

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA

6:00 P.M. – May 1, 2023

Historic Courthouse – 145 Worth Street, Asheboro NC

- I. Call to Order – Chairman Frye**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Special Recognitions – Lt. Scottie Hicks Retires with 27.5 Years of Service to the Sheriff's Office**
- IV. Public Comment Period (Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 153A-52.1)**
- V. Consent Agenda**
 - A. Approve Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2023 and Special Meeting Minutes of March 27, 2023 and April 17, 2023 (2)
 - B. Approve Budget Amendment – Transfer to Emergency Telephone System Fund (\$24,503)
 - C. Appoint Emily Coltrane to Replace David Wall and Reappoint Alvin Battle to the Randolph County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
 - D. Adopt Resolution Designating the Week of May 14-20, 2023 as “National Police Week” in Randolph County
 - E. Approve Budget Amendment – Walmart Community Grant (\$3,000)
 - F. Approve Budget Amendment – Northwest Human Services Center #2 (\$275,000)
 - G. Approve Budget Amendment – Transfer to Rural Water Infrastructure Capital Project (\$6,000,000)
 - H. Appoint Darrell Frye as Voting Delegate for the NACo Conference July 21-24, 2023
 - I. Reappoint Suzanne West and Jan Hancock to the Randolph County Adult Care Home Advisory Committee
 - J. Approve Budget Amendment – HCCBG Funding for 2022-23 (\$5,600)
 - K. Applications for NC Education Lottery Capital Grants –
 - 2022-23 Debt Service for Teachey School Expansion (2013B LOBS)
 - 2022-23 Debt Service for Providence Grove High School (2013B LOBS)
 - L. Approve Budget Amendment – Occupancy Tax Distributions (\$300,000)
 - M. Approve Randolph County NC DPS – Community Programs – County Funding Plan for JCPC
 - N. Approve Budget Amendment – Donation for the Junior Sheriff's Academy (\$800)
 - O. Approve Budget Amendment – Public Health (\$15,000)
 - P. Reappoint Hal Pugh, Dan Warren, and Mac Whatley to the Historic Landmark Preservation Commission
 - Q. Approve Budget Amendment – 2023 Merit Program (\$190,982)
 - R. Approve Budget Amendment – Animal Services (\$5,000)
- VI. New Business**
 - A. George Washington Carver College, Inc. Request - *Clyde Foust, Jr*
 - 1. Consider Strategic Planning Funding Application
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment

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- B. Consider Waiver of American Healthcare Debt Service for the Rural Healthcare Stabilization Loan – *Chairman Darrell Frye/Tim Ford, Randolph Health CEO*
- C. Consider Renewing the Mediko, Inc. Contract for Inmate Medical Services- *Aundrea Azelton, Chief Deputy*
- D. Opioid Settlement Funding Applications – *Leia Gearhart, NCACC Representative and Jennifer Layton, Assistant Public Health Director*
 - 1. Consider Applications
 - 2. Consider Resolutions
 - 3. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
- E. Human Services Planner/Evaluator II Position – *Tara Aker, Public Health Director*
 - 1. Consider Creation and Addition of the Position to the County's Classification Plan
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
- F. Public Hearing and Resolution for Farmer Fire Tax District - *Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney*
- G. Consider Funding for Onsite Medical Clinic – *Sam Varner, Wellness Administrator*
- H. Microsoft Contract Matters – *Hal Johnson, County Manager*
 - 1. Consider Renewal of Microsoft 365 Contract
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
- I. Axium Packaging Matters - *Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer*
 - 1. Consider OneNC Grant
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
- J. Historic Courthouse Renovations Update - *Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer*
- K. Consider Request for Qualification for Infrastructure Projects Identified in the Water and Sewer Master Plan – *Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer/William Johnson, Assistant County Manager*
- L. County Manager's Update
- M. Commissioner's Updates

Upcoming Board Term Expirations

June – *Piedmont Triad Regional Council Workforce Development Board (PTRCWDB) – 4 members TBD*

July - *Randolph County Aging Services Board- Karen Martin, Rhonda Moffitt, William Neely, and Laura Regan; Randolph County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council- Edwina Ashworth, Tammy Bennett, Leah Burnette, Melody Cummings, Lewis Dorsett, Wendy Kennon, Sarah Lanier, Drew Maerz, Jonathan Sermon, Drew Weiner, and Greg Patton; Randolph County Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee-Jane Gerringer; Randolph County Jury Commission – Beverly Nelson*

August – *Randolph County Animal Services Advisory Board - Jason Balder, JR Beard, Cynthia Grantham, Jennifer Layton, Lisa Sparks, and Lou Wilson*

Chaplin Michael Trogdon from the Sheriff's office will give the invocation.



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Lieutenant Scottie Hicks

Lieutenant Scottie Hicks began his career in law enforcement at the Davidson County Sheriff's Office in July of 1994 following his graduation from Basic Law Enforcement Training in February of 1994. He was hired by the Randolph County Sheriff's Office on December 16, 1995, assigned to the Patrol Division.

In 1996, he became a K9 handler to K-9 "Buck" and was assigned to the Community Crimes Task Force.

On July 16, 2000, he was promoted to rank of Senior Patrol of Community Task Force.

Lt. Hicks received his Basic Law Enforcement Certificate from the North Carolina Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission in 2000.

In April 2004, the Criminal Interdiction Team was created and Hicks was assigned to this team and became a K9 handler to K-9 "Inks."

Lt. Hicks earned his Intermediate and Advanced Law Enforcement Certificates in August of 2006.

February 1, 2007, when he was promoted to Corporal on the Criminal Interdiction Team. He was promoted to Sergeant over that team in June of 2009.

On August 1, 2010, Lt. Hicks transferred back to Patrol as a Sergeant. In June of 2016, he was promoted to Lieutenant and has served in that capacity until his retirement on May 1, 2023.

During Lt. Hicks's tenure with the Sheriff's Office, he volunteered as an Emergency Response Team member for many years as a sniper.

In retirement, Scottie plans to spend more time with his wife, Lori; son, Haiden; and his daughter, Morgan. He also plans to spend more time with his knees in the breeze on his motorcycle. However, he intends to remain an Active Reserve Deputy with the Sheriff's Office so his many years of training and experience will continue to benefit the county. Scottie will be greatly missed by his law enforcement family but rest assured that he will remain an active part of the Sheriff's Reserve Division.

Lt. Scottie Hicks is recognized for 27.5 years of faithful service to the citizens of Randolph County and 29 years in law enforcement; thank you for your service.

April 3, 2023

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the 1909 Randolph County Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, 145 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC. Chairman Darrell Frye, Vice-Chairman David Allen, Commissioner Kenny Kidd, Commissioner Maxton McDowell, and Commissioner Hope Haywood were present. Also present were County Manager Hal Johnson, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer Will Massie, County Attorney Ben Morgan, Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Jenny Parks. Chaplain Michael Mabe from the Randolph County Sheriff's Office gave the invocation and everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube.

Special Recognitions

Lisa Walker retired March 15, 2023 from the Finance Office with 34 years of service. Ms. Walker was recognized by Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer, after which, Chairman Frye presented her with an engraved clock on behalf of the Board.

Kimberly Scruggs retired March 1, 2023, from the Department of Social Services with 31 years of service. Ms. Scruggs was recognized by Tracie Murphy, Social Services Director, after which, Chairman Frye presented an engraved clock to Ms. Scruggs on behalf of the Board.

Ross Holt, Public Library Director, honored the memory of one of Randolph County's great citizens, Colonel Guy Kent Troy. Colonel Troy passed away on March 17, 2023 at the age of one hundred years plus two days. After enlisting in the Army Air Corps for service in World War II he received an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, and graduated in 1946. He rose to the rank of colonel following his 30-year military career that saw him serve in Vietnam and Iran. Mr. Troy was a member and captain to the United States Modern Pentathlon Olympic Team. He remained active with the Olympics, serving as a judge for Modern Pentathlon events and serving on the sport's governing body. In 1996 he carried the Olympic Torch for half-mile through Greensboro. A graduated from North Carolina A&T State University where he studied agriculture, he and his wife, with whom he would share his life until her passing, leaves behind three children, and four grandchildren. He was a member of the Randolph County Honor Guard, and at the age of ninety, he competed in the Randolph Community College Foundation's Dancing with the Randolph County Stars. Colonel Troy's great grandfather, John Balfour Troy and two others were tasked with purchasing a bell for the new Randolph County courthouse in 1838. They engaged a bellfounder name G.H. Holbrook in Medford, Massachusetts. Holbrook's father was trained in the trade of bell making by Paul Revere. The bell is now a Randolph County Cultural Heritage Object. The bell was transferred to the belfry in the historic courthouse was built in 1909, where is hung until the new courthouse was built in 2002. In 2015, at Colonel Troy's initiative, the bell was relocated to the downstairs of the Old Historic Courthouse where is resides today.

Public Comment Period

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §153A-52.1, Chairman Frye opened the floor for public comment and closed it after everyone wishing to speak had done so. County Attorney Ben Morgan read aloud the Public Comment Rules of Procedure.

Christine Huber, 5274 Lamina Lane, Liberty, NC, expressed concern of the contaminants that can be caused by the lithium ion batteries that will be developed at the new Toyota Plant and whether or not the Julian Fire Department was properly trained in how to deal with lithium ion batteries. She requested that prior to the plant becoming operational, Randolph County provide written notification to the “at risk” residents in this area that the County has the necessary equipment needed in handling lithium ion battery disasters/emergencies. She also requested that the County notify the residents surrounding this plant a written plan of evacuation and protection in case of a lithium ion battery emergency, as well as making sure the plant has been reviewed and approved for implementation by the proper federal/state authorities. She also requests that all of these things be accomplished without any additional costs to the citizens that the County has caused to be “at risk.” Chairman Frye stated that Toyota will have their own Fire Department on site.

Jane Gant, 2713 Ledwell Road, Asheboro, NC, thanked the Commissioners for meeting with her a few weeks ago. She stated she was concerned with the spending of tax payers money. Almost \$40,000, that was spent to place a fence around the Confederate statue. She has been told by many in the community that they do not want the statue to remain outside the courthouse. It is an embarrassment to this county and this city. She asked if the money spent was actually budgeted or was it discretionary spending. If it was budgeted, when was it budgeted? She stated that she has run for office in Randolph County before and she intends on running again. She will continue to fight to move the monument.

Franklin Smith, 1922 Carl Allred Road, Franklinville, NC, expressed his concerns with the opioid crisis in Randolph County and how the Opioid Settlement Funds will be spent. He is a recovering addict and has complete compassion for those with opioid addiction, but feels that some of the ways that have been discussed in helping these people are doing nothing but enabling them. He has been involved in faith-based recovery for these people and would like to see the County seek to use the funds for programs such as this.

Michael Simmons, 150 Fuller Mill Road, Trinity, NC, expressed concerned about the opioid crisis in Randolph County. He is in recovery from opioid abuse and has been clean for four years. He is concerned about how the Opioid Settlement Funds will be used. He understands that some of those funds will be used for the MAT Program through the Sheriff’s Office. However, he feels you cannot overcome evil with evil by providing certain drugs to addicts once they leave the Detention Center and that it would only be giving them a crutch. He said that he had to make the choice of getting clean himself, and the pain and struggle he endured during this process was the push he needed to get help and get clean. He believes in faith-based treatment for those with opioid disorder and would like to see Randolph County get a faith-based center. Chairman Frye asked him if he had gone to a facility to help him. Mr. Simmons stated he spent seven days in High Point Hospital detoxing and then he went to a faith-based in-patient treatment center where he spent six months.

Dwain Roberts, 4654 Rainbow Trail, Ramseur, NC was concerned about the cost of the fence that was placed around the Confederate statue, which was over \$37,000. He learned that the cleanup from the vandalism was a little over \$800. He stated that the vandalism could be cleaned 44 times to reach the amount of \$37,000, and he has a hard time believing the statue would be vandalized 44 more times over the rest of our lifetimes. He thanked the Commissioners for voting 5-0 to keep the

memorial statue in front of the courthouse. He concluded with the lyrics from, “I’m a Good Ole’ Rebel”.

Consent Agenda

On motion of McDowell, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, as follows:

- *approve Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2023 and Special Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2023 and February 23, 2023;*
- *approve reclassification of Property Development Technician (Grade 114) to an Inspections Permitting Technician (Grade 114);*
- *Budget Amendment – Building Inspections (\$20,558) as follows:*

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #73		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Planning & Zoning</i>		<i>\$20,558</i>
<i>Building Inspections</i>	<i>\$20,558</i>	

- *approve the reappointment of Larry Reid to the RCC Board of Trustees;*
- *approve Project Amendment for Asheboro High School;*
- *Budget Amendment – (Asheboro City Schools (AHS) Capital Project Ordinance) as follows:*

Asheboro City Schools (AHS) Capital Project Ordinance Amendment #13		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Modular Classroom Lease</i>	<i>\$52,698</i>	
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		<i>\$52,698</i>

- *Budget Amendment – Transfer to Rural Water Infrastructure Capital Projects as follows:*

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #74		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Sales Taxes</i>	<i>\$127,300</i>	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Transfer to Rural Water Infrastructure Fund</i>	<i>\$127,300</i>	

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance Rural Water Infrastructure Capital Project Ordinance Budget Amendment #4		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Contributions from municipalities	\$54,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Engineering	\$54,000	

- approve Resolution supporting a Step Pay Plan and Compression Relief for Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Staff as follows:

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A STEP PAY PLAN AND COMPRESSION RELIEF FOR DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION STAFF

WHEREAS, the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention provides community supervision, case management and direct supervision of both juveniles in confinement and in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention provides short term secure confinement in Juvenile Detention Centers and long-term commitment services in the State's Youth Development Centers; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention provides community supervision and case management services for youth in the community within the Court Services section; and

WHEREAS, the overarching mission of the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the local Juvenile Crime Prevention Council is to provide services and programming to ensure the protection of the community and rehabilitation of youth offenders; and

WHEREAS, Randolph County youth are ordered to attend Youth Development Centers and Court Services in the city of Asheboro, staff of both the Youth Development Centers and District 19 Court Services section along with other staff in the State of North Carolina have been passed over for pay increases that would recognize and reward the experienced staff, and make compensation more competitive as well as ensure qualified staff recruitment and retention; and

WHEREAS, more than half of Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention vacancies are facility positions and more than one-third of the vacancies are in juvenile court services; and

WHEREAS, salaries for entry-level, direct care, frontline staff start at \$35,400 which puts Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention at a competitive disadvantage for recruitment and retention of staff among other state and local agencies and the private sector; and

WHEREAS, compression salary increases for Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention facility staff were removed from the state's budget prior to final approval; and

WHEREAS, similar salary adjustments or increases WERE approved for Department of Public Safety staff in adult facilities and adult probation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Randolph County Commissioners support instituting salary compression relief and a step pay plan to address recruitment and retention within the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in Randolph County and across the State of North Carolina to make positions competitive to assist in recruitment efforts and to ensure qualified staff are compensated adequately for years of experience for the purposes of retention.

- adopt Proclamation for April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month as follows:
PROCLAMATION FOR APRIL AS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, in fiscal year ending June 2022, 1,370 reports were made to Randolph County DSS child protective services; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the partnerships created between child welfare professionals, education, health, community- and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and families; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that create strong and thriving children and families; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and continue to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, and nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 2023 as NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in Randolph County and urges all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating themselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

Exchange of Property between the Randolph County School Board and the City of Archdale

Dr. Stephen Gainey, Randolph County Schools Superintendent, reported that during the March Randolph County School Board Meeting, they declared the property PIN#7718-44-7555 in Archdale, which is 1.197 acres, as surplus property. By General Statute 115C-518 and their Board policy 9400 (Sales, Disposal, and Lease of Board-Owned Real Property), the Randolph County School Board has declared this property surplus and would like to trade this piece of property with the City of Archdale. Before this can be done, Randolph County has to be given first right to this land before the transaction

can be made. The City of Archdale would use this land for a park project. The area that Randolph County Schools would be gaining will be .675 acres in the exchange, and is already in part of a Randolph County School's fence.

On motion by Frye, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to decline the opportunity to purchase PIN#7718-44-7555 from the Randolph County Board of Education.

Reclassification of Soil and Water Positions

Carrie Slatosky, Randolph County Soil and Water Supervisor, reported that there have been several changes in the Soil and Water Office recently. The Soil and Water Board has come together and made some decisions on how to move forward with filling the two vacancies the office currently has. Ms. Slatosky introduced Kaitlyn Johnson, Soil and Water Department Head/Technician at this time.

Ms. Johnson stated that Ms. Slatosky joined the Board in November 2022 and has been a great blessing to them. They are excited to have her and her interest in soil and water. The Soil and Water Office is requesting to reclassify two of their positions. One position being the Soil and Water Administrator position to a Soil and Water Environmental Education and Support Coordinator. This position would start identifying more educational opportunities in the county and work to provide new education programs for all ages. Ms. Johnson reported that they have used Capital Outlay funds to refurbish a used ambulance. This position would utilize the ambulance as well. This position would also provide administrative and budgetary support for the Soil and Water District Board.

Ms. Johnson reported that the other position would be the current Soil and Water Environmental Specialist position that would move into a Soil and Water Director roll. This position would continue to provide technical assistance as well as oversight of the office that would provide supervisory functions that are needed to keep the office progressing.

Ms. Johnson stated that there would be no increases in salary needed for these two positions. This request is just reclassifying them. Chairman Frye asked if the job descriptions were any different than the ones previously. Ms. Johnson stated not necessarily, the Soil and Water Office has recently had two resignations (Soil and Water Administrator and the Soil and Water Engineer). One of the job descriptions would be rewriting it completely and it would drop lower on the pay grade scale. The other position would be Ms. Johnson's position as the Environmental Specialist but would be moving up to the Soil and Water Director roll.

Commissioner Haywood asked what would become of the Soil and Water Engineer position. Ms. Johnson stated this position is currently being advertised and it would remain the same with no changes in job descriptions nor classification. Haywood stated that the Engineer position has been extremely valuable in making citizens aware of ways to preserve their land. She stated she has attended several meetings and information sessions and wanted to make sure there will still be an Engineer position on staff in the Soil and Water Office. Ms. Johnson stated that one of the goals would be to continue the farmland preservation outlook for the County once a new engineer is hired.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to approve 1) the addition of Environmental Education and Support Coordinator and Soil and Water Director, and 2) the

reclassification of Soil and Water Administrator to Environmental Education and Support Coordinator and Soil and Water Environmental Specialist to Soil and Water Director.

Renovation Plan for the Northwest Human Services Center

Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer, reported that last August property was purchased by the County at 215 Balfour Drive in Archdale. This property included a 2-story office building that was originally built in 1991 to serve as the local office for Duke Energy. The County issued a Request for Qualifications. In October 2022, the Board hired Smith Sinnett Architecture to do a Feasibility Study and Conceptual Design of the building for a human services facility. Smith Sinnett has met with management and staff of Randolph County Public Health (RCPH) and Department of Social Services (DSS) to determine their needs and develop a preliminary floorplan to best use the space.

Mr. Arthurs turned the presentation over to Robert Carmac, Principal Architect with Smith Sinnett and Leanne Byrd, Architect with Smith Sinnett, to present the preliminary design information. The 2-story building has had very minor renovations since it was completed in 1991. Mr. Carmac and Ms. Byrd shared renovation recommendations with the Board. The building does not have an elevator. Because the 2-story building is built the way it is, an elevator would not be required to be installed. There is ample parking and entry access on the bottom floor as well as the top floor of the building. In this proposed renovation, there are 35 additional private offices to be constructed (49 total), there will be an open office area for Public Health as well as a secured suite. The renovation will include a shared reception and waiting area, dedicated public restrooms, two break rooms (one on each level), two Social Services workrooms (one on each level), and two conference rooms (one on each level).

Mr. Carmac stated they are looking at a two-month design window which would allow them to come back to the Board with bid information. Once the bid is accepted, they are looking at 8-12 months construction on the facility. He went over the estimated budget breakdown of the project. The total estimated construction cost is \$2,533,580 with the total estimated project cost being \$3,120,080.

Vice Chairman Allen stated that he was surprised at the cost estimates for the renovations. He has spoken with DSS and RCPH and they could use just one floor at this time, which would cut the cost of renovations in half. Mr. Carmac said that it could be broken out in two different projects, with the exception of several lighting issues, infrastructure items, and HVAC issues that would need to be corrected on both floors. This building was set up for cubicles and they would be renovating it to actual offices. Due to inflation, the prices for renovating this building have increased.

Commissioner Kidd asked how much the County paid for the building. Allen stated the County paid \$1.5M.

Chairman Frye asked if they could do each floor individually at this time. Mr. Carmac stated he would like the flexibility to be able to reach back out to RCPH and DSS to see which floor would be more feasible to renovate first. He stated that the request is to move forward with negotiating and design contract. It will be brought back to the Board in June or July. At this time, the alternate of renovating each floor at a time will be built into this design.

Commissioner McDowell stated that although the estimated costs presented were high, there are two departments that do need the space now. Mr. Carmac stated that when meeting with the two departments, they were open to sharing spaces within the building, which is how the recommendation was presented.

Commissioner Kidd stated that in realizing this is a preliminary step, he was not comfortable voting on a project that cost way more than the initial purchase of the building.

On motion by Frye, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 4-1 with Kidd voting no, to award a contract to Smith Sinnett Architecture for the Design, Bidding, and Construction Administration of this project and authorize the County Manager to sign the contract.

Health Department Renovation Construction Award

Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer, reminded the Board they authorized the County and the County's architectural firm, Smith Sinnett, to advertise the bidding of the Health Department Renovation Project. This project was being bid as a Base Bid with seven alternates. On March 6, 2023, a notice to bidders was advertised. On March 15, 2023, a pre-bid meeting was held at the Public Health building. The deadline for receiving bids was set for March 28, 2023.

Mr. Arthurs gave a PowerPoint presentation that included the bid results for the Health Department renovations with an estimated budget of \$2,895,500. On bid opening day, there were three contractors that submitted bids for this project, Garanco Construction, HM Kern, and Hamlett Associates. Garanco Construction came in as the lowest base bid at \$1,975,200 with all of the alternates combined at \$2,351,500. Randolph County has worked with Garanco Construction for phase one of the Northgate Project as well as the renovation for Juvenile Day Reporting Center with no issues. The Health Department Renovation updated project budget is \$2,664,000.

Commissioner Haywood asked for the amount of ARPA funds that the Health Department received and what were the specifics on what the money could be used for. Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer, stated that currently there are enough funds to move forward with the project that has been presented to the Board. The Health Department has about \$1,000,000 of ARPA funds that can be devoted to this project.

On motion by Haywood, seconded by Allen, the Board voted 5-0 to award the construction contract to Garanco Construction for renovation of the Health Department at a cost of \$2,351,500 and authorize the County Manager to sign the contract.

Project Spring Economic Development

Crystal Gettys, Economic Development Business Development Director, reported that Project Spring, a Texas based manufacturer who is experiencing expedient growth in the Southeast, is looking to expand their operations. Randolph County is one of the top two locations for this business to expand to serve their clients on the east coast.

The final decision on the company's location will be contingent upon formal approval of the incentives offered, a full review of those incentives by the company, and ability to secure an existing building. Based on the capital investment of \$3.4 million in machinery and equipment, job creation

and average wages, Project Spring qualifies for a 50% cash grant over a five-year period in local incentives totaling \$33,340. The company will create 106 jobs over five years with an annual average salary of \$43,353.1. Ms. Gettys reported that the State has provided a proposal to the company for a OneNC grant and a Building Reuse Grant should the company be able to secure local incentives. Both of the grants from the State will require the County being the applicant on behalf of the company.

Ms. Gettys reported that the EDC is requesting that the County approve the resolution offering \$33,340 in local incentives contingent upon the state incentive approvals to encourage Project Spring's decision makers to locate in Randolph County. The EDC is also asking for approval to be the applicant, if required, for any state incentive grant programs contingent on the local incentives meeting any required match.

Commissioner Allen asked if there was any liability to the County with the County being the applicant for the State grants. Ms. Gettys stated there would be benchmarks that must be met, but the EDC would have an individual agreement with the company for those. This agreement will be forwarded to Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney, to look over once it has been prepared.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for Project Spring, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

On motion of Kidd, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0, to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the County of Randolph to Enter into an Economic Development Incentive Contract for Project Spring as follows:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF RANDOLPH TO ENTER INTO
AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, Section 158-7.1 of the North Carolina General Statutes authorizes a county to undertake an economic development project by extending assistance to a company in order to cause the company to locate or expand its operations within the county; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County has held a public hearing to consider whether to participate in an economic development project that will result in the County of Randolph (the "County") approving an economic development incentives package whereby the County would contribute up to thirty-three thousand three hundred and forty dollars (\$33,340.00) on behalf of an unnamed corporation (the "Company") to offset the costs of the Company's locating its manufacturing facility in Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, upon the completion by the Company of this project, the Company will have generated new value/investment in personal property and equipment associated with the project in an amount equal to or in excess of three million four hundred thousand dollars (\$3,400,000.00) and created a minimum of one hundred and six (106) new full-time jobs in the County; and

WHEREAS, this economic development project will stimulate and stabilize the local economy, promote business in the County and result in the creation of a significant number of jobs in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County has in its General Fund available revenues sufficient to fund this economic development project; and

WHEREAS, this project is eligible for a ninety thousand dollar (\$90,000.00) One NC Grant, whereby the County would apply for the Grant on behalf of the Company and the County incentives referenced herein would serve as the required local match for said Grant, if awarded; and

WHEREAS, the project is also eligible for a two hundred thousand dollar (\$200,000.00) Building Reuse Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce, whereby the County would apply for the funds on behalf of the Company;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County, this 3rd day of April 2023, as follows:

Section 1. The County is authorized to expend up to thirty-three thousand three hundred and forty dollars (\$33,340.00) of County funds for the Company's economic development project.

Section 2. The appropriation outlined in Section 1 above will be paid to or on behalf of the Company pursuant to a performance-based incentive contract. In addition to the standard terms found in contracts that the County routinely executes in the ordinary course of business, the economic development incentives contract entered into by and between the County and the Company must contain the following essential terms and conditions:

- a. The total payment made to or on behalf of the "Company" under this contract shall not exceed thirty-three thousand three hundred and forty dollars (\$33,340.00).
- b. The contract amount will be paid over a period of five (5) years to coincide with the Company's satisfactory completion of certain performance requirements. The said performance requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - i. The Company must deliver to the County written certification that, the actual value of new investment by the Company in personal property and equipment in connection with this project equals or exceeds three million four hundred thousand dollars (\$3,400,000.00); and
 - ii. The Company must provide Employment Security Reports to the County evidencing the creation of one hundred and six (106) new full-time jobs.
- c. The contract must provide the County with a means of recouping a portion of the contract amount if the Company's does not remain in full operation, maintaining the newly created jobs referenced above, for a period of five (5) years immediately following the date on which the final installment of the contract amount is paid to the Company.
- d. If the Company does not remain in full operation during this five (5) year period, a portion of the incentive money must be returned. The amount to be returned shall decrease on a pro-rated amount for each year of said period that the Company remains in full operation in the County.

Section 3. The County is authorized to apply for and accept, on behalf of the Company, a One NC Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce in the amount of ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000.00) with the incentives referenced in paragraph 2 serving as the required local match for said grant.

Section 4. *The County is hereby authorized to apply for and accept, on behalf of the Company, a Building Reuse Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce in the amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00).*

Section 5. *The Chairman of the Randolph County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Randolph a contract drafted in accordance with Section 2 of this resolution and any other documents necessary for the implementation of this economic development project.*

Fire Protection County Service Districts

Associate County Attorney Aimee Scotton reminded the Board that during their regular meeting that was held in February, they voted to move forward with the abolishment of current capped Fire Tax Service Districts for fire protection and create new identical districts without the current fifteen cent cap. The Public Hearings have been set for tonight for Coleridge-Erect Fire District, Fairgrove Fire District, Julian Fire District, Northeast Fire District, and Staley Fire District. The Board will hold a Public Hearing for the Farmer Fire District will be held during the Board's regular meeting in May. The proposed new service districts contain the exact same properties contained in the capped districts for those areas.

For each district, the Board determined that the current cap on taxation has rendered or will soon render the district obsolete for providing the necessary protection to citizens in the area. The Board also considered the resident or seasonal population and population density of the proposed district, the appraised value of property subject to taxation in the proposed district, the present tax rates of the County and any cities or special districts in which the proposed district or any portion thereof is located, the ability of the proposed district to sustain the taxes necessary to provide the services planned for the district. After carefully considering these matters, the Board passed resolutions, respectively, declaring their intent to create the proposed districts and calling for a report to be prepared for each district in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes. These resolutions also set public hearings on the creation of these districts for 6:00 p.m. on April 3, 2023. Notice of those public hearings was mailed and published in accordance with statutory requirements.

At the close of these hearings, if the Board finds that the current district is insufficient to provide the required protection and if the Board finds that there is then a demonstrable need for providing fire protection services in the proposed districts, that it is impossible or impracticable to provide fire protection services on a countywide basis, that it is economically feasible to provide fire protection services in the proposed districts without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies and that there is a demonstrable demand for fire protection service in the proposed districts, then the Board may pass resolutions abolishing the current districts and creating the new uncapped districts. The changes, if made, will go into effect on July 1, 2023.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for **Coleridge-Erect** Fire Protection County Service District, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

*On motion of McDowell, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0, to approve a Resolution Abolishing the Current Fifteen Cent Capped **Coleridge-Erect** Fire Protection County Service District and Creating a New Service District Without the Fifteen-cent Cap, as follows:*

**RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE CURRENT FIFTEEN CENT CAPPED COLERIDGE-
ERECT FIRE PROTECTION COUNTY SERVICE DISTRICT AND CREATING A NEW
SERVICE DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CAP**

WHEREAS, the Coleridge-Erect Fire Protection County Service District was formed under 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, said district hereinafter referred to as the “Capped District”; and

WHEREAS, increases in the costs of providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and first responder/ambulance services have rendered the current service district insufficient to meet the needs of the district with the fifteen (15) cents cap in place; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-306 allows for the current Capped District to be abolished upon a finding that the need for the district no longer exists and a public hearing on the matter; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-301 allows a County to establish a county service district for the provision of fire protection services and for the provision of emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services within the district that has no cap except for the general rule that all tax rates in the district, taken together, cannot exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, hereinafter the “Proposed New District”; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Board of County Commissioners abolish the current Capped District and create the Proposed New District, said Proposed New District having the same boundaries and containing the same properties as the current Capped District; and

WHEREAS, the Board caused a report to be prepared and available for public inspection pursuant as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-302; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing on this matter for April 3, 2023 and instructed the Associate County Attorney to mail notice of the public hearing, at least four weeks before the date of the hearing, by any class of U.S. mail which is fully prepaid to the owners, as shown by the county tax records as of the preceding January 1 of all property located within the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was also published in accordance with statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Associate County Attorney certified the publication and mailing of the notice of public hearing as referenced above, and the public hearing was held; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the current or future need for the Capped District to be able to request a tax rate in excess of its current limitation, the population of the Proposed New District, the appraised value of property in the Proposed New District, the present tax rates in effect in the Proposed New District, the ability of the Proposed New District to sustain the taxing of the Proposed New District, the call history of the Proposed New District and other matters that the Board deemed relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The limitation on the tax rate of the Current District has rendered or will soon

- render it obsolescent to the provision of fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the district; and*
- 2. There is a demonstrable need for providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District; and*
 - 3. It is impossible or impracticable to provide these services on a countywide basis; and*
 - 4. It is economically feasible to provide these services in the Proposed New District without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and*
 - 5. There is a demonstrable demand for fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby abolishes the Coleridge-Erect Fire Protection County Service District that was formed under North Carolina General Statute 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates a new Coleridge-Erect Fire Protection County Service District for the provision of fire protection and emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153A-301 and 153A-302 effective July 1, 2023, with the boundaries shown on the map included as Attachment A to this Resolution and containing the exact same properties that were included in the district being abolished.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for **Fairgrove** Fire Protection County Service District, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

On motion of Frye, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0, to approve a Resolution Abolishing the Fifteen Cent Capped **Fairgrove** Fire Protection County Service District and Creating a New Service District Without the Cap as follows:

RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE CURRENT FIFTEEN CENT CAPPED FAIR GROVE FIRE PROTECTION COUNTY SERVICE DISTRICT AND CREATING A NEW SERVICE DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CAP

WHEREAS, the Fair Grove Fire Protection County Service District was formed under 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, said district hereinafter referred to as the “Capped District”; and

WHEREAS, increases in the costs of providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and first responder/ambulance services have rendered the current service district insufficient to meet the needs of the district with the fifteen (15) cents cap in place; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-306 allows for the current Capped District to be abolished upon a finding that the need for the district no longer exists and a public hearing on the matter; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-301 allows a County to establish a county service district for the provision of fire protection services and for

the provision of emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services within the district that has no cap except for the general rule that all tax rates in the district, taken together, cannot exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, hereinafter the “Proposed New District”; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Board of County Commissioners abolish the current Capped District and create the Proposed New District, said Proposed New District having the same boundaries and containing the same properties as the current Capped District; and

WHEREAS, the Board caused a report to be prepared and available for public inspection pursuant as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-302; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing on this matter for April 3, 2023 and instructed the Associate County Attorney to mail notice of the public hearing, at least four weeks before the date of the hearing, by any class of U.S. mail which is fully prepaid to the owners, as shown by the county tax records as of the preceding January 1 of all property located within the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was also published in accordance with statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Associate County Attorney certified the publication and mailing of the notice of public hearing as referenced above, and the public hearing was held; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the current or future need for the Capped District to be able to request a tax rate in excess of its current limitation, the population of the Proposed New District, the appraised value of property in the Proposed New District, the present tax rates in effect in the Proposed New District, the ability of the Proposed New District to sustain the taxing of the Proposed New District, the call history of the Proposed New District and other matters that the Board deemed relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The limitation on the tax rate of the Current District has rendered or will soon render it obsolescent to the provision of fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the district; and
2. There is a demonstrable need for providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District; and
3. It is impossible or impracticable to provide these services on a countywide basis; and
4. It is economically feasible to provide these services in the Proposed New District without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
5. There is a demonstrable demand for fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby abolishes the Fair Grove Fire Protection County Service District that was formed under North Carolina General Statute 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates a new Fair Grove Fire Protection County Service District for the provision of fire protection and

emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153A-301 and 153A-302 effective July 1, 2023, with the boundaries shown on the map included as Attachment A to this Resolution and containing the exact same properties that were included in the district being abolished.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for the **Julian** Fire Protection County Service District, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

*On motion of Allen, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0, to approve a Resolution Abolishing the Fifteen Cent Capped **Julian** Fire Protection County Service District and Creating a New Service District Without the Cap as follows:*

***RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE CURRENT FIFTEEN CENT CAPPED
JULIAN FIRE PROTECTION COUNTY SERVICE DISTRICT AND CREATING
A NEW SERVICE DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CAP***

WHEREAS, the Julian Fire Protection County Service District was formed under 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, said district hereinafter referred to as the “Capped District”; and

WHEREAS, increases in the costs of providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and first responder/ambulance services have rendered the current service district insufficient to meet the needs of the district with the fifteen (15) cents cap in place; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-306 allows for the current Capped District to be abolished upon a finding that the need for the district no longer exists and a public hearing on the matter; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-301 allows a County to establish a county service district for the provision of fire protection services and for the provision of emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services within the district that has no cap except for the general rule that all tax rates in the district, taken together, cannot exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, hereinafter the “Proposed New District”; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Board of County Commissioners abolish the current Capped District and create the Proposed New District, said Proposed New District having the same boundaries and containing the same properties as the current Capped District; and

WHEREAS, the Board caused a report to be prepared and available for public inspection pursuant as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-302; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing on this matter for April 3, 2023 and instructed the Associate County Attorney to mail notice of the public hearing, at least four weeks before the date of the hearing, by any class of U.S. mail which is fully prepaid to the owners, as shown by the county tax records as of the preceding January 1 of all property located within the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was also published in accordance with statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Associate County Attorney certified the publication and mailing of the notice of public hearing as referenced above, and the public hearing was held; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the current or future need for the Capped District to be able to request a tax rate in excess of its current limitation, the population of the Proposed New District, the appraised value of property in the Proposed New District, the present tax rates in effect in the Proposed New District, the ability of the Proposed New District to sustain the taxing of the Proposed New District, the call history of the Proposed New District and other matters that the Board deemed relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The limitation on the tax rate of the Current District has rendered or will soon render it obsolescent to the provision of fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the district; and
2. There is a demonstrable need for providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District; and
3. It is impossible or impracticable to provide these services on a countywide basis; and
4. It is economically feasible to provide these services in the Proposed New District without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
5. There is a demonstrable demand for fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby abolishes the Julian Fire Protection County Service District that was formed under North Carolina General Statute 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates a new Julian Fire Protection County Service District for the provision of fire protection and emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153A-301 and 153A-302 effective July 1, 2023, with the boundaries shown on the map included as Attachment A to this Resolution and containing the exact same properties that were included in the district being abolished.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for the **Northeast** Fire Protection County Service District, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

On motion of Allen, seconded by Frye, the Board voted 5-0, to approve a Resolution Abolishing the Fifteen Cent Capped **Northeast** Fire Protection County Service District and Creating a New Service District Without the Cap as follows:

**RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE CURRENT FIFTEEN CENT CAPPED
NORTHEAST FIRE PROTECTION COUNTY SERVICE DISTRICT AND
CREATING A NEW SERVICE DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CAP**

WHEREAS, the Northeast Fire Protection County Service District was formed under 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical,

rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, said district hereinafter referred to as the “Capped District”; and

WHEREAS, increases in the costs of providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and first responder/ambulance services have rendered the current service district insufficient to meet the needs of the district with the fifteen (15) cents cap in place; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-306 allows for the current Capped District to be abolished upon a finding that the need for the district no longer exists and a public hearing on the matter; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-301 allows a County to establish a county service district for the provision of fire protection services and for the provision of emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services within the district that has no cap except for the general rule that all tax rates in the district, taken together, cannot exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, hereinafter the “Proposed New District”; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Board of County Commissioners abolish the current Capped District and create the Proposed New District, said Proposed New District having the same boundaries and containing the same properties as the current Capped District; and

WHEREAS, the Board caused a report to be prepared and available for public inspection pursuant as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-302; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing on this matter for April 3, 2023 and instructed the Associate County Attorney to mail notice of the public hearing, at least four weeks before the date of the hearing, by any class of U.S. mail which is fully prepaid to the owners, as shown by the county tax records as of the preceding January 1 of all property located within the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was also published in accordance with statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Associate County Attorney certified the publication and mailing of the notice of public hearing as referenced above, and the public hearing was held; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the current or future need for the Capped District to be able to request a tax rate in excess of its current limitation, the population of the Proposed New District, the appraised value of property in the Proposed New District, the present tax rates in effect in the Proposed New District, the ability of the Proposed New District to sustain the taxing of the Proposed New District, the call history of the Proposed New District and other matters that the Board deemed relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The limitation on the tax rate of the Current District has rendered or will soon render it obsolescent to the provision of fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the district; and
2. There is a demonstrable need for providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District; and

3. *It is impossible or impracticable to provide these services on a countywide basis; and*
4. *It is economically feasible to provide these services in the Proposed New District without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and*
5. *There is a demonstrable demand for fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby abolishes the Northeast Fire Protection County Service District that was formed under North Carolina General Statute 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates a new Northeast Fire Protection County Service District for the provision of fire protection and emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153A-301 and 153A-302 effective July 1, 2023, with the boundaries shown on the map included as Attachment A to this Resolution and containing the exact same properties that were included in the district being abolished.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for the **Staley** Fire Protection County Service District, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

On motion of Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0, to approve a Resolution Abolishing the Fifteen Cent Capped **Staley** Fire Protection County Service District and Creating a New Service District Without the Cap as follows:

**RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE CURRENT FIFTEEN CENT CAPPED STALEY
FIRE PROTECTION COUNTY SERVICE DISTRICT AND CREATING A NEW
SERVICE DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CAP**

WHEREAS, the Staley Fire Protection County Service District was formed under 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, said district hereinafter referred to as the “Capped District”; and

WHEREAS, increases in the costs of providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and first responder/ambulance services have rendered the current service district insufficient to meet the needs of the district with the fifteen (15) cents cap in place; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-306 allows for the current Capped District to be abolished upon a finding that the need for the district no longer exists and a public hearing on the matter; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-301 allows a County to establish a county service district for the provision of fire protection services and for the provision of emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services within the district that has no cap except for the general rule that all tax rates in the district, taken together, cannot exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, hereinafter the “Proposed New District”; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Board of County Commissioners abolish the current Capped District and create the Proposed New District, said Proposed New District having the same boundaries and containing the same properties as the current Capped District; and

WHEREAS, the Board caused a report to be prepared and available for public inspection pursuant as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-302; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing on this matter for April 3, 2023 and instructed the Associate County Attorney to mail notice of the public hearing, at least four weeks before the date of the hearing, by any class of U.S. mail which is fully prepaid to the owners, as shown by the county tax records as of the preceding January 1 of all property located within the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was also published in accordance with statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Associate County Attorney certified the publication and mailing of the notice of public hearing as referenced above, and the public hearing was held; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the current or future need for the Capped District to be able to request a tax rate in excess of its current limitation, the population of the Proposed New District, the appraised value of property in the Proposed New District, the present tax rates in effect in the Proposed New District, the ability of the Proposed New District to sustain the taxing of the Proposed New District, the call history of the Proposed New District and other matters that the Board deemed relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The limitation on the tax rate of the Current District has rendered or will soon render it obsolescent to the provision of fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the district; and
2. There is a demonstrable need for providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District; and
3. It is impossible or impracticable to provide these services on a countywide basis; and
4. It is economically feasible to provide these services in the Proposed New District without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
5. There is a demonstrable demand for fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby abolishes the Staley Fire Protection County Service District that was formed under North Carolina General Statute 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates a new Staley Fire Protection County Service District for the provision of fire protection and emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153A-301 and 153A-302 effective July 1, 2023, with the boundaries shown on the map included as Attachment A to this Resolution and containing the exact same properties that were included in the district being abolished.

Caraway Speedway Economic Development

Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney, said that the State of North Carolina, in expanding its Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds under the American Rescue Plan, created the Motorsports Relief Fund. The purpose of this fund is to enhance amenities and increase opportunities for events at motorsport venues in recognition of the impact those events have on local tourism, travel, and hospitality industries. Randolph County received a grant from this fund for the benefit of Caraway Speedway in the amount of \$485,000.

In order for these funds to be properly administered, it is necessary to hold a public hearing on the acceptance of this grant and the provision of these funds to or on behalf of Caraway. To ensure that the benefits envisioned by the Motorsports Relief Fund are realized, if this arrangement is approved, the County will enter into an economic development contract with Caraway Speedway. This agreement will govern the use of the funds and will ensure that Caraway continues to operate at a level that will increase tourism and travel benefits to our citizens. At the close of the public hearing, if the agreement is approved, the Board will need to adopt a resolution authorizing Randolph County to enter into an economic development incentive contract for Caraway Speedway. Ms. Scotton stated that if Randolph County decides to not use these funds, they will be sent back to the State.

Ms. Scotton stated that Caraway would need to agree to hold at least twenty events per year for two years in order to continue to be eligible to receive these funds. Invoices would be submitted to the County and the County would in turn pay the contractors and vendors.

Commissioner Haywood shared that she has been in touch with the owner of Caraway and he has been most complimentary of the County in assisting him with seeking these funds.

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for Caraway Speedway Economic Development, and closed it after no one wished to speak.

On motion by Haywood, seconded by Allen, the Board voted 5-0, to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the County of Randolph to Enter into an Economic Development Incentives Contract for Caraway Speedway as follows:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF RANDOLPH TO ENTER INTO AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES CONTRACT

WHEREAS, section 158-7.1 of the North Carolina General Statutes authorizes a county to undertake an economic development project by extending assistance to a company in order to cause the Company to locate or expand its operations within the county; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly approved the Motorsports Relief Fund and Randolph County was awarded a Grant from said fund for the benefit of DAH Motorsports, LLC dba Caraway Speedway (“Speedway”) in the amount of four hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$485,000), hereinafter referred to as the “Grant;” and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County has held a public hearing to consider whether to participate in an economic development project that

will result in the County of Randolph (the "County"), approving acceptance of the Grant whereby the County will administer Grant funds of up to four hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$485,000.00) to or on behalf of the Speedway to renovate its current motorsports facilities in the County; and

WHEREAS, said incentives shall be granted pursuant to an economic development incentives contract as provided in Section 2 of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, upon the completion by the Speedway of the proposed project, the Speedway will have generated new value/investment in real property associated with the project in an amount equal to or in excess of four hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$485,000.00); and

WHEREAS, this economic development project will stimulate the local economy and promote tourism in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Grant to the County has provided sufficient revenue to fund this economic development project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County, this 3rd day of April 2023, as follows:

Section 1. The County is authorized to expend up to four hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$485,000.00) of Grant funds for this economic development project.

Section 2. The Speedway is authorized to use Grant funds for the purposes described in its Project Description and Plan (Attachment A to this Resolution). Grant funds authorized in Section 1 above will be paid on behalf of the Speedway over time, provided, however, that all funds must be incurred or obligated prior to December 31, 2024, and must be expended by December 31, 2026. In addition to the standard terms found in contracts that the County routinely executes in the ordinary course of business, the economic development incentives contract entered into by and between the County, and the Speedway must contain the following essential terms and conditions:

- e. The total payment made to or on behalf of the Speedway, under this contract shall not exceed four hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$485,000.00).
- f. Payments will be made to the Speedway's vendors on a direct-pay basis. To justify payment, the Speedway will submit monthly invoices to be evaluated and paid. These invoices will be submitted on the final day of the month, and payment will be mailed within 15 days of receipt.
- g. To fully qualify for these payments the Speedway must complete certain performance requirements in a satisfactory manner. The said performance requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - i. The Speedway must certify that it holds a minimum of twenty (20) events per calendar year; and
 - ii. The Speedway warrants that it will remain in full operation in Randolph County for a period of not less than two (2) years, said two-year period beginning on the date of the final payment from

the County on behalf of the Speedway. If the Speedway ceases or reduces operations in Randolph County prior to the termination of the two-year period, the Speedway shall pay liquidated damages to the County. These damages shall be equal to 100% of the incentive money paid to the Speedway under this Agreement, less sixty thousand six hundred twenty-five dollars (\$60,625.00) for each quarter that the Speedway remains in full operation during said two-year period in Randolph County prior to ceasing or reducing operations. The Speedway shall not be considered to have reduced operations if it continues to hold the minimum number of events specified in Section 2(c)(i) above.

Section 3. *The Chairman of the Randolph County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Randolph a contract drafted in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this resolution and any other documents necessary for the implementation of this economic development project as provided herein.*

Historic Courthouse Bids Update

Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer, gave an update on the Historic Courthouse Elevator Addition and Renovation Bidding. This item does not require any action at this time. During the Board's December 2022 regular meeting, the final design for the Historic Courthouse Elevator Addition and Renovation was approved and authorized the County to begin the bidding process. A prequalification process was held and five general contractors were approved for bidding. The bid opening was held on March 15, 2023, but unfortunately the low bidder (Sanford Contractors) was considerably higher than the preliminary cost estimate that had been previously presented.

The County's architects provided a preliminary projected construction cost base bid that was \$2,563,294. Sanford Contractors bid came in at \$4,465,000, which was a base bid and did not include the alternates.

Mr. Arthurs reported that he and Ross Holt, Public Library Director, are working with Sanford Contractors to attempt to scale back the project and negotiate a better price while looking at the priorities in the process. Those priorities are as follows:

County's Priorities (in descending order of importance):

1. Elevator addition and associated Site/HVAC/Electrical improvements
Deleting existing elevator demo and new stair construction
2. Alt. M-1 - Attic HVAC (may conceive alternative method of access to reduce costs)
Including balcony room extension
3. Alt. G2A – Exterior Improvements at Front Entry Stairs (resolving safety concerns)
4. Alt. G2B – Exterior Improvements at ADA Lift and Rear Exit Stairs (resolving safety concerns) *Could be deleted if back exit and exterior stairway could be closed off*

Items below this line are not critical and could be dropped from scope.

5. Basement/1st Floor HVAC Improvements
6. Basement/1st Floor Electrical Improvements (minus new lighting)
Only extent needed to support new hvac
7. Below-grade foundation waterproofing
8. Stormwater Improvements/Roof Drain Tie-Ins on the West Side
(East side must happen if elevator addition is built)
9. New Rear Exterior Doors (Two new doors, north side)
10. New Ceilings/Lighting through the 1st Floor 'Exhibit' Rooms
11. New Rear Stair, including new corridor partitions to separate the stair
12. Interior finish upgrades and repairs (new flooring, painting on 1st floor, new stair treads/risers, plaster repairs)

Chairman Frye questioned if there was a capacity issue in the building if there was an event that was held. Mr. Arthurs stated that the building will still meet the code requirements for capacity. He also stated that there is a possibility of the bottom floor not being renovated at this time and it would be used as it is currently with no renovations.

Chairman Frye asked how many dollars would be cut if the bottom floor was not renovated. Mr. Arthurs stated that it would hopefully bring the costs down considerably by only choosing the items that have to be done to meet the ADA compliant rule. A lot of the work on the bottom floor can be done later. The only item that would need to be completed on the first floor is the HVAC that needs to be updated.

Mr. Arthurs said they would come back to the Board in May with an update on the costs of the renovation priorities as listed above.

Commissioner Haywood asked if there were any grants available for historic landmark renovations. Mr. Arthurs said there may be some grants that are available for this project. Mr. Holt said that there are grants out there for programmatic items for museums, but it is difficult to find grants for capital items. He stated he will look and see if he can find any grants that might assist with this project.

Chairman Frye stated that the County does have other feasible options to hold their Board Meetings, like the large room at the Board of Elections Office at Northgate. Mr. Arthurs stated the plan was to move the Commissioner Meeting to Northgate while the Old Historic Courthouse was being renovated.

Vice-Chairman Allen said that he would hate to lose a historic structure. It should be utilized the best way it can be. Mr. Arthurs stated that regardless of the museum, the main issue is the elevator that needs to be updated for continued use of the building.

Chairman Frye asked if there were any requirements on upkeep of the building since it is on the historic registry. Mr. Holt stated that being on the national registry is more of an honor, and it does not have any upkeep requirements.

USDA Debt Service for the Farm, Food, and Family Education Center (F3EC)

Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer, reminded the Board that the County has been working with Randolph Electric Membership Corporation (REMC) who was eligible for two \$2 million loans for the Farm, Food and Family Education Center. Originally, it was assumed that there would be an annual debt service payment, but recently USDA required monthly repayments back to REMC. As a result, there is expected to be two debt service payments in the current fiscal year (May & June), totaling \$66,667. This expenditure for principal payments needs to be added to the General Fund budget. The Board has planned to use capital reserve funds for this obligation. In addition, an additional \$2,000 is needed for bond trustee fees.

On motion by Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0, to approve the following Budget Amendment for Debt Service on the USDA Loan for the Farm, Food, and Family Education Center as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #75		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Sales Tax</i>	<i>\$2,000</i>	
<i>Transfer from Capital Reserve</i>	<i>\$66,667</i>	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Debt Services</i>	<i>\$68,667</i>	

County Manager's Update

Hal Johnson, County Manager, reminded the Board of the Special Joint Meeting with the City of Asheboro on April 17, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. to consider an economic development matter. On the same day at 6:00 p.m. there will be a Zoning Appeal Public Hearing for a subdivision in Staley, NC.

Mr. Johnson reminded the board that there will be a study update for the Northeast Randolph County Growth Management Plan Steering Committee Public Information session held on April 18, 2023, in the auditorium of Eastern Randolph High School from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for the public to come and speak with the consultants and County staff on this committee about their concerns or their issues for future growth in Northeast Randolph County. It will be a good opportunity for the public to provide input as they continue the process of updating the County's Growth Management Plan in Northeast Randolph County. The public will be invited to this information session to provide input via social media, news outlets, and within the county.

Commissioners Update

Vice-Chairman Allen reported that on May 11, 2023 the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners District 9 and 11 Meetings will be held from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Legislators from these two districts will be present for dinner and discussions.

Vice Chairman Allen commented on the lithium battery concerns that were discussed during Public Comment by Chris Huber. He lives in the same area as Ms. Huber. There is an emergency response concern for those citizens that live along the area of US Hwy. 421 that two interchanges and crossovers will limit access to their properties. He understands that this issue is being worked on, but wanted to make others aware. This issue will require some unique thinking.

Commissioner Kidd stated that he has sat through Fire Chief Meetings that were giving training on lithium battery fires, so this item is being addressed at the local fire departments.

Adjournment

At 8:03 p.m. on motion of Allen, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Darrell Frye, Chairman

David Allen

Kenny Kidd

Maxton McDowell

Hope Haywood

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

March 27, 2023 — Special Meeting – Opioid Settlement Funding Application Review

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in special session at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph County Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, 145 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC. Chairman Darrell Frye, Vice-Chairman David Allen, Commissioners Hope Haywood, Kenny Kidd, and Maxton McDowell were present. Also present were County Manager Hal Johnson, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer Will Massie, Associate County Attorney Aimee Scotton, Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Jenny Parks. The meeting was livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube.

Hal Johnson, County Manager, gave an overview and purpose of this special meeting. In 2022, the initial Opioid Settlement Funds obtained from the big three drug distributors were distributed to assist with abatement of opioid use disorders in Randolph County. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was adopted to administer the funds. This MOA specifies the allocation, use, and reporting of funds from the initial settlements. The allocation is \$8.8 million to the County over the next 18 years.

The State of North Carolina recently negotiated \$21 billion in new settlements with CVS, Walgreens, Walmart, Allergan and Teva, “Wave Two Settlements.” North Carolina’s state and local governments could receive more than \$600 million from the Wave Two Settlements. Randolph County’s share will be another \$7.8 million if the Board wishes to seek these funds.

In order for Randolph County to be eligible for the Wave Two Settlements, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners must sign onto each of the five new Wave Two Settlements as well as a supplement to the North Carolina MOA before April 18, 2023. During this meeting tonight, the Board will hear the first Opioid Settlement Funding recommendations and they will vote on the passing of a resolution authorizing the County Manager to sign the five Wave Two Settlements and the Supplemental Agreement for Additional Settlements of Opioid Litigation and approve the associated Budget Amendment to the Grant Project Ordinance.

Mr. Johnson shared that former County Commissioner Stan Haywood, who was a pharmacist, recognized the issues that were forthcoming from opioid use.

Mr. Johnson stated that all 100 counties in North Carolina are participating in this settlement program. The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners directed one of their employees, Leia Gearhart, to assist Randolph County with this program as Project Coordinator.

Ms. Gearhart gave an update on the Randolph County Opioid Settlement Funding. The goals identified were to enhance community efforts to develop and/or expand evidence-based programs and resources to address opioid use disorder, to build capacity and infrastructure to measure the impact of programs and prevent fatal overdoses in Randolph County, and to strengthen community partnerships to improve access to care related to opioid use disorder. These goals will be met by using existing program support, grant writing skills development and management, data collection building processes, technical assistance, Opioid Collaborative participation, and training/workshops for those administering the program.

Ms. Gearhart went over the assessment process of the thirteen applications that were received. She introduced Jennifer Layton, Assistant Public Health Director, who has been the “co-chair” of this process with Ms. Gearhart. Ms. Layton reported that Executive Committee Training was held to explain the criteria for application evaluation.

Ms. Layton stated those organizations chosen will have accountability such as pre-contract accountability, financial accountability, and performance accountability. She shared the eight proposals for the six organizations that were recommended for funding. The funding amount for each was \$150,000 for FY24-FY26. Below is a table that shows what the Executive Committee is recommending for approval.

Organization	Program	FY24-FY26 Recommended Funding	Technical Assistance Area			
			Action Planning and Timeline	Evaluation Plan	Data Collection	Operations, Gaps, & Connect to Care
JDRC	Early intervention	\$150,000	X	X		X
Community Hope Alliance	Naloxone Distribution	\$150,000			X	
RCSO	Detention Center MAT Program	\$150,000	X	X	X	
Community Hope Alliance	SSP	\$150,000			X	X
RCSO	Naloxone Distribution	\$150,000	X	X	X	X
Keaton’s Place	Recovery Support Services: Connect to Care	\$150,000		X		

Chatham Recovery	Evidence-based Addiction Treatment	\$150,000	X	X		X
DSS	Recovery Support Services: Connect to Care	\$150,000	X	X	X	X

Technical Assistance Areas were identified by the Executive Committee to be addressed by the applicant prior to project implementation in July if they are approved. At the end of the first year, the Executive Committee will conduct a performance review for all awarded agencies. The Executive Committee is recommending all of the above-named applications be approved.

Mr. Johnson asked what is meant by “evidence-based.” Ms. Layton explained that evidence-based strategies have been studied and found to be effective in addressing an issue. All of the strategies presented have been studied. They are all vital in addressing opioid use disorder.

Chairman Frye asked if any of these funds could be used for administrative and personnel costs. Ms. Layton replied that there was not a limit set on personnel cost, but there was a limit set on indirect costs.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked how the funding amount of \$150,000 was set for each program. Ms. Layton stated that the Committee has been in contact with other counties across the state of North Carolina that have similar funding packages. These counties recommended starting on the low end for managing the program. The Committee also does not want organizations to become reliant on these funds as their sole funding source.

Chairman Frye inquired about other funds that could be used for Naloxone. Ms. Layton stated, during Covid, Covid dollars were used for Naloxone because of sharp increases in overdose fatalities. However, as Covid initiatives wind down, so will the funding that has been earmarked for Naloxone.

Chairman Frye asked if all of these programs must be voted on as a whole. Ms. Layton stated that was the recommendation from the Executive Committee. The reason for recommending approval of all eight programs is the collaboration that will occur among providers as opposed to them being in competition with each other.

Commissioner Kidd questioned why they were not being voted on individually. Chairman Frye stated them being voted on together was the Executive Committee’s recommendation, but the Board could decide on another option if they wish.

Commissioner Haywood said it was obvious that the programs have been carefully selected for funding and the accountability piece is in place. She stated that Randolph County needs these organizations to be successful and with them working together that goal is attainable.

Chairman Frye asked how to stop the opioid problem without making it easier for those that have opioid use disorder to continue to function with their addiction. Ms. Layton stated that is a challenge. It takes a lot of interaction for addicted individuals to build trust with the organizations providing services. It also depends on their willingness to admit they have a problem and need help. Cost of treatment can be prohibitive as well.

Chairman Frye asked if the Medicaid expansion would cover any of those costs and Ms. Layton stated it was supposed to. Medicaid expansion would open the door for some individuals that may not have had access to these programs before.

Chairman Frye reminded the Board that anyone that sits on the board of any of the organizations that are being presented cannot vote on their items.

Commissioner Kidd questioned if there was an up-front audit of these organizations. Ms. Layton stated that there will be an audit required after one year from the time the funds will be given. If the organization cannot provide an audit after the first year, it will hinder them receiving the remainder of the funds.

Vice-Chairman Allen inquired about the rubric the Executive Committee used for scoring of these applications. Ms. Layton explained they used one from past funding by the Randolph County Finance Office.

Thirteen applications were received and only five were not fully compliant with the Memo of Agreement (MOA). The five that did not qualify were removed from the scoring process.

Ms. Layton explained each organization and program being recommended as follows:

- The Juvenile Day Reporting Center (JDRC) will support their current programming that addresses early intervention for youth under the age of 18 identified as having opioid use disorder. They will use this program to strengthen the families and the youth to increase their success of overcoming opioid use disorder.
- Community Hope Alliance is the largest distributor of Naloxone in the community. Had they not had Naloxone on hand when needed, the fatality rate in Randolph County would be much higher.
- The Randolph County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) will use this funding to supplement the Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) program in the Detention Center.
- Community Hope Alliance offers a syringe service program. Those programs can be expensive to operate but do lessen the chances of the spread of Hepatitis and HIV. There has been a reduction in the traffic through the hospital system and increased connection to services from this program.
- The Randolph County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) has opted to distribute Naloxone to individuals being released from the Detention Center. Because if an individual has been in the Detention Center not using drugs, they become extremely sensitive

to whatever kind of drug they use out in the community. The Sheriff's Office wants to provide this lifesaving resource.

- Keaton's Place provides recovery support services. They connect individuals to inpatient and outpatient treatment by transporting the patient to the services they need.
- Chatham Recovery is an opioid treatment service in the community. They are the only ones providing medications and psychotherapy to their clients. They are an evidence-based organization.
- The Department of Social Services (DSS) has seen an increase in the need for foster care homes due to child abuse and neglect as it relates to substance abuse in the county. They would like to hire a licensed Clinical Social Worker to provide intensive support to families that are impacted by opioid use disorder.

Mr. Johnson asked if the Board has to vote on all of the applications at the same time or could they be voted on individually. Ms. Layton stated the Executive Committee has presented the recommendation for all to be voted together, however it is up to the Board on how to handle this matter at their May meeting.

The total amount of Opioid Settlement funding from the initial settlement is a little less than \$9 million and the Second Wave is a little over \$7.8 million. If the recommended programs are approved, \$1.2 million would be used at the end of three years. The total funds in the amount of \$17,690,000 are to be used over 18 years.

Chairman Frye asked if there were any specific issues that hindered the five programs from not being recommended for funding. Ms. Layton stated they did not align with the requirements of the MOA with the strategies they identified.

Chairman Frye stated he was not aware that all of these would be recommended in a block for approval. The Board will need to decide how to handle the recommendation.

Chairman Frye shared that homelessness is a growing issue in the County, especially the downtown area. He has people in the community concerned that these funds would enable those that have opioid use disorder. Ms. Layton explained that through their Opioid Collaborative, housing was a hot topic. It is very difficult for an individual who is seeking to sustain recovery over time if they do not have anywhere to live or a safe place to stay.

Commissioner Kidd expressed concern that some of these resources could be an open door to a harm reduction program that could get worse. Looking at bigger cities that have some of these programs, it appears they are enabling the problem making the cycle never ending. He stated that he has seen an issue in downtown Asheboro at his place of business. He has walked over needles in his parking lot. The harm reduction debate is a big concern for him as well as the needle exchange programs.

Ms. Layton stated that in the Southeast, communities that no longer have harm reduction programs have seen an increase in HIV and Hepatitis among those using needles. The government had to deploy emergency response because it became a community health threat. These programs do reduce the spread of communicable disease, which reduces the burden on the hospital system,

especially for those individuals that may have complex health issues. Independent evaluation of the North Carolina Syringe Service Program has indicated that participants in this program are five times more likely to seek help and receive services. Long standing, trusting relationships are made between the providers and the clients.

Commissioner Kidd asked for explanation on the different drugs used in the MAT program. Michelle Hoenig, nurse with the healthcare provider at the Detention Center (Mediko), came forward and explained the drugs used during medical treatment of opioid use disorder.

Commissioner Haywood shared she had recently attended a NACo Conference in Colorado where a panel discussion on opioid use disorder was held. A person from North Carolina on this panel brought an employee. This employee spoke about her journey as an opioid abuser and how the MAT program helped her get clean, stay clean, and obtain a job. She currently works with addicts and has helped them turn their lives around. Commissioner Haywood stated that there are people who debate these programs but may not understand them. If it has been shown to be effective and used wisely to help others, it can be impactful in changing the lives of those with opioid use disorder.

Commissioner Haywood stated she sat in on a Zoom call with others county officials across North Carolina. It was clear to her that Randolph County is further ahead of most counties on what direction to take with these programs. Ms. Layton stated that the strong foundation Randolph County has and the model Randolph County is building is setting the standard for the State of North Carolina for these programs. This model is not for a county or community that does not have resources in place. There was already a strong collaboration of individuals active and engaged with one another. Several of these programs are looking for opportunities to expand what they are already doing.

Commissioner McDowell questioned what the “Technical Assistance Areas” (in the table presented) were and how will the \$150,000 per organization be used. Ms. Layton stated there are four critical pieces required for each organization to complete prior to project implementation for the project to be successful. They are as follows:

- Action Planning and Timeline is the “roadmap” for each plan with goals and objectives identified.
- Evaluation Plan measures the success of the program by surveying participants receiving services. Part of the evaluation that is required by the MOA will be the success stories.
- Data Collection tracks the performance measures in the evaluation plan.
- Operations, Gaps, and Connect to Care ensure keeping a close relationship with all of those involved in the program.

Commissioner Haywood stated that workforce development is something that is being talked about a lot. Many people that have been released by the Sheriff’s Department are participants in the MAT Program. She knows a small business owner who will only employ people that have been in a detention center or prison. He has employees that are on the medication to treat opioid disorder. The business owner said they make excellent employees because they treasure the opportunity to have a second chance.

Ms. Layton shared that one of the strategies their collaborative will implement over the next few years is recovery-friendly workplace policies. It will give clients more hope of turning their lives around by providing them an opportunity to have a job and find a home.

Resolution for Receiving Second Wave of Opioid Settlement Funding

Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer, shared information regarding Opioid Settlement Funds -Wave Two. In order to participate in the Wave Two Distributions, the Board will need to adopt a resolution to authorize the County Manager to sign onto the five Wave Two Settlements and the Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds from Additional Settlements of Opioid Litigation. The Board must also approve a Budget Amendment to the Grant Project Ordinance adding \$7,865,262.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Allen, the Board voted 5-0 to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the County Manager to sign the five Wave Two Settlements and the Supplemental Agreement for Additional Settlements of Opioid Litigation and to approve the associated Budget Amendment to the Grant Project Ordinance, as follows:

**RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF RANDOLPH
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF OPIOID SETTLEMENTS AND
APPROVING THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR ADDITIONAL
FUNDS BETWEEN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENTS ON PROCEEDS RELATING TO THE SETTLEMENT OF
OPIOID LITIGATION**

WHEREAS, the opioid overdose epidemic had taken the lives of more than 32,000 North Carolinians (2000-2021); and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has compounded the opioid overdose crisis, increasing levels of drug misuse, addiction, and overdose death; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates the total economic burden of prescription opioid misuse alone in the United States is \$78.5 billion a year, including the costs of healthcare, lost productivity, addiction treatment, and criminal justice involvement; and

WHEREAS, certain counties and municipalities in North Carolina joined with thousands of local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioid manufacturers, pharmaceutical distribution companies, and chain drug stores to hold those companies accountable for their misconduct; and

WHEREAS, settlements have been reached in litigation against Walmart, Inc., Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., Allergan Finance, LLC, Allergan Limited, CVS Health Corporation, CVS Pharmacy, Inc., and Walgreen Co., as well as their subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, and directors named in these Settlements; and

WHEREAS, representatives of local North Carolina governments, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, and the North Carolina Department of Justice have negotiated and prepared a Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds (SAAF) to provide for the equitable distribution of the proceeds of these settlements; and

WHEREAS, by joining the settlements and approving the SAAF, the state and local governments maximize North Carolina's share of opioid settlement funds to ensure the needed resources reach communities, as quickly, effectively, and directly as possible; and

WHEREAS, it is advantageous to all North Carolinians for local governments, including Randolph County and its residents, to sign onto the settlements and SAAF and demonstrate solidarity in response to the opioid overdose crisis, and to maximize the share of opioid settlement funds received both in the state and Randolph County to help abate the harm; and

WHEREAS, the SAAF directs substantial resources over multiple years to local governments on the front lines of the opioid overdose epidemic while ensuring that these resources are used in an effective way to address the crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County hereby authorizes the County Manager to execute all documents necessary to enter into opioid settlement agreements with Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, Allergan, and Teva, to execute the SAAF, and to provide such documents to Rubris, the Implementation Administrator.

Opioid Settlement Grant Project Ordinance Budget Amendment #1		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Opioid Settlement Distributions	\$7,865,262	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Contingency	\$7,865,262	

Adjournment

At 7:45 p.m., on motion of Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Darrell Frye, Chairman

David Allen

Kenny Kidd

Maxton McDowell

Hope Haywood

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

April 17, 2023
Special Joint Meeting with the City of Asheboro – Project Power

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in a special joint session with the City of Archdale City Council in the 1909 Randolph County Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, 145 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC., during their regular meeting starting at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Darrell Frye, Vice-Chairman David Allen, and Commissioners Kenny Kidd, Maxton McDowell, and Hope Haywood were present. Also present were County Manager Hal Johnson, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Operations William Johnson, Associate County Attorney Aimee Scotton, Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Jenny Parks. Present for the Asheboro City Council were Mayor David Smith, Mayor Pro Tem Walker Moffitt, Council Members Clark Bell, Eddie Burks, Kelly Heath, Bill McCaskill, and Charles Swiers. Also present for the City of Asheboro was City Manager John Ogburn. Present from Randolph County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was President Kevin Franklin.

At 5:00 p.m., Chairman Frye called the meeting to order, recognized Mayor David Smith, City of Asheboro, and thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight.

Project Power

Kevin Franklin, President of the Randolph County Economic Development Corporation, reported that Energizer is contemplating an expansion of its operations in Asheboro. This project remains competitive with other locations, and an incentive offer will factor into Energizer's consideration of Asheboro and Randolph County as the location for its expansion project.

Energizer has been producing alkaline batteries in Asheboro for decades, has been a legacy employer in our community, and is a well-recognized household brand. Energizer is currently reviewing its production and packaging operations and considering several options to maximize efficiency. All of Energizer's facilities, domestic and global, are under consideration to gain or lose equipment and/or volume. One option consists of transferring several production and packaging lines to Energizer's two facilities in Asheboro. Any changes would begin in 2023 and be implemented over the following three years.

If Asheboro is chosen for the expansion project, Energizer will retain 411 current full-time jobs and create 178 new full-time jobs; the average annual wage of the new jobs would be \$54,000, exceeding Randolph County's current private sector average wage of \$43,080. Energizer's total investment for the project would be \$43 million dollars in machinery and equipment.

The EDC is proposing a total local performance-based incentive package of \$420,000 paid in five annual installments, equally divided between the City of Asheboro and Randolph County. The proposed incentive amount is equivalent to fifty percent of the anticipated new tax revenue generated by the new investment over a five-year period.

Energizer is also eligible for a One NC grant through the NC Department of Commerce. If awarded, the One NC grant has a local match requirement; the proposed local incentive is more than sufficient to cover the match requirement.

The EDC believes that the Energizer project is an exceptional economic development project for the City and County which would generate significant investment in new machinery and equipment, result in the creation of 178 quality new jobs, and generate over \$9.5 million in new annual payroll. Therefore, the EDC requests that the City and County approve the resolution offering local incentives to encourage Energizer leadership to grow its production in Asheboro.

Vice Chairman Allen asked who would be liable for any fall backs from the One NC Grant. Mr. Franklin stated that the company would be liable.

Vice Chairman Allen asked what tax rate was used in determining the anticipated generated tax revenue. Mr. Franklin stated he has worked with Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer, on this item, understanding and taking into consideration the revaluation that was just held, they used a lower anticipated new tax rate. The anticipated generated tax revenue was not based on the current rate.

Chairman Frye asked if this would have any physical expansion of the current facilities or was this just the addition of equipment and jobs. Mr. Franklin stated that it was just the addition of equipment and jobs.

At 5:06 p.m. Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing for the County.

Allyson Azar, 800 Albermarle Road, Asheboro, NC spoke on behalf of Energizer. She thanked the Board for their consideration of the Project Power proposal. Energizer is very excited about the potential opportunity to continue their legacy growth in Randolph County. Ms. Azar expressed her gratitude for the opportunity to work with Mr. Franklin and Randolph County on this potential opportunity.

Chairman Frye stated he could remember when there were discussions about the closing of the Albemarle Road location. Energizer is a legacy corporation in Randolph County with a long history and has been a good corporate citizen.

Commissioner Haywood stated she would like to commend Energizer for the flexibility, the adjustments, for being nimble making decisions that have kept them strong as a company, but also having kept their presence here in Randolph County. So many Randolph County citizens have worked there for years. She is excited for Energizer, the citizens of Randolph County, and for the City of Asheboro.

At 5:12 p.m. Chairman Frye closed the Public Hearing after everyone wanting to speak had done so.

On motion of Kidd, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0 to approve a Resolution Authorizing the County of Randolph to Enter into an Economic Development Incentives Contract, as follows:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF RANDOLPH TO ENTER
INTO AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, Section 158-7.1 of the North Carolina General Statutes authorizes a county to undertake an economic development project by extending assistance to a company in order to cause the company to locate or expand its operations within the county; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County has held a public hearing to consider whether to participate in an economic development project that will result in the County of Randolph (the “County”), the City of Asheboro (the “City”), and Energizer Manufacturing, Inc. (the “Company”) approving an economic development incentives package whereby the County and the City each contribute up to Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$210,000.00) for a total expenditure of up to Four Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$420,000.00) to the Company to offset the costs of the Company’s expansion in the City of Asheboro, Randolph County, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, upon the completion by the Company of this expansion project, the Company will have generated new value/investment in personal property, machinery and equipment associated with the project in an amount equal to or in excess of Forty-Three Million Dollars (\$43,000,000.00) and created a minimum one hundred seventy-eight (178) new full-time jobs in the County and City; and

WHEREAS, this economic development project will stimulate and stabilize the local economy, promote business in the County and City, and result in the creation of a significant number of jobs in the County and City; and

WHEREAS, the County has in its General Fund available revenues sufficient to fund this economic development project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County, this 17th day of April, 2023, as follows:

Section 1. The County is authorized to expend up to Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$210,000.00) of County funds for the Energizer economic development project.

Section 2. The appropriation outlined in Section 1 above will be paid to or on behalf of the Company pursuant to a performance-based incentive contract, said contract to be inclusive of the local match requirements for any and all grant funding awarded to the project. In addition to the standard terms found in contracts that the County routinely executes in the ordinary course of business, the economic development incentives contract entered into by and between the County, the City, and the Company must contain the following essential terms and conditions:

- a. The total payment made to or on behalf of the Company under this contract shall not exceed Four Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$420,000.00).

- b. *Fifty-percent of the total contract amount will be paid by the County, and the other fifty-percent of the total contract amount will be paid by the City.*
- c. *Payments made pursuant to the contract shall not begin until the Company has met certain performance requirements. These performance requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:*
 - i. *The Company must deliver to the County and the City written certification that the actual value of new investment by the Company in personal property machinery and equipment in connection with this project equals or exceeds ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) and must provide Employment Security Reports to the County and the City evidencing the retention of four hundred eleven (411) full-time jobs and the creation of eleven (11) new full-time jobs located in the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. The written certification of the actual value of the new investment shall further certify that said new investment is located within the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro, Randolph County; and*
 - ii. *The Company must deliver to the County and the City written certification that the actual value of additional new investment by the Company in personal property, machinery and equipment in connection with this project equals or exceeds thirteen million dollars (\$13,000,000.00) and must provide Employment Security Reports to the County and the City evidencing the creation of an additional seventy-four (74) new full-time jobs located in the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. The written certification of the actual value of the new investment shall further certify that said new investment is located within the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. Additionally, the Company must provide written certification that the Company has not reduced its level of operations in the County and the City since the date of the immediately preceding installment payment. By way of illustration and without limitation, the Company shall be deemed to have reduced its level of operations in the County and the City if the Company fails to maintain the entirety of the retained and newly-created jobs referenced in Paragraph (i) above; and*
 - iii. *The Company must deliver to the County and the City written certification that the actual value of new investment by the Company in personal property, machinery and equipment in connection with this project equals or exceeds an additional ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) and must provide Employment Security Reports to the County and the City evidencing the creation of an additional fifty-*

nine (59) new full-time jobs located in the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. The written certification of the actual value of the new investment shall further certify that said new investment is located within the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. Additionally, the Company must provide written certification that the Company has not reduced its level of operations in the County and the City since the date of the immediately preceding installment payment. By way of illustration and without limitation, the Company shall be deemed to have reduced its level of operations in the County and the City if the Company fails to maintain the entirety of the jobs referenced in Paragraphs (i) and (ii) above; and

- iv. The Company must deliver to the County and the City written certification that the actual value of new investment by the Company in personal property, machinery and equipment in connection with this project equals or exceeds an additional ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) and must provide Employment Security Reports to the County and the City evidencing the creation of an additional thirty-four (34) new full-time jobs located in the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. The written certification of the actual value of the new investment shall further certify that said new investment is located within the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro, Randolph County. Additionally, the Company must provide written certification that the Company has not reduced its level of operations in the County and the City since the date of the immediately preceding installment payment. By way of illustration and without limitation, the Company shall be deemed to have reduced its level of operations in the County and the City if the Company fails to maintain the entirety of jobs referenced in Paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above; and*
- v. The Company must provide written certification that the Company has not reduced its level of operations in the County and the City since the date of the immediately preceding installment payment. By way of illustration and without limitation, the Company shall be deemed to have reduced its level of operations in the County and the City if the Company fails to maintain the entirety of jobs referenced in Paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above. Furthermore, the Company shall provide documentation certifying that the average annual wages of the one hundred seventy-eight (178) newly-created jobs is equal to or greater than fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000.00).*

The contract amount will be paid in equal installments over a period of five (5) years to coincide with the Company's satisfactory completion of the above-referenced performance requirements.

- d. *The contract must provide the County and the City with a means of recouping a portion of the contract amount if the Company's facilities, as expanded, do not remain in full operation, maintaining the retained and newly-created jobs referenced above, for a period of five (5) years immediately following the date on which the final installment of the contract amount is paid to the Company.*
- e. *If the Company does not remain in full operation during this five (5) year period, a portion of the incentive money must be returned. The amount to be returned shall decrease on a pro-rated amount for each year of said period that the company remains in full operation in the City and County. Any amounts returned by the company in this manner shall be divided equally between the County and the City.*

Section 3. *The Chairman of the Randolph County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Randolph a contract drafted in accordance with Section 2 of this resolution and any other documents necessary for the implementation of this economic development project.*

At 5:14 p.m., on motion of Allen, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Darrell Frye, Chairman

David Allen

Kenny Kidd

Maxton McDowell

Hope Haywood

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

Special Meeting April 17, 2023 – Zoning Appeals

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in special session at 6:00 p.m. in the 1909 Randolph County Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, 145 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC. Chairman Darrell Frye, Vice-Chairman David Allen, Commissioner Hope Haywood, Commissioner Maxton McDowell, and Commissioner Kenny Kidd were present. Also present were County Manager Hal Johnson, Assistant County Manager William Johnson, County Attorney Ben Morgan, Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Jenny Parks

County Manager Hal Johnson reviewed the following request:

MARGARET L. DUNN, has requested an appeal for the decision made by the Randolph County Planning Board to approve a rezoning for 10.01 acres on Weeden Street, Columbia Township, Tax ID #8734196253, Primary Growth Area, from RA – Residential Agricultural District to CVOR-CD – Conventional Subdivision Overlay Restricted – Conditional District. The proposed Conditional Zoning District would specifically allow a six-lot subdivision for Class A mobile homes as per the site plan.

Mr. Johnson shared that there is a bill at the State level being considered that could take away the local level decision making from local government regarding the appeals process such as this one throughout North Carolina. He is proud of what Randolph County has done over the past decades in land use planning and development. He hopes that this right is not taken away from the local elected officials.

Chairman Frye said, to follow up on Mr. Johnson's point, the proposed change in zoning authority is alarming. Local elected officials could have this decision making right taken away. If this legislature is passed, the State would then make the decision on issues such as this. This legislature has been introduced into the House and the Senate.

Public Hearing

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing at 6:05 p.m. and closed it after anyone wanting to speak had done so.

Eric Davis, PO Box 452, Randleman, the applicant of the initial zoning request, presented two photographs of the type of homes that will be placed on the property in question (following these minutes as Attachment A). Mr. Davis stated the homes will be new Clayton homes, between 1,400 and 1,600 square feet in size, that come with a one-year warranty from the manufacturer. The price for these homes is approximately \$230,000 per home. He stated that he was a real estate broker and understands that there is a shortage of homes currently. In his recent experience when placing this type of home on the market, these homes are under contract within two to three days. Mr. Davis stated that there is a church at the back, right corner of the property whose members had some concerns regarding privacy. He said that he would leave a buffer on the lot that adjoins the church to respect the privacy of the church. The lots will only be cleared for septic tank, the well, and the home.

Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Davis if there were preliminary soil evaluations done on each of the lots in question. Mr. Davis stated they were done and the soil there would suffice for six homes with three bedrooms each.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked about the driveways and if Mr. Davis had driveway permits. Mr. Davis stated that he has met with NCDOT in person and they have permission for the driveways to be placed side by side to help with the traffic flow, so every two lots would have driveways adjacent to each other.

Commissioner Haywood asked if there would be room for someone to turn their car around. Mr. Davis said they will be putting in turn-arounds beside the home so the homeowner can back into a turn-around and move forward into the road.

Commissioner Haywood stated that in the material presented, Mr. Davis would not be burning the debris. It will be removed and several options were mentioned but not specified. Mr. Davis said that the debris would not be burned, but instead taken to a pulp wood facility that is nearby.

Keith Burgio, 3450 Weeden Street, Staley, said he lives beside the lot that Mr. Davis just purchased and is in favor of the appeal. He moved to this current location to get away from people. He does not like people and does not like neighbors. Mr. Burgio asked if Mr. Davis was building homes or buying mobile homes to place on this property. He said that he has talked to his marketing people and the value of his home will depreciate because of the mobile homes. He has no trespassing signs on his property, but the surveying crew that Mr. Davis had do the survey were fifty feet on his property. He stated that he has a dead tree that has fallen from Mr. Davis' property that is destroying several trees on his property and that nothing has been done about it. Mr. Burgio does not approve of this at all. He currently has peace and quiet, tranquility, he gets away from everyone. He and his wife purchased this property so no one would be around them. If this zoning appeal is denied, then he will have people right in his yard. He does not want to have neighbors and he doesn't want to be around anyone. He has trail cameras on his property and he does not want to see any contractors nor workers coming onto his land, anyone at all, or they will be prosecuted.

Carol Lobisser, 1395 Langley Road, Staley, stated she is in favor of the appeal. She said that she understood that the survey did not include the power line easement and asked if there was an updated survey that included it. Ms. Lobisser asked if people were going to be allowed to purchase this property with a 100-foot power line easement on the parcels. She understands development, but feels that six lots are too many for this parcel and she prefers stick built homes because she wants to see the county grow nicely and look nice. She feels that this development will not look as nice as the other properties in the area due to them not being stick built homes.

Doug Nixon, 668 South Main Street, Staley, said he knows that with the Toyota Site in Randolph County and Wolf Speed in Chatham County there is growth coming to both sides of Staley. Staley is an old town with a lot of stick built houses, and there are many lifetime residents that live there. He is concerned with there being six houses shoved in this parcel of land. There are several big trucking companies that travel the road in front of the property and from a safety aspect he would like to see the number of homes lowered to possibly three instead of six. Mr.

Nixon stated that when someone usually presents mobile homes for sale, the first buyers are normally great, they take care of their property and there is no crime. But the second, third, and fourth buyers of these mobile homes are not as conscientious. Staley Cove is a great example of this, the Sheriff's Department is constantly being called to come out. He did not have any logs of how many times the Sheriff's Office has gone into Staley Cove for domestic violence calls and drug use. He stated that with the companies that are coming into the town of Staley, they would like to offer nice residential places for them to live and not turn it into a "trailer park corner" of the County.

Travis Pugh, 6372 Gold Field Road, Liberty, spoke in favor of the appeal and does not want this property rezoned. He owns the property south of the parcel in question, as well as a parcel that joins one corner of the property. Mr. Pugh stated that he was not against development, but being a farmer, he is very biased about land use. He works with a dairy farmer, Art Koopman, one of the biggest dairy farmers in the area that he is aware of. He and Mr. Koopman are trying to purchase these tracks of land at development prices when they know about them. Mr. Pugh asked what are we going to do when there is no more agricultural land to farm, what are we going to do when we can't feed ourselves anymore. He said that he did not know the property was for sale or he would have purchased the land to keep this parcel from being developed. He understands that the Commissioners have said the area is in primary growth, but he wants them to remember what this county and this country were founded on; agriculture. He stated that if the neighbors knew this land was for sale there would not be an issue of rezoning now, as the neighbors would have purchased the property. The neighbors of this property did not know what Mr. Davis wanted to do with the land, and they were never made aware of what was going on with the land. Mr. Pugh asked that the number of homes be cut back from six.

Chairman Frye reminded the citizens that Mr. Davis can put three single-wide mobile homes on this property without and zoning.

Margaret Dunn, 352 West Franklinville Street, Staley, stated she is the person who submitted the appeal to this development. She said that the power line easement was never depicted on the map which severely limits the road frontage and the number of lots that the neighbors think are reasonable for this location. Ms. Dunn stated she had a number of concerns with this rezoning request such as the watershed, power line easement, and the transportation and safety issue, which was already addressed. This land is in a low portion of Weeden Street putting the driveways in a blind spot. Ms. Dunn stated that she has spoken with someone at DOT who gave the safety analysis on the original rezoning request that went before the Planning and Zoning Board. She said this person told her she should take notes of how many wrecks occur there and then report it to the board. She feels this is not how safety should work. Safety should be a proactive process not reactive. She said that the location of this property is very dangerous from a road standpoint. She was not sure how many of the Commissioners have been out to this property. Ms. Dunn stated that these manufactured houses do not meet HUD requirements. The property owners in Staley that have nice homes and property are not interested in manufactured homes, because they are not going to boost their value.

Ms. Dunn stated that another issue with this rezoning is long-term development for Randolph County. She stated that Randolph County is an agricultural county. Randolph County was number

one in beef and corn, number two in dairy, number six in poultry and hay in the State. Randolph County is number one in the country for tobacco and sweet potatoes and number two in hogs and turkey. Those citizens that live in Randolph County have a long-term interest in what is happening in the county. Ms. Dunn said that if those sitting in front of her did not have any vested interest in the citizens of Randolph County, then they did not need to be there. She said, right now, the country is in a crisis in terms of agricultural food production and we should all be committed to North Carolina and certainly Randolph County since we are such a large producer of agriculture.

Ms. Dunn submitted fifty-five affidavits from her small community with her original appeal opposed to the rezoning of this property. She stated that she brought fifty-one more with her to this meeting, and could have gotten more if she had the time to do so.

She thanked the Board for allowing her to be a part of this process and she hopes the Board has listened to her voice along with the voices of others that have spoken. She said they are concerned about their community and the future of their community. She also thanked the Board for the meeting that will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at Eastern Randolph High School regarding the Growth Management of Northeast Randolph County.

Ms. Dunn said that she was not opposed to Mr. Davis offering housing for people, but certain housing brings in all kinds of crime to our county. She would like to see stick built homes placed on the property instead of manufactured homes. She would like to see a buffer on the property line of the church as well as Mr. Burgio's property. If the church is going to get a certain buffer, then it needs to be in writing.

Ms. Dunn stated that no one knew what was happening on the property until after the fact. She stated that she filed the appeal shortly after March 7, 2023. After she asked several of the surrounding property owners, only Mr. Burgio was notified of the appeal in writing of this appeal meeting. There is a problem with transparency in this community and they do not know what is going on until after the fact. Ms. Dunn stated that with the current distrust of the Federal and local government, when communities do not get notified of what is going on with items such as this, it gives the community more distrust in the local public officials.

Commissioner Haywood asked who is responsible for notifying the citizens of things such as this. Mr. Johnson stated that the Planning Department was responsible. Ben Morgan, County Attorney, stated that signs are placed on the property. Every adjacent property owner is notified in writing. It is advertised on the County's website.

There was a concern by several in attendance that the sign that is posted is too small and is hard to see.

Bill Scotton, 1839 Browns Crossroads Road, Staley, spoke in opposition to the rezoning of this property. He stated that the area to the south of the property was agricultural as well as the properties to the north and east of the property in question. He expressed concerns with these homes being put on approximately 100 feet of land and being so close together. He said that six double-wide trailers would not fit the area at all. The members of the church had no idea of what was being proposed and he stated the sign that was posted was too small for people to see and it

was posted in the weeds. Mr. Scotton suggested there needs to be a larger sign posted for a better visual.

Ms. Dunn stated that she knows Mr. Johnson keeps talking about all of the manufacturing business in Staley, however, there are none. There is an old pallet company in Staley that has approximately six employees, an old furniture place that is now a business that paints front bumpers, and the Main Street Grill. Staley is not a booming metropolis.

Discussion

Chairman Frye questioned whether or not the landowners would share driveways. Mr. Davis stated that the driveways would be adjacent to each other, not shared.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked where the house would be sited on the parcel with the power line. Mr. Davis stated it would be sited to the right of the power line easement.

Chairman Frye asked Mr. Davis if he had built any stick built developments. Mr. Davis said he was a licensed general contractor and had built stick built homes in the past.

Chairman Frye asked if Mr. Davis considered stick built homes for the property in question. Mr. Davis said no, because, in his opinion, affordable housing is very needed for this area indicated by how many days a home is on the market. He stated that this subdivision is not a trailer park. These are nice home with brick underpinning built to high standards. These homes are inspected by HUD and they do have a HUD label. Mr. Davis said that these homes are not your typical 1980 double-wide. He understands that some people do not want change and some do not want development and he respects that, but if he cannot build homes here, where can he build them. He stated that if you look at the housing on adjacent streets, the homes are manufactured homes.

Commissioner Kidd asked if a buffer was in the current plan for the church that sits to right of the property line. Mr. Davis stated it was not in the current plan, but the honorable thing to do would be for him to give the church a buffer. He was not sure of how much of a buffer he could allow due to the septic system placement.

Commissioner Haywood said that currently when you go by the church you cannot see the property when she went to look at it. When looking behind the church you currently see trees there. Mr. Davis stated the right thing to do would be to leave a buffer on the church property line.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked if placing the buffer between the dashed lines on the map, lot six, of the parcel that is adjacent to the church would give Mr. Davis enough room for a well and septic tank. Mr. Davis stated that it would be. Mr. Davis stated that he could pump the septic line under the power line if needed.

Chairman Frye asked if each lot would have their own septic system. Mr. Davis stated they would have their own septic system.

Commissioner Haywood asked how many of the parcels are still for sale. Mr. Davis said that in his other subdivision, he has two up for sale and both are under contract and one is not listed

yet. He is working on a third contract and the sign will go up by the end of this week. Commissioner Haywood stated she had seen the sign.

Mr. Davis said that the value of these manufactured home has increased over the past several years. Two and three years ago these homes were selling for around \$160,000 each, now those same homes, even used, will bring over \$200,000.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked what the dimensions of these homes were. Mr. Davis said they are typically 28 x 56 feet, with some being a little larger.

Commissioner McDowell asked what size buffer would be left for the property that borders the church. Mr. Davis said he could do a minimum of 25 feet or more, that he would leave as much of a buffer as he could.

Commissioner McDowell asked how many of the lots have been sold or are under contract. Mr. Davis stated that he has not listed anything in this subdivision.

Commissioner Haywood asked if Mr. Davis had started clearing the lots. Mr. Davis said they have started clearing, but stopped due to the rain.

Chairman Frye asked if Mr. Davis would consider a twenty-five foot buffer on the property line that they church is on. Mr. Davis said he would. Chairman Frye asked if he would consider a buffer on the property line of Mr. Burgio. Mr. Davis said that he does not think that would be feasible due to the lot only being 100 feet wide. The lot would not be buildable if there were a 25-foot buffer on that property line.

Vice-Chairman Allen said that this was in his area of the county and he empathizes with the citizens in this area. After driving out to the property in question, he did notice that there are some site view issues along the road frontage where the driveways would be placed, however those issues do not seem to be catastrophic, but that is a DOT issue. Vice-Chairman Allen stated that he could see the sign that was posted. He realizes that it is not an ideal situation, but he is not sure something could be prevented from being developed there. He empathizes with the agricultural community, but also understands housing needs to be provided too. He stated that he knows the citizens of Staley do not want change, nor does he. However, he understands that change is coming, commercialization and industrialization are coming whether it is liked or not and we all have to make the best of it. Mr. Davis could have planned to place single wide mobile homes on this property, but with the type of manufactured homes he has proposed, and the parcels being on a main road, he doesn't think that area will become a high crime area. Vice-Chairman Allen stated he would like to see something different on this land, but we have to honor the rights of those that own property as well.

Vice-Chairman Allen said that the County is trying to let property owners know more about what is going on, and they will be doing that tomorrow night at Eastern Randolph High School with the Northeast Randolph County Growth Management Plan meeting. There is always going to be growth, where the growth will be is the question. He encouraged everyone to come to the meeting tomorrow night.

Vice-Chairman Allen stated that he was not sure if a 25-foot buffer would be enough along the church property line. He asked if 50 feet would be enough for the buffer. Commissioner McDowell agreed that a 50-foot buffer would be appropriate. Mr. Morgan asked Mr. Davis if he would accept the 50-foot buffer. Mr. Davis stated he would consent to a 50-foot buffer on the eastern property line as shown on the site plan and would amend the application to state this.

Vice-Chairman Allen stated that the Board is hearing this request new. What happened during the Planning Board Meeting does not have any impact on the Board's decision tonight.

Commissioner Haywood stated that her sense of the citizen complaints is because people don't care for change. The problem for them with the housing is not what it looks like now, it's what it will look like 20-30 years from now after the property has gone through several owners. She stated that these homes look good and they provide housing for citizens.

Chairman Frye stated the application has been amended and the land owner has signed it as amended, showing a 50-foot buffer.

On motion of Allen, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0 to approve this rezoning request to rezone the specified parcel(s) on the rezoning application and the Map Amendment Ordinance, to the requested zoning district based upon the Determination of Consistency and Findings of Reasonableness and Public Interest statements that are included in the Planning Board agenda, submitted during the rezoning presentation and as may be amended, incorporated into the motion, to be included in the minutes, as well as the site plan(s) with the addition of a 50-foot buffer on the parcel with the power line behind the church, also incorporated into the motion and that the request is also consistent with the Randolph County Growth Management Plan.

Adjournment

At 7:14 p.m., on motion of Allen, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Darrell Frye, Chairman

David Allen

Kenny Kidd

Maxton McDowell

Hope Haywood

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

Attachment A



Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment - Transfer to Emergency Telephone System Fund

The NC 911 Board has reviewed the County's expenditure report submitted for the 2021-22 fiscal year. They have disallowed certain hardware, software, and functional expense costs due for various reasons. As a result, \$24,503 will need to be transferred from the General Fund to the Emergency Telephone System Fund to reimburse the restricted fund.

Please make the following budget amendment:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment # _____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$24,503	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Transfer to Emergency Telephone System Fund	\$24,503	

Emergency Telephone System Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Transfer from General Fund	\$24,503	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
E-911 system	\$24,503	

MEMORANDUM

TO: County Commissioners

FROM: Wendy Kennon, Public Health Educator II

DATE: April 17, 2023

RE: JCPC Member – Appointments

The following individual is being recommended to serve as a member of the Randolph County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council. Emily Coltrane will replace David Wall as a Chief Court Counselor.

Emily T. Coltrane
Piedmont Area Administrator
N.C. Department of Public Safety
Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
Court Services Section
160 Baker Road
Archdale, NC 27263
Office: (336) 283-8229
Cell: (336) 341-0165
Fax: (336) 434-0219

Alvin Battle is up for reappointment. He is willing to serve another two-year

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE WEEK
OF MAY 14 - MAY 20, 2023, AS "NATIONAL POLICE WEEK"
IN RANDOLPH COUNTY

Whereas, in 1962, John Fitzgerald Kennedy signed the Joint Resolution entitled Joint Resolution to authorize the President to proclaim May 15 of each year as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week of each year during which such May 15 occurs as Police Week" (36 U.S.C. 136); and

Whereas the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, dedicated on October 15, 1991, is the national monument to honor law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty; and

Whereas Federal, State, local, and tribal police officers, sheriffs, and other law enforcement officers across the United States serve with valor, dignity and integrity; and

Whereas law enforcement officers are charged with pursuing justice for all individuals and performing their duties with fidelity to the constitutional and civil rights of the individuals that the law enforcement officers serve; and

Whereas the resolve of law enforcement officers in the service of their communities is unyielding, despite inherent dangers in the performance of their duties; and

Whereas the vigilance, compassion, and decency of law enforcement officers are the best defense of society against individuals who seek to do harm; and

Whereas Peace Officers Memorial Day 2023 honors the 245 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty during 2022 and 9 of those were in North Carolina; and

Whereas, during the first four months of 2023, 30 law enforcement officers across the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the Randolph County Board of Commissioners:

(1) designates the week of May 14 through May 20, 2023, as "National Police Week" in Randolph County;

(2) expresses strong support for law enforcement officers across the United States for their efforts to build safer and more secure communities;

(3) recognizes the need to ensure that law enforcement officers have the equipment, training, and resources necessary to protect their health and safety while the law enforcement officers are protecting the public;

(4) recognizes the members of the law enforcement community for their selfless acts of bravery;

(5) acknowledges that police officers and other law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice should be remembered and honored;

(6) expresses condolences to the loved ones of each law enforcement officer who has made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and

(7) encourages the people of Randolph County to observe National Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of the vital role of law enforcement officers in building safer and more secure communities across the United States.

Chairman



RANDOLPH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
SHERIFF GREGORY J. SEABOLT

727 McDowell Road
Asheboro, North Carolina 27205
Phone: 336.318.6699 Fax: 336.318.6618

Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
From: Sheriff Greg Seabolt
Date: May 1, 2023
Re: Budget Amendment – Walmart Community Grant - Disaster Assistance Relief Team (DART)

The Randolph County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a total of \$3,000 through a Walmart Community Grant.

These funds are to be specifically used for outfitting the Disaster Assistance Relief Team (DART) with clothing apparel, rain gear, footwear and backpacks.

Please approve the following budget amendment:

2023-2024 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment # _____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Miscellaneous	\$3,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Sheriff	\$3,000	

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Project Amendment – Northwest Randolph Human Services Center

At the March meeting, the Board approved the next design phase for the renovation of the Northwest Randolph Human Services Center. The contract with Smith Sinnett is being amended for \$275,000. Please approve the following budget amendment:

Northwest Randolph Human Services Center Capital Project Ordinance

Amendment # 2

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Professional services	\$275,000	
Construction		\$275,000

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – Transfer to Rural Water Infrastructure Capital Project

In 2022, there was discussion of using some of the benefits of the ARPA revenue loss allocation for future improvements to the County's water infrastructure. Of the \$10 million revenue loss portion, \$4 million has already been designated. There is currently \$6,000,000 still available in the General Fund. If the Board wishes to set aside \$6,000,000 for future water and/or sewer projects, please approve the following budget amendments:

General Fund

Budget amendment # _____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$6,000,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Transfer to Rural Water Infrastructure Capital Project	\$6,000,000	

Rural Water Infrastructure Capital Project Ordinance

Amendment # 5

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Transfer from General Fund	\$6,000,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Contingency	\$6,000,000	



April 5, 2023

Ms. Dana Crisco
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
Randolph County
725 McDowell Rd.
Asheboro, NC 27205

Dear Ms. Crisco,

This letter is to request the reappointment of Ms. Jan Hancock to the Randolph County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee. She is a true asset to the committee and is willing to continue to serve.

Your assistance in bringing this matter to the Board of County Commissioners is appreciated. If you have any questions please contact me at (336) 904-0300. Thank you for all of your help.

Sincerely,

Ashley Marcolivio

Ashley Marcolivio
Long-Term Care Ombudsman



April 5, 2023

Ms. Dana Crisco
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
Randolph County
725 McDowell Rd.
Asheboro, NC 27205

Dear Ms. Crisco,

This letter is to request the reappointment of Ms. Suzanne West to the Randolph County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee. She is a true asset to the committee and is willing to continue to serve.

Your assistance in bringing this matter to the Board of County Commissioners is appreciated. If you have any questions please contact me at (336) 904-0300. Thank you for all of your help.

Sincerely,

Ashley Marcolivio

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Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – HCCBG Funding for 2022-23

The Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding is pass-through federal funding from the State through the Piedmont Triad Regional Council, through the County, and finally to the Randolph Senior Adults Assn. (RSAA) and Regional Consolidated Services. This grant was originally budgeted for \$1,007,095. To update this balance to the currently approved level, an additional \$5,600 should be budgeted. In addition, the allocation of available funding between Randolph Senior Adults Assn. and Regional Consolidated Services is being updated on Form DAAS-731. This will move \$67,885 to RSAA, as approved by the Aging Services Planning Committee.

Based on the increased funding, please a) approve the revised DAAS-731 and b) approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment #_____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$5,600	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Human Services Appropriations	\$5,600	

Home and Community Care Block Grant for Older Adults

DAAS-731 (Rev. 4/16)

PTRC 3/2021

County Funding Plan

County: Randolph

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

County Services Summary

Revision: #1; 4/25/2023

Provider	Services	A				B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
		Block Grant Funding				Required	Net	NSIP	Total	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected
		Access	In-Home	Other	Total	Local Match	Service Cost	Subsidy	Funding	HCCBG Units	reimbursement Rate	HCCBG Clients	Total Units
Randolph Senior	Transportation-Gen	107411				11935	119346		119346	9972	10.7714	320	9972
Adults Association	Congregate Meals			93480		10387	103867	19200	123067	12322	7.5864	260	15000
	Home Delivered			329446		36605	366051	61600	427651	50815	6.4833	300	77000
	Adult Day Care		94805			10534	105339		105339	1420	66.7797	45	1750
	Info & Options	56000				6222	62222		62222	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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						0	0		0				
Regional Consolidated	Lvl 1-Home Mgmt		51848			5761	57609		57609	1500	38.4060	50	1500
Services	Lvl 2-Personal Care		75714			8413	84127		84127	1800	46.7367	25	1800
	Lvl 3-Personal Care		89727			9970	99697		99697	2100	47.4745	25	2100
	Housing/Home Impr		33464			3718	37182		37182			15	
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	Total	163411	345558	422926	931895	103544	1035440	80800	1116240		//////////	1040	109122

R. Mark Hines 4/25/2023
Signature, Service Provider

Signature, County Finance Officer

Date

Signature, Chairman, Board of Commissioner Date

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Applications for NC Education Lottery Capital Grants -

- 2022-23 Debt Service for Teachey School Expansion (2013B LOBS)
 - 2022-23 Debt Service for Providence Grove High School (2013B LOBS)
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Randolph County has been using the available proceeds of the NC Lottery for a portion of required principal and interest costs on certain school related debt. Funds of \$300,000 are requested for the Asheboro City School portion of the debt service. The Randolph County Schools application is for \$1,200,000.

Both Boards of Education have approved their project applications for 2022-23. These joint applications also require the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

Please approve the two Lottery project applications and authorize the Chairman to sign them. Lottery revenues are already included in the current General Fund budget.

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – Occupancy Tax Distributions

The occupancy tax collections are running stronger this year than was originally budgeted. In order to be able to fully distribute the tax collections to the Tourism Development Authority, a budget amendment is necessary.

Please make the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment #_____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Other Taxes	\$300,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Economic and Physical Development Appropriations	\$300,000	

Randolph County

NC DPS - Community Programs - County Funding Plan

Available Funds: \$ 412,536 Local Match: \$ 464,126 Rate: 30%

DPS JCPC funds must be committed with a Program Agreement submitted in NC Allies and electronically signed by authorized officials.

#	Program Provider	DPS-JCPC Funding	LOCAL FUNDING			OTHER State/ Federal	OTHER Funds	Total	% Non DPS-JCPC Program Revenues
			County Cash Match	Local Cash Match	Local In- Kind				
1	S.T.E.P. Center - Randolph County	\$236,744	\$225,415		\$110,476			\$572,635	59%
2	Asheboro-Randolph Juvenile Restitution	\$93,517	\$59,144		\$35,261			\$187,922	50%
3	STEP TO SUCCESS	\$82,275	\$17,485		\$16,345			\$116,105	29%
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18									
TOTALS:		\$412,536	\$302,044		\$162,082			\$876,662	53%

The above plan was derived through a planning process by the Randolph County
Juvenile Crime Prevention Council and represents the County's Plan for use of these funds in FY 2023-2024

Amount of Unallocated Funds _____

Amount of funds reverted back to DPS _____

Discretionary Funds added _____

check type ☐ initial plan ☐ update ☐ final

Reviewed by <u>[Signature]</u> <u>4-18-23</u>	
Area Consultant	Date
Reviewed by <u>[Signature]</u> <u>4-18-23</u>	
Program Assistant	Date
Verified by _____	
Designated State Office Staff	Date

[Signature] 4/20/23
Chairperson, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (Date)

[Signature] 4/20/23
Chairperson, Board of County Commissioners (Date)
or County Finance Officer



RANDOLPH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
SHERIFF GREGORY J. SEABOLT

727 McDowell Road
Asheboro, North Carolina 27205
Phone: 336.318.6699 Fax: 336.318.6618

Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
From: Sheriff Greg Seabolt
Date: May 1, 2023
Re: Budget Amendment – Donation

The Randolph County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a total of \$800 through a Donation for the Junior Sheriff's Academy (JSA).

These donated funds would be used specifically for 2 Outdoor Coolers for JSA events.

Please approve the following budget amendment:

2023-2024 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment #_____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Miscellaneous	\$800	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Sheriff	\$800	

Randolph County Public Health

ASHEBORO, NORTH CAROLINA 27205-7368

Ira McDowell Governmental Center

2222-B South Fayetteville Street



Telephone (336) 318-6200

Fax (336) 318-6234

Memo – Budget Amendment

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Tara Aker, Health Director

Date: 04/19/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – Public Health

An additional position was added to the Care Management for At-Risk Children Program this fiscal year to assist with meeting state caseload requirements. To meet payroll requirements for the remainder of the 2022-2023 fiscal year, we are requesting \$15,000 in appropriated funds be approved from the CMARC Medicaid funds escrow account. These are restricted funds held in reserve until needed for program services.

Please make the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-23 Budget Ordinance

General Fund

Budget amendment # _____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriated Fund Balance (escrow)	\$15,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Public Health	\$15,000	



Randolph County Historic Landmark Preservation Commission

201 Worth Street ♦ Asheboro, North Carolina 27203

April 14, 2023

TO: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Ross Holt, Administrator, Historic Landmark Preservation Commission
RE: Reappointment of Historic Landmark Preservation Commission members

The terms of commission members Hal Pugh, Dan Warren and Mac Whatley expire on June 1, 2023. All have agreed to continue to serve.

Mr. Warren represents Commissioner District 2; Mr. Pugh represents Commissioner District 4; and Mr. Whatley serves at large.

We respectfully request the reappointment of Mr. Pugh, Mr. Warren, Mr. Whatley and to three-year terms beginning June 1, 2023.

Two additional appointments/reappointments are outstanding; we expect to present those next month.

Thank you.

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer
Date: 4/28/2023
Re: Budget Amendment - 2023 Merit Program

The County's merit program allows departments to recognize their highest performing employees. Funds are annually budgeted in the Administration Department until the final merit distribution is determined. This budget amendment allocates the merit funds to the individual departments to cover salary and fringe benefit costs (FICA, retirement and 401k). This year 237 employees received a merit increase, ranging from one to five percent. Please approve the following budget amendment to distribute departmental merit.

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

General Fund

Budget amendment # _____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
	\$ -	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Administration	\$13,696	\$190,982
Information Technology	5,692	
Tax	8,702	
Elections	1,567	
Register of Deeds	4,015	
Public Buildings	4,012	
Sheriff	50,945	
Emergency Services	12,942	
Building Inspections	5,584	
Adult Day Reporting Center	1,539	
Planning & Zoning	6,309	
Soil & Water	6,031	
Public Works	1,063	
Public Health	25,699	
Social Services	34,169	
Veteran Services	370	
Child Support Services	1,424	
Public Library	7,223	



Randolph County

DEPARTMENT OF **Animal Services**

1370 County Land Road
Randleman, NC 2317

Ph: 336-683-8237
Fax: 336-629-5965



www.randolphcountync.gov

Office of the Animal Services Director

Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Jonathan Moody

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – Animal Services

Animal Services received a grant to assist with veterinary costs from the seizure of the 55 Animal Cruelty Case in Denton. Most of the animals needed immediate vet care and cost several thousands of dollars.

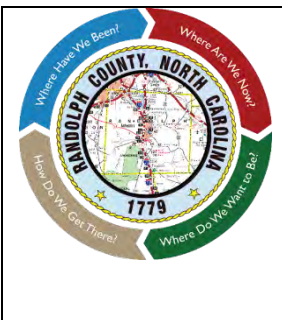
Please approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment # _____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Miscellaneous	\$5,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Animal Services	\$5,000	



RANDOLPH COUNTY STRATEGIC PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Application to Request 2022 Funding

I. General Information

Agency Name: George Washington Carver College Inc.

Address: 112 Sunset Avenue
Asheboro, NC 27203

Type of Agency: ☐ Government/Public Authority ☒ Non-Profit ☐ Private
(check one)

Telephone: (336) 267-3959 Fax: _____

Website: www.gwccasheboro.com
Betty Foust

Contact

Telephone: (336) 267-5420 E-Mail _____

Name of Project: GWCCEC After-school Program

Total County Funding Requested: \$ 10,000.00 _____

Please submit the following with your application. If an item is not applicable to your organization, please indicate this by an "N/A" and explain why it is not applicable.

Audited Financial Statement for 2021, including Management letter, if not already submitted. **Note: Audited Financial Statements are required to be submitted to the County every year funds are expended.**

If a Not-For-Profit Agency, please provide these additional items, if not already submitted:

- ☒ Copy of 501(c) 3 Letter of Tax Exemption unless previously submitted
- ☒ Copy of Form 990. Federal Tax return for 2021.
- ☒ Copies of Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws unless previously submitted (if applicable).
- ☒ Agency Organizational Chart
- ☒ Current Board of Directors Roster with names, addresses, office terms, and professional and/or Community Affiliations.
- ☒ Copy of the Code of Ethics or Conflict of Interest Policy

Note: Failure to disclose all requested information may automatically disqualify an agency for funding consideration. Please contact Will Massie (336-318-6310) with any questions.

I have reviewed this application for accuracy and agree with all of the information included. I understand that Randolph County requires audited financial statements for each year that County funding is provided.

Signature

Title _____ Date

II. Organizational Information

A. Program/Agency Description: Please provide a brief description of the Agency's mission and goals.

George Washington Carver College Inc. owns and manages the George Washington Carver Community Enrichment Center, (GWCCEC) located at 950 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, in Asheboro, NC. GWCCEC is a multi-use facility located on Asheboro's east side. The site hosts several activities, classes, and performances sponsored by our board.

Our mission is to create unity and pride in our community.

B. Please list and describe the major programs and services your organization currently provides:

Carver Arts Academy - GWCCEC, in partnership with RhinoLeap Productions, Communities in Schools, the city of Asheboro, and Asheboro City Schools, launched an after-school program for thirty middle school students in Randolph County. The Carver Center has been designated a bus stop by both city middle schools, enabling students to take the bus after school directly to the center. This arts-centered after-school program utilizes retired teachers, vetted by Communities in Schools, handpicked interns from Asheboro High School and professional artists in the field of theater, dance, music, and visual arts.

GWCCEC Oratorical Contest - This annual event gives students in middle school and high school the opportunity to showcase their public speaking talents in an effort to earn cash prizes. Public speaking is an essential trait in college and good communication skills create a better community.

Starsearch - Starsearch is an annual talent competition that draws artists from around the county. It's an opportunity for neighbors to get to know one another as they compete for cash prizes. Starsearch also gives our local artists an avenue to showcase their talents.

Hattitudes - Hattitudes focuses on the history Black women have with their church hats. It's a time when younger generations are taught the origins of this history while enjoying a "high tea" with ladies in the community.

The Clean Comedy Explosion - The Clean Comedy Explosion brings nationally known comedians to Asheboro. This cultural event is a great family event that helps to bring the community together.

III. Funding Purpose:

Identify which of the following Randolph County strategic planning goals your request will serve to advance. Refer to the attached summary of goals and insert the appropriate code (e.g. PH-A1):

	Public Health – Goal #
	Public Safety – Goal #
x	Well-Being - Goal #

A. Problem Statement: Identify the problem or need this funding will address. This must specifically correspond to the strategic planning goal. Please include recent data to show how much of a problem exists in this service area.

GWCCEC seeks to address several problems in Randolph County. According to the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, the pandemic has created a crisis with over half of our students falling below grade level in math and reading. We are also below the state average in science. Add to these statistics the fact that our police chief has held numerous town halls on the need to curb the rise in gang activity in Asheboro, especially on the east side. Both of these issues are addressed with the GWCCEC After-School Program. In the first year, out educators have been able to make a dramatic difference in the lives of our students, BRINGING EVERY STUDENT’S GRADES UP IN EVERY CLASS, if they were not already making straight A's. This program is in the afternoon when most parents are still at work, giving their children something constructive and fun to do, while lowering the opportunity for negative vices to corrupt young minds.

The GWCCEC Oratorical Contest promotes good communication skills and fosters self-confidence. While we don’t have recent data to showcase how important the need for self-confidence and good communication skills are, we feel that these are always good traits to promote.

Starsearch, Hattitudes, and The Clean Comedy Explosion are all cultural events designed to showcase Asheboro’s east side to the rest of the community. It’s a chance for neighbors to come together and get to know one another. These events also add to the quality of life in and around Randolph County.

B. Scope of Service: Briefly describe how the requested funding will be utilized and detail the services to be provided in the program for which you are requesting funding. Describe the target population that will be directly impacted by County funds. Please include who, where the population is located, why chosen, and how they will benefit.

We are requesting \$10,000 from Randolph County to purchase supplies like laptops, paper, and anything else the students need. As we can see from the grade improvements from this year's class, the students will benefit from the academic skills they learn during the program, as well as gain insight into new hobbies or possibly career paths from the artistic training. This is gaining in importance as the NC General Assembly just lowered the amount of arts based instruction time required in NC public schools.

C. Partnerships: List all community and governmental partnerships your agency has developed to provide this service. What other community agencies or County departments provide similar services in Randolph County?

GWCCEC has formed partnerships with Asheboro City Schools, Communities in Schools, and Rhinoleap Productions to create the after-school program.

We have also formed partnerships with the NAACP, Asheboro Police Department, Randolph County Sheriff's Department, The Hope of Eastside, The Russell E. Murphy, Sr. Youth Camps, Friends of the Library, Randolph County Democratic Party, Sandhills Corporation, and Randolph County Concerned Citizens Against Crime, to host free events within the last year.

In terms of what other community agencies or city departments provide similar services in the city of Asheboro, the Boys & Girls club would be close to our after-school program, however ours is arts-centered and we use professionals in their field for instruction. Asheboro City Schools has after-school programs also, but again, ours offers a higher level of instruction in the arts. This is why Asheboro City Schools also supports the GWCCEC After-School Program.

Many churches and other civic organizations sponsor different cultural events around the county.

D. If the County declines to fund your request, please describe the impact on the program and alternative plans you may have to fund this program.

If the county denies our request for funding, we will sadly have to suspend large parts of our programming. The after-school program would need to be volunteer based, and that would dilute the quality of the educators and artists to the point that it may not be feasible to continue.

The other cultural events would also be scaled back or cancelled. We already use fundraising to supplement the cost of these programs. We would continue to try, but the reality is that some of these

events would not happen.

IV. Goals and Objectives:

A. Program Objectives

To the extent possible, please indicate your performance objectives for the proposed program. List at least two goals of the program and the initiatives you will undertake to accomplish those agency goals. Please describe the measures you will use to evaluate effectiveness and program outcomes.

Example:

Program Objective: Improve standard of living for citizens through educational opportunities.

Goal	Initiative	Measure	Target
Increase test scores	Offer after school programs to participants	Number of participants served Test Scores increase	100 participants 25% increase in test scores

Program Objective: Improve the standard of living for citizens through educational opportunities

Goal	Initiative	Measure	Target
Increase test scores	Offer after school programs to participants	Test Scores increase. Students confidence level increase	25% increased test scores Students become more active and outspoken in community events.
Decrease in Juvenile violence	Offer after school programs to participants	Decrease violent activity	No one from the program becomes gang affiliated

Program Objective: Increase quality of life in the community

Goal	Initiative	Measure	Target
Increase community networking	Host a series of community events	More community participation in cultural events	20% larger audience than the year before

Has your elected officials / board of directors approved these program goals?

Not yet

V. Financial Information

Detailed Project Budget

Please disclose how the funds requested and other funds are proposed to be used for the project. **Note: This information can be provided on a separate sheet and attached to the application.**

Revenues:	TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET		
	COUNTY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDING SOURCES	TOTAL
Randolph County	\$10,000.00		
City of Asheboro		\$60,000.00	
Earned Income		\$3,000.00	
In-Kind Contributions		\$25,500.00	
Donations		\$5,000.00	
Total Revenues:	\$10,000	\$93,500.00	\$103,500.00

Expenditures	Total Project Budget		
	COUNTY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDING SOURCES	TOTAL
Salaries and Benefits			
After-School Supplies	\$6,000.00		
Operating Expenses			
Prize Money	\$3,700.00		
Travel Expense	\$300.00	\$200.00	
Marketing		\$4,000.00	
Contracted Services		\$57,700.00	
Rent		\$2,300.00	
In-Kind Food Donation		\$25,500.00	
Supplies / Insurance		\$3,800.00	
Capital			
Total Expenditures	410,000.00	\$93,500.00	\$103,500

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – George Washington Carver After-school Program

If the Board wishes to support the request for the George Washington Carver After-school program, using Well-Being Reserve funds, please approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment # _____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Transfer from Well-Being Reserve	\$10,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Educational Appropriations	\$10,000	



Randolph County

Office of the County Manager
725 McDowell Road
Asheboro, North Carolina 27205
www.randolphcountync.gov

Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Hal Johnson, County Manager

Date: 4/13/2023

Re: Rural Healthcare Stabilization Loan – Debt Service Waiver

In 2022, Randolph County received the \$12 million Rural Healthcare Stabilization Program Loan from UNC Health, to be used to finance capital improvements at Randolph Health. American Healthcare Systems, LLC (AHS) operates Randolph Health, and signed a Promissory Note and Loan Agreement with the County in order to access these funds. Their debt service was to be the same annual amounts as the County's payment schedule to UNC Health.

The intent of this arrangement was for the County to waive the debt service obligation for the year as long as the hospital maintained a certain level of operations, as well as other covenants. As long as AHS was not in default of any of the contractual provisions, then "all outstanding principal and interest due on such date shall be forgiven by the County as of such date..."

The Board of County Commissioners will need to annually assess the performance of American Healthcare Systems, LLC and determine that the May debt service payment of \$1 million plus interest at 1% due from AHS shall be waived. The exact covenants per the agreement are attached.

If the Board of County Commissioners find that AHS has complied with the terms of the loan agreement, please pass the attached resolution to waive the principal and interest payment for May 2023.

Excerpt from Promissory Note and Loan Agreement

Covenants

Section 5.1. Covenants. Borrower agrees up to and through the Maturity Date as follows:

- (a) Borrower will make commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and operate the Facility as a North Carolina acute care hospital with a complement of health care clinical services and service lines reasonably appropriate for a similarly situated hospital with a minimum of 49-bed inpatient capacity located within the corporate limits of Asheboro, NC (or in a location where City of Asheboro city utilities are available) which includes:
 - o Five (5) general Operating Room suites, plus one additional suite reserved for C-sections (based on current surgical service needs);
 - o Emergency Room services with 15 bays to be open 24 hours a day/7 days a week/365 days a year; and
 - o Services to be provided in the inpatient facility would include, but not be limited to, intensive care, general surgery, orthopedic, and maternity / OB-GYN services.
- (b) Borrower will make commercially reasonable efforts to continue radiology and diagnostic lab services located within the corporate limits of Asheboro, NC (or in a location where City of Asheboro city utilities are available);
- (c) Borrower or its assigns will make commercially reasonable efforts to continue cancer treatment services to be located within a ten mile radius of the current hospital;
- (d) Borrower shall provide quarterly progress reports to County (timing of delivery of quarterly reports TBD) including, but not limited to, financial condition, operating statistics, staffing levels, capital replacement plan status, and any other relevant details; and
- (e) The Randolph Board of County Commissioners, or its appointees, shall receive two (2) seats, with full voting powers, on Borrower's board of directors as long as this obligation under this Note is outstanding.

Covenants Compliance Certificate

Reporting Period December 30, 2022

American Healthcare Systems - Randolph Health annual covenant compliance certificate information below.

Section 5.1. Covenants. Borrower agrees up to and through the Maturity Date as follows:

(a) Borrower will make commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and operate the Facility as a North Carolina acute care hospital with a complement of health care clinical services and service lines reasonably appropriate for a similarly situated hospital with a minimum of 49-bed inpatient capacity located within the corporate limits of Asheboro, NC (or in a location where City of Asheboro city utilities are available) which includes:

- Five (5) general Operating Room suites, plus one additional suite reserved for C-sections (based on current surgical service needs);*
- Emergency Room services with 15 bays to be open 24 hours a day/7 days a week/365 days a year; and*
- Services to be provided in the inpatient facility would include, but not be limited to, intensive care, general surgery, orthopedic, and maternity / OB-GYN services.*

American Healthcare Systems owns and operates Randolph Health in Asheboro NC. A Hospital license of 145 general acute care beds, 5 Shared Surgical Operating Rooms, and 1 Dedicated Inpatient Surgical Operating Room – OB. (see attached 2022 license)

The Emergency Department is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. See below from our 2023 Hospital application.

I. Emergency Department Services

a. Total number of ED exam rooms:	20	d. Total number of urgent care visits for reporting period:	0
Of this total, how many are:			
1. Trauma Rooms	1	e. Does your ED provide services 24 hours a day 7 days per week?	☒ Yes
2. Fast Track Rooms	8		☐ No
3. Urgent Care Rooms	0	f. Is a physician on duty in your ED 24 hours a day 7 days per week?	☒ Yes

Inpatient services include, but are not limited to, intensive care, general surgery, orthopedic, and maternity / OB- GYN services.

(b) Borrower will make commercially reasonable efforts to continue radiology and diagnostic lab services located within the corporate limits of Asheboro, NC (or in a location where City of Asheboro city utilities are available);

Radiology and diagnostic lab services are provided at Randolph Health. See below from our 2023 Hospital application.

MRI Procedures

Indicate the number of procedures performed during the 12-month reporting period at your facility. Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need may request CPT codes if further clarification is needed.

Procedures	Inpatient Procedures *			Outpatient Procedures *			TOTAL Procedures
	Base**	Complex**	TOTAL Inpatient	Base**	Complex**	TOTAL Outpatient	
Fixed	509	320	829	328	136	464	1293
Mobile (performed only at this site)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL***	509	320	829	328	136	464	1293

Computed Tomography (CT)

How many fixed CT scanners does the hospital own? *

2

Does the hospital contract for mobile CT scanner services? *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Complete the following table for fixed and mobile CT scanners.

Type of CT Scan	FIXED CT Scanner # of Scans	MOBILE CT Scanner # of Scans
1. Head without contrast	4702	0
2. Head with contrast	65	0
3. Head without and with contrast	408	0
4. Body without contrast	4732	0
5. Body with contrast	5725	0
6. Body without contrast and with contrast	2673	0
7. Biopsy in addition to body scan with or without contrast	76	0
8. Abscess drainage in addition to body scan with or without contrast	1	0
Total	18382	0

. Pathology and Medical Lab

. Blood Bank/Transfusion
services

☒ Yes ☐ No

d. Organ Bank

☐ Yes ☒ No

. Histopathology Laboratory

☒ Yes ☐ No

e. Pap Smear Screening

☐ Yes ☒ No

. HIV Laboratory Testing

☒ Yes ☐ No

Number of tests performed during reporting period

HIV Serology

103

HIV Culture

0

(c) Borrower or its assigns will make commercially reasonable efforts to continue cancer treatment services to be located within a ten mile radius of the current hospital;

Radiation Oncology is provided at Randolph Health.

(d) Borrower shall provide quarterly progress reports to County (timing of delivery of quarterly reports TBD) including, but not limited to, financial condition, operating statistics, staffing levels, capital replacement plan status, and any other relevant details; and

American Healthcare Systems - Randolph Health has routine board meetings to provide updates in which the county is present.

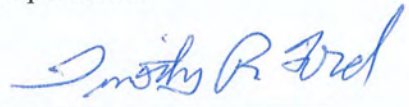
(e) The Randolph Board of County Commissioners, or its appointees, shall receive two (2) seats, with full voting powers, on Borrower's board of directors as long as this obligation under this Note is outstanding.

County Commissioners Darrell Frye and David Allen sit on the board of American Healthcare Systems - Randolph Health and have routine meetings.

To the best of my knowledge, Randolph Health has performed and observed each and every covenant listed in the Promissory Note and Loan Agreement.

American Healthcare Systems
Randolph Health

By: _____


Timothy R. Ford
President - CEO

State of North Carolina

Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation

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American Healthcare Systems, LLC

to operate a hospital known as

Randolph Hospital

located in Asheboro, North Carolina, Randolph County.

*This license is issued subject to the statutes of the
State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall remain
in effect until amended by the issuing agency.*

Facility ID: 933425

License Number: H0013

Bed Capacity: 145

General Acute 145

Dedicated Inpatient Surgical Operating Rooms: 1

Dedicated Ambulatory Surgical Operating Rooms: 2

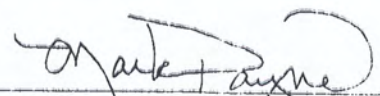
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Authorized by:



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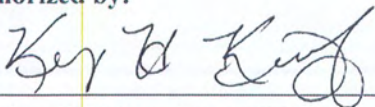
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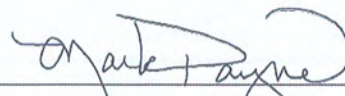
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RESOLUTION MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND WAIVING CURRENT REQUIRED ANNUAL PAYMENT

WHEREAS, Article 2 of Chapter 131A of the North Carolina General Statutes establishes the Rural Health Care Stabilization Program (the “Program”) to provide for loans at below-market interest rates with structured repayment terms in order for financially distressed eligible rural hospitals to transition to sustainable, efficient, and more proportionately sized health care service models in their communities; and

WHEREAS, on or about November 21, 2019, after holding a public hearing on the matter, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to apply for a loan from the Program for the benefit of Randolph Hospital or its successor entity by submitting an application to UNC Health Care as provided for in North Carolina General Statute §131A-33; and

WHEREAS, on or about October 26, 2020, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners held a duly-called and advertised public hearing on the matter of incurring a debt of up to twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00) through a Program loan, if approved, for the benefit of Randolph Hospital or its successor entity; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, American Healthcare Systems, LLC (“AHS”) became the successor entity for Randolph Hospital and entered into a Promissory Note and Loan Agreement with Randolph County to administer any funds Randolph County received pursuant to the Program; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, Randolph County received a twelve million dollar (\$12,000,000.00) from UNC Health, pursuant to the Program, to be used to finance capital improvements at Randolph Health by AHS; and

WHEREAS, debt service payments (principal and interest) on the loan from Randolph County to AHS were to be the same annual amounts as the debt service payments on the loan from UNC Health to Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, under this arrangement, the County agreed to waive AHS’s debt service payments each year so long as AHS operates Randolph Hospital at a certain level and so long as AHS fulfills certain other covenants; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this arrangement the County shall annually assess the performance of AHS to determine whether the conditions required for waiver of debt service are met; and

WHEREAS, the County has completed this assessment and makes the findings contained herein.

WHEREAS, by the Randolph County Board of Commissioners, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The Board of Commissioners of Randolph County finds that AHS has made commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and operate Randolph Hospital as a North Carolina acute care hospital with a complement of healthcare clinical services and service lines reasonably appropriate for a similarly situated hospital with a minimum of 49-bed inpatient capacity located

within the corporate limits of Asheboro, NC (or in a location where City of Asheboro utilities are available) which includes:

- a. Five (5) general Operating Room suites, plus one additional suite reserved for C-sections (based on current surgical service needs);
 - b. Emergency Room services with 15 bays to be open 24 hours a day/7 days a week/ 365 days a year; and
 - c. Services to be provided in the inpatient facility would include, but not be limited to, intensive care, general surgery, orthopedic, and maternity / OB-GYN services.
2. The Randolph County Board of Commissioners find that AHS has made commercially reasonable efforts to continue radiology and diagnostic lab services located within the corporate limits of Asheboro, NC (or in a location where City of Asheboro city utilities are available).
3. The Randolph County Board of Commissioners finds that AHS has made commercially reasonable efforts to continue cancer treatment services to be located within a ten-mile radius of the current hospital.
4. The Randolph County Board of Commissioners finds that AHS has provided quarterly progress reports to the County including, but not limited to, financial condition, operating statistics, staffing levels, capital replacement plan status, and any other relevant details.
5. The Randolph County Board of Commissioners confirms that it, or its appointees, has received two (2) seats, with full voting powers, on AHS's board of directors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that AHS having fulfilled the requirements outlined in paragraphs 1-5 above, the debt service payment due to Randolph County from AHS in May, 2023, in the amount of one million one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$1,120,000.00) is hereby waived.

This the 1st day of May, 2023.

Darrell L. Frye, Chairman
Randolph County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Dana Crisco, Clerk
Randolph County Board of Commissioners



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Phone: 336.318.6699 Fax: 336.318.6618

MEMO

To: Randolph County Board of County Commissioners

From: Chief Deputy, Aundrea Azelton

Date: May 1, 2023

RE: Inmate Medical Service Contract for Detention Center / Mediko, Inc.

The Randolph County Sheriff's Office has been in the process of reviewing Mediko, Inc. our current inmate medical provider and wishes to renew the contract with Mediko, Inc.

The Sheriff's Office is requesting an additional Licensed Nurse Practitioner (LPN). This additional position would be responsible for completing Medication distribution and Medical screenings during intake. The current LPN's provide this service as well as sick calls and medical emergencies. This would provide additional coverage Monday through Friday.

Please see the below matrix for coverage.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Current	16 hours	16 hours	16 hours	16 hours	16 hours	16 hours	16 hours
Requested	8 hours	8 hours	8 hours	8 hours	8 hours		
Total	24 hours	24 hours	24 hours	24 hours	24 hours	16 hours	16 hours



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The cost to renew these services with Mediko, Inc. is \$1,420,762 for the year, which comes to \$118,397 per month.

Financial Breakdown:

- Base Contract Renewal – 2023 – 2024 Annual \$926,390
- MAT Addition \$382,940
- LPN Addition – Intake/ Med Pass Support \$111,433

In conclusion, please approve the renewal of the contract with Mediko, Inc for the 2023-2024 budget year, and authorize the County Manager to sign the contract renewal.



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See attached contract below:

THIRD AMENDMENT TO INMATE HEALTH CARE SERVICES CONTRACT

THIS THIRD AMENDMENT ("Amendment") to Inmate Health Care Services Contract, dated February 21, 2023 is made by MEDIKO, Inc. ("Contractor") and the County of Randolph, North Carolina ("County") and recites and provides as follows:

RECITALS:

A. Contractor and County are parties to an Inmate Health Care Services Contract dated June 29, 2020, for the provision of certain inmate health care services at the Randolph County Detention Center ("Contract") commencing July 1, 2020. The Contract was amended by a First Amendment to Inmate Health Care Services Contract dated March 19, 2022 ("First Amendment") and a Second Amendment to Inmate Health Care Services Contract dated July 8, 2022.

B. The parties desire to amend the terms of the Contract as set forth in this Amendment.

AMENDMENT:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals, the agreements made herein and other good and valuable consideration, the Contract is hereby amended as set forth below:

1. Unless otherwise defined in this Amendment, capitalized terms used in this Amendment shall have the meanings set forth in the Contract, as amended.

2. The Term of the Contract is extended for one (1) year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 (the "Renewal Term").

3. The base compensation payable to Contractor during the Renewal Term for the scope of services described in the Contract shall equal \$926,389.78 per year or \$77,199.15 per month.

4. In addition to the services described in the Contract, commencing on July 1, 2023, and continuing throughout the Renewal Term, the Contractor shall provide additional services as described on Exhibit A attached hereto.

5. As compensation for the services described in Section 4, Randolph County shall pay Contractor an amount equal to \$41,197.75 per month through the Renewal Term ending on



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June 30, 2024, based on an annual rate of \$494,373 divided into twelve equal monthly installments, for the Renewal Term.

6. The total amount of base compensation payable under Section 3 above and additional compensation payable under Section 5 above shall equal \$1,420,762.78 for the entire Extension Term or \$118,396.90 per month during the Extension Term.

7. In all other respects, the Contract is hereby ratified and confirmed.

8. This Amendment may be signed in any number of counterparts but all counterparts taken together shall constitute one agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Amendment to be duly executed intending to be bound thereby.

MEDIKO, INC.	COUNTY OF RANDOLPH
PRINTED NAME: Kaveh Ofogh, MD	PRINTED NAME:
SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE:
TITLE: Founder & CEO	TITLE:
DATE:	DATE:



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EXHIBIT A

Effective July 1, 2023, Contractor will expand services provided in the Contract by adding a Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Program Nurse and 1.0 FTE of a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) based on the following Staffing Matrix and Staffing Narratives.

Randolph County Detention Center Proposed Staffing Matrix with MAT Program & LPN Addition

POSITION	DAY SHIFT							Hrs/Wk	FTE
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
Registered Nurse (RN) - MAT Program	10	10	10	10	20	10	10	80.00	2.000
Licensed Practical Nursing (LPNs)	8	8	8	8	8			40.00	1.000
Total Hours/FTE - Day	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	28.00	10.00	10.00	120.00	3.000

Registered Nurse (RN) – MAT Program (2.0 FTEs) - One MAT RN nurse onsite for ten (10) hours, day shift, seven (7) days a week. The MAT nurses:

- Participate, collaborate and implement patient education and medication administration of the Medication Assisted Treatment Program (MAT)
- Receive referrals from intakes based upon completion of Receiving Screening with indication of Opioid addiction
- Confirm current MAT prescriptions for new bookings
- Oversee maintenance of MAT medication through the completion of medication pass with program participants
- Follow physician orders for induction of MAT medications
- Schedule and coordinate with the healthcare provider medical clearance for participation in MAT program
- Follow healthcare provider orders for MAT program maintenance and induction
- Link MAT program participants with outpatient providers for continuity of MAT following release
- Link MAT program participants with re-entry support systems in the community
- Work with patients being released into the community with needs for Mental Health, Housing, etc.
- Provide release planning, as needed, to ensure all aspects of the patient's needs are met.
- Coordinate the efforts between the patient and the staff of any program to ensure a smooth transition
- Ensure the patient is given the proper supply of medication upon release to program

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) (1.0 FTE) – On LPN for eight (8) hours, day shift, Monday through Friday to assist current staff with clinical requirements including, but not limited to the following:

- Pharmacy Duties:
 - o AM and PM medication pass followed by duties centered around the maintaining adequate supply of medications to the facility. The pharmacy duties are inclusive of the following:
 - Management of the pharmaceutical stock inventory

“When keeping the job means more than doing the job, Mission is lost!”



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- Responsible for ensuring patient medication order refills are successfully ordered
 - Organization of medication pill pass carts, ensure all expired bubble packs and bottled medications are removed from use in cart.
 - Ensuring Medication Administration Records are correctly documented each med pass.
 - Refer any patient refusing medications according to policy to the provider as indicated. Ensure signed refusal is received.
- Performs face to face triage on all patients
 - Schedules sick calls based on level of urgency of sick call
 - Ensures all patients are seen in a timely fashion based on their triage
 - Refers all patients to provider based on need
 - Consult with the Provider when changes appear, for further orders

Cost Pool. MEDIKO will expand the Cost Pool in Section 2(c) of the current agreement by \$50,000 for the MAT program. Contractor's financial responsibility for all costs and expenses associated with any Shared Cost Services (as defined below) shall be limited by this annual cost pool. Costs associated with the additional Annual Cost Pool for the MAT Program include: Pharmaceuticals, including over-the-counter medications, prescription pharmaceuticals, and non-formulary medications related to the MAT program.

Any additional costs above the annual cost pool limit will be the financial responsibility of Randolph County. The additional costs beyond this pool will continue to have MEDIKO's current negotiated/discounted rates with providers applied to them. Any unused funds from the cost pool during the annual contract period will be refunded to Randolph County in full after an annual reconciliation.

Randolph County Public Health

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Ira McDowell Governmental Center

2222-B South Fayetteville Street



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MEMORANDUM

To: Randolph County Commissioners

From: Jennifer Layton, Assistant Health Director

Date: April 20, 2023

Subject: Randolph County Opioid Settlement Funding Update

Thank you for allowing me to present to you the Spending Authorization Report Resolution containing eight recommended high impact opioid abatement proposals for the use of Randolph County opioid settlement funds. As you recall, we began this process in July 2022 with three goals in mind:

- Enhance community efforts to develop and/or expand evidence-based programs and resources to address opioid use disorder.
- Build capacity and infrastructure to measure the impact of programs and prevent fatal overdoses in Randolph County.
- Strengthen community partnerships to improve access to care related to opioid use disorder.

The recommendations represented in the two Spending Authorization Report Resolutions before you today are built on an assessment process that has incorporated flexibility, technical assistance, transparency, and importantly has integrated compliance with all applicable regulations and award terms, including the NC Memorandum of Agreement.

Seven of the eight recommendations are presented as a block for the Board's approval for three reasons:

- Funding, monitoring, and convening of the recommended organizations by Randolph County will ensure accountability and transparency of services provided, as well as collaboration across strategies for a coordinated approach,
- The strategies recommended constitute a synergy of services that, according to the HEALing Communities Study, a multiyear study under a cooperative agreement supported by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), cover the minimum of five strategies required to produce a significant reduction in opioid overdose, and
- According to the same study, to ensure community wide impact, the implementation of at least one evidence-based practice is required in healthcare, behavioral health, and criminal justice settings.

The Randolph County Board of County Commissioners will be asked to pass two Spending Authorization Report Resolutions in compliance with the NC Memorandum of Agreement section E.6, which states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

In compliance with G.S. 14-234.3 as amended by Session Law 2021-191 (S.B. 473), which modified governing board members' duty to vote and recusal procedures, a single proposal has been removed from the recommended block of strategies as previously presented at the March 27th Special Session. Commissioner Maxton McDowell will be asked to recuse himself from voting on the recommended proposal for Strategy 3, Recovery Support Services, provided by Keaton's Place, and record his recusal with the Clerk, Dana Crisco, to comply with G.S. 14-234.3.

Totaling \$150,000, the first Spending Authorization Report Resolution contains the recommended proposal for Recovery Support Services provided by Keaton's Place in compliance with the above recusal statute.

Totaling \$1,050,000, the seven proposals recommended in the second Spending Authorization Report Resolution for FY24-FY26 represent six high impact opioid abatement strategies, including:

- Early intervention
 - Provider: Randolph County Juvenile Day Reporting Center
- Naloxone distribution
 - Provider: Randolph County Detention Center
 - Provider: Community Hope Alliance
- Medication assisted treatment (MAT) for incarcerated persons
 - Randolph County Detention Center
- Syringe Service Program (SSP)
 - Provider: Community Hope Alliance
- Recovery support services
 - Randolph County Department of Social Services
- Evidence-based addiction treatment
 - Morse Clinic

**A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF RANDOLPH
TO DIRECT THE EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

WHEREAS Randolph County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids, including settlements with drug distributors Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen, and the drug maker Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals;

WHEREAS the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions (“Opioid Settlement Funds”) are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation (“MOA”);

WHEREAS Randolph County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA;

WHEREAS section E.6 of the MOA states:

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in alignment with the NC MOA, Randolph County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

1. First strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: Recovery Support Services: Transportation and peer support services.
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: “Strategy 3”
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026.
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Keaton’s Place, a 501(c)3 nonprofit, will provide recovery support services by connecting individuals in recovery to support services, increase support groups for individuals and their families, expand recovery-centered programs, and expand transportation services for individuals impacted by substance use disorders.

g. Provider: Keaton's Place

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is \$150,000.

Adopted this the 1st day of May, 2023.

Darrel Frye, Chair
Randolph County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

COUNTY SEAL

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in alignment with the NC MOA, Randolph County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

1. First authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: “Strategy 2”
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Morse Clinic, a fully licensed operational Opioid Treatment Program in Randolph County, will support uninsured or underinsured clients with OTP services by assisting in cost of daily medication, doctors’ visits, clinical assessment, lab work, on-going counseling, peer support services, case management and harm reduction services.

- g. Provider: Chatham Recovery dba Morse Clinic
- 2. Second strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: Recovery Support Services
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: "Strategy 3"
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: The Randolph County Department of Social Services will hire a social worker to provide intensive case management to families engaged with Child Protective Services as a result of opioid use disorder and co-occurring substance use disorders. Case management will include support of parents engaged in recovery services as well as ensuring wrap around services to increase retention in recovery programs.
 - g. Provider: Randolph County Department of Social Services
- 3. Third authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: Early Intervention
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: "Strategy 6"
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: The Randolph County Juvenile Day Reporting Center will implement early intervention programs for youth ages 10-17 who have been identified as potentially having an opioid use disorder or co-occurring substance use disorder. The programs will utilize evidence-based curriculum to address the diagnosis as well as enhance supportive family relationships.
 - g. Provider: Randolph County Juvenile Day Reporting Center
- 4. Fourth authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: Naloxone Distribution by Syringe Service Program
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: "Strategy 7"
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Community Hope Alliance, a state-licensed Syringe Service Program, will continue to distribute naloxone to appropriate parties with a focus on geographic areas which show data-informed concentrations of opioid overdose in Randolph County.
 - g. Provider: Community Hope Alliance
- 5. Fifth authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: Naloxone Distribution by Detention Center
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: "Strategy 7"
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000

- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: The Randolph County Detention Center will provide naloxone to incarcerated persons in the care of the Detention Center who screened positively for opioid use disorder upon release. At reentry, recipients of naloxone will receive education on identifying opioid overdose and naloxone use for overdose reversal regardless of participation in the Detention Center MAT program.
 - g. Provider: Randolph County Detention Center
6. Sixth authorized strategy
- a. Name of strategy: Syringe Service Program
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: “Strategy 9”
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Community Hope Alliance is an existing Syringe Service Program (SSP) registered to provide services in the state of North Carolina. Community Hope Alliance will continue to provide required services as required by NC G.S. 90-113.27, including providing proper syringe disposal, harm reduction supplies and education, and referrals to mental and behavioral health services to program participants.
 - g. Provider: Community Hope Alliance
7. Seventh authorized strategy
- a. Name of strategy: Addiction Treatment for Incarcerated Persons
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: “Strategy 11”
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$150,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date Start date July 1, 2023 through End date June 30, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Randolph County Detention Center and private medical provider Mediko will implement a MAT program available to incarcerated persons who screen positively for opioid use disorder in the care of the Detention Center. Upon reentry, formerly incarcerated persons will be referred to licensed external substance use and behavioral health partners in Randolph County.
 - g. Provider: Randolph County Detention Center

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is \$1,050,000.

Adopted this the 1 day of May, 2023.

Darrel Frye, Chair
Randolph County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

COUNTY SEAL

Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Opioid Settlement Funding Resolution / Budget Amendment #2

If the Board accepts the opioid abatement program funding recommendations, please approve the following budget amendment to the grant project ordinance:

Opioid Settlement Grant Project Ordinance

Amendment #2

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Contingency		\$1,200,000
Evidence-based addiction treatment: Chatham Recovery	\$150,000	
Recovery support services: Keaton's Place	\$150,000	
Recovery support services: Randolph County Dept. of Social Services	\$150,000	
Early intervention: Randolph County Juvenile DRC	\$150,000	
Naloxone distribution: Community Hope Alliance	\$150,000	
Naloxone distribution: Randolph County Detention Center	\$150,000	
Syringe Service Program: Community Hope Alliance	\$150,000	
Addiction treatment for incarcerated persons: Randolph County Detention Center	\$150,000	



Randolph County OUD Info Session

April 10, 2023

AGENDA

1. Naloxone Distribution: MOA Strategy 7
2. Syringe Service Program: MOA Strategy 9
3. Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)/Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD): MOA Strategies 2 and 11
4. Synergy of Services
5. Questions

Naloxone Distribution

MOA Strategy 7

MOA Requirement **Strategy 7:**

*Support programs or organizations that distribute naloxone to persons at risk of overdose or their social networks, such as **Syringe Service Programs**, post-overdose response teams, programs that provide naloxone to **persons upon release from jail** or prison, emergency medical service providers or hospital emergency departments that provide naloxone to persons at risk of overdose, or **community-based organizations that provide services to people who use drugs**.*

(MOA Exhibits, page 1).

Risk Factors for Overdose:

- Changes in tolerance from not using or using less. This happens after being **in-patient, in jail, or following a period of less or no opioid use.**
- Changes in the drug supply.
- Mixing opioids with other drugs.

Naloxone for Overdose Reversal

Naloxone is easy to use and light to carry. There are two forms of naloxone that anyone can use without medical training or authorization:

- Expensive
- Easy to use
- Instructions provided in product box



Nasal spray - Prefilled devices that spray medication into the nose.



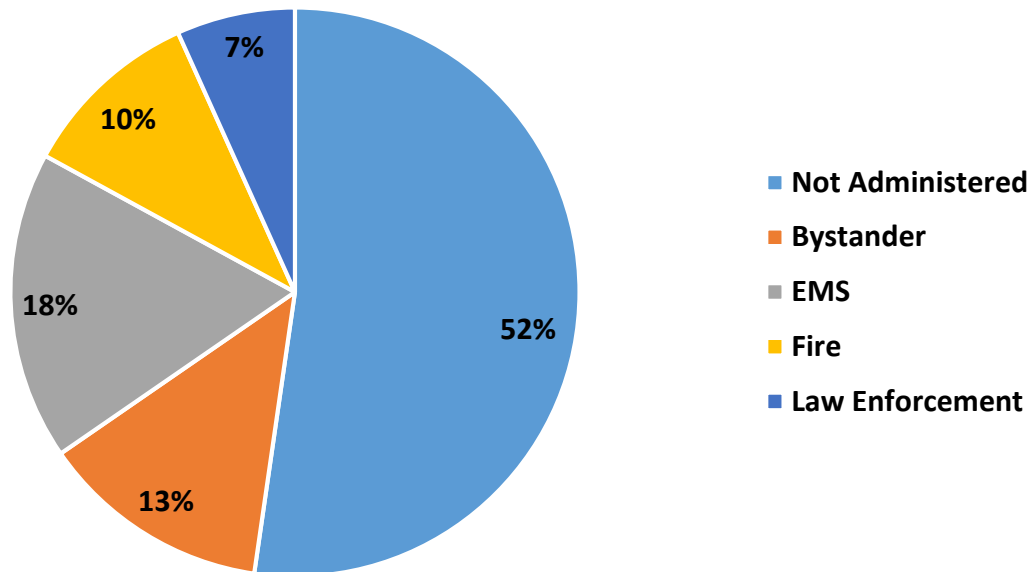
Injectable - Medication (solution) given by injection into a muscle or under the skin.

- Inexpensive
- Requires additional steps
- Instructions provided with each rescue kit

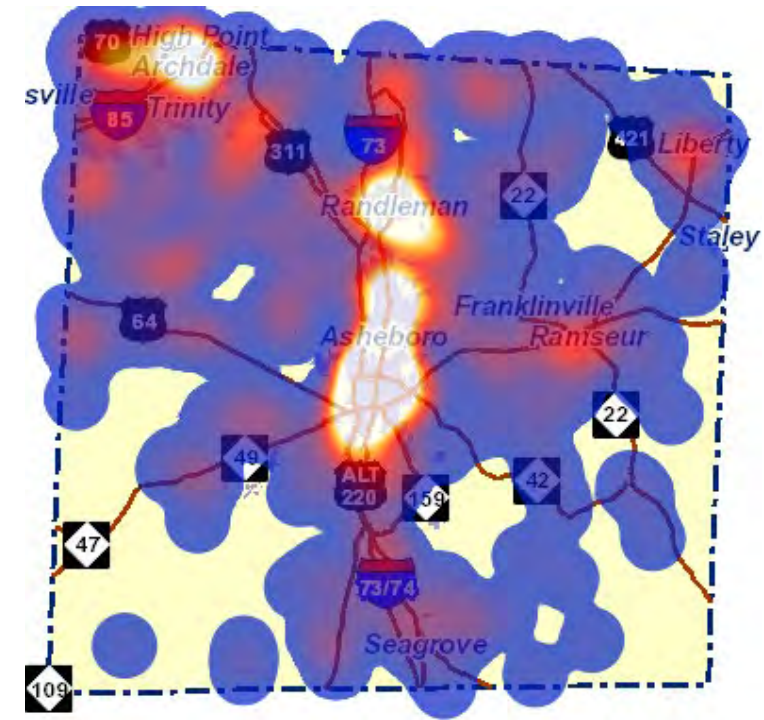
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Lifesaving Naloxone

Randolph County Overdoses – Emergency Services Reports

Naloxone Administered in Response to Overdoses (n=786),
2022



Overdose Map – Total, 2022



***Naloxone saturation recommended in areas with fatalities to prevent additional fatalities.**

North Carolina

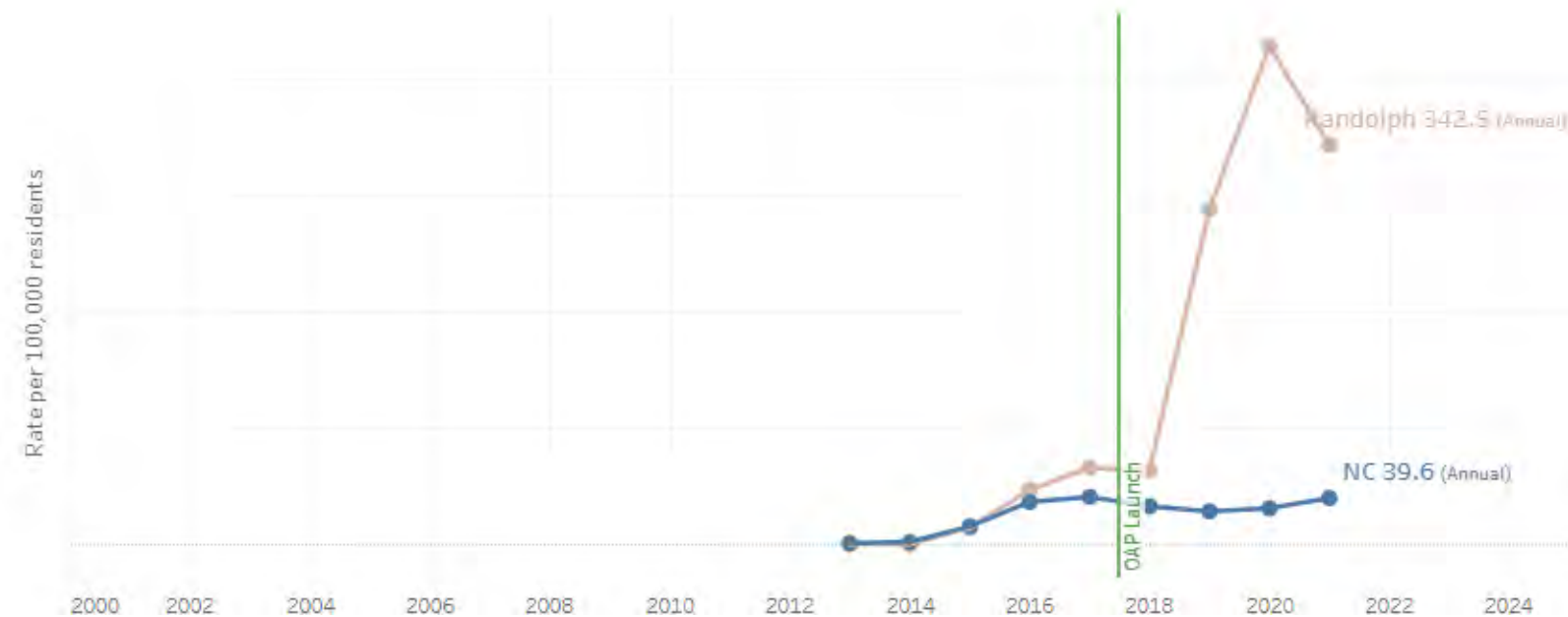
Opioid and Substance Use Action Plan (OSUAP) Dashboard

Community Reversals in Randolph

The rate of reported community naloxone reversals in **Randolph** in 2021

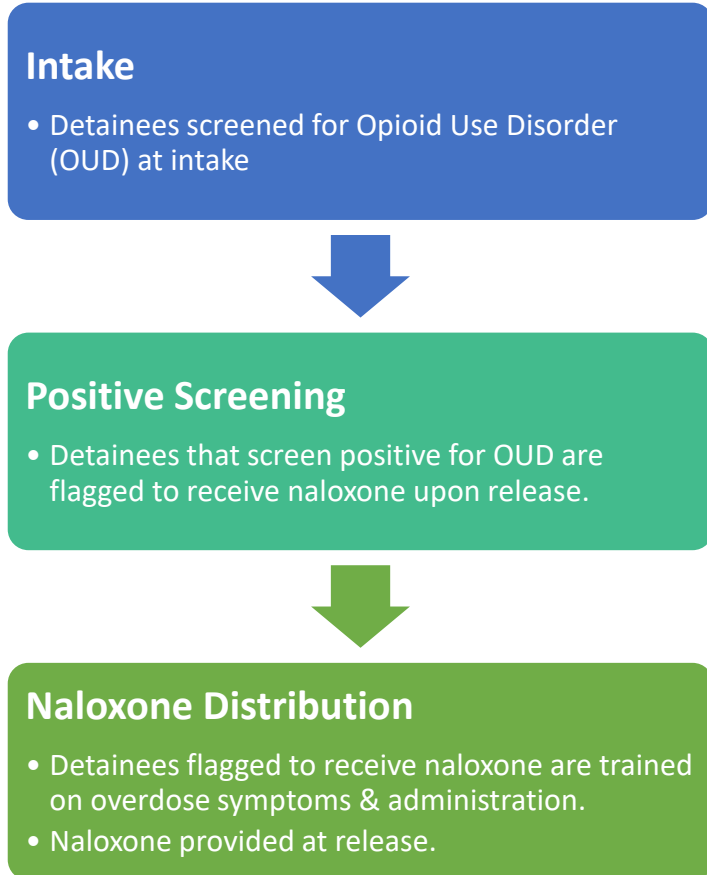
(Annual) was **342.5**.

(Rate per 100,000 residents. Number of reversals: 492)



Randolph County Detention Center Naloxone Distribution

Distribution Process:



Benefits:

- American Society of Addiction Medicine (2020), *Naloxone kits should be available within **correctional facilities**. Individuals with opioid use disorder should receive a naloxone kit prior to release, and individuals and families should be educated in how to administer naloxone.*
- Lower risk of fatal overdose (**Risk of death 10x higher upon release*)
- Increase community overdose reversals

Community Hope Alliance

Naloxone Distribution

Who receives naloxone?

- SSP participants
- Individuals concerned about drug supply (e.g., fentanyl, synthetic narcotics)



Demand for naloxone has increased due to fentanyl in many drugs

Benefits:

- **2,457** naloxone kits distributed, 2022
- **968** Community Overdose Reversals – 2022
- **600% increase** in naloxone distribution since 2018
- Primary distributor of naloxone in Randolph County

Syringe Service Program (SSP)

MOA Strategy 9

MOA Requirement **Strategy 9:**

*Support Syringe Service Programs operated by any governmental or nongovernmental organization authorized by **section 90-113.27** of the North Carolina General Statutes that provide syringes, naloxone, or other harm reduction supplies; that dispose of used syringes; that connect clients to prevention, treatment, recovery support, behavioral healthcare, primary healthcare, or other services or supports they need; or that provide any of these services or supports (MOA Exhibits, page 2).*

Syringe Exchange Law, NC G.S. 90-113.27 (July 2016):

Requires syringe service programs (SSPs) to provide the following:

Syringes and supplies at no cost and on an as-needed basis

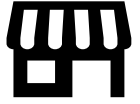
Secure disposal services for syringes, injection supplies, and other “sharps”

Education on the prevention and treatment of drug overdose, HIV, Hepatitis C, other infections, and substance use disorder

Naloxone access and training on identifying and responding to opioid overdose with naloxone medication

Referrals for mental health and substance use disorder treatment and care

SSP Models:



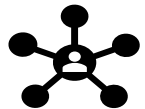
Fixed Site – Located in an established, consistent location. May be an office, storefront, or other accessible space.



Mobile – Conducted out of a vehicle that travels to different sites according to a schedule or by arrangement.



Peer-Based – SSP staff connect with participants through community outreach & distribute supplies within peer networks.



Integrated – An organization adds SSP to their existing programs or services.



Healthcare Costs and Outcomes

- An 8-12 week course of HCV treatment can range from **\$54,000 to \$95,000** (or higher)
- Lifetime cost of each HIV infection is **over \$480,000**
- Average cost of heart valve replacement due endocarditis + 4-8 week hospital stay is **\$250,000**.
- SSP participants are **5x more likely** to enroll in treatment programs.

Common Health Issues Associated with Substance Use

- **Viral infections (bloodborne)**
 - Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)
 - Hepatitis B Virus (HBV)
 - Hepatitis A Virus (HAV)
 - HIV
- **Bacterial Infections (soft tissue/skin) ⁴**
 - Septicemia
 - Bacteremia
 - Cellulitis
 - Abscesses (staph, strep)
 - Endocarditis
 - Necrotizing fasciitis
 - Wound botulism

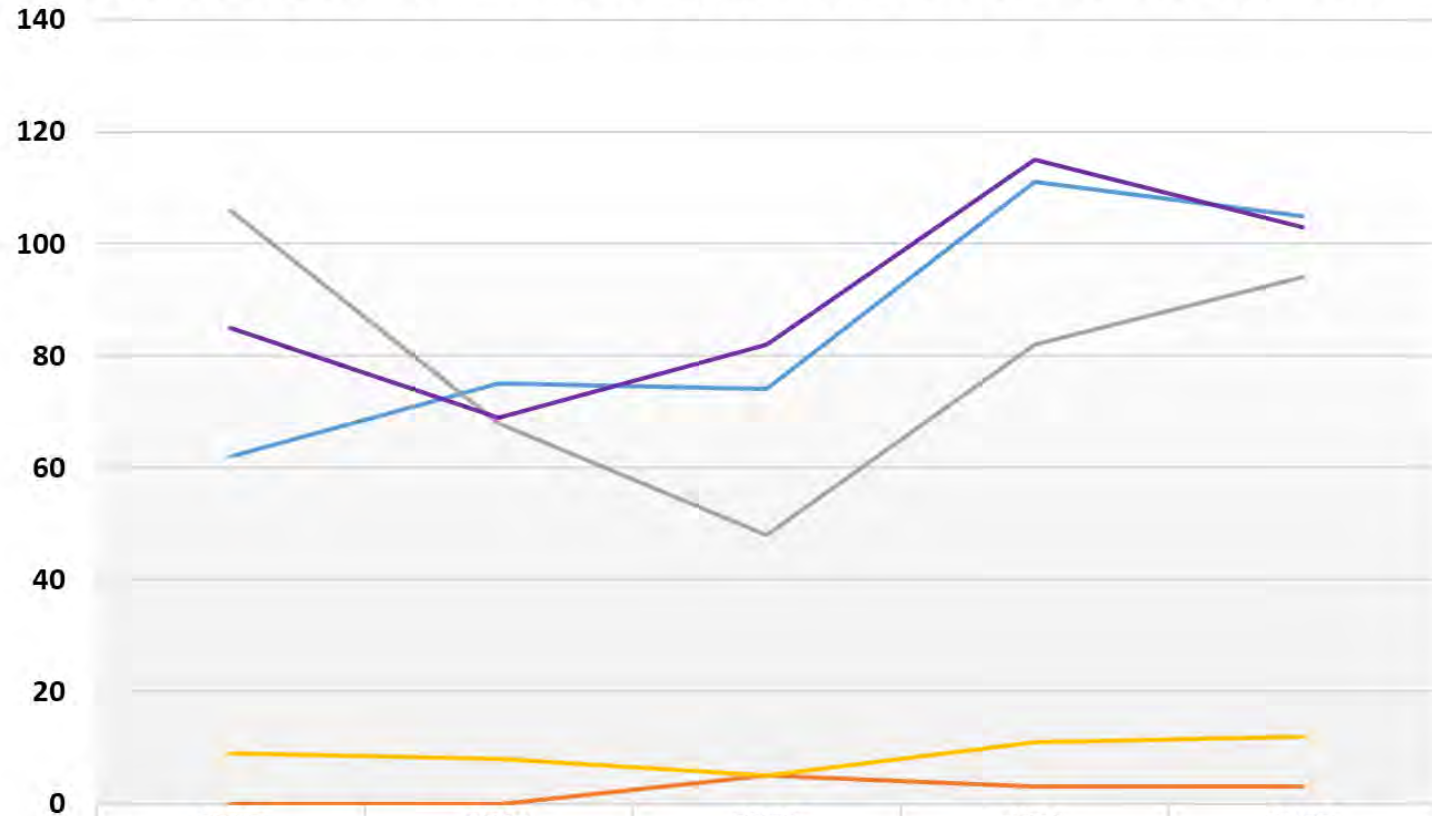
Healthcare Costs and Outcomes



NUMBER OF CASES

Randolph County Residents

Emergency Department Visits for Substance-Related Medical Conditions

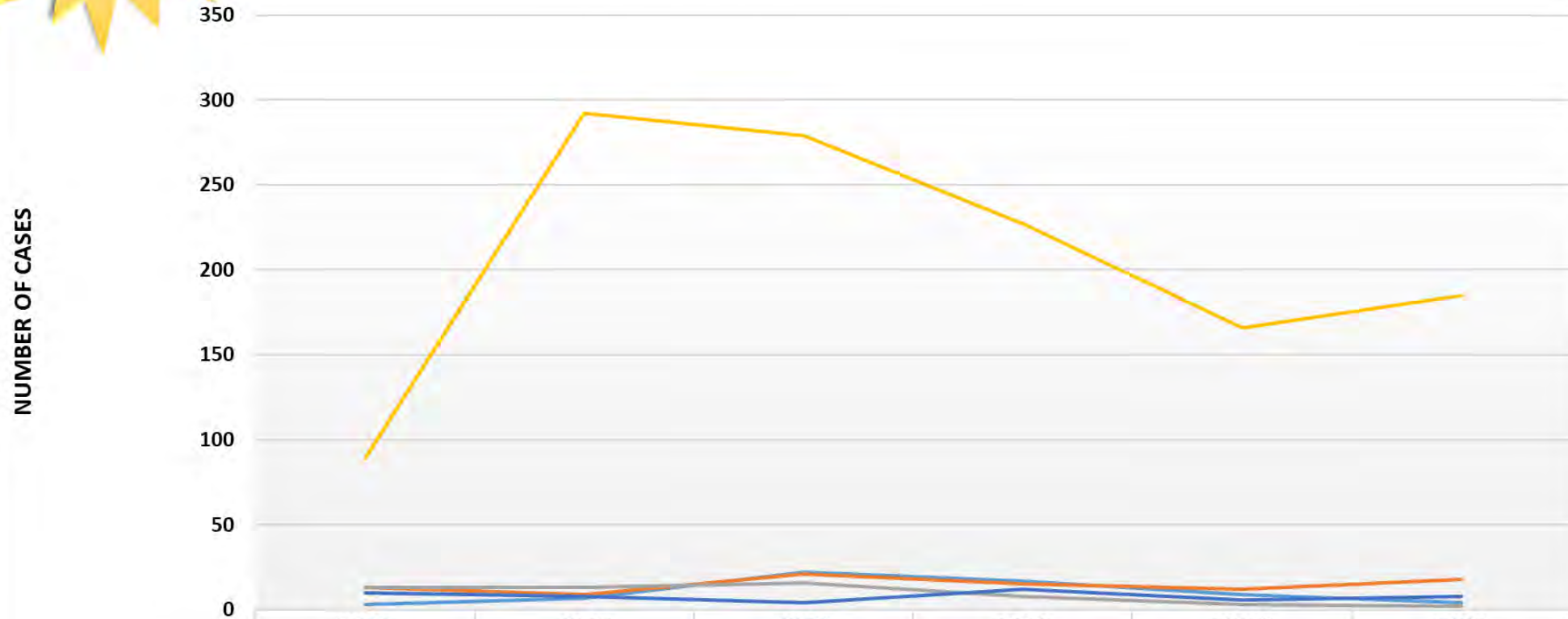


	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Endocarditis/Bacteremia/Sepsis	62	75	74	111	105
Hepatitis A	0	0	5	3	3
Hepatitis C	106	68	48	82	94
HIV/AIDS	9	8	5	11	12
Skin Infection	85	69	82	115	103

Healthcare Costs and Outcomes

Randolph County Communicable Diseases

BASELINE



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020*	2021
Acute HBV	3	7	22	17	9	4
New Chronic HBV	13	9	21	15	12	18
Acute HCV	13	13	16	8	3	2
New Chronic HCV	89	292	279	227	166	185
New HIV	10	8	4	12	6	8

Evidence-based Addiction Treatment

MOA Strategy 2 and MOA Strategy 11

MOA Requirements **Strategy 2**

*Support evidence-based addiction treatment consistent with the American Society of Addiction Medicine's national practice guidelines for the treatment of opioid use disorder – including Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) with any medication approved for this purpose by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration – through **Opioid Treatment Programs**, qualified providers of Office-Based Opioid Treatment, Federally Qualified Health Centers, **treatment offered in conjunction with justice system programs, or other community-based programs** offering evidence-based addiction treatment (MOA Exhibits, page 2).*

MOA Requirements **Strategy 11**

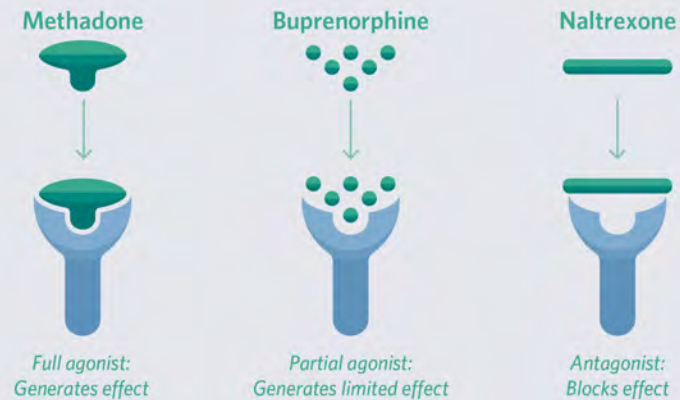
*Support evidence-based addiction treatment, including Medication-Assisted Treatment with at least one FDA-approved opioid agonist, to **persons who are incarcerated in jail or prison** (MOA Exhibits, page 2).*

Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)

Figure 1
How OUD Medications Work in the Brain



Empty opioid receptor



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Medication	Mechanism of action	Dosing frequency	Available through	Reduces Risk of opioid overdose	Increases rate of treatment retention
Methadone	Full agonist	Daily	Opioid Treatment Program (OTP)	Yes	Yes
Buprenorphine	Partial agonist	Daily	Any prescriber with the appropriate waiver	Yes	Yes
		Every six months			
Naltrexone	Antagonist	Daily	Any health care provider with prescribing authority	Inconclusive	Yes, if initiation is possible
		Monthly			

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Randolph County Detention Center MAT Model

Intake

- Inmates are screened for opioid use disorder (OUD).

Enrollment

- Inmates with positive screens for OUD are offered enrollment in MAT program.

Medication Management

- Pre-enrollment, inmates receive physical assessment & urine drug screen.
- Based on screening, medical staff administers MOUD medications.
- Medical staff monitor the inmate for the duration of enrollment throughout incarceration.

Reentry

- Upon release, enrolled inmate receives naloxone and a warm hand-off for continuation of care to Brightview.

MAT Outcome

Benefit

Reduced recidivism

Reduced re-incarceration rates; reduced tax burden

Gainful employment

Paying taxes

Reengagement with community

Families remain in tact

Inmate withdrawal managed

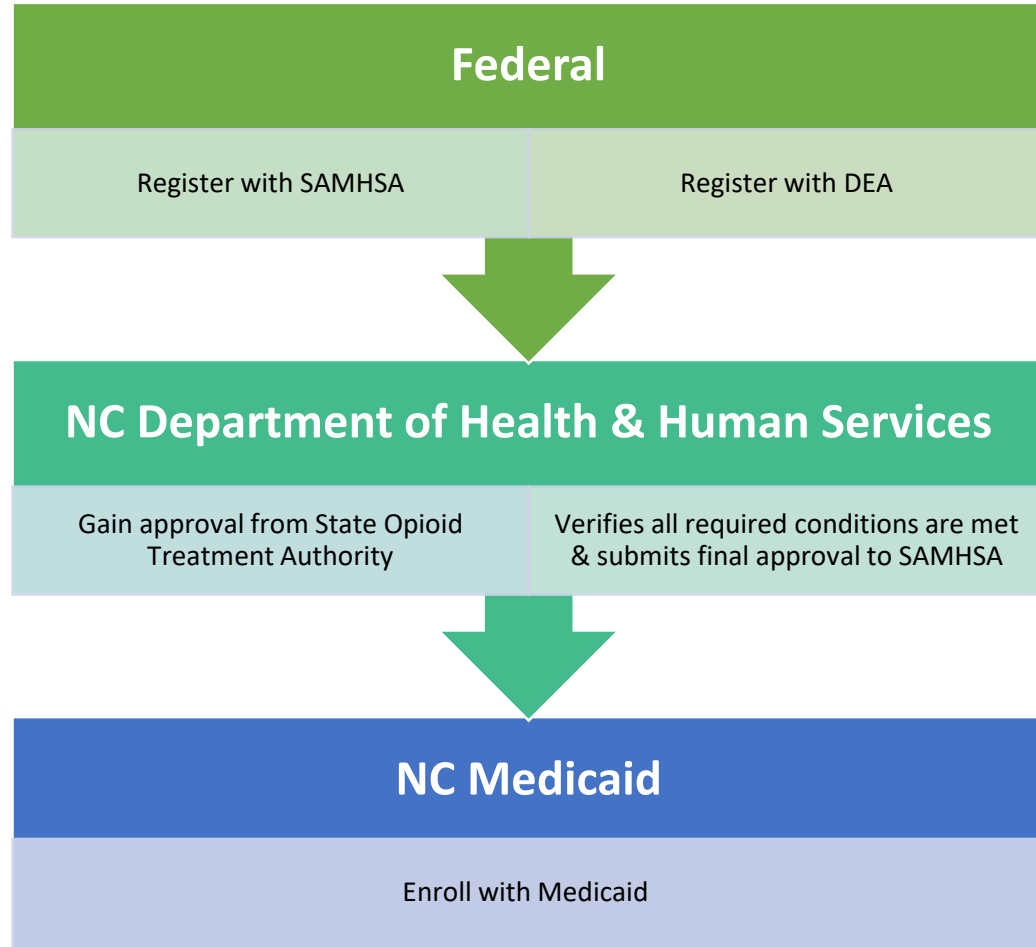
Detention Officer burden reduced

Reduced nonfatal overdoses/lower mortality

Fewer jail-based deaths

Opioid Treatment Program

Recovery Oriented System of Care



Must provide:

- Medical
- Counseling
- Vocational
- Educational
- Other assessment & treatment services

Special Populations:

- Pregnant & postpartum women
- Youth (12-18 years)

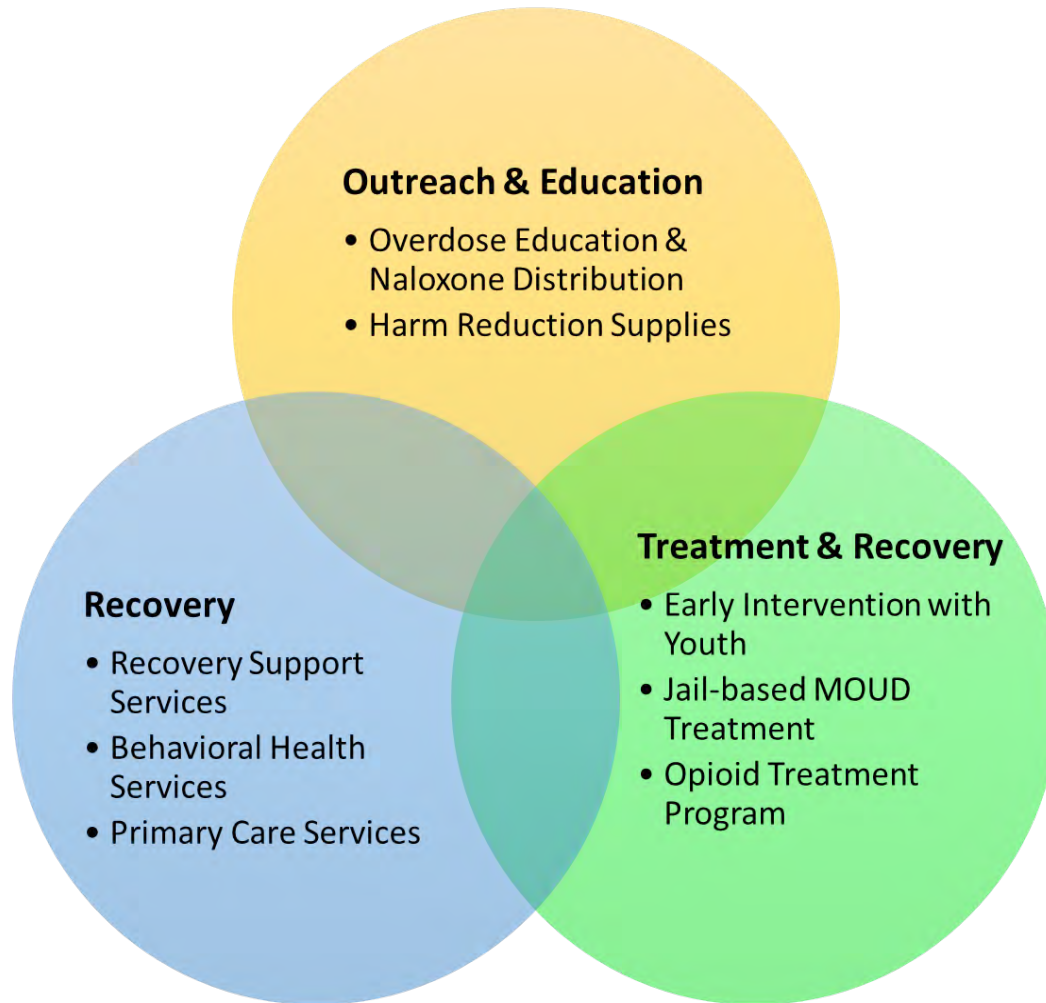
FDA-Approved Medications for OUD:

- Buprenorphine
- Methadone
- Naltrexone

Audited
by
SAMHSA
annually

Federal Guidelines for Opioid Treatment Programs

Synergy of Services



The Opioid-overdose Reduction Continuum of Care Approach (ORCCA): Evidence-based practices in the HEALing Communities Study:

Each EBP has a “menu” of strategies from which communities can select and implement with a minimum of five strategies required:

1 - Overdose education & **naloxone distribution**

3 - **MOUD**

1- Prescription opioid safety.

Identification and engagement of high-risk populations in overdose education & naloxone distribution and MOUD is an ORCCA requirement.

To ensure community-wide impact, implementation of at least one EBP strategy is required in **healthcare, behavioral health, and criminal justice settings..**

Questions



The Importance of Syringe Services in North Carolina

Syringe Services Programs (SSPs) are an evidence-based strategy to reduce overdose deaths, slow the transmission of blood-borne pathogens, such as HIV and hepatitis C (HCV), and connect participants to coordinated care. North Carolinians are healthier and alive because of the work that SSPs do every day.

"We take care of chronic health conditions every day. It is not our job to judge the character of the person we are taking care of. It is our job to reduce the mortality and morbidity in the state of North Carolina."

- Jim Albright, Director of Emergency Services,
Guilford County, NC

North Carolina law (G.S. 90-113.27, passed July 11, 2016) allows for any governmental or nongovernmental organization "that promotes scientifically proven ways of mitigating health risks associated with drug use and other high-risk behaviors" to legally establish syringe service programs.

"I was one who once did not understand the purpose or need for syringe services and harm reduction. My daughter struggled with substance use disorder long before we knew about it...I assumed she was being enabled and that they were part of the problem. What I have since learned is that what was enabled was for her to not contract diseases and to be brought back from an overdose on 2 different occasions..."

- Caroline Drake, Mother of Kaitlyn Drake & Harm Reduction Advocate

"Focusing on interventions that meet people where they are and connecting them to care is key to regaining ground and saving lives" [1]

- Kody H. Kinsley, Secretary, NC Department of Health and Human Services

SSPs in NC are required to provide the services listed below; however they often provide many more.

- Distribution of enough free sterile syringes and injection supplies to prevent sharing or reusing
- Disposal services to remove biohazards from the community
- Community site, personnel, and equipment security
- Educational materials about overdose and infectious disease prevention and treatment options
- Distribution of naloxone (commonly known as the brand name, Narcan®), training on administration, or referrals to these services
- Referrals for mental health or substance use disorder (SUD) treatment, including medication assisted therapy (MAT)

Syringe Services Programs provide MUCH more than sterile supplies to reduce the transmission of blood-borne infections.

Mutual aid groups

Post-overdose response

Sex Ed & STI Prevention

Health screenings, wound care, vaccinations, mobile STI testing

Crisis intervention

Access to resources such as housing, food, clothing, & vocational skills

Empowerment through community & relationships

Counseling

Legal system navigation & support

Case Management

Transportation to medical care & other services

DECREASING SYRINGE LITTER

the *more* syringes SSPs can distribute compared to the number of people who inject drugs in a geographic region

the *more likely* syringes will be disposed of safely in that region. [2]

SSPs have been associated with as much as an **86% decrease** in syringe litter in the communities where they operate. [3]

SSPs can also host community clean-up events & utilize community sharps bins to decrease syringe litter.

LINKING PEOPLE TO TREATMENT

SSPs connect people who use drugs to community treatment services & some SSPs provide it at their own facilities.



As many as **four** in five SSP participants are interested in reducing or stopping substance use. [4]

SSP participants are more than

2x as likely to reduce the frequency of substance use &

3.5x more likely to stop using substances entirely when compared to those who do not use SSPs. [5]

INCREASING PUBLIC SAFETY

SSPs can be associated with:



increased access to HIV & HCV testing and treatment



up to a **50% decline** in risk of HIV transmission [6]

SSPs do not increase the amount of crime in neighborhoods or areas where they operate. [7][8]

SAVING MONEY

Every action:	Saves money:
\$5 dose of naloxone...	could save \$20,500 in potential medical costs to treat an overdose. [9]
\$1 invested in SSPs...	could save \$6.38-\$7.58 in HIV treatment. [10]
\$0.10 sterile syringe...	could save \$250,000 for a heart valve replacement due to injection-related endocarditis, plus the cost of a 4-8-week hospital stay. [11]
\$1 invested in substance use disorder treatment...	could save \$4-\$7 in criminal justice related costs. [12]

SAVING LIVES

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has endorsed SSPs as one of the most effective, scientifically proven overdose prevention strategies. [12]

Over **15,000** overdose reversals were reported to SSPs between July '21 and June '22. This is the equivalent to **saving the lives of all residents** in Graham, Hyde, and Tyrrell counties combined. [13]

*[Click for list of numbered references](#)



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MEDICATIONS FOR OPIOID OVERDOSE, WITHDRAWAL, & ADDICTION

Medications for opioid **overdose**, **withdrawal**, and **addiction** are safe, effective and save lives.

The National Institute on Drug Abuse supports research to develop new medicines and delivery systems to treat opioid use disorder and other substance use disorders, as well as other complications of substance use (including withdrawal and overdose), to help people choose treatments that are right for them.

FDA-approved medications for opioid addiction, overdose, and withdrawal work in various ways.

—⦿ Opioid Receptor Agonist

Medications attach to opioid receptors in the brain to block withdrawal symptoms and cravings.

—⦿ Opioid Receptor Partial Agonist

Medications attach to and partially activate opioid receptors in the brain to ease withdrawal symptoms and cravings.

—⦿ Opioid Receptor Antagonist

Medications block activity of opioid receptors in the brain to prevent euphoric effects (the high) of opioids and alcohol and help reduce cravings.

—⦿ Adrenergic Receptor Agonist

A medication that attaches to and activates adrenergic receptors in the brain and helps alleviate withdrawal symptoms.

REDUCES OPIOID USE AND CRAVINGS

Methadone

Daily liquid or tablet



Dolophine®, Methadose®
Generics available

Naltrexone

Monthly Injection



Vivitrol®

Buprenorphine

Daily tablet

Monthly injection



Sublocade®
Generic tablets available

Buprenorphine/ Naloxone

Daily film under the tongue or tablet



Zubsolv®, Suboxone®
Generics available

TREATS WITHDRAWAL SYMPTOMS

Lofexidine

As-needed tablet



Lucemyra®

REVERSES OVERDOSE

Naloxone

Emergency nasal spray or injection



Kloxxodo®,
Narcan®, Zimhi™
Generics available



PTTC

Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network
Funded by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

HARM REDUCTION THROUGH A PREVENTION LENS



Harm Reduction and Prevention have common goals in reducing the adverse health and social consequences of Substance Use but exist at different places in the continuum of Universal, Selective, and Indicated Prevention.

Harm reduction is a set of practical strategies and ideas aimed at reducing negative consequences associated with drug use. Harm reduction is also a movement for social justice built on a belief in, and respect for, the rights of people who use drugs. Harm reduction does not require abstinence from any risky behaviors.

The principles of harm reduction were developed nearly 25 years ago by and for people who use drugs. At their core, the principles are people centered, pragmatic, and take into consideration important sociocultural factors—such as race, poverty, and social disapproval of drugs and drug users.

DEFINITION FROM THE HARM REDUCTION COALITION



HARM REDUCTION AND PREVENTION HAVE COMMON GOALS

- Provide interventions for a continuum of substance users for a variety of substances.
- Focus on individual and community risks associated with substance use.
- Honor and incorporate cultural in interventions.
- Promote individual and community wellbeing.

TO REDUCE HARM WHEN USING SUBSTANCES, INDIVIDUALS SHOULD ALWAYS

- Have a safety plan with a trusted individual.
- Use clean needles and do not share if injecting.
- Assess the safety of the surroundings before using.
- Know personal limits and decide how much to use in advance.
- Test the strength and purity of each use by starting with a small dose.

SUBSTANCE

HARM REDUCTION STRATEGIES FOR PEOPLE WHO USE DRUGS

Alcohol¹

- Coordinate transportation in advance.
- Alternate alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks.
- Stay hydrated and eat before drinking.
- Reduce the number of days you drink per week or month.

Cocaine²

- Do not use multiple times in one session.
- Plan a day of rest, rather than more substance, to cope with the crash
- Use small amounts and gauge response. Not all cocaine is the same strength and purity.
- Avoid damage to nasal tissue by alternating nostrils, inserting snorting equipment further in the nose, and using a fine powder.

Hallucinogens³

- Be aware of your mindset and avoid use if feeling depressed
- Use in a comfortable and with trusted people to reduce the chances of a bad trip.
- Do not use with other substances, particularly stimulants.

Inhalants⁴

- Take breaks between use so your body can have enough oxygen.
- Use a paper bag not plastic to reduce risk of suffocation.
- Do not smoke as most inhalants are highly flammable.

Marijuana⁵

- Reduce respiratory complications. Do not smoke with tobacco, take shallow puffs, and use a vaporizer.
- Eat edibles slowly and start with low doses.
- Store edibles out of reach of children and pets.
- Don't drive while high. Impairment after smoking can last up to 6 hours and longer with edibles.

**MDMA
(Ecstasy/Molly)⁶**

- Drink plenty of water in small, frequent amounts.
- Avoid overheating and exertion.
- Have a friend to talk to if you feel experience negative emotions.

Methamphetamine⁷

- Drink plenty of water, get adequate sleep, and eat proper foods.
- "Start low, go slow" to avoid overamping.
- Snort or smoke over injecting

**Opioids
(Heroin, fentanyl,
etc.)⁸**

- Use clean needles, syringe exchanges and/or safe injection sites.
- Use fentanyl test strips.
- Carry naloxone
- Snort or smoke over injecting.

**Synthetic
Cathinones (Bath
Salts)**

- Use a testing kit prior to use⁹
- Use clean needles, syringe exchanges, and do not share needles¹⁰

**Tobacco, Nicotine &
Vaping¹¹**

- Cut down the number of cigarettes smoked.
- Decrease the number of puffs per cigarette, puff duration, and puff volume.
- Do not change or add anything to a vaping device or supplies.
- Do not use THC in vaping device.
- Use vaping products only from reputable sources.

VIRAL INFECTIONS THAT COMMONLY OCCUR WITH SUBSTANCE USE

**HIV and Hepatitis
(HEP B/HEP C)¹²**

- Use clean needles, syringe exchanges, and do not share needles
- Use condoms, dental dams, lubricants, and other safe sex items.
- Get tested regularly.
- Get vaccinated against Hepatitis B

1 <https://americanaddictioncenters.org/harm-reduction>

2 <https://www.verywellmind.com/harm-reduction-tips-for-cocaine-users-21993>

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MEMORANDUM

To: Randolph County Commissioners

From: Tara Aker, Health Director

Date: April 19, 2023

**Subject: Creation of and funding for a Human Services Planner/Evaluator II
Position and addition of the position to the County's Classification Plan**

As the opioid settlement funding work has progressed, it has become clear that Randolph County would benefit from having a specialist, a Human Services Planner/Evaluator II, that will provide support for the settlement funds project including implementation of strategies in compliance with the NC Memorandum of Agreement and the activities approved by elected officials.

The Human Services Planner/Evaluator II will work closely with organizations that apply for and receive funding. The work conducted by this position will include engagement with stakeholders to make recommendations on the use of funds, ensure funds are used appropriately, complete required impact reports and provide technical assistance to agencies receiving opioid settlement funds. This position will strengthen the operating processes of agencies receiving funds and is critical to ensuring organizations succeed in the work they are and will continue to do.

This is a request for a new position. The County Classification Plan currently does not include a position of this type. We would like to also request the Human Services Planner/Evaluator II position be added to the Classification Plan (Grade 121). We also ask that the position be funded using opioid settlement funds for the duration of opioid settlement funding availability. The proposed recruitment salary would be Grade 121/Step 12 in the amount of \$87,100; this includes salary and fringe. Operating and travel costs will be covered by the public health department. Once settlement funds are expended, an evaluation and decision regarding continuation of the position will be made.

Action Requested:

Approve a new position, add the classification title of Human Services Planner/Evaluator II to Grade 121 of the County's Classification Plan effective May 1, 2023, and fund the position using opioid settlement funds.

Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Opioid Settlement Funding Resolution / Budget Amendment #3

If the Board of Commissioners wish to add the requested Health Services Planner position, please approve the following budget amendment to the grant project ordinance:

Opioid Settlement Grant Project Ordinance

Amendment #3

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Contingency		\$300,000
Collaborative strategic planning: Randolph Public Health	\$300,000	

Randolph County Legal

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To: Randolph County Commissioners
From: Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney
Date: April 12, 2023
Re: Consideration of Abolishment of Capped Service District for Farmer and the Formation of the District Without the Fifteen-Cent Tax Rate Cap

As you are aware, many of our current fire protection tax districts had a fifteen-cent cap on the tax rate. You have removed this cap for all districts except for Farmer. At your February meeting, you officially considered moving forward to abolish the current capped county service district for fire protection for Farmer and replacing it with a district that does not have that limitation on taxation. The proposed new service district contains the same properties currently contained in the capped district for the area.

For the district, you determined that the current cap on taxation has rendered or will soon render the district obsolete for providing the necessary protection to citizens in the area. You also considered the resident or seasonal population and population density of the proposed district, the appraised value of property subject to taxation in the proposed district, the present tax rates of the County and any cities or special districts in which the proposed district or any portion thereof is located, the ability of the proposed district to sustain the taxes necessary to provide the services planned for the district. After carefully considering these matters, you passed a resolution declaring your intent to create the proposed district and calling for a report to be prepared for the district in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes. The resolution also set a public hearing on the creation of the district for the April meeting; this hearing was later rescheduled, by resolution, for 6:00 p.m. on May 1, 2023. Notice of the public hearing was mailed and published in accordance with statutory requirements.

At this meeting, you need to hold the following public hearing:

- Public Hearing to Consider the Abolishment of the Current District and the Creation of a New Uncapped District for the Farmer area.

At the close of this hearing, if you find that the current district is insufficient to provide the required protection and if you find that there is then a demonstrable need for providing fire protection services in the proposed district, that it is impossible or impracticable to provide fire protection services on a countywide basis, that it is economically feasible to provide fire protection services in the proposed district without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies and that there is a demonstrable demand for fire protection service in the proposed district, then you may pass a resolution abolishing the current district and creating the new uncapped district. The change, if made, will go into effect on July 1, 2023.



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Hope Haywood

RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE CURRENT FIFTEEN CENT CAPPED FARMER FIRE PROTECTION COUNTY SERVICE DISTRICT AND CREATING A NEW SERVICE DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CAP

WHEREAS, the Farmer Fire Protection County Service District was formed under 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, said district hereinafter referred to as the “Capped District”; and

WHEREAS, increases in the costs of providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and first responder/ambulance services have rendered the current service district insufficient to meet the needs of the district with the fifteen (15) cents cap in place; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-306 allows for the current Capped District to be abolished upon a finding that the need for the district no longer exists and a public hearing on the matter; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-301 allows a County to establish a county service district for the provision of fire protection services and for the provision of emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services within the district that has no cap except for the general rule that all tax rates in the district, taken together, cannot exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation, hereinafter the “Proposed New District”; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Board of County Commissioners abolish the current Capped District and create the Proposed New District, said Proposed New District having the same boundaries and containing the same properties as the current Capped District; and

WHEREAS, the Board caused a report to be prepared and available for public inspection pursuant as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-302; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing on this matter for May 1, 2023 and instructed the Associate County Attorney to mail notice of the public hearing, at least four weeks before the date of the hearing, by any class of U.S. mail which is fully prepaid to the owners, as shown by the county tax records as of the preceding January 1 of all property located within the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was also published in accordance with statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Associate County Attorney certified the publication and mailing of the notice of public hearing as referenced above, and the public hearing was held; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the current or future need for the Capped District to be able to request a tax rate in excess of its current limitation, the population of the Proposed New District, the appraised value of property in the Proposed New District, the present tax rates in effect in the Proposed New District, the ability of the Proposed New District to sustain the taxing of the Proposed New District, the call history of the Proposed New District and other matters that the Board deemed relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered such matters, makes the following findings:

1. The limitation on the tax rate of the Current District has rendered or will soon render it obsolescent to the provision of fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the district; and
2. There is a demonstrable need for providing fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District; and
3. It is impossible or impracticable to provide these services on a countywide basis; and
4. It is economically feasible to provide these services in the Proposed New District without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
5. There is a demonstrable demand for fire protection and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services in the Proposed New District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby abolishes the Farmer Fire Protection County Service District that was formed under North Carolina General Statute 153A-309.2 for the provision of fire protection services and emergency medical, rescue and ambulance services with a tax rate limitation of fifteen (15) cents per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates a new Farmer Fire Protection County Service District for the provision of fire protection and emergency, medical, rescue and ambulance services pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153A-301 and 153A-302 effective July 1, 2023, with the boundaries shown on the map included as Attachment A to this Resolution and containing the exact same properties that were included in the district being abolished.

This the 1st day of May, 2023.

Darrell L. Frye, Chairman
Randolph County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Dana Crisco, Clerk
Randolph County Board of Commissioners



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Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Sam Varner, Wellness Administrator

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: REQUESTING FUNDING FOR ONSITE MEDICAL CLINIC

On behalf of Randolph County Employee Wellness, I am requesting the Board of County Commissioners approve the funding and building of an onsite medical wellness clinic for its employees and their dependents. The projected costs of this clinic is \$405,000 annually with startup costs estimated to be \$50,000.

After months of research, a clinic selection committee comprised of Randolph County Government leadership and County Commissioners picked Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist to staff and manage this clinic.

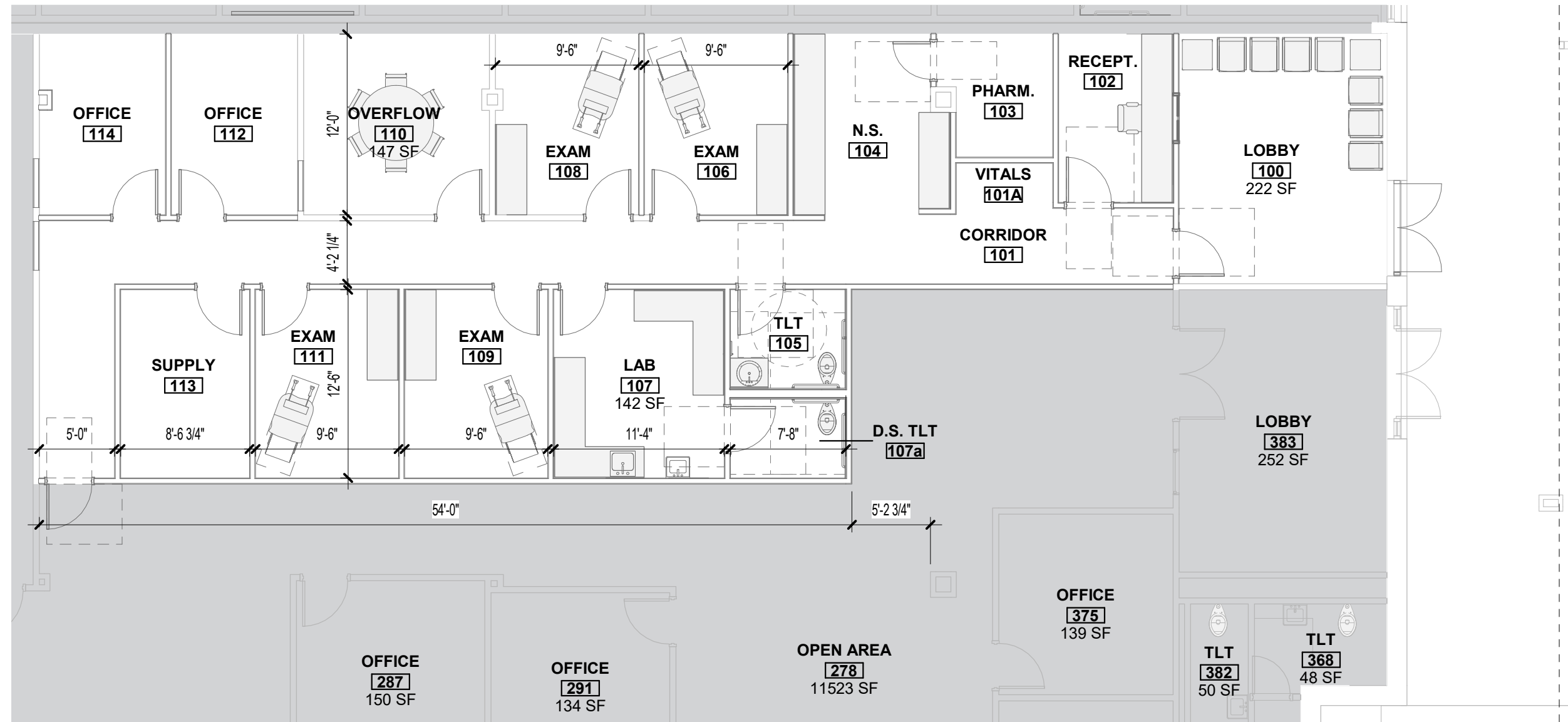
The advantages of having an employer onsite medical are:

1. **Reduced healthcare costs**
2. **Improved employee productivity**
3. **Increased employee retention and recruitment**
4. **Improved access to quality medical care especially for at-risk employees**
5. **Reduced annual biometric screening cost**

With an onsite clinic, there are many new and valuable programs that can be offered including:

- a. **Medical Advocacy Program** – clinic staff may act as medical advocates for our employees and their families in the medical system
- b. **Medical Concierge Service** – clinic staff may act as medical concierge to improve and expedite medical access
- c. **Preventative Screenings** – encourage and increased participation
- d. **On-site Pharmacy** – easy and convenient access to prescription drugs
- e. **Weight Management Program** – access to Registered Dietician and approved weight loss drug dispensing

It is estimated for every dollar invested in an employer onsite medical clinic, \$3 are returned in health and medical care savings.

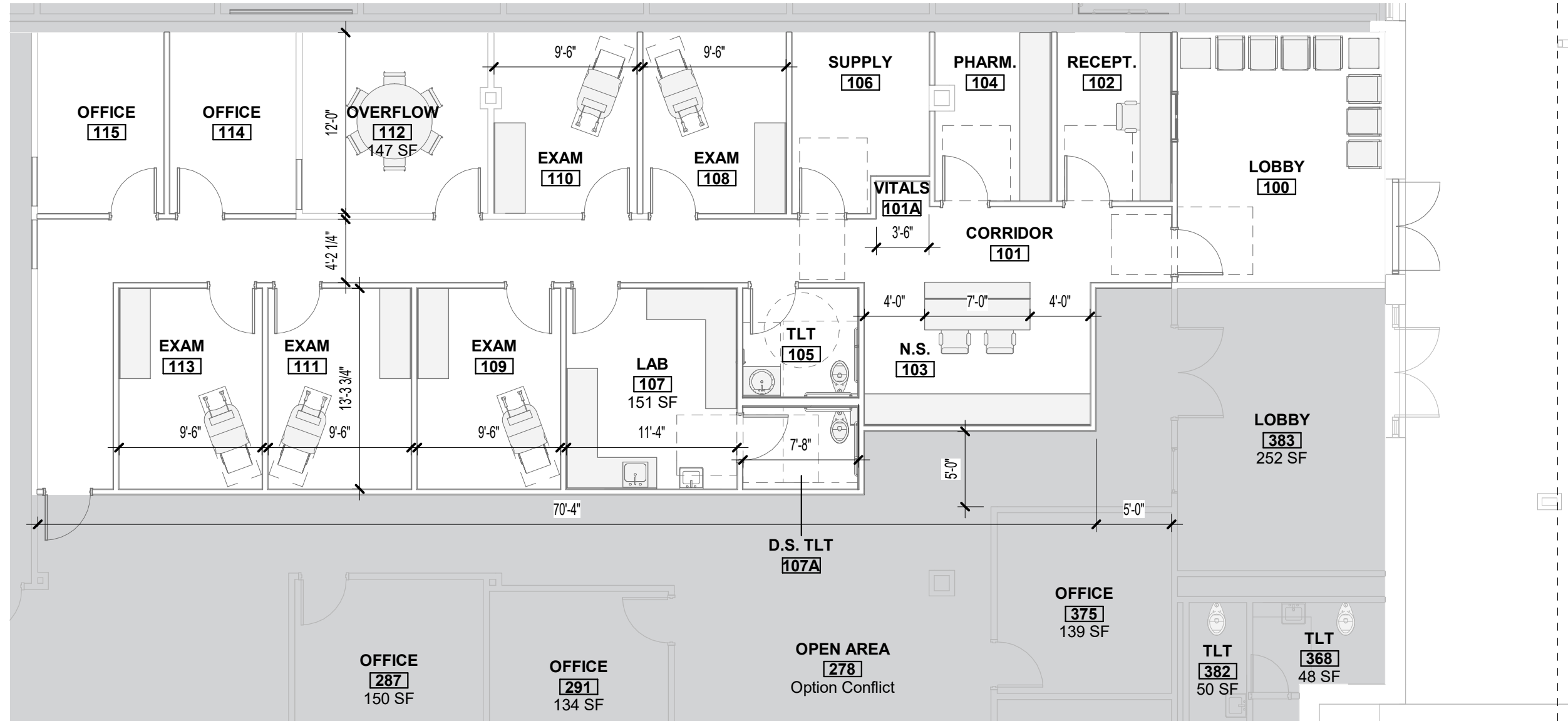


1	FLOOR PLAN
PR01	1/8" = 1'-0"

OPTION 1

RANDOLPH COUNTY NORTHGATE WELLNESS CENTER

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1	FLOOR PLAN
PR02	1/8" = 1'-0"

OPTION 2

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Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: R.J. Williamson- Director of Information Technology

cc: Hal Johnson, Will Massie

Date: 4/12/2023

Re: Additional Funding Needed for Software Renewal

Randolph County Government has a critical decision to make regarding our software agreement with the Microsoft Corporation, specifically for the Microsoft Office and Windows programs used by all county employees. The current contract expires in May of this year.

Historically, the county purchasing model for these programs has been a “per user” model in that we could purchase a license for each user, and this would work and be supported by Microsoft for an extended period (up to ten or more years with some versions). While Microsoft still offers this purchasing model, they are now regularly issuing end-of-life/end-of-support statements which effectively shortens the service life of these licenses. As is the current landscape across Information Technology, Microsoft is steering customers to a subscription-based model for these products.

Microsoft issued a statement on November 15, 2022, that support and email interoperability for its Office 2019 product would end on October 10, 2023. Because county departments frugally use computers and the related licenses for more than five years, Randolph County currently has nearly 700 users with this version of Microsoft Office. If we do not address this and update this software, email functionality for these users will end on October 10, 2023. Along with the loss of email, there will be no support or updates for this product which will cause other issues and network security concerns.

Remediating this issue under our current purchasing model would require the purchase and installation of 677 copies of MS Office 2021 (which is almost halfway through its stated support life), and potentially requiring immediate replacement of 457 older computers. This would be a huge implementation challenge for the IT department at our current staffing level. Supply chain issues would also be a factor as we may not be able to obtain that many computers in the next few months. The cost for this approach is \$203,100.00 for the MS Office licenses, and \$685,500.00 for the computers with an estimated total of \$888,600.00.

Three years ago, we entered into an agreement with Microsoft on the basic level of their Office 365 subscription product. We did this because our email servers needed to be replaced. The cloud hosted subscription model that Office 365 offered was the best decision. It was more cost effective, feature rich, and future proof versus buying, licensing, and administering on-premises servers.

Because of this we have an existing vehicle to easily transition our Office and Windows products from a basic level to an enterprise level. Transitioning to the enterprise level will entitle us to update our versions of Microsoft software on all county computers, correcting our present issue and preventing the county from being in this situation again. Additionally, enterprise level subscription customers receive long term support for the Windows operating system. This would allow us to continue use of our older computers. While we still need to replace these older computers, we would then have the time to do it over the next 2 to 3 years.

The I.T. Department already had funding in our FY23 budget to renew our existing basic Office 365 agreement. Upgrading from the basic level to the enterprise level will require an additional \$268,000.00.

I would like to request an additional \$268,000.00 be appropriated to the FY23 IT Budget to renew our Microsoft 365 subscription at an enterprise level in May of 2023.

I appreciate your consideration in helping to correct this issue. I am available for any questions or comments.

RJW

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – Information Technology

If the Board supports moving to a subscription-based solution for our Microsoft contract, please approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment #_____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Investment earnings	\$268,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Information Technology	\$268,000	

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 4/28/2023

Re: Budget Amendment – OneNC Grant for Project Superman

On February 6, the Board of County Commissioners held a joint public hearing with the City of Archdale for an economic development project called Project Superman. The company, Axium Packaging LLC also applied for a state OneNC grant, which would pass through the County. The Dept of Commerce has awarded \$365,000 to this project. The existing announced local incentive package will meet the required grant match.

Please a) accept the pass-through grant, b) authorize the Chairman to sign any related grant documentation and c) the approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment # _____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$365,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Economic and Physical Development	\$365,000	

Terms of One NC Grant

Local Government: County of Randolph

Project Company: Axiom Packaging LLC

Grant Amount: \$365,000

Project Description	Manufacturer of plastic containers and caps.
Facility Location	TBD
Grant Period	3 years beginning February 27, 2023
Grant End Date	February 27, 2026
Target New Jobs (goal)	118
Target New Investment (goal)	\$32,000,000
Required New Jobs (required for full grant)	106
Required New Investment (required for full grant)	\$28,800,000
Average weekly wage for all full-time jobs (Wage Standard)	\$828
Retained Jobs, if any	N/A
Closeout	The earlier of when performance is complete, or the Grant End Date

Other Requirements

- Health insurance for all fulltime jobs
- Use grant proceeds for installation or purchase of equipment; structural repairs, improvements, or renovations to existing buildings to be used for expansion; construction of or improvements to new or existing water, sewer, gas or electric utility distribution lines or equipment for existing buildings, or for new or proposed buildings to be used for manufacturing and industrial operations
- Must provide verification that Project has received all environmental permits
- The grant is subject to the requirement that the Local Government deliver to the Department of Commerce a copy of the agreement with the Company governing the local incentives to be provided for the Project.
- By no later than February 1 following the end of each year during the later of the end of the Grant Performance Period or the date on which the Local Government provides the final funds that would bring the local matching contribution to the level provided by the

Grant, the Company will submit a report to the DOC in the form of Exhibit B, documenting the Local Government contribution of eligible matching funds, through the just completed calendar year, and a copy of the Company's fourth calendar quarter performance, ending December 31. In addition, during the Grant Period, the Company shall provide a statement indicating whether the Company expects to have completed Performance Criteria sufficient to request a disbursement during the upcoming state fiscal year (July 1 through June 30).

Disbursement of Grant

4 installments equal to 25% of grant each, on demonstration of creation of:

- 25% of Target New Jobs;
- 50% of Target New Jobs
- 75% of Target New Jobs
- Required New Jobs and Required Investment

and evidence of making Statutorily Qualifying Expenditures, Environmental Permits, and Retained Jobs (if required, as set forth above).

Obligation to Repay Grant

- Failure to provide required health insurance
- Failure to achieve Wage Standard
- Ceasing project operations
- Failure to maintain jobs for the requisite time beyond Closeout (1-2 years depending on Closeout timing)

Adjustments to Grant at Closeout

- If Closeout occurs on the date three years from the date of the Grant award and the Company has failed to:
 - Create and retain Required New Jobs, or
 - Make statutorily qualifying expenses equal to 100% of the grant, or
 - Make the Required Investment

the amount of the Grant will be reduced on a pro rata basis to reflect the percentage by which the Company failed to meet its performance goals.

To the extent the amount of the reduced Grant is *less* than the amount that has been previously disbursed, the Company must reimburse DOC for the difference.

Obligations beyond Closeout

- If Closeout occurs more than one year prior to the Grant End Date, the Company must maintain **at least 90%** of the New Jobs in place at Closeout for **two years** after the date of Closeout.

- If Closeout occurs less than one year prior to the Grant End Date, the Company must maintain **at least 90%** of the New Jobs in place at Closeout until the date that is the one year anniversary of the Grant End Date.
- If the Company fails to maintain **at least 90%** of the number of New Jobs in place at Closeout for **the required time period**, the Company must reimburse DOC the entire amount of the Grant.

Statute and Guidelines Governing Grant

- N.C. Gen. Stat. 143B-437.70 *et seq.*
- Guidelines and Procedures for Commitment of Funds from the One North Carolina Fund.

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Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer

Date: May 1, 2023

Re: Historic Courthouse Elevator Addition and Renovation Bidding

At your Board meeting last month, I gave you an update on the Bidding of the Historic Courthouse Elevator addition. Since that time, our architects, Hobbs Architects, has been working with Sampson Construction, who was the low bidder, to try to negotiate an acceptable cost. The proposed negotiated cost for only the elevator addition was \$2,575,712.40. In my opinion, this cost seems rather high for such a reduced scale project. I recommend that the project be rebid and that the prequalification requirement be dropped now that it is a much simpler scope.

I will be available at your May meeting to answer questions.

Thank you.



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MEMORANDUM

To: Randolph County Commissioners

From: Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer & William Johnson, Assistant County Manager

Date: May 1, 2023

Subject: Request for Qualifications - Infrastructure Projects

On December 14, 2022 Randolph County's Water and Sewer Master Plan (The Plan) was completed. The Plan showed extensive future utility needs in the eastern and northeastern segments of Randolph County due to both industrial and residential growth. With the announcement of the Toyota Battery Facility, other industrial sites in Randolph County began to see more activity followed by an increase in residential development activity. The Plan looked at typical historical population growth as well as industrial data throughout the state to estimate population growth directly related to newly created jobs. By 2040 Randolph County expects an increase in population of over 16,000.

It is the desire of staff to publish a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) inviting interested engineering firms to submit Statements of Qualifications to provide professional services primarily for projects identified by The Plan. It is the intent of staff to form a selection committee to review the submitted Statements of Qualifications. The Committee will review each qualification submittal and rank the submittal based on the criteria requirements specified within the RFQ.

Staff would like to thank the Board of Commissioners for considering this request and your continuous work to improve the lives of Randolph County Citizens.