

The Hoke County Board of Commissioners convened for a regular meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, April 16, 2018, in the Commissioners Room in the Pratt Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Leach, Chairman
Harry Southerland, Vice Chairman
Robert Wright
Allen Thomas, Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Letitia Edens, County Manager
Grady Hunt, County Attorney
Gwen McGougan, Clerk to the Board


MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Tony Hunt

Chairman Leach called the meeting to order with a quorum present and welcomed everyone.

Vice Chairman Southerland led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Wright gave the invocation.

ITEM 1. Adoption of Agenda

<p>Hoke County Board of Commissioners</p> <p>227 N. Main Street Raeford, North Carolina 28376</p>		<p>April 16, 2018 7:00 P.M.</p> <p>Commissioner's Room Pratt Building</p>
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BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW – 5:30 pm

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Tony Hunt

ITEM

1. Adoption of Agenda
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Minutes from March 19, 2018 regular meeting
 - b. Minutes from April 2, 2018 regular meeting
 - c. NC Vehicle Tax System pending refunds totaling \$1,881.18
 - d. Finance: DSS Budget Amendments
 - e. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
 1. FY 2018-2019 Certification
 2. County Funding Plan
 - f. Proclamation designating April 26, 2018 as "United - A Diverse Purpose, Inc. Day"
 - g. Resolution honoring Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church's 145th anniversary
3. Tax Collector's Report
4. Tax Assessor's Report/Release
5. Resolutions Accepting Offers of Bids for Surplus Properties
 - a. 365 Indian Lane
 - b. 300 Indian Lane
6. Budget Request Presentation by Sandhill's Center
7. Manager's Report
 - RFO interview dates
8. Closed Session
9. Adjourn

Chairman Leach asked if there were any changes to the Agenda.

Vice Chairman Southerland asked to move Consent item 2g, Resolution honoring Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church's 145th anniversary, to Item #7 (adjusting subsequent item numbers). Vice Chairman Southerland also asked to add Minister Terraine Francois as Item #8 (adjusting subsequent item numbers). Mr. Francois would like to make a brief presentation to the Board.

Commissioner Thomas asked to add Curtis Loving, representing the Hoke County High School Swim Team, as Item #9 (adjusting subsequent item numbers).

Motion: Commissioner Wright made a motion to adopt the Agenda as amended, seconded by Commissioner Thomas.

Action: The motion passed 4-0.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes from March 19, 2018 regular meeting
- b. Minutes from April 2, 2018 regular meeting
- c. NC Vehicle Tax System pending refunds totaling \$1,881.19

Payee Name	Address 1	Address 2	Refund Type	SS #	File Number	Refund Description	Refund Reason	Tax Abatement	Levy Type	Change	Unsett Change	Total Change
ARMENDARIZ, MICHAEL	210 CENTER DR	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Adjustment + \$100	0033495338	PD0445	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0033495338-3119-2018-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$18.43)	\$0.00	(\$18.43)
BERKEFOOT, DAVID RUSSELL	404 HANSEN AVE	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0034277424	88F4355	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0034277424-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$42.00)	\$0.00	(\$42.00)
CURRIE, ROBE WOODROW	PO BOX 872	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0022198447	8K7294	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0022198447-2018-2018-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$12.50)	\$0.00	(\$12.50)
ENRIQUEZ, FRANK S	5272 ROCKFISH RD	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Adjustment + \$100	0041432443	PH74290	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0041432443-2017-2017-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$7.20)	\$0.00	(\$7.20)
GRAY, ELIZABETH ANN	103 PARTWIDGE RD	FAVETTEVILLE, NC 28328	Proration	0041082806	H89189	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0041082806-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$89.80)	\$0.00	(\$89.80)
HUNT, BERTHA TYLER	2198 COPE RD	REG SPRINGS, NC 28227	Proration	0002754311	AK46180	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0002754311-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$29.12)	(\$1.48)	(\$30.60)
JOHNSON, JOHN EDWARD	156 DATES LA	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0034822737	8F04164	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0034822737-2017-2017-0000-00	Tag Surrender	COU	Fee	(\$70.40)	\$0.00	(\$70.40)
LOCKLEAR, LINDA DWAYNE	400 WURPHY MC LAUGHLIN RD	REG SPRINGS, NC 28227	Proration	0017271984	PH74290	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0017271984-2018-2018-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$1.00)	\$0.00	(\$1.00)
LOCKLEAR, WANGA SMITH	500 E DONALDSON AVE	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0015394600	88F73823	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0015394600-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Tag	COU	Fee	(\$5.88)	\$0.00	(\$5.88)
MCNELL, SHEILA DWANE	103 DANIEL DRIVE	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0034235292	AK85827	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0034235292-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Tag	COU	Fee	(\$22.10)	\$0.00	(\$22.10)
MULTON, GEMMELL MARCUS PATRICK MARTINEZ	523 GANTON DR	RAEFORD, NC 28318	Adjustment + \$100	0029871024	DN11311	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0029871024-2017-2017-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$93.03)	\$0.00	(\$93.03)
JULIE HILLIPS HILKAR SEBASTIAN	324 HILL ST	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0029532071	PH727875	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0029532071-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$5.80)	\$0.00	(\$5.80)
HOMERD, JONAL	718 IRONWOOD WAY	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Adjustment + \$100	0033681310	EDN1722	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0033681310-2017-2017-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$1.58)	(\$3.47)	(\$4.85)
THOMAS, HELEN ANGELA	211 STREAM FALL CT	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0024589158	DRV3287	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0024589158-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$72.54)	\$0.00	(\$72.54)
THOMPSON, EUGENE WILLIAMS	350 HIGHVIEW DR	FAVETTEVILLE, NC 28328	Proration	0029679578	TL12123	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0029679578-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$44.54)	\$0.00	(\$44.54)
JESSE CAMPBELL	130 STEVEN ST	RECHMOND HILL, GA 31324	Adjustment + \$100	0015400036	8W81478	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0015400036-2017-2017-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$1.20)	\$0.00	(\$1.20)
Refund Total:											\$1,881.19	

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SUNDY, MARIE COLBY	183 ELLIGEN LOOP #A	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0040270180	7F05410	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0040270180-2017-2017-0000-00	Tag Surrender	COU	Fee	(\$144.20)	\$0.00	(\$144.20)
DAVIS, TANISHA LADNAY	1107 AMANDA JO DRIVE	ELIZABETH TOWN, VA 22031	Proration	0034290312	1E22836	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0034290312-2017-2017-0000-00	Reg. Out of State	COU	Fee	(\$81.50)	\$0.00	(\$81.50)
DAVIS, TANISHA LADNAY	1107 AMANDA JO DRIVE	ELIZABETH TOWN, VA 22031	Proration	0043002888	0227808	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0043002888-2017-2017-0000-00	Reg. Out of State	COU	Fee	(\$271.80)	\$0.00	(\$271.80)
HODGES, DEVON HOLLAND SR	PO BOX 628	ABERDEEN, NC 28319	Proration	0040547080	1E27368	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0040547080-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$20.40)	(\$1.16)	(\$21.56)
WIGMAN, CHRISTOPHER DALE	827 CALLOWAY RD	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0020373801	2TV0000	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0020373801-2017-2017-0000-00	Tag Surrender	COU	Fee	(\$27.54)	\$0.00	(\$27.54)
JEFFERSON, TAMARA RAYE	288 BRUCE DR	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0041883860	0081745	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0041883860-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Tag	COU	Fee	(\$80.20)	\$0.00	(\$80.20)
LOCKLEAR, JERRY	022 BARTON RD	REG SPRINGS, NC 28227	Proration	0018028860	EA49854	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0018028860-2017-2017-0000-00	Tag Surrender	COU	Fee	(\$1.20)	(\$0.81)	(\$2.01)
GRISH, JOHN BETHCO	103 HOLLY LN	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Adjustment + \$100	0041822878	7F05600	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0041822878-2017-2017-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$29.18)	\$0.00	(\$29.18)
PEREZ, VICTOR DOMINGUEZ	380 CAMAROFF DR	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Proration	0038738886	1407L	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0038738886-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$85.00)	\$0.00	(\$85.00)
RIDG, BEN RAY	817 AMERICANA DR	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Adjustment + \$100	0041875487	EHK0203	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0041875487-2017-2017-0000-00	Military	COU	Fee	(\$175.50)	\$0.00	(\$175.50)
ROSS, DEBORAH GOODMAN	2808 N SPANNAH RD	SPANNAH, NC 28386	Proration	0021448880	242728F	Refund Generated due to proration on SS #0021448880-2017-2017-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	COU	Fee	(\$11.50)	\$0.00	(\$11.50)
BUTTON, NEAL ALAN	380 COLL AVE	RAEFORD, NC 28378	Adjustment + \$100	0041883220	F031222F	Refund Generated due to adjustment on SS #0041883220-2017-2017-0000-00	Adjustment	COU	Fee	(\$29.20)	\$0.00	(\$29.20)
Refund Total:											\$1,090.81	

d. Finance: DSS Budget Amendments

AMENDMENT TO THE HOKE COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE 2017/2018 Amendment

Section 1 of the Hoke County Budget Ordinance, pertaining to the General Fund operations of the County, shall be amended as follows:

Insert (Decrease) Appropriations:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include DSS Administration (24 100), DSS Administration (24 100), DSS Administration (24 100), and Non Departmental (24 100).

Total \$ -

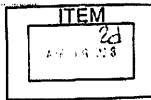
This amendment:

- Transfer from DSS lapse salary \$24,100 to Professional Services Attorney Appeals
Funding Source: Lapse Salary
Appropriates excess budgeted funds in DSS professional services to non-departmental professional services.
Funding Source: Transfer from DSS

Submitted: April 16, 2018

Respectfully Submitted by Assistant Finance Officer

Approved by County Manager



TO: Ellis Prevatte, Hoke County Finance Director Garvin Ferguson

FROM: Becky Morrow, Hoke DSS Interim Director

DATE: April 4, 2018

SUBJECT: LINE ITEM TRANSFER - FY2017-2018 BUDGET

Please view the following line item transfer information:

Table with 3 columns: Line Item, Description, and Amount. Rows include 115310 512100 Salaries/Wages Reg (-24,100.00) and 115310 519201 P/S Attorney Appeals (\$24,100.00)

To pay for appeals invoices from March 2018-June 2018 over and above the allotted \$10,000.00 budgeted amount already spent as of 3/13/2018 (July 17-February 18 appeals invoices).

Please advise if further information is needed. Thank you.

e. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council 1. FY 2018-2019 Certification



N.C. Department of Public Safety Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Certification

Fiscal Year: 2018-2019

County: Hoke Date: March 13, 2018

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

Table with 2 columns: Question and Answer (Yes/No). Questions include membership authorization, list attachment, staggered terms, diversity, and required positions.

STANDARD #2 - Organization

Table with 2 columns: Question and Answer (Yes/No). Questions include bylaws, conflict of interest, funding review, and officer positions.

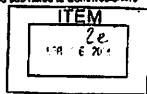
STANDARD #3 - Meetings

Table with 2 columns: Question and Answer (Yes/No). Questions include meeting openness, notice, quorum, frequency, and minutes.

STANDARD #4 - Planning

Table with 2 columns: Question and Answer (Yes/No). Questions include annual planning process, annual plan presentation, and funding plan approval.

Form JCP-1 (Rev. 10/14) Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Certification Form



Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Certification (cont'd)

STANDARD #5 - Public Awareness

Table with 2 columns: Question and Answer (Yes/No). Questions include fund availability, RFP distribution, and annual needs assessments.

STANDARD #6 - No Overdue Tax Debt

Table with 2 columns: Question and Answer (Yes/No). Question: Are residents of the county DPS JCP allocation over the County cert that it has no overdue tax debts?

Please outline the plan for correcting any areas of standards non-compliance.

Having completed with the Standards as documented herein, the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council may use up to \$15,500 of its annual Juvenile Crime Prevention fund allocation to cover administrative and related costs of the council.

JCP Administrative Funds SOURCES OF REVENUE

Table with 2 columns: Source and Amount. Rows include DPS JCPC, Local, and Other.

Signature of JCPC Chairperson

Signature of County Commissioner

DPS Designated Official

Form JCP-2 (Rev. 10/14) Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Certification Form

2. County Funding Plan

HOKE County
NC DPS - Community Programs - County Funding Plan

APPROPRIATION: \$120,625 FISCAL YEAR: 2018-2019 RATE: 12%

NEW A/P: (check box) PROGRAM AGREEMENT: (check box) STATE AID: (check box) FEDERAL AID: (check box)

Program Provider	FUNDING	FUNDAL BALANCE		TOTAL		%
		Current	Unallotted	Current	Unallotted	
HOKE COUNTY JCPCC ADMINISTRATION	15,700			15,700		13%
PROCEEDS FROM THE SHERIFF'S SALE	141,925			141,925		97%
TOTAL	157,625			157,625		100%

The above plan is derived through a planning process by the HOKE County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council and represents the County's Plan for use of these funds in FY 2018-2019.

Chair

SECTION VI: BUDGET NARRATIVE

Item #	Justification	Fiscal Year	
		FY 18-19	FY 19-20
130	Contract Rate for JCPCC Coordinator (\$418.68M x 12M)	\$5,000	
220	Food for Council Meetings and Sub-Committee Meetings (\$127.27M x 11M)	\$1,400	
250	General Office and Training Supplies for JCPCC Administrative related business.	\$600	
370	Advertisement of RFP, Donor Fee for JCPCC Website (500 year)	\$450	
300	Legislative Event (\$500), Public Relations events (\$200), and \$1,650 remaining funds to be moved to a program.	\$2,350	
TOTAL		\$9,800	

Job Title	Annual Expense	Annual in Kind
TOTAL		

Form JCPCC 001 JCPCC Program Agreement
Form structure last revised 12/15/2011
Department of Public Safety

SECTION VII Program: JCPCC Administration
Fiscal Year: FY 18-19 Number of Months: 12

	Cash	In Kind	Total
I. Personnel Services	\$6,600		\$6,600
123 Admin & Union	\$2		\$2
160 Fringe Benefits	\$2		\$2
162 Professional Services	\$6,596		\$6,596
*Contracts MUST be attached			
B. Supplies & Materials	\$1,800		\$1,800
210 Maintenance & Cleaning	\$2		\$2
220 Food & Printing	\$1,798		\$1,798
230 Education & Medical	\$2		\$2
240 Construction & Repair	\$2		\$2
250 Vehicle Supplies & Materials	\$2		\$2
260 Office Supplies and Materials	\$500		\$500
280 Printing & Utility Supplies	\$2		\$2
290 Other Supplies and Materials	\$2		\$2
III. Current Obligations & Services	\$2,800		\$2,800
310 Travel & Transportation	\$2		\$2
320 Communications	\$2		\$2
330 Utilities	\$2		\$2
340 Printing & Binding	\$2		\$2
350 Rentals & Home Services	\$2		\$2
370 Advertising	\$400		\$400
380 Data Processing	\$2		\$2
388 Other Services	\$2,396		\$2,396
IV. Fixed Charges & Other Expenses	\$0		\$0
410 Rental or Real Property	\$2		\$2
420 Equipment Repair	\$2		\$2
430 Services and Maintenance Contracts	\$2		\$2
450 Insurance & Bonding	\$2		\$2
460 Other Fixed Charges	\$2		\$2
V. Capital Outlay	\$0		\$0
(This Section Requires Cash Match)			
510 Office Furniture & Equipment	\$2		\$2
520 Educational Equipment	\$2		\$2
540 Motor Vehicles	\$2		\$2
550 Other Equipment	\$2		\$2
560 Buildings, Structures & Improv	\$2		\$2
Total	\$10,700		\$10,700

Form JCPCC 001 JCPCC Program Agreement
Form structure last revised 12/15/2011
Department of Public Safety

f. Proclamation designating April 28, 2018 as "United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. Day"

James Leach
Chairman
Harry Southernland
Vice Chairman
Tom Hunt
Commissioner
Alan Thomas, Jr.
Commissioner



Robert Wright
Commissioner
Grady Hunt
County Attorney
Eugene Edwards
County Treasurer
Gwen McGowan
County Clerk

**PROCLAMATION
UNITED - A DIVINE PURPOSE, INC. DAY**

WHEREAS United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) charitable nonprofit organization
WHEREAS the mission of United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. is to provide compassionate care and advocacy for patients with Myeloid or Breast Cancer diseases
WHEREAS United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. uses education to increase awareness to patients caregivers and the general public about Myeloid and Breast Cancer diseases
WHEREAS United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. supports research in drug development and clinical trials with rare curable options with certain goals and purposes
WHEREAS United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. provides non-biased financial assistance to Myeloid and Breast Cancer patients
WHEREAS United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. advocates for persons living with Myeloid and Breast Cancer as well as those who have lost their lives
NOW THEREFORE I, Gary A. Hunt, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2018 to be
"United - A Divine Purpose, Inc. Day" in Union County.

Adopted this 16th day of April, 2018

James Leach, Chairman
Harry Southernland, Vice Chairman
Tom Hunt, Commissioner
Alan Thomas, Jr., Commissioner
Robert Wright, Commissioner



g. Resolution honoring Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church's 145th anniversary

(pulled and moved to Item #7)

Motion: Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items a - f, seconded by Vice Chairman Southernland.

Action: The motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 3. Tax Collector's Report

Tax Collector Daphne Dudley presented her report of March, 2018 collections:

HOPE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
April 16, 2018

Tax Levy 2017		\$27,196,554.80
Additions to Levy YTD		\$931,495.82
Total 2017 Levy to Date		\$28,128,050.62
Refunds 2017		\$65,709.74
Releases/Abatements		\$17,880.46
Discounts		\$384,529.92
Adjustments		\$212.84
Write Offs		\$811.27
Advertising Charged 2017 Tax Bills		\$0.00
Collectible Levy to Date		\$28,117,847.11
Collected To Date		\$25,630,309.33
Uncollected Balance 2017 Tax Levy		<u>\$1,487,537.78</u>
Collections March 2018	\$323,996.74	
Releases March 2018	\$8.80	
Percent of Levy Collected (Receipts)	94.21%	
Percent of Levy Collected (Releases, Etc.)	0.06%	
Prior Years Tax Levy March 2018		\$2,911,283.45
Prior Years Collected in March 2018 To Date		\$1,992,987.58
Unreflected Balance Before Releases		\$1,818,379.05
Refunds		\$102,310.11
Releases/Abatements		\$501,219.97
Discounts		\$40.34
Adjustments		\$283.44
Write Offs/Reserve		\$31,857.78
Uncollected Balance Prior Years		<u>\$1,397,052.25</u>
Prior Years Collected in March 2018	\$139,603.90	
Releases Prior Years March 2018	\$8.80	
Percent Prior Years Collected (Receipts)	37.84%	
Percent Prior Years Collected (Releases Etc.)	30.31%	
Total Uncollected Taxes		<u>\$2,894,104.53</u>
Tax Levy March 2017		\$27,822,290.73
Collections March 2017		\$26,108.76
Releases March 2017		\$18,129.89
Percent Collected (Receipts)	93.87%	
Percent Collected (Releases, Etc.)	0.06%	
Prior Years Tax Levy March 2017		\$2,686,175.85
Collections March 2017		\$86,843.82
Releases March 2017		\$113.18
Discount		\$0.00
Percent Collected (Receipts)	29.18%	
Percent Collected (Releases Etc.)	0.33%	

ITEM 4. Tax Assessor's Report/Releases

Tax Assessor Jennie Gibson presented the following release request:

Brenda McEachin RE 2017 \$141.12 Land Use Calculation error

Motion: Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the release of 2017 Real Estate taxes for Brenda McEachin, seconded by Vice Chairman Southerland.

Action: The motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 5. Resolutions Accepting Offer of Bids for Surplus Properties

Clerk Gwen McGougan presented Resolutions for the Board to accept bid offers on 365 Indian Lane and 369 Indian Lane:

James Leach
Chairman
Harry Southerland
Vice Chairman
Tony Hunt
Commissioner
Allen Thomas, Jr.
Commissioner



HOKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING OFFER OF BID FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Hoke County Board of Commissioners declared the following property as surplus:

Parcel #084920001086 - 365 Indian Lane - Blue Springs Township; and

WHEREAS, the Hoke County Board of Commissioners has received and proposes to accept an offer to sell to Michael Lowery for \$3,534.29 for 365 Indian Lane - Blue Springs Township - Parcel ID Number 384920001086; and

WHEREAS, public notice of the intent to sell the above described property was published as required by law; and

WHEREAS, no upset bid has been received;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hoke County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the execution of the necessary documents in order to sell the above described property to Michael Lowery, 308 Lacy Road, Maxton, NC 28364, for the purchase price of \$3,534.29 and to deliver and receive the appropriate documents

Adopted this 16th day of April 2018.

James A. Leach
James A. Leach, Chairman
Gwen McGougan
Gwen McGougan, Clerk to the Board

Robert Wright
Commissioner
Grady Hunt
County Attorney
Leticia Edens
County Manager
Gwen McGougan
Clerk to the Board



HOKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING OFFER OF BID FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Hoke County Board of Commissioners declared the following property as surplus:

Parcel #384920001088 - 369 Indian Lane - Blue Springs Township; and

WHEREAS, the Hoke County Board of Commissioners has received and proposes to accept an offer to sell to Michael Lowery for \$1,674.17 for 369 Indian Lane - Blue Springs Township - Parcel ID Number 384920001088; and

WHEREAS, public notice of the intent to sell the above described property was published as required by law; and

WHEREAS, no upset bid has been received;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hoke County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the execution of the necessary documents in order to sell the above described property to Michael Lowery, 308 Lacy Road, Maxton, NC 28364, for the purchase price of \$1,674.17 and to deliver and receive the appropriate documents

Adopted this 16th day of April 2018.

Robert Wright
Robert Wright, Commissioner
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Gwen McGougan, Clerk to the Board

Motion: Vice Chairman Southerland made a motion to approve the acceptance of the bids of \$3,534.19 for 365 Indian Lane and \$1,674.17 for 369 Indian Lane, seconded by Commissioner Wright.

Action: The motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 6. Budget Request Presentation by Sandhills Center

Mrs. Victoria Whitt, CEO of Sandhills Center, began by thanking Vice Chairman Southerland and Ms. Shirley Hart for their dedication as Hoke County's representatives on the Sandhills Center Board. Mrs. Whitt presented the organization's budget request for FY 2018-2019. The amount requested, \$58,000, is the same amount that Hoke County has funded for Sandhills Center for the past 14 years. These funds support the crisis center at Daymark on Elwood Avenue. In 2012 Sandhills Center took over the management of the Medicaid funding, which has resulted in significant savings. These savings are being invested back into the community.

SANDHILLS CENTER

Managing Mental Health, Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services
 910.673.9111 FAX: 910.673.6202 www.sandhillscenter.org Victoria Whitt, CEO

March 14, 2018

Mr. Leotis Edens
 Hoke County Manager
 P.O. Box 210
 Raeford, NC 28376

Dear Mr. Edens:

During its March 13th meeting, the Sandhills Center Board of Directors discussed the issue of our County General Budget Request from our state (9) constituent counties for FY 18 - 19.

Based on a review of the current fiscal situation that impacts our State and counties, it was decided that the Center would not request an increase in County General Funding from Hoke County. This continues our practice of not requesting an increase for the past 14 years.

Importantly, all county funding received is directed to support of total County Behavioral Health (Inpatient Care Centers and other county designated services/programs).

FY 17 - 18 Current County General Allocation: \$ 58,000

FY 18 - 19 Funding Request

- County General Request: \$ 58,000
- Total FY 18 - 19 County General Request: \$ 58,000

Note: See Attached County General Funding Chart

Since beginning the management of Medicaid service dollars in December 2012, Sandhills Center has realized savings and has made a commitment to reinvest those savings in the community. During the past year, Sandhills Center has worked with county and community representatives from each of our nine (9) constituent counties to identify high priority needs and projects at the county level. We have been able to reallocate local funds and commit LIME/MCO reinvestment savings to numerous projects in each of our counties.

Sandhills Center staff and I will continue to meet with County Managers and others to review the use of current county allocations and to identify behavioral health service areas in the county that may have been underserved and identify how available funding could be used to impact those areas.

We will be working with the Clerk to the Board to schedule an opportunity to present a program update and the budget request to your County Commissioners within the next few weeks.

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Thank you for your continued support of Sandhills Center and the services we manage. The Sandhills Center's Board of Directors and staff are committed to providing the citizens of Hoke County with quality, cost-effective services.

We appreciate the County's contributions to behavioral health services and appreciate partnering with you to improve access and availability of quality services in the local community.

Sincerely,

Victoria Whitt
 Chief Executive Officer

Attachments

cc: Mr. Harry Southard, Hoke County Commissioner
 Mr. Ellis Frawley, Hoke County Finance Officer

Sandhills Center has partnered with the Hoke County Health Department to place a therapist inside the Health Department. Funding is also being provided to Hoke County Department of Social Services for guardianship services. Mrs. Whitt provided each Commissioner with information about services used by Hoke County citizens during the past year:

Hoke County Members Served April 2018

Members Served Monthly Last Year

Most Frequent Behavioral Health Services Received Last Calendar Year

Service	Amount Paid
(\$10,672,386 total)	
Innovations Services	\$3,894,912
Outpatient Services	\$2,404,436
Intermediate Care Facilities	\$1,994,938
Behavioral Health Long Term Residential	\$695,031
Inpatient Hospitalization Services	\$345,698
Intensive In-Home Services	\$285,717
Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities	\$236,218
915 (b) (3) Services	\$182,648

Highest Serving Behavioral Health Providers Last Calendar Year

Provider	Members Served
(201 providers serving local members)	
Daymark Recovery Services	562
Haymount Institute for Psychological Services, LLC	235
Costal Carolina Neuropsychiatric Center	186
Sandhills Behavioral Center, Inc.	185
First Health of the Carolinas	128
Cape Fear Valley Medical Center	121
Fayetteville Psychiatric Associates, PA	103

Members Served Last Calendar Year

SANDHILLS CENTER

Ms. Whitt commended Hoke County staff for their participation in the Mental Health First Aid program.

Ms. Whitt opened the floor for questions.

Chairman Leach asked what types of mental health issues Sandhills Center staff are seeing in Hoke County. Ms. Whitt said counselors are seeing an increase in opioid abuse, alarmingly in children as young as 5th graders. Suicide is also an issue and is often due to bullying. Sandhills is working with counties and school systems to introduce education and prevention in schools.

Vice Chairman Southerland expressed concern about individuals in need of care who may fall through the gap. He said it's important to go into the communities and let citizens know that help is available. The goal is to be proactive rather than reactive.

Ms. Whitt said that in April of each year Sandhills does a Gap Assessment to identify issues that may fall through the gap. Sandhills then opens the network for those services.

Chairman Leach added that it is important to identify youth in need of help as early as possible. The Board is very willing to consider adjusting Sandhill Center's budget to meet that need.

Commissioner Thomas asked if a person in need of help should contact Sandhills Center. Ms. Whitt replied that they have toll-free numbers that are staffed by licensed clinicians. Sandhills Center also has a Mobile Crisis Team that is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

ITEM 7. Recognition of Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church's 145th Anniversary

Chairman Leach asked the Pastor and Officers of Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church to come forward. The Board met them down front and presented the following Resolution:

James Leach
Chairman

Harry Southerland
Vice Chairman

Tony Hunt
Commissioner

Allen Thomas, Jr.
Commissioner



Robert Wright
Commissioner

Grady Hunt
County Attorney

Lerita Edens
County Manager

Gwen McGougan
Clerk to the Board

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BRIDGES GROVE A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

WHEREAS, in 1873, a group of former slaves and freemen began meeting for religious purposes. They wanted to start a church of their own. After much deliberation on their part, a name was chosen from Carter Bridge—an actual bridge crossing McNeill Lake in Northern Robeson County and Pleasant Grove a church in the area of the Millside Community near present day Hawk Eye School. The new church name was called Bridges Grove. In the late 1800s, Bridges Grove became a part of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion connection.

WHEREAS, in 1873, Ben Goodman and his son Anthony Cume were instrumental in locating a site for the church. Ben Goodman decided to sell the congregation two acres of prime land for the grand total of \$8.00. This land was on the main road from the Lumber Bridge Community to the Antioch Community. Ben paid 50 cent himself. The deed was actually made on March 17, 1894 at the Antioch Store by JA Hodgkin, Squire Magistrate. It read: from the heirs of law of Ben Goodman. Bridges Grove was built in the Northern portion of Robeson County and became a part of Southern Hoke County in 1911. The church was constructed of weatherboards. This church and the second church were destroyed by fire in 1914. In 1916, services were moved to the Bridges Grove Masonic Hall located nearby. In 1919, a new church was built. While the new church was under construction, services were held in the new Bridges Grove School House which was located directly across the street from the church site. This church was known for its beautiful arched windows and three section pews. The present day sanctuary was constructed in 1973 and dedicated the first Sunday in 1974.

WHEREAS, Several pastors led Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church during the course of its history. Notably, Reverend E.B. Bethea, who served the church from 1942 until 1965. The church was very active during this period and membership grew substantially. Reverend Thurman McGougan led the church during the 80s. During his tenure, significant improvements were made to the church, the deed was properly recorded in Hoke County, brick was placed on the church, pew replacement and the installation of central heat and air conditioning. In 2000, Bridges Grove received its first woman pastor, Dr. Sarah Smith. Reverend Edward Spence, Jr. and his wife, Sheila came to the church in 2015. They have taken the church to another level in spiritual awareness and moved the church into the internet age by creating a Web page which links to the church's Facebook page.

WHEREAS, Bridges Grove challenges each member to recognize and enhance the contribution of their forefathers. The church is proud to have Bro. James Leland Goodman who has been an active member for over 68 years and serve faithfully as Superintendent of Sunday School for 30 years, Chairman of Trustee Board and board member for over 50 years, and Financial Secretary for many years. His role in documenting the history of the church has been an access to the heritage of the church and its community.

WHEREAS, Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church is a vital spiritual force in the Hoke County community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Hoke County Board of Commissioners honors Bridges Grove A.M.E. Zion Church on their 145th anniversary.

Adopted this, the 16th day of April, 2018.

James Leach, Chairman

Harry Southerland, Vice Chairman

Tony Hunt, Commissioner

Robert Wright, Commissioner

Allen Thomas, Jr. Commissioner

Attest: _____
Gwen McGougan, Clerk to the Board

Vice Chairman Southerland read aloud the first paragraph of the Resolution. He will read the remainder of the Resolution when he presents it at the church on Sunday, April 22, 2018. The Vice Chairman commented that in their 145 years, Bridges Grove has created a legacy in Hoke County and saved many souls.

The Board congratulated the Pastor and Officers of Bridges Grove Church and presented a framed copy of the Resolution.

ITEM 8. Mr. Terraine Francois Presentation

Vice Chairman Southerland introduced Minister Terraine Francois. Mr. Francois is interested as serving as Chaplain for the County. The Vice Chairman requested that the County Attorney give input.

Mr. Francois began by expressing to the Board how important it is to him to serve the community. He has worked in the Hoke County school system for 15 years. In addition, he counsels inmates and will soon be certified as a Pastoral Care Chaplain in the First Health hospital system. Mr. Francois would like to support the Board through prayers and fasting.

Vice Chairman Southerland said that if someone desires to serve the County they should be allowed to if possible. This is a good example of citizen involvement.

Commissioner Thomas added that he admires Mr. Francois's desire to serve the community. Mr. Francois is a leader in the community.

Chairman Leach asked the County Attorney if there are any legal issues. The County Attorney said he'd do some research and report back to the Board.

ITEM 9. Comments by Curtis Loving

Commissioner Thomas introduced Mr. Curtis Loving, a student at Hoke County High School and captain of the high school swim team.

Swim team practices are currently held at St. Andrews University in Scotland County and this lengthy commute often results in students arriving home late after practices or competitions. Seven swim team members have completed lifeguard training and CPR training. The training is currently being held at the YMCA on Ft. Bragg Road in Fayetteville. He hopes that future training could be held at the new Parks & Recreation facility.

Vice Chairman Southerland thanked Mr. Loving for speaking to the Board and voicing the needs of the students. It helps the Board to know the priorities of the community.

Chairman Leach introduced Garvin Ferguson to Mr. Loving and had Garvin share some of his swimming background.

Commissioner Thomas added that the County will be scheduling interviews with the firms that submitted RFQs for the Parks & Recreation facility and Cooperative Extension building projects.

Commissioner Thomas asked to make one more addition to the agenda. He would like to give Mr. Demetrius Hollingsworth, founder of the University of God's Chosen, the opportunity to address the Board.

Motion: Vice Chairman Southerland made a motion to add Mr. Demetrius Hollingsworth to the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Thomas.

Action: The motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 10. Comments by Mr. Demetrius Hollingsworth

Mr. Hollingsworth began by giving the Board some background on himself and the University of God's Chosen. A Fayetteville native, Mr. Hollingsworth spent much of his youth in Hoke County. He founded the University of God's Chosen in July, 2014. The school's goal, in addition to an academic program, is to reach youth, particularly those susceptible to drinking, drugs and gangs. The University needs financial help and name recognition.

The University plans to begin a basketball program this year. They also have a football combine and family day planned for May 19, 2018. Mr. Hollingsworth is in contact with Parks & Recreation Director Kendric Maynor to procure the athletic field for this event.

Mr. Hollingsworth was joined by UGC's Athletic Director Mr. Antwan Nash. Mr. Nash added that the school has provided scholarships to four students. He believes the University has been effective in deterring youth from gang activity. The school needs the support of the Board of Commissioners and the community.

Chairman Leach agreed that it is important to reach youth. Vice Chairman Southerland asked Mr. Hollingsworth to describe the school's approach to at-risk youth. Mr. Hollingsworth said that his approach is to begin the conversation with sports. You're more likely to attract their interest this way and then pick up academics once you have their attention. The goal is to eventually have students' priority be academics over athletics.

ITEM 11. Manager's Report

County Manager Letitia Edens began by informing the Board that she has received notification from the NC Housing Finance Agency that Hoke County has been conditionally approved for \$100,000 in Urgent Repair Funds for the 2018 cycle. Commissioner Thomas asked who these funds are intended to help. Mrs. Edens said the funds are to help the elderly or those with special needs who need help with essential home repairs. There is a monetary limit for each applicant based upon the type of house and the repairs that are needed.

Mrs. Edens asked the Board if anyone had any issues with any of the questions that will be on the Community Assessment Survey in preparation for the grant application for the new Parks & Recreation facility. Vice Chairman Southerland asked about the status of the grant. Mrs. Edens replied that the grant application can't be submitted until next fiscal year. The survey is part of preliminary preparations.

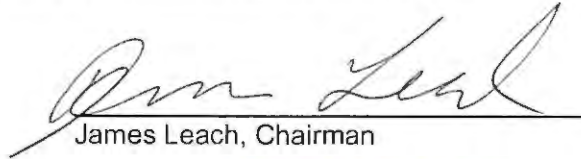
Mrs. Edens gave the Board some dates to consider for the interviews for the Design-Build applicants. Potential dates are April 23-27, 2018, April 30-May 4, 2018 and May 14-18, 2018. Chairman Leach pointed out that the Commissioners Room will be used for early voting up until Election Day. Commissioner Thomas suggested May 14, 2018. Mrs. Edens said she'd schedule the interviews in one hour increments for the afternoon of May 14, 2018.

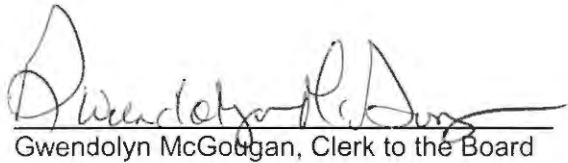
ITEM 12. Closed Session

No Closed Session was held.

ITEM 13. Adjourn

There being no further business, upon motion made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Wright, the Board voted 4-0 to adjourn the April 16, 2018 regular meeting of the Hoke County Board of Commissioners at 8:00 p.m.


James Leach, Chairman


Gwendolyn McGowan, Clerk to the Board

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