

Surry County Board of Commissioners
Meeting of May 20, 2019

The Surry County Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m., May 20, 2019. The meeting was held in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Historic Courthouse, Dobson, N.C.

Board members present for the meeting were Chairman Van Tucker, Vice-Chairman Larry Johnson, Commissioner Bill Goins, Commissioner Eddie Harris, and Commissioner Mark Marion.

Others present for the meeting, at various times, were:

Chris Knopf, County Manager
Sandy Snow, Assistant County Manager
Rhonda Nixon, Budget & Performance Director
Sheriff Steve Hiatt
Captain Scott Hudson, Sheriff's Office
Captain Larry Lowe, Sheriff's Office
Don Mitchell, Facilities Management Director
Maggie Simmons, Assistant Health Director
Kristy Preston, DSS Director
Ed Woltz, County Attorney
Tammy Johnson, Assistant to the County Manager
News Media

Chairman Tucker called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance. Chairman Tucker delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Tucker requested the Board review and approve the agenda. Upon motion of Commissioner Marion, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the May 20, 2019 agenda.

Chairman Tucker requested the Board consider the minutes of the April 23, April 30 and May 6, 2019 meetings as presented. Upon motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Goins, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

Chairman Tucker requested the Board consider the consent agenda. Upon motion of Commissioner Goins, seconded by Commissioner Marion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

Requests from the County Manager:

- Approve a discretionary funds award from the N.C. Department of Public Safety, in the amount of \$10,540.
- Approve the following from the Tax Department:
 1. Total releases for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$1,322.90.
 2. Total refunds for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$2,151.89.
 3. Total NCVTS tag and tax refunds for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$1,131.41.
 4. Total real and personal property discoveries for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$2,471.29.
 5. Total EMS, EMD, and EMS-MC additions for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$168,028.95.
 6. Total EMS, EMD, and EMS-MC refunds for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$90.60.

- 7. Total EMS, EMD, and EMS-MC releases for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$1,502.93.
- 8. Total EMS, EMD, and EMS-MC collections for the month ending 4/30/19 in the amount of \$27,949.68.

Requests from the Assistant County Manager:

- Approve donated leave of 28.50 hours for an employee, per guidelines of the Personnel Ordinance.

Requests from the Finance Officer:

- Approve the Capital Project Ordinances as presented for Franklin Elementary, Mountain Park Elementary, Dobson Elementary, Mount Airy City Schools Middle School HVAC, and Elkin City Schools Gymnasium.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
 SURRY COUNTY SCHOOLS
 FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
 AMENDMENT ONE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Surry that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, this capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION 1: The project authorized by this ordinance includes repairs, renovations, demolition and additions to the existing property.

SECTION 2: The officers of this governmental unit are hereby directed to proceed with this capital project within the guidelines set by the budget herein.

SECTION 3: The costs of the project are:

A. Professional Services - Engineering	292,033
B. Legal/Soil Tests/Surveys	178,550
C. Project Construction	6,405,516
D. Demolition	144,000
E. Temporary Classrooms	115,000
F. Admin Costs	<u>69,750</u>

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS \$ 7,204,849

SECTION 4: The following financing sources are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Other Financing Source - 2018 LOB's	189,823
Other Financing Source - 2019 LOB's	6,815,026
Transfer from the General Fund	<u>200,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 7,204,849

SECTION 5: The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly to the Board of Commissioners on the financial status of the project.

SECTION 6: The Budget Officer is directed to include an analysis of past and future costs and revenue for this capital project in each annual budget submitted to the Board of Commissioners for as long as this ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 7: Any balance of appropriated funds which are unexpected at the conclusion of this project shall be reserved by the Board of Commissioners for use as provided by applicable law or regulation.

SECTION 8: Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

APPROVED BY THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS this the 5th day of March 2018. AMENDED this the 20th day of May 2019.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
SURRY COUNTY SCHOOLS
MOUNTAIN PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AMENDMENT ONE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Surry that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, this capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION 1: The project authorized by this ordinance includes repairs, renovations, demolition and additions to the existing property.

SECTION 2: The officers of this governmental unit are hereby directed to proceed with this capital project within the guidelines set by the budget herein.

SECTION 3: The costs of the project are:

A. Professional Services - Engineering	382,760
B. Legal/Soil Tests/Surveys	215,555
C. Project Construction	8,093,161
D. Demolition	169,000
E. Underground Storage Tank Removal	50,000
F. Admin Costs	<u>70,000</u>
 TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	 \$ 8,980,476

SECTION 4: The following financing sources are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Other Financing Source - 2018 LOB's	248,794
Other Financing Source - 2019 LOB's	8,431,682
Transfer from the General Fund	<u>300,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 8,980,476

SECTION 5: The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly to the Board of Commissioners on the financial status of the project.

SECTION 6: The Budget Officer is directed to include an analysis of past and future costs and revenue for this capital project in each annual budget submitted to the Board of Commissioners for as long as this ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 7: Any balance of appropriated funds which are unexpected at the conclusion of this project shall be reserved by the Board of Commissioners for use as provided by applicable law or regulation.

SECTION 8: Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED BY THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS this the 5th day of March 2018. AMENDED this the 20th day of May 2019.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
SURRY COUNTY SCHOOLS
DOBSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AMENDMENT ONE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Surry that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, this capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION 1: The project authorized by this ordinance includes repairs, renovations, demolition and additions to the existing property.

SECTION 2: The officers of this governmental unit are hereby directed to proceed with this capital project within the guidelines set by the budget herein.

SECTION 3: The costs of the project are:

A. Professional Services - Engineering	298,500
B. Legal/Soil Tests/Surveys	194,400
C. Project Construction	8,495,167
D. Demolition	124,000
E. Temporary Classrooms	115,000
F. Underground Storage Tank Removal	50,000
G. Admin Costs	<u>70,000</u>

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS \$ 9,347,067

SECTION 4: The following financing sources are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Other Financing Source - 2018 LOB's	194,025
Other Financing Source - 2019 LOB's	8,853,042
Transfer from the General Fund	<u>300,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 9,347,067

SECTION 5: The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly to the Board of Commissioners on the financial status of the project.

SECTION 6: The Budget Officer is directed to include an analysis of past and future costs and revenue for this capital project in each annual budget submitted to the Board of Commissioners for as long as this ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 7: Any balance of appropriated funds which are unexpected at the conclusion of this project shall be reserved by the Board of Commissioners for use as provided by applicable law or regulation.

SECTION 8: Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

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CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
MOUNT AIRY CITY SCHOOLS MIDDLE SCHOOL HVAC REPLACEMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Surry that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, this capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION 1: The project authorized by this ordinance includes repairs and renovations to the existing property.

SECTION 2: The officers of this governmental unit are hereby directed to proceed with this capital project within the guidelines set by the budget herein.

SECTION 3: The costs of the project are:

A. Professional Services - Engineering	43,667
B. Repairs and Renovations	727,790
C. Contingency	<u>38,573</u>
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 810,030

SECTION 4: The following financing sources are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Other Financing Source - 2019 LOB's	<u>810,030</u>
TOTAL	\$ 810,030

SECTION 5: The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly to the Board of Commissioners on the financial status of the project.

SECTION 6: The Budget Officer is directed to include an analysis of past and future costs and revenue for this capital project in each annual budget submitted to the Board of Commissioners for as long as this ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 7: Any balance of appropriated funds which are unexpected at the conclusion of this project shall be reserved by the Board of Commissioners for use as provided by applicable law or regulation.

SECTION 8: Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED BY THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS this the 20th day of May, 2019.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
ELKIN CITY SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Surry that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, this capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION 1: The project authorized by this ordinance includes repairs, renovations, and additions to the existing Elkin High School Gymnasium property.

SECTION 2: The officers of this governmental unit are hereby directed to proceed with this capital project within the guidelines set by the budget herein.

SECTION 3: The costs of the project are:

A. Professional Services - Engineering	393,750
B. Lega/Soil Tests/Surveys	<u>25,900</u>
 TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	 \$ 419,650

SECTION 4: The following financing sources are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Other Financing Source - 2018 LOB's	393,750
Transfer General Fund	<u>25,900</u>
TOTAL	\$ 419,650

SECTION 5: The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly to the Board of Commissioners on the financial status of the project.

SECTION 6: The Budget Officer is directed to include an analysis of past and future costs and revenue for this capital project in each annual budget submitted to the Board of Commissioners for as long as this ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 7: Any balance of appropriated funds which are unexpected at the conclusion of this project shall be reserved by the Board of Commissioners for use as provided by applicable law or regulation.

SECTION 8: Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED BY THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS this the 5th day of March 2018. AMENDED this the 20th day of May 2019.

Requests from the Budget & Performance Director:

- Approve Budget Amendment #19 as follows:

ACCOUNT		PREVIOUS		REVISED
CODE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHANGE	AMOUNT
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>				
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
<u>Judicial Center Building</u>				
1054185	52010 Supplies & Materials	0	4,000	4,000
1054185	53010 Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	215,063	15,000	230,063
1054185	55020 Rent-Buildings & Equipment	1,000	500	1,500
	Increase departmental total	522,473	19,500	541,973
<u>Cooper Street Building</u>				
1054186	54300 Utilities	4,000	2,000	6,000
	Increase departmental total	14,188	2,000	16,188
<u>Sheriff Office Building</u>				
1054187	53010 Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	15,618	10,000	25,618
1054187	54300 Utilities	30,000	5,000	35,000
	Increase departmental total	46,118	15,000	61,118

Dobson Plaza Building

1054188	52010	Supplies & Materials	1,383	3,001	4,384
1054188	53010	Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	10,000	12,900	22,900
		Increase departmental total	131,464	15,901	147,365

Buildings & Grounds - County

1054190	53020	Equipment Maintenance	55,000	(23,500)	31,500
1054190	53061	White Plains Community Center	2,000	3,000	5,000
		Decrease departmental total	1,003,441	(20,500)	982,941

Court Facilities

1054193	52010	Supplies & Materials	0	18,000	18,000
1054193	55500	Dues & Subscriptions	10,000	2,000	12,000
		Increase departmental total	23,808	20,000	43,808

Admin/Social Services BLDG

1054196	53010	Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	50,000	(2,900)	47,100
1054196	59500	Contingency	5,000	(5,000)	0
		Decrease departmental total	279,055	(7,900)	271,155

Resource Center BLDG-Mt Airy

1054197	53010	Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	65,000	(10,000)	55,000
1054197	59500	Contingency	10,000	(10,000)	0
		Decrease departmental total	221,000	(20,000)	201,000

Non-Departmental

1054199	59510	General Fund Contingency	44,681	(44,000)	681
1054199	59545	Departmental Contingency	34,612	(22,461)	12,151
		Decrease departmental total	557,032	(66,461)	490,571

Central Supply

1054200	52010	Supplies & Materials	85,658	(9,891)	75,767
1054200	56010	Equipment	148,968	(21,001)	127,967
		Decrease departmental total	384,159	(30,892)	353,267

Communications

1054325	51720	Contracted Services	0	2,500	2,500
1054325	52010	Supplies & Materials	8,300	1,672	9,972
1054320	56010	Equipment	84,036	18,289	102,325
		Increase departmental total	1,453,917	22,461	1,476,378

Dobson Farmers Market (NEW)

1054945	56600	Other Improvements	0	88,000	88,000
		Increase departmental total	0	88,000	88,000

Soil & Water Conservation

1054960	51720	Contracted Services	7,000	(7,000)	0
		Decrease departmental total	161,281	(7,000)	154,281

Health Department Administration

1055110	52010	Supplies & Materials	15,300	9,891	25,191
		Increase departmental total	193,403	9,891	203,294

Home Health Grants Program

1055155	51720	Contracted Services	250,000	73,718	323,718
		Increase departmental total	368,040	73,718	441,758

Cancer Control Program

1055158	51720	Contracted Services	40,000	14,344	54,344
		Increase departmental total	281,600	14,344	295,944

Family Planning Program

1055164	51330	Retirement	13,700	8,000	21,700
1055164	52010	Supplies & Materials	5,000	20,757	25,757
		Increase departmental total	335,225	28,757	363,982

Supplemental Food Program

1055167	52010	Supplies & Materials	8,500	4,175	12,675
		Increase departmental total	692,300	4,175	696,475

Immunization Action Plan

1055170	51030	Salaries & Wages Part Time	0	3,028	3,028
1055170	51300	Social Security	5,500	7,000	12,500
1055170	51310	Medicare	1,300	1,400	2,700

1055170	51350	Group Insurance	19,700	10,806	30,506
1055170	52010	Supplies & Materials	3,000	1,500	4,500
1055170	52020	Medical Supplies	110,000	11,262	121,262
1055170	53020	Equipment Maintenance	500	1,500	2,000
1055170	55300	Refunds	200	600	800
1055170	55500	Miscellaneous	0	3,900	3,900
		Increase departmental total	252,250	40,996	293,246

Health Promotions

1055191	52010	Supplies & Materials	3,000	3,750	6,750
		Increase departmental total	149,424	3,750	153,174

REVENUE

1044000	48500	Insurance Refunds	96,292	3,000	99,292
1044349	44120	Inspection Fees	180,000	(180,000)	0
1044349	44121	Building Permits	100,000	(100,000)	0
1044350	44120	Inspection Fees	0	180,000	180,000
1044350	44121	Building Permits	0	100,000	100,000
1044945	44595	Donations (NEW)	0	37,000	37,000
1045155	43322	Chore Service-PTRC Grant	228,292	42,718	271,010
1045155	43395	Caregiver Grant-PTRC	21,700	31,000	52,700
1045158	44154	Cost Settlement	2,200	14,344	16,544
1045164	42353	Maternal Health Care (NEW)	0	20,757	20,757
1045164	44154	Cost Settlement	70,000	8,000	78,000
1045167	42372	WIC	332,442	4,175	336,617
1045170	44154	Cost Settlement	15,500	40,996	56,496
1045191	43399	Youth Tobacco Prevention (NEW)	0	3,750	3,750
		Increase fund totals.	73,860,405	205,740	74,066,145

- Approve Budget Amendment #20 as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT</u>			<u>PREVIOUS</u>		<u>REVISED</u>
<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>SPECIAL TAX DISTRICTS</u>					
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>					
4055916	57500	Elkin City Schools	1,031,556	60,000	1,091,556
4155915	57500	Mount Airy City Schools	900,110	45,000	945,110
4254381	57500	Ararat Fire	100,567	7,000	107,567
4354382	57500	Bannertown Fire	309,054	243,880	552,934
4454384	57500	C.C. Camp Fire	192,489	16,000	208,489
4554383	57500	Central Surry Fire	187,811	15,000	202,811
4654385	57500	Four-Way Fire	222,795	16,500	239,295
4754386	57500	Franklin Fire	419,012	44,000	463,012
4854387	57500	Jot-Um-Down Fire	107,219	10,000	117,219
4954388	57500	Mountain Park Fire	128,034	11,100	139,134
5054389	57500	Pilot Knob Fire	193,949	17,000	210,949
5154390	57500	Shoals Fire	93,175	8,000	101,175
5254391	57500	Skull Camp Fire	214,383	19,000	233,383
5354392	57500	South Surry Fire	241,136	20,500	261,636
5454393	57500	State Road Fire	76,688	6,500	83,188
5554394	57500	Westfield Fire	108,428	9,500	117,928
5654395	57500	White Plains Fire	171,700	14,000	185,700
5754396	57500	Pine Ridge Fire	130,969	14,800	145,769
5854397	57500	Pleasant Hill	469	150	619
<u>REVENUE</u>					
4045916	41100	Elkin City Schools	962,733	60,000	1,022,733
4145915	41100	Mount Airy City Schools	806,119	45,000	851,119
4244381	41100	Ararat Fire	86,136	7,000	93,136

4344382	41100	Bannertown Fire	277,396	231,880	509,276
4344382	41130	Bannertown Fire	29,458	12,000	41,458
4444384	41100	CC Camp Fire	183,379	16,000	199,379
4544383	41100	Central Surry Fire	163,515	15,000	178,515
4644385	41100	Four-Way Fire	191,643	16,500	208,143
4744386	41100	Franklin Fire	374,156	44,000	418,156
4844387	41100	Jot-Um-Down Fire	92,247	10,000	102,247
4944388	41100	Mountain Park Fire	112,035	11,100	123,135
5044389	41100	Pilot Knob Fire	173,145	17,000	190,145
5144390	41100	Shoals Fire	81,650	8,000	89,650
5244391	41100	Skull Camp Fire	191,187	19,000	210,187
5344392	41100	South Surry Fire	218,987	20,500	239,487
5444393	41100	State Road Fire	67,776	6,500	74,276
5544394	41100	Westfield Fire	96,948	9,500	106,448
5644395	41100	White Plains Fire	147,157	14,000	161,157
5744396	41100	Pine Ridge Fire	112,646	14,800	127,446
5844397	41100	Pleasant Hill	350	150	500
Increase Special District Totals by				577,930	

The Board with Carolyn Comer, Register of Deeds, recognized Jennifer White, Deputy, Register of Deeds, for completion of the 2018 Basic Register of Deeds course at the UNC School of Government.

Carolyn Comer, Register of Deeds, commended Ms. White on her accomplishment and recognized Joyce Gillespie and Teresa Smith also in attendance.

Chairman Tucker declared the meeting to be an open forum and invited members of the audience to address the Board on any matters of civic concern.

There being no public comments, Chairman Tucker closed the public forum.

Sheriff Steve Hiatt, with Captains Scott Hudson and Larry Lowe, requested the Board to consider adopting a resolution to name their training room, in the lower floor of the Judicial Center, as "Lt. Wayne M. Davis Training Room". Lieutenant Davis was employed as a Deputy Sheriff on December 14, 1982, promoted to Sergeant on December 1, 2003, and promoted to Lieutenant on February 1, 2005. Wayne M. Davis served in his position as Lieutenant until he passed away on June 3, 2007.

Upon motion of Chairman Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Marion, the Board voted unanimously to approve for the Sheriff's training room in the Judicial Center to be named the "Lt. Wayne M. Davis Training Room".

Jennifer Slate, Chair for "A Place to Play Pilot Mountain", discussed and gave a short presentation on a proposed playground project to be located at the Armfield Civic Center in Pilot Mountain. Ms. Slate advised that the project is estimated at \$150,000 of which they have raised approximately \$17,000. Ms. Slate thanked the Board for allowing her to discuss the playground project in the community and asked them to consider a contribution.

The Board thanked Ms. Slate for the presentation and advised that they would discuss this further during the budget process.

Ron Ashman, Yadkin Valley ABC Board, discussed House Bill 971 (Modern Licensure Model for Alcohol Control), filed on April 25, 2019. Mr. Ashman stated that the current public system for the sale of liquor in North Carolina works well and benefits local governments; the proposed bill will privatize the retail sale and wholesale distribution of liquor. Mr. Ashman expressed concerns of the negative economic impacts that would result from the bill and presented a resolution asking for the Board to consider support for retaining the current ABC Control System.

Mr. Ashman added he would send the resolution to State legislators, if approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CURRENT ABC
CONTROL SYSTEM FOR THE SALE OF LIQUOR

WHEREAS, the citizens of the County of Surry voted to permit the sale of liquor through the establishment of an ABC Board, which is a part of the North Carolina's control system for the sale of spirituous liquors; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 971 (Modern Licensure Model for Alcohol Control) was filed on April 25, 2019 and this bill privatizes the retail sale and wholesale distribution of liquor, allows a minimum of 1,500 permits to be issued to any business that sells food (grocery stores, convenience stores, pharmacies, variety stores, etc.) or to any "retail business", with additional numbers of permits available for issuance based on population growth, with retail liquor sales authorized between the hours of 7 a.m. and 2 a.m., and with those businesses allowed to ship liquor directly to individuals in or out of the State; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's local ABC boards operate about 423 retail stores, balancing access to liquor and generating local revenue while maintaining control; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's Department of Health and Human Services' website notes that excessive alcohol use cost NC more than \$7 Billion in 2010, that excessive alcohol use is the third leading preventable cause of death in NC, and that according to Centers for Disease Control's Community Guide on Excessive Alcohol Use strategies to reduce excessive drinking include maintaining state control of alcohol sales and continuing to limit the number of outlets selling and distributing alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly's nonpartisan Program Evaluation Division (PED) was directed to examine whether other systems for alcohol beverage control, including privatized systems, are appropriate for North Carolina, specially to include the State of Washington, which recently changed its beverage control system from state government control of wholesale and retail control of spirituous liquor to a licensure model; and

WHEREAS, the PED Report, "Changing How North Carolina Controls Liquor Sales Has Operational, Regulatory, and Financial Ramifications", released on February 11, 2019: (1) did not recommend privatization, (2) found that among the southeastern states, NC collects the most revenue per gallon, has the lowest outlet density

and has the second lowest per capita consumption; and (3) the PED expects retail liquor consumption to increase by 20% with privatization based on 1,000 expected outlets; and

WHEREAS, for fiscal year ending 2018, local ABC boards distributed \$430,635,861: County-City Distributions \$80 million; State General Fund \$323 million; Local Alcohol Education/Treatment \$13 million; Local Law Enforcement \$8.8 million; and Rehabilitation Services \$5 million; and local ABC boards also paid \$17.7 million for the operation of the ABC Commission/Warehouse; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is unique as it allows communities to vote to establish local ABC boards for the sale of liquor in their communities, with liquor profits distributed back to those communities, thereby reducing the need to increase local property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the County of Surry, in voting to permit the operation of ABC stores, did not vote to allow spirits to be sold in private retail liquor stores and did not vote to allow spirits to be sold retail outlets where beer and wine are sold; and

WHEREAS, no State funds are spent to distribute or sell liquor as the state and local operation of the ABC system is receipt supported; and

WHEREAS, of the 50 states, North Carolina ranks 44th lowest in consumption per capita and 7th highest in revenue per capita and NC's ABC system accomplishes both revenue and public health, welfare and safety objectives; and

WHEREAS, privatization will result in a marked increase in the number of outlets, longer hours of sale, greater advertising and more promotion, significantly more consumption, and increased societal costs; and

WHEREAS, local revenue from ABC stores operations is important; and

WHEREAS, local control over the sale of liquor is an important function.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Surry desires to retain North Carolina's current control system for the sale of liquor and believes that privatization of liquor will lead to many adverse effects.

Tom Hemmings addressed the Board to discuss partisan elections for Boards of Education.

Mr. Hemmings asked the Board for the status of the General Assembly regarding partisan elections for Boards of Education. Chairman Tucker stated that he would defer this question to the N.C. General Assembly.

Mr. Hemmings asked the Board if there are local legislators that support the partisan school board elections. Chairman Johnson advised that he was aware of two that were in favor.

Mr. Hemmings stated that fifty days have passed since the first request was presented to the Board and asked if they would consider withdrawing their support for the resolution. Chairman Tucker and Commissioner Harris stated that they would not consider withdrawing their support.

Mr. Hemmings asked the Board if they would consider adding this issue to the ballot to allow the citizens of Surry County to vote on the matter on election day. He added that he had contacted the Board of Elections and was informed that there would be no additional cost. Chairman Tucker and Commissioner Harris stated they would not be in favor. Commissioner Johnson stated he would be in favor.

There being no further questions, the Board thanked Mr. Hemmings for his time.

The Board took a ten-minute break.

Don Mitchell, Facilities Director, in his role as Interim Public Works Director, presented the following change orders for the Scale House at the Landfill. Mr. Mitchell advised that funds are available to cover these costs and asked for the Board's consideration to award the project to Simcon Company, LLC, as provided.

Change Order #02 - Labor and materials to add a new storm drain box with yard inlet and 123 feet of 24" pipe. This additional box is needed to remove water that drains into the area around the new scale house. Total Cost: \$5,879.28

Change Order #03 - The labor and materials to add additional 92 square yards of heavy-duty asphalt paving (8" of stone, 6" & 2" asphalt and fabric). This will give trucks more room to turn when exiting the landfill. Total Cost: \$7,019.23

Change Order #04 - Removal of trench rock for yard inlet #3 pipe install. Total Cost: \$2,805.00.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Marion, the Board voted unanimously to award Change Orders #02, #03, and #04 to Simcon Company, LLC, for the Scale House at the Landfill.

Maggie Simmons, Assistant Health Director, distributed copies of the 2018 Community Health Assessment and the 2017 State of the County Health Report. Ms. Simmons presented and provided County level health data and statistics regarding the 2018 Community Health Assessment, 2017 State of the County Health Report, and Child Fatality Prevention Team. She also reviewed the local Board of Health's goals.

The Board thanked Ms. Simmons for her report.

Kristy Preston, DSS Director, presented a NC DHHS Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services and Surry County, with a Response Statement identifying the County's continued concerns regarding the MOU. The MOU is an annual requirement per N.C.G.S. 108A-74.

Upon motion of Commissioner Goins, seconded by Commissioner Marion, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chairman to sign the MOU on behalf of the County and DSS and for the Chairman and the DSS Director to sign the Response Statement.

Kristy Preston, DSS Director, discussed a letter from Susan Osborne, Assistant Secretary for County Operations for Human Services, that requests a decision from DSS regarding whether or not to remain in NC FAST for Child Welfare. Ms. Preston advised that the State is giving them an opportunity to opt out and asked the Board to consider supporting a decision to opt out of the program.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Goins, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the DSS Director to notify the NC DHHS leadership of the County's decision to opt out of NC FAST for Child Welfare.

Kristy Preston, DSS Director, provided informational items that included: Medicaid Transportation; Child Support Enforcement Routine Monitoring Results (February 12, 2019 and April 8, 2019); Annual Fiscal Monitoring Results (March 26, 2019); and, Title IV-E Foster Care, Medicaid Administrative Claiming, and IV-E Guardianship Assistance Program Monitoring Results (March 14, 2019).

Kristy Preston, DSS Director, advised the Board that the contract with the DSS Attorney Susan Campbell is up for renewal. She and Sandy Snow, Assistant County Manager, have been working on the contract. Ms. Snow asked for the Board's support to proceed with entering into a contract upon final approval of Attorney Ed Woltz.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Marion, the Board voted unanimously to authorize DSS to enter into a contract with the DSS Attorney, upon final approval of the County Attorney.

Upon motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Chairman Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to appoint William (Bill) Golden to fill a vacant ETJ position on the Elkin Planning Board/Board of Adjustment.

Attorney Ed Woltz asked the Board to consider approving an amendment to the Monte Vista Properties, LLC. Contract, where the County is absorbing some of the closing costs that the seller was unable to pay, for land being acquired by the County. Attorney Woltz provided the amount of the closing cost absorbed is \$3,493.64, plus \$8,754.20 for the real estate professional, totaling \$12,247.84.

Upon motion of Commissioner Goins, seconded by Commissioner Marion, the Board voted unanimously to appropriate the additional funds requested and direct Attorney Woltz to proceed with the closing.

Attorney Woltz added that the closing is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2019.

Commissioner Harris asked that the Board consider some level of participation in the N.C. National Guard Museum project to honor local veterans. He suggested that this be discussed further at the next budget meeting.

Upon motion of Commissioner Marion, seconded by Commissioner Goins, the Board voted unanimously to go into closed session for legal matters pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(3), economic development matters pursuant to G.S.143-318.11(a)(4) and personnel matters pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6).

The Board came out of closed session and resumed regular business.

Upon motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Goins, the Board voted unanimously to approve but not release the closed session minutes from May 6, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Goins, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:05 p.m.

Tammy Johnson
Clerk to the Board

Sandy Snow
Deputy Clerk to the Board