

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

127 W. Webster St
Whiteville, NC 28472



AGENDA

Monday, February 05, 2024
6:30 P.M. – Regular Session

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Chairman Ricky Bullard
2. **Invocation:** Commissioner Barbara Featherson
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Chris Smith
4. **Approval of Agenda, Tax Refunds, and Releases**
5. **Public Input**
6. **Board Minutes Approval:**
 - a. January 2nd Regular Session
 - b. January 8th, 2024 Special Called
 - c. January 12th, 2024 Special Called

Board Minutes Section
7. **Proclamation – Adoption of Teen Violence Awareness Month:** Lucy Byrd from Families First Inc. is requesting adoption of the Teen Violence Awareness Month proclamation for February 2024. **(Lucy Byrd will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 1-2
8. **Proclamation – Black History Month February 2024:** The Governing Body is requesting adoption of the proclamation for Black History Month February 2024.

Pages: 3-4
9. **Proclamation – Recognizing Ralph Spaulding for his Accomplishments:** The Governing body is requesting adoption of the proclamation of recognition for Ralph Spaulding.

Pages: 5-6

- 10. Emergency Services – Presentation from 911 regarding the “What 3 Words” Initiative:** A representative from 911 will present the new “What 3 Words” initiative that has been successful in locating missing persons. **(David Ransom will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Page: 7**
- 11. Administration – Employee Spotlight:** County Manager Eddie Madden will recognize Tyler Hodge from the Soil and Water Conservation District as the Employee Spotlight. **Pages: 8-9**
- 12. Administration – Acceptance of Donation of a Mobile Office Unit:** County Manager Eddie Madden is requesting acceptance of the donation of a mobile office unit for the QRV stationed in Bolton, NC. **(Eddie Madden will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Page: 10**
- 13. Soil and Water Conservation District – Approval of the Funding Offer and Capital Project Ordinance for the Farmland Preservation Contract:** Soil and Water Conservation District Director Morgan Hayes is requesting approval of the Funding Offer and the Capital Project Ordinance for the Farmland Preservation Contract. **(Morgan Hayes will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 11-14**
- 14. Transportation – Approval of the Amended 2023 Drug and Alcohol Policy:** Transportation Director Joy Jacobs is requesting approval of the amended 2023 Drug and Alcohol Policy. **(Joy Jacobs will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 15-43**
- 15. Transportation - Approval of the Amended Lease Agreement with First Transit:** Transportation Director Joy Jacobs is requesting approval of the amended lease agreement with First Transit updating the vehicle list. **(Joy Jacobs will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 44-47**
- 16. Attorney’s Office – Approval to Transfer Ownership of Fair Bluff School to the Town of Fair Bluff and Retain Use:** Attorney Amanda Prince is requesting approval to transfer ownership of Fair Bluff School to the Town of Fair Bluff and retain use as The Department of Aging Senior Center. **(Amanda Prince will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Page: 48**
- 17. Emergency Services – Approval to Purchase Pulse Point App to Notify Proper Personnel when Defibrillators are needed:** Emergency Services Director David Ransom is requesting approval to purchase the Pulse Point App that will notify staff when the use of a defibrillator is needed. **(David Ransom will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 49-63**

18. Finance – Approval of Finance Administrative Update for December 2023 and Budget Amendments: Finance Director Lacie Jacobs is requesting approval of the monthly Finance Administrative Update for December 2023 and the following budget amendments.

- a. **December 2023 report**
- b. **Airport - Terminal Building**
- c. **AA 719 – Bridge Access Program**
- d. **Facilities QRV**
- e. **EDC – Golden Leaf Grant**
- f. **Detention – SRF Fund 70**

Pages: 64-77

19. Appointments/Re-Appointments/Replacements: Staff is requesting appointments, re-appointments or replacements to the following boards, committees and councils.

Legend: EB = Entire Board
Listed Zone # = Individual Commissioner

Zone I: Barbara Featherson **Zone V:** Brent Watts
Zone II: Chris Smith **Zone VI:** Ricky Bullard
Zone III: Giles E. Byrd **Zone VII:** Scott Floyd
Zone IV: Lavern Coleman

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXP. DATE	BOARD ACTION
Brunswick Planning and Zoning	ETJ	Caletta Faulk	06/30/2023	

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING

20. Approval of Water and Sewer Combination Minutes:
 • January 2nd, 2024 (5 sets)

Board Minutes Section

ADJOURN COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V BOARD MEETING

21. Comments: Commissioners and County Manager.

22. Adjournment.