

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

127 W. Webster St
Whiteville, NC 28472



AGENDA

Monday, March 4, 2024
5:45 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 and N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(4) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

2. **Closed Session:** Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G. N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(3) Attorney-Client Privilege and 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, Tax Refunds, and Releases:**
 - a. 3.04.2024
6. **Public Input**

Pages: 1-3

7. Board Minutes:

- a. January 16, 2024 Regular Session
- b. February 5, 2024 Regular Session

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- 8. Proclamation – Vietnam Veterans Day:** Anita Adams is requesting adoption of the Vietnam Veterans Day Proclamation.

Pages: 4-5

- 9. Administration - Employee Spotlight:** County Manager Eddie Madden will recognize Heather Woody from the Finance Office as the Employee Spotlight.

Pages: 6-7

- 10. Administration – Approval to Provide Office Space for the Public Defender’s Office:** County Manager Eddie Madden is requesting approval for Columbus County to provide office space for the Public Defender’s Office pursuant to NCGS. **(Eddie Madden will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 8-10

- 11. Columbus County Schools – Approval of the State North Carolina Needs-Based Capital Grant Funds Agreement:** Superintendent Dr. Deanne Meadows is requesting approval of the North Carolina Needs-Based Capital Grant Funds Agreement. **(Dr. Meadows and Eddie Beck will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 11-12

- 12. Economic Development – Approval of the Amended Lease Agreement with Provalus regarding A Building Office Space Expansion:** Economic Development Director Gary Lanier is requesting approval of the amended lease agreement with Provalus to include more office space in the A Building due to their continuous expansion. **(Gary Lanier will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 13-15

- 13. Health Services – Approval to Purchase 5 Computers on Wheels for Health Department:** Health Services Director Kim Smith is requesting approval to purchase 5 computers on wheels for the Health Department in the amount of \$29,284.32 which will come from the COVID Funds. **(Kim Smith will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

Pages: 16-21

- 14. Finance – Approval of the Finance Update for January 2024, Capital Project Ordinances and Budget Amendment:** Finance Director Lacie Jacobs is requesting approval of the Administrative Update for January 2024, Capital Project Ordinances and the following budget amendment:

- a. January 2024 Administrative Financial Update
- b. Airport AWOS Relocation - Capital Project Ordinance
- c. Airport Terminal Building AV Grant – Capital Project Ordinance
- d. Golden Leaf – Shell Building – Budget Amendment

(Lacie Jacobs will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)

Pages: 22-33

15. 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
Board of Adjustments	V	Warren Miller	9/30/2024	

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

16. Water and Sewer District I, II, III, IV, and V – Approval of the Water and Sewer Combination Minutes:

- a. January 16, 2024
- b. February 5, 2024

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

17. Comments: Commissioners and County Manager.

18. Adjournment