

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**127 W. Webster St
Whiteville, NC 28472**



AGENDA

**Monday, February 19, 2024
5:00 P.M. – Closed Session
6:30 P.M. – Regular Session**

- 1. Meeting Called to Order:** Chairman Ricky Bullard

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(3) ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(4) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 2. Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G. N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(3) Attorney-Client Privilege, N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(4) Economic Development**

RECESS CLOSED SESSION and enter into REGULAR SESSION

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

Regular Session Resumes at 6:30 P.M.

- 3. Invocation:** Commissioner Lavern Coleman
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Brent Watts
- 5. Approval of Agenda**
- 6. Public Input**
- 7. Proclamation – West Columbus Cheerleaders – America’s Cheerleading Cup National Champions Small Varsity AII Division:** The Governing Body is requesting

adoption of the proclamation recognizing the West Columbus Cheerleaders in their victory.

8. **Administration - Employee Spotlight:** County Manager Eddie Madden will recognize Amanda Laster from Human Resources. **Pages: 3-4**
9. **Angela Norris - Invitation to Veterans Stand Down/Job Fair Saturday March 2, 2024 at the Fair Grounds.**
10. **Southeastern Community College – Dr. Chris English will Provide an Update on Appointment Changes to their Board of Trustees:** Southeastern Community College President Dr. Chris English will provide an update on the SCC Board of Trustees By-Laws and Appointee's. (Dr. English will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.) **Pages: 5-8**
11. **Administration – Approval of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Needs List:** County Manager Eddie Madden is requesting approval of the FY 2024-2025 Needs List to present to Representative Brenden Jones. (Eddie Madden will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.) **Pages: 9-13**
12. **Airport – Approval of Easement to Duke Energy Progress, LLC regarding New Terminal Building Construction Needs:** Airport Director Phil Edwards is requesting approval of the Easement to Duke Energy Progress, LLC for the construction of the new terminal building. (Phil Edwards will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.) **Pages: 14-18**
13. **Economic Development – Approval of the Grantee Acknowledgement for the Golden Leaf Phase I Shell Building Grant:** Economic Development and Planning Director Gary Lanier is requesting approval of the grantee acknowledgement for the Golden Leaf Phase I Shell Building Grant. (Gary Lanier will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.) **Pages: 19-25**
14. **Emergency Services – Approval of the State 911 PSAP Grant Allocation and Budget Amendment and to Purchase Portable Radios for the 911 Center:** Emergency Services Director David Ransom is requesting approval of the State 911 PSAP grant allocation and associated budget amendment in the amount of \$35,076.90 for the purchase of portable radios for the 911 Center. (David Ransom will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.) **Pages: 26-52**
15. **Emergency Services – Approval to Update Prior Agreements to a Formal Memorandum of Understanding between Columbus County and Bladen County for 911 Center Call "Roll-Over" Required for the NC 911 Board Assessment:** Emergency Services Director David Ransom is requesting approval to update prior agreements to a formal memorandum of understanding (MOU) between Columbus County and Bladen County to ensure continuity of service for receiving and processing

911 calls in the event of a critical system failure at either facility. This MOU is required by the NC 911 Board for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) of similar size and function. Additional MOU's will also be secured with Surry and Watauga counties in the near future. This agreement is required documentation for the NC 911 Board Assessment of the county PSAP being conducted this month. **(David Ransom will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 53-56

16. DSS – Monthly Update: DSS Interim Director Dwella Hall will give the monthly update for January 2024. **(Dwella Hall will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 57-66

17. DSS – Approval of the Amended DSS Appeals Policy: DSS Interim Director Dwella Hall is requesting approval of the amended DSS Appeals Policy. **(Dwella Hall will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 67-70

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

18. Water and Sewer District II – Approval of Task Order #9 with Green Engineering for Water Main Extension: Public Utilities Director Harold Nobles is requesting approval of Task Order #9 with Green Engineering. **(Harold Nobles will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 71-77

19. Water and Sewer District IV – Approval of Task Order #10 with Green Engineering for Sewer Line Extension to Acme Delco School: Economic Development and Planning Director Gary Lanier is requesting approval of Task Order #10 for a sewer line extension. **(Gary Lanier will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 78-81

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

20. Comments: Commissioners and County Manager.

21. Adjournment