

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2012 – 9:00 AM
117 DICK STREET, 1ST FLOOR, ROOM 118
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

PRESENT: Commissioner Marshall Faircloth, Chairman
Commissioner Jeannette Council
Commissioner Kenneth Edge
Commissioner Charles Evans
Commissioner Jimmy Keefe
Commissioner Billy King
Commissioner Ed Melvin
James Martin, County Manager
Amy Cannon, Deputy County Manager
James Lawson, Assistant County Manager
Phyllis Jones, Assistant County Attorney
Jody Risacher, Public Library Director
Willie Wright, Library Board of Trustees Chairman
Sally Shutt, Communication and Strategic Initiatives Manager
Doug Peters, Fayetteville/Cumberland County Chamber of
Commerce President
Doug Byrd, Fayetteville-Cumberland County Chamber of
Commerce Government Liaison
Candice White, Clerk to the Board
Kellie Beam, Deputy Clerk to the Board
Press

Chairman Marshall Faircloth called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Keefe provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Recognition by Buck Wilson, Health Director, of Ms. Shirley Johnson, Cumberland County Public Schools Healthful Living Coordinator, for receiving the Public Health Partner Award for 2012

Wanda Tart, Cumberland County Public Health Director of Nursing, stated the North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors presents the Public Health Partners Award on an annual basis. Ms. Tart also stated the award recognizes organizations, businesses and professional associations that have made significant contributions to the advancement and promotion of public health in North Carolina. Ms. Tart stated Shirley Johnson, Cumberland County Public Schools Healthful Living Coordinator, served as a liaison to the Cumberland County Schools' public health nurses and they nominated her for the 2012 Public Health Partner Award. Ms. Johnson offered comments and thanked the Board of Commissioners for embracing health initiatives in Cumberland County.

James Martin, County Manager, requested the addition to the agenda of a closed session for economic development matters pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4) and for an attorney-client matter pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3).

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Commissioner King moved to approve the agenda to include the closed sessions as requested.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of minutes for the March 19, 2012 regular meeting

B. Approval of Payment of Past Year Invoice for Services Rendered to the Cumberland County Health Department

BACKGROUND:

The Cumberland County Health Department has requested payment of a FY2011 invoice for services rendered by Arrow Pest Control for routine pest control service. Payment was not made timely during FY2011 due to an oversight by the Health Department. County Finance has determined the invoice was not paid and that the invoice represented a normal monthly charge. The total amount to be paid is \$130.00. The Health Department has taken steps to assure routine recurring bills are paid timely and that these circumstances do not reoccur.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED ACTION:

Management is requesting approval for payment of the above mentioned invoice to Arrow Pest Control in the amount of \$130.00, and approval of the accompanying budget revision.

C. Approval of Payment of Past Year Invoices for Services Rendered to the Cumberland County Pre-Trial Services Program

BACKGROUND:

The Cumberland County Pre-Trial Services Program has requested payment of FY2010 invoices for services rendered by Behavioral Interventions for electronic monitoring and lease of equipment. Payments were not made timely during FY2010 due to either non-receipt or misplacement of the invoices. County Finance has determined the four invoices were not paid and that the invoices represented normal monthly charges. The total amount to be paid is \$4,650.42. Pre-Trial Services has taken steps to assure routine recurring bills are paid timely and that these circumstances do not reoccur.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED ACTION:

Management is requesting approval for payment of the above mentioned invoices to Behavioral Interventions in the amount of \$4,650.42, and approval of the accompanying budget revision.

D. Approval of a Proclamation Recognizing April as Fair Housing Month

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

NORTH CAROLINA

PROCLAMATION
Fair Housing Month

Whereas, April 2012 marks the 44th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 and the 29th anniversary of the State Fair Housing Act; and

Whereas, the State Fair Housing Act of 1983 and the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 prohibit discrimination in housing because of “race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicapping condition and familial status”; and

Whereas, an important concern for Cumberland County individuals and families is the availability of decent and affordable housing; and

Whereas, Cumberland County supports the efforts of local governments, fair housing organizations, concerned citizens, and the housing industry to strive toward promoting broader housing choice in Cumberland County and promoting understanding of the State and Federal Fair Housing Acts.

Now, Therefore We Proclaim That, Cumberland County will adhere to the fundamental right of all citizens having equal access to housing, and housing related transactions.

Now, The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners proclaims:

April, 2012 as
Fair Housing Month

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Cumberland County, North Carolina to be affixed this 2nd day of April, 2012.

E. Approval of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 8-14, 2012 as “Community Development Week” in Cumberland County

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

NORTH CAROLINA

PROCLAMATION
Community Development Week

Whereas, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program has operated since 1974 to provide local governments with the resources required to meet the needs of persons of low and moderate income; and

Whereas, the CDBG Program has had a significant impact on our local economy through job creation and retention, physical redevelopment and improved local tax bases; and

Whereas, CDBG funds are used by thousands of neighborhood-based, non-profit organizations throughout the nation to address pressing neighborhood and human service needs; and

Whereas, Cumberland County, North Carolina and other local governments have clearly demonstrated the capacity to administer and customize the CDBG Program to identify, prioritize and resolve local issues such as the provision of decent, affordable housing; neighborhood and human service needs; job creation and retention; and physical redevelopment.

Now, Therefore I, W. Marshall Faircloth, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Chairman of the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim:

The week of April 8 – April 14, 2012 as
Community Development Week

in Cumberland County, and urge all citizens to join us in recognizing the Community Development Block Grant Program and the important role it plays in our community.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Cumberland County, North Carolina to be affixed this 2nd day of April, 2012.

F. Approval of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 14-28, 2012 as “Spring Litter Sweep” in Cumberland County

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation organizes an annual Spring statewide roadside cleanup to ensure clean beautiful roads in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Spring 2012 “LITTER SWEEP” roadside cleanup will take place April 14 through April 28, 2012, and encourages local governments and communities, civic and professional groups, businesses, churches, schools, families and individual citizens to participate in the Department of Transportation cleanup by sponsoring and organizing local roadside cleanups; and

WHEREAS, Adopt-A-Highway volunteers, Department of Transportation employees, Department of Correction inmates and community service workers, local government agencies, community leaders, civic and community organizations, businesses, churches, schools, and environmentally concerned citizens conduct annual local cleanups during “LITTER SWEEP” and may receive certificates of appreciation for their participation; and

WHEREAS, the great natural beauty of our state and a clean environment are sources of great pride for all North Carolinians, attracting tourists and aiding in recruiting new industries; and

WHEREAS, the cleanup will increase awareness of the need for cleaner roadsides, emphasize the importance of not littering, and encourage recycling of solid wastes; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 Spring cleanup will celebrate the 24th Anniversary of the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program and its 5,760 volunteer groups that donate their labor and time year round to keep our roadsides clean; and

WHEREAS, the “LITTER SWEEP” cleanup will be part of educating the children of this Great State and County regarding the importance of a clean environment to the quality of life in North Carolina;

NOW THEREFORE, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaim April 14 through April 28, 2012 as “SPRING LITTER SWEEP” in Cumberland County and encourages all citizens to take an active role in making the County cleaner and more beautiful.

This 2nd day of April, 2012.

G. Budget Revisions:

(1) Health

- a. Employee Clinic - Revision in the amount of \$30,524 to appropriate Group Insurance Fund Balance to establish operating for an Employee Clinic. (B12-278) Funding Source – Group Insurance Fund Balance
- b. Employee Pharmacy Program – Revision in the amount of \$46,422 to appropriate Group Insurance Fund Balance to establish operating for an Employee Pharmacy and to purchase a refrigerator to store pharmaceuticals. (B12-282) Funding Source – Group Insurance Fund Balance
- c. Employee Wellness Program – Revision in the amount of \$7,794 to appropriate Group Insurance Fund Balance to expand the Employee Wellness Program. (B12-277) Funding Source – Group Insurance Fund Balance

(2) Rural Operating Assistance Program/ Social Services Other

Revision in the amount of \$22,585 to reallocate unspent employment transportation funds from Social Services back to Rural Operating Assistance Program. (B12-268 and B12-268A) Funding Source – State

(3) Sheriff – Detention Center

Revision in the amount of \$8,000 to appropriate fund balance to purchase a replacement ice maker for the Detention Center kitchen. (B12-281) Funding Source – General Fund Fund Balance

(4) Juvenile Crime Prevention Group Homes

Revision in the amount of \$14,747 to reallocate budgeted expenditures to purchase a van and to reduce projected revenue for remainder of fiscal year. (B12-279) Funding Source – Reallocation of Budgeted Expenditures and State

(5) Workforce Development – Dislocated Worker

Revision in the amount of \$4,500 to recognize additional funding from FTCC to cover expenses anticipated for the remainder of fiscal year. (B12-276) Funding Source – Fayetteville Technical Community College

(6) Animal Control

Revision in the amount of \$10,000 to recognize funding from Pet Smart Charities and to allocate funds for supplies, medical and microchips. (B12-272) Funding Source – Other

(7) School Capital Outlay

Category I – Revision in the amount of \$225,000 to appropriate sales tax fund balance to budget additional capital outlay buildings for roofing, and architect fees. (B12-267) Funding Source – Sales Tax Fund Balance Appropriated

(8) Senior Aides

Revision in the amount of \$101,493 to recognize additional funding for participant salaries and reallocation of budgeted expenditures. (B12-271) Funding Source – State and Reallocation of Budgeted Expenditures

(9) Mental Health

Revisions in the total amount of \$791,860 to reconcile County program budgets with revised State allocations. (B12-266 thru B12-266E) Funding Source - State

(10) Eastover Sanitary District Water Project – Phase II

Revision to increase Construction Contract #2 \$225,406 by budgeting \$101,028 of additional revenue received and reallocating \$124,082 of

contingency funds. (B12-269) Funding Source – Fees, Other and Reallocation of Budgeted Expenditures

- (11) Eastover Sanitary District General Fund/ Eastover Sanitary District Water Project – Phase II

Revision to the ESD General Fund budget of \$199,506 to account for operational changes resulting from expiration of an operations & maintenance contract with PWC and the decision to purchase bulk water from City of Dunn beginning in FY2013. (B12-274 and B12-274A) Funding Source – Fees, Intergovernmental Revenue, Fund Balance appropriated and Transfer from Capital Project

MOTION: Commissioner Edge moved to approve all consent items 2.A. through 2.G.(11)
SECOND: Commissioner Melvin
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

3. Presentation by Jody Risacher, Library Director and Willie Wright, Chairman of Library Board of Trustees, on the Cumberland County Library's Extended Hours

Jody Risacher, Cumberland County Public Library Director, introduced members of the Library Board of Trustees and the library's marketing director, Kellie Tomita. Ms. Risacher reported significant county budget reductions in FY2001 resulted in the loss of vacant positions as well as reductions in workforce across Cumberland county government. Ms. Risacher also reported library service hours at all branches were reduced as a result of a loss of library personnel and only Headquarters library remained open at its original 70 hours weekly but with reduced staffing and reduced services.

Ms. Risacher stated immediately after the new service hours went into effect in July 2000, library administration and Board of Trustees developed a plan for the full restoration of library service hours. Ms. Risacher stated the hope was that as the local economy improved, the systematic addition of lost positions would bring about the restoration of branch service hours. Ms. Risacher stated thanks to the support of county administration and the county commissioners, restoration of library hours at four of the then seven branches was realized during the past decade.

Ms. Risacher stated with the severe economic downturn at the end of the decade, the possibility of adding staff to restore the hours in three remaining branches of the plan continued to stall and completion of the original plan to restore full service hour was doubtful.

Willie Wright, Chairman of the Library Board of Trustees, report the emergence of new technology to largely replace the staff function of checkout provided a solution. Mr. Wright further reported through a grant and county financial support, RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) is now available at all locations and library staffing has been realigned and further efficiencies in service delivery implemented.

Mr. Wright stated as of April 2, 2012, all library locations in Cumberland County have restored full library hours and there are now thirty-three additional hours of service available weekly to our citizens for job searching, job skills training, research, and literacy based programming. Mr. Wright stated as of today, full service hours have been restored at East Regional Branch Library, Bordeaux Branch Library and Spring Lake Branch Library.

Mr. Wright stated as Chairman of the Library Board of Trustees, he would like to thank the Cumberland County Commissioners and county management staff for their support in bringing about this victory for the citizens of Cumberland County.

Ms. Risacher concluded the presentation by showing slides depicting restored hours at branch libraries, RFIDs at checkout stations and the Job Fair which drew 822 attendees. Ms. Risacher responded to questions.

4. Nominations to Boards and Committees

Mr. Martin advised there were no nominations scheduled for this meeting.

5. Appointments to Boards and Committees

A. Fayetteville Technical Community College Board of Trustees (1 Vacancy)

Nominee: David McCune (Reappointment)

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to reappoint David McCune to the Fayetteville Technical Community College Board of Trustees

SECOND: Commissioner King

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

6. Closed Session

A. Economic Development Matter(s)
Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4)

B. Attorney-Client Matter Pursuant to
NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3)

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to go into closed session for economic development matters pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4) and for an attorney-client matter pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3).

SECOND: Commissioner King

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to reconvene in open session.

SECOND: Commissioner Melvin

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Keefe moved to support the Fayetteville-Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce in accepting an offer to purchase the shell building at a cost of \$1,514,000.00 less closing costs and expenses of the sale and by making up the shortfall of the loan.

SECOND: Commissioner Evans

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Evans moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Commissioner Melvin

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

Candice H. White
Clerk to the Board