MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GUILFORD COUNTY

Greensboro, North Carolina April 19, 2018

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on April 19, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro; North Carolina.

PRESENT: Chairman J. Alan Branson, Vice Chairman Justin Conrad,

Commissioners Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Melvin "Skip" Alston

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Marty Lawing, County Attorney Mark Payne, Clerk

to the Board Robin Keller, Deputy County Manager Clarence Grier, Deputy Clerk to the Board Scott Baillargeon, Guilford County Public Information Officer Worldy Smith, members of the media, and

Information Officer Worley Smith, members of the media, and

citizens of the County.

<u>I.</u> <u>INVOCATION</u>

Board Chaplain Ben Chavis provided the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Branson led those present in reciting the Pledge.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Branson called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Wayne Hale, Greensboro resident and Family Physician with the Cone Health Medical Center spoke to limits on pain medication prescriptions. He shared that the only hope to reduce the deaths associated with opioid addiction is to improve access to rehabilitative services. He spoke to the need for additional Medicaid benefits given the gaps in the Affordable Care Act. He urged local legislative support for additional resources.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. 2018-194 STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS

Legislation Text

Chairman Branson presented the County's 2018 Annual Report. He reported on the steady growth of the County's population. He provided an update on the County's Economic Development Alliance which continues to gain momentum to recruit additional businesses to our community. Branson reviewed the strategic efforts between the Board of Education and the Guilford County Commissioners to assess the facilities needs of aging school system. He reviewed plans to open a Comprehensive Health Center to focus on behavioral health and urgent care needs with a recommended plan to be finalized later this summer, and noted that the County is working with the northwest municipalities to develop a public water system to help with the steady growth in that area.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Carolyn Coleman to approve VI. CONSENT AGENDA

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES: None

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. 2018-196 BUDGET AMENDMENT - EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLE PURCHASE FOR GUILFORD COUNTY SOLID WASTE - \$50,220

Approve budget amendment increase of \$50,220 in Federal/State Revenue and increase the FY 2017-18 Solid Waste budget by the same amount.

<u>Legislation Text</u> <u>Soild Waste Forklift Quote.pdf</u> <u>Quote- F150 reg cab short bed.pdf</u>

B. CONTRACTS

1. 2018-207 APPROVE EXTERNAL AUDIT CONTRACTS - CHERRY BEKAERT, LLP

Approve the annual FY 2018 external audit contract, in substantial form, with Cherry Bakaert, LLP in the amount of \$91,000 as required by the Local Government Commission; AND Approve, in substantial form, the contract with Cherry Bakaert,

LLP to perform the Office of State Auditor directed procedures on direct benefit payment programs for FY 2018 state single audit reporting in the amount of \$10,000; AND Approve, in substantial for the contract with Cherry Bakaert, LLP to perform the Local Government Commission's defined agreed upon procedures on pensions data for FY 2018 in the amount of \$6,000

Legislation Text

Single Audit Changes for NC Counties.docx

Guilford County - Audit FY 2018 Engagement Letter and LGC Contract.PDF

Guilford County - AUP FY2018 Engagement Letter.PDF

Guilford County - Examination FY2018 Engagement Letter.PDF

REMOVED FROM CONSENT FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

2. 2018-200 CHILDREN'S HOME OF IREDELL COUNTY ANNUAL ROOM AND BOARD CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Approve (Price Only) contract addendum, in substantial form, with Children's Home of Iredell County for foster care room and board services, by and through the Health and Human Services Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$396,000.00 (original contract amount \$130,000.00 an increase of \$266,000.00) The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

Legislation Text

Children's Homes of Iredell County 2017-2018 contract addendum DocuSign document

Motion was made by Carolyn Coleman, and seconded by Melvin "Skip" Alston to approve (Price Only) contract addendum, in substantial form, with Children's Home of Iredell County for foster care room and board services, by and through the Health and Human Services Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$396,000.00 (original contract amount \$130,000.00 an increase of \$266,000.00) The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES: None

3. 2018-201 CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY ANNUAL ROOM AND BOARD CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Approve (Price Only) contract addendum, in substantial form, with Children's Home Society for room and board services, by and through the Health and Human Services

Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$1,620,000.00 (original contract amount \$1,000,000.00 an increase of \$620,000.00). The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

Legislation Text

Children's Home Society of NC 2017-2018 contract addendum docusign document

4. 2018-202 SEVEN HOMES ANNUAL ROOM AND BOARD CONTRACT ADDENDUMS

Approve (Price Only) contract addendum, in substantial form, with Seven Homes for foster care room and board services, by and through the Health and Human Services Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$230,000.00 (original contract amount was \$100,000.00 an increase of \$130,000.00). The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

Legislation Text

Seven Homes 2017-2018 contract addendum docusign document

5. 2018-203 YOUTH FOCUS ANNUAL ROOM AND BOARD CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Approve (Price Only) contract addendum, in substantial form, with Youth Focus for foster care room and board services, by and through the Health and Human Services Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$602,000.00(original contract amount was \$400,000.00 an increase of \$202,000.00). The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

Legislation Text

Youth Focus Inc 2017-2018 contract addendum docusign document

6. 2018-204 YOUTH UNLIMITED ANNUAL ROOM AND BOARD CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Approve (Price Only) contract addendum, in substantial form, with Youth Unlimited for foster care room and board services, by and through the Health and Human Services Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$700,000.00 (original contract amount was \$400,000.00 an increase of \$300,000.00). The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

Legislation Text

Youth Unlimited 2017-2018 contract addendum DocuSign document

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2018-198 PROPERTY TAX REBATES AND RELEASES FOR MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

Accept and approve property tax rebates and releases for the month ending March 31, 2018.

Legislation Text

March 2018 Rebates & Releases

March 2018 NCVTS Pending Refund Report

2. 2018-197 TAX COLLECTION AND BEVERAGE LICENSE REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

Accept and approve the tax collection and beverage licensing reports for month ending March 31, 2018. Full report on file with the Clerk's Office.

Legislation Text

Bev 03-31-18 Detail

401-C All Guilford 03-31-18

3. 2018-167 TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT TITLE VI PLAN

Approve the Transportation and Mobility Services Department Title VI Plan as required by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Legislation Text

Transportation Guilford Title VI Program - FTA attachment

4. 2018-171 TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD MANUAL

Approve the Transportation and Mobility Services Department (TAB) Transportation Advisory Board Manual as required by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Legislation Text

Guilford County Transportation and Mobility Services TAB Member Manual (002)

5. 2018-173 TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY

Approve the Transportation and Mobility Services Department Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy as required by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Legislation Text

Guilford County Zero Tolerance Policy

6. 2018-159 PURCHASE OF PROPERTY: A .11 ACRE PORTION OF 920 WEST VANDALIA RD, GREENSBORO, NC

Approve, in substantial form, the contracting and purchase of the property located at 920 West Vandalia Road, Greensboro, NC for \$10,000. Authorize staff to take all reasonable and necessary steps to complete the purchase the property. No additional County funds required.

Legislation Text

Maria Bailey Agreement to Purchase

7. 2018-176 APPROVAL OF MAJOR FOCUS AREAS AND INITIATIVES FOR FY 2018-19

Adopt the Major Focus Areas and Initiatives for FY 2018-2019.

Legislation Text

FY 2019 Major Focus Areas and Initiatives - updated 04.06.18.docx

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

VI. CONSENT

B. 2. 2018-200 CHILDREN'S HOME OF IREDELL COUNTY ANNUAL ROOM AND BOARD CONTRACT ADDENDUM

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Human Services Department (Social Services Division). Contract addendum amount is \$396,000.00 (original contract amount \$130,000.00 an increase of \$266,000.00) The contract period began on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2018.

Commissioner Coleman questioned if this is the first time the County has had contract outside of the County for foster care.

Transportation Director Myra Thompson shared the names of the vendors outside of the County.

Social Services Director Heather Skeens noted the reason was due to having exhausted all other foster care resources inside of Guilford County; therefore, children have been placed outside of the County.

Commissioner Coleman asked how the situation impacted issues regarding visitation.

Skeens reported that transportation is provided, either to bring the children back into the County, or to bring the parent out of the County.

Commissioner Coleman about the process for obtaining a foster care license.

Skeens reviewed the number of new homes with licenses and noted there were at present 59 licensed foster homes.

Commissioner Foster asked about the costs associated per capita child placement.

Skeens stated that placement fees were set by the state, based on the location of the placement, and were not the based on a per child basis.

Commissioner Cashion voiced concern for the increase in contract addendums regarding foster care.

Skeens spoke their efforts to reallocate funds from open contracts, where full placements haven't been made, toward more adequate allocations where the children are being placed into homes.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. 2018-210 HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE REQUEST FOR AMADA NORTH AMERICA, INC.

Hold Required Economic Development Incentive Public Hearing for Amada North America, Inc.; and consider authorization of staff to enter into performance based grant agreement up to \$999,000.00.

Legislation Text

Project Sweet.pdf

County Agenda item for 04-19-2018 public hearing.docx

County Manager Marty Lawing reviewed the information and the parameters outlined in the request.

Economic Development Alliance Representative, Sandy Dunbeck, shared a letter from the Guilford County Economic Development Alliance (GCEDA) leaders who fully support the location of AMADA in Guilford County. Ms. Dunbeck spoke to their selection of High Point as a finalist for relocation.

Executive General Manager Jeff Otten was present to answer any questions.

Ms. Dunbeck elaborated on what the Company proposes, she spoke to the 82M investment to the property, which was exclusive of the actual acquisition of the land. She also reviewed the performance based incentive request.

Mr. Otten reviewed the type of equipment the company manufactures. He shared that Amada is a Global Company with sales service and manufacturing facilities located around the world. Otten reviewed their corporate citizenship in other communities where they are located. He shared that while conducting their due diligence they have been pleased with the county's infrastructure and access to vendors as well as Guilford County Technical College and workforce management.

Chairman Branson opened the floor for the public hearing.

Chairman Branson opened the floor for opponents

Motion was made by Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Hank Henning to a Hold the Required Economic Development Incentive Public Hearing for Amada North America, Inc.; and consider authorization of staff to enter into performance based grant agreement up to \$990,000.00.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES: None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

B. 2018-185 LETTER OF INTENT TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF THE COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Authorize a Letter of Intent to the North Carolina Department of Public Safety regarding the expansion of the Juvenile Detention Center and requesting that the state fund 100% of the design and capital costs associated with the expansion and supplement any operating expenditures in excess of the per diem revenue.

Legislation Text

JVD Letter of Intent- 04.12.18.docx

Chairman Branson introduced the item and asked County Manager Marty Lawing to share the County's major focus areas and asked the Board to approve the FY 2018-19 Initiatives.

County Manager Lawing shared that this item has been discussed during the Board's annual retreat. Lawing reviewed the request of the State for the County to consider expansion of its center to house new juveniles impacted by the State's Raise the Age legislation.

Motion was made by Alan Perdue, and seconded by Melvin "Skip" Alston to approve a Letter of Intent to the North Carolina Department of Public Safety regarding the expansion of the Juvenile Detention Center and requesting that the state fund 100% of the design and capital costs associated with the expansion and supplement any operating expenditures in excess of the per diem revenue.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES: None

Commissioner Cashion stated that the letter would be contingent only if the State provide funding for the expansion.

Lawing confirmed that the letter would be contingent upon the State's agreeing to the terms; however, noted that should the State propose a contrary position the Board would need to convene for consideration.

Commissioner Alston questioned the matter of whether or not the State should recommend a lower rate how the County would proceed to cover those costs.

Lawing stated that it was well within the County's purview to forego expansion at all.

Commissioner Alston questioned an increase of the per-diem rate.

Lawing noted that would need to be discussed as an option; however, noted that the State was not inclined to increase the per- diem rate of 244. He shared that the State may be willing to consider adding a supplement to the per diem rate of 244. He concluded stating that the State was interested to receive the Boards request.

A friendly amendment to correct the dollar figure in the manager's letter. The amendment was accepted.

Chairman Branson thanked the Amada representatives and shared his hope that they choose High Point for their location selection.

IX. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES UPDATE

A. 2018-174 DHHS-SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION - DAYCARE UPDATE

Approve a decrease of \$5,039,000 in Federal/State Revenues and reduce the FY 2017-18 Human Services - Social Services Division budget by the same amount to reflect the transition of daycare payments to Guilford County Providers from the county to the State.

Legislation Text

Copy of daycarefundsredapril18

Social Services Director Heather Skeens shared the budget amendment request.

Transportation Director Myra Thompson reviewed fiscal year 2018 approved funding for Child Care.

Daycare Supervisor Randall Hoover shared that they currently served over 4K children with daycare vouchers. From the notices submitted this year, Hoover stated, that they had received an additional 1,300 new voucher requests while additionally closed-out 750 vouchers, due to children who were either beginning to age out, or families found that they no longer needed vouchers to provide for the children. Hoover reviewed statistics on where external funds were directed.

Skeens provided that since Monday they have had day care staff redirected to assist the tornado victims and have relocated vouchers to ensure the victims of the devastation were able to be met timely.

Commissioner Foster, for clarity, stated that all daycare funds would come from the State.

Thompson added that United Way dollars and those funds that come through the City of Greensboro.

Commissioner Foster questioned the effort to prioritize teen parents. Skeens stated that there were no teen parents on the waiting list at this point, but did have between 400-450 children, still on the daycare assistance, on the waiting list.

Commissioner Coleman asked for clarity concerning the 5M decrease, and if the State would be providing the additional funds to cover the additional costs.

Thomson stated that with NCFAST in place the State was uncertain at this point as to whether or not there would be a decrease in the funding of Foster Care. She shared that the State was not ready to take over at the beginning of the fiscal year and asked the county's budget for the first three months. However, she noted that the state was able to absorbed the funding expenses and

Motion was made by Carolyn Coleman, and seconded by Jeff Phillips to approve a decrease of \$5,039,000 in Federal/State Revenues and reduce the FY 2017-18 Human Services - Social Services Division budget by the same amount to reflect the transition of daycare payments to Guilford County Providers from the county to the State.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES: None

- X. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.
- A. 2018-155 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

Approve the appointments and reappointments to the various Boards and Commissions:

Guilford County Planning Board

Reappoint Frankie Jones – 1 term served District 8 Representative Reappoint William Geter – 1 term served District 7 Representative District 6 Representative

GTCC Board of Trustees

Reappoint Treana Bowling – 1 term served

Legislation Text

BMann 040618

W.Geter Planning Board Reappointment.pdf

F.Jones Planning Board Reappointment.pdf

T.BowlingREAPPOINTMENT.pdf

GTCC BoT - Commissioners Appointment - T. Bowling - 041218.pdf

Motion was made by Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Kay Cashion to approve the appointments and reappointments to the various Boards and Commissions.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES: None

B. 2018-208 EXCEPTION REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Approve listed exception status reappointment.

PIEDMONT TRIAD AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Steve Showfety – 3 Terms – BOCC Designee (seeks 4th term)

Legislation Text

Showfety.PTAA REAPPOINT.pdf

Motion was made by Alan Perdue, and seconded by Justin Conrad to approve listed exception status reappointment.

VOTE: Motion carried 6 - 3

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Hank Henning, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion,

Justin Conrad

NOES: Carolyn Coleman, J. Carlvena Foster, Melvin "Skip" Alston

Commissioner Alston shared that he would be voting against the motion. He shared that he is pleased with Mr. Showfety but based on our policy of two terms, he will not be able to support the motion.

Commissioner Coleman echoed that she would not be able to support the motion for similar reasons. She shared that it is important for transparency and fairness to allow additional citizens an opportunity to serve. Coleman also shared that she respects Mr. Showfety for his contributions to our community, but would like to see more rotation on the boards.

Commissioner Perdue shared that the Airport Authority is established by State Statute and has roles.

Commissioner Cashion shared that she has received several calls in support of Mr. Showfety. She shared that the Airport Authority is requesting his reappointment based on the value and leadership that he is able to bring to the board.

XI. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Lawing reminded the Board of a scheduled budget work session April 25th at 12:30 in the BB&T conference room. Lawing summarized a status update of the damage report from the recent tornado provided by Emergency Operations. He elaborated in detail the primary and secondary assessments which included a complete breakout of the assessment that provided information to the Governor and aided in making his decision to declare it a disaster area. He shared that disaster assessments take longer than one might imagine, and the City of Greensboro will head-up the disaster relief efforts and disperse FEMA allotments. He spoke to the efforts to ensure that citizens obtain shelter and emphasized the City of Greensboro's 373-CITY line for additional questions and concerns. He implored citizens to be safe.

XII. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Henning requested compiled list of veterans services. He shared that the process to seek services for veterans was overly arduous and caused those in need of services to give up.

Commissioner Perdue shared his recent attendance of the Metro 911 awards, and his appreciation for all of the first responders during the severe weather event, and he encouraged citizens to sign up to GENI so that they have a mechanism to be alerted in the future.

Commissioner Coleman shared her thanks for the vendors who provided food for those impacted by the storm. She thanked New Light, White Oak, Mount Zion, Saint James Baptist Church and Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. for their efforts to establish feeding stations and provide meals for those who have lost power or are in shelters. She thanked all of the volunteers who have come out to help clear roads and remove trees. Coleman thanked City of Greensboro staff and County staff for all that they have done.

Commissioner Conrad shared his thoughts and prayers for those impacted by the storm. He noted that the out pouring of support from the community has been awe inspiring. Conrad shared his attendance of the Metro 911 awards ceremony. He noted that next weekend is the 9th annual Reeling for research for pediatric cancer research efforts.

Commissioner Alston thanked the Manager for the detailed report on the tornado support, and thanked him personally for working with him and New Light Baptist Church to help secure resources to set up a feeding station. He personally thanked Commissioner Phillips and Commissioner Conrad for their personal support in providing significant amount of meals and feeding the community. Alston shared that FEMA is needed and hope that the state will consider providing emergency funds to help those impacted.

Commissioner Phillips shared that it has truly been an inspiration in the face of a crisis to see the community support.

Commissioner Foster stated that the tornado's impact on lives throughout the County had been grave, and spoke to those who helped to coordinate a feeding at Alamance School for students who are relocating, to provide an orientation. Foster thanked her fellow Commissioners for their attendance of the High Point Groundbreaking event for the new stadium.

Commissioner Cashion noted her attendance at the State Association Board of Directors meeting, and questioned if they were prepared absorb those costs should Guilford county choose to expand. She shared her experiences touring the impacted areas, and thanked the Commissioners for their attendance of local civic and community clubs to share information throughout the weeks. Cashion provided an update from the Sandhills Center Board of Directors. Cashion noted that the Dolly Madison Woman's Club recently toured the Family Justice Center and presented two 650.00 scholarships for Camp Hope participants. Cashion provided a report on her attendance at the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Monthly Board meeting she noted that the annual dues were approved, with no increase due to inflation, but due to population.

Chairman Branson thanked all of the City and County staff as well as the volunteers for their clean-up efforts. He noted that ongoing support will be critical in the aftermath. He shared his attendance of Guilford Metro 911 celebration, and the BB&T groundbreaking of the ball stadium. Thanked all the people who assisted in the clean-up of the tornado. He emphasized a memory from his past where he was in an opportunity to provide assistance to others. He thanked several businesses that came up. He emphasized the city number to donate goods, services, or volunteerism.

XIII. ADJOURN

Motion made by J. Carlvena Foster, and seconded by Jeff Phillips. The Board adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:37 p.m.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Coleman, Hank Henning, J.

Carlvena Foster, Jeff Phillips, Kay Cashion, Justin Conrad, Melvin

"Skip" Alston

NOES:	None		
		Chairman	
Clerk			