

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

Greensboro, North Carolina
July 16, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on July 16, 2020 at 5:30PM, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro; North Carolina.

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

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Marty Lawing; County Attorney Mark Payne; Deputy County Manager Clarence Grier; Clerk to Board Robin Keller; Ariane Webb, Deputy Clerk to Board; Jessica Wolf, Deputy Clerk to Board; Worley Smith, Communications Manager; Dan Durham, Facilities/Property Management/Parks Director; Dr. Iulia Vann, DHHS-Public Health Division Director; Cynthia Barnes-Phipps, MWBE Program Director; members of staff and media. All staff and media participated via virtual communication. Virtual participation was made available to the public.

I. INVOCATION

Vice Chairman Alan Perdue offered the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Jeff Phillips led those present in the Pledge Allegiance.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Phillips welcomed those present and called the meeting to order at 5:36PM. He introduced the addendum to the agenda for Board consideration.

There being no objections, the Board approved the addendum to the agenda by general consensus.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no Speakers from the Floor.

V. PRESENTATIONS

- A. 2020-308 RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF CENTENARIAN ERLINE DENNIS

Adopt resolution honoring the life and accomplishments of centenarian Erline Dennis.

Legislation Text

Commissioner J. Carlvena Foster conveyed her honor in recognizing the accomplishments of Ms. Erline Dennis and read the resolution into the minutes.

- B. 2020-314 RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DR. KATIE DORSETT

Adopt a resolution honoring the life and memory of Dr. Katie Dorsett.

Legislation Text

Commissioner Melvin “Skip” Alston expressed his honor in presenting a resolution remembering the life of Dr. Katie Dorsett who was a dear friend and community leader. He read the resolution into the minutes.

Chairman Phillips thanked Commissioner Alston for the resolution and spoke to Dr. Dorsett’s remarkable accomplishments.

Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman shared her experiences working with Dr. Dorsett in the state branch of the NAACP, and spoke to her efforts to increase African-American businesses and establishing the state’s first Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) office.

Commissioner Alston shared his first meeting with Dr. Dorsett in 1981 when she unsuccessfully ran for an at-large position on the Greensboro City Council, which led to the push for a district system of representation on the council. He spoke to his personal experience running for office in the local branch of the NAACP, and shared the encouragement she provided him during his tenure within the organization.

Commissioner Kay Cashion discussed her relationship with Dr. Dorsett and spoke to her effectiveness in the role of NC Secretary of Administration.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Phillips questioned if the Board wished any items pulled from the consent agenda. Commissioner Foster requested item C. 10. pulled from the consent agenda for further consideration.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman Alan Perdue, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Branson to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0
AYES: Jeff Phillips, Alan Perdue, Alan Branson, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Kay Cashion
NOES: None

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. 2020-296 DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION: DUKE ENDOWMENT (SCHOOL-BASED ORAL HEALTH PROGRAM) - \$125,000

Approve an increase of \$125,000 in Other Revenues and increase the FY 2020-2021 Health & Human Services - Public Health Division budget by the same amount to reflect funds awarded from Duke Endowment to support a School-Based Oral Health program. Funds will be used for dental materials and supplies, equipment, and hourly positions for the program.

Legislation Text

2. 2020-297 DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION: WIC CLIENT SERVICES FY 2020-21 BUDGET - \$63,495

Approve an increase of \$63,495 in Federal/State Revenues and increase the FY 2020-21 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/Nutrition Services Branch for the WIC Client Services Program. Fund will be used for renovations to the High Point WIC site and telehealth equipment.

Legislation Text

B. CONTRACTS

1. 2020-298 APPROVE, IN SUBSTANTIAL FORM, ADDENDUM TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CITY OF GREENSBORO AND GUILFORD COUNTY FOR ADMINISTERING HOME CONSORTIUM FUNDING FOR GUILFORD COUNTY'S DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Approve, in substantial form, Addendum to extend the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Greensboro and Guilford County for continued administration of the HOME Consortium grant funding for Guilford County's home-buyer down payment assistance program effective beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022.

[Legislation Text](#)

[2020 MOU-CountyDPAProgram 7-2-20](#)

2. 2020-303 APPROVE RECEIPT OF NC DIV. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY GRANT AND FUNDING CONTRACT #8179 & ASSOCIATED MATCHING FUNDS FOR FY 2020-21 TO PROMOTE AWAY-FROM-HOME RECYCLING AT COUNTY PARKS

Approve receipt of NC Div. of Environmental Quality Grant and associated Funding Contract #8179 for FY 2020-21 to promote Away-From-Home Recycling at County Parks; and approve an increase of \$10,000 in Federal/State Revenues and increase the FY 2020-21 Solid Waste budget by same amount to reflect the grant funds with associated matching funds to come from previously budgeted funds.

[Legislation Text](#)

[2020 Community Waste Reduction & Recyc Grant Program](#)

3. 2020-305 INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF BURLINGTON AND GUILFORD COUNTY FOR INTERIM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Approve inter-local agreement, in substantial form, for the purpose of Guilford County to provide interim Emergency Management Services and Emergency Management Process Reviews for the City of Burlington; and approve an increase of \$24,800 in User Charges and increase the FY 2020-21 Emergency Services budget by the same amount to reflect the revenue included in the contract.

[Legislation Text](#)

[MOA V2 - July 2020\[7937\]](#)

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2020-299 DHHS-DSS MANDATED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Receive monthly data regarding the thirteen mandated performance measures as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding between Guilford DHHS-Social Services and NC DHHS.

[Legislation Text](#)

[MANDATED PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS MOU May2020 Results](#)

[MANDATED PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS MOU June 2020 Results.docx](#)

2. 2020-302 DHHS-DSS ENERGY PROGRAMS OUTREACH PLAN

Approve and sign the Guilford County Department of Social Services Energy Programs Outreach Plan.

[Legislation Text](#)

[DSS-Energy Programs Outreach Plan](#)

3. 2020-300 TAX COLLECTION AND BEVERAGE LICENSE REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

Accept and approve the tax collection report and beverage licenses issued for month ending June 30, 2020.

[Legislation Text](#)

[401C All Guilford 6-30-2020](#)

[Bev 6-30-2020 Detail](#)

4. 2020-301 PROPERTY TAX REBATES AND RELEASES FOR MONTH ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

Accept and approve property tax rebates and releases for the month ending June 30, 2020.

[Legislation Text](#)

[June 2020 NCVTS Pending Refund Report](#)

[June 2020 Rebate and Releases](#)

5. 2020-306 FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 TAX COLLECTOR'S ANNUAL SETTLEMENT REPORT

Accept and approve the fiscal year 2019-2020 Tax Collector's Annual Settlement Report.

[Legislation Text](#)

[FY 2019-2020 Tax Collector's Settlement and Addendum](#)

[Collector's Annual Settlement - Resolution Establishing Insolvent List 2019-2020](#)

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 105-373(a)(2), has authorized the County Commissioners of the respective counties within the State to establish an insolvent list

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Board of Commissioners to approve all tax records meeting the criteria as insolvent, and

WHEREAS, all records in the attached list are deemed insolvent,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Guilford County Board of Commissioners do hereby adopt the tax records listed as Insolvent.

[Annual Settlement - Unpaid REI 2019-2020 - TR-452 Delinquent Bills Report](#)

[Annual Settlement - Unpaid IPP 2019-2020 - TR-452 Delinquent Bills Report](#)

[Annual Settlement - Unpaid BUS PP 2019-2020 - TR-452 Delinquent Bills Report](#)

[Annual Settlement - Unpaid Public PP 2019-2020 - TR-452 Delinquent Bills Report](#)

6. 2020-311 ORDER THE COLLECTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 TAXES

Adopt an order directing the Guilford County Tax Director to collect fiscal year 2020-21 taxes, as charged in the tax records and receipts.

[Legislation Text](#)

7. 2020-310 REALIGNMENT OF FY 2020-21 GUILFORD COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL (JCPC) FUNDING

Approve the attached revision to the Guilford County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) FY 2020-21 funding budget reflecting an overall decrease of \$93,270 for the referenced programs.

[Legislation Text](#)

[FP.2020-2021.Guilford County.REVISED.07.02.2020.pdf](#)

[FY 2020-2021 BOC Approved 05.07.20 full funding.pdf](#)

8. 2020-295 BUDGET AMENDMENT REPORT FOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS PROCESSED UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE COUNTY MANAGER IN THE FY 2019-20 BUDGET ORDINANCE

Receive Budget Amendment report for budget amendments processed under the authority granted to the County Manager in the FY 2019-20 Budget Ordinance.

[Legislation Text](#)

[Budget Amends Report 2020-07-16](#)

9. 2020-312 GREENSBORO MEN'S CLUB - YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Approve allocation of \$15,000 to the Greensboro Men's Club for the purposes of youth scholarships.

[Legislation Text](#)

Removed for Further Consideration

10. 2020-313 HIGH POINT YMCA - YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAM

Approve allocation of \$15,000 to the High Point YMCA for the purposes of a Youth Summer Program.

[Legislation Text](#)

[YMCA HP Proposal](#)

11. 2020-309 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the following sets of minutes:

06/01/2020 Work Session

06/04/2020 Regular Meeting

06/09/2020 Work Session

06/16/2020 Work Session

06/18/2020 Recessed Regular Meeting

06/19/2020 Reconvened Regular Meeting

[Legislation Text](#)

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[dmws06.09.20](#)

[dmws06.16.20](#)

[dm06.18.20.pdf](#)

[dm06.19.20 Reconvened Mtg.](#)

ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

10. 2020-313 HIGH POINT YMCA - YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAM

Approve allocation of \$15,000 to the High Point YMCA for the purposes of a Youth Summer Program.

[Legislation Text](#)

[YMCA HP Proposal](#)

Commissioner Foster shared she would abstain from voting on this item due to her relationship with the High Point YMCA.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Branson, and seconded by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, to approve allocation of \$15,000 to the High Point YMCA for the purposes of a Youth Summer Program.

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

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. 2020-304 PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING TAX-EXEMPT BONDS TO BE ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

Hold a public hearing to consider the proposed issuance of not to exceed \$75,000,000 of the bonds to be issued by the Public Finance Authority and projects financed, in accordance with Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for the Masonic and Eastern Star Retirement Home.

[Legislation Text](#)

[13179300 2 TEFRA Resolution \(Guilford\) WhiteStone 2020 Bonds.docx](#)

[13178893 2 TEFRA Notice \(Guilford\) Whitestone 2020 Bonds.docx](#)

Chairman Phillips reviewed the virtual public hearing requirements under Session Law 2020-3 and announced the Board would recess this meeting and reconvene on Friday, July 17 at 5:30PM for a final vote upon tonight's public hearing items. He provided virtual participation credentials for the meeting.

Alice Adams, Attorney with Robinson Bradshaw, introduced the item. She shared that in order for non-profit entities to take advantage of tax-exempt bonds, the organization must request the governing body hold a public hearing and then approve the issuance of these bonds. Ms. Adams discussed the planned expansion and renovation to the Whitestone campus located in Greensboro, which will be funded by these bonds. She emphasized the bond issuance would not constitute a debt to the County and the hearing is an administrative procedure outlined in the federal tax code.

Chairman Phillips opened the floor for the public hearing and confirmed with Clerk to Board Robin Keller that no citizens were present in-person or virtually to speak during the public hearing, nor were any written comments received regarding the hearing. There being no in-person, or virtual proponents or opponents for the item, Chairman Phillips closed the public hearing.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2020-290 HIGH POINT MENTAL HEALTH HVAC RENOVATIONS PROJECT

Approve the contract, in substantial form, with Bar Construction Company in the amount of \$703,000 for the High Point Mental Health HVAC Renovations project.

Legislation Text

Contract Draft CM 2245 - Bar Construction 6-17-20

Event 681 - Certified Bid Tab Summary 050719

MWBE Memo 2020-0511 c3

Dan Durham, Facilities/Property Management/Parks Director introduced the item and shared the project would address renovating the High Point Mental Health HVAC system. He discussed the bid event and noted Bar Construction Company was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

Motion made by Commissioner Alan Branson, and seconded by Vice Chairman Alan Perdue, to approve the contract, in substantial form, with Bar Construction Company in the amount of \$703,000 for the High Point Mental Health HVAC Renovations project.

Commissioner Alston requested Cynthia Barnes-Phipps, MWBE Program Director, review the company's good faith efforts to include MWBE participation on the project.

Barnes-Phipps spoke to the limited scope of the project and discussed her comparison between the types of projects included on the contract and the number of minority businesses skilled in mechanical systems. She opined that the limited MWBE response was attributed to the minimal general contracting and architectural opportunities associated with the project. Barnes-Phipps discussed the company's efforts to solicit MWBE businesses and the bids received from these subcontractors.

Commissioner Alston questioned the bid amounts received from these sub-contractors.

Barnes-Phipps reviewed the subcontractor bids, but shared she did not have the proposals available from the bidders.

Commissioner Alston expressed his frustration with the low amount of African-American participation on the project. He requested further examination of the proposals received from subcontractors by Bar Construction.

Commissioner Coleman shared her concerns with African-American participation on the project and spoke to potential use of the term “good faith” as an excuse for less than acceptable efforts when recruiting minority businesses.

Commissioner Foster recognized that, while equipment needs to be replaced for the safety of the public and employees, minority participation on these projects is equally important. She expressed her concern with the efforts to search for minority companies able to participate in these projects.

Barnes-Phipps spoke to the small pool of minority contractors skilled in mechanical and roofing trades, and noted smaller businesses have difficulty getting bonded or insured for these larger projects.

Commissioner Foster questioned how the minority contractor pool could be expanded.

Barnes-Phipps shared she is working to create a program that would assist smaller businesses with purchasing bonds in order to qualify for bid requirements.

Commissioner Foster reiterated that, based upon information from staff, we are currently unable to support minority contractors on mechanical and electrical projects.

Barnes-Phipps stated she is encouraging smaller companies to collaborate with each other and combined resources for bonding purposes. She shared no companies have taken the initiative to partner together when bidding on mechanical or electrical trade projects.

Commissioner Alston reviewed the bids received and noted one was received from an African-American general contractor (W.C. Construction) whose base bid was \$28,000 less than the winning contractor. He expressed his frustration that the minority contractor’s bid for the Alternate 1 option placed him out of running for the contract and questioned why this option was not included in the base bid.

Durham reviewed the Alternate 1 option and noted it includes costs associated with integrating the existing stand-alone control system for the building into the county’s central servers located in the BB&T Building. He noted those who opted to use another control manufacturer to accomplish the integration listed an added cost under Alternate 1, which added to the base bid.

Commissioner Alston reiterated his frustration with the bid process and reminded the Board of previous discussions regarding the award of contracts to vendors with no minority participation at the subcontractor level.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman to reject all bids and rebid the High Point Health HVAC Renovations Project.

Commissioner Alston questioned if there was room to extend the project a few months to rebid.

Durham stated the life expectancy of the HVAC units is fifteen (15) years and the equipment is currently 24 years old. He confirmed they are operating, but noted extending the project could result in additional service-related costs and potential issues with cooling and/or heating the building. Durham clarified Bar Construction included Alternate 1 in their base bid cost and W.C. Construction chose to separate the integration cost from the base bid.

Commissioner Alston reiterated there was no urgent need to approve the contract at this time, as the equipment is still operating, and emphasized the need to send a message to all contractors regarding the importance of improving minority business participation on all projects.

Commissioner Hank Henning questioned if re-bidding the project will change the scope. He questioned if all bidders were aware that Alerton was the preferred controls system company for the Alternate 1 option.

Durham confirmed all bidders were aware Alerton is the preferred control system vendor for the county, and stated bidders could have attempted to use another company for this option to achieve cost-savings.

Commissioner Alston stated opening up this portion of the project could make the bidding process more competitive.

County Attorney Mark Payne stated if all bids are rejected, then those who originally bid will have knowledge of prior bid specs. He shared the potential for higher bid amounts during the second round.

Chairman Phillips questioned the status of the disparity study.

Barnes-Phipps confirmed staff are in the process of drafting an RFP that will be shared with the Board for feedback. She noted the goal is to post the RFP within the next week with a pre-bid conference held by the end of the month.

Chairman Phillips questioned the timeline for completion.

Barnes-Phipps estimated the study could take 14-16 months, and discussed a statewide disparity study being conducted that has taken approximately 18 months. She spoke to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic upon its timeline.

Chairman Phillips spoke to the importance of the data provided by the disparity study that will answer certain questions regarding the availability of minority vendors in certain trades.

Commissioner Alston reiterated the High Point Mental Health HVAC project received three (3) bids from African-American subcontractors, who were denied. He expressed concern with not receiving information from the general contractor regarding the actual bids received.

Chairman Phillips questioned if the bid process conducted during this project is different from past bid processes and staff recommendations.

Durham and Barnes-Phipps confirmed the process was not different.

Commissioner Cashion questioned the possibility of receiving the bid figures.

Barnes-Phipps noted the county can request any additional information from the general contractor.

Commissioner Cashion expressed her support for tabling the vote until the detailed bid information is provided. She questioned if Bar Construction has a history of working with minority contractors.

Durham stated he is unaware of the company's history and noted there is no provision that requires them to provide subcontractor bid proposals to the county.

Commissioner Coleman opined on the history of contracts previously awarded to Bar Construction. She recommended communicating the importance of working with minority businesses to general contractors hired by the county.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Justin Conrad, and seconded by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, to table consideration of the High Point Health HVAC Renovations Project agenda item until the August 6, 2020 regular meeting.

Commissioner Conrad stated the Board did not have sufficient information to make a decision to reject all bids. He encouraged Barnes-Phipps to work with the contractor to review all bids prior to the next meeting, and determine if Bar Construction made a reasonable effort to award minority businesses.

Commissioner Alston expressed his support for the motion on the floor and noted it is the Board's right and responsibility to obtain information regarding the bids received for the project.

Barnes-Phipps shared that, since she has been employed with the county, this information has been requested as it is considered documentation of the company's good faith efforts. She noted that contractors typically only provide quotes from subcontractors related to the disciplines included in the project scope, and now must provide documentation confirming good faith efforts to recruit MWBE participation.

Payne stated there is a lawful way to obtain this information, but it may not be public information, and this can be provided prior to the next meeting.

Commissioner Alan Branson questioned the deadlines associated with the bid and expressed his concerns related to the legality of breaking down MWBE participation by ethnic groups. He

noted the goal of MWBE policy is to ensure all bidders have adequate opportunity to participate in the bidding process.

Durham stated the ninety (90) day bid offered by Bar Construction would expire in August and the Board's first meeting in August would be conducted prior to the bid expiration date.

Payne stated reporting MWBE participation by ethnic group is legal and noted the current discussion addresses the general contractor's good faith efforts to recruit MWBE participation. He confirmed that a bid cannot be rejected if the Board is only dissatisfied with the amount of MWBE participation on a contract.

Commissioner Coleman expressed her concern with the lack of equity related to the bidding process.

Commissioner Alston clarified his substitute motion language included rejection of all bids and requested confirmation that this was a legal action the Board could take at this time.

Payne confirmed the substitute motion is legal and no reasoning is required.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Justin Conrad, and seconded by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, to table consideration of the High Point Health HVAC Renovations Project agenda item until the August 6, 2020 regular meeting.

VOTE:	Motion carried 9 - 0
AYES:	Jeff Phillips, Alan Perdue, Alan Branson, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Kay Cashion
NOES:	None

B. 2020-294 BUILDING ENVELOPE REPAIRS - HIGH POINT COURTHOUSE AND RUSSELL STREET (LANGFORD) BUILDING

Approve the contract, in substantial form, with Frank L. Blum Construction in the amount of \$907,059.

[Legislation Text](#)

[FBlum Affidavit C 1](#)

[MWBE Memo_2020-0619](#)

[Certified Bid Tabulation](#)

[DRAFT - CM 2255 - Blum Construction Company](#)

Durham introduced the item, and spoke to the chronic leakage and construction needs for the High Point Courthouse and Russell St. building.

Motion made by Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman, and seconded by Commissioner Kay Cashion, to approve the contract, in substantial form, with Frank L. Blum Construction in the amount of \$907,059.

Commissioner Alston questioned the definition of the MWBE category “socially and economically disadvantaged”.

Barnes-Phipps stated the roofing company represented by this category is owned by a White, disabled veteran and noted this is a category recognized by the state Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) office.

Commissioner Alston expressed concern that this category was included in the MWBE designation and noted there is no African-American or Hispanic business participation on the project. He questioned the good faith efforts of the contractor for this project.

Barnes-Phipps discussed the efforts made by the general contractor, and noted that while they did not receive any minority bidders, their work still qualified as a good faith effort under the statute.

Commissioner Alston questioned the number of African-American contractors contacted by the company.

Barnes-Phipps shared she would provide this information to the Board.

Commissioner Alston questioned the number of bids received from African-American companies.

Barnes-Phipps stated no bids were received from African-American companies. She discussed the number of companies contacted, the communication logs and proposals received by trade.

Commissioner Alston questioned if the item should be tabled until the next meeting in order to receive additional information regarding bids and attempts to contact minority businesses.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Melvin “Skip” Alston, and seconded by Commissioner J. Carlvena Foster, to table consideration of the Building Envelope Repairs – High Point Courthouse and Russell Street (Langford) Building agenda item until the August 6, 2020 regular meeting.

Commissioner Coleman clarified that the 12.83% MWBE participation does not include minority participation and questioned if the county had adopted the state’s definition of MWBE.

Barnes-Phipps shared that this category is included in the state HUB office's MWBE designation.

Payne confirmed the disabled veteran designation is one of six MWBE categories recognized by the state's HUB office. He noted when the Board originally adopted the county's MWBE target goals, we adopted the state's definition, which was previously defined by their MWBE office. Payne shared that since that time, the state has updated their definitions to include those outlined by the HUB office, and the Board has not excluded any of these categories.

Commissioner Coleman expressed concern that there are many disabled veterans that could be included in this category, which could potentially lead to the exclusion of other minorities on certain contracts.

Commissioner Branson expressed concern with specifying which HUB category has greater value during the bid process, and questioned the total amount of purchase and total amount spent towards repairs on the Russell Street Building.

Durham stated a total of \$463,000 has been spent on building repairs since 2017, and noted he was unable to find records prior to this date.

Commissioner Branson reiterated his concern with the amount spent on repairs and discussed prior upfits made to the building. He requested a total amount spent on the building since 2008.

Commissioner Henning shared his concerns with minimizing the importance of including disabled veterans as a protected class within county MWBE policies.

Commissioner Henning offered a friendly amendment to the motion on the floor to include wounded veterans as a MWBE category within county policy.

Commissioner Alston recommended including this topic in policy discussion at a later date, as the amendment does not pertain to the substitute motion on the floor. He did not accept the friendly amendment to the substitute motion.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Commissioner J. Carlvena Foster, to table consideration of the Building Envelope Repairs – High Point Courthouse and Russell Street (Langford) Building agenda item until the August 6, 2020 regular meeting.

VOTE: Motion carried 5 - 4

AYES: Carolyn Q. Coleman, J. Carlvena Foster, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Kay Cashion

NOES: Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, Hank Henning, Jeff Phillips

C. 2020-319 SELECT VOTING DELEGATE TO REPRESENT GUILFORD COUNTY
AT THE 2020 NCACC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Select a voting delegate to represent Guilford County at the 2020 NCACC Annual Conference.

[Legislation Text](#)

Motion was made by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, and seconded by Chairman Jeff Phillips to select Commissioner Kay Cashion as a voting delegate to represent Guilford County at the 2020 NCACC Annual Conference.

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

X. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

A. 2020-284 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS
AND COMMISSIONS

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

Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Reappoint Patricia Hall Stephens to 7th term (July 19, 2020 - July 18, 2023)

Reappoint Sarah Henning to 4th term (July 19, 2020 - July 18, 2023)

Guilford County Board of Equalization & Review

Reappoint William E. Price to 2nd term (July 16, 2020 - July 15, 2023)

Guilford County Health & Human Services Advisory Board

Appoint Elizabeth Jones to 1st term as District 3 Designee (July 16, 2020 - July 15, 2022)

Guilford County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

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Appoint Patty Von Steen to 1st term in Citizen's position (July 16, 2020 - July 15, 2022)

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Piedmont Triad Regional Council - Regional Development Corporation

Appoint Commissioner Alan Branson to 1st term as BOCC Liaison (July 16, 2020 - July 15, 2023)

Legislation Text

[PHall Stephens Term Exemp Reapp 061120.pdf](#)

[SHenning Term Exempt Reapp 061120.pdf](#)

[WPrice Reapp 060320.pdf](#)

[EJones App 06.04.20.pdf](#)

[EJones Resume 06.04.20.pdf](#)

[JMcCaffity App 021120.pdf](#)

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[MBroadnax App 081419.pdf](#)

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Clerk to Board Robin Keller read the recommended appointments and reappointments to Guilford County Boards and Commissions for Board consideration.

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AYES: Carolyn Q. Coleman, Alan Branson, Alan Perdue, J. Carlvena Foster, Hank Henning, Justin Conrad, Kay Cashion, Jeff Phillips

NOES: None

ABSENT: Melvin "Skip" Alston

XI. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Marty Lawing offered an update regarding the RFP process for the disparity study, and noted the timeline will be dependent upon the scope of work. He shared Guilford County Schools is not interested in partnering with the county on the disparity study at this time.

Commissioner Coleman recommended contacting UNC-Greensboro about a potential partnership, as they previously asked the county about partnering on a study a few years ago.

Barnes-Phipps noted UNC-Greensboro is participating in the statewide disparity study being conducted by the NC Department of Administration.

XII. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Coleman discussed her work with several churches on their food insecurity programs.

Commissioner Cashion thanked the Board for selecting her as a NCACC voting delegate. She shared her participation in a recent NACo virtual board meeting and reviewed topics discussed.

Commissioner Conrad thanked the Clerk to Board's staff for the preparation involved in tonight's virtual meeting.

Commissioner Branson wished Commissioner Coleman a belated birthday and echoed Commissioner Conrad's comments of appreciation for staff efforts related to the virtual meeting.

Chairman Phillips expressed his appreciation for staff's efforts in coordinating the meeting and provided an update regarding the CARES Small Business Grant program. He noted over \$7 million has been awarded to 1,141 applicants and thanked staff for their efforts to assist small businesses with this funding during the pandemic. Phillips thanked the Board for their support of this initiative.

Chairman Phillips reminded the public that the Board will recess tonight's meeting and reconvene on Friday, July 17, 2020 at 5:30PM, and provided the information to participate in the virtual meeting.

XIII. HOLD CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (3), (4) and (6) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTING WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY; CONSIDERING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE; AND DISCUSSION OF A PERSONNEL MATTER.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Branson, and seconded by Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, to hold a closed session pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (3) and (6) for the purpose of consulting with the county attorney and discussion of a personnel matter.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Jeff Phillips, Alan Perdue, Alan Branson, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Hank Henning, J. Carlvena Foster, Justin Conrad, Melvin "Skip" Alston, Kay Cashion

NOES: None

The Board recessed the meeting 7:45PM.

The Board returned from closed session and reconvened the meeting at 9:48PM.

XIV. RECESS UNTIL JULY 17, 2020 AT 5:30PM

Motion was made by Commissioner Melvin “Skip” Alston, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Branson, to recess the regular meeting until Friday, July 17, 2020 at 5:30PM.

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

By unanimous consent of the Board the meeting was recessed at 9:50PM.

Jeffrey M. Phillips, Chairman

Robin Keller, Clerk