MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GUILFORD COUNTY

Greensboro, North Carolina November 20, 2025

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on November 20, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro, North Carolina.

PRESENT: Chairman Melvin "Skip" Alston, presiding; Vice Chairwoman J.

Carlvena Foster; Commissioners Brandon Gray-Hill, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Pat Tillman, and Alan Perdue.

ABSENT: Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Victor Isler; Interim County Attorney Matt Mason;

Clerk to Board Robin Keller; Chief Deputy Clerk to Board Ariane Webb; Deputy Clerk to Board T'ebony Rosa; Assistant County Manager Natalie Craver; Assistant County Manager Erris Dunston; Public Health Director Courtney McFadden; Social Services Director Sharon Barlow; Child Support and Court Services Director Rosanne Wiley; Interim Family Justice Center Director Sonya Desai; members

of staff, media, and the public. Virtual participation was made

available to members of the public and media partners.

Chairman Alston introduced Bruce Hayes, United States Army Veteran, who would lead the Pledge of Allegiance following the invocation.

I. INVOCATION

Vice Chairwoman Foster offered the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Hayes led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alston called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Chairman Alston called attention to the addendum agenda. He noted for the members of the public who were speaking on the building re-use grant that the public hearing item had been removed from the agenda.

Motion was made by Vice Chairwoman J. Carlvena Foster, and seconded by Commissioner Frankie T. Jones, Jr., to adopt the addendum agenda.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Kay Cashion, Carly Cooke, Brandon Gray-Hill

NOES: None

Note: The adoption of the addendum agenda amended and removed the following items:

- Amended Consent Agenda Item 2025-275 FY25-26 NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (NCDPS) YOUTH FOCUS GRANT, by adding the HEARTH Program agreement.
- Amended Consent Agenda Item 2025-452 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS, by adding the Hudson Autoworks agreement.
- Removed Public Hearing Item 2025-489 APPROVE NC DEPT. OF COMMERCE RURAL BUILDING REUSE GRANT APPLICATION FOR EASTERN AIR EXPRESS, LLC

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

- 1. Karen Katula, Sierra Club representative, spoke to environmental issues, to progress towards clean energy, and to supporting the Clean Energy Now resolution. She spoke to the positive impacts of adopting clean energy initiatives. She highlighted peer county commitments due to current technology. She urged the Board's commitment to eliminate fossil fuels.
- 2. Rachel York encouraged support of the Clean Energy Now resolution. She noted ecological well-being during a global crisis. She shared the ripple effects of taking sustainable actions. She noted the benefits of strawbale housing, which is renewable and fire resistant. She urged reducing future climate change effects.
- 3. James Rosa, Jr., Rosa Foundation Executive Director, extended an invitation for a free concert fundraiser to support children in need.
- 4. Susan Crotts noted Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activities in other jurisdictions, a disproportional level of law enforcement for minor offenses, and highlighted disparate treatment of racial profiling. She spoke against immigration agents targeting the Latino communities, to constitutional rights, and in opposition to the public hearing item.
- 5. Linda Mayo, High Point resident, spoke in support of a countywide plan to convert to a clean energy plan by 2050. She spoke to the benefits of long-term sustainable energy.
- 6. Gail Dunham, Summerfield resident, expressed frustrations with funding water programs in Summerfield. She noted that there is no funding in the town of Summerfield to purchase a new town hall property.

- 7. Jennifer Zimmer, Guilford County resident, shared her support for climate justice and children's health. She shared that she values taking responsibility for addressing these problems. She spoke in support of transitioning county operations to clean energy by 20250.
- 8. Jonathon Paarlberg, High Point resident, spoke in support of the diversity in Guilford County and its school system. He spoke in support of a resolution for clean energy. He spoke to creating solar-ready structures and sustainable design.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. 2025-487 PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 2025 AS NONPROFIT AWARENESS MONTH IN GUILFORD COUNTY

Proclaim November 2025 as Nonprofit Awareness Month in Guilford County.

Legislation Text

Commissioner Cooke shared that it is her honor to bring this resolution forward tonight. She welcomed our non-profit members forward.

Commissioner Cooke read the Proclamation.

Brian Cockman from One Sector One Voice of the Triad, thanked the Board for recognizing November as Non-Profit Awareness Month.

Vice Chairwoman Foster thanked Commissioner Cooke for presenting this resolution tonight and echoed her support of this proclamation. She thanked her fellow non-profits for their services and impact on the community.

B. 2025-468 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 1, 2025 AS WORLD AIDS DAY

Adopt resolution recognizing December 1, 2025 as World AIDS day.

<u>Legislation Text</u>

Commissioner Gray-Hill welcomed community advocacy members for adding their voices to help education and reduce misinformation and the stigma of HIV. He thanked them for their ongoing efforts.

Commissioner Gray-Hill read the proclamation.

Representatives shared their appreciation of the Board for recognizing World AIDS Day. They collectively thanked the many community partners who made this possible.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Alston introduced the consent agenda. He opened the floor for any items to be pulled for separate consideration. Hearing none, he entertained a motion.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kay Cashion, and seconded by Vice Chairwoman J. Carlvena Foster, to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: Motion carried 7 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Carly Cooke, Brandon Gray-Hill

NOES: None

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. 2025-275 FY25-26 NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (NCDPS) YOUTH FOCUS GRANT

Approve receipt of FY25-26 NCDPS Youth Focus Grant from DPS for the HEARTH Transitional Living Program and the contract, in substantial form, that the County agrees to serve as a payment processor of the approved funds of \$198,300, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and adopt the grant project ordinance for FY26 NCDPS Youth Focus Grant in the amount of \$198,300, with \$198,300 in federal state/funds.

Legislation Text

25 26 Award Letter Youth Focus HEARTH Transitional Living Program

25-26 Hearth TLP funding plan (002)

HEARTH Program Agreement - without signatures

Letter to Guilford 25-26 Terms of Agreement for HEARTH

25.11.20 - FY26 NCDPS Youth Focus Grant - ADOPT

addendum - DPS signed 11.03.25

YF FINAL CONTRACT - 90007395 YOUTH FOCUS INC. (HEARTH TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM) Sarah signed

YF E-Verify 11.14.2025

2. 2025-465 BUDGET AMENDMENT: FY25 PAYTEL FUNDS RE-ALLOCATION

Amend the General Fund budget ordinance to increase Law Enforcement in the amount of \$39,312, with \$39,312 in Appropriated Fund Balance.

Legislation Text

3. 2025-471 HHS-PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET ALIGNMENT, NCDHHS: AGREEMENT ADDENDUM ALLOCATIONS (\$631,754)

Amend the General Fund Budget Ordinance to increase the appropriation to Health & Human Services by \$631,754 and increase Federal/State revenue by \$631,754.

Legislation Text

4. 2025-466 BUDGET AMENDMENT: RECEIVE FUNDS FROM THE FY26 HIGH POINT ABC BOARD GRANT

Accept receipt of FY26 HP ABC Grant in the amount of \$6,500 and amend the General Fund budget ordinance to increase appropriation to Law Enforcement in the amount of \$6,500 with \$6,500 in Other Revenue.

Legislation Text

5. 2025-480 BUDGET AMENDMENT: WALMART SPARK GOOD GRANT

Accept receipt of the Walmart Spark Good Grant in the amount of \$1,888 and amend the General Fund budget ordinance to increase appropriation to Law Enforcement in the amount of \$1,888 with \$1,888 in Other Revenue.

<u>Legislation Text</u>

B. CONTRACTS

1. 2025-420 TEKSYSTEMS, INC. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY STAFFING

Amend the agreement with Allegis Group Holding Company, in substantial form, to increase the not to exceed amount by \$300,000 to \$900,000.

Legislation Text

Allegis Group Holdings Inc DBA Teksystems

2. 2025-467 AWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT CONTRACT WITH GALLS

Award a contract with Gall's, LLC for Sheriff's Office uniforms and equipment for a period of three (3) years, with two (2) additional one-year extensions, at an annual cost not to exceed \$500,000.00,

Legislation Text

Galls Award Recommendation Letter 2025 (1)

GALLS SOURCEWELL BODY ARMOR 091921-GAL (4)

Galls Contract 011124 GALLS Uniforms and Equipment (5)

Bid 20279 Uniforms and Equipment

3. 2025-452 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS

Amend the agreement with Casey's Tire and Automotive, Inc. in the amount of \$325,000 for the remaining year of the initial term, bringing the initial amount to a total of \$845,000; and amend the agreement with JP Thomas & Co, Inc., doing business as Thomas Tire in the amount of \$700,000, for the remaining year of the initial term, bringing the initial amount to a total of \$2,275,000; and amend the agreement with Hudson Autoworks in the amount of \$245,000, for the remaining year of the initial term, bring the initial amount to a total of \$1,020,000.

<u>Legislation Text</u>

Fleet Maintenance BOC approval 12-21-23

Vehicle Maint Contract Adjustments 11.5.25fc

PE FINAL CONTRACT - 90005940 CASEY'S TIRE AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

PE 90005954 JP Thomas

PE FINAL CONTRACT (11.17.25)- 90005953 HUDSON AUTOWORKS COLLISION CENTER LLC

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2025-469 TAX COLLECTION AND BEVERAGE LICENSE REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2025

Accept and approve the tax collection report and beverage licenses issued for month ending October 31, 2025.

Legislation Text

401C All Guilford 10-31-2025.pdf

Bev 10-31-2025 Detail.pdf

2. 2025-470 PROPERTY TAX REBATES AND RELEASES FOR MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2025

Accept and approve property tax rebates and releases for the month ending October 31, 2025.

Legislation Text

October 2025 NCVTS Pending Refund Report.pdf

October 2025 Rebates and Releases.pdf

3. 2025-442 RECEIVE AND APPROVE ANNUAL BOND REPORT AS REQUIRED BY N.C.G.S 162-9 AND N.C.G.S 159-29

In accordance with NC General Statutes, approve and fix bond rates as follows: For the County Sheriff, fix amount of bond at \$25,000 and accept bond issued by Traveler's Casualty and Surety Company of America in that amount with the original bond to be deposited with the Clerk of Superior Court and with the bond to also be registered with the Register of Deeds; and for the Register of Deeds, fix amount of bond at \$50,000 and accept bond issued by Traveler's Casualty and Surety Company of America.

Legislation Text

DANNY H ROGERS 107012574 RENEWAL

Jeffrey Lynn Thigpen 106623229 RENEWAL

4. 2025-474 APPOINT REVIEW OFFICER FOR MAPS & PLATS - CITY OF ARCHDALE, NC

Adopt resolution appointing Matthew Talbott as a Review Officer for maps and plats within the corporate limits of the City of Archdale, NC.

Legislation Text

5. 2025-421 ADOPTION OF MINUTES Robin Keller

Consider and approve the following sets of draft meeting minutes:

10.2.2025 Regular Meeting 11.06.2025 Work Session 11.06.2025 Regular Meeting

Legislation Text

dmx100225

dmwsx110625

dmx110625

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2025-441 BUDGET AMENDMENT & INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF HIGH POINT FOR CREATION OF ONE (1) NEW NAVIGATOR POSITION FOR THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

Approve interlocal agreement with the City of High Point for the FJC HPPD Navigator; adopt a grant project ordinance for FY 26/27 FJC HPPD Navigator Grant with \$150,000 in Federal/State Funds and \$48,872 in Transfers from Other Funds (General Fund); and establish one (1) new FTE for a Navigator position at the Family Justice Center associated with the interlocal agreement through September 30, 2027, or as long as funding is available. Authorize a transfer from the General Fund to the project ordinance for \$24,436.

Legislation Text

FY2627 FJC HPPD Navigator Grant- ADOPT 25.11.20

HPPD FJC Interlocal Agreement 082625 FINAL

Interim Family Justice Center Director Sonya Desai introduced the item.

Commissioner Cashion asked for clarification on the location of the navigator.

Interim Director Desai noted that they will work within the High Point Police Department as well as in the Family Justice Center (FJC).

Commissioner Cashion questioned if we have the same position in the Greensboro office.

Interim Director Desai noted that we have a Navigator position assigned to the Greensboro Police Department, but this position works more closely from the Greensboro FJC office.

Commissioner Cashion thanked Interim Director Desai and High Point for their ongoing support and partnership.9

Vice Chairwoman Foster questioned the \$150K total, and whether that amount was for one or two years.

Interim Director Desai clarified that it was two years.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kay Cashion, and seconded by Commissioner Carly Cooke, to adopt the interlocal agreement with the City of High Point for the FJC HPPD Navigator; adopt a grant project ordinance for FY 26/27 FJC HPPD Navigator Grant with \$150,000 in Federal/State Funds and \$48,872 in Transfers from Other Funds (General Fund); and establish one (1) new FTE for a Navigator position at the Family Justice Center associated with the interlocal agreement through September 30, 2027, or as long as funding is available. Authorize a transfer from the General Fund to the project ordinance for \$24,436.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Kay Cashion, Carly Cooke, Brandon Gray-Hill

NOES: None

B. 2025-472 NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE 108A-118 - ESTABLISHMENT OF LOCAL ADULT PROTECTION MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM

Authorize creation and allow staff to take all necessary actions to establish a Single County Case Review Multidisciplinary Team involving all required members, powers/duties, training, and information sharing required by North Carolina General Statute 108A-118.

Legislation Text

MDT General Assembly Law 2025 23

DSS Director Sharon Barlow shared her excitement about the establishment of their local Multidisciplinary Team. She noted the work of our staff along with our state representatives in passing this legislation. She explained that this legislation now gives us information to share about supporting teams to review active cases to support our older adults receiving services from Adult Protective Services.

DSS Director Barlow noted that if we are authorized to move forward that we will be the first county in the State of North Carolina to create this team. She recognized the members of our Elder Justice Team.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kay Cashion, and seconded by Commissioner Carly Cooke, to adopt the creation and allow staff to take all necessary actions to establish a Single County Case Review Multidisciplinary Team involving all required members, powers/duties, training, and information sharing required by North Carolina General Statute 108A-118.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Kay Cashion, Carly Cooke, Brandon Gray-Hill

NOES: None

Commissioner Cashion recognized that Guilford County continues to take the lead in victim services.

IX. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES UPDATE

A. 2025-462 DHHS - DSS & CHILD SUPPORT MANDATED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Receive quarterly data regarding the mandated performance measures as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding between Guilford County's DSS & Child Support departments and NC DHHS.

Legislation Text

Child Support MOU Update 11.20.2025

MOU Requirement Informational Grid

Quarterly MOU Benchmark Results July August September 2025

Quarterly Med Benchmark Results July August September 2025

Dashboard Quarterly MOU Med Benchmark Results July August September 2025

DSS Director Barlow noted the DSS mandated performance report. She noted two areas in July and August where FNS applications were falling slightly below goals.

Vice Chairwoman Foster noted for the record and confirmed her 'yes' vote for the Multidisciplinary Team (MDT).

Child Support and Court Services Director Rosanne Wiley announced that their metrics were exceeding their standards.

B. 2025-473 HHS-PUBLIC HEALTH: APPROVAL OF AGENCY GUIDELINES Courtney McFadden

Approve the listed updates to HHS-Public Health agency guidelines.

<u>Legislation Text</u>

2025 BOH agency guideline summary (1)

Public Health Director McFadden introduced the Public Health Agency Guidelines. She explained how they support and lead the work of the Public Health Department. The Health

Department Accreditation requires board approval for these guidelines. She noted the changes made to the community outreach language and information included for the data. She noted that they have also added safety protocols for staff.

Vice Chairwoman Foster questioned disparities.

Director McFadden noted that the purpose of improving outreach is to support reducing health disparities.

Vice Chairwoman Foster questioned how we will measure that.

Director McFadden noted that the Health Department measures services annually, and while the guidelines note the metrics layout, it sets the guidelines to identify those as goals.

Vice Chairwoman Foster asked for some more clarity in the guidelines as to how we look at measuring disparities.

Interim County Attorney Mason noted that it would require a friendly amendment.

Vice Chairwoman Foster issued a friendly amendment to authorize staff to expand and clarify the updated guidelines regarding addressing disparities for the mobile clinic, and to include more specific information around disparities included in the guidelines and how that information will be used to address the identified disparities.

County Manager Isler noted the language in the Guidelines. He clarified that we will be data-directed to address disparities based on zip codes.

Commissioner Cooke offered to allow staff to take this item back and amend the language.

Commissioner Jones noted that there are references to the concept of reducing the disparities and would like to eliminate versus reduce.

Director McFadden noted that with the Community Health Assessment, we must move to action in our community health plan, and our measurable goals are typically those in our Community Health Assessment, versus those in the General Guidelines.

Commissioner Cooke accepted the friendly amendment to change the term 'reduce' to 'eliminate' disparities in the General Guidelines.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carly Cooke, and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Gray-Hill, to adopt the amended language in the list of updates to HHS-Public Health agency guidelines.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Kay Cashion, Carly Cooke, Brandon Grav-Hill

NOES: None

X. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

A. 2025-454 EXCEPTION REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Consider and approve the following exception reappointments to various boards & commissions:

High Point Board of Adjustment Reappoint Sandra H. Hayes to 4th term in BOCC ETJ position (July 2, 2025 - June 30, 2028)

Legislation Text

10.28.25 Reapp SHayes

Term Exemption Letter (Sandra Hayes)

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Perdue, and seconded by Commissioner Kay Cashion, to adopt the following exception reappointments to various boards & commissions:

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VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Kay Cashion, Carly Cooke, Brandon Gray-Hill

NOES: None

B. 2025-476 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Consider and approve the following appointments and reappointments to various boards & commissions:

Fire District Commission - Whitsett

Reappoint Joseph M. Burgess to 5th term (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2027) Reappoint Brian J. Smith to 4th term (January 16, 2026 - January 15, 2028)

Greensboro/Guilford County Tourism Development Authority

Reappoint Matthew G. Brown to 2nd term as Member At-Large (October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2028)

Appoint Megan Weathersbee to serve remainder of term vacated by Ann V. Allen in Large Hotels position (November 20, 2025 - September 30, 2027)

Guilford County Transportation Advisory Board

Appoint Leslie P. Martin to 1st term as Public Human Service Agency representative (November 20, 2025 - November 19, 2028)

High Point Economic Development Corporation

Reappoint Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster to 4th term as Commissioner Liaison (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2027)

Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee Appoint Paul Wainscott to 1st term (November 20, 2025 - November 19, 2028)

Visit HP

Reappoint Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster to 5th term as Commissioner Liaison (November 2, 2025 - November 1, 2027)

Legislation Text

10.02.25 Reapp JBurgess

10.29.25 App BSmith

10.29.25 reapp mbrown

11.03.25 App MWeathersbee

11.03.25 Resume MWeathersbee

11.02.25 App LMartin

11.07.25 App PWainscott

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Visit HP

Reappoint Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster to 5th term as Commissioner Liaison (November 2, 2025 - November 1, 2027)

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Alan Perdue, Pat Tillman,

Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Kay Cashion, Carly Cooke, Brandon Gray-Hill

NOES: None

XI. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioner Gray-Hill noted that the last Animal Services Advisory Board moved forward with electing a Chair and Vice Chair, along with adopted their by-laws. He noted they will begin working on updating animal ordinances and encouraged anyone interested in service to apply on our county website, as the next meeting will be in January.

Commissioner Cashion noted her past meeting on the Greensboro Library Board and spoke to the services the library offers in areas of computer services and support in job training.

XII. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER / INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY

There were no comments from the County Manager.

Interim County Attorney Mason announced that there will not be a closed session.

XIII. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Cashion shared her attendance at a fundraising event held at the national historic Blandwood Mansion site. She urged consideration for utilizing this site for education and economic development.

Commissioner Tillman shared his participation in several veterans' events. He spoke to a county-city collaboration to restore the Country Park site following storm damage. He highlighted the people component that makes the military important. He noted the NACo Veterans Committee appointments and insurance improvement legislation.

Commissioner Jones shared his attendance at Lindley Elementary School to observe a Pre-K class and EC class. He noted that he attended Dudley High School for Operation Seed entrepreneurial program. He noted that Operation Seed did an excellent job exposing students to entrepreneurship work. He shared his attendance, along with Commissioners Cooke and Gray-Hill, in a Teach for America event.

Vice Chairwoman Foster recognized Small Business Entrepreneurship Department Director Shaunne Thomas and her team for celebrating MED Week in High Point and the Annual Black Farmers Market. She shared her participation in an infant mortality event. She noted that she received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the High Point NAACP Gala. She shared her attendance at the Toyota opening day tour with Commissioner Murphy. She highlighted other groundbreaking events and anniversaries. She invited the community to the upcoming High Point University Holiday Party and tree-lighting ceremony.

Chairman Alston also recognized SBE Director Thomas and her team for their work during MED week. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

XIV. HOLD CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTING WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

There was no closed session held for this agenda.

XV. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:00 p.m.

	Melvin "Skip" Alston Chairman
Robin Keller Clerk	