

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

Greensboro, North Carolina
June 5, 2025

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on June 5, 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 Kay Cashion, Brandon Gray-Hill, Carly Cooke, Mary Beth Murphy, Frankie T. Jones, Jr., Pat Tillman, and Alan Perdue.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Michael Halford; County Attorney Andrea Leslie-Fite; Deputy Clerk to the Board Ariane Webb; Deputy Clerk to the Board T'ebony Rosa; Victor Isler, Assistant County Manager; Erris Dunston, Assistant County Manager; Don Warn, Finance Director; members of staff, media, and the public. Virtual participation was made available to members of the public and media partners.

Chairman Alston introduced Jimmie Pegram, United States Air Force veteran, who would lead the Pledge of Allegiance following the invocation.

I. INVOCATION

Board Chaplain Ben Chavis offered the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Pegram 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 5:39 p.m.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

1. Gail Dunham, Summerfield resident, expressed concerns with the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for town water resources. She noted that her daughter, Gretchen Green, is now the 102nd female astronaut in the country's history.

2. E. Hollingswood expressed concerns with an overpayment to the Guilford County Tax Department.

3. Lisa McMillan, Turning Everything Around Executive Director, thanked the Board for awarding it Community-Based Organization (CBO) funding. She expressed appreciation for Debra Mack and the Mental Health initiatives being introduced throughout the County. She shared personal experiences and noted that staff provided information on resources and verbiage to use when seeking those resources. She spoke to the impact of Mack's recent presentation on suicide awareness and her personal experience with the topic.

4. Marcus Shields, Children's Law Center, spoke to the center as a resource for children in the judicial system and thanked the Board for its support during the prior year. He spoke to the silent threat of domestic violence (DV) and reiterated his appreciation for the Board's support.

5. Aidan Loretz, Haw River Assembly, provided an overview of the organization's efforts related to the Southeast Supply Enhancement Pipeline (SSEP) over the past few months. He noted 224 Oak Ridge residents have signed a petition in opposition to the Transco pipeline. He urged the Board to request a more thorough environmental impact statement.

6. Scott Jones, Tiny House Community Development Executive Director, thanked the Board for allowing him to speak with the Homelessness Taskforce. He shared that they are in the process of completing a veterans-only tiny home community and invited the Board to visit the site to view the progress. He spoke to the need for additional funding to build respite care housing for veterans. He shared that they will offer a construction certification program for 15-18-year-olds this summer. He shared the housing project address in High Point is 507 Smith Street.

7. Jason Hicks spoke to the County's termination of the contract with Samet Corporation and noted the reason has not been shared with the public. He requested the County share the reason for termination.

8. Tessa Pendley, Guilford County Association of Educators (GCAE) member, shared that they are delivering handwritten letters from the community regarding this year's budget.

Chairman Alston noted that Commissioner Murphy did distribute the letters to the Board.

9. Iris Sunshine, Children's Law Center of Central NC Executive Director, thanked the Board for supporting the center. She shared that they are celebrating their 20th year of advocacy and noted the Board's continued investment will help the center continue to positively impact the lives of children that need their assistance. She shared that they were a founding partner of the Family Justice Center (FJC) and Camp HOPE and spoke to the transformational nature of these programs.

V. PRESENTATIONS

- A. 2025-286 RESOLUTION HONORING REVEREND CARL VIERLING AND THE GREATER HIGH POINT FOOD ALLIANCE

Adopt resolution honoring Reverend Carl Vierling and the Greater High Point Food Alliance.

Legislation Text

Vice Chairwoman Foster shared her honor to present the resolution to Reverend Carl Vierling, his wife Lisa, and members of the Greater High Point Food Alliance (GHPFA). She read the resolution into the minutes.

Rev. Vierling thanked the Board for the recognition and noted that, ten (10) years ago this month, the Greensboro-High Point area was recognized as one of the largest food deserts in the nation. He spoke to the importance of everyone working together to address community challenges. He shared the citizens are the greatest power Guilford County has today and shared it was this spirit that created the GHPFA. He noted no other community in the state had greater improvements in a shorter period of time than Greensboro-High Point with regards to food deserts.

B. 2025-311 RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION TO MEANINGFULLY ADDRESS SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS REGARDING THE SOUTHEAST SUPPLY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Commissioner Brandon Gray-Hill

Legislation Text

Guilford County Resolution (Final) v2

Chairman Alston referenced the addendum and the addition to the resolution.

Commissioner Gray-Hill expressed his honor to read this resolution as the representative for District 6, where a portion of the pipeline will lie. The Board received the resolution as read by Commissioner Gray-Hill.

C. 2025-289 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE 2025 AS PRIDE MONTH IN GUILFORD COUNTY

Receive resolution recognizing June 2025 as Pride Month in Guilford County.

Legislation Text

Commissioner Gray-Hill thanked Development Manager Nathan Crabtree and the Guilford Green Foundation for their work in the community and invited them to receive the resolution. He spoke to Guilford County's advocacy for the rights of all and shared members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning (LGBTQ) community are valued. He read the resolution into the minutes.

Crabtree thanked the Board for the resolution and shared that Guilford Green is the longest-running LGBTQ center in the Southeast United States. He noted they provide referrals and information for members of their community and noted PRIDE is not only a celebration, but also a commemoration of where they have been, where they are, and where they're headed.

D. 2025-279 PROCLAIM JUNE 6, 2025 AS NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE
AWARENESS DAY

Proclaim June 6, 2025 as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in Guilford County.

[Legislation Text](#)

[Gun Violence Proclamation](#)

Commissioner Murphy invited community partners and members of the Department of Health and Human Service (DHHS) Public Health to receive the resolution and read it into the minutes.

E. [2025-281 DHHS - PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE](#)

[Anita Ramachandran](#)

[Legislation Text](#)

[Social Determinants of Health 6.5.25](#)

Interim Public Health Director Anita Ramachandran thanked the Board for its recognition of Gun Violence Awareness Month. She introduced Health Educator Alexis Powell, who would provide an update on current Public Health activities and community outreach currently underway.

Powell discussed the social determinants of health and the benefits of utilizing these with health education. She discussed the decrease in firearm-related homicides and spoke to the importance of community-driven collective action to continue decreasing injuries and homicides.

[VI. CONSENT AGENDA](#)

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Kay Cashion, to adopt the consent and addendum agendas.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

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

NOES: None

Note: The approval of the addendum agenda adjusted the following to the Presentation Section – remove item 2025-259 PROCLAIM JUNE 2025 AS MEN’S HEALTH MONTH IN GUILFORD COUNTY, and add item 2025-311 RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION TO MEANINGFULLY ADDRESS SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS REGARDING THE SOUTHEAST SUPPLY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT.

A. CONTRACTS

1. 2025-240 DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION CONTRACT RENEWAL: SAS INSTITUTE, INC. SOLUTION FOR VIYA SOFTWARE (\$204,689)
Approve SAS Institute, Inc. Solution for Viya Software Contract, in substantial form, in the amount of \$204,689 to be effective April 30, 2025 for a term of one (1) year plus two (2) optional one-year renewals at a price of \$211,852.25 for optional renewal #1 and \$219,266.78 for optional renewal #2.

[Legislation Text](#)

[PE FINAL CONTRACT - 90007197 SAS INSTITUTE INC \(5.13.25\)](#)

[SAS Institute Inc. FY25 90007197 Approved Bid Waiver Request # 05821069](#)

B. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2025-266 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN (EOP) ADOPTION
Effective June 5, 2025, adopt the Emergency Operations Plan for a term of three (3) years.

[Legislation Text](#)

[2025 EOP Executive Summary](#)

[Summary of Major Changes](#)

[2025 Adoption Resolution Unsigned](#)

2. 2025-276 REALIGNMENT OF FY25 JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL (JCPC) FUNDING

Approve the attached revision to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) funding plan for FY 2025.

[Legislation Text](#)

[24-25.JCPC.ProgramAgreementRevision.JSA-LS.FY FINAL](#)

[2024-25.JCPC ProgramAgreementRevision.TC-FY FINAL](#)

[2024-25.JCPC.Program Agreement Revision.CSR-FY FINAL](#)

[Commander Peace Academy 5.15.25](#)

[JCPC Adminstration 5.15.25](#)

[Nehemiah's Apprenticeship Training 5.15.25](#)

3. 2025-292 NC DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS GRANT (\$20,000)

Authorize staff to enter into agreement with NC DMVA for Grant award up to \$20,000 to support Veterans Services Outreach and Education efforts; authorize staff to take any and all necessary actions to execute the agreement. Authorize staff to create a project ordinance and approve associated budget amendments based on the final grant award amount, funded with federal/state revenue.

[Legislation Text](#)

[NCDMVA GRANT](#)

4. 2025-283 APPROVAL OF MINUTES Robin Keller

Review and approve the following draft meeting minutes:

Work Session May 15, 2025

[Legislation Text](#)

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The Board the recessed the meeting at 6:40 p.m. for a short break.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. 2025-280 HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON COUNTY MANAGER'S FY 2025-2026 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Hold a public hearing on the County Manager's FY 2025-2026 Recommended Budget, including but not limited to the economic development appropriations therein. Each

speaker will have two (2) minutes to address the proposed budget and the public hearing will remain open until each speaker has had the opportunity to speak.

Legislation Text

Chairman Alston reminded the public of the rules and procedures for the public hearing and opened the floor for the hearing.

1. David Coates, Board of Education (BOE) member, spoke to the quality educational services provided by the Guilford County Schools (GCS) staff and expressed concern with the allocation of funding for GCS presented in the FY26 recommended budget.

2. Samantha Patino, high school math teacher, expressed her love for public schools and teaching. She spoke to the importance of adequate funding for the schools.

3. Brian Carter, GCS parent, spoke to the importance of parents and citizens supporting schools.

4. Karrie Parrish, parent and Guilford For All member, expressed her concern for the future of public education in Guilford County. She spoke to teacher salaries, incongruent with Board values, and the importance of offering a livable wage.

5. Sarah Jones, Greensboro resident and educator, requested the Board raise taxes in order to fund schools. She shared her experience of moving to Guilford in 2003 because of a livable wage and excellent public schools. She spoke to the investments in infrastructure and encouraged the Board to invest in people.

6. Miles Kirkpatrick, Guilford County resident, spoke to the importance of the Board supporting GCS. He noted that underfunded schools and staff are an emergency that requires the use of savings and spoke to the importance of identifying ongoing funding to support their needs.

7. Edwena Miles, spoke to the need for additional funding to support increased salaries for educators and classified staff. She shared that students cannot afford for the Board to not support the school system.

8. Steve Pruitt, Greensboro resident, spoke to the need to provide additional funding for salaries for classified staff and discussed concerns with low staffing in certain departments.

9. Jessica Fox spoke to the factors that contribute to a successful student and shared that the number one (1) factor is an effective teacher. She expressed her concerns with being told her job is not worthy of fair compensation and urged the Board to ensure the budget includes sufficient funding for schools, teachers, and classified staff.

10. Sara Passey, parent, thanked the Board for consistently funding GCS and urged them to increase funding in the FY26 budget to align with the GCS request.

11. Tessa Pendley, District 7 resident and GCS employee, questioned the Board's why and encouraged them to ensure the budget accurately reflects the values of this community.

12. Toby Hedgepeth, GCS parent, thanked the Board for its service to Guilford County. She requested that the Board increase local funding to GCS, specifically to increase funding to support teachers and classified staff. She spoke to the impact of increased salaries for educators and support staff and how it affects the community.

13. Michael Mann expressed concern with the significant increase in funding for charter schools included in the FY26 recommended budget. He spoke to education as a generational investment and encouraged the Board to increase funding for public schools.

14. Rondeshia Wallace, Peck Elementary cafeteria manager, spoke to the importance of fully funding the GCS request in the county's FY26 recommended budget. She expressed concern regarding the funding included in the recommended budget.

15. Sonya McTillman, GCS teacher, spoke to the impact of the recommended budget on teachers and classified staff. She expressed concerns with the lack of funding included for body scanners in the schools.

16. No show

17. Jason Hicks thanked the Board for not funding Downtown Greensboro, Inc. (DGI) and encouraged the Board to not fund any organization associated with DGI in the recommended budget.

18. Ebony Burnett, District 4 resident, shared a recent experience at a school function and spoke to the importance of metal detectors and body scanners throughout the school system. She spoke to the importance of prioritizing safety within the schools and supporting teachers and classified staff.

19. Annabel Hrubes, GCS teacher, shared her salary is not sufficient for the rising cost of living. She spoke to concerns with having to give up her current profession to make ends meet and spoke to a recent experience with a student who previously attended a charter school. She encouraged the Board to require charter schools to meet the same standards abided by public schools.

20. Yolanda Lucas, GCS employee, expressed concerns with proposed budget cuts and the impending loss of her position as a result. She spoke to the impact of these budget cuts upon students, teachers, and classified staff.

21. Reverend Fritz Ritsch, Greensboro resident, thanked the Board for funding the Tenant Education Advocacy Mediation (TEAM) project. He shared the purpose of the program and noted eviction impacts a person's ability to secure future housing and requires local government to utilize funding to support the unhoused. He requested the Board commit \$844,000 to the project to support full-time work.

22. Brian Spurlock, District 2 resident, spoke to the importance of ensuring local public schools will be safe places for his children, along with ensuring educators and classified staff will make a

livable wage. He encouraged the Board to remember that Guilford is a place where we take care of each other.

23. Ryan Creekmore, member of Guilford For All, encouraged the Board to redirect funds to fully support GCS. He discussed staffing shortages as a result of these budget shortfalls and concerns with students not learning at grade level. He spoke to the importance of identifying solutions to ensure student success.

24. No show

25. Renee Norris, program coordinator for the University of North Carolina at Greensboro's (UNCG's) Center for Housing & Community Studies and discussed what has been accomplished as a result of the County's investment in the TEAM project. She shared their work with landlords and tenants.

26. Terrell Dungee, TEAM tenant representative, thanked the Board for its support of the program and encouraged the Board to continue its support for a fifth year. He spoke to their ability to identify more affordable housing properties that have been neglected and their work with tenants and landlords to make upgrades.

27. Joanna Pendleton, public school librarian and GCAE president, discussed their recent rally. She requested the Board prioritize GCS in the FY26 recommended budget. She noted the community values public education and called upon the Board to do the same in the budget.

28. Anita Washington, Greensboro resident, shared that she was a TEAM Tenant volunteer and spoke to her lived experience with the program. She discussed the impact of the program and urged the Board to continue its support of the program.

29. Attorney Janet McCauley Blue, Legal Aid NC, spoke to the TEAM Tenant project as a collaboration between Legal Aid and UNCG. She thanked the Board for funding the project and spoke to the tenants who have been protected over the prior four (4) years. She discussed how the program works and noted that without County funding, they will not be able to continue the program.

Following the last person who signed up to speak, Chairman Alston opened the floor for any additional speakers to address the FY25-26 recommended budget.

Jim Doermann, Greensboro resident and criminal defense attorney, spoke to the impact of the County budget on housing, which further impacts crime rates. He shared the budget is a reflection of community values and spoke the importance of supporting children.

Cecily Crawford, Keep Gate City Housed Coalition, spoke to her own eviction experience and shared the experiences she has observed as a member of TEAM Tenant. She discussed how the program benefits clients and shared how these programs save counties funding. She encouraged the Board to fully fund the program.

Devon Brascoe, North Carolina A&T State University graduate and member of Keep Gate City Housed Coalition, shared her experience with the TEAM Tenant program. She thanked the Board for its support and urged them to continue funding the program to ensure those facing eviction receive the help they need.

Michael Cheema, Legal Aid attorney, expressed his honor to serve those facing eviction. He expressed the importance of fully funding the program and noted that they are only currently funded to work with clients part-time.

There being no further speakers, Chairman Alston closed the public hearing.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2025-231 APPROVE INSTALLMENT FINANCING RESOLUTION AND CONTRACT

Adopt attached resolution authorizing and approving an installment financing contract and authorizing the execution and delivery of documents, therewith. Approve installment financing contract, in substantial form, not to exceed the amount of \$2,746,000 towards the acquisition of County vehicles and related costs, to be effective upon execution of financing documents.

[Legislation Text](#)

[FY2024 Vehicle Replacement Plan](#)

[Reimbursement Resolution -Guilford 2024 Vehicle Financing 12.21.2023 Final](#)

[Installment Financing Agreement-Guilford 2025 IFA \(vehicles\) \(Form for County approval\)](#)

[Approval Resolution-Guilford 2025 IFA \(vehicles\) \(For County approval\)](#)

Finance Director Don Warn introduced the item and discussed the reimbursement resolution adopted in December 2023 and the vehicle project ordinances adopted in January 2024. He shared that the vehicles have been received, and it is now time for the County to reimburse itself for the vehicles. He noted that a request for proposals (RFP) was issued and nine (9) qualified responses were received. He shared that the County selected Banc of America for the vehicle financing. He requested that the Board approve the resolution and the corresponding contract with Banc of America.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carly Cooke, and seconded by Vice Chairwoman J. Carlvena Foster, to adopt the attached resolution authorizing and approving an installment financing contract and authorizing the execution and delivery of documents, therewith. Approve installment financing contract, in substantial form, not to exceed the amount of \$2,746,000 towards the acquisition of County vehicles and related costs, to be effective upon execution of financing documents.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

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

NOES: None

IX. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

A. 2025-202 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

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

Fire District Commission - Guilford Randolph

Reappoint Beverly Nelson to 6th term (November 2, 2024 - November 1, 2026)

Appoint Robert Walker to 1st term (June 5, 2025 - June 4, 2027)

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Reappoint Dean Greeson to 3rd term (May 1, 2025 - April 30, 2027)

GTCC Board of Trustees

Appoint David S. Miller to 1st term as BOCC Designee (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2029)

Guilford County Board of Adjustment

Appoint Joshua E. Scott to 1st term (June 5, 2025 - June 4, 2028)

Guilford County Board of Equalization & Review

Appoint Debra Davis to 1st term in Regular position (June 5, 2025 - June 4, 2028)

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

NOES: None

X. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

There were no Commissioner Liaison Reports for this agenda.

XI. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER / COUNTY ATTORNEY

- A. 2025-224 RECEIVE FY25 BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT THROUGH APRIL 2025 Toy Beeninga

Receive FY2024-25 Budget Performance Report through April.

Legislation Text

April 2025 Budget Performance Report

There were no comments from the County Manager.

There were no comments from the County Attorney.

XII. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Gray-Hill shared his attendance at a Coffee and Conversations event at Guilford Behavioral Health Urgent Care (BHUC) where they learned from those on the front lines of addressing mental health needs in the County. He thanked the public for providing their feedback on the budget.

Commissioner Murphy thanked those who participated in the evening's public hearing. She congratulated all graduates in the community.

Commissioner Cooke echoed thanks to those who participated in the budget public hearing. She shared her participation in the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) Board Meeting at the Hoke County Equestrian Center where they discussed upcoming events. She noted she will attend steering committees and NCACC County Advocacy Days next week. She congratulated all graduates, students, and teachers.

Commissioner Cashion shared her participation the National Association of Counties (NACo) Art & Culture Committee and Justice and Public Safety (JPS) Committee meetings. She noted the allocations for juvenile justice had decreased drastically. She shared her work on the NACo Women of NACo (WON) nominating committee, along with Vice Chairwoman Foster. She shared that the Continuum of Care (CoC) has recommended Guilford County become the CoC lead agency.

Commissioner Cashion shared her attendance at the County's Mental Health event and spoke to the vendors that attended and learned more about the available resources within the community. She shared Trillium's announcement for a \$150K grant funding to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and \$3M for a center for the developmentally disabled on May 22. She

shared the Family Justice Center (FJC) tour conducted by the Dolley Madison Club and noted she will attend the FJC 10th Anniversary celebration on June 6.

Commissioner Perdue shared his attendance at the BHUC event and spoke to the model of the center as an organization that brought together a variety of resources to assist those with mental health challenges.

Commissioner Tillman shared his attendance at the Law Enforcement Memorial Service in May and discussed the impact of meeting families that recently lost law enforcement members. He shared that he spoke at American Legion Post 51 during its wreath ceremony at Jaycee Park. He shared his attendance at County Advocacy Day at the NC General Assembly. He thanked those who participated in the public hearing on the budget and noted that the Board did hear the message. He congratulated graduates, students, and teachers.

Commissioner Jones thanked Behavioral Health Director Mack and her team for the excellent job with the Coffee & Conversations event. He shared that he will be the commencement speaker at Rankin Elementary. He recognized DSS Director Barlow and staff for their work to find housing for a person who was being displaced with little notice.

Vice Chairwoman Foster shared she brought greetings on behalf of the Board for the Success Center and Zeta Phi Beta's 75th Anniversary celebration. Additionally, she thanked those who participated in the public hearing on the budget and shared the Board does its best to prioritize and support the schools in the County budget. She congratulated GCS graduates and shared that the Carl Chavis YMCA will hold its graduation ceremony tomorrow. She shared that one of the youths who participated in the Mental Health event sponsored by High Point Housing Authority experienced a loss and encouraged the Board to keep him in prayer.

Chairman Alston shared his participation at the Law Enforcement Memorial Service and spoke to the importance of the public hearing on the budget. He thanked the public for participating and sharing their priorities and noted the Board will work to ensure they meet those needs. He congratulated all GCS graduates and shared that his youngest granddaughter graduated from pre-K and his oldest granddaughter will graduate from third grade. He noted this is a great time of year to be proud of students and teachers.

XIII. 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.

XIV. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Carly Cooke, to adjourn the regular meeting.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

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

NOES: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Melvin "Skip" Alston
Chairman

Robin Keller
Clerk