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MINUTES OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, met in Informal Session in the Meeting Chamber Conference Room of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center located at 600 East Fourth Street at 5:00 p.m. and in Formal Session in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2013.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Patricia Cotham and Commissioners Karen Bentley, Dumont Clarke, George Dunlap, Trevor Fuller, Bill James, Vilma Leake, Kim Ratliff and Matthew Ridenhour
County Manager Harry L. Jones, Sr.
County Attorney Marvin Bethune
Clerk to the Board Janice S. Paige

Absent: None

-INFORMAL SESSION-

Commissioners James and Dunlap were absent when the meeting was called to order and until noted in the minutes.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Cotham, after which the matters below were addressed.

REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT

The Board identified item(s) they wanted removed from consent and voted upon separately. The items identified were Items 13-0887, 13-0906, 13-0917, 13-0922, 13-0925, 13-0930 and 13-0935.

STAFF BRIEFINGS - NONE

(13-0928, 13-0929, 13-0938) CLOSED SESSION – LAND ACQUISITION, CONSULT WITH ATTORNEY AND PERSONNEL MATTER

Prior to going into Closed Session, Attorney Bethune announced the following Land Acquisition matter to be discussed in Closed Session: Tax Parcel # 055-311-08 located on Little Rock Road.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bentley, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Bentley, Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to go into Closed Session for the following purposes: Land Acquisition, Consult with Attorney and Personnel Matter.

The Board went into Closed Session at 5:05 p.m. and came back into Open Session at 6:35 p.m.

Commissioners Dunlap and James were present when the Board came back into Open Session. They entered the meeting during Closed Session.

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The Board then proceeded to the Meeting Chamber for the remainder of the meeting.

-FORMAL SESSION-

Chairman Cotham called this portion of the meeting to order, which was followed by invocation by Commissioner Clarke, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and introductions; after which, the matters below were addressed.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION - NONE

(13-0931) PUBLIC APPEARANCE

The following persons appeared to speak during the Public Appearance portion of the meeting:

Heather Semmens asked the Board to support a statewide initiative entitled “Ban the Box” on job applications that asked about arrest records. She said the goal of the initiative was to help the 1.6 million individuals living in the state who have a criminal record to provide them the opportunity for employment. The initiative seeks to ban the box on applications that asked persons if they’d ever been arrested. Ms. Semmens said the desire was that this question be removed at the initial stage of the employment process and asked only of those that were selected as finalist for a position. She said this would give the interviewer an opportunity to get to know the applicant without pre-judging them based on their background. Ms. Semmens said after the criminal background check, the person would be given an opportunity to review the record and comment on their charges and their efforts to move forward.

Nancy Hudson thanked the Board for its continued support of the Charlotte Community Health Clinic. She also addressed services provided by the clinic.

Consent Items – Question Raised

Chairman Cotham expressed a desire to move Consent Items up on the agenda.

Commissioner Dunlap raised the question of whether this was possible to do in light of the Board’s Policy regarding the agenda format. He also addressed why Consent Items were placed at the end of the agenda.

Following discussion of this matter, County Attorney Bethune said it would take a two-thirds vote of the Board in order to move Consent Items up on the agenda, according to Roberts Rules of Order. He said traditionally the chairman has moved items around on the agenda without opposition, but if there was opposition, then the Board would have to decide.

No motion was made to move Consent Items up on the agenda, thus the meeting proceeded as outlined.

(13-0887) AMENDMENT TO PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES ORDINANCE - SECOND READING

Motion was made by Commissioner Ridenhour, seconded by Commissioner Leake and unanimously carried with Commissioners Bentley, Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to defer consideration of Item 13-0887 Amendment to Park and Recreation Facilities Ordinance - Second Reading until the April 2, 2013 meeting

and that it not be placed as a Consent item on the agenda.

Commissioner James left the dais and was away until noted in the minutes.

(13-0918) NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

AUDIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Commissioner Clarke, seconded by Commissioner Leake and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Bentley, Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to nominate and appoint Richard Harris to the Audit Review Committee to fill an unexpired term expiring December 3, 2015.

He replaces Jeffrey Browning.

Commissioner James returned to the dais.

Commissioner Bentley left the dais and was absent for the remainder of the meeting.

NURSING HOME COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Ratliff and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to reappoint Kay Roderick to the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee for a three-year term expiring February 28, 2016.

PERSONNEL COMMISSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Clarke, seconded by Commissioner Leake and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to nominate and appoint Daniel MacRae to the Personnel Commission to fill an unexpired term expiring August 30, 2014 and Lee Robertson and Nikki Trotter to fill unexpired terms expiring June 30, 2014.

They replace Sherryl Baker, Daniella Williams and Eric Zion.

TRANSIT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following persons were nominated for appointment consideration to the Transit Services Advisory Committee by Commissioner Clarke: Edward Jernigan and Teri Saltzman.

Note: An appointment will occur on April 2, 2013.

Commissioner Ridenhour left the dais and was away until noted in the minutes.

(13-0919) APPOINTMENT

WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Ratliff and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake and Ratliff voting yes, to

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appoint Frederick Hammermann to the Waste Management Advisory Board as recommended by the Charlotte City Council to fill an unexpired term expiring May 18, 2013 and for a full three-year term expiring May 18, 2016.

He replaces Susan Tompkins.

Commissioner Ridenhour returned to the dais.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS - NONE

MANAGER'S REPORT

(13-0926) REVENUE UPDATE

The Board received a status update on major County revenues from Finance Director Dena Diorio. The following was covered:

- Property Taxes
- Sales Tax
- Sales Tax Refunds
- Investment Income
- FY2013 Revenue Forecast
- FY2013 Projected Revenue General Fund
- FY2014 Estimates
- Possible Impact
- FY 2015 and Beyond

Comments

Commissioner Leake asked about the impact of the 2011 Revaluation, which Director Diorio addressed.

Commissioner Leake requested information on the total cost to date expended by the County as a result of issues surrounding revaluation, which should include Pearson's Appraisal Services cost and County staff cost.

Commissioner Leake, as a separate issue, requested information on the amount of revenue generated from the 2013 CIAA Basketball Tournament.

Commissioner Ratliff noted for the public's awareness that the 2011 Revaluation refund process would be lengthy for some residents, as well as, resolving issues associated with the 2011 Revaluation. She said the results of the 2011 Revaluation would impact the County for quite some time.

Commissioner Dunlap asked had there been any analysis of the expected revenue to be generated, per Pearson's Appraisal Services' work, from increases in values. *Director Diorio addressed this but said a specific number was not known at this time, only an estimated range.*

Commissioner Fuller asked about the setting of last year's tax rate as it related to revaluation, which Director Diorio addressed.

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Commissioner Fuller asked for clarification of the statement in the report regarding “perception by the rating agencies of instability in the tax base,” which Director Diorio addressed.

Commissioner Fuller said “the longer this revaluation situation persist, we continue to endanger the very basis of how we provide services in this county.” Commissioner Fuller said this was why he keeps “pushing” for the County to get through the correction of the 2011 Revaluation.

Commissioner Fuller said he was concerned about the potential reduction in the revenue base, which had the “consequence” of reducing the County’s ability to provide services in the community.

County Manager Jones said given where the County was and as he prepares his budget, that because 1) the County’s revenue would be “strained” and 2) the County would be looking at reduced revenue, that it was going to be “very difficult” to sustain services at the current level. He said it would be difficult to increase education funding and to fund other planned expenses going forward. County Manager Jones said it would be a “challenging” budget.

Commissioner James asked for an analysis of how the towns would be impacted per the revenue update given by Director Diorio.

Chairman Cotham asked Director Diorio to explain the rating agency process and what it meant, which she did.

This concluded the discussion. The above is not inclusive of every comment but is a summary.

STAFF REPORTS & REQUESTS

(13-0921) MECKLINK UPDATE AND BUDGET AMENDMENT

The Board received an update on MeckLINK operations from MeckLINK Behavior Health Director Phil Endress. The following was covered:

- Key Go-Live Metrics – March 1 – March 14
- MeckLink Customer Service
- Customer Service to Consumers
- Customer Service to Providers
- Managed Care Revenue Terms
- FY13 Budget (March-June)
- Appropriate Medicaid Revenue
- Transfer Funding to MeckLink

Comments

Commissioner Leake asked about the provider payment turnaround time and remaining staff needs, which was addressed by Director Endress.

Commissioner Clarke said there was concern by some of the larger more established providers that they may not be paid in a timely and accurate manner. *Director Endress addressed that concern. It was noted that the County was required to pay every Medicaid claim received that meets the requirements for payment within 30 days once that determination was made. He said if payment was not made within 30 days of that determination, the County would have to pay interest on that amount.*

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Commissioner Clarke asked was the County receiving a fixed dollar amount for every person in the county that was eligible for Medicaid, whether or not they're receiving mental health, developmental disability services or not. *Director Endress said yes.*

Commissioner Clarke said was it correct that usually what occurred was that 20% of the providers provided 80% of the services. *Director Endress said that was true to some extent.*

Commissioner Clarke asked had the Governor and the General Assembly not rejected the expansion of the Medicaid offered through the Affordable Health Care Act, the amount of Medicaid funds available to MeckLINK to provide services would have been greater. *Director Endress said yes. He said it was possible that the County could have received another \$35-\$40 million a year.*

Commissioner Ratliff asked about the morale of MeckLINK employees, now that MeckLINK had gone live. *Director Endress said morale was good. He said everyone was excited.*

Commissioner Dunlap asked for clarification regarding the various types of denials that existed and the denial of claims in general. *Director Endress explained the differences and when claims were denied.*

Commissioner Dunlap asked was there an evaluation tool in place to determine whether a provider's services met the criteria that was set forth. *Director Endress addressed several measures that were in place.*

Commissioner Dunlap asked were there any plans to reduce the number of providers that were currently in place. *Director Endress said no.*

Commissioner Fuller said concern had been expressed to him by providers regarding the matter of 20% of the providers providing 80% of the services. Commissioner Fuller asked what could be done to expand that 20% to give other providers an opportunity to provide services. *Director Endress said one of the "big" marketing pieces for a provider was to provide a quality service. He said "word of mouth" between consumers was very "influential." Director Endress said it was the consumer's choice as to who they would like to receive services from, as long as that provider was in the network. He said communication between consumers and providers was critical in changing that 20%.*

Commissioner Fuller asked about the coordination of mental health services within the county and whether MeckLINK could provide the leadership that appeared to be needed in the community. *Director Endress said yes and that was where the Service Plan came into play and the authorization of services.*

Commissioner Fuller said he was speaking more in terms of thought leadership, providing a forum for providers to come together to talk about vision, and the future of mental health services within the county. *Director Endress said he felt MeckLINK would be positioned for that type of role at a later date, but not currently.*

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to recognize and appropriate \$68,500,000 in additional Medicaid revenue to fund Medicaid Waiver operations for the remainder of FY13.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Ratliff and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to authorize the transfer of up to \$18,200,000 in County, State and Federal funding from the General Fund to the MeckLINK Fund to provide for the non-Medicaid operations.

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This concluded the discussion. The above is not inclusive of every comment but is a summary.

(13-0933) 2011 REVALUATION REVIEW STATUS REPORT

The Board received a status report from Pearson's Appraisal Service regarding their review of the 2011 Revaluation.

Fred and Bob Pearson of Pearson's Appraisal Service gave the report. The following was covered:

- Neighborhood Review
- Commercial Review
- Residential Review
- Residential Lake Review
- Software Engineering/Data Analysis Team
- Impact of Value Changes on Work

A copy of the report is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

Comments

Commissioner Dunlap asked about properties that had already been adjusted either by the Board of Equalization and Review or the Property Tax Commission and what would happen if it was determined by Pearson's Appraisal Service's review that the property value was different; whose recommendation would be accepted as being correct. *Mr. Fred Pearson said the County would accept Pearson's Appraisal Service's recommendation.*

Commissioner Leake said there was still concern by many in District Two regarding the lowering of values in some neighborhoods.

Commissioner Clarke asked about Pearson's estimation of a 2% impact on the County's tax base as a result of its review compared to staff's estimation of 3%. *Mr. Fred Pearson said 3% was the "upper limit" and 2% was "in the ballpark."*

Commissioner Clarke asked the Pearsons to work closely with County staff regarding the percentage of impact, because it was a critical matter with respect to the County Manager developing his recommended budget.

Commissioner Clarke asked about the review of the Myers Park area, which Mr. Bob Pearson addressed.

Commissioner Clarke asked was staff accepting the recommendation of Pearson's Appraisal Service if the disagreement was just a matter of a difference of opinion. *Mr. Bob Pearson said yes, but that staff would note their objection.*

Commissioner Clarke asked whether in instances where the disagreement between staff and Pearson's Appraisal Service was not a matter of a difference of opinion, but rather a disagreement about methodology was Pearson's recommendation still accepted. *Mr. Bob Pearson said yes.*

Mr. Bob Pearson said it was all coming together. He said "the biggest issue" had to do with land value.

Commissioner Clarke asked what would be the response to a property owner in Myers Park with respect to when they would know if their value changed. *Mr. Bob Pearson said the plan*

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was to push forward those that had an immediate appeal to the Property Tax Commission. He said all of them should be ready in about a week and certainly by April 1.

Commissioner Fuller asked what was the purpose of revaluation. *Mr. Bob Pearson said the purpose of revaluation was to “equalize taxes so that everyone pays their fair share.” He said if everyone’s property was assessed at 100% of the fair market value, then everyone was paying a fair tax.*

Commissioner Fuller asked about other consequences of revaluation aside from the tax base. *Mr. Bob Pearson addressed this matter and noted the risk of losing funds for utilities.*

This concluded the discussion. The above is not inclusive of every comment but is a summary.

(13-0934) ASSESSOR'S OFFICE CUSTOMER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

The Board received a report from Ed Gagnon, principal with Customer Service Solutions, on the assessment of the Assessor's Office customer service culture. The following was covered:

- Introduction to CSS
- Project Goals from the BOCC
- Project Focus
- Project Scope
- Project Phases
- Structure of Expected Deliverable
- Key Project Components
- Started with Voice of the Customer
- Reviewed Process and Communications-Oriented Information
- Turned Focus Internal
- Received/Requested Additional Information
- Upcoming Activities Planned

Note: As part of the work plan adopted by the Board for the 2011 Revaluation Review, the County Manager contracted with Customer Service Solutions to conduct an assessment of the Assessor's Office customer service culture. The assessment includes identifying the high priority areas that would most quickly and cost-effectively improve responsiveness to customers, while adopting/maintaining a solid, long-term strategy to ensure a customer oriented culture throughout the Assessor's Office.

A copy of the report is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

Comments

Chairman Cotham asked about the company’s interaction with taxpayers/customers, which was addressed.

Chairman Cotham asked about employee training in the area of customer service. *Mr. Gagnon said their focus and intent was to create a plan to create a culture of customer service and to look at the customer’s experience and offer recommendations. He said they would recommend training as a part of their plan.*

Chairman Cotham said she thought Customer Service Solutions would provide training but it appeared it was instead doing more of an evaluation of the Tax Assessor’s Office. *Mr. Gagnon said Customer Service Solutions would provide the County with a Customer Service Improvement Plan, which was the direction they received from the County.*

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Commissioner Clarke asked Mr. Gagnon if Customer Service Solutions had done work for the County in the past. *The response was yes.*

Commissioner Clarke asked about the implementation process Customer Service Solutions had experienced based on its work with other County departments, had their recommendations been implemented.

Mr. Gagnon said with the vast majority of the projects Customer Service Solutions had worked on for the County, there had been some implementation. He said the key to implementation was having someone to take ownership of the plan.

Commissioner Clarke asked Mr. Gagnon to comment on the hiring of a new tax assessor with respect to that person following up with the plan they'll be providing. *Mr. Gagnon said Customer Service Solutions would be happy to sit down with the new assessor to give background on the development of the plan and to explain the plan. He said that could be done informally and that a contract would not be needed. Mr. Gagnon said it should be emphasized to the new tax assessor the impact Customer Service Solutions' Plan would have on customer satisfaction with the Tax Assessor's Office going forward.*

Commissioner Clarke suggested the Board ask Customer Service Solutions to provide the Board with questions that would be good to ask potential candidates for the tax assessor position around the issue of customer service.

Commissioner Clarke said the Board should keep in mind that when it came to customer service the Board had a role as well with respect to providing resources and facilities.

Mr. Gagnon said facilities did play a big role in customer service. He said when customers have to wait in hallways that was not a good experience.

Commissioner Ridenhour suggested consideration be given to having Customer Service Solutions take a look at the final product work that's being developed by the Board's Revaluation Advisory Committee from a customer service perspective.

Mr. Gagnon said Customer Service Solutions would be happy to review the Board's Revaluation Advisory Committee's work, if that was the desire of the Board. He said their contract would not have to be expanded in order for that to occur.

Mr. Gagnon said the plan was to have their final report ready in May.

Chairman Cotham asked Mr. Gagnon if he would include in one of the focus groups he planned to put together, some of the taxpayers that had been very vocal and involved regarding the 2011 Revaluation issue. *Mr. Gagnon said yes and that he would work with staff to identify those individuals.*

Chairman Cotham asked that Mr. Gagnon communicate with Tom Derham for input as well and to identify who some of those taxpayers were.

This concluded the discussion. The above is not inclusive of every comment but is a summary.

(13-0940) NORTH CAROLINA FAMILIES ACCESSING SERVICES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY (NC FAST)

The Board received a report regarding the implementation of NC FAST in Mecklenburg County from Rodney Adams, Director of the Economic Services Division with the Mecklenburg County

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Department of Social Services and Roy Young with the North Carolina Department of Social Services (NCDSS).

Note: North Carolina Families Accessing Services through Technology (NC FAST) is a program designed to improve the way the NC Department of Health and Human Services and county departments of social services do business. NC FAST introduces new technological tools and business processes that will enable workers to spend less time on administrative tasks and more time assisting families.

The following was noted:

- NC FAST was successfully implemented in Mecklenburg County over the weekend, March 16, 2013.
- There were no significant system issues to be noted.
- 75,000 food and nutrition services cases must now be manually converted prior to any further transactions being completed.
- The State has provided on-site technical assistance to assist with the conversion.
- The Department of Social Services received a favorable response from the state's NC FAST Readiness review team regarding the County's implementation of NC FAST.
- Staff was pleased with its initial results, but recognize there were challenges ahead, because the manual conversion process may cause some delays in issuing benefits to residents.
- Additional temporary staff was hired to assist with case conversion and overtime would continue in an effort to mitigate delays.
- The Department has partnered with its community partners if food assistance was needed.
- A contingency fund was also established to assist if needed.

Mr. Young said he was very impressed with what he'd seen in Mecklenburg County. Mr. Young addressed other programs that would be forthcoming.

Comments

Chairman Cotham expressed concern for delays in the receipt of benefits and asked that staff do everything it could to minimize those delays. *Mr. Adams said staff would work to mitigate any delays and that if there were, staff would make sure families received food to tie them over.*

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORTS & REQUESTS

Commissioner Fuller left the dais and was away until noted in the minutes.

(13-0903) AUDIT REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board received the Audit Review Committee Compliance Report. Commissioner Clarke, chair of the Audit Review Committee gave the report.

Finance Director Dena Diorio addressed the proposed extension of the external audit contract with Cherry Bekaert and Holland.

A copy of the report is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Clarke, seconded by Commissioner James and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to 1) Approve a one-year extension of the external audit contract with Cherry Bekaert and Holland for the June 30, 2013 fiscal year audit, based on the April 21, 2009 Audit Review Committee recommendation for the initial contract.

Commissioner Fuller returned to the dais.

(13-0937) SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP ADVISORY BOARD

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to approve the Purpose, Membership Criteria and By-Laws of the Mecklenburg County Small Business and Entrepreneurship Advisory Board, whose creation was approved by the BOCC at its March 4, 2013 meeting. Direct the Clerk to the Board to begin accepting applications for the 11 positions on the SBEAB; set the date for nominations to be made at the May 21, 2013 meeting; and set the date for appointments to be made at the June 4, 2013 meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Fuller, seconded by Commissioner Clarke and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, to approve the following item(s):

(13-0907) GRANT APPLICATION - ARTS AND SCIENCE COUNCIL CULTURAL PROJECTS GRANT (PARK AND RECREATION)

Approve submission of a grant application of up to \$5,000 from the Arts and Science Council Cultural Projects Grant. Recognize, receive and appropriate grant funds if awarded.

Note: If awarded, the grant would be used to offer a youth 4-H program. The application would include a request for a 4-H Tech-x-cite Curriculum on motor sports, for a 12-week program that would begin in the fall serving ages 9-13. If the grant is awarded, the grant funds of up to \$5,000 would be received next fiscal year (FY2014). An In-Kind County match of \$5,000, which would come from the Park and Recreation budget, is required.

(13-0908) DONATION - PARK & RECREATION

Recognize, receive and appropriate \$5,888 donation for maintenance and improvements to the Sean Clark Memorial Garden in Blythe Landing Park.

(13-0909) PROPERTY ACQUISITION - HAZARD MITIGATION PROGRAM FLOODPLAIN ACQUISITION

Accept the "Offer of Sale of Real Estate" from Frederick Warren, owner of property at 1011 Andrill Terrace (Tax Parcel 075-093-04) for \$5,000.

Note: This action was necessary to acquire a vacant lot in the Irwin Creek floodplain. The lot is in the vicinity of numerous other properties acquired by the County. Acquiring this lot will culminate previous mitigation efforts on this street and would allow the County to petition the City to abandon the entire street in the floodplain. It also would prevent any redevelopment on

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the lot within the floodplain, increase community open space and provide opportunities to improve water quality through floodplain restoration.

(13-0910) CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT - MORRISON FAMILY YMCA, PHASE III AT BALLANTYNE COMMUNITY PARK

Award a construction contract to Shiel Sexton Company, Inc. in the amount of \$1,852,000 for the construction of the Morrison Family YMCA, Phase III. Recognize and appropriate \$775,000 from the YMCA of Greater Charlotte.

Note: The project site is located in the Ballantyne area of South Charlotte, bordered by Community House and Bryant Farms Roads. The YMCA contributed \$775,000 towards total cost of the project.

(13-0920) TAX REFUNDS

Approve refunds and interest as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the Assessor resulting from clerical errors, audits and other amendments, including revaluation appeals.

A list of the refund recipients is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

(13-0932) MINUTES

Approve minutes of Regular meeting held March 5, 2013 and Closed Sessions held February 19, 2013 and Special Meeting Closed Session held February 5, 2013.

THIS CONCLUDED ITEMS APPROVED BY CONSENT

(13-0906) CAPITAL RESERVE REQUEST - MALLARD CREEK RECREATION CENTER

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to appropriate \$58,400 in capital reserve funds for improvements to Mallard Creek Recreation Center's lobby, multi-purpose rooms and gymnasium and fitness room.

Commissioner Leake removed this item from Consent for more public awareness.

(13-0917) RENOVATION OF HISTORIC GEORGE E. DAVIS HOUSE

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to approve the Resolution authorizing the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission to receive and renovate the George E. Davis House at Johnson C. Smith University.

Resolution recorded in full in Minute Book _____ Document # _____.

Commissioner Leake removed this item from Consent for more public awareness.

(13-0922) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to adopt the *FY2014 Authorization Park & Recreation Approved November 4, 2008 Referendum, Land Bonds Approved November 6, 2007 Referendum, County Facilities and School Facilities Approved November 6, 2007 Referendum* capital project ordinances and amend the *FY2013 Authorization Park & Recreation Approved November 4, 2008 Referendum* capital project ordinance.

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2014 AUTHORIZATION
PARK AND RECREATION
APPROVED IN NOVEMBER 4, 2008 REFERENDUM
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS THE 19th DAY OF MARCH 2013:

Section I. That for the purpose of providing funds, together with any other available funds for the following projects:

Mecklenburg Aquatic Center	Double Oaks Pool	Veterans Park Shelter	Historic holly Bend House
Long Creek Greenway	Charles Park Shelter	McAlpine Greenway	Freedom Park Shelter
Mecklenburg County Regional Sports Complex		Berewick Park	Renaissance Park
Flat Branch Nature Preserve	Evergreen Nature Preserve	Park Road Shelter	Hornets Nest Shelter
West Charlotte Recreation Center		Eagles Landing Park	Cordelia Park Shelter
Ramsey Creek Park	Briar Creek Greenway	Southwest Park	Lincoln Heights Park
Campbell Creek Greenway	Palisades Park	Irwin Creek Greenway	Reid Park
Little Sugar Creek Greenway	Teddington Park	Torrence Creek Greenway	Friendship Partnership

including the acquisition and construction of new facilities, the improvement and expansion of existing facilities and the acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and the acquisition of interests in real property required therefor, \$65,020,000 is hereby appropriated.

Section II. That it is estimated that the following revenues will be available during the construction period to meet the appropriations in Section I, as set forth in the following schedule:

Proceeds from sale of bonds, Pay-As-You-Go/Other County Funds \$65,020,000

Section III. That the Director of Finance is authorized from time to time to transfer as a loan from the General Fund or unspent bond proceeds in the Capital Projects Funds, cash in an amount necessary to meet obligations until such time as financing is arranged, at which time repayment will be made and the Director of Finance is authorized to sign the Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Ordinance recorded in full in Minute Book _____ Document # _____.

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2014 AUTHORIZATION LAND BONDS
APPROVED IN NOVEMBER 6, 2007 REFERENDUM
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2013.

Section I. That for the purpose of providing funds, together with any other available funds, for providing land for present and future county corporate, open space and community college purposes and the acquisition of improvements thereon and interests in such real property, \$6,600,000 is hereby appropriated.

Section II. That it is estimated that the following revenues will be available during the acquisition period to meet the appropriations in Section I, as set forth in the following schedule:

Proceeds from sale of bonds, Pay-As-You-Go/Other County Funds \$6,600,000

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Section III. That the Director of Finance is authorized from time to time to transfer as a loan from the General Fund or unspent bond proceeds in the Capital Projects Funds, cash in an amount necessary to meet obligations until such time as financing is arranged, at which time repayment will be made and the Director of Finance is authorized to sign the Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Ordinance recorded in full in Minute Book _____ Document # _____.

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2014 AUTHORIZATION COUNTY FACILITIES
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS THE 19th DAY OF MARCH 2013:

Section I. That for the purpose of providing funds, together with any other available funds, for the Sheriff's Office Expansion project including the acquisition and construction of new facilities, the improvement and expansion of existing facilities, the acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and the acquisition of interests in real property required therefore, \$5,230,000 is hereby appropriated.

Section II. That it is estimated that the following revenues will be available during the construction period to meet the appropriations in Section I, as set forth in the following schedule:

Proceeds from Pay-As-You-Go/Other County Funds: \$5,230,000

Ordinance recorded in full in Minute Book _____ Document # _____.

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2014 AUTHORIZATION SCHOOL FACILITIES
APPROVED NOVEMBER 6, 2007 REFERENDUM
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS THE 19th DAY OF MARCH 2013:

Section I. That for the purpose of providing funds, together with any other available funds, for the following projects:

- Olympic High School
- West Mecklenburg High School
- Garinger high School
- Indoor air Quality
- Hickory Grove Elementary School
- Hawthorne Elementary School

including the acquisition and construction of new facilities, the improvement and expansion of existing facilities and the acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and the acquisition of interests in real property required therefor, in order to provide additional school facilities in said County to maintain the nine months' school term as required by Section 2 of Article IX of the North Carolina Constitution, \$45,321,000 is hereby appropriated.

Section II. That it is estimated that the following revenues will be available during the construction period to meet the appropriations in Section I, as set forth in the following schedule:

Proceeds from sale of bonds, Pay-As-You-Go/Other County Funds: \$45,321,000

Section III. That the Director of Finance is authorized from time to time to transfer as a loan from the General fund or unspent County proceeds in the Capital Projects funds, cash in an amount necessary to meet obligations until such time as financing is arranged, at which time repayment will be made and the Director of Finance is authorized to sign the Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Section IV. That this ordinance is effective July 1, 2013.

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MARCH 19, 2013

FY 2013 AUTHORIZATION
PARK AND RECREATION
APPROVED IN NOVEMBER 4, 2008 REFERENDUM
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE

The following ordinance was offered as an amendment to and restatement of the June 5, 2012 *FY 2013 Authorization Park and Recreation Facilities Approved in November 4, 2008 Referendum Capital Project Ordinance*
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
MECKLENBURG
COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS THE 19th DAY OF March 2013:

Section I. That for the purpose of providing funds, together with any other available funds for the following projects:

- Ballantyne Park
- Wesley Heights Greenway
- First Ward Park

including the acquisition and construction of new facilities, the improvement and expansion of existing facilities and the acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and the acquisition of interests in real property required therefor, \$10,965,000 is hereby appropriated.

Section II. That it is estimated that the following revenues will be available during the construction period to meet the appropriations in Section I, as set forth in the following schedule:
Proceeds from sale of bonds, Other Revenue, Pay-As-You-Go/Other County Funds \$10,965,000

Section III. That the Director of Finance is authorized from time to time to transfer as a loan from the General Fund or unspent bond proceeds in the Capital Projects Funds, cash in an amount necessary to meet obligations until such time as financing is arranged, at which time repayment will be made and the Director of Finance is authorized to sign the Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Ordinance recorded in full in Minute Book _____ Document # _____.

Commissioner Leake removed this item from Consent for more public awareness.

(13-0925) BANKING SERVICES CONTRACT

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to approve appointment of Bank of America to provide banking services for Mecklenburg County for five years beginning July 1, 2013.

Commissioner Leake removed this item from Consent for more public awareness and to ask about banking services with Mechanics and Farmers Bank. Finance Director Diorio addressed this matter.

(13-0930) AUCTION FOR DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to approve the list (Exhibit A) provided by staff as surplus, and adopt a resolution authorizing sale of surplus personal property by public auction on April 13, 2013.

Resolution recorded in full in Minute Book _____ Document # _____.

Commissioner Leake removed this item from Consent for more public awareness.

MARCH 19, 2013

(13-0935) PROCLAMATION - SOCIAL WORK APPRECIATION MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner James and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to adopt a proclamation designating March, 2013 as "Social Work Appreciation Month" in Mecklenburg County.

A copy of the proclamation is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

13-0928 CLOSED SESSION-LAND ACQUISITION –LITTLE ROCK ROAD PROPERTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff and Ridenhour voting yes, to authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute documents necessary for the acquisition of Tax Parcel #055-311-08 (+/- 1.846 acres) on Little Rock Road from Ms. June Robertson for \$18,000.

Note: The acquisition of this parcel is consistent with the County's 2008 Adopted Parks Master Plan which identified the need for additional parkland in this area. Also, the parcel is along Paw Creek which is a major creek corridor within Mecklenburg County.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Fuller, seconded by Commissioner Leake and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ratliff, and Ridenhour voting yes, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Janice S. Paige, Clerk

Patricia "Pat" Cotham, Chairman