

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
OF GUILFORD COUNTY**

Greensboro, North Carolina
April 18, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on April 18, 2024 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, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Pat Tillman, and Alan Perdue.

ABSENT: Commissioner Frankie T. Jones, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Michael Halford; County Attorney Andrea Leslie-Fite; Clerk to Board Robin Keller; Deputy Clerk to Board Ariane Webb; Deputy Clerk to Board T'ebony Rosa; Assistant County Manager Erris Dunston; Assistant County Manager Victor Isler; Assistant County Manager Jason Jones; Department of Social Services Director Sharon Barlow; Budget & Management Director Toy Beeninga; members of staff, media, and the public. Virtual participation was made available to members of the public and media partners.

Chairman Alston introduced Commissioner Pat Tillman, United States Navy Veteran, who would lead the Pledge of Allegiance following the invocation.

I. INVOCATION

Board Chaplin Ben Chavis offered the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Tillman led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alston welcomed those present and called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no speakers from the floor for this agenda.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. 2024-219 PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2024 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Proclaim April 2024 Child Abuse Prevention Month in Guilford County.

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Commissioner Cashion welcomed the Family Justice Center (FJC) partners and read the proclamation.

Catherine Johnson, FJC Executive Director, noted that next week is the National Family Justice Center Conference with the theme of “The Power of We” and celebrated the partnerships and community commitment to support the FJC. She also highlighted an upcoming kick-off awareness campaign for international sexual assault prevention known as Denim Day.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

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

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Brandon Gray-Hill, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Pat Tillman, Alan Perdue
NOES: None

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. 2024-204 REALIGNMENT OF FY23 NCDPS YOUTH FOCUS GRANT

Approve the attached budget revision to the FY23 NCDPS Youth Focus Grant funding plan for FY 2023.

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2. 2024-196 GOVERNOR'S CRIME COMMISSION VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) GRANT/FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

Approve receipt of the FY2023 Governor's Crime Commission Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant/Family Justice Center award for \$186,667 and adopt a grant project ordinance in the Grant Projects Fund with \$186,667 in expenditure appropriation to the project, \$139,999 in Federal/State revenue, and \$46,668 in Transfers from Other Funds (General Funds).

[Legislation Text](#)

[Complete with DocuSign FY24 \(2023 Violence .pdf](#)

[FY2023 Governor's Crime Commission Violence Against Women Act \(VAWA\) Grant Family Justice Center DRAFT](#)

B. CONTRACTS

1. 2024-202 APPROVE PURCHASE OF DELL COMPUTER EQUIPMENT FOR WINDOWS 11 UPGRADE

Approve expenditure of \$109,440 to vendor Dell Technologies utilizing N.C. State Contract 204A-ITS-400203, as authorized by state contract exemption N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-129 (e)(9).

[Legislation Text](#)

[Automated Enhancement Fund Statute](#)

[Your Dell Quote 3000173679180.1 - 3460](#)

[Bid Justification Waiver Form-ROD Dell 109k 3.25.24fc](#)

2. 2024-210 GREENSBORO DETENTION CENTER SHOWER COATING REPAIR CONTRACT AWARD

Award the Greensboro Detention Center shower coating repair contract and approve the contract in substantial form, to TRI Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$384,200.00, which includes a total of \$40,000.00 Owner's Contingency.

[Legislation Text](#)

[MWBE Compliance Final Letter Bid 20186 Shower Coating GC Detention Center 20240320](#)

[Department Award Recommendation Letter](#)

[PRE-AUDIT CONTRACT 90006276 TRI Solutions Inc. Bid 20186 3.25.24 A+B](#)

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2024-211 TAX COLLECTION AND BEVERAGE LICENSE REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2024

Accept and approve the tax collection report and beverage licenses issued for month ending March 31, 2024.

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[401C All Guilford 3-31-2024.pdf](#)

[Prior Year March 2023 401C Net Collections Report.pdf](#)

[Bev 3-31-2024 Detail.pdf](#)

2. 2024-212 PROPERTY TAX REBATES AND RELEASES FOR MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2024

Accept and approve property tax rebates and releases for the month ending March 31, 2024.

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[March 2024 NCVTS Pending Refund Report.pdf](#)

[March 2024 Rebates and Releases.pdf](#)

3. 2024-223 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the following sets of Minutes:
Work Session 03/21/24
Regular Meeting 03/21/24
Work Session 04/04/24
Regular Meeting 04/04/24

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VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2024-216 HHS-DSS: APPROVE ADDITION OF 3 CONE HEALTH FUNDED ELIGIBILITY CASEWORKERS

Approve the requested budget amendment to increase appropriation to Health & Human Services by \$219,468 and to reflect additional revenue received of \$164,601

from State reimbursement and \$54,867 from Cone reimbursement; and addition of 3 FTE's to HHS-DSS for the life of the contract funded by Cone Health Systems.

[Legislation Text](#)

[Cone Health ATTACHMENT A](#)

Sharon Barlow, Social Services Director, introduced the agenda item. She noted that these three (3) new positions will be housed at Cone medical facilities. She noted that Cone has requested an additional level of service and has agreed to pay for these positions for the term length of the contract.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Carly Cooke, to adopt the requested budget amendment to increase appropriation to Health & Human Services by \$219,468 and to reflect additional revenue received of \$164,601 from State reimbursement and \$54,867 from Cone reimbursement; and addition of 3 FTEs to HHS-DSS for the life of the contract funded by Cone Health Systems.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Brandon Gray-Hill, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Pat Tillman, Alan Perdue
NOES: None

Taking a point of privilege on the agenda, Chairman Alston introduced an item concerning the Erwin School building demolition. He recognized Vice Chairwoman Foster who read the motion into the record.

Motion was made by Vice Chairwoman J. Carlvena Foster, and seconded by Commissioner Carly Cooke, to direct staff to move forward with soliciting quotes for the demolition of the former Erwin School building located at 3012 East Bessemer Drive.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 – 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Brandon Gray-Hill, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Pat Tillman, Alan Perdue
NOES: None

VIII. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

A. 2024-220 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

[Consider and approve the following appointments and reappointments to various boards & commissions:](#)

[Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee](#)

[Appoint Jessica Sharpe to 1st term \(April 18, 2024 - April 17, 2027\)](#)

[Guilford County Agricultural Commission](#)

[Appoint Commissioner Frankie T. Jones, Jr. to 1st term in Commissioner Liaison position \(April 18, 2024 - April 17, 2027\)](#)

[High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization](#)

[Appoint Commissioner Brandon Gray-Hill to 1st term in Commissioner Liaison position \(April 18, 2024 - April 17, 2027\)](#)

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[JSharpe_App_03.29.23.pdf](#)

[JSharpe Resume 03.29.23.pdf](#)

Motion was made by Commissioner Carly Cooke, and seconded by Commissioner Kay Cashion, to approve the following appointments and reappointments to various boards & commissions:

Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Appoint Jessica Sharpe to 1st term (April 18, 2024 - April 17, 2027)

Guilford County Agricultural Commission

Appoint Commissioner Frankie T. Jones, Jr. to 1st term in Commissioner Liaison position (April 18, 2024 - April 17, 2027)

High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization

Appoint Commissioner Brandon Gray-Hill to 1st term in Commissioner Liaison position (April 18, 2024 - April 17, 2027)

VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Brandon Gray-Hill, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Pat Tillman, Alan Perdue

NOES: None

IX. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioner Cashion spoke to visiting the Pleasant Garden Town Council and to future economic development senior living housing plans. She spoke to updating the Behavioral Health Urgent Care (BHUC) policies and procedures. She shared attendance at a Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) meeting. She provided an update regarding the Continuum of Care (CoC) and Homelessness Taskforce meetings. She shared that Catherine Johnson presented at the Dolley Madison Women's Club and a Camp Hope scholarship was presented.

X. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER/COUNTY ATTORNEY

There were no comments from the County Manager or County Attorney.

A. 2024-208 RECEIVE FY2024 BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT THROUGH FEBRUARY 2024

Receive FY2024 Budget Performance Report.

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[FY2024 Performance Report - February v2.pdf](#)

Toy Beeninga, Budget and Management Director, referred to the previous Work Session budget discussion and noted there was no Board action required for this agenda item.

XI. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Gray-Hill noted his attendance at the Triad Local First State of Local Business breakfast in Greensboro in addition to the High Point Furniture Market. He noted attendance at an educational roundtable at Guilford Technical Community College (GTCC) with First Lady Jill Biden regarding a classroom-to-career initiative for workforce development.

Commissioner Murphy shared her participation in a two-day workshop consisting of over seventy (70) participants and service providers who support individuals with those with severe mental illness or substance misuse when they become engaged with the justice system. She shared her attendance at Forest Oaks community meeting with over 375 attendees regarding the future development along the 421 Corridor in Southeast Guilford County. She shared her attendance at a Gibsonville town hall meeting where they shared their collaborative work with the Town of Whitsett to address water concerns.

Commissioner Cooke congratulated the Greater Greensboro Chamber of Commerce intercity tour of Nashville, Tennessee as it was a great opportunity to connect with civic and business leadership.

Commissioner Perdue shared his participation in the retirement of Misty Simmons, one of the first Fire Service District Administrators in the County.

Commissioner Tillman thanked his colleagues and those who reached out to him. He shared the recent family emergency in which his child was hit by a car and extended his appreciation and thanks for all who supported and cared for his son. He cautioned everyone on safety and urged for children to wear helmets.

Vice Chairwoman Foster shared her attendance along with Commissioner Gray-Hill and Chairman Alston in the program hosting First Lady Biden. She recognized Chairman Alston for being inducted into the history-makers collection in the Library of Congress archives as a historically influential leader. She thanked Chairman Alston for his ongoing leadership. She also

recognized herself and County Attorney Leslie-Fite as being selected as a Power 100 person across the State of North Carolina.

Chairman Alston shared that it was his pleasure and honor to welcome First Lady Dr. Jill Biden to our community to discuss college-to-career programs occurring in Guilford County.

XII. 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.

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:11 p.m.

Melvin "Skip" Alston
Chairman

Robin Keller
Clerk