

Surry County Board of Commissioners
Meeting of April 2, 2018

The Surry County Board of Commissioners met on April 2, 2018. The meeting was held in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Surry County Government Center, 118 Hamby Road, Dobson, North Carolina.

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

Others present for the meeting, at various times, were:
Chris Knopf, County Manager
Sandy Snow, Assistant County Manager
Sarah Bowen, Finance Officer
Don Mitchell, Facilities Director
John Shelton, Emergency Services Director
Johnny Easter, Development Services Director
Martha Brintle, MIS Director
News Media

Chairman Harris called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Phillips delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Harris requested the Board review and approve the agenda.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

Chairman Harris requested the Board consider the minutes of the March 19, 2018 meeting.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Chairman Harris requested that the Board consider the consent agenda. Upon motion of Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda items as presented with the addition of the Hangar Policy as approved by the Airport Authority. The following consent agenda items were approved:

Requests from the County Manager:

- Approve the following Proclamation:

PROCLAMATION HONORING R.F. "Buck" GOLDING

WHEREAS, R.F. "Buck" Golding has been a member of the Board of Commissioners of Surry County from December 5, 1994 to December 7, 1998 and December 6, 2010 to his resignation on February 19, 2018 while serving as:

Vice-Chairman from December 6, 2010 until December 5, 2011;
Chairman from December 5, 2011 until December 3, 2012;

Vice-Chairman from September 15, 2014 until December 1, 2014;
Chairman from December 1, 2014 until December 5, 2016;

WHEREAS, during Commissioner Golding's tenure on the Board, many governmental service improvements were made for the benefit of the citizens of Surry County and County staff; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Golding supported the following improvements while maintaining the tax rate and helping to establish open government for all citizens:

- Completion of elementary school and high school projects.
- Secured funds for the Surry County Children's Center.
- Worked to secure funds for the Greenbrier Apartments to benefit low income occupants.
- Supported human services.
- Supported community based and recreation endeavors.
- Supported the adoption of ordinances for the purpose of improving the health, safety and quality of life for Surry County's citizens.
- Continuous support for the departments and offices of Surry County Government in their efforts to deliver high quality services at minimum cost to the County's citizens.
- Supported economic incentives for economic development projects.
- Conservation Energy Program for County buildings.
- Landfill to Methane Gas Project.
- State Health Plan for County employees.
- Various water and sewer projects.
- Dedicated Capital Improvement Plan.
- Financial and Purchasing Policies.
- Restructuring of the Mount Airy/Surry County Airport.
- EMS Management and Consultants billing.
- Contract for vehicle maintenance services.
- Renovation at the Historic Courthouse.
- Purchase and renovation of the Dobson Plaza.
- Restructure of Central Services.
- Creation of the Development Services Department.
- Quick Response Vehicles for Emergency Services.
- Transfer of management of Animal Control.
- Enhanced security at the Judicial Center.
- Sell of the County's Home Health Agency.
- Significant growth in the County's Fund Balance.

WHEREAS, Commissioner Golding served on the following Boards and Commissions: Governor's Crime Commission, Northwest Piedmont Council of Governments, Northwest Piedmont Housing Consortium, Northern Hospital Board of Trustees, Surry Community College Board of Trustees, Board of Health, YVEDDI, Recreation Advisory Council, Rural Planning Organization, Region I Council, Region I Joint Regional Forum Representative, Emergency Services Advisory Board, Criminal Justice Partnership Advisory Board, Board of Directors of Lowgap Community Center, Board of Directors of Skull Camp Volunteer Fire Department, Northwest Piedmont Job Training, Mount Airy/Surry County Liaison Committee, Property Committee, Budget and Finance Committee and Insurance and Benefits Committee; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Golding was instrumental in setting a conservative fiscal model following the recession, making thoughtful but tough decisions and holding to his values without wavering and being a good steward of taxpayers' dollars; making Surry County a better place to live.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Surry County Board of Commissioners, that the Board commends R.F. "Buck" Golding for his many years of service to Surry County and its citizens and for his many accomplishments and devotion to duties of office. The Board calls upon the citizens of Surry County to join the Board of County Commissioners in congratulating Commissioner Golding for his dedicated years of faithful service to Surry County and the State of North Carolina.

- Approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO CLOSE AN ALLEYWAY DESIGNATED
"RIVERSIDE DRIVE"

WHEREAS, Surry County conveyed two lots identified as tax parcels 5030-09-05-1739 and 5020-12-95-9788, by deed recorded in Surry County Deed Book 1481, Pages 358-359, to the City of Mount Airy in an agreement stipulating closure of the alleyway described as follows:

"Being all of that certain alleyway designated as "RIVERSIDE DRIVE" on plat of Subdivided Property of Dr. M. S. Martin dated October 4, 1927, recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 93, Surry County Registry.

This alleyway is approximately 40 feet wide and extends in a southeasterly direction from the southern margin of East Pine Street (N.C. Hwy. 103) a distance of approximately 400 feet to the northern boundary of that 4.923-acre tract identified as Surry County Tax Parcel #503009053329 and more particularly described as Tract #1 in Deed recorded in Book 1158, Page 362, Surry County Registry.

This alleyway is bounded on the west by Surry County Tax Parcels 502012959788 (City of Mount Airy); 502012958570 (CRV/CVS Investment Property, LLC); and 502012959450 (CRV/CVS Investment Property, LLC) and on the east by Surry County Tax Parcels 503009051739 (City of Mount Airy) and 503009052652 (Alice Vaughn Hawks).

This alleyway is highlighted on the attached copy of the Surry County Tax Map (as of 3/19/2018) and is incorporated herein by reference. "

AND, WHEREAS, the NC Department of Transportation has confirmed as of March 19, 2018 that the subject alleyway has never been included in the state roads system, and therefore no abandonment by that Department is necessary to allow closure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Commissioners of Surry County:

1. All Parties allege that the closing of said unopened portion of said alleyway designated "Riverside Drive" is not contrary to the public interest and that the adoption of a resolution closing said alleyway designated "Riverside Drive", will aid the orderly development of the adjoining conveyed property.

2. The Board of Commissioners will schedule a public hearing on the question of adopting a resolution closing said alleyway designated "Riverside Drive".
 3. The public hearing will be duly noticed and advertised as prescribed in NC General Statute 153A-241.
 4. Following the public hearing, the Board of Commissioners will consider and by majority vote adopt or deny the proposed resolution to close said alleyway designated "Riverside Drive".
- Instruct the County Attorney to begin handling legal matters on behalf of the Mount Airy/Surry County Airport Authority, effective April 3, 2018, to better align with the County's existing finance and management arrangement with the Authority.
 - Approve spending up to \$4,280 from the Airport Operations Enterprise Fund towards the replacement of 14 existing lights with new LED lights.

Requests from the Assistant County Manager:

- Approve for Surry County to enter into a contract, as presented, with LT Consulting.
- Approve for Parks and Recreation to extend their contract with eTrakPlus through September, 2021.
- Amend Article V, Section 5 of the Surry County Personnel Ordinance regarding limitation of Employment of Relatives.
- Reclassify a Paramedic position (Grade 66) to a Unit Coordinator (Grade 67).

Requests from the Finance Officer:

- Approve budget amendment no. 20 as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners approved an amendment to the FY2017-2018 Budget Ordinance at their meeting on April 2, 2018.

ACCOUNT CODE	DESCRIPTION	PREVIOUS AMOUNT	CHANGE	REVISED AMOUNT
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>				
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
<u>SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u>				
1054310 56010	Equipment	347,989	22,852	370,841
	Increase departmental total	5,250,297	22,852	5,273,149
<u>CAP</u>				
1055154 52020	Medical Supplies	85,000	35,000	120,000
	Increase departmental total	495,244	35,000	530,244
<u>REVENUES</u>				
1044000 48500	Insurance Refunds	55,109	22,852	77,961
1045154 48900	Unencumbered balance	0	35,000	35,000
	Increase fund totals	72,319,960	57,852	72,377,812
<u>ELKIN WATER/SEWER FUND</u>				
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				

ELKIN WATER/SEWER

8258020	54300	Utilities	80,000	20,000	100,000
		Increase departmental total	97,418	20,000	117,418

REVENUES

8248020	44127	Water	80,143	20,000	100,143
		Increase fund totals	97,418	20,000	117,418

COUNTY BUILDING CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

EXPENDITURES

DOBSON PLAZA

99154188	51500	Prof. Services	0	6,067	6,067
99154188	51560	Prof. Services-Engineer	300,000	(158,809)	141,191
99154188	51640	Project Construction	2,100,000	(245,050)	1,854,950
99154188	55580	Administrative Costs (NEW)	0	97,000	97,000
99154188	59500	Contingency	90,226	(15,226)	75,000
		Decrease departmental totals.	2,490,226	(316,018)	2,174,208

HISTORIC COURTHOUSE-INDOOR

99154192	51500	Prof. Services	200,000	(93,109)	106,891
99154192	51665	Repairs & Renovations	1,700,000	7,012	1,707,012
99154192	555800	Administrative Costs (NEW)	0	52,800	52,800
		Decrease departmental totals.	2,000,000	(33,297)	1,966,703

REVENUES

99144188	44595	Donations	0	55,000	55,000
99144188	49110	Proceeds from Financing	2,490,226	(731,585)	1,758,641
99144188	49800	Trans. From Gen. Fund	0	360,567	360,567
99144192	49110	Proceeds from Financing	2,000,000	(86,097)	1,913,903
		Decrease fund totals	4,490,226	(402,115)	4,088,111

SCHOOL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

EXPENDITURES

DOBSON ELEM. RENOVATION

99255956	51560	Prof. Services-Engineer (NEW)	0	194,025	194,025
		Increase departmental totals.	0	194,025	194,025

MTN. PARK ELEM. RENOVATION

99255957	51560	Prof. Services-Engineer (NEW)	0	248,794	248,794
		Increase departmental totals.	0	248,794	248,794

FRANKLIN ELEM. RENOVATION

99255958	51560	Prof. Services-Engineer (NEW)	0	189,823	189,823
		Increase departmental totals.	0	189,823	189,823

MT. AIRY CITY SCHOOL ADMIN.

99255969	51560	Prof. Services-Engineer (NEW)	0	97,978	97,978
99255969	51640	Project Construction (NEW)	0	1,632,962	1,632,962
99255969	55580	Administrative Costs (NEW)	0	50,200	50,200
99255969	59500	Contingency (NEW)	0	86,547	86,547
		Increase departmental totals.	0	1,867,687	1,867,687

ELKIN HIGH GYM

99255970	51560	Prof. Services-Engineer (NEW)	0	393,750	393,750
		Increase departmental totals.	0	393,750	393,750

REVENUES

99245956	49100	Proceeds of Sale of Bonds	0	194,025	194,025
99245957	49100	Proceeds of Sale of Bonds	0	248,794	248,794
99245958	49100	Proceeds of Sale of Bonds	0	189,823	189,823
99245969	49100	Proceeds of Sale of Bonds	0	1,867,687	1,867,687
99245970	49100	Proceeds of Sale of Bonds	0	393,750	393,750
		Increase fund totals	0	2,894,079	2,894,079

- Approve budget amendment no. 21 as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners approved an amendment to the FY2017-2018 Budget Ordinance at their meeting on April 2, 2018.

ACCOUNT			PREVIOUS		REVISED
<u>CODE</u>		<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>SPECIAL TAX DISTRICTS</u>					
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>					
4254381	57500	Ararat Fire	97,308	10,000	107,308
4354382	57500	Bannertown Fire	251,387	80,000	331,387
4454384	57500	CC Camp Fire	160,634	10,000	170,634
4554383	57500	Central Surry Fire	182,600	10,000	192,600
4654385	57500	Four-Way Fire	196,877	25,000	221,877
4754386	57500	Franklin Fire	359,650	25,000	384,650
4854387	57500	Jotum Down Fire	104,503	5,000	109,503
4954388	57500	Mountain Park Fire	124,748	5,000	129,748
5054389	57500	Pilot Knob Fire	188,517	13,000	201,517
5154390	57500	Shoals Fire	91,472	8,000	99,472
5254391	57500	Skull Camp Fire	186,069	15,000	201,069
5354392	57500	South Surry Fire	204,431	15,000	219,431
5454393	57500	State Road Fire	75,407	8,000	83,407
5554394	57500	Westfield Fire	81,975	8,000	89,975
5654395	57500	White Plains Fire	168,995	13,000	181,995
5754396	57500	Pine Ridge Fire	128,661	10,000	138,661
5854397	57500	Pleasant Hill Fire	463	150	613
 <u>REVENUES</u>					
4244381	41100	Ararat Fire	82,877	10,000	92,877
4344382	41100	Bannertown Fire	219,729	80,000	299,729
4444384	41100	CC Camp Fire	151,524	10,000	161,524
4544383	41100	Central Surry Fire	158,304	10,000	168,304
4644385	41100	Four-Way Fire	165,725	25,000	190,725
4744386	41100	Franklin Fire	314,794	25,000	339,794
4844387	41100	Jotum Down Fire	89,531	5,000	94,531
4944388	41100	Mountain Park Fire	108,749	5,000	113,749
5044389	41100	Pilot Knob Fire	167,713	13,000	180,713
5144390	41100	Shoals Fire	79,947	8,000	87,947
5244391	41100	Skull Camp Fire	162,873	15,000	177,873
5344392	41100	South Surry Fire	182,282	15,000	197,282
5444393	41100	State Road Fire	66,495	8,000	74,495
5544394	41100	Westfield Fire	70,495	8,000	78,495
5644395	41100	White Plains Fire	144,452	13,000	157,452
5744396	41100	Pine Ridge Fire	110,338	10,000	120,338
5844397	41100	Pleasant Hill Fire	344	150	494
		Increase Special Districts' Totals by		260,150	

- Approve for the Sheriff's Office to use \$22,852 received from an insurance settlement and \$1,533 from the Sheriff's Office Automotive Supplies line item, to purchase a new vehicle.

- Approve the following Capital Projects Ordinances:

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE

DOBSON PLAZA PROJECT

AMENDMENT #3

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 purchase, 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. Property Purchase	1,494,359
B. Other Costs	8,341
C. Professional Services-Engineering	141,191
D. Construction	1,854,950
E. Administrative Costs	97,000
F. Contingency	<u>75,000</u>

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS \$ 3,670,841

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

Farm Bureau Contribution	55,000
General Fund Contribution	360,567
Other Financing Source	<u>3,255,274</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3,670,841

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 3rd day of April 2017. AMENDED this the 17th day of July, 2017. AMENDED this the 5th day of March, 2017. AMENDED this the 2nd day of April, 2018.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE

HISTORIC COURTHOUSE PROJECT
INDOOR RENOVATION
AMENDMENT #2

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 historic courthouse.

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	106,891
B. Construction	1,707,012
C. Administrative Costs	52,800
D. Contingency	<u>100,000</u>

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS \$ 1,966,703

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

Other Financing Source - 2018 LOB's \$ 1,966,703

TOTAL \$ 1,966,703

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 17th day of July 2017. AMENDED BY THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS this the 5th day of March, 2018. AMENDED this the 2nd day of April, 2018.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE

MOUNT AIRY CITY SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
AMENDMENT #1

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	97,978
B. Construction	1,632,962
C. Administrative Costs	50,200
D. Contingency	<u>86,547</u>

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS \$ 1,867,687

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

Other Financing Source - 2018 LOB's 1,867,687

TOTAL \$ 1,867,687

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 2nd day of April, 2018.

GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE

Weyerhaeuser Sewer Extension Project
Amendment 1

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 grant capital project ordinance is hereby adopted.

Section 1: The project authorized by this ordinance is to provide economic incentive by extending sewer lines operated by Yadkin Valley Sewer Authority to connect to Weyerhaeuser.

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

Section 3: The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete this project and are hereby appropriated or referenced by prior appropriation.

Golden LEAF Foundation Grant	\$200,000
Appalachian Regional Commission	300,000
NC Industrial Development Fund	255,900
Surry County Contribution	<u>114,674</u>
Total Revenues	\$870,574

Section 4: The following amounts are available for expenditures for the project:

Professional Services	\$ 56,000
Engineering Fees	50,000
Contingency	66,000
Project Construction	<u>698,574</u>
Total Appropriation	\$870,574

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

Section 6: The Budget Officer is directed to include an analysis of past and future costs and revenues 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 unexpended funds appropriated shall be reserved by the Board of Commissioners for use as provided by applicable law or regulation.

Section 8: Copies of this grant 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 15th day of September 2014. AMENDED this the 2nd day of April, 2018.

- The Board approved the new Hangar Policy as adopted by the Mount Airy/Surry County Airport Authority.

Chairman Harris then declared the meeting to be an open forum and invited members of the audience to address the Board on any matters of civic concern. No one addressed the Board.

Chairman Harris closed the open forum, and the Board resumed regular business.

Chairman Harris informed the audience that it was time for the swearing in of Dr. Gary Carson Tilley who was being sworn in to fill the seat vacated by the retirement of Former Commissioner R. F. "Buck" Golding.

Chairman Harris then turned the meeting over to Clerk of Court Teresa O'Dell for the swearing in ceremony.

The Clerk of Court administered the oath of office to Dr. Gary Carson Tilley, with the oath being on file in the County Manager's Office.

Dr. Tilley was welcomed by the Board and expressed his appreciation and desire to serve the citizens of Surry County.

Don Mitchell, Facilities Director, discussed a property purchase offer from the Pentecostal Holiness Church in Pilot Mountain. The church has offered \$200.00 for tax parcel number 5966-16-93-1722. The parcel in question is 0.13 acres in size and has a tax value of \$2,990.00. The parcel was accepted by the County via a property transfer from the Surry County Board of Education on November 6, 2017. The Board voted to surplus the property that same evening.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the purchase offer, subject to the upset bid procedures.

Chairman Harris informed the Board that it was time for the special recognition portion of the Agenda. The Board recognized the following individuals: John Hawks, Fire Captain of Four-Way Volunteer Fire Department, and Dale Gammons, Firefighter Four-Way Volunteer Fire Department, for their actions in saving the life of a Surry County citizen.

Kayla Kohlmann, Piedmont Triad Regional Council, discussed the Piedmont Legacy Trails program administered by the Regional Council. She discussed the program's goals of elevating the profile of trails and greenways across the region, establishing the Piedmont as a trails destination, and assisting in the creation of regional trail systems that connect communities.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Surry County is committed to enhancing the quality of life for its citizens and recognizes that supporting Piedmont Legacy Trails will help create a regional network of trails, including greenways and blueways; and

WHEREAS, trails provide key amenities to communities and safe areas for our citizens and children to travel, exercise, play and connect with nature; and

WHEREAS, trails have a significant impact on the economic viability of the region through increased tourism, property values, as well as the ability to attract and retain businesses to the region due to improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, committing to this Resolution may help leverage funding from federal, state, local and private sources for trails; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont Legacy Trails is coordinated by Piedmont Land Conservancy which is dedicated to preserving important

natural areas, and the Piedmont Triad Regional Council, which is a regional planning organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Surry County supports Piedmont Legacy Trails in partnership with neighboring communities to implement a system of regional trails that connects our communities, people and regional points of interest for years to come.

Sarah Bowen, Finance Officer, addressed the Board regarding the closure of Capital Bank branches in Dobson and Mount Airy due to its merger with First Tennessee Bank. Ms. Bowen discussed issues for daily deposits due to the branch closures and the impact of any account number changes. Ms. Bowen discussed three options the Board could consider in addressing these concerns.

Option 1 - Continue to bank with Capital Bank. A staff member would deliver deposits daily to the Mount Airy or Jonesville location.

Option 2 - If banking continues with Capital, move the DSS trust account to a banking institution with more locations throughout the County, to be more accessible for DSS staff and clients.

Option 3 - Send out an RFP for banking services.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Tilley, the Board voted unanimously for an RFP be prepared and sent out to obtain the best banking services available for Surry County.

Chris Knopf, County Manager, presented a request from the Mount Airy Habitat for Humanity to waive permitting and inspection fees for their next round of construction projects.

Upon motion of Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to waive permitting and inspection fees for the Mount Airy Habitat for Humanity for a period of twelve months.

Chris Knopf, County Manager, updated the Board on feedback regarding the ten citizens identified by the Special-Called Committee to possibly serve on the Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority. Staff mailed out letters in December to each citizen identified and has heard back from three of them. Two are interested in serving and one is not. Mr. Knopf requested guidance from the Board regarding next steps.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Wayne Draughn and Randy Bledsoe to the Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Committee and to instruct Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Johnson, the County Manager, and Todd Tucker to meet again to review additional possibilities for appointees.

Chris Knopf, County Manager, presented a Structure Lease Agreement between the County and Carolina West Wireless for a wireless communication tower to be located at 1240 State Street

in Mount Airy. Currently, Carolina West Wireless has a temporary tower operating at this site which was previously approved by the Board on September 5, 2017. The term of the agreement is five years, with four automatic five-year extensions. The rent payment is \$1,000/month, with a 7.5% rent payment increase in the first year of each extension term. The lease area is 55'x60'. The County Attorney has reviewed the agreement.

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the structure lease agreement with Carolina West Wireless for a wireless communication tower, located at 1240 State Street in Mount Airy.

Upon motion of Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to go into closed session to discuss property matters pursuant to G.S. 143.318.11 (a)(5) and legal matters pursuant to G.S. 143.318.11(a)(3).

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

The County Attorney discussed entering into a Subordination Non-Disturbance Agreement (SNDA) in connection with a lease agreement between Town of Pilot Mountain and Sonoco Display and Packaging for space utilized by Suonco at the Pilot Center. SNDA is necessary since Surry County holds a deed of trust on the Pilot Center. Sonoco would pay County of Surry directly should Pilot Mountain default during the term of the lease.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the Board voted unanimously for the County Attorney to prepare and execute a SNDA between County of Surry, Town of Pilot Mountain, and Sunoco Display and Packaging, LLC.

There was no further business to come before the Board.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Tilley, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. The meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.

Sandy Snow
Interim Clerk to the Board