achieve mutual understanding when misunderstanding exists.
- Respond to requests as quickly as circumstances permit.
- Anticipate the needs of the customer; be proactive rather than reactive.
- Conclude interactions by asking if there is additional need for assistance and follow up with the customer as required.
- Find someone to provide the needed or required assistance if you are unable to assist.
- Always answer your telephone whenever possible.
- Check voicemail, email and texts regularly and respond within a minimum of 24 hours if possible. Utilize out of office features with alternate contact when away.
- Apply excellent telephone skills with courtesy, professionalism, helpfulness and understanding.
- Refer telephone calls to others only when appropriate or necessary.
- Maintain high standards of work daily.



Policy Title

**DRAFT  
R1**

Standard of Professionalism

Number	Policy Date	Revision Date
004	01/06/2016	new

- Maintain a respectful attitude toward citizens and other County Team Members.

### **Standard of Professionalism: Appearance**

This policy establishes guidelines for the appearance of County Team Members in the performance of their duties and in conducting business for the County. It ensures all County Team Members project and maintain a positive public image. Regulations pertaining to acceptable attire and grooming are flexible due to the changing nature of fashion. However, there are certain expected norms of professional appearance, personal neatness, cleanliness, and good grooming which are applicable to all County Team Members.

County Team Members are expected to represent the County in an exemplary manner both in conduct and appearance. County Team Members should be well-groomed and dressed in a manner suitable for public service and in attire that allows the employee to work comfortably in the workplace.

While the County observes a business casual dress environment, there may be situations requiring more formal attire. If you are conducting or attending a meeting, seminar, conference, etc., where you come in contact with other business professionals or customers, you are expected to represent the County in a professional manner and dress appropriately. This also applies when such events occur on "Casual Fridays". Departments, units, or divisions of Scotland County may establish more specific guidelines consistent with this Professional Image Standard.

### **Minimum Guidelines**

- All clothing should be neat, clean, pressed and in good condition in keeping with the nature of the duties performed.
- Any clothing with words, terms or pictures that may be offensive to other employees is unacceptable. Clothing that promotes alcoholic beverages, tobacco, controlled substances, violence, or is of a sexual or political nature is inappropriate.
- Clothing that is revealing that shows your back, chest, stomach, or underwear is not appropriate for a place of business.
- Dresses and skirts should be at a length where the wearer can sit comfortably in public without being revealing (no shorter than 3 inches above the knee).
- County Team Members in departments that require uniforms must adhere to the uniform code of dress appropriate for that department.
- Reasonable accommodations will be considered for County Team Members who, because of a sincerely held religious belief of a recognized religious organization, cultural heritage, or medical reason, request a waiver of a particular part of this policy for dress or appearance. The waiver request must be made in writing and signed by the County Team Member and approved by the County Manager based on the recommendation of the Department Head.



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R1**

Policy Title

Standard of Professionalism

Number	Policy Date	Revision Date
004	01/06/2016	new

- Chewing of gum or eating while in contact with customers and clients is unacceptable.

### Examples of Appropriate and Inappropriate Dress

#### Appropriate

- Dress slacks, trousers or crop/capri pants
- Casual dresses, skirts, or jumpers
- Casual (golf type/polo) or dress shirts
- Sweaters or turtlenecks
- Suit or sport jackets
- Athletic or walking shoes, loafers or deck-type shoes
- Clogs, boots, flats or sandals (open or closed toe)
- Dress shoes or heels (not to exceed 3 inches ; open or closed toe)

#### Inappropriate

- Denim blue jeans, unless approved for a specific event or job task, or Casual Fridays; must be without holes or fraying, with finished seams
- Sweatshirts/pants, athletic outfits, jogging suits, wind suits, exercise pants, unless approved for a specific event or job task, or Casual Fridays
- Shorts or skorts, unless approved for a specific event or job task (no shorter than 3 inches above the knee); short shorts and cutoffs
- Spandex or form-fitting pants
- Dresses, shirts, or tops with inappropriate cutouts, excessive armpit cutouts, or see-through elements
- Dresses, shirts, or tops that do not cover the back, waist and midriff
- T-shirts, tank, spaghetti, halter, tube tops or tops with bare shoulders, unless worn under another blouse, shirt, jacket, or dress

### Examples of Appropriate and Inappropriate Grooming

#### Personal Hygiene

Personal hygiene is very important. Daily baths, shaving, use of deodorant, and daily mouth hygiene are essential to providing a professional image.

#### Makeup, Perfume, Cologne

Because some people are allergic to the chemicals in perfumes and make-up, these substances should be worn with restraint.



<b>DRAFT R1</b>		Policy Title	
		Standard of Professionalism	
Number	Policy Date	Revision Date	
HR004	01/06/2016	new	

Hair, Hairstyles

Hair (including facial hair) must be neat and clean. Hairstyles that obstruct eye contact and/or extreme hairstyles or extreme hair colors, are inappropriate for the workplace.

Jewelry

Jewelry should not be worn in excessive amounts and must not interfere with the County Team Member’s ability to perform his/her job duties. Visible body piercing should be limited and the wearing of facial jewelry, such as nose rings, tongue rings, and lip and eyebrow rings are not allowed at work or at any County function.

Tattoos

Tattoos bearing offensive language or logos that are or could be seen by others as profane, racist, sexist or discriminatory in nature are to be covered.

**Enforcement**

(Enforcement is applicable to employees, interns and volunteers.)

Any violations of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action as described in the Scotland County Personnel Policy.

**Additional Enforcement Requirement: Dress Code Violations**

The department head and/or supervisor will discuss personal appearance with any employee who does not comply with this standard. Any employee deemed to be inappropriately dressed or groomed will be asked to return home in order to correct the infraction. Employees will not be compensated for the time they do not work unless vacation leave or compensation time is used. Repeated violations will be subject to disciplinary action as described in the Scotland County Personnel Policy.

**Reference**

Whistleblower Policy (HR001)

Personnel Policy, Article IV Conditions of Employment

- Section 2: Gifts and Favors
- Section 3: Political Activity Restricted
- Section 5: Outside Employment
- Section 8: Use of County Property

Personnel Policy, Article VIII Separation and Disciplinary Action

- Section 10: Disciplinary Action

Code of Ethics for the Board of County Commissioners of Scotland County, North Carolina

SCOTLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 9

Information

Action Item

Consent Agenda

Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: FY 2016 General Fund update

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: Finance Officer Beth Hobbs

PURPOSE: Provide current financial information and end-of-year projections

ATTACHMENTS: Revenues and expenditures as of May 31, 2016  
Projections as of June 30, 2016  
Projected fund balance as of June 30, 2016

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive information

SCOTLAND COUNTY  
REVENUES & EXPENDITURES  
AS OF MAY 31, 2016

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AMENDMENTS	CURRENT BUDGET	ACTUAL 5/31/2016	%	EXPLANATION
<b>May payroll is not reflected.</b>						
<b>REVENUES</b>						
<i>Type:</i>						
Property Tax	22,287,245	-	22,287,245	21,686,159	97%	
Local Option Sales Tax	5,627,356	-	5,627,356	4,181,678	74%	Sales tax is two months in arrears
Franchise Tax	90,000	-	90,000	28,093	31%	Funds are distributed quarterly
Unrestricted Revenues	170,000	-	170,000	79,187	47%	ABC profits lower due to store remodel & beer & wine tax not received
Restricted Revenues	8,923,529	834,248	9,757,777	6,235,041	64%	Federal/State funds reimbursements are at least a month in arrears
Permits and Fees	325,520	-	325,520	380,399	117%	Inspection fees were higher due to business expansions
Sales and Services	1,300,651	(7,393)	1,293,258	1,524,475	118%	Revenues for services offered greater than anticipated
Investment Earnings	10,650	-	10,650	26,817	252%	Investments earned more interest than anticipated
Fines and Forfeitures	275,000	-	275,000	161,153	59%	Revenues are down due to court costs
Fund Balance App/CO	501,213	464,638	965,851	-	0%	ABC project, school chiller, & carryover of funds for DSS
Miscellaneous	894,700	23,338	918,038	629,292	69%	
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>40,405,864</b>	<b>1,314,831</b>	<b>41,720,695</b>	<b>34,932,294</b>	<b>84%</b>	

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>BUDGET AMENDMENTS</b>	<b>CURRENT BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL 5/31/2016</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>
<i>Department:</i>						
Governing Body	69,263	-	69,263	52,726	76%	Board travel & Consultant fees transferred to water districts
Administration	690,010	-	690,010	764,497	111%	Interfund transfer out to the 911 Fund for monies used in 2010-2011
Revaluation	75,000	-	75,000	75,000	100%	
Board of Elections	243,403	-	243,403	197,777	81%	
Tax	883,968	-	883,968	638,063	72%	
Legal	39,125	12,000	51,125	45,433	89%	Additonal costs due to foreclosure properties
Register of Deeds	268,537	-	268,537	200,148	75%	
Court Facilities	-	7,753	7,753	7,798	101%	Requests funds as needed
Sheriff	2,935,088	7,295	2,942,383	2,309,665	78%	
Jail	1,794,127	-	1,794,127	1,427,457	80%	
Drug	10,000	20,454	30,454	25,000	82%	Funds are disbursed as requested by sheriff
EMS	2,012,158	-	2,012,158	1,475,357	73%	Vacant positions
911 Center	962,234	-	962,234	789,398	82%	
Emergency Management	-	18,699	18,699	20,337	109%	Grant funds are requested as needed
Rescue Squad	31,275	-	31,275	-	0%	Payment made in June
Medical Examiner	30,000	-	30,000	35,050	117%	Billed based on services provided
Forestry	99,896	-	99,896	57,415	57%	Funds are disbursed as requested
Transportation	522,458	-	522,458	266,799	51%	
Inspections	314,083	1,375	315,458	228,156	72%	
Planning & Zoning	4,661	1,375	6,036	2,149	36%	Requests funds as needed
General Services	465,065	(22,503)	442,562	438,268	99%	Includes annual insurance premium
Information Technology	305,444	-	305,444	163,285	53%	Purchases are made as needed by IT
Public Buildings	1,395,627	130,000	1,525,627	1,057,123	69%	Vacant positions
Co-Op Extension	157,808	-	157,808	105,957	67%	Requests funds as needed
Soil & Water	72,615	-	72,615	54,346	75%	
Parks & Rec	746,312	667	746,979	544,153	73%	
Library	447,650	11,500	459,150	352,280	77%	
Health	2,566,278	222,879	2,789,157	2,092,516	75%	Vacant positions
DSS	8,464,138	118,582	8,582,720	6,705,824	78%	Vacant positions
Veterans Services	53,595	-	53,595	40,373	75%	
RCC	281,407	-	281,407	281,407	100%	
Debt Services	79,473	-	79,473	79,473	100%	Energy contract debt paid for the year
Lumber River COG	26,293	-	26,293	25,737	98%	Annual dues have been paid
SEDC	3,254	-	3,254	3,254	100%	Annual dues have been paid
Other Economic Develop.	-	550,000	550,000	550,000	100%	FCC Expansion Grant - Funds passed thru to City
Industry Incentives	874,099	-	874,099	666,447	76%	FCC Incentive
Scots for Youth / JCPC	152,332	-	152,332	137,911	91%	
Humane Society	120,000	-	120,000	114,359	95%	
Mental Health	79,420	-	79,420	78,172	98%	
Schools	13,129,768	234,755	13,364,523	11,501,061	86%	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>40,405,864</b>	<b>1,314,831</b>	<b>41,720,695</b>	<b>33,610,171</b>	<b>81%</b>	
<b>Revenues over Expenditures</b>				<b>1,322,123</b>		

SCOTLAND COUNTY  
REVENUES & EXPENDITURES  
PROJECTION - AS OF JUNE 30, 2016

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AMENDMENTS	CURRENT BUDGET	ACTUAL 6/30/2016	%	EXPLANATION
<b>REVENUES</b>						
<i>Type:</i>						
Property Tax	22,287,245	-	22,287,245	21,986,159	99%	
Local Option Sales Tax	5,627,356	-	5,627,356	5,576,246	99%	Sales tax is two months in arrears
Franchise Tax	90,000	-	90,000	62,500	69%	Funds are distributed quarterly
Unrestricted Revenues	170,000	-	170,000	148,500	87%	ABC profits lower due to store remodel & beer & wine tax not received
Restricted Revenues	8,923,529	834,248	9,757,777	8,976,345	92%	Federal/State funds reimbursements are at least a month in arrears
Permits and Fees	325,520	75,000	400,520	395,399	99%	
Sales and Services	1,300,651	250,000	1,550,651	1,544,475	100%	
Investment Earnings	10,650	20,350	31,000	30,817	99%	
Fines and Forfeitures	275,000	-	275,000	176,153	64%	Revenues are down due to court costs
Fund Balance App/CO	501,213	793,728	1,294,941	-	0%	ABC project, school chiller, 911 transfer, & c/o of funds for DSS
Miscellaneous	894,700	23,338	918,038	639,292	70%	
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>40,405,864</b>	<b>1,996,664</b>	<b>42,402,528</b>	<b>39,535,886</b>	<b>93%</b>	

EXPENDITURES	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AMENDMENTS	CURRENT BUDGET	ACTUAL 6/30/2016	%	EXPLANATION
<i>Department:</i>						
Governing Body	69,263	-	69,263	68,428	99%	Board travel & Consultant fees transferred to water districts
Administration	690,010	329,090	1,019,100	924,563	91%	Interfund transfer out to the 911 Fund for monies used in 2010-2011
Revaluation	75,000	-	75,000	75,000	100%	
Board of Elections	243,403	-	243,403	231,892	95%	
Tax	883,968	-	883,968	854,766	97%	
Legal	39,125	12,000	51,125	51,125	100%	Additonal costs due to foreclosure properties
Register of Deeds	268,537	-	268,537	240,421	90%	
Court Facilities	-	7,798	7,798	7,798	100%	Requests funds as needed
Sheriff	2,935,088	7,295	2,942,383	2,942,383	100%	
Jail	1,794,127	-	1,794,127	1,794,127	100%	
Drug	10,000	20,454	30,454	25,000	82%	Funds are disbursed as requested by sheriff
EMS	2,012,158	-	2,012,158	1,838,354	91%	Vacant positions
911 Center	962,234	-	962,234	962,234	100%	
Emergency Management	-	20,337	20,337	20,337	100%	Grant funds are requested as needed
Rescue Squad	31,275	-	31,275	31,275	100%	Payment made in June
Medical Examiner	30,000	10,000	40,000	39,000	98%	Billed based on services provided
Forestry	99,896	-	99,896	99,896	100%	Funds are disbursed as requested
Transportation	522,458	-	522,458	428,210	82%	
Inspections	314,083	1,375	315,458	287,500	91%	
Planning & Zoning	4,661	1,375	6,036	4,350	72%	Requests funds as needed
General Services	465,065	118,557	583,622	442,562	76%	Includes annual insurance premium
Information Technology	305,444	-	305,444	275,632	90%	Purchases are made as needed by IT
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Soil & Water	72,615	-	72,615	68,739	95%	
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Mental Health	79,420	-	79,420	79,420	100%	
Schools	13,129,768	234,755	13,364,523	13,364,523	100%	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>40,405,864</b>	<b>1,996,664</b>	<b>42,402,528</b>	<b>40,107,857</b>	<b>95%</b>	
<b>Revenues over Expenditures</b>				<b>(571,971)</b>		

**SCOTLAND COUNTY  
GENERAL FUND  
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE REPORT  
June 30, 2016**

<b>GENERAL FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2015</b>		<b>\$ 13,085,384</b>
<i>Nonspendable</i>	11,592	
<i>Restricted</i>	4,757,729	
<i>Committed</i>	213,034	
<i>Unassigned</i>	8,103,029	
 <b>REVENUES</b>		 <b>\$ 39,535,886</b>
 <b>EXPENDITURES</b>		 <b>\$ 40,107,857</b>
 <b>TRANSFERS</b>		 <b>\$ -</b>
 <b>GENERAL FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2016 - Projected</b>		 <b>\$ 12,513,413</b>

**FUND BALANCE ANALYSIS**

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**FY 2015**

General Fund Balance (Unassigned)	=	8,432,148	=	20.61%
General Fund Expenditures		40,917,944		

**FY 2016 - LGC Criteria - Projected**

Fund Balance (Unassigned)	=	7,508,048	=	18.72%
General Fund Expenditures		40,107,857		

**SCOTLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 10

Information

Action Item

Consent Agenda

Meeting Date June 6, 2016

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SUBJECT: Update from the County Manager

DEPARTMENT: Governing body

PUBLIC HEARING: No

CONTACT PERSON: County Manager Kevin Patterson

PURPOSE: Provide monthly update on County business and activities.

ATTACHMENTS: Monthly report  
City of Laurinburg solid waste options  
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Crime and Drug Committee lunch meeting request  
Crime and Drug Committee appointments request  
Sheriff's shooting/training range request  
Resolutions from other counties

BACKGROUND: N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Take action as necessary



Kevin Patterson  
County Manager

Ann W. Kurtzman  
Clerk to the Board

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June 1, 2016

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Kevin Patterson

Re: Monthly report

Potential June meeting dates: The EOC has been reserved for June 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> from 8am-2pm. The EOC has also been reserved for June 27<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-9pm for final budget discussions and the potential continuation of the public hearing.

Consider the need for additional budget meetings.

Comprehensive Transportation Plan: a public input session on the CTP is planned for 3:30 – 6:30 on June 27<sup>th</sup> at the EOC. Draft maps for the CTP will be available for public inspection at this meeting. This meeting will be followed by a meeting of municipalities where a municipal representative to the TAC will be determined.

Information only

Laurinburg Municipal Waste: I have received a letter from the City of Laurinburg. It entails two proposals for their MSW costs. The first is to direct haul their waste to the Robeson County landfill. The second is to increase the availability fee for residents of the City of Laurinburg from \$55 to \$85 and waive tipping fees on MSW from the City of Laurinburg residential customers. Upon initial review this option has the least net impact on the County's solid waste plan. I did express my belief that the Board would not move forward without a specific request from Laurinburg City Council.

Is the Board willing to consider the increase of the availability fee inside the municipal limits of Laurinburg?

Crime and Drug Committee: request an annual sum of \$500 to pay for 1/3 cost of a lunch meeting to improve the ability to get a quorum. The Committee is also recommending a change in its membership size to 10, with 5 appointments from Laurinburg and 5 appointments from the Commissioners.

Consider request

Shooting Range: I have had conversations with the Sheriff about the possibility of establishing a firing range for the Sheriff's Department. The County does own approximately 200 acres adjacent to the prison that could hold the range. I recommend we work to develop a plan with the Capital Committee for future approval.



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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Charles D. Nichols III, City Manager

From: Harold W. Haywood, General Services Director

Subject: Solid Waste Options

Date: May 18, 2016

### **PURPOSE**

This memorandum is intended to provide information relative to the solid waste collection program for the City of Laurinburg. Several options will be presented to continue providing this service to the residents of Laurinburg without any rate increases in the proposed FY 17 budget as directed by the City Council.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Sanitation Department for the City provides a full range of solid waste collection services to residents and businesses within the city limits of Laurinburg. Services provided include residential garbage collection, residential recycling collection, residential bulky item collection, yard waste collection, commercial collections, and special waste collections. Current disposal facilities for these collection services are provided by Scotland County.

Scotland County charges the city \$55.75 per ton for MSW, \$31.50 per ton for yard waste, and \$45.25 for C&D waste. These rates have not changed since FY 13. The average annual tipping fee paid to the County for the past five years is \$221,006 for residential garbage, \$34,035 for residential bulky items (which includes a small amount of C&D), \$77,184 for yard waste, and \$285,491 for commercial MSW.

Scotland County also began charging all county property owners an availability fee for solid waste of \$55 per year for municipal residents and \$85 per year for county residents in FY 16. This fee is assessed on the property tax bills and implemented by the County to fund the entire solid waste disposal program to include the transfer station, C&D landfill, convenience centers, recycling, and yard waste facility. The stated reason for the difference in the availability fee for city and county residents is that the city already pays for disposal through the tipping fee charges. Therefore, when a county resident takes waste to any of the county convenience sites, they do not pay for disposal of garbage or

yard waste. County residents are required to take their bulky items to the landfill where they can dispose of those items at no cost as well.

## **DISCUSSION**

The City's solid waste program is operated as an enterprise fund and is currently self-sufficient, meaning it does not receive funding from the General Fund or tax base, but is funded primarily through user fees. The City's monthly residential solid waste fee was increased in FY 16 from \$24 per month to \$26.50 per month to cover increased operations and capital replacement costs. Commercial rates were also increased by the same percentage of 10.4%.

During the fall of 2014, the concrete floor had to be replaced at the Scotland County Transfer Station causing it to be closed for approximately one week. During this time, the City transported its waste to the Robeson County Landfill in St. Pauls, NC. The City realized significant savings in tipping fees as their rates were \$38.50 per ton for MSW. The City did not take yard waste or any C&D waste during this time, but Robeson County's rates for those wastes are \$24.50 and \$28.50 per ton, respectively. Robeson County's tipping fee rates are still currently the same for disposal. Robeson County was then designated as a permanent secondary disposal site.

Due to budget constraints and trying to achieve the City Council's directive of no rate increases for FY 17, the City has been researching alternatives to reducing its solid waste costs, while maintaining the same level of service for its residents. One alternative under consideration concerns disposal costs. The City has approached Robeson County about the possibility of becoming the City's primary disposal site and has received a favorable response. Even after taking into consideration increased fuel and fleet maintenance costs, the City could still potentially realize approximately \$140,000 net cost savings from using the Robeson County Landfill for primary disposal.

Another potential alternative, depending on the County's cooperation and partnership, concerns the availability fee the County charges city property owners for "available disposal." According to the Scotland County Tax Department, the County charges 7,022 property owners (residents and businesses) the \$55 per year solid waste availability fee. Should the County charge city residents the same as county residents at \$85 per year for disposal, the County would increase their revenue by approximately \$210,660. The City could then request that the County not charge tipping fees to the City for disposal of residential garbage or bulky items. The City would continue to pay for yard waste, since the county residents are allowed to burn their yard waste, and continue to pay for commercial MSW. The City could then potentially reduce the monthly solid waste fee to residents by the corresponding increase from the County.

## **SUMMARY**

Given that the City of Laurinburg is one of, if not the largest, single customer that Scotland County has for waste disposal, it is certainly not the intention of the City to negatively affect the operations of Scotland County. It is certainly more convenient for the City to continue to dispose of its waste at the Scotland County waste facilities and the

City would like to maintain a positive relationship with the County. However, the City does have a responsibility to its city residents and commercial customers to provide the most cost effective services possible.

Therefore, it is staff's recommendation to pursue negotiations with the County to either lower the tipping fee charged to the City of Laurinburg for residential disposal or not charge the City for residential garbage and bulky item disposal and instead increase the solid waste availability fee to the same level as county property owners to fund their operations. Either of these options should result in the City and County both maintaining its operations, while providing the citizens of Laurinburg, who are also citizens of Scotland County, the best service possible in the most cost effective manner.

## Ann Kurtzman

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**From:** Charles Nichols <cnichols@laurinburg.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 18, 2016 9:37 AM  
**To:** Hargrave, Ron; Kevin Patterson  
**Cc:** Ann Kurtzman; Meredith Bounds (mbounds@scotland.k12.nc.us); Jenny Tippet  
**Subject:** Crime and Drug Committee

Good morning,

City Council requested that the Crime and Drug Committee give an update on the status of the committee at our meeting last night. The committee has been having issues with getting quorum for the meetings. Among one of their recommended changes was to change the meetings from taking place at 6pm to scheduling lunch meetings. They estimated that the annual cost of lunch for the meetings would be \$1,500. Council requested that I reach out and see if the City, County, and Schools would agree to splitting the cost (\$500 per entity). Let me know what everyone thinks.

Thanks and have a great day!

**Charles D. Nichols III**

**City Manager**

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I regret that I am not able to attend your meetings in May due to surgery or in June due to work travel. Please accept this summary in my stead regarding our suggestions to make The Drug and Crime Committee of Laurinburg more effective as voted in by our committee on May 5.

As I have presented to you earlier we have three strategies that we believe would be cost effective, useful and successful. These strategies have been supported by a vote of our committee as evidenced in our minutes: 1) To coordinate one to two gang awareness workshops for our community working in conjunction with community resources, 2) To coordinate an updated electronic list of no-cost or low-cost services for our region's youth and families (such as how to find affordable summer activities), and 3) To coordinate our faith community to be able to reach out and provide grief support for families who loose youth 16 years of age or younger to violence and to families who lose a family member in the line of duty while serving in law enforcement, fire and first responder roles.

It has been made clear to our committee that we cannot take action until we have consistent quorum at our meetings so that we do not breach state laws concerning the functioning of municipal committees. To this end, we are asking for the following changes, listed below, to our bylaws. In addition we are asking that we be granted a small fund per Ms. Tippet's submission to support a monthly working lunch. Finally, we are respectfully asking that the committee take on a new function in addition to the three already discussed.

In the future, when the City Council and County Commissioners hear from citizens who have specific safety concerns, our committee would like to serve as a space where these neighbors can be referred to thoroughly air out their issues. We understand that we could not make any decisions and could not promise anyone a resolution. We could write up a recommendation that would be sent back to the community leadership. We would make sure any resulting action would be communicated to the concerned citizen providing 360 degree feedback.

The following are our proposed changes to our guidelines:

1. Membership

A. The committee shall consist of 10 member, with (5) members appointed by the Laurinburg City Council and five (5) members appointed by the Scotland County Board of Commissioners. Members serve without compensation

3. Committee Structure

C. Secretary. The Committee membership shall select from among themselves a Secretary to prepare all minutes. In the event the Secretary is absence, one of Committee members shall prepare the minutes.

5. Meetings

A. The Committee shall establish its own regular meeting schedule, which as of the date of adoption of this revision to the Guidelines is the first Monday of each month (except the month of July) at 12:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 303 West Church Street. There will be no meeting in the month of July.

Respectfully,  
Noran Sanford

April 26, 2016

To: Honorable Chair and County Commissioners

From: Ralph Kersey, Sheriff

Ref: County Land for Shooting/Training Range

To Whom it may concern:

I am requesting Scotland County to allocate 20 acres of land from the 200 acres of land beside Scotland Correctional, on Lee's Mill Road, for the purpose of creating a shooting and training range for the Scotland County Sheriff's Office. In the past, the only Scotland County property we have attempted to use for qualification with our weapons was at the land field, but could not use it for weeks after a rain. The other places we have used were properties owned by other individuals. For the past seven or eight years we have been qualifying at the Laurinburg Police Department's range. The use of the City's range has always been at the City's approval, and all we can do is qualify with our weapons. With our own range, we could qualify at my discretion as well as the Training Officer's, also train our canines on a regular bases and set up a class room to complete in-service training. The range would provide the distance and also allow deputies with rifles the opportunity to practice and qualify with these weapons.

All I am requesting from the County is the 20 acres of land, and possibly clearing the land, not any funds, and the shooting and training range will not cost the county any monies. We already have a double wide trailer that has been donated to use as the classroom. We will have some salvage vehicles placed on the range to train the canines in drug interdiction, as well as dirt hauled in to create the berm for the range and combat course.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Ralph Kersey, Sheriff

NORTH CAROLINA )  
DAVIDSON COUNTY )

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT  
FOR GOVERNOR'S ACTIONS TO PROTECT  
NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS

WHEREAS the Obama administration has instituted federally mandated edicts on public schools that affect the right and expectation of privacy for employees as well as every parent and child within a public school system; and

WHEREAS, the overreach of the Obama administration's actions imposes a solution for a problem that has yet to be defined; and

WHEREAS, Governor McCrory has filed a declaratory judgment action in federal court to clarify the federal law and to stop this massive executive branch decree, which clearly oversteps constitutional authority; and

WHEREAS, the assertive action taken by Governor McCrory against Washington overreach will protect federal funding for schools and other services while allowing the court to resolve this issue; and

WHEREAS, Governor McCrory has sought to work together to seek answers and common sense clarification to the myriad of different non-discrimination and privacy laws which cause confusion and inconsistent application; and

WHEREAS, Governor McCrory has been a strong proponent for education and has proposed increasing the average teacher pay in North Carolina and has identified priorities for his administration to recruit new teachers, modernize classrooms; expand opportunity for special needs students, boost community college graduation and expand college access; and

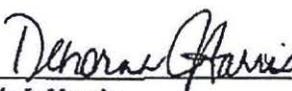
WHEREAS, the Davidson County Board of Commissioners believe that this resolution is representative of the beliefs and views of the overwhelming majority of the citizenry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Davidson County Board of Commissioners support the action taken by Governor Pat McCrory in bringing action against the United States Department of Justice and in asking the federal court to clarify federal law.

This the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

  
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Steve Varvis, Chairman  
Davidson County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

  
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Deborah J. Harris

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**CHRIS KNOPF**  
County Manager

**EDWIN M. WOLTZ**  
County Attorney

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
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## **RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR HOUSE BILL 2**

**WHEREAS**, the Charlotte City Council voted on February 22, 2016 to amend their Non-Discrimination Ordinance to add protections for gender identity and gender expression and allow individuals to choose the restroom and locker rooms that matches their preferred gender identity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of Commissioners believe the adoption of the Charlotte Ordinance was a calculated political act designed to have larger statewide implications without regard to the ramifications for state, county and municipal governments; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 23, 2016, Governor Pat McCrory signed House Bill 2, the Public Facilities Privacy Act, that sets a statewide policy prohibiting people from using public restrooms and locker rooms that do not correspond to their biological sex stated on their legally recorded birth certificate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of Commissioners believes House Bill 2 provides a uniform set of statutes for all levels of government in North Carolina to have clarity in regards to public facilities, private businesses, local government, schools and local jails in accordance with the constitution of North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of County Commissioners believe our citizens should have the expectation of privacy, in particular women and young girls in the use of restrooms and school showers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of County Commissioners will ignore the May 13, 2016 non-binding directive by the Department of Justice, Attorney General Loretta Lynch, President Barack Hussein Obama and their arbitrary, capricious and unconstitutional interpretations of Title IX anti-discrimination law and which is currently being challenged in court; and

**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of Commissioners direct the County Manager to review all business and corporate relations, financial and otherwise, contracts, as well as transactions with PayPal, but not limited to said corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, Surry County is grateful and in full support of Governor Pat McCrory and the North Carolina Legislature and their steadfast leadership concerning this issue and standing strongly against the intolerance of political correctness; and

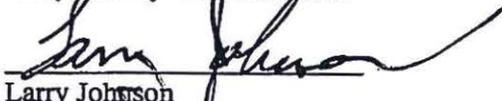
**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of Commissioners voice their extreme disappointment in North Carolina's Attorney General for failing to defend and support North Carolina House Bill 2 and thereby in his selective enforcement of State law has actually weakened the judicial system of our State; and

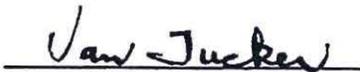
**WHEREAS**, the Surry County Board of Commissioners believe this resolution is very representative of the beliefs and views of the overwhelming majority of our citizenry.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Surry County Board of Commissioners support the action taken by Governor Pat McCrory in signing House Bill 2 as well as the legal action taken against the United States Department of Justice in this regard.

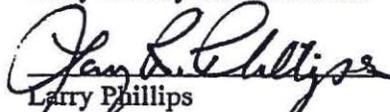
Adopted this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord 2016.

  
R. F. "Buck" Golding, Chairman  
Surry County Commissioner

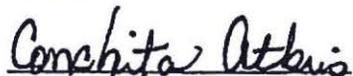
  
Larry Johnson  
Surry County Commissioner

  
Van Tucker  
Surry County Commissioner

  
Eddie Harris, Vice-Chairman  
Surry County Commissioner

  
Larry Phillips  
Surry County Commissioner

Attest:

  
Conchita Atkins, Clerk to the Board



## ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FULLY FUND NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Whereas**, the North Carolina Constitution includes an obligation to provide a sound, basic education to all school aged children in our state, acknowledging that talent and ingenuity can be found among all our children; and

**Whereas**, public education is the cornerstone for our democracy and economic future; and

**Whereas**, state and federal elected politicians have failed to follow constitutional and statutory mandates to fully fund public education and public school teachers and disregarded poverty among our public school children; and

**Whereas**, inflation-adjusted per pupil spending is still below pre-recession levels; and

**Whereas**, the national average for school funding per student is \$11,841; and

**Whereas**, in terms of per pupil spending, a National Education Agency report ranks North Carolina 46th in the United States in 2014-15, spending \$8,632 per student, compared to \$8,620 per student in 2013-14; and

**Whereas**, in 2008, North Carolina teacher salaries ranked 25th in the nation but had fallen to 46th in 2014-15; and

**Whereas**, that despite research showing cost-effectiveness of Pre-K services, the North Carolina General Assembly has cut funding and reduced the number of state-funded pre-kindergarten seats by 5,400 since 2008 resulting in continued waiting lists; and

**Whereas**, approximately 60 percent of public education funding comes from the state, while the remainder is funded at the local level and by the federal government; and

**Whereas**, as the state has abandoned its Constitutional obligation to fund our public schools forcing many local government leaders to shoulder more of the burden by increasing property taxes or cutting important programs or positions;

**Now Therefore**, be it resolved that:

- The Orange County Board of Commissioners calls for the N.C. General Assembly to fully fund public education in Local Education Agencies to reflect growth and student needs; and
- The Orange County Board of Commissioners calls upon the General Assembly to reinstate K-12 enrollment growth (ADM funding) as part of the continuation budget; and
- The Orange County Board of Commissioners calls upon the legislators of both parties to reject the trend toward shifting education spending to counties; and
- The Orange County Board of Commissioners calls upon the General Assembly to raise additional state revenue in an equitable fashion in order to avoid regressive tax shifts to counties.

Approved this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2016.

*Earl McKee*

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Earl McKee, Chair  
Orange County Board of Commissioners

**SCOTLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: June 6, 2016

ITEM NO. 11

Closed Session

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SUBJECT: Closed Session in accordance with N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of business in the area served by this body.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Approve May 2 and May 4, 2016, closed session minutes