

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN COMMITTEE  
COURTHOUSE, 117 DICK STREET, 5TH FLOOR, ROOM 564  
JULY 7, 2021 – 1:00 PM  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Commissioner Jimmy Keefe, ARP Committee Chairman  
Commissioner Glenn Adams  
Commissioner Toni Stewart  
Amy Cannon, County Manager  
Sally Shutt, Assistant County Manager  
Angel Wright-Lanier, Assistant County Manager  
Keith Todd, IS Director  
Al Florez, Applications Manager, Innovation and Technology Services  
Candice H. White, Clerk to the Board

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Keefe called the special meeting to order. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the citizen engagement process, the community survey and community meetings.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to approve the agenda.  
SECOND: Commissioner Stewart  
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (3-0)

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING SCHEDULE

Amy Cannon introduced Al Florez, Applications Manager, Innovation and Technology Services, and stated he was instrumental in assisting with the survey. Ms. Cannon also stated staff heard the committee at its June 16 meeting as it related to the community meeting schedule and reviewed the new schedule of five citizen input meetings below. Commissioner Adams asked that the City of Fayetteville also be part of the virtual meeting. Ms. Shutt stated the virtual July 29 meeting would be held on conference room 564 using GTM and citizens will respond via the chat function. Commissioner Adams stated ARP committee members could be in their offices and the city and staff could be around the conference table in room 564. Ms. Cannon stated Chairman Evans also asked that the committee hold a community meeting in Cedar Creek. Discussion followed about the number of meetings, the location of the meetings and the lack of capacity to live stream all the community meetings. Ms. Cannon stated the meetings can be recorded and made available on the county's website.

Schedule In-person American Rescue Plan Public Input Meetings

July 13 5:30 p.m. Meeting with Mayors' Coalition, Department of Social Services  
July 15 6 p.m. Spring Lake Family Resource Center, 103 Laketree Blvd., Spring Lake

July 20 6 p.m. Godwin Community Building, 4924 Markham St, Godwin  
 July 22 6 p.m. J.D. Pone Recreation Center, 2964 School Road, Hope Mills  
 July 27 6 p.m. Department of Social Services, 1225 Ramsey St., Fayetteville  
 Joint meeting with City of Fayetteville

Virtual ARP Public Input Session

July 29 6 p.m. Log in information will be posted on website

Ms. Cannon reviewed the additional meetings and deadlines below. Commissioner Adams stated he disagrees that there has to be an Annual Recovery Plan developed as quickly as August 16 and also that it is not required as part of the August 31 interim report; however, the committee could bring forth some priorities for the full Board to discuss. Ms. Cannon stated the schedule below is meant to be a general road map; the common theme in an earlier NCACC meeting was not to rush but begin getting feedback and putting thoughts together in order to leverage state money with ARP money once the General Assembly completes its deliberations. There was consensus to remove approval of the Annual Recovery Plan on August 16 and approve the meeting schedule with the City of Fayetteville added as part of the virtual meeting.

Additional Meetings and Deadlines

Aug. 2 ARP Committee meeting immediately after the BOC meeting  
 Aug. 12 Agenda Session report to the full Board of Commissioners  
 Aug. 16 Regular BOC meeting, approval of Annual Recovery Plan  
 Aug. 31 Interim Report and Annual Recovery Plan Due to Treasury

Discussion followed about a community meeting in Cedar Creek. Commissioner Adams stated the Cedar Creek community is trying to put together a meeting about water so an in-person ARP public input meeting can be held in conjunction with that meeting. Consensus followed.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDAS FOR UPCOMING MUNICIPALITY AND CITIZEN INPUT MEETINGS

Ms. Cannon reviewed the agenda for the meeting with the Mayors' Coalition and stated she will provide a brief presentation on the ARP, Justin Hembree will provide a presentation on assistance being provided to small municipalities by the MC-COG, there will be a roundtable discussion with the Mayors about their use of ARP funds and whether they have thoughts about collaboration with the county. Ms. Cannon stated the thought was not to necessarily have the mayors weigh-in on how the county spends its money.

Agenda for July 13 Meeting for Municipalities

- Welcome remarks by ARP Committee Chair Commissioner Jimmy Keefe
- Presentation by County Manager Amy Cannon
- Presentation by Justin Hembree, Executive Director, Mid-Carolina Council of Governments
- Roundtable Discussion
- Closing Comments from Cumberland County ARP Committee Members (Commissioners Adams, Keefe and Stewart)

Commissioner Adams asked staff to invite Representative Billy Richardson, Chair of the Cumberland County Legislative Delegation, or another member of the delegation to the meeting with the Mayors' Coalition to speak about state appropriations and answer any questions that may arise about the same. A brief discussion followed about what to include in the meeting with the mayors, the roundtable discussion, the presentation by Justin Hembree and the press release about the plan. Commissioner Adams asked that Mayor Turpin, Chair of the Mayors' Coalition, also be recognized and provide a welcome. Consensus followed.

Ms. Cannon reviewed the agenda for the citizen input meetings and stated she will provide a brief presentation on the ARP followed by the survey using the clickers. Commissioner Adams asked that mayors of the respective towns provide a welcome and stated citizens need to know what entities received ARP funds and the amounts received, and the possibility of receiving additional state dollars. In response to a question posed by Commissioner Stewart, Ms. Cannon stated at the meeting will be open for citizen conversation at the end of the survey session either in groups or individually.

#### Agenda for Citizen Input Meetings

- Welcome remarks by ARP Committee Chair Commissioner Jimmy Keefe (5 minutes)
- Presentation by County Manager Amy Cannon (10 minutes)
- Survey Session by Assistant County Managers Angel Wright-Lanier and Sally Shutt (30 minutes)
- Wrap Up
- Closing Comments from Cumberland County ARP Committee members (10 minutes)

#### 5. ONLINE SURVEY PREVIEW

Committee members participated in the survey. Discussion and revisions followed.

#### 6. PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Ms. Cannon and Ms. Shutt provided an overview of the proposed presentation. Discussion and revisions followed.

#### 7. OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

There were no other items of business.

#### 8. ADJOURN

Commissioner Keefe adjourned the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

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Candice H. White  
Clerk to the Board