

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

Greensboro, North Carolina
June 6, 2019

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on June 6, 2019 at 5:30PM, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro; North Carolina.

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Kay Cashion

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Marty Lawing; County Attorney Mark Payne; Deputy County Manager Clarence Grier; Robin Keller, Clerk to Board; Ariane Webb, Deputy Clerk to Board; Michael Halford, Budget Director; Harley Will, Finance Director; J. Leslie Bell, Planning & Development Director; Ben Chavis, Tax Director; Karen Fishel, Human Resources Director; Jim Albright, Emergency Services Director; Dan Durham, Facilities/Property Management/Parks Director; Iulia Vann, DHHS – Public Health Division Assistant Director; Jeff Fowler, Security Director; members of the community and media.

I. INVOCATION

Ben Chavis, Tax Director, offered the invocation.

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 5:41PM and welcomed those present.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Chairman Branson opened the floor for speakers and read the rules of procedure for those present.

Laura Way, President/CEO of Arts Greensboro, thanked the Board of Commissioners for their ongoing support. She spoke to the number of children, families and artists supported by the organization through the county's economic development grant funding.

Dorothy Darr, representative of the High Point South West Renewal project, thanked the Board for their ongoing support as the organization works to restore the industrial corridor in High Point. She provided the Board with a handout highlighting their accomplishments over the prior year.

Bobby Baskins, Pleasant Garden resident, spoke to the need to provide additional funding for teachers within the school system. He shared supporting literature with the Board.

Paula Sieber, Executive Director of the Sustainability Resources Center, shared their recent grant opening and ground-breaking ceremony for a local Tiny House community. She thanked the Chairman Branson and the Board for their success. Ms. Sieber spoke to Guilford County's potential for designation as a food forest.

Robin Davis, Greensboro resident, spoke in support of the Guilford County Animal Shelter and shared the wonderful accomplishments of the staff, given existing resources. She expressed concerns with potential budget cuts and spoke to the need for additional veterinary support.

Clarence Hunt, on behalf of the NAACP – Greensboro branch, Pulpit Forum and Greensboro Business League encouraged support of Sheriff Danny Rogers. He expressed concerns with departmental staffing, utilizing canteen revenues from the jail towards inmate welfare and community programs, such as re-entry programs. Mr. Hunt encouraged the Board to fully fund the Sheriff's FY 2019-20 budget request.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad, to adopt the consent agenda.

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

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

**1. 2019-261 GREENSBORO/GUILFORD COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FY 2019-2020**

Approve the Greensboro/Guilford County Tourism Development Authority's (the Authority) budget ordinance for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Total budgeted Authority General Fund expenditures are \$7,054,600.

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[FY 2020 Authority Budget Ordinance](#)

[Budget by Account FY 2020](#)

GREENSBORO/GUILFORD COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

**The Budget Ordinance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

An ordinance making appropriations for the operation of the Greensboro/Guilford County Tourism Development Authority for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

Be it ordained by the Greensboro/Guilford County Tourism Development Authority Board this the 11th day of June, 2019.

That for the Operation of the Authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, the following amounts appropriated for the General Fund:

Convention/Tourism Promotion (Operations)	\$ 6,164,600
Specific Events	170,000
Capital Improvements	<u>720,000</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 7,054,600

The above appropriations are hereby funded by the following revenue estimates:

Occupancy Tax-County	\$ 4,456,000
Occupancy Tax-City	1,106,000
Interest	110,000
Miscellaneous	125,500
Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>1,257,100</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 7,054,600

That the President/CEO is authorized to make expenditures from the contingency appropriation in the General Fund for items not specifically provided for elsewhere in this ordinance. Any such expenditure shall be reported to the Greensboro/Guilford County Tourism Development Authority Board at its next regular meeting and subsequently to the Guilford County Board of Commissioners at its next regular meeting.

Appropriations herein above authorized and made shall have the amounts of the outstanding purchase orders and unearned portion of contracts at June 30, 2019 added to each appropriation as it applies in order to properly account for the payment against the fiscal year in which it is paid.

This Ordinance is effective upon adoption.

2. 2019-267 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALIGN FY 2018-19 HEALTHCARE BUDGET WITH ANTICIPATED EXPENSES

Approve an increase of \$5,000,000 in Appropriated Fund Balance (Internal Service Fund - Health Care) and increase the FY 2018-19 Employee Health Care Plan budget by the same amount to reflect the impact of higher-than-anticipated expenses and ensure sufficient funding for the Employee Health Care Plan for the remainder of FY 2018-19.

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B. CONTRACTS

1. 2019-262 APPROVE CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH CORRECT CARE SOLUTIONS, LLC D/B/A WELLPATH LLC TO PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES AT GUILFORD COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Approve a one (1) year contract renewal agreement, in substantial form, between Guilford County Juvenile Detention Center and Correct Care Solutions, LLC D/B/A WellPath, LLC for medical health services from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, with the maximum financial exposure to the County for all goods and/or services not to exceed \$162,131.64.

[Legislation Text](#)

[WELLPATH LLC - CORRECT CARE SOLUTIONS LLC dba - CM1377 Renewal No 3 - Juv Det - Eff 7-1-2019](#)

2. 2019-268 DHHS - PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION: WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES - ANTIMICROBIAL-RESISTANT GONORRHEA CONTRACT - \$434,376

Approve contract with Wake Forest University Health Sciences, in substantial form, in the amount of \$434,376, to be effective for the period June 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020.

[Legislation Text](#)

[WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES - Contract CM1431 Revision No 4 Antimicrobial Resistant Gonorrhea Staffing.pdf](#)

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2019-266 BUDGET AMENDMENT REPORT FOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS PROCESSED UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE COUNTY MANAGER IN THE FY 2018-19 BUDGET ORDINANCE

Receive Budget Amendment report for budget amendments processed under the authority granted to the County Manager in the FY 2018-19 Budget Ordinance.

[Legislation Text](#)

[Budget Amends Report 2019-06-06.pdf](#)

2. 2019-200 HOLD 2ND READING AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A-1 SANDROCK, INC. CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION (C&D) LANDFILL FRANCHISE MODIFICATION

Hold 2nd reading and consider approval of A-1 Sandrock, Inc. Construction and Demolition (C&D) Landfill franchise modification.

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[SUP_18_A1Sandrock and Site Plan](#)

[A1Sandrock_FranchiseMod Request](#)

[SB163_Session Law2017](#)

3. 2019-260 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approve the following sets of minutes: 04/30/2019 Work Session Minutes.

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VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. 2019-226 HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS UP FOR CONSIDERATION FOR APPROPRIATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH ADOPTION OF THE FY 2019-20 ANNUAL BUDGET

Hold public hearing, pursuant to NCGS 158-7.1, for purposes of receiving input on the proposed allocation of funds for the following Economic Development Grants attached hereto.

[Legislation Text](#)

[Notice of Public Hearing 19-20 Economic Dev. Budget Appropriation \(Revised\).pdf](#)

[GS 158-7.1 ED Public Hearing Requirement](#)

Chairman Branson opened the floor for public input on the proposed allocation of funds for economic development grants and reviewed the public hearing process.

There being no speakers, Chairman Branson closed the floor for the public hearing on the proposed allocation of funds for economic development grants included in the FY 2019-20 recommended budget.

B. 2019-263 HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON THE COUNTY MANAGER'S PROPOSED FY 2019/2020 BUDGET

Hold Public Hearing on the County Manager's Proposed Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Budget. Each speaker will have two (2) minutes to address the proposed budget. The Public hearing will remain open until each speaker has had the opportunity to speak.

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Chairman Branson opened the floor for public input on the County Manager's FY 2019-20 recommended budget and reviewed the public hearing process.

1. Cecelia Thompson, with Action Greensboro, spoke in support the Guilford County Schools (GCS) recommended budget. She discussed a recent survey released by Action Greensboro that identified education, healthcare and public safety as an economic driver. Ms. Thompson shared a handout with the Board which provided an overview of the survey.
2. Greg Drumwright spoke in support of the GCS Superintendent's recommended budget. He shared his experience as an educator and noted GCS facilities are deteriorating. Mr. Drumwright expressed concern with GCS teachers and staff being recruited away from Guilford County classrooms and encouraged the Board to support school system.
3. Jean Regan, Jamestown resident and Partners in Public Health Coalition chair, spoke in support of school nurses within GCS. She thanked the Board for funding additional school nurses in the prior two (2) budget years and shared the significant impact these positions have had upon their workload. Ms. Regan referenced the Project One initiative and shared the benefits of investing in school healthcare needs.

4. Latasha Moore, parent and Hampton Elementary School PTA President, expressed her dismay over the school's recent closing and urged the Board to fully fund the GCS superintendent's FY 2019-20 budget request.
5. Shawn Byner, GCS teacher, shared his experiences as an educator and spoke to the long-term benefits of funding education.
6. Riley Driver, Jamestown Middle school teacher, spoke to the budget's impact upon our values and choices, and noted the gaps in school facility funding. She shared the potential impact of failing to address school capital needs.
7. Deb Green, GCS teacher, encouraged the Board to fully fund the GCS superintendent's request and shared the condition of her classroom and school.
8. Libby White, special education teacher at Hairston Middle School, spoke to the deteriorating conditions at her school. She discussed issues with the HVAC system and the lack of toiletry items such as paper towels and hand soap. Ms. White expressed her concerns with the lack of maintenance staff to address a backlog of maintenance orders, in addition to a lack of cafeteria staff and bus drivers. She urged to fully fund the GCS budget request.
9. Joy Watson, special education teacher at Andrews High School, shared her experiences with her students and expressed concerns with the facilities needs at her school. She spoke to issues with heating and cooling in her classroom at the beginning of the year, and shared additional concerns related to building maintenance.
10. Ron Surgent, GCS employee, spoke to the need to provide a livable wage for staff and discussed HVAC repairs needed in the schools.
11. Sara Jones, Greensboro resident and GCS teacher, encouraged the Board to raise property taxes to support the school system. She shared the potential negative impact of failing to raise the property taxes upon the community and its economic stability.
12. Shannon Myers, Dudley High School teacher, noted 22% of the Guilford County population is comprised of school-age children and spoke to efforts in other local entities to support their school systems. She shared the need for facility renovations, updated instructional materials and staff support within GCS.
13. Freddy Louis, Eastern Guilford High School teacher, encouraged the Board to fully fund the GCS Superintendent's budget request. He shared that Guilford County continues to fall further behind in classified employee and teacher pay, and supplements.
14. Amy Harrison, Reedy Fork Elementary School teacher, spoke in support of the GCS Superintendent's budget request. She discussed facility issues within her school and spoke to concerns with supplements and pay for cafeteria staff and bus drivers.

15. Alex McMillan, UNCG graduate student and GCS substitute teacher, expressed concerns about remaining in this community to pursue his future career as a teacher. He spoke to the need additional support staff positions and improved pay for these staff.
16. Jillian Angel, Greensboro resident, local nurse and Project One supporter, spoke to the need to improve access to nursing and health care within the school system. She encouraged the Board to support the FY 2019-20 request for additional school nurses.
17. Brenda Degrane, a local nurse practitioner, read a letter on behalf of Julia Easley, a GCS kindergarten teacher. The letter spoke to the needs of children with chronic medical conditions in the classroom and expressed concern that teachers with minimal medical training are responsible for addressing these illnesses. The letter urged the Board to place a nurse in each school.
18. Art Close, Logistics teacher at Western Guilford High School. He shared that he is the only logistics teacher in Guilford County and one of two logistics teachers throughout the state. He spoke to the impact of teachers upon students and the economic impact of the logistics industry upon students and the county.
19. Todd Warren, President of the Guilford County Association of Educators and GCS teacher, expressed his concerns with the Guilford County FY 2019-20 recommended budget. He presented a petition with 1,300 signatures in support of fully funding the GCS Superintendent's budget request.
20. Andrew Willis-Garcess, Greensboro resident, urged the Board to increase the property tax rate to support the school system. He shared that a lack of investment in education could encourage families to leave the area.
21. Jennifer Noble, local attorney and GCS parent, thanked the Board for their work during the budget process and encouraged them to increase property taxes to grow the business community by investing in our children and fully funding the GCS superintendent's budget.
22. Dorothy Kearns, High Point resident, shared an excerpt of a letter from June 10, 1999 that noted the first priority of the Board should be to provide a high-quality education for our children. She encouraged the Board to increase the property tax rate spoke to support the GCS operating and capital budget requests.
23. Lisa Harris, Guilford County resident and educational advocate, expressed concern with the Guilford County FY 2019-20 recommended budget. She urged the Board to fully fund the GCS and Sheriff's Department FY 2019-20 budget requests. Ms. Harris shared the need to fund the Sheriff's Reentry program to provide support to the community and opined on the need for equitable consideration of the Sheriff's hiring practices and development of programs.

24. Nancy Lichens, Jamestown resident and volunteer at the Guilford County Animal Shelter spoke to the need for additional staff. She expressed concerns with the ability to provide daily care when there is insufficient staff to meet basic needs. Ms. Lichens urged the Board to allocate additional funding towards the new shelter facility.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Branson referenced the addendum removing New Business item VII.B. By general consensus of the Board, the addendum was adopted.

A. 2019-258 HIGH POINT PUBLIC HEALTH HVAC RENOVATION

Approve award of the construction contract, in substantial form, including acceptance of Alternates 2 and 5 to H.M. Kern Corporation for the High Point Public Health HVAC Renovation project in the amount of \$1,833,000; and authorize staff to make all necessary budget amendments to align budgeted funds for this contract. This project is expected to begin in July 2019 and be completed in 365 days.

[Legislation Text](#)

[HM Kern Contract CM1463 5-28-19](#)

[Affidavit C - HP Public Health HVAC 648 REVISED](#)

[MWBE-GFE Memo 2019-0523](#)

Dan Durham, Facilities/Property Management/Parks Director introduced the agenda item.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hank Henning, and seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad, to approve award of the construction contract, in substantial form, including acceptance of Alternates 2 and 5 to H.M. Kern Corporation for the High Point Public Health HVAC Renovation project in the amount of \$1,833,000; and authorize staff to make all necessary budget amendments to align budgeted funds for this contract. This project is expected to begin in July 2019 and be completed in 365 days.

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

VIII. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

A. 2019-272 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Approve the request of various Appointments and Reappointments as listed.

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[Claude Church Application.pdf](#)

[ACantrell Application 051319.pdf](#)

[BOverman 030818.pdf](#)

[Pamela Green Application.pdf](#)

[DTyler Application 040417.pdf](#)

[FFogelman 052819.pdf](#)

[Wayne Miller Resignation Appointment of Floyd Fogelman.pdf](#)

[AGentry 052819.pdf](#)

Robin Keller, Clerk to Board, read the list of various appointments and reappointments.

Fire Districts Commission – Alamance

Reappoint Claude T. Church (2nd Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Appoint Floyd Fogelman (1st Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Guilford County Animal Services Board

Reappoint Brenda Overman (2nd Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Reappoint Ann Cantrell (2nd Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Reappoint Andrea Gentry (2nd Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Guilford County Tourism & Development Authority

Reappoint Melvin “Skip” Alston (2nd Term expiring September 30, 2021)

Health & Human Services Advisory Board

Reappoint Pamela S. Green (2nd Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC)

Reappoint Dillon Tyler (2nd Term expiring June 6, 2022)

Motion was made by Commissioner Hank Henning, and seconded by Vice Chairman Jeff Phillips to approve the request of various Appointments and Reappointments as listed.

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

B. 2019-273 EXCEPTION REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Approve the above-listed Exception Reappointments to various Boards and Commissions

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[LSalo 052819.pdf](#)

[SHawks 052819.pdf](#)

Keller read the listed exception reappointments to various boards and commissions.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC)

Reappoint Katie “Kay” Cashion to Commissioner Position (4th Term expiring June 6, 2021)
Reappoint Susan Hawks to Public Health Director Designee Position (4th Term expiring June 6, 2021)
Reappoint Lisa Salo to Mental Health Director Designee Position (4th Term expiring June 6, 2021)

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Perdue, and seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad to approve the above-listed Exception Reappointments to various Boards and Commissions.

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

IX. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Marty Lawing reminded the Board of the next Budget Work Session scheduled for June 10, 2019 at 2:00PM.

Commissioner Coleman questioned the potential to schedule additional work sessions.

Lawing stated the need to schedule additional work sessions would be dependent upon the number of items that could be reviewed during the upcoming meeting.

X. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Perdue congratulated Southern Guilford High School graduate Evan Edwards on his recent recruitment to the Florida Marlins and extended congratulations to all 2019 graduates. He announced this was National Fishing & Boating Week and extended condolences to Commissioner Cashion and her family on the recent loss of her brother.

Commissioner Conrad echoed condolences to the Cashion family and wished all father's a Happy Father's Day.

Commissioner Foster extended condolences to Commissioner Cashion and her family and congratulated all Guilford County graduates. She shared she would participate in graduation ceremonies for the three (3) high schools located in High Point and extended Happy Father's Day wishes to all fathers.

Commissioner Henning extended condolences to Commissioner Cashion and her family. Commissioner Alston echoed condolences to the Cashion family and presented reports from the Greensboro Police Department detailing violent crime statistics for January 2018 through May 31, 2019. He noted of the 35 homicides in 2018, 32 of the victims were African-American and in 2019, 13 of the 17 homicide victims were African-American. Commissioner Alston reviewed statistics related to injured victims of aggravated assaults with firearms.

Commissioner Coleman extended her condolences to the Cashion family. She recognized the 75th Anniversary of the invasion of Normandy and commended the surviving veterans who served during this time. Commissioner Coleman thanked Commissioner Alston for his report and spoke to the importance of quality education in reducing the rate of violent crime. She spoke in support of funding the Cure Violence program and urged the Board to consider this project for the community.

Vice Chairman Phillips echoed condolences to Commissioner Cashion and her family. He shared his attendance at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Tree House Trauma Recovery Program sponsored by the Kellin Foundation and spoke to work being conducted by this organization on behalf of children and families affected by trauma.

Chairman Branson extended his thoughts and prayers to Commissioner Cashion and her family and shared his attendance at the VIP program at Southeast Guilford High School, where local first responder volunteers reenact a severe traffic accident for young drivers. He reminded all that driving is a privilege and wished all children a safe and happy summer.

Commissioner Foster spoke to the changing demographic of offenders committing crimes within our community. She shared that the violent crime statistics reported for Greensboro are mirrored in High Point and noted during the prior week, High Point experienced 19 shootings in a single night. Commissioner Foster spoke to the need to address the changing dynamic of crime and stated that the older methods of crime prevention must be updated.

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 Commissioner Alan Perdue, and seconded by Commissioner Justin Conrad, to 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, Jeff Phillips, Alan Perdue, Justin Conrad, J. Carlvena Foster, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning
NOES: None
ABSENT: Kay Cashion

The meeting went into recess at 7:19PM.

The Board reconvened from closed session to 8:42PM.

PRESENT: Chairman Alan Branson, presiding; Commissioners Alan Perdue, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston and Hank Henning.

ABSENT: Vice Chairman Jeff Phillips; Commissioners Kay Cashion, J. Carlvena Foster and Carolyn Q. Coleman

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Marty Lawing; County Attorney Mark Payne; Deputy County Manager Clarence Grier; Robin Keller, Clerk to Board; Ariane Webb, Deputy Clerk to Board; Jeff Fowler, Security Director; members of the community and media.

XII. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Commissioner Justin Conrad, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Perdue, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: Motion carried 6 - 0
AYES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Hank Henning
NOES: None
ABSENT: Kay Cashion, Jeff Phillips, J. Carlvena Foster, Carolyn Q. Coleman

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:42PM.

Chairman

Clerk