

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

Greensboro, North Carolina  
April 4, 2019

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on April 4, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro; North Carolina.

PRESENT: Chairman Alan Branson, presiding; Vice Chairman Jeff Phillips, Commissioners Alan Perdue (via simultaneous communication), Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster

ABSENT: Commissioner Kay Cashion

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Marty Lawing, County Attorney Mark Payne, Deputy County Manager Clarence Grier, Clerk to the Board Robin Keller, Deputy Clerk to the Board Scott Baillargeon, staff and members from the media.

**I. INVOCATION**

Ben Chavis Board Chaplain provided the Invocation at 5:37 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Branson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

**III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Branson called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

**IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR**

None.

**V. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. 2019-128 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE 2019 SOUTHEAST GUILFORD LADY FALCONS BASKETBALL TEAM

Read the Resolution into the Minutes

### Legislation Text

Chairman Branson introduced the presentations. He asked The Lady Falcons to come forward, and read the resolution in to the record. He offered his and the Board's congratulations.

Team Captain and members of the Lady Falcons thanked the Board for the recognition.

**B. 2019-164 RECOGNIZE THE NEHEMIAH BUILDERS - "MOST INNOVATIVE IDEA" AT NC REGIONAL ROBOTICS TOURNAMENT**

Recognize the Nehemiah Builders (ages 9-14) on their accomplishment of receiving award for the "Most Innovative Idea for a Rookie Team" during the NC FIRST Regional Robotics Tournament last fall.

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Chairman Branson introduced the item and spoke on behalf of Commissioner Cashion. He noted that Commissioner Henning would be reading the certificate in her place.

Commissioner Henning introduced the item and spoke to the history of the Nehemiah Telecommunications and Tech Program. He read the Certificate of Achievement into record.

Reverend Randi Francis thanked the Board for recognizing them and shared the goals of the Nehemiah Program to expose kids to myriad possibilities. She noted that they were pleased to be funded by Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC), which allows youths to attend after-school and summer programs without financial obligation to them. She shared a story concerning a recent participant who abandoned a life of crime to become an engineer. A special recognition was given to Claire Oxnard for her tireless work with at-risk youth.

Claire Oxnard thanked the Board for the recognition and shared her enthusiasm for the program.

**C. 2019-181 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL ALLOCATION EXPANSION**

Approve Resolution supporting Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Allocation Expansion.

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#### **TABLED**

**D. 2019-206 PROCLAIM APRIL 2019 AS NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH - "CONNECTING THE UNCONNECTED"**

Proclaim April 2019 as National County Government Month.

[Legislation Text](#)

Vice Chairman Phillips read the proclamation into the record and then turned the floor over to County Manager Marty Lawing to provide additional comments.

Lawing spoke to National County Government Month, “Connecting the Unconnected”. Lawing shared that the goal of the program was demonstrate how counties, across the nation, deliver people-centered services to all residents, and elevate awareness of County responsibility to ensure residents understand the programs offered. He additionally shared a social media campaign to highlight County employees and an extensive list of activities the County has planned for the month would be released in the upcoming weeks.

E. 2019-202 PROCLAIM APRIL 2019 AS PUBLIC HEALTH MONTH

Adopt Proclamation declaring April, 2019 as Public Health Month in Guilford County.

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[2019 Public Health Month Proclamation BOCC.doc](#)

Chairman Branson introduced the proclamation and noted that Commissioner Alston would be reading the proclamation.

Commissioner Alston read the proclamation into the record, and asked Public Health Director, Merle green, to accept the proclamation.

Merle Green, Public Health Director, spoke to the upcoming activities planned for Public Health Month. She distributed a list of events pamphlet to the Board and thanked them for the recognition.

**Chairman Branson noted that staff have provided an addendum to the draft agenda for inclusion. There being no questions the addendum was adopted by unanimous consent.**

F. PROCLAIM APRIL AS THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

Proclaim April as the week of the Young Child

Commissioner Foster read the proclamation into the record, and when she finished, she invited Partnership for the Children of Guilford County LouMecia Staton and others to come forward and accept the proclamation.

LouMecia Staton thanked the Board for the recognition and spoke to the activities scheduled for the week.

## **VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion was made by Justin Conrad, and seconded by J. Carlvena Foster to approve VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

**VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0**  
**AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Jeff Phillips, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Commissioner Kay Cashion**

### **A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

1. 2019-170 DHHS - PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION - BUDGET AMENDMENT:  
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH \$22,746

Approve an increase of \$22,746 in Federal/State Revenues and increase the FY2018-19 Department of Health & Human Services - Public Health division budget by the same amount to reflect revenues awarded from the NC Division of Public Health Women's and Children's Health Section.

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2. 2019-198 AMEND THE EMERGENCY SERVICES FY 2018-19 BUDGET FOR  
GCSTOP DONATION

Approve an increase of \$5,000 in Other Revenues and increase the FY 2018-19 Emergency Services budget by the same amount to reflect a donation designated to the GCSTOP program for purchase of medical supplies.

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3. 2019-207 ERWIN MONTESSORI ROOF REPAIR / REPLACEMENT CAPITAL  
PROJECT ORDINANCE REVISION

Approve amendment of the Guilford County Schools - Roof Replacement/Repair - Erwin Montessori project ordinance to align budgeted revenues with actual revenues received.

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[Roof Repl-Repair - Erwin Montessori Project Adjustment - Apr 2019.pdf](#)

[Roof Replacement-Repair - Erwin Montessori - Amended 4-4-19 - PENDING 4-4-19.pdf](#)

4. 2019-210 APPROPRIATION OF DONATIONS IN SUPPORT OF ANNUAL GUILFORD COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ACTIVITIES - \$550

Approve a \$550 increase in Other Revenues and increase the FY 2018-19 Soil & Water Conservation budget by the same amount to reflect receipt of donations from NC State Grange (\$250) and Carolina Farm Credit (\$300).

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[GCS&WCD Foundation Donation Receipts FY18 19](#)

**B. MISCELLANEOUS**

1. 2019-208 APPROVE THREE (3) VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (VAD) APPLICATIONS

Approve one (3) VAD (2019-02,2019-03,2019-04), applications.

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[2019-02](#)

[2019-03](#)

[2019-04](#)

[Updated VAD Brochure](#)

2. 2019-129 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the Minutes as listed:  
Work Session 03.14.19 - Joint Board of Education/BOCC Meeting

Work Session 03.18.19 -Legislative Delegation Breakfast  
Work Session 03.21.19

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[WS3.14.19Joint Meeting of the Guilford County Board of Commissioners.docx](#)

[ws3.18.19 Local Delegation Legislative Goals..docx](#)

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**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. 2019-203 PUBLIC HEARING FOR TWO-THIRDS BONDS FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS (30M GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS -PUBLIC BUILDING PURPOSES)
  - 1) Hear report from the Clerk regarding bond order authorizing issuance of two-thirds bonds;
  - 2) Hold public hearing regarding adoption of bond order authorizing two-thirds bonds not to exceed \$30,000,000 for public building purposes;
  - 3) Adopt bond order authorizing issuance of Series 2019A general obligation public building bonds for a total of \$30,000,000.

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[Resolution Public Hearing Adoption - Guilford 2019 2\\_3 GO Bonds](#)

[Notice of Adoption of Bond Order re Public Building Bonds - Guilford 2019 GO Bonds](#)

Chairman Branson introduced the Public Hearing and read the rules.

Harley Will, Finance Director, spoke to the item and shared the process of the general obligation bonds.

Clerk to the Board Robin reported to the Board of Commissioners that the bond orders entitled “BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$30,000,000 PUBLIC BUILDING BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF GUILFORD”, which had been introduced on March 21, 2019, had been published in accordance with applicable notice laws on or before March 22, 2019, with notice that the Board would hold a public hearing thereon on April 5, 2019. The Clerk also reported that the County’s Finance Director had filed in the Clerk’s office a statement of debt complying with the provisions of The Local Government Bond Act and that such statement showed the net indebtedness of the County to be 8% of the assessed valuation of property in the County subject to taxation.

Chairman Branson opened the floor to proponents and there being none he closed the floor to proponents.

Chairman Branson opened the floor to opponents and there being none closed the floor to opponents. There being no persons wishing to speak the Board proceeded to a vote.

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### **PUBLIC HEARING ON PUBLIC BUILDING BOND ORDER**

Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston moved that the Board proceed to hold a public hearing on the public building bond order. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alan Purdue and was unanimously adopted.

At 6:00 P.M., the Chairman of the Board announced that the Board would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the questions of the validity of the public building bond order and the advisability of issuing the bonds.

There being no other persons wishing to speak, Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston moved that the public hearing be closed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alan Purdue and was unanimously adopted.

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### **ADOPTION OF PUBLIC BUILDING BOND ORDER**

Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston moved that the Board adopt without change and direct the Clerk to publish as prescribed by The Local Government Bond Act the bond order entitled "BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$30,000,000 PUBLIC BUILDING BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF GUILFORD" introduced at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on March 21, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alan Purdue and was adopted by the following vote:

**Motion was made by Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Alan Purdue to approve 1) Hear report from the Clerk regarding bond order authorizing issuance of two-thirds bonds; 2) Hold public hearing regarding adoption of bond order authorizing two-thirds bonds not to exceed \$30,000,000 for public building purposes; 3) Adopt bond order authorizing issuance of Series 2019A general obligation public building bonds for a total of \$30,000,000.**

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>Motion carried 7 - 0</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Alan Branson, Alan Purdue, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Jeff Phillips, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>Commissioners Kay Cashion and J. Carlvena Foster</b>

2. 2019-204 PUBLIC HEARING FOR TWO-THIRDS BONDS FOR SCHOOLS - (10M GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - SCHOOL FACILITIES SECURITY)

- 1) Hear report from the Clerk regarding bond order authorizing issuance of two-thirds bonds;
- 2) Hold public hearing regarding adoption of bond order authorizing two-thirds bonds not to exceed \$10,000,000 for school security purposes;
- 3) Adopt bond order authorizing issuance of Series 2019A general obligation public building bonds for a total of \$10,000,000.

[Legislation Text](#)

[Notice of Adoption of Bond Order re School Bonds - Guilford 2019 GO Bonds \(3\)](#)

[Resolution Public Hearing Adoption - Guilford 2019 2\\_3 GO Bonds](#)

Chairman Branson introduced the item and read the rules.

Harley Will, Finance Director, stated the Public Hearing was for two-thirds bonds for schools.

Chairman Branson asked the Clerk to the Board to the Clerk's Report.

Clerk to the Board Robin Keller reported to the Board of Commissioners that the bond orders entitled "BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,000,000 SCHOOL BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF GUILFORD", which had been introduced on March 21, 2019, had been published in accordance with applicable notice laws on or before March 22, 2019, with notice that the Board would hold a public hearing thereon on April 5, 2019. The Clerk also reported that the County's Finance Director had filed in the Clerk's office a statement of debt complying with the provisions of The Local Government Bond Act and that such statement showed the net indebtedness of the County to be 8% of the assessed valuation of property in the County subject to taxation.

Chairman Branson opened the floor to proponents and there being none he closed the floor to proponents.

Chairman Branson opened the floor to opponents and there being none closed the floor to opponents. There being no persons wishing to speak the Board proceeded to a vote.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL BOND ORDER**

Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman moved that the Board proceed to hold a public hearing on the school bond order. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad and was unanimously adopted.

At 6:00 P.M., the Chairman of the Board announced that the Board would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the questions of the validity of the school bond order and the advisability of issuing the bonds.



There being no other persons wishing to speak, Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman moved that the public hearing be closed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad and was unanimously adopted.

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### **ADOPTION OF SCHOOL BOND ORDER**

Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman moved that the Board adopt without change and direct the Clerk to publish as prescribed by The Local Government Bond Act the bond order entitled “BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,000,000 SCHOOL BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF GUILFORD” introduced at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on March 21, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad and was adopted by the following vote:

**Motion was made by Carolyn Q. Coleman, and seconded by Justin Conrad to approve 1) Hear report from the Clerk regarding bond order authorizing issuance of two-thirds bonds; 2) Hold public hearing regarding adoption of bond order authorizing two-thirds bonds not to exceed \$10,000,000 for school security purposes; 3) Adopt bond order authorizing issuance of Series 2019A general obligation public building bonds for a total of \$10,000,000.**

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>Motion carried 7 - 0</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Jeff Phillips, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>Commissioners Kay Cashion and J. Carlvena Foster</b>

### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. 2019-209 SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 16, 2019 TO CONSIDER A-1 SANDROCK, INC. CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION (C&D) LANDFILL FRANCHISE MODIFICATION

Direct staff to set date for 1st reading and public hearing to consider A-1 Sandrock, Inc. Construction and Demolition (C&D) Landfill franchise modification.

[Legislation Text](#)

[A1Sandrock FranchiseMod Request](#)

[SUP 18 A1Sandrock and Site Plan](#)

[SB163 Session Law2017](#)

Leslie Bell, Planning Director, spoke to the before the Board was to consider setting a public hearing date for the first of two readings for May 16, 2019. He shared that the public hearing would be to consider modification to the landfill franchise agreement with A-1 Sandrock, Inc. He noted the existing agreement was approved in October 2013, and a special use permit was approved by the Guilford County Planning Board to extend the original height of the complex, and if approved, the modification would accommodate the vertical expansion, and would extend the landfill to accommodate from 300 tons to 500 tons per day and extend the franchise term limits from ten years to the “life of site” not to exceed sixty years.

Commissioner Coleman asked the typical process to extend the “life of site” from 10 to 60 years. She clarified that there were no areas around the landfill that would prohibit homeowners from building homes.

Bell noted that in 2017 the North Carolina General Assembly approved the “life of Site” to landfills; however, stated that he did not possess the data to show the number of NC landfills that have exercised this approach.

Robin Keller, Clerk to the Board, noted that the request was to set a date for public hearing at the next applicable meeting.

**Motion was made by Jeff Phillips, and seconded by Justin Conrad to approve Direct staff to notice and set date for 1st reading and public hearing at the next applicable meeting to consider A-1 Sandrock, Inc. Construction and Demolition (C&D) Landfill franchise modification.**

**VOTE: Motion carried 7 - 0**

**AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Jeff Phillips, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: Commissioners Kay Cashion and J. Carlvena Foster**

## **IX. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER**

Marty Lawing, County Manager, discussed the upcoming 2020 Census, and noted that April 2020 will be Census Day. He emphasized that timeline to prepare for the Census and discussed the process of educating and fostering community participation. He stated that North Carolina could potentially gain a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. He stressed the importance of community participation. He shared that he will be forming a committee to inform the public and share best practices to ensure that all citizens are reached for a productive Census year. He asked the Commissioners to nominate from the Board a representative to serve on the County’s census committee.

Commissioner Coleman asked about a previous discussion concerning undocumented residents and those residents who wished to maintain anonymity from the Census.

Lawing could not provide information as to what has been done in regard to protecting undocumented residents.

Commissioner Alston asked for an update on the Cure Violence Contract. He noted that he would like to see a work session to finalize the details.

Lawing shared that staff had been working with the City of Greensboro to refine a draft among the Cities and the County.

Mark Payne, County Attorney, noted that drafts have been passed between the City and the County, and they were very near to reaching a final contract.

Commissioner Coleman asked about the insurance issue with the schools.

Lawing noted that it would be discussed in Closed Session.

#### **X. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Conrad thanked the Board for the school security bond and noted that he had read about school violence approaching more than 200 school shooting incidents since the 2012 Sandy Hook incident. He thanked the school administration for their willingness and support. He spoke to prom season and encouraged all the people attending prom make safe and intelligent choices. He noted the *Reeling for Research* and the Libby Hill Oyster bake. He thanked Chairman Branson and Vice Chairman Phillips for their donations.

Commissioner Foster congratulated five Guilford County School students for receiving scholarships to attend High Point University.

Commissioner Coleman extended her condolences to the Kilimanjaro family for their loss of Dr. John Marshall Kilimanjaro (né Stevenson), Sr., professor, civil rights activist, trailblazing newspaper founder and publisher passed away on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 in High Point, N.C.

Vice Chairman Phillips shared his attendance of the EMS groundbreaking last Friday. He thanked all personnel for their continued efforts to keep Guilford County safe. He stated that the new facility slated to open next year will provide for more efficiency to maintain equipment and ensure speedy response times.

Chairman Branson extended thoughts and prayer to Commissioner Cashion and shared details about her condition, and wished her a speedy recovery.

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

**Motion was made by Justin Conrad, and seconded by Jeff Phillips to approve XI. HOLD CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTING WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.**

**VOTE: Motion carried 8 - 0**  
**AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Jeff Phillips, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster**  
**NOES: None**

The Board recessed into Closed Session 6:32 p.m.

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 8:32 p.m.

**XII. ADJOURN**

The Board adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:32 p.m.

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Chairman

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Clerk