

# COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Whiteville, NC 28472



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## AGENDA

Monday, May 6, 2024  
5:30 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, and N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(6) PERSONNEL**

2. 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, and N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(6) Personnel.

**RECESS CLOSED SESSION and enter into REGULAR SESSION**

**GENERAL ACCOUNT:**

**Regular Session Resumes at 6:30 P.M.**

3. Invocation: Commissioner Brent Watts
4. Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Barbara Featherson
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Board Minutes Approval:
  - a. March 19, 2024 School Budget Presentations
  - b. March 21, 2024 County Budget Retreat

**Board Minutes Section**

**7. Public Input**

- 8. Proclamation – East Columbus Lady Gators Basketball Team – Runner-Up in the Women’s State Basketball Championship in Winston-Salem:** The Governing Body is requesting adoption of the proclamation recognizing East Columbus Lady Gators Basketball Team as the runner-up in the Women’s State Basketball Championship.

**Pages: 1-2**

- 9. Proclamation - Child Care Provider Appreciation Day May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Selena Rowell from the Columbus County Partnership for Children is requesting adoption of the proclamation for May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 as Child Care Appreciation Day. **(Selena Rowell will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

**Pages: 3-4**

- 10. Administration - Employee Spotlight:** County Manager Eddie Madden will recognize Margaret Leanne Boren from the Library.

**Pages: 5-6**

- 11. Presentation – Regional Director/Office Manager Yvonne Norris from the NC Department of Insurance will present their Resources available to the County:** Regional Director/Office Manager Yvonne Norris is requesting to present what resources the NC Department of Insurance can offer the Commissioners and the County. **(Yvonne Norris will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

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- 12. Presentation – Trillium Annual Update:** Cecelia Peers will give Trillium’s annual update. **(Cecelia Peers will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

**Pages: 8-19**

- 13. Administration –Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Proposed Budget Presentation Acceptance and Request for Public Hearing:** County Manager Eddie Madden is requesting acceptance of the FY 24-25 Proposed Budget Presentation and approval of the FY 24-25 Budget Public Hearing for Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, at 6:30 P.M. or as soon as can be heard. **(Mr. Madden will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

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- 14. Columbus County Board of Elections – Approval of Request for Additional Funding and Budget Amendment for 2024 Second Primary Election:** Board of Elections Director Ashley Collins is requesting approval of additional funds and the associated budget amendment for the Second Primary Election on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in the amount of \$49,437. **(Ashley Collins will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

**Pages: 21-25**

- 15. NC Department of Transportation – Approval of Resolution of Support for a Pedestrian Improvement Project at the Columbus County Courthouse:** District Engineer Kenneth Clark is requesting approval of the resolution of support for a pedestrian improvement project at the Columbus County Courthouse. **(Kenneth Clark will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)**

**Pages: 26-27**

- 16. Health Services – Approval of the Amended Contract for OB/GYN Services from Women's Advanced Health & Wellness:** Health Services Director Kim Smith is requesting approval of the amended contract for OB/GYN services from Baldwin Woods OB/GYN which is now Women's Advanced Health & Wellness OB/GYN. **(Kim Smith will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 28-40**
- 17. Solid Waste – Approval to Purchase T64 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader:** Public Utilities/Solid Waste Director Harold Nobles is requesting approval to purchase the Compact Track Loader for required maintenance of the Columbus County Landfill. The total cost of the equipment is \$68,390.72 and was pre-budgeted for FY 23-24. **(Harold Nobles will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 41-43**
- 18. Administration – Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Administrative Office of Courts (AOC) for a First-Appearance Camera System:** County Manager Eddie Madden is requesting approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Administration of Courts (AOC) for a First-Appearance Camera System from CRAVE Camera Systems in the amount of \$100,000. **(Eddie Madden will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 44-51**
- 19. Finance – Approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Audit Contracts with Mauldin & Jenkins:** Finance Director Lacie Jacobs is requesting approval of the FY 22-23 audit contracts with Mauldin & Jenkins. **(Lacie Jacobs will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 52-74**
- 20. Finance – Approval of Budget Amendments and Project Ordinance:** Finance Director Lacie Jacobs is requesting approval of the following budget amendments and project ordinance:
- a. TRDF – Airport Project Ordinance
  - b. Veterans Park – Special Appropriation
  - c. Sheriff's Office – Insurance Proceeds
  - d. Central Garage
  - e. Aging – Congregate Meals
- Pages: 75-80**
- 21. Sheriff's Office – Approval of the Quotes from Tek84 for a Body Scanner and Southwestern Cameras (SWC) for a Camera Surveillance System for Detention Center Improvements:** Detention Center Captain Robert Creech is requesting approval of the quote from Tek84 to purchase a full-body scanner and the quote from Southwestern Cameras (SWC) for cameras, surveillance system and controls for Detention Center Improvements. This will be paid for from the Department of Public Safety Detention Center Grant. **(Captain Creech will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)** **Pages: 81-86**
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**RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING**

- 22. Water and Sewer District IV- Approval to Transfer Well Site Ownership and EDA Grant Recipient to Water and Sewer District IV:** Attorney Amanda Prince is requesting approval to transfer well site ownership and EDA Grant recipient to Water and Sewer District IV. (Amanda Prince will be available for any questions the commissioners may have.)

**Pages: 87-88**

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

- 23. Comments:** Commissioners and County Manager.

- 24. Adjournment**