

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

Greensboro, North Carolina
September 2, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on September 2, 2021 at 5:30PM, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro, North Carolina.

PRESENT: Chairman Melvin "Skip" Alston, presiding; Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster; Commissioners Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman and Alan Perdue. Commissioners James Upchurch and Justin Conrad participated via virtual communication.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Michael Halford; County Attorney Mark Payne; Assistant County Manager Jason Jones; Clerk to Board Robin Keller; Ariane Webb, Deputy Clerk to Board; Jessica Wolf, Deputy Clerk to Board; Worley Smith, Communications Manager; Ben Chavis, Tax Director; Alex Smith, Budget Management & Evaluation Director; J. Leslie Bell, Planning & Development Director; Jim Albright, Emergency Services Director; Captain Aldous Heron, Sheriff's Department, Dr. Iulia Vann, DHHS-Public Health Division Director; Heather Skeens, DHHS Director; Don Campbell, Emergency Management Division Director; Captain Doug Burroughs, Security Director; members of the public and media.

Chairman Melvin "Skip" Alston welcomed those present and introduced US Navy veteran Edward Chavez, who would lead the Pledge of Allegiance. He offered Commissioner Carly Cooke a moment of personal privilege.

Commissioner Cooke spoke on behalf of the Board regarding the tragic events that occurred at Mt. Tabor High School in Forsyth County on yesterday and offered condolences to the family of the victim, students and community. She led the Board in a moment of silence.

I. INVOCATION

Board Chaplin Ben Chavis offered the invocation.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Chavez led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alston welcomed those present and called the meeting to order at 5:29PM.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no speakers from the floor.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. 2021-351 RESOLUTION IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 TERRORIST ATTACKS ON THE UNITED STATES

Receive a resolution in remembrance of the 20th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States.

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Commissioner Alan Perdue expressed that it was his honor to present the resolution as a former first responder. He invited representatives from local first responder organizations to come forward as he read the resolution into the minutes.

Chairman Alston led those present in a moment of silent remembrance and the Board thanked representatives from the Pleasant Garden Fire Department, City of Greensboro Fire Department, City of High Point Fire Department, Guilford County Emergency Services and the Guilford County Sheriff's Office for their service.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Alston noted that Commissioner Justin Conrad and Commissioner James Upchurch were participating in the meeting virtually. He questioned if any Commissioners wished to pull an item from the consent agenda for further consideration.

Commissioner Kay Cashion requested item A.2 pulled from the consent agenda for further consideration.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Perdue, and seconded by Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster, to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue
NOES: None

A. CONTRACTS

1. 2021-346 INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF BURLINGTON AND GUILFORD COUNTY FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Approve an inter-local agreement, in substantial form, for the purpose of Guilford County to provide Emergency Management Services for the City of Burlington.

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Removed from Consent Agenda

2. 2021-348 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND CITY OF HIGH POINT FOR A COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Approve Amendment 1 of the interlocal agreement, in substantial form, with the City of Greensboro and the City of High Point to share in the use and maintenance costs of a Community Notification System.

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3. 2021-331 MICROSOFT ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT - RENEWAL

Approve renewal of the Microsoft Enterprise Agreement from SHI, in substantial form, (pricing, terms and conditions based on NC State contract 208C), in an annual amount of \$1,048,490.67 per year for three (3) years effective October 1, 2021 for a total cost of \$3,145,472.01. Amount is budgeted in the FY 2021-22 Information Services budget.

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[PRODUCT SELECTION FORM.pdf](#)

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4. 2021-347 INFOR / LAWSON SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

Approve, in substantial form, renewal of a Software as a Service (SaaS) subscription agreement with Infor in the amount of \$496,124.99, effective September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.

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[Infor - SaaS Subscription - Invoice.pdf](#)

[Attachment A - Subscription Renewal Addendum.pdf](#)

[Infor - SaaS Renewal - 2021-2022.pdf](#)

B. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2021-343 DHHS-DSS MANDATED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Receive monthly data regarding the thirteen (13) mandated performance measures as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding between Guilford DHHS-Social Services and NC DHHS.

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2. 2021-344 APPROVE ONE (1) ENHANCED VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (EVAD) APPLICATION AND ONE (1) VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (VAD) APPLICATION

Approve one (1) EVAD (2021-05) and one (1) VAD (2021-06) application.

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[2021-05 EVAD](#)

[2021-06 VAD](#)

[Updated VAD Brochure](#)

3. 2021-350 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the following sets of meeting minutes:

08/05/2021 Work Session

08/05/2021 Regular Meeting

08/10/2021 Board of Health Emergency Meeting

08/19/2021 Work Session

08/19/2021 Regular Meeting

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ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION

2. 2021-348 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF GREENSBORO
AND CITY OF HIGH POINT FOR A COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Approve Amendment 1 of the interlocal agreement, in substantial form, with the City of Greensboro and the City of High Point to share in the use and maintenance costs of a Community Notification System.

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Commissioner Cashion shared the NCACC has emphasized the theme of “100 Counties Prepared” for any emergency incidents and questioned if the local municipalities and townships will have access to the community notification system.

Don Campbell, Emergency Management Division Director, noted that while the cities of Greensboro and High Point will assist with funding, towns and cities not located within Greensboro and High Point are included in the notification system.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kay Cashion, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Perdue, to approve Amendment 1 of the interlocal agreement, in substantial form, with the City of Greensboro and the City of High Point to share in the use and maintenance costs of a Community Notification System.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue
NOES: None

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. 2021-345 PUBLIC HEARING ON 5310 - ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND 5311 - COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE, 5307 - URBAN AREA APPLICATIONS FOR FY2023

Conduct required public hearing to assess the value and need for a community transportation system, and upon conclusion, approve submission of the 5307, 5310 and 5311 program grant applications and adopt the accompanying resolutions.

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[Copy of FY 2023 Delegation of Authority.pdf](#)

[FY 2023 Anticipated DBE](#)

[FY 2023 DBE Certification Form](#)

[FY 2023 LocalShareCertification](#)

[FY 2023 Program Resolution](#)

[FY 2023 Public HearingRecord](#)

[FY2023 TitleVI](#)

[FY 2023 5310 Guilford Application](#)

[FY 2023 5311 Budget Form](#)

[FY 2023 5310 Budget form](#)

[FY2023 5311 Admin-Operating Program Overview](#)

[FY 2023 5310 Program Overview - Operating](#)

[FY 2023-2027 5311 DESIGNEE CERTIFICATION FORM](#)

Heather Skeens, DHHS Director, introduced the item and discussed the requirement to conduct a public hearing in order to receive funding. She noted the funds assist with certain expenses related to the Guilford County Transportation program, such as salaries and vehicle maintenance expenses.

Chairman Alston opened the floor for proponents. There being no proponents, he opened the floor for opponents to the item. There being no opponents, Chairman Alston closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman questioned the MWBE participation process for the transportation services.

Skeens discussed the process and noted that they plan to work with the MWBE Program Manager to ensure equity with all vendors this year.

Commissioner Coleman questioned if they purchased any vehicles from minority vendors.

Skeens shared that all vehicles are purchased through the state contract; however, they plan explore opportunities to work with local MWBE vendors for vehicle maintenance during the upcoming funding year.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman, and seconded by Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster, to conduct required public hearing to assess the value and need for a community transportation system, and upon conclusion, approve submission of the 5307, 5310 and 5311 program grant applications and adopt the accompanying resolutions.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue

NOES: None

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION

FY 2023 RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation will apply for a grant from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services consistent with the policy requirements of each funding source for planning, community and agency involvement, service design, service alternatives, training and conference participation, reporting and other requirements (drug and alcohol testing policy and program, disadvantaged business enterprise program, and fully allocated costs analysis); and

WHEREAS, the funds applied for may be Administrative, Operating, Planning, or Capital funds and will have different percentages of federal, state, and local funds.

WHEREAS, non-Community Transportation applicants may apply for funding for “purchase of-service” projects under the Capital Purchase of Service budget, Section 5310 program.

WHEREAS, (*Legal Name of Applicant*) Guilford County hereby assures and certifies that it will provide the required local matching funds; that its staff has the technical capacity to implement and manage the project(s), prepare required reports, obtain required training, attend meetings and conferences; and agrees to comply with the federal and state statutes, regulations, executive orders, Section 5333 (b) Warranty, and all administrative requirements related to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration, as well as the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U. S. C.

WHEREAS, the applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the State of North Carolina required for the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the County Manager of the Guilford County is hereby authorized to submit grant application (s) for federal and state funding in response to NCDOT's calls for projects, make the necessary assurances and certifications and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services.

5311 DESIGNEE CERTIFICATION FORM

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has been delegated authority to award federal financial assistance for transit projects as allocated throughout North Carolina by County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Guilford County Board of Commissioners

1. That County Manager Michael Halford is authorized to execute and file an application for federal assistance on behalf of Guilford County with the State of North Carolina for federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 5311 United States Code, other federal statutes or state statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration.
2. That County Manager Michael Halford is authorized to execute and file with its applications the annual certifications and assurances and other documents the State of North Carolina requires before awarding a federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.
3. That County Manager Michael Halford is authorized to execute grant and cooperative agreements with the State of North Carolina on behalf of Guilford County.

The undersigned duly qualified Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Melvin "Skip" Alston acting on behalf of the County Commission of Designating County, Guilford County Board of Commissioners certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Guilford County Board of Commissioners held on September 2, 2021.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2021-349 BROADBAND GAPS ANALYSIS, ACTION PLANNING, & FUNDING ALIGNMENT PROPOSAL

Approve proposal and authorize staff to proceed with the contract with Guidehouse to formulate a comprehensive understanding of the broadband access and adoption landscape across the county, what our residents need to access and adopt broadband, and what we can do as a county government organization to address access and adoption barriers and needs.

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Assistant County Manager Jason Jones introduced the agenda item and discussed the impact high speed internet has upon the community, including education, healthcare, workforce and economic development. He shared staff are seeking approval to contract with Guidehouse for this analysis and noted that, if approved, they have secured commitments from technology leadership at Guilford County Schools (GCS), cities of Greensboro and High Point to serve on the project stakeholder committee.

Commissioner Perdue thanked staff and questioned the scope of work. He questioned if the contract could be improved in substantial form in case changes are needed.

County Attorney Mark Payne confirmed but noted the changes cannot materially change the proposal.

Commissioner Perdue questioned if this contract would include all public safety facilities, including our contracted fire services, to ensure they can meet their data needs.

Jones confirmed and noted the intent would be to cover all of these facilities.

Commissioner Perdue questioned if the contract will ensure we capture the true need for broadband services in the community and will not rely internet service provider (ISP) reports to determine connectivity, speed and service.

Jones confirmed ISP data will only be used as a last resort option.

Commissioner Perdue questioned if the data related to permitting requirements will identify any obstacles in the process that would prevent new technologies that could benefit our system, and spoke to the importance of simplifying the process. He expressed his interest in identifying new technology, other than fiber, that could provide sufficient broadband service.

Jones noted the intent of the analysis is to explore and evaluate all broadband technology options.

Commissioner Coleman questioned if we are working with GCS, as they have also received funding to improve broadband services.

Jones confirmed they will partner with GCS Information Technology department on the project.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Perdue, to approve proposal, in substantial form, and authorize staff to proceed with the contract with Guidehouse to formulate a comprehensive understanding of the broadband access and adoption landscape across the county, what our residents need to access and adopt broadband, and what we can do as a county government organization to address access and adoption barriers and needs.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 - 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue

NOES: None

IX. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES UPDATE

Campbell offered a statistical update and noted Guilford County had 1,385 COVID-19 new positive cases during the prior week. He shared staff are observing the addition of 300 cases per day, in comparison to the beginning of June 2021, when they only observed ten to twenty cases per day. Campbell reported there have been 742 COVID-19 related deaths since the beginning of the pandemic, with eleven (11) new deaths reported this week and thirteen (13) new deaths pending verification.

Campbell shared the ten-day positivity average is 10.2%, but noted there has been an increase in vaccination rates. He provided data on the number of vaccine doses distributed in the past two (2) weeks, and noted that the option for a third booster dose is awaiting FDA approval.

Dr. Vann provided an updated on the state-sponsored gift card vaccine incentive program and noted they have not received any additional cards, as this program is ending. She shared they will continue to distribute the remaining inventory through September 13.

Dr. Vann offered an update on the two (2) additional mobile vaccination units, and confirmed they are expected to arrive in October. She spoke to issues in the supply chain for automotive and electronic components that have delayed completion of the units.

Dr. Vann discussed the enforcement of the Guilford County mask mandate and shared they have received approximately 100 notifications of violations, and they are being addressed by the enforcement team. She noted they have ordered educational materials, like posters, that can be utilized in local businesses and other local organizations.

Commissioner Coleman questioned the details of the vaccination cash card program.

Dr. Vann reviewed the details of the program.

Commissioner Carly Cooke questioned walk-in opportunities for vaccinations.

Dr. Vann stated Public Health community clinics offer walk-in opportunities, as well as local pharmacies and the Cone Health mobile unit. She noted vaccination clinics located within the Public Health department require an appointment due to limited spacing. Dr. Vann confirmed they will advertise upcoming community vaccination events.

Commissioner Cooke questioned testing resources available in the community.

Campbell spoke to the significant increase in the number of individuals seeking testing. He shared Cone Health offers testing opportunities twice a week at NC A&T State University and once a week at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, and StarMed Healthcare offers drive-through testing clinics. Campbell discussed testing opportunities at local pharmacies in the community and noted NCDHHS offers a self-collection kit.

Dr. Vann shared local primary care providers are now offering testing and staff are in discussion with a few vendors who may be able to assist with testing capacity.

Commissioner Perdue questioned the availability of antibody testing.

Dr. Vann discussed the antibody testing locations that can be identified through the NCDHHS website's "Find My Spot" page. She noted there has been minimal research and data regarding antibodies and their impact upon public health decisions.

Commissioner Coleman questioned opportunities for entities who wish to host testing sites.

Dr. Vann spoke to the importance of ensuring these entities are accredited and certified prior to partnering with them for testing. She confirmed there are opportunities to work with these groups and set up sites.

Commissioner Coleman questioned the status of Cone Health's former Women's Hospital, which was being utilized as a COVID testing site.

Campbell shared the location that formerly housed Cone Health's Women's Hospital has been sold to a different provider who will not utilize the site for COVID operations. He confirmed Cone Health will add a new testing site in the west Greensboro area.

Vice Chair Foster questioned if there has been an increase in the number of COVID-positive elementary students since the start of the school year.

Campbell confirmed and noted that, while the number of cases has increased, the level of spread has been minimized as staff are working directly with school systems to conduct case investigations and contact tracing. He stated results reported through at home rapid tests are not included in state reporting, but are being reported in the local public health system, resulting in differences in COVID-positive cases moving forward.

Vice Chair Foster questioned the enforcement efforts.

Dr. Vann shared their visits with certain entities as an initial notification/warning, and noted there have been no civil penalty processes started, but there have been certified letters sent to ensure documentation of compliance warnings. She spoke to the education efforts related to the mask mandate.

Commissioner Upchurch questioned if local hospitals, or the Public Health department, are offering the monoclonal antibody treatment.

Campbell stated Cone Health is expanding a new fixed facility on Pomona Drive that will focus specifically on this treatment, if appropriate. He noted Wake Forest Baptist-High Point Regional is offering similar programs in High Point.

Dr. Vann added Cone Health has the capacity to treat approximately forty (40) cases per day, and noted that the Public Health department does not have the capacity to offer these treatments, as they are conducted intravenously. She shared they will screen patients to determine if they are eligible for this treatment and direct them to a provider for assistance.

Commissioner Upchurch questioned if we are recommending these treatments to those who qualify.

Dr. Vann confirmed.

Commissioner Conrad questioned if the increase in the vaccination rate could be related to the recent FDA approval of the Pfizer vaccine.

Campbell stated there is not enough data to correlate these two factors, but will continue to conduct vaccination surveys to analyze the trend.

Commissioner Conrad recommended adding the FDA approval language in our vaccination messaging.

X. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

A. 2021-340 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Approve the following appointments and reappointments to various boards and commissions:

Fire District Commission - Gibsonville

Reappoint David Prevatt to 2nd term (November 8, 2021 - November 7, 2023)

Reappoint Matt Sowinski to 2nd term (November 8, 2021 - November 7, 2023)

Guilford County Board of Equalization & Review

Appoint Larry Ray Proctor to 1st term in Alternate position (September 2, 2021 - September 1, 2024)

Appoint Elizabeth A. Toto to 1st term in Alternate position (September 2, 2021 - September 1, 2024)

Guilford County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Reappoint LaQreshia A. Bates-Harley to 2nd term as Chief Court Counselor Designee (September 22, 2021 - September 21, 2023)

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Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Perdue, and seconded by Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman, to approve the following appointments and reappointments to various boards and commissions:

Fire District Commission - Gibsonville

Reappoint David Prevatt to 2nd term (November 8, 2021 - November 7, 2023)

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VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue

NOES: None

B. 2021-341 EXCEPTION REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Approve the following exception reappointments to various boards and commissions:

Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Reappoint Tinaimeh C. Ntuen to 9th term (September 2, 2021 - September 1, 2024)

Guilford County Agricultural Commission

Reappoint Harold Alexander to 4th term as NE Quadrant / District 5 Representative (November 2, 2021 - November 1, 2024)

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Motion was made by Commissioner Kay Cashion, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Perdue, to approve the following exception reappointments to various boards and commissions:

Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Reappoint Tinaimeh C. Ntuen to 9th term (September 2, 2021 - September 1, 2024)

Guilford County Agricultural Commission

Reappoint Harold Alexander to 4th term as NE Quadrant / District 5 Representative (November 2, 2021 - November 1, 2024)

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0

AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue

NOES: None

XI. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER / COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Manager Michael Halford discussed concerns with lifeguard staffing due to COVID-19 exposures and the start of school. He noted the reduced staffing levels have resulted in reduced pool hours and closures and shared staff's recommendation to close the Bur-Mil Park pool in order to shift staff to the pools at Hagan Stone and Northeast Park.

Commissioner Cooke questioned how staff determined which pool should be closed.

Halford noted this change is being made to ensure staffing remains available at the pools with the highest levels of usage.

XII. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Perdue requested we keep individuals, families and first responders impacted by Hurricane Ida in our thoughts and prayers.

Commissioner Coleman expressed her thankfulness that the hurricane's impact was decreasing and shared her remembrance of the thirteen (13) US military personnel who were recently killed at the end of the war in Afghanistan.

Vice Chair Foster expressed her appreciation for the County, and this Board's, support of High Point in its efforts to win additional grant funding and initiatives within the city. She encouraged prayers and thoughts for the families impacted by recent events at Mt. Tabor High School in Forsyth County.

XIII. HOLD CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (1), (3) AND (4) FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING A CONFIDENTIAL MATTER, TO CONSULT WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND TO CONSIDER AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Carly Cooke, to hold closed session pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 (a) (1), (3) AND (4) for the purposes of discussing a confidential matter, to consult with the County Attorney and to consider an economic development incentive.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, James Upchurch, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, Alan Perdue
NOES: None

The Board recessed the meeting and entered into closed session at 6:48PM.

The Board reconvened the meeting into open session at 8:31PM.

Motion was made by Vice Chair J. Carlvena Foster, and seconded by Commissioner Mary Beth Murphy, to approve the addition of eleven (11) new Security positions and four (4) additional Sheriff's positions using existing lapsed salaries for FY 2021-22; and authorize the County Manager to take any and all necessary actions to classify the positions appropriately in the pay plan, with any associated budget adjustments.

VOTE: Motion carried 6 – 0
AYES: Melvin "Skip" Alston, J. Carlvena Foster, Mary Beth Murphy, Carly Cooke, Kay Cashion, Alan Perdue
NOES: None
ABSENT: Carolyn Q. Coleman, Justin Conrad, James Upchurch

XIV. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:33PM.

Melvin “Skip” Alston, Chairman

Robin Keller, Clerk to Board