

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA

6:00 P.M. – January 3, 2023

Historic Courthouse – 145 Worth Street, Asheboro NC

- I. Call to Order – *Chairman Frye***
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Special Recognitions**
 - A. Lindale Thomas Retires from Public Buildings with 33 Years of Service
 - B. Cathy Wall Retires from Public Health with 28 Years of Service
 - C. Captain Mickey Beal Retires from the Sheriff's Office with 25 Years of Service
 - D. Special Recognition
- 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 December 5, 2022 and Special Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2022 and December 13, 2022
 - B. Approve Budget Amendment – Public Health (\$23,278)
 - C. Approve Resolution for Year of the Trails
 - D. Approve Budget Amendment – Public Library (\$5,000)
 - E. Approve Budget Amendment – TDA (\$15,000)
 - F. Approve Budget Amendment – TDA (\$34,284)
 - G. Approve Budget Amendment – EMS (\$10,000)
 - H. Approve Budget Amendment – Public Health (\$1,979)
 - I. Approve Red Oak Special Revenue Fund
 - J. Appoint Justin Brubaker as Deputy Finance Officer, Set his Bond at \$500,000, and Authorize his Signature for all County Bank Accounts
 - K. Approve the County's Petition to Remain Substantially Equivalent, as Requested by the Office of State Human Resources
- VI. New Business**
 - A. Presentation of Annual Audit Report – *April Adams, Partner, Cherry Bekaert LLC*
 - B. Business Gym Update – *Linda Brown, Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce President*
 - 1. Consider Request (\$50,000)
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
 - C. Tourism Development Authority (TDA) Annual Update – *Amber Scarlett, TDA Executive Director*
 - D. Randolph Heritage Conservancy, Inc. Request - *Mac Whatley, President*
 - 1. Consider Request (\$152,265)
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment

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- E. Trinity Museum Request – *Fran Andrews, Trinity Historic Society President/Chairman Darrell Frye*
 - 1. Consider Funding Repairs for the Trinity Museum (\$25,000)
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
- F. Consider Request for Sheriff's Office Vehicles – *Sheriff Greg Seabolt*
- G. County Growth Management Plan - *Hal Johnson, County Manager*
 - 1. Consider Contract with Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC)
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment
- H. Departmental Positions/Reclassification Request – *Hal Johnson, County Manager*
 - 1. Consider Position Requests and Reclassifications
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment (\$355,307)
- I. Consider Duke Endowment Grant Subcontract – *Tara Aker, Public Health Director*
- J. I-74 Sewer Line Grants – *Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer*
 - 1. Consider Transfer to I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Project
 - 2. Consider Grants from NC Commerce and Golden Leaf and Associated Budget Amendment
- K. Consider Sheriff's Office Parking Lot Paving – *Paxton Arthurs, County Engineer*
- L. Consider Budget Amendment for Building Inspections – *Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer*
- M. Building Reuse Grant Matters – *Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer*
 - 1. Consider Accepting Grants for Kraftsman Trailers and Mid-State Trailers
 - 2. Consider Associated Budget Amendment (\$240,000)
- N. County Manager's Update
- O. Commissioner's Updates

Upcoming Board Term Expirations

March

Randolph County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee-Sancia Coble;

Randolph County Board of Equalization and Review-Kent Elliott

April

Randolph County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee-Suzanne West

Randolph County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council-Alvin Battle

Reverend Barry Wall from Amity Hills Baptist Church will give the invocation.

Lindale Thomas Retires from Public Buildings

Lindale Thomas retired on November 30 from Public Buildings after 33 years of service. Lindale started in August 1989 as a Housekeeper and was later promoted to Housekeeper Forman in April 2007. Lindale has seen many changes during his service with the County. He has not only watched, but been a part of the County's growth through out the years.

Lindale currently lives with his wife Mary of 23 years in Asheboro NC. He has been blessed with several children and grandchildren. He enjoys spending time at Myrtle Beach and spending time with his grandchildren.

Lindale has been an indispensable member of our department and an invaluable asset to the county. While he will be dearly missed by all of us in Maintenance, he certainly deserves his retirement. Filling his shoes will be an almost impossible task. After retiring, Lindale and his wife hope to be able to take a cruise and to enjoy life by doing the things he loves as often as he can with the people he loves, his family and friends.

Thank you for your hard work Lindale, we wish you the best of luck!

Cathy Wall Retires

CATHY WALL will be retiring on December 31st with over 28 years of service at Randolph County Public Health.

She began her career with Randolph County Public Health in May, 1994 as a Processing Assistant in the WIC (Women's, Infant & Children) for 12 years. In 2006, Cathy moved into the Vital Records Deputy Registrar position in Public Health Administration.

CATHY is one of a kind. Her public health team members describe her as kind to everyone she encounters, always offering an encouraging word, she's positive, trustworthy, humble, genuine, outgoing, always has a smile, goes the extra mile to assist clients, and loyal. She's just genuinely an overall good person. And to know her is to love her.

CATHY has considered it a blessing to have worked in a job that she enjoyed going to daily and with coworkers that are like family. Cathy said, "I will never forget this God given opportunity to work in Public Health and to serve this community alongside the most wonderful and special people." In retirement, Cathy looks forward to spending time with family, attending grandchildren's activities/ballgames, and serving the Lord!

Please join us in Congratulating **CATHY WALL** on her retirement!



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Captain Mickey Beal



Congratulations to Captain MICKEY BEAL on his retirement December 30, 2022, with 25 years of public service with the Randolph County Sheriff's Office.

Capt. BEAL began his law enforcement career on October 16, 1997, as a Deputy Sheriff in the Civil Process Division. On October 16, 1999, he was assigned as a Child Support Enforcement Officer in the same division.

On August 1, 2004, BEAL was transferred to the Community Crimes Task Force and while there, he moved up through the ranks being promoted to Senior Patrol on February 16, 2007; Corporal on February 1, 2010; Sergeant on August 1, 2010, and Lieutenant on November 1, 2011.

Since then, BEAL was promoted to the rank of Captain on October 1, 2020, and assigned to oversee the Civil Process Division, where he first started his law enforcement career.

His strong work ethic, fearless attitude and daily professionalism has made him a role model to so many.

His retirement plans include spending more time with family. He said he will also have more free time for hunting in Ohio. Captain BEAL is the definition of a true leader with Christian values. Our thanks to him for the many years of service and dedication to the citizens of Randolph County. He will be greatly missed by his law enforcement family. We wish him the best of luck for a long and happy retirement.

December 5, 2022

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the 1909 Randolph County Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, 145 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC which rescheduled the regular meeting of December 6, 2021. 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, Deputy Clerk to the Board Sarah Pack, and Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco. Chaplain Bill Hatfield 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.

Administration of Oaths of Office

Oaths of Office were administered by The Honorable James (Jimmy) Hill to Commissioners David Allen, Darrell Frye, and Hope Haywood, and Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors William T. Alston, Carrie Guess-Slatosky, and Brian Ward.

Reorganization of the Board

On motion of McDowell, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 4-1 with Haywood opposing to elect Darrell Frye as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

On motion of Frye, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0 to elect David Allen as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Ben Morgan as the County Attorney.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Allen, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Dana Crisco as Clerk to the Board.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Sarah Pack as Deputy Clerk to the Board.

On motion of Allen, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to approve all Commissioner appointments as follows:

- *Hope Haywood Representative to the Board of Health;*
- *Maxton McDowell as Representative to the Social Services Board;*
- *Kenny Kidd as Representative to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council;*
- *Darrell Frye as Transportation Advisory Committee Representative to the High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization (HPMPO);*
- *Maxton McDowell as Alternate Transportation Advisory Committee Representative to the High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization (HPMPO);*
- *Maxton McDowell as Transportation Advisory Committee Representative to the Piedmont Triad Rural Planning Organization (RPO);*

- *Hope Haywood as Alternate Transportation Advisory Committee Representative to the Piedmont Triad Rural Planning Organization (RPO);*
- *Darrell Frye as Delegate to the Piedmont Triad Regional Council;*
- *Darrell Frye as Representative to the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation;*
- *Kenny Kidd as Tourism Development Authority Liaison;*
- *David Allen as Representative to Sandhills County Commissioner Advisory Board;*
- *Hope Haywood as Corporate-Municipalities Wellness Coalition and Healthy Communities Liaison;*
- *David Allen as Voluntary Agriculture District Board Liaison;*
- *David Allen as Piedmont Triad Regional Development Corporation (PTRDC) Liaison;*
- *Darrell Frye as the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners to the Regional Partnership Local Workforce Development Area Consortium Chief Elected Official Board;*
- *David Allen as Liaison to the Animal Services Advisory Board.*

Public Comment Period

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 153A-52.1, Chairman Frye opened the floor for public comment and closed it after fifteen minutes.

Alan Pugh, 919 Parkview St., Asheboro, NC, spoke of opening the Public Library on Sundays.

Tim Saunders, 1402 E. Allred St., Asheboro, NC, said his mother was a Librarian and he agreed that the Library should open on Sundays. He praised the employees of the Elections department. He also stated that there was a need for poll workers. Lastly, he asked for members of different parties need to talk to each other.

Lester Rivenbark, 2771 Danny Bell Rd., Asheboro, NC, proposes that the Board take a stand on removing drugs, especially marijuana.

DeAnna Hurley-Chamberlain, 8445 New Hope Rd., Denton, thanked the Board for the allocation from Senator Dave Craven. The tax distribution is not enough to sustain the operation of New Hope Volunteer Fire department.

Tammie Coley, 2619 Mountain Lake Rd., Asheboro, spoke in favor of moving the Confederate Statue. She brought a Resolution from the Methodist Church that stated such.

Kenny Ramsey, 840 Murraytown Rd., Burgaw, is the North Carolina Division Lieutenant of the Sons of the Confederate Veterans. He commended the Board on the quick reaction to cleaning the statue.

Charlie P. Lyons, 1729 Shepherd's Way, Asheboro, of First United Methodist Church, is wanting the Confederate Monument moved. He started to read a resolution (Attachment A) from the church.

Ann Hoover, Ann Ct., Asheboro, read the remainder of the resolution started by Mr. Lyons.

Eli Harman, 822 Highridge St., Asheboro, was opposed to moving the Confederate Statue. He stated that Randolph County has become more conservative since 2016.

Consent Agenda

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

- approve Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2022, and Closed Session Minutes of November 7, 2022;
- approve Budget Amendment – TDA #6 (\$150,000), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #40		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$150,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Marketing	\$150,000	

- appoint Joanne N. Scott as a Deputy Finance Officer for the Jail Commissary;
- approve Surety Bonds for Elected and Appointed Officials: Finance Officer Will Massie (\$500,000); Deputy Finance Officer TBD (\$500,000); Tax Collector Debra Hill (\$300,000); Deputy Tax Collectors: Sallie Cheek (\$200,000), Sharon McMasters (\$200,000); Deputy Finance Officers for Jail Commissary: Phillip R. Cheek (\$10,000), Joanne N. Scott (\$50,000), Phyllis Calloway (\$10,000) and Velvet Davis (\$10,000); Sheriff Greg Seabolt (\$25,000); Register of Deeds Krista Lowe (\$50,000);
- approve Budget Amendment for Public Library (\$16,146), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #41		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$16,146	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Public Library	\$16,146	

- approve Budget Amendment for Insurance Reimbursement (\$127,039), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #42		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Miscellaneous	\$127,039	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Public Buildings	\$13,578	
Information Technology	\$45,242	
Emergency Services	\$68,219	

- appoint Karen Long and James Bittle and reappoint Julia Bowman, Jamie Brown, Bryan Davis, Donovan Davis, and Christie McCorquodale to the Randolph County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC);

- appoint Michael McKenzie to the Randolph County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council;
- approve Budget Amendment – Juvenile Day Reporting (\$42,100), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #43		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$37,100	
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$5,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Juvenile Day Reporting Center	\$42,100	

- approve Budget Amendment – Sheriff (\$22,198), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #45		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Fund Balance Appropriated	\$22,198	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Sheriff	\$22,198	

- approve Budget Amendment – Sheriff (\$38,064), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #46		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Fund Balance Appropriated	\$38,064	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Sheriff	\$38,064	

- approve Budget Amendment – Juvenile Day Reporting Center (\$246,400), as follows:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #47		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Public Library	\$	

- reappoint John Cable to the Randolph County Planning Board.

Public Health Dental Services Update

Public Health Director Tara Aker said for several years, recruitment and retention of a full-time dentist has been a challenge for our department. To remedy this issue, Randolph County Public Health and Kintegra Family Dentistry (KFD) have entered into a discussion regarding a partnership that will create a sustainable option for consistent dental services. Ms. Aker introduced Dr. William Donigan, Chief Dental Officer with KFD, gave an update of plans for the future of dental services at Randolph County Public Health. He mentioned some other counties in North Carolina that use their services. Randolph County will be their 11th county that they serve.

Kintegra will support the uninsured and underinsured citizens of Randolph County. Kintegra has brick and mortar sites as well as mobile units.

Commissioner Haywood stated how important this serve will be. Children with healthy teeth and gums do better in school.

Chairman Frye asked if the employees would be County employees or Kintegra employees. Dr. Donigan stated that they would be Kintegra employees.

Commissioner Kidd asked how the process at schools worked. Dr. Donigan stated that the children are already picked out by the school nurse and consent forms must be completed by the parents before they will be seen.

Historic Courthouse Museum Plan Update

County Engineer Paxton Arthurs said the design of proposed renovations to the Historic Courthouse is in its final stages. This project includes:

- An elevator addition to the building to comply with ADA requirements.
- Removal of the existing elevator and fire safety upgrades to the stairway exits.
- Electrical and mechanical system upgrades.
- Provisions for drainage and waterproofing in the basement.
- Upgrades to the first floor for a future museum and exhibit space.

Mr. Arthurs introduced Chevon Moore with Hobbs Architects. She presented the details of the final design along with an updated budget estimate and schedule timeline. If agreeable, it is asked that the Board authorize this project to be advertised for bidding.

Chairman Frye asked where the handicapped parking would be. Ms. Moore said that it would be in the back of the building.

Additionally, potential bidders will be prequalified to ensure the best outcome for the County. State law requires that the Board approve of the grading matrix used to prequalify bidders. A template from the State that we plan to use was included in the agenda packet. If agreeable, please approve of this document for use in the selection process.

Chairman Frye asked if the additions were necessary. Ms. Moore said that these additions are critical.

Vice Chairman Allen inquired if the building could be used during construction. Ms. Moore said once the stairs in the rear of the building are demolished, the building cannot be inhabited until there is a compliant egress in place.

Vice Chairman Allen asked about the air conditioning units. Ms. Moore said that three options are required for a public building.

On motion of Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 4-1 with Kidd opposing to 1) authorize the Historic Courthouse Museum project be advertised for bids and 2) approve the prequalifying document for use in the selection process.

Public Hearings and Resolutions for Fire Tax Districts

Associate County Attorney Aimee Scotton said many of the current fire protection tax districts have a fifteen-cent cap on the tax rate. At the October meeting, the Board officially considered moving forward to abolish the current capped county service districts for fire protection for Bennett Fire Department, Seagrove Fire Department, Southwest Fire Department, and Ulah Fire Department and replacing them with districts that do not have that limitation on taxation. The proposed new service districts contain the same properties currently 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 the 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 December 5, 2022. Notice of those public hearings was mailed and published in accordance with statutory requirements.

At this meeting, four public hearings will be held. At the close of these hearings, if the Board finds that the current district is insufficient to provide the required protection and 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.

At 8:20 p.m., Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearings and closed them when everyone had the opportunity to speak.

Bennett Fire Protection District

No one spoke.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Bennett 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 December 5, 2022 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 Bennett 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 Bennett 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.

Seagrove Fire Protection District

No one spoke.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Seagrove 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 December 5, 2022 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 Seagrove 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 Seagrove 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.

Southwest Fire Protection District

No one spoke.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Southwest 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 December 5, 2022 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 Southwest 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 Southwest 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.

Ulah Fire Protection District

No one spoke.

Chairman Frye closed the public hearings at 8:22 p.m.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Ulah 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 December 5, 2022 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 Ulah 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 Ulah 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.

Mid-State Trailers Economic Development Project

Crystal Gettys, Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Business Recruitment Director, said Mid-State Trailers was recently acquired back in the spring by ITZ NC Inc. who will continue to do business as Mid-State Trailers. ITZ Inc. owns the operating assets while BWR NC LLC will own the real estate, both companies are owned by Thomas Disch. Denton is the company's first location in NC for ITZ, Inc. who took over the manufacturing of the trailers from Mid-State and will be adding their HandiRamp line to their production. HandiRamp manufactures handicap ramps as well as industrial material ramps which will require adding approximately 26,000 SF to their current facility in Denton to accommodate the increased demand for both their handicap ramps and their wide range of material handling ramps.

HandiRamp has been headquartered in Kenosha, Wisconsin, since 1958. HandiRamp manufactures industrial ramp products, cargo van ramps, pet ramps, yard ramps, accessibility products and home and safety products. The company also created a non-profit organization called the HandiRamp Foundation that works to provide funding to assist qualified candidates in their purchase of accessibility equipment.

The company anticipates investing \$527,829 in real property and will be creating 19 new jobs paying an average wage of \$46,967. The company is seeking a building use grant in the amount of \$100,000, there is no anticipated match for Randolph County however, the company's investment will certainly cover the traditional 5% match.

The EDC believes that ITZ NC Inc. dba Mid-State Trailers is an exceptional economic development project for the County by generating significant investment in a building addition and upgrades, increasing the value of the property, and result in the creation of 19 quality new jobs. The EDC requests that the County approve the Resolution supporting the Building Reuse Grant for Mid-State Trailers.

Commissioner McDowell commented that it would be an important development for the County.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked if a Deed of Trust or something like it would be drafted. Ms. Gettys said that

At 8:29 p.m., Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing and closed it after no one wished to speak.

On motion of McDowell, seconded by Kidd, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Resolution Authorizing the County of Randolph to Apply for a Building Reuse Grant for the Mid-State Trailers Economic Development Project, as follows:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF RANDOLPH TO APPLY
FOR A BUILDING REUSE GRANT FOR THE MID STATE TRAILERS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

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 has authorized funds to be used for stimulating economic development and job creation; and

WHEREAS, Mid State Trailers, located in Denton, Randolph County, was recently acquired by ITZ, NC, but is continuing to be operated as Mid State Trailers; and

WHEREAS, ITZ, NC owns the operating assets of Mid State Trailers, while the real property it occupies is owned by BWR NC LLC, and both entities are owned by Thomas R. Disch (Mid State Trailers, ITZ NC, BWR NC LLC and Thomas R. Disch hereinafter referred to collectively as "Company"); and

WHEREAS, the Company has stated its commitment to invest five hundred twenty-seven thousand eight hundred twenty-nine dollars (\$527,829.00), in real property, adding approximately twenty-six thousand (26,000) square feet to its current facility in Denton, Randolph County, in order to add the manufacture of handicap ramps and industrial material ramps to its production line; and

WHEREAS, the Company has further stated its commitment to create nineteen (19) new full-time jobs with an average annual salary of forty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars (\$46,967.00) in Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, the County of Randolph has been asked to file an application with the North Carolina Department of Commerce for a Building Reuse Grant on behalf of the Company; and

WHEREAS, said Grant is structured as a forgivable loan to be administered by the County; and

WHEREAS, in the event that the Company does not meet the requirements of the Grant, the County is responsible for ensuring that Grant funds are repaid; and

WHEREAS, the Company has agreed to secure the Grant funds through granting a deed of trust or similar financial instrument to the County; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the Grant that the Company is eligible for is up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County has held a public hearing to consider whether to participate in this project by applying for the grant and administering the grant if awarded; and

WHEREAS, upon the completion by the Company of this expansion project, the Company will have expended five hundred twenty-seven thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine dollars (\$527,829.00), in real property investment, and will have created a minimum of nineteen (19) new full-time jobs with an average annual salary of forty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars (\$46,967.00) in Randolph 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 number of jobs in the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County, this 5th day of December 2022, as follows:

The County is authorized to apply for a North Carolina Building Reuse Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce for the Mid State Trailers expansion project as detailed herein.

Consideration of Adoption of Orders Concerning 2023 Reappraisal

Debra Hill, Tax Administrator, said the final step in the process leading up to the 2023 Reappraisal is the adoption of the Orders adopting the true value and present use schedules, standards and rules, pursuant to NCGS 105-317. These documents were presented to the Board on October 3, 2022 and all required notices have been published, and the public hearing was held at the Board's November 7, 2022 meeting.

Following adoption of the Orders, a notice will be published, as prescribed by NCGS 105-317, on December 7, 14, 21, and 28, stating that the Orders were duly adopted and are available for public inspection in the Office of the County's Assessor. The notice will also state that any property owner who asserts that these schedules, standards and rules are invalid may appeal them to the North Carolina Property Tax Commission within 30 days from December 7, 2022.

Ms. Hill requested the Board adopt An Order Concerning the Present Use Schedule of Values, Standards and Rules to be used in appraising Real Property at its True Value for the January 1, 2023 Reappraisal, and An Order Concerning the Market Value Schedule of Values, Standards and Rules to be used in appraising Real Property at its Market Value for the January 1, 2023 Reappraisal. The schedule has been available for public viewing since October 2022.

Vice Chairman Allen is on the Present-Use Value Advisory Board. The Board met in the spring of 2022 to plan for the 2023 year and adjust the process to determine present use value.

Chairman Frye asked if properties still had to produce a minimum level of income in order to qualify for present use. Ms. Hill said the amount works out to \$100 gross profit per acre for open agricultural land. The profit must be obtained from production directly from the property. Ten acres is the minimum.

On motion of Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0 to approve an Order Concerning the Present Use Schedule of Values, Standards and Rules to be used in appraising Real Property at its Present Use Value for the January 1, 2023 Revaluation.

On motion of Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0 to approve an Order Concerning the True (Market) Value Schedule of Values, Standards and Rules to be used in appraising Real Property at its True (Market) Value for the January 1, 2023 Revaluation.

Opioid Update

Jennifer Layton, Assistant Health Director, gave an update on progress in preparing the funding application package regarding opioid settlement funds. This process began in July with the following goals in mind:

- Ensure use of evidence-based programs & resources to address substance use disorders, specifically opioid use disorder.
- Build infrastructure to measure the impact of programs.
- Strengthen community partnerships to improve access to care related to substance use disorders.

In October 2022, the NC Association of County Commissioners assigned a staff member to assist us in the preparation & implementation of the funding package. Leia Gearhart has a Master's degree in public affairs and brings experience in developing and implementing large funding packages for local government. She has assisted in streamlining language and document flow, alignment with NC Memorandum of Agreement and legislation, and assuring all County reporting requirements are included. As a result, the document is nearing completion. Additionally, Leia has met with Randolph County's attorney, finance director, contracts/purchasing agent, and IT to assure all County policies/auditing requirements are considered in this process.

Per general statute, a records retention of five (5) years of all opioid settlement related documents is required. Leia and I have met with IT to develop a system to retain all required documents for the 18-year span of settlement fund dispersal (applications, grantee reports, data collection, etc.).

Ms. Gearhart spoke of the changes made for the reporting of the Opioid Settlement Funding.

An appointed Executive Committee will evaluate funding applications. The Executive Committee will use a standardized scoring matrix for reviewing applications. Using a scoring matrix will ensure a fair and transparent process of evaluating proposals. Through careful review of each proposal for alignment with NC Opioid Settlement MOA strategies and requirements, the committee will make recommendations to the Board for consideration of funding.

Chairman Frye asked if Commissioner Allen would be serving on this Committee. He also stated that Ms. Gearhart could act as staff during this project.

County Manager Hal Johnson explained how difficult the rules are to report on this money.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Allen, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the formation of the Executive Committee of Opioid Settlement Funding and appoint the JDRC Director, DSS Director, RCEM Chief, ADRC Director, a Sandhills Center representative, a Sheriff's Office representative, the Assistant Health Director, and the Health Director as voting members and the County Manager as an Ex Officio member.

Veterans Services Update

Veterans Services Director Elizabeth Wood said Randolph County Veteran Services is working on a new project for homeless and at-risk veterans. After collaborating with Krista Lowe, this new program will be operated out of the old Veteran Services Office through donations and volunteers. The previous office is getting cleaned out and ready to stock. These donated supplies will be everyday items that Veterans in need can use such as nonperishable food, cleaning and hygiene products, and miscellaneous items. It is a hope to use this as a Resource Center so that Veterans may find and use other local resources in their time of need. There are a number of local organizations and people extend offers to help with his mission. It is the hope to have this space opened up sometime in January and would like to thank all of those who have supported this program.

County Manager Hal Johnson asked about the number of Veterans in Randolph County. Ms. Wood said there are approximately 8,500 veterans in Randolph County, and during the COVID-19 pandemic approximately 15,000 additional veterans from surrounding counties were served in Randolph County.

Chairman Frye asked if there were issues with veteran suicide in Randolph County. Ms. Wood said there are always issues with suicide when it comes to our veterans. Recently, several veterans in the county were admitted to an inpatient treatment center for suicide prevention treatment.

Set Planning Retreat

On motion of Kidd, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0 to set the Planning Retreat for February 23, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A in the Randolph County Office Building.

County Manager's Update

County Manager Hal Johnson had no updates.

Commissioners Updates

Vice-Chairman Allen thanked Mayor AC Hurley from Franklinville for attending the meeting.

Chairman Frye asked how the Franklinville Library was opened on Sunday. Public Library Director Ross Holt said that it had always been that way.

Adjourn

At 8:58 p.m. on motion of Allen, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Darrell Frye, Chairman

David Allen

Kenny Kidd

Maxton McDowell

Hope Haywood

Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

RESOLUTION

Whereas, in the City of Asheboro, on public property owned by the County of Randolph, in a prominent location on the grounds of the Randolph County courthouse property, a statue of a Confederate soldier was erected in 1909, dedicated to "our Confederate heroes" in 1911, and still, in 2022, stands as a monument to the Confederacy; and

Whereas, on September 8, 2022, the Asheboro City Council passed a resolution to relocate the statue from its location on the grounds of the Randolph County courthouse property to some other respectable location; and

Whereas, the Randolph County Chapter of the NAACP has brought it to the attention of the County Commissioners that Randolph County should be known as an inclusive community; that the NAACP is not interested in destroying the monument, but that the monument should not stay where it is; and

Whereas, remembering the words of the prophet Micah, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"; and

Whereas, as members of the United Methodist Church, we are called on as congregations for deep reflective prayer and repentance, to seek equity, racial healing and understanding, and to love one another; and

Whereas, monuments dedicated to "Confederate heroes" are, to a significant number of Randolph County citizens, offensive and painful reminders of the legacy of racism, slavery, and racial inequality in our country; and

Whereas, our country continues to struggle with the lingering effects of racism, slavery and racial inequality, and we affirm that it is time for the statue to be relocated from the public square; and

Whereas, we grant that our own Methodist tradition had its struggles with slavery and racism, dividing over the issue of slavery in 1840; our own history includes actively and passively tolerating, if not honoring, Confederate monuments; we acknowledge that we must clearly and unapologetically proclaim the Gospel message that Christ has opened the church to people of all ages, nations, and races; and, as Christians, we must always resist in the strongest terms all present and historical wrongs and any symbol which glorifies them; and

Whereas, we desire pathways to peace and believe as United Methodist Christians that the time has come to relocate this statue in order to resolve this issue and promote community healing.

NOW, THEREFORE, to accomplish these goals, it is RESOLVED as follows:

That we support the resolution passed by the Asheboro City Council on September 8, 2022, and we ask that the elected Commissioners of Randolph County create a committee to investigate the options which the county has to find a place where the statue of the Confederate soldier, the monument, and pedestal upon which it stands as presently located on the grounds of the Randolph County courthouse property can be relocated; and

That a date be set for the committee to present its report to the Commissioners; and

That, after receiving the report, the Commissioners take action to relocate the statue and monument so that it will be moved to some other respectable location such as private property rather than public property or placed in an appropriate cemetery, museum or park and displayed in a historical context along with other monuments to Randolph County citizens; and

That appropriate action be taken by the Randolph County Commissioners to carry out these goals as expeditiously as is reasonable.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. reminded us that "the arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice." There are times when we are called upon to make the arc swerve. This is one of those times.

This the 25th day of October, 2022.

First United Methodist Church Asheboro, North Carolina

Special Meeting December 12, 2022 – 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, County Attorney Ben Morgan, Deputy Clerk to the Board Sarah Pack, and Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco.

Appeal #1

Mike and Darlene Grochowski, High Point, NC, have requested an appeal for the decision made by the Randolph County Planning Board to deny a rezoning on 0.92 acres out of 6.59 acres at 4663 Peaceful Ln, Trinity Township, Lake Reese Balance Watershed, Tax ID #7715697844, Primary Growth Area, from RA - Residential Agricultural District to HC-CD - Highway Commercial - Conditional District. The Conditional Zoning District requested was to allow a contractor's storage yard as per the site plan.

Hal Johnson, County Manager, presented the request of Mike and Darlene Grochowski and reviewed the site plan, photographs of the location, and related maps.

Chairman Frye asked Mr. Johnson to point out the 0.92 acres that are requested to be rezoned on a map that was displayed.

Public Hearing

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing at 6:05 p.m.

Darlene Grochowski, 3814 Pineview Avenue, High Point, said there was an issue with the road to the site. She has a small concrete company. A driveway contractor was consulted and suggested grading to address drainage problems on the road to the site. There did not appear to be issues with the traffic traveling up and down the driveway. The neighbors have made complaints. She suggested installing a privacy fence around the storage area. She has consulted an attorney regarding road rights. The neighbors who use the driveway have complained about things falling off of the trucks.

Chairman Frye asked what would be put on the property. Ms. Grochowski said a metal building and a fence would be added.

Chairman Frye asked how many employees they have. Ms. Grochowski stated there were ten.

Mr. Johnson asked what the normal operating hours of the business are and Ms. Grochowski said the hours vary because the company is part of the construction industry.

Mr. Johnson asked how long she has owned the property and she said since 2019.

Mr. Johnson asked if there were any permits obtained to operate on the property and Ms. Grochowski said no.

Ms. Grochowski gave a packet of information to the Board for review (Attachment A).

Commissioner Kidd asked Ms. Grochowski to point out the location of the business on a map.

Vice-Chairman Allen clarified that the site was at the end of the driveway.

Chairman Frye asked how much traffic the site sees daily. Ms. Grochowski said it varies. Recently, trucks came to the site nine times in two weeks.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked who is responsible for maintaining the road. Ms. Grochowski said she has been maintaining the road. At one time there was a road maintenance agreement with the neighbors.

Chairman Frye asked what has been done to maintain the road. Ms. Grochowski said the company has a skid steer and will grade and fill the driveway as needed.

Commissioner McDowell asked Ms. Grochowski to describe the intent for the site. Ms. Grochowski explained what the site looks like at current, and how it will look if the rezoning is approved.

Chairman Frye asked what kind of contractors come to the site. Ms. Grochowski said the company is a subcontractor so they work with a variety of contractors. Sometimes the site can get a bit messy and a privacy fence would hide some of the mess.

Commissioner McDowell asked why the Planning Board denied the request. Mr. Johnson said the area is primarily a residential community. It was brought to the attention of the Planning Board due to noise complaints. After a visit, it was found that no permits had been issued for this type of work.

Commissioner Kidd asked for clarification regarding who owns the driveway, Peaceful Lane. Mr. Morgan said there is a road maintenance agreement. Ms. Grochowski said three properties are accessed via the driveway.

Chairman Frye asked if there was an easement. Ms. Grochowski said there is no easement on her side of the road, but there is for the neighbors. She said that the company owns the driveway.

Clifton Gum, 4661 Peaceful Lane, Trinity, gave a packet of information to the Board (Attachment B). He lives on Peaceful Lane. Employees are constantly working at the site which is disruptive to his home. This work occurs early in the morning and late at night and can be loud. The driveway has been affected to the point that it needed additional gravel. His home is located very close to the driveway. He has experienced flat tires from items falling off of the trucks. There are many different vehicles coming in and out, which leads him to believe there is a safety hazard. Employees and others have interrupted his daily life by knocking on his door or approaching his family. An employee at the site threatened to shoot Mr. Gum's dog. After complaining about the issues, they were not addressed and he feels that he is not respected as a neighbor. This site has

become a large burden to Mr. Gum's family. There have been wrecks in the driveway, blocking him and his family in so they could not get to the main road.

Commissioner McDowell asked how far Mr. Gum's house is off of the driveway. Mr. Gum said approximately two feet.

Commissioner Kidd asked if there was an easement. Mr. Gum said the driveway has existed for thirty years. There is a maintenance agreement and it is his understanding that it is a shared easement. He does not feel that he should be responsible for the maintenance needed due to use by heavy truck traffic.

Robert Winfrey, 4532 Millers Mill Road, Trinity, said he lives adjacent to the driveway to the site. The surrounding area is residential and farmland. He is concerned that if the rezoning was approved, others may want land in the area to be rezoned similarly. The traffic is loud. He has worked to improve the driveway in the past, long before the heavy trucks were there. He would prefer for things to remain how they are to prevent a snowball effect.

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Frye closed the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

Discussion

Mr. Morgan asked the Board to refer to policies when making a motion.

Commissioner Haywood said there are ten employees at this site. She would hate for them to not have a job, but had the business come to the Planning Board before beginning, there would have been a better understanding of what is required. She is aware that roads have been an issue and it can be frustrating for neighbors to repair roads that are then messed up by heavy equipment. It's difficult for the County to address situations when companies begin in areas without permission. It's very clearly a residential agricultural area.

On motion of Frye, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 5-0 to deny this rezoning request to rezone the specified parcel(s) on the rezoning application to the requested zoning district based upon Policy 4.2 of the UDO and 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 any and all agreed-upon revisions, also incorporated into the motion and that the request is not consistent with the Randolph County Growth Management Plan."

Appeal #2

Candi Langley, Ramseur, NC, has requested an appeal for the decision made by the Randolph County Planning Board to approve the rezoning of 5.49 acres out of 19.39 acres at 2528 NC Hwy 49 N, Columbia Township, Tax ID #8713988508, Primary Growth Area, from HC-CD - Highway Commercial - Conditional District to HI-CD - Heavy Industrial - Conditional District. The Conditional Zoning District requested was to allow an existing furniture frame shop to continue operation in an existing building as per the site plan.

Mr. Johnson gave an overview of a rezoning request by Miguel Flores. He described the site plan and showed related photographs. This property has had a change in operations which required a rezoning. Candi Langley is opposed to the approval of this request.

Commissioner Haywood asked why framing is not allowed under the current zoning. Mr. Johnson said the intensity of the manufacturing is considered more severe than simple woodworking.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked for clarification regarding the policy upon which rezoning approval was based. Mr. Morgan said decisions can be made based upon any of the policies.

Public Hearing

Chairman Frye opened the Public Hearing at 6:48 p.m.

Taylor Callicutt, 206 Telephone Avenue, Asheboro, is representing Ms. Langley. Ms. Langley is concerned that the use at the site is more intense than the community is used to. The business is operating seven days a week with more employees than have been there in the past. She would like some sort of restrictions on the hours or schedule of operation for the property. In the past, the woodworking business operated under more traditional hours, but that has changed as the business transformed into framing. Mr. Callicutt does not believe there are any other heavy industrial properties in the vicinity. The business began without complying to zoning regulations. There have been activities that are unsavory to the neighbors, such as burning scrap wood. He asked that if the zoning request is not denied, if restrictions could be put in place.

Kelly Tabor, 7900 Ferguson Road, Liberty, lives near the frame shop. She does not mind the noise. She is concerned that if the property is ever sold, a company using unsafe chemicals could come in. She does not want well water to be polluted. She wants the building to succeed; it is the only one like it in the area. She would like to see restrictions in place regarding environmental contaminants. She felt that the Planning Board did not listen to the concerns of the community.

Perry Connor, 2466 NC Highway 49 North, Ramseur, owns the property directly next to this site. He has many concerns about the site. Heavy industrial opens the door to many uses for the site. The request location is right next to Highway 49. Sometimes, incoming or outgoing trucks block highway traffic. There is noise from traffic, saws, and radios that employees are using. There is a lot of truck and personal vehicle traffic. There is not enough room for personnel parking. He has concerns about the septic system and its ability to handle capacity for all the workers. There is also an issue with debris; wood is being disposed of on site but sawdust is piling up. There has been more than one instance of the fire department being called out to address burning issues at the site. He is concerned that his property value will drop. This site is not ideal for heavy manufacturing. The site is not big enough.

Candi Langley, 2454 NC Highway 49 North, Ramseur, lives two houses down from the site. She is concerned about the noise, traffic, and dust from the site. She cannot enjoy her property due to the noise. It used to be a small family operation, but things have changed. The noise from the saws is audible at all hours of the night and there is not enough parking for the trucks that come in and out. There have been multiple accidents in the area.

Commissioner Kidd asked for clarification regarding the hours the saws are running. Ms. Langley said the saws are still running when she gets home at 8:30 or 9:00 at night.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked if the saws run all night long. Ms. Langley said she cannot hear the noise in her house and does not know if the saws run all night long.

Miguel Flores, 2530 NC Highway 49 North, is the owner of the framing business. He was under the impression that framing fell under woodworking in terms of zoning. He is working with the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to remove debris from the site. He is learning through this process and is making changes. He just wants to be able to continue operations and retain employees.

Chairman Frye asked how many employees there are. Mr. Flores said there are twelve employees on payroll and the company also works with four subcontractors.

Chairman Frye asked if the subcontractors are working at night. Mr. Flores said the business typically operates from 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The noise is caused by several pieces of equipment.

Commissioner Haywood asked if work is performed seven days a week. Mr. Flores said it depends on what work is being performed. Sometimes the company will operate seven days a week. It is a family-oriented business and they try not to run on weekends.

Chairman Frye asked if some of the employees are working two jobs. Mr. Flores said there is a split shift in order to meet demand. The machines need to continue to run in order to complete orders.

Commissioner Kidd clarified the process the company uses for framing. He asked if operations could expand if the business continues doing well. Mr. Flores said it is possible.

Commissioner Haywood asked if the land behind the buildings could be utilized for parking. Mr. Flores said a parking lot could be built in this area.

Commissioner Kidd asked about debris removal. Mr. Flores said they purchased a wood chipper and debris is being removed. The process is being developed.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked how the DEQ is involved. Mr. Flores said it was to address the sawdust.

Commissioner McDowell asked about the difference between highway commercial and heavy industrial use. Mr. Johnson said that the current ordinance requires that framing be under heavy industrial zoning. This is a conditional district, meaning it is zoned specifically for this request from this business. Any additions or use changes would need to go back before the Board.

Mr. Morgan said furniture manufacturing is more intense than woodworking. The ordinance recognizes this difference.

Vice-Chairman Allen asked if sheds being built in the past would fall under the same zoning. Mr. Morgan said not every use can be anticipated.

Commissioner Kidd clarified that any new business on the same property would have to come back before the Board.

Chairman Frye said the conditions apply to this business only.

Mr. Morgan reiterated that the site plan is the current request. A parking lot is a change to the site plan that would require an additional application. The fact that it is a conditional district allows the Board to impose conditions. The applicant would be asked to amend the application and sign it, and should he refuse, the Board would vote on the application as written. The Board has the authority to impose conditions.

Commissioner Kidd said it is difficult to get trucks in and out and asked if requesting a parking lot could be a condition. Mr. Morgan said the condition must be adequately defined and described to code enforcement staff and the applicant would have to agree to make it a part of the application.

Chairman Frye asked if parking had been discussed. Mr. Flores showed on a map where parking is currently located and where additional parking could be added without having to change the site plan.

Chairman Frye asked if Mr. Flores would accept specific operating hours and Mr. Flores said yes.

Mr. Morgan explained the process for adding conditions to the application. The process is put in place due to case law.

Vice-Chairman Allen said hours of operation are an important issue. He asked what realistic hours of operation would be. Mr. Flores suggested 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. with no work on Sundays. 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. could be working hours for Saturday.

Vice-Chairman Allen said the suggestion sounds reasonable in order to not cause hardship to the business, but also to protect the community. He and Commissioner Kidd suggested a schedule of 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday in order to help prevent the need to work on Sunday. Mr. Flores agreed with this proposal.

Vice-Chairman Allen said he understands the need for parking.

Commissioner McDowell said these conditions are unique to Mr. Flores.

Commissioner Haywood said she appreciates that Mr. Flores has learned and adjusted while growing his business. There is evidence that the business is growing and changing and she appreciates Mr. Flores' efforts.

Mr. Flores signed the updated application reflecting the conditions of hours of operation limited to six days per week, 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. with no work on Sunday.

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Frye closed the Public Hearing at 7:35 p.m.

Discussion

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 any and all agreed-upon revisions, including instating hours of operation from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, with no work on Sunday, also incorporated into the motion and that the request is also consistent with the Randolph County Growth Management Plan."

Adjournment

At 7:38 p.m., on motion of Allen, seconded by Haywood, 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 Work Session – December 13, 2022

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in special session at 9:00 a.m. in the Randolph County Office Building Meeting Room A, 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, Associate County Attorney Aimee Scotton, and Clerk to the Board Dana Crisco. Deputy Clerk to the Board Sarah Pack entered where noted.

Chairman Frye opened the meeting. He introduced newly elected Representatives Brian Biggs and Neal Jackson and Senator Dave Craven. He explained that this work session was to learn more about the water and sewer infrastructure being proposed. He introduced Paxton Arthurs.

Chatham Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) Site

County Engineer Paxton Arthurs said that when the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funding became available, it was evident that the County would be using some of it for water and sewer infrastructure. At that time a bid was opened for proposals on a Master Plan for the county. Wooten was the firm that won the bid. He introduced John Grey, Wooten Group Engineer.

Mr. Grey gave a PowerPoint presentation. He explained the different municipalities that would need to participate in order to get water from Asheboro to the Chatham Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) site. He gave examples of what would be needed and how it could be accomplished. The County government would not benefit from this project.

Mr. Greg Flory, Executive Director of the Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority (PTRWA), spoke of what a potential regional water system might look like.

Seagrove-Ulah Water District

County Engineer Paxton Arthurs explained the difficulties that the Seagrove-Ulah Water District had been having in the last few years. Their systems are old and had not been upgraded since coming online. It was discovered that a leak had occurred somewhere in the system as well. It had yet to be found. Because of this, everyone is unsure of what their actual capacity is.

At 9:39 a.m., Deputy Clerk to the Board Sarah Pack entered.

I-74 Industrial Site

County Engineer Paxton Arthurs said that this site had originally been called the Wall Brothers site. The water and sewer provider will be the City of Randleman. The original plan was to send waste water to Asheboro. Since Deep River Dye has recently closed, there is now capacity to treat waste water in Randleman. Now that waste water will not have to travel as far, the cost estimate has gone down from \$7 million to \$4.8 million. Assistant County Manager/Finance Office Will Massie explained how grants and ARPA funds will be used to pay for the sewer expansion. Senator Craven described the Golden Leaf foundation and the State's involvement in providing funding.

Randleman Lake

Greg Flory, Executive Director of the Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority (PTRWA), said that the water treatment plant is in the middle of design for expansion and emerging contaminant treatment. He explained emerging contaminants and how they were found and how they are monitored. Mr. Flory discussed how expansion works with partners who are contracted for water service. He anticipates a high level of participation in the expansion. Preliminary costs for the expansion equal approximately \$50-60 million. He said significant growth coming to the eastern part of the county will require water and sewer availability.

Senator Craven said the Board needed to decide who will be dictating the water supply in the county.

Master Plan

John Grey, Wooten Group Engineer, reviewed the projects included in the Master Plan. Projects were scored in order of necessity. He showed a map of project sites and discussed project layouts and cost opinions. A matrix was developed to evaluate projects. Expenses for PTRWA for emerging contaminants and expansion are not included. Mr. Grey described projects by total score from highest to lowest.

Chairman Frye thanked Representatives Biggs and Jackson as well as Senator Dave Craven for their service.

Representative Biggs stated that the county was on the brink of a population and economic increase bigger than seen in the past.

Representative Jackson said they want to support the county. There is no better investment than infrastructure.

Senator Craven asked the Board to provide a ranked list of projects by priority by the end of January when the State convenes.

Mr. Flory said a draft agreement is being created in order to share water.

Mr. Grey reviewed where the \$55 million in cost came from after a discussing with the City of Asheboro regarding supplying the CAM site.

Chairman Frye said the Randleman Lake water should stay in the county.

Commissioner McDowell said there has been tension between Ramseur, Franklinville, and Liberty for years. Carrying out the Master Plan may have kick back because of that.

Senator Craven said a third party could handle the water and take local politics out of the equation.

Commissioner Haywood said communication is powerful.

Adjournment

At 10:52 on motion of Allen, seconded by McDowell, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Darrell Frye, Chairman

David Allen

Kenny Kidd

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Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board

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Memo – Budget Amendment

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Tara Aker, Health Director

Date: 12/6/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Public Health

Randolph County Public Health Department has been awarded the 2022-23 Bright Ideas Project Grant for \$23,278, funded by the Epidemiology/NC Public Health Preparedness & Response Branch. The funds will be used to purchase a fully stocked disaster-sheltering trailer. These funds will allow Randolph County to provide suitable self-sufficient general population shelters for the residents of the county and any citizens that may arrive in the county due to disaster elsewhere in the state or country. Funding will enable Randolph County to provide the citizens with the peace of mind that the county can provide safe and reliable shelters in a time of disaster.

Please make the following budget amendment to the General Fund

2022-23 Budget Ordinance

General Fund

Budget amendment #_____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$23,278	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Public Health	\$23,278	



RANDOLPH COUNTY

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RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR TRAILS AND 2023 YEAR OF THE TRAIL

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has proclaimed 2023 as the Year of the Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Covid pandemic demonstrated the value of trails for safe places for people to get outdoors for their physical and mental health and sense of wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, trails, greenways, and blueways provide key amenities to neighborhoods and are often the centerpiece of a community bringing people together to exercise, play, and connect with nature; and

WHEREAS, the parks, greenways, trails, and natural areas in our community are welcoming to all and provide a common ground for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to access our rich and diverse natural, cultural, and historic resources; and

WHEREAS, trails offer quality-of-life benefits to all as expressions of local community character and pride, as outdoor workshops for science education, as tools for economic revitalization, as free resources for healthy recreation, as accessible alternative transportation, and as sites for social and cultural events; and

WHEREAS, trails have significant impact on the economic viability of the community through increased levels of tourism, enhanced property values, as well as the ability to attract and retain businesses such as restaurants, outfitters, lodging, and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, Randolph County has existing and potential trails including both a State Trail, Deep River State Trail, and a National Recreation Trail, Uwharrie Trail, as well as numerous municipal parks, greenways, and trails; and

WHEREAS, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners has invested \$3 million in trails including \$1 Million for Deep River State Trail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Randolph County Board of Commissioners support trails and are committed to supporting trail events during 2023 to celebrate the Year of the Trail.

This 3rd day of January 2023.

Darrell Frye, Chairman
Randolph County Board of Commissioners



RANDOLPH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Memorandum

Date: December 13, 2023

TO: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Ross Holt, Library Director
RE: Budget amendment request – library trust fund

A library trust was established by the Randolph County Board of Commissioner in 1992 for the deposit of bequests and gifts to the Randolph County Public Library. The Board of Commissioners authorized the Randolph County Public Library Board of Trustees to control, use and dispose of all funds from such bequests and gifts for the benefit of the Library.

The library trust now is included as part of the Library Resource Fund in the county budget ordinance, with an amount available for expenditure based on funding requests from the director that the trustees have previously approved. The remainder of the Trust Fund is held as fund balance. If previously- or newly-approved expenditures exceed the budgeted amount, a budget amendment is necessary to move additional Trust Fund monies into the spendable budget.

The Trustees have approved expenditure of funds from two bequests held in the trust, Shaw (Randolph Room) and Taylor (Culinary Arts and World War II materials and programming), at the discretion of staff with the consent of the library director. A series of “Cook Smart/Eat Smart” programs planned for this spring requires additional funds from the Taylor bequest that are not currently available in the spendable budget. There is approximately \$39,000 available in the Taylor bequest (and approximately \$165,000 in the trust overall).

Therefore, please approve a budget amendment to authorize \$5,000 from Appropriated Fund Balance to ensure adequate funding for the culinary program while maintaining sufficient funds in the Library Resource Fund for other needs. Thank you.

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance
Library Resource Fund
Budget amendment # _____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$5,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Library Support	\$5,000	

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Memo

To: TDA Board of Directors
From: Suzanne Dale, Finance Officer
CC: Amber M. Skeen, Clerk to the Board
Date: 08/17/2022
Re: FY 2022/23 – Budget Amendment #2023-04

This Budget Amendment is to request to move \$15,000 from the Fund Balance to cover Personnel Costs and Administration Fee for the Visitor Centers for the 2022-23 TDA Budget.

Please approve Budget Amendment #2023-04 for the Fiscal Year 2022-23 to record the remaining project in the current budget year.

Revenue	Increase	Decrease
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$15,000	
Expenditures	Increase	Decrease
Personnel Costs	\$10,368	
Administration Cost	\$4,632	

Approved by the TDA Board of Directors on August 17, 2022



Memo

To: TDA Board of Directors
From: Will Massie, Finance Officer
CC: Amber M. Skeen, Clerk to the Board
Date: 11/16/2022
Re: FY 2022/23 – Budget Amendment #2023-07

In the FY23 fiscal year budget, the General Assembly approved an additional allocation of \$34,284 to the Visitor Centers. This Budget Amendment will add an additional \$34,284 to the Visitor Center's Personnel Costs in the amount of \$12,724 and in Operating Costs in the amount of \$21,560.

Please approve Budget Amendment #2023-07 for the Fiscal Year 2022-23 to record the additional Visitor Center in the current budget year.

Revenue	Increase	Decrease
NCDOT Contract – Visitor Centers	\$34,284	
Expenditures	Increase	Decrease
VC – Personnel Cost – Full-Time Salaries	\$1,019	
VC – Personnel Cost – Part-time Salaries	\$10,665	
VC – Personnel Cost – FICA	\$895	
VC – Personnel Cost – Retirement	\$125	
VC – Personnel Cost – 401(K)	\$20	
VC – Operating Cost – Travel	\$2,000	
VC – Operating Cost - Conferences & Training	\$2,000	
VC – Operating Cost - Printing	\$1,000	
VC – Operating Cost – Office Supplies	\$16,560	



Randolph County
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Office of Emergency Management

MEMORANDUM

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
From: Christie McCorquodale, Emergency Management Coordinator
Date: December 20, 2022
Re: Budget Amendment – Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness

Randolph County Emergency Management, on behalf of the Randolph County Local Emergency Planning Committee, received a Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness grant in order to conduct an exercise to better prepare for a hazardous material incident.

This grant is 100% reimbursable up to \$10,000.

Please consider the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

General Fund

Budget amendment #_____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 10,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Emergency Services	\$ 10,000	

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Memo – Budget Amendment

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Tara Aker, Health Director

Date: 12/19/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Public Health

Randolph County Public Health has been awarded additional temporary funding in the amount of \$1,979.00 from the Women, Infant, and Community Wellness/Reproductive Health Branch. Funding will be used to purchase family planning methods based on the needs of Randolph County in order to have all family planning methods on hand to distribute as needed to clients seeking family planning services.

Please make the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-23 Budget Ordinance

General Fund

Budget amendment # _____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$1,979	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Public Health	\$1,979	



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners
From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer
Date: 12/30/2022
Re: Establish Project Red Oak Special Revenue Grant Fund

On September 27, the Board of County Commissioners held a joint meeting with the City of Archdale for the Red Oak economic development project. At that meeting, the Board approved the application for a Golden LEAF grant to help offset some of the road construction needed to make this project successful.

We are pleased to report that the company, Sumitomo Forestry America, Inc., has formally announced its intention to locate its operation in Archdale and that Golden LEAF has approved a \$645,000 grant to assist with road improvements to the site. The anticipated county share of these costs is \$165,000.

We recommend that this grant and its expenditures be accounted for through a special revenue fund, separate from the General Fund.

Please a) accept the Golden LEAF grant and authorize the Chairman to sign related documents, b) approve the budget amendment for the Economic Development Reserve, and c) approve the following ordinance to establish the Project Red Oak Grant Fund.

**Economic Development Reserve
Amendment # 7**

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Transfer to General Fund		\$165,000
Transfer to Red Oak Grant Project	\$165,000	

RANDOLPH COUNTY
SPECIAL REVENUE PROJECT ORDINANCE
RED OAK GRANT PROJECT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of the Randolph County Commissioners that, pursuant to section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. This ordinance is to establish a budget for the Project Red Oak road improvements in Archdale, a project to be funded primarily by a grant of \$645,000 from the Golden LEAF Foundation, with additional local sources.

Section 2. The officers of Randolph County are hereby authorized to proceed with the grant project in accordance with all General Statutes of North Carolina and within terms of the contracts approved by the Randolph County Board of Commissioners.

Section 3. The following amounts are anticipated to be available to complete this grant project:

Golden LEAF grant	\$	645,000
Transfer from Economic Development Reserve	\$	<u>165,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$	<u><u>810,000</u></u>

Section 4. The following amounts are appropriated for expenditures for the grant project:

DOT Road Improvements	\$	810,000
	\$	<u>-</u>
TOTAL:	\$	<u><u>810,000</u></u>

Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Grant Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of General Statutes of North Carolina and the grant agreement.

Section 6. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due. Reimbursement requests should be made to the grantor agency in an orderly and timely manner.

Section 7. This Grant Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes of the Board of the Randolph County Commissioners and after adoption copies of this Ordinance shall be filed with the finance officer, the budget officer, and the clerk to the board.

Section 8. This Grant Project Ordinance is adopted on January 3, 2023 and shall continue in effect until the project is completed.

Upon motion of _____, seconded by _____, the foregoing ordinance was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

I, Dana S. Crisco, Clerk to the Board of the Randolph County Commissioners, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the governing body of Randolph County at a regular meeting thereof, a quorum being present.

This the 3rd day of January 2023.

Clerk to the Board

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Appointment of Justin Brubaker as Deputy Finance Officer

The Deputy Finance Officer has a very important role in the Finance Office. After recruiting for this position, I request that Justin Brubaker be appointed as Deputy Finance Officer. Justin's experience and skills will be a valuable resource in this position.

Please appoint Justin Brubaker as Deputy Finance Officer effective January 3, set his fidelity bond at \$500,000 and authorize his signature for all County bank accounts.



RANDOLPH COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES

♦ Randolph County Office Building ♦ 725 McDowell Road
♦ Asheboro, North Carolina 27205

To: Randolph County Commissioners
CC: Hal Johnson, Will Massie
From: Jill N. Williams, Human Resources Director
Date: January 3, 2023
Subject: NC Office of State Human Resources Substantial Equivalency Monitoring Compliance

Local jurisdictions that are designated as Substantially Equivalent are required to certify that their local policies and procedures remain compliant with administrative code. The NC Office of State Human Resources requires that local jurisdictions submit a Substantial Equivalency Monitoring Form every few years to ensure compliance with these requirements. The most recent re-certification was in December 2021.

Substantially Equivalent refers to an entity's ability to maintain a personnel system for its employees who are subject to the State Human Resources Act (SHRA). Counties or other entities that wish to be considered for substantially equivalent status must petition to the Office of State Human Resources (OSHR) and demonstrate that their personnel system is similar enough (substantially equivalent) to the standards established by the State Human Resources Act. Randolph County has two departments whose employees are subject to the SHRA: the Department of Social Services and the Local Health Department.

In February 2009 Randolph County petitioned for substantial equivalency in two areas: "Recruitment, Selection and Advancement", and "Classification and Compensation". The State Personnel Commission approved this petition with an effective date of January 1, 2010.

There are several benefits to being substantially equivalent. Classification and Compensation is one of the most popular requests for substantial equivalency because it allows an entity to establish new positions and reclassify existing positions without having to submit this information to OSHR for approval. Also, there have been several instances when a classification title/job description did not exist in the OSHR classification system to meet the particular needs of the county. Because Randolph County is substantially equivalent, we have been able to create our own classification titles and job descriptions for positions including: Local Assistant Health Director, Lead Nutritionist, and Social Worker Trainee.

Jurisdictions are not granted substantial equivalent status indefinitely. The State Human Resources Commission through the Office of State Human Resources monitors local jurisdictions to ensure their compliance. For the current re-certification, we must complete a short form, certifying that Randolph County's local policies and procedures are substantial to the OSHR policies and procedures. This request must be approved by the County Manager, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, and the Human Resources Director.

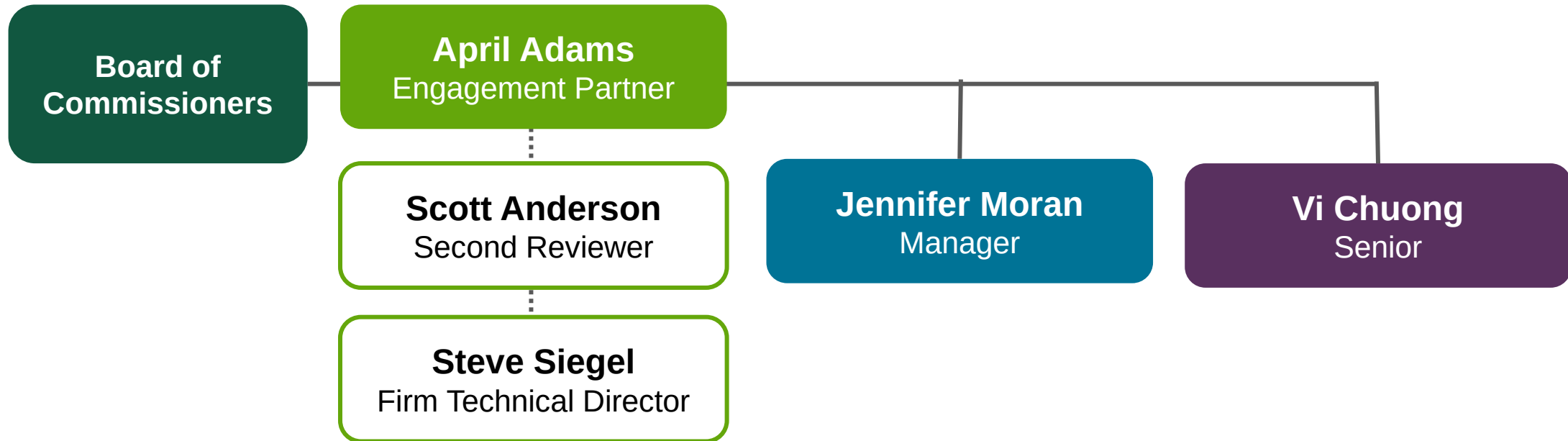
Action Requested:

Request that the Board of County Commissioners continue to support the County's petition to remain substantially equivalent, as requested by the Office of State Human Resources.

RANDOLPH COUNTY **Audit Executive Summary**

JANUARY 3, 2023

Client Service Team





Agenda

- ▶ Results of the Audit
- ▶ Single Audit
- ▶ Internal Controls
- ▶ Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements
- ▶ Required Communications
- ▶ Other Matters
- ▶ Reporting Changes

This information is intended solely for the use of Board of Commissioners who are charged with governance and management of Randolph County, North Carolina and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

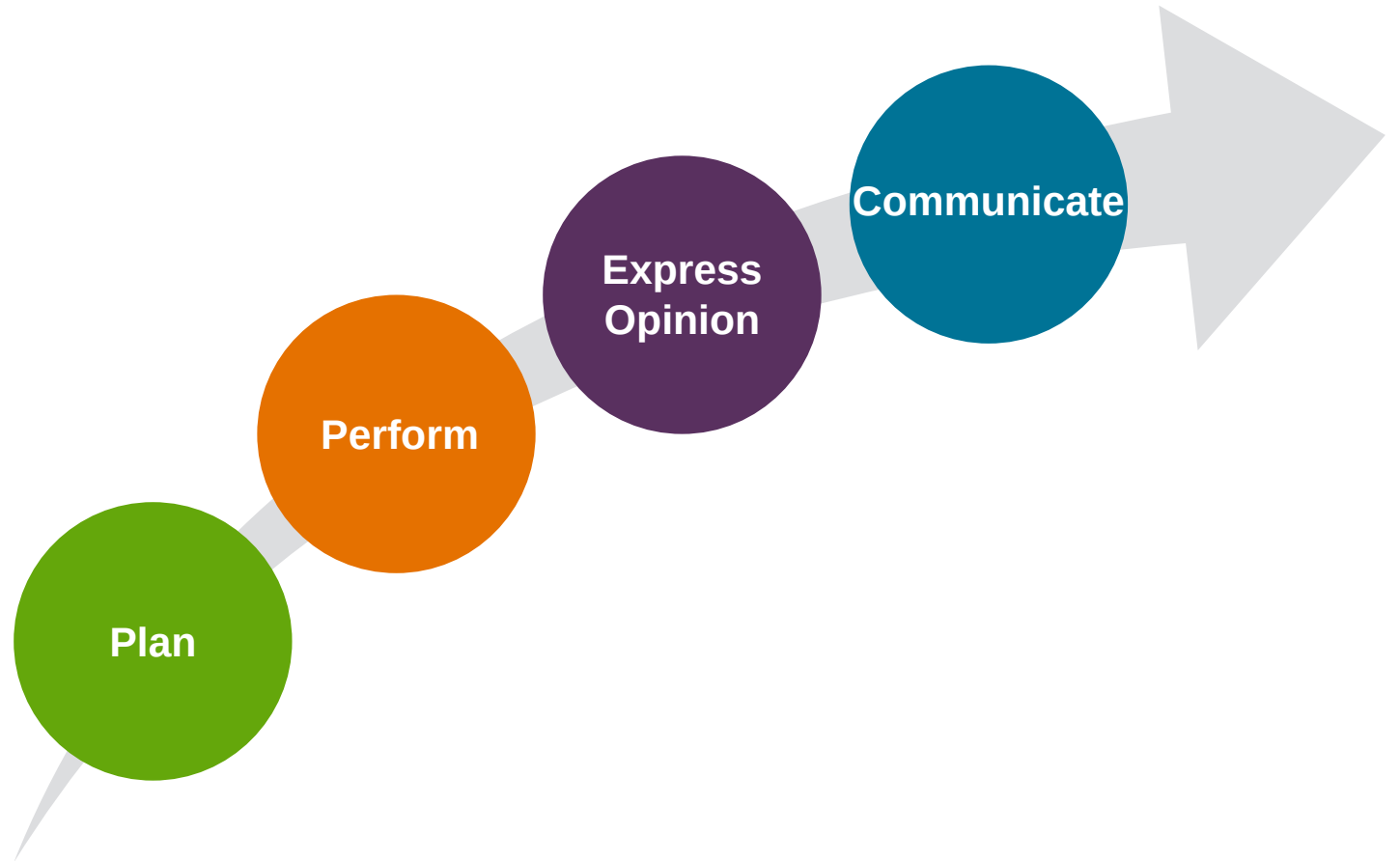


Results of the Audit

We have audited the financial statements of Randolph County, North Carolina (the “County”) for the year ended June 30, 2022, and we have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2022.

We have issued an unmodified opinion on the financial statements.

We have also issued a report on internal controls over financial reporting and compliance on other matters with no findings.



Single Audit

Opinions

We have also issued reports on federal and state compliance with the Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act for the major programs with the following finding:

2022-01 – DSS Crosscutting –
Nonmaterial noncompliance



Federal Major Programs

- Medicaid
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance
- Coronavirus State & Local Recovery Funds (ARPA)
- Epidemiology Funds



State Major Programs

- DSS Crosscutting
- Public School Building Capital Fund (Lottery Funds)
- Juvenile Crime Prevention



Internal Control Communication

In planning and performing our audit, we considered internal control over financial reporting (“internal control”) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County’s internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. In addition, because of inherent limitations in internal control, including the possibility of management override of controls, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected by such controls.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis.



Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management.

Corrected Misstatements

► None noted.

Uncorrected Misstatements

► None noted.

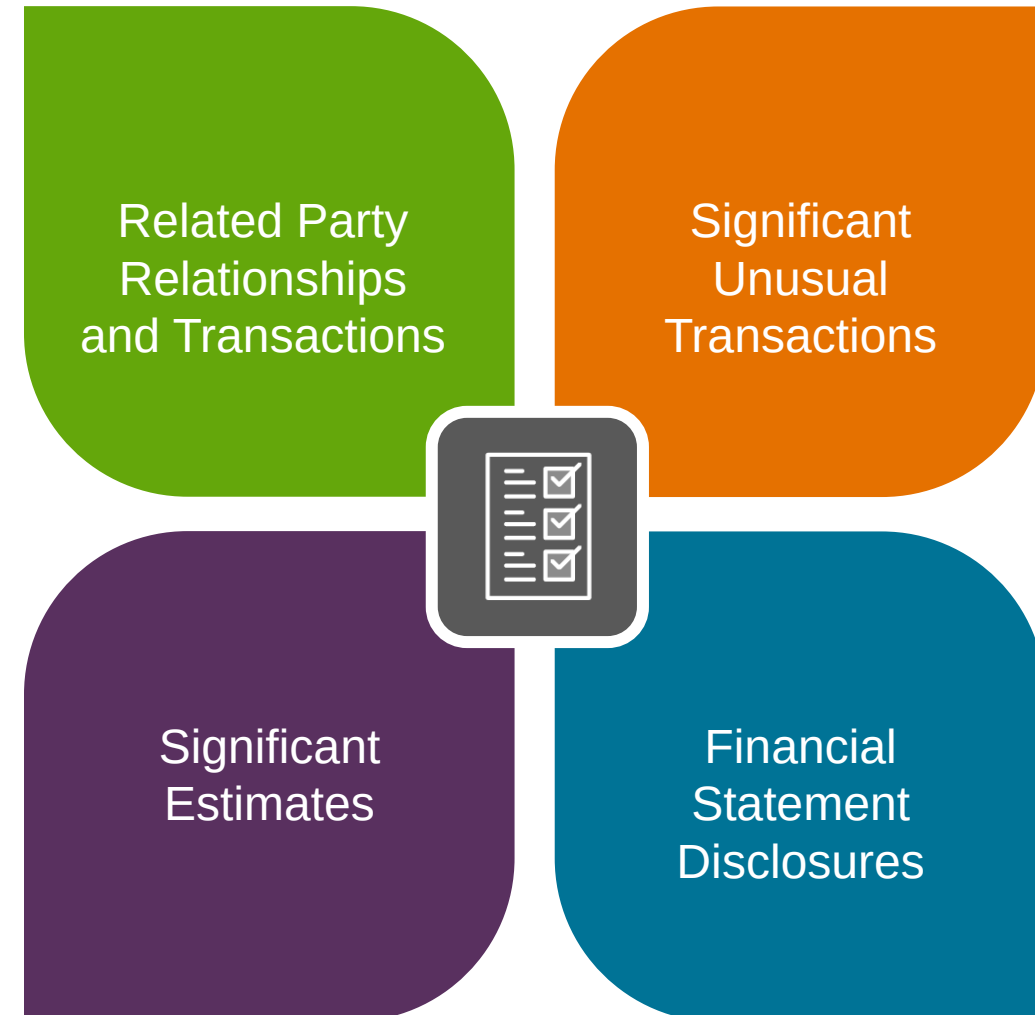


Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the County are described in Note I to the financial statements.

The County adopted GASB 87, Leases, effective July 1, 2021. Most prominent among the changes in the standard is the recognition of the right to use assets and lease liabilities for those leases previously classified as operating leases. This standard also included the recording of a lease receivable and deferred inflow of resources for lessor agreements.

We noted no inappropriate accounting policies or practices.

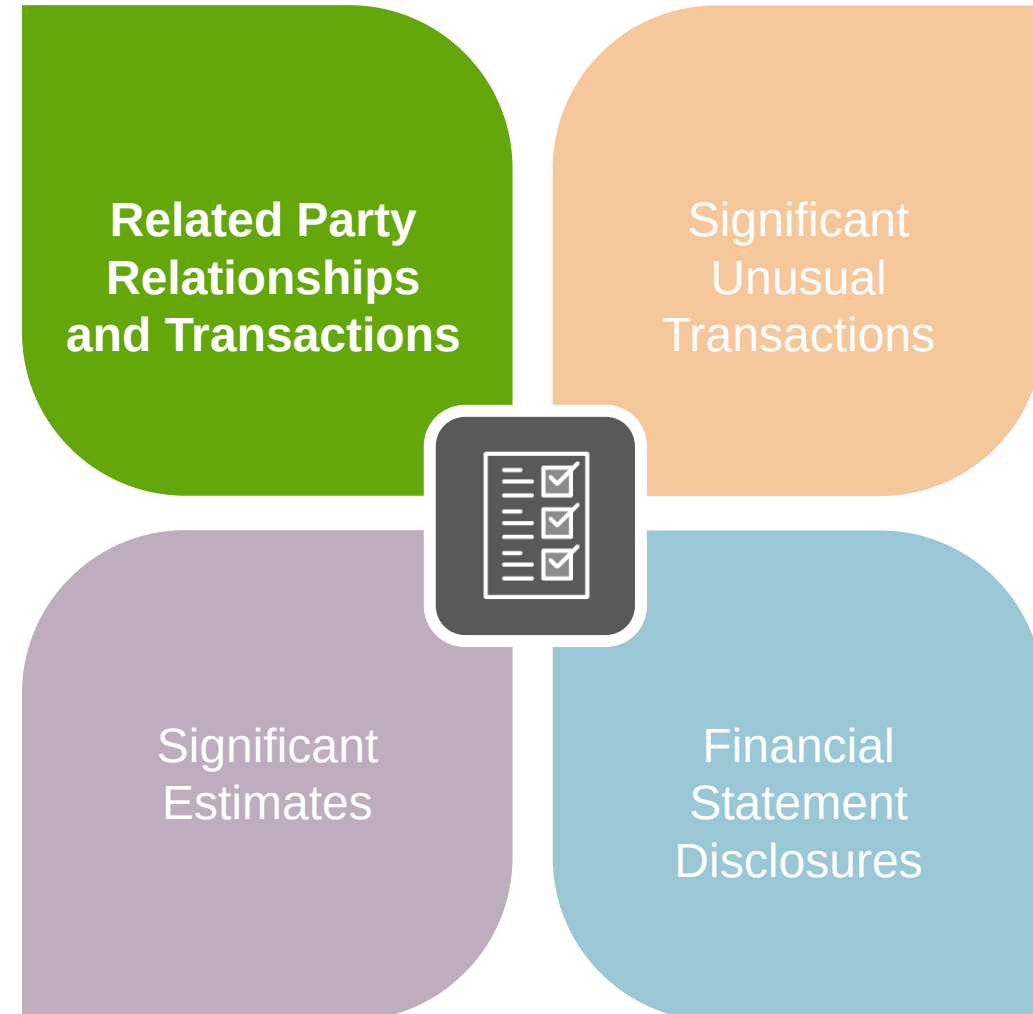


Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

As part of our audit, we evaluated the County's identification of, accounting for, and disclosure of the County's relationships and transactions with related parties as required by professional standards.

We noted none of the following:

- Related parties or related party relationships or transactions that were previously undisclosed to us;
- Significant related party transactions that have not been approved in accordance with the County's policies or procedures or for which exceptions to the County's policies or procedures were granted;
- Significant related party transactions that appeared to lack a business purpose;
- Noncompliance with applicable laws or regulations prohibiting or restricting specific types of related party transactions;
- Difficulties in identifying the party that ultimately controls the entity.



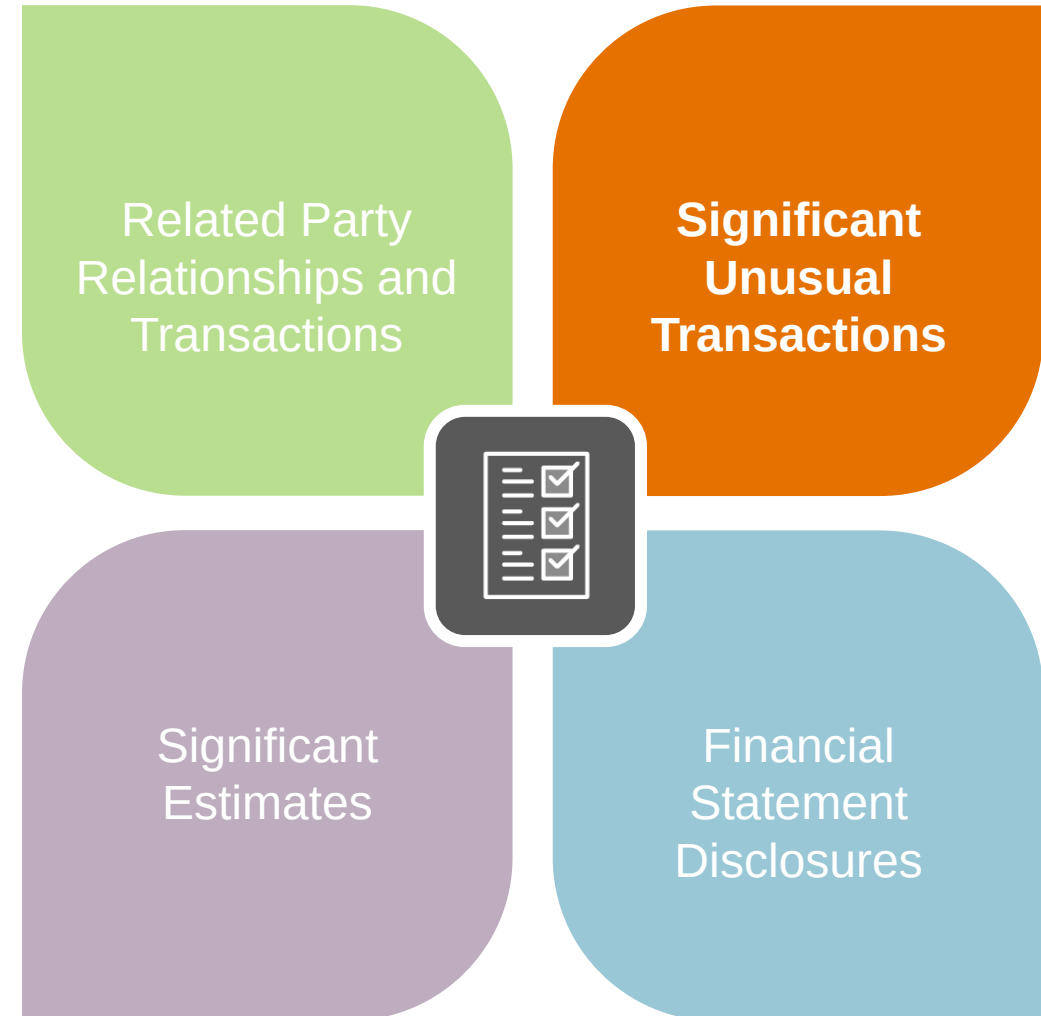
Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

We noted no transactions entered into by the Company during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define significant unusual transactions as transactions that are outside the normal course of business for the County or that otherwise appear to be unusual due to their timing, size or nature.

We noted the following significant unusual transaction during the year:

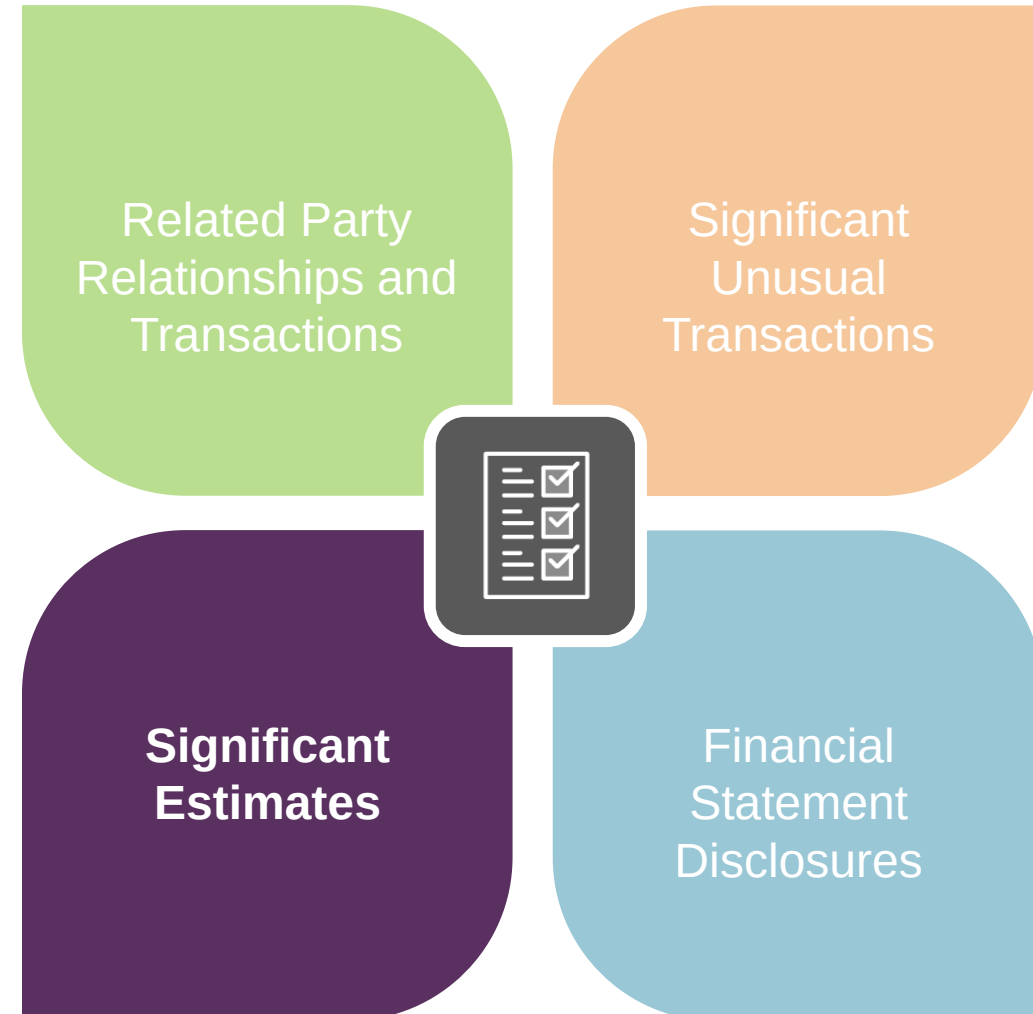
The County transferred ownership of a portion of the mega-site property directly to Toyota Battery Manufacturing.



Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were:

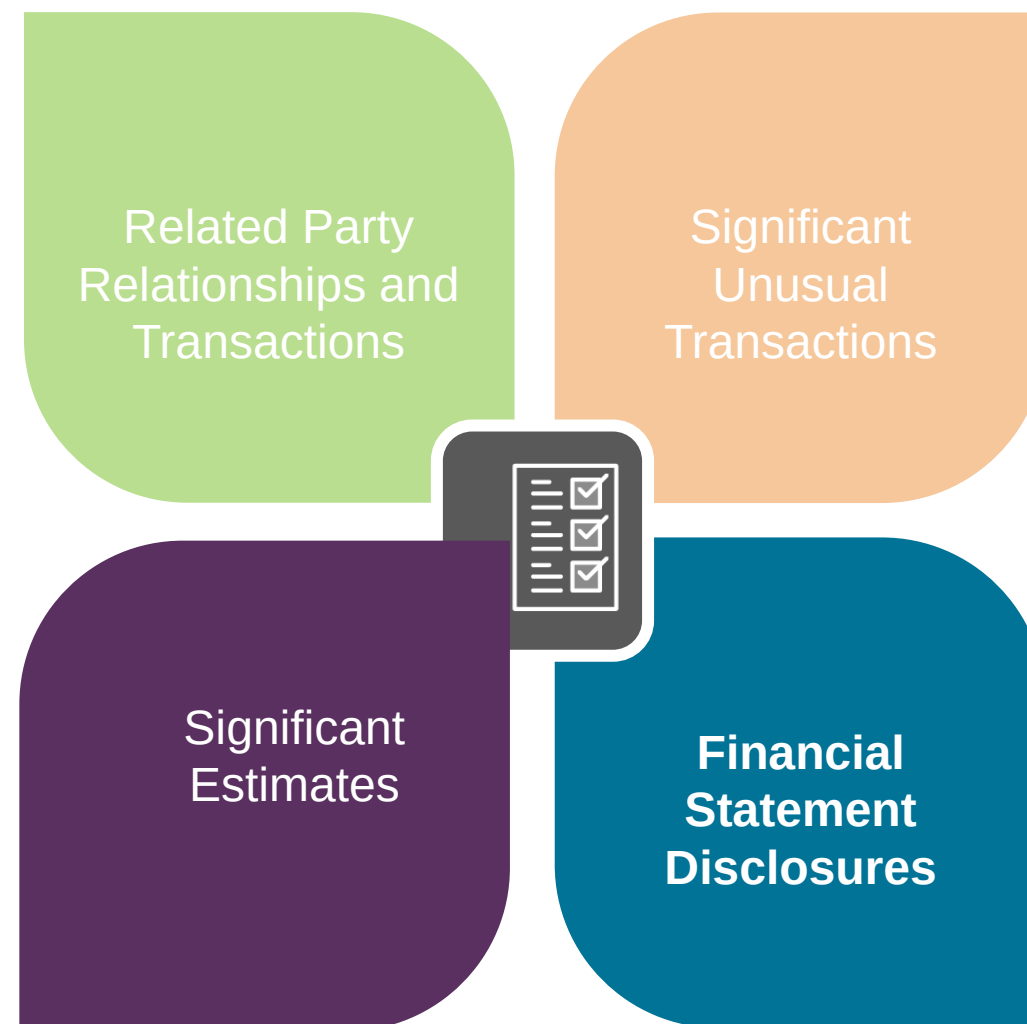
- Allowance for doubtful accounts
- Depreciation and amortization expense
- Law Enforcement Separation Allowance liability
- Postemployment Healthcare Benefit Plan liability
- Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System liability
- Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund asset
- Accrued landfill post-closure costs
- Self-insurance claim liabilities that have been incurred but not reported.



Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

The estimates are based on an analysis of historical collection trends, current and anticipated economic conditions, the category of individual capital assets and their useful lives, actuarial calculations, and estimated future costs. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimates in determining that they were reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.



Independence Considerations

Nonattest Services

- ▶ Our firm prepares the Data Collection Form.
- ▶ For all nonattest services we perform, you are responsible for designating a competent employee to oversee the services, make any management decisions, perform any management functions related to the services, evaluate the adequacy of the services, and accept overall responsibility for the results of the services.

Independence Conclusion

- ▶ We are not aware of any other circumstances or relationships that create threats to auditor independence.
- ▶ We are independent of Randolph County and have met our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits.



Other Required Communications

Difficulties Encountered

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Disagreements with Management

Includes disagreements on a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report.

We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Auditor Consultations

We noted no matters that are difficult or contentious for which the auditor consulted outside the engagement team.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 1, 2022.



Other Required Communications

Management Consultations

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a “second opinion” on certain situations.

To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year.

These discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Fraud and Illegal Acts

As of the date of this presentation no fraud, illegal acts, or violations of laws and regulations noted.

Going Concern

No events or conditions noted that indicate substantial doubt about the entity’s ability to continue as a going concern.



Other Matters

Supplementary Information

With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.



Required Supplementary Information

With respect to the required supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, we have applied certain limited procedures to the information, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements.



Other Matters

Other Information

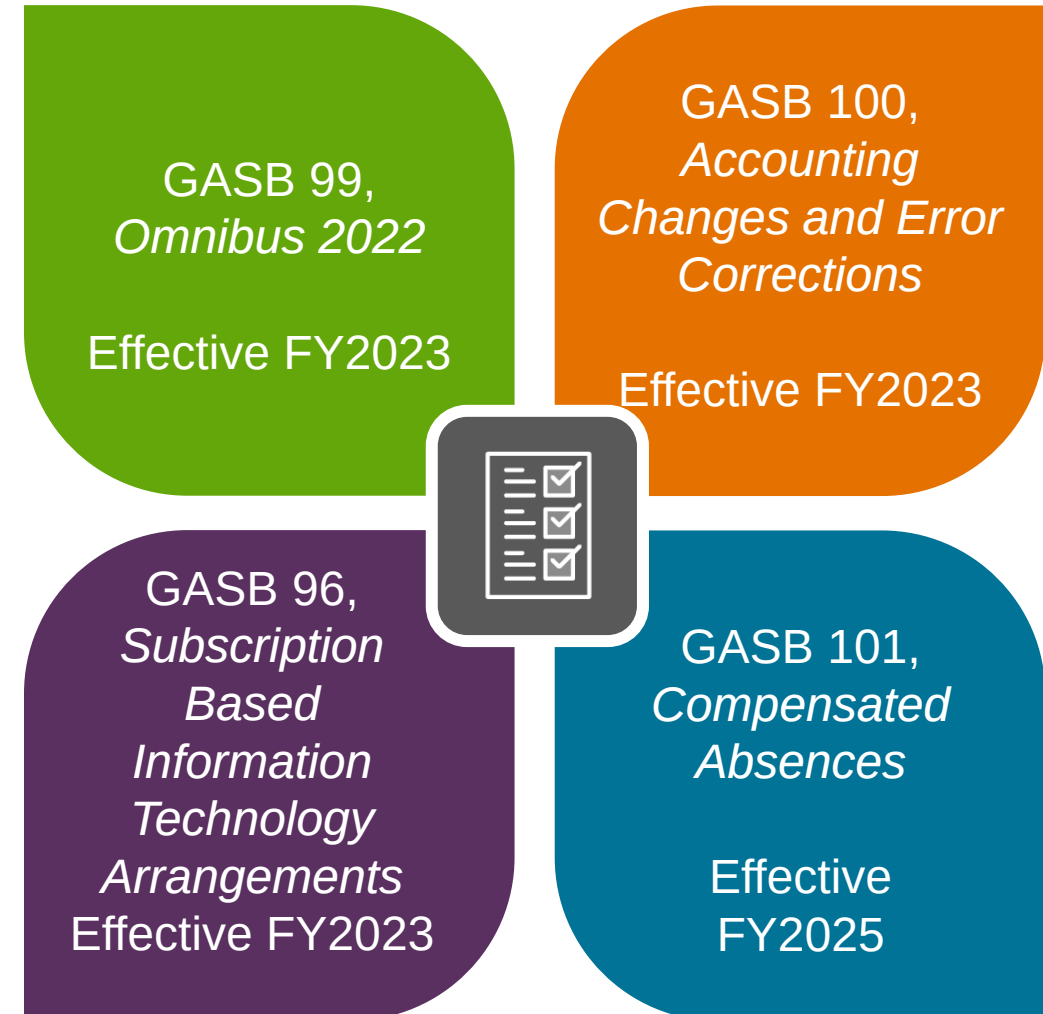
We were not engaged to report on the introductory and statistical section, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements themselves and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.



Upcoming Financial Reporting Changes

These standards will be effective for the County in the upcoming years and may have a significant impact on the County's financial reporting.

We would be happy to discuss with management the potential impacts on the County's financial statements and how we may be able to assist in the implementation efforts.



Questions?

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December 10, 2022

Randolph County Board of Commissioners
725 McDowell Road
Asheboro, North Carolina 27205

RE: The Business Gym

Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for the support you gave us in 2022 that launched The Business Gym. This learning portal was developed as a result of Randolph County's 62.5% increase in new business start-ups during the COVID pandemic.

We were given \$50,000 from the County's fund that supports Strategic Plan Initiatives. The Business Gym directly aligns with the Well-Being Vision, and more specifically, Goal #1 that talks about supporting existing industries and businesses.

Small business is Randolph County's top employer. The training and materials provided through The Business Gym are invaluable and FREE resources that are available to ALL Randolph County businesses and to individuals interested in starting their own. Without the support from Randolph County, this initiative would never have gone 'live'.

Please take a moment to look at the accompanying slide deck. It shares with you some of our successes and the traffic we've experienced so far. Our immediate future goal is to build out a robust library of content so The Business Gym can live on into the future without the need for ongoing support.

To make that happen, we are asking the County to consider approving our request for a second (and final) year of support in the amount of \$50,000. The funding would allow us to complete that library of content – including the County Wellness content – and continue to have it available FREE to anyone and everyone in Randolph County.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. We appreciate all that you do for our communities and residents.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Brown".

Linda Brown, President

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Business Gym

If the Board wishes to support the request for the Business Gym, 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	\$50,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Economic and Physical Development Appropriations	\$50,000	



Blame It On COVID

- People were furloughed,
- People were laid off,
- Stimulus helped to a certain degree, and so
- People got creative about making a living.



Some Started Their Own Business

- **62.5% Increase** of new business start-ups in Randolph County.

Two-Fold Issue That Aligns

- New businesses wanting to establish themselves.
- Established businesses reinventing themselves

Both need assistance to achieve sustainability.



Who Do These People Turn To?

- Randolph Community College Small Business Center
- VentureAsheboro
- Local Chambers of Commerce:
 - Archdale/Trinity Chamber
 - Asheboro/Randolph Chamber
 - Liberty Chamber
 - Ramseur/Eastern Randolph Chamber
 - Randleman Chamber

What is the Business Gym?

- A learning portal open to everyone.
- On-Demand Training
- Just the meat, no potatoes.
- Same, same, same.



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Why Did We Ask For Money?



- We want this to be a FREE service to everyone in Randolph County.
 - Those that need it most are the most vulnerable and most unlikely able to pay for the assistance.
- We can support and assist exponentially more people/businesses.
- We would be able to avoid asking other businesses to support yet another initiative (they already support the YMCA, United Way, the Arts, Schools, Churches, and all the other worthy causes in Randolph County).
- This is a very tangible way for the County Commissioners to demonstrate their support for small business and entrepreneurs.

Great idea; but are people using it?



- 600 Registered Repeat Users
 - 556 in North Carolina
 - 325 in Asheboro
 - 14 in Randleman
 - 10 in Seagrove
 - 5 in Trinity
 - 4 in Ramseur
 - 3 in Liberty
 - 51 joined after clicking through from the Randolph County website
- Plus 795 One-time Visitors from 25 Countries
 - Viewing 3,163 pages of Business Gym content
- The Business Gym outperforms all US “Business Consulting” and “Informal Education” websites in 3 of six benchmark areas.

How are people learning about it?

- Social Media
- Local Media
- Randolph County website
- Asheboro/Randolph Chamber promotions
- RCC's Small Business Center
- VentureAsheboro
- Polis: The Center for Politics at Duke University
- Carolinas Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives
- NC Idea
- Randolph County School System
- The Membership Management Report



Recognition



- Presented as a **leading practice** at the **POLIS: The Center for Politics at Duke University's "Politics, Policy, & A New Economic Strategy for Rural North Carolina"**.
- **Received "Innovative Program" Award for 2022 by the Carolinas Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives** (representing more than 200 Chambers of Commerce throughout North & South Carolina).
- Written up in the global online publication **"Membership Management Report"** as an innovative program that delivers 'value through the use of experiential design'.
- NC Idea: **The Business Gym platform will be replicated for use by local industries to prepare them to become suppliers to new megasite tenants and their Tier 1 & 2 suppliers ("Industry Basecamp")**. This is a partnership between the VentureAsheboro and the Chamber; funded in part by NC Idea.

The Future?



- We respectfully request your consideration of second and final year of support (\$50,000).
- This will allow us to develop and complete a robust content library that can be rotated on a continuous basis far into the future.



Thank you for making this
opportunity available!





MEMORANDUM

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners | Chairman Darrell Frye, Vice Chair David Allen, Commissioners Hope Haywood, Kenny Kidd, Maxton McDowell

CC: David Caughron, Chairman of Randolph County Tourism Development Authority

From: Amber Scarlett, Executive Director of Randolph County Tourism Development Authority

Subject: Summary of 2021 Annual Report on Tourism

Date: January 3, 2023

In reviewing the past year, it is important to restate our mission – to unify and lead the County in developing the Heart of North Carolina as a family-friendly, affordable, and strategically located destination serving the leisure and business travel, group tour, meetings, and sports and recreational tournament markets. We remain dedicated to making tourism work harder to positively impact our economy and the livelihood of our citizens who work in and benefit from tourism. The most important measures of our success are those that highlight the combined effort between the TDA, and our tourism destination partners and stakeholders. We were able to continue successes in 2021 with a level of dedication and determination for our organization's mission.

The intended purpose of an annual report is to provide accountability by looking back at the progress achieved and this report delivers a glimpse of the challenging work accomplished. A quick snapshot indicates the true, realistic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic within the tourism industry and Randolph County. We had an increase of 65% in visitor spending and our occupancy tax revenues increased by 25.2% in comparison to 2020.

The Randolph County Tourism Development Authority Annual Report includes details on the TDA's challenges and successes in 2021. We continue to work daily to set new strategic benchmarks for our future tourism marketing wins.

Tourism matters, in our nation, our state, our region, and in our county. I look forward to sharing highlights with you of the 2021 Annual Report.

Amber Scarlett, Executive Director | Randolph County Tourism Development Authority

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Annual Report 2021

Archdale
Asheboro
Franklinville
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Ramseur
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Seagrove
Staley
Trinity




Visit the Heart
of North Carolina



Message from Executive Director- Amber Scarlett

2021 Successes and Outlook

The challenges of the past year and events in the most recent months have served as a reminder of the resiliency within the tourism industry. Our partners have been flexible in their business plans and remain dedicated to providing the most positive visitor experience with every interaction. Each community that has supported local business owners and jumped hurdles is what makes the spirit of the Heart of North Carolina in Randolph County so special.

Time and time again, visitors are attracted to our communities for the small-town charm, and they leave with lifelong memories. Randolph County, with its unique assets, – not found anywhere else in the world – has proven to be a destination for all ages and interest groups.

By providing inspirational marketing messages and signature customer service, we aim to have continued growth in visitation.

We invite you to join us as we maintain our focus on supporting tourism partners and stakeholders in the Heart of North Carolina in the years ahead.



Overview

The Randolph County Tourism Development Authority (Authority) is a public authority governed by the terms of special legislation granted by the N.C. General Assembly on July 28, 1997 as House Bill 337, An Act to Authorize Randolph County to Levy a Room Occupancy and Tourism Development Tax under the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act. The current tax rate is set at five percent.



Mission

The mission of the Authority is to unify and lead the County in developing the Heart of North Carolina as a family-friendly, affordable, and strategically located destination serving the leisure and business travel, group tour, meeting, and sports and recreational tournament markets.

Vision

With a strong commitment to professional advocacy, we pledge to be a consistent, supportive, and accountable partner in marketing Randolph County as a destination by offering partners and stakeholders and communities enhanced exposure to visitor market opportunities.

Economic Impact Numbers:

- \$90.90 tax relief to reach resident of Randolph County as a result of visitor spending
- State Tax Revenues: \$8.2 million
- Local Tax Revenues: \$5 million
- Total payroll generated by tourism industry in Randolph County: \$41.1 million
- More than 1,127 direct tourism jobs in our county

Visitor Spending:

INCREASE of 65% from 2020 – visitors spent \$172.06 million in 2021.

(This data is provided by an annual study commissioned by Visit North Carolina, a unit of Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina.)

Occupancy Tax Revenues:

- Occupancy collections increased 25.2% compared to 2020
- ADR (average daily rate) increased 12.4% from 2020
- RevPAR (revenue per available room) increased 45.4% from 2020
- Demand for hotel rooms increased 35.4% when compared to 2020
- Revenues increased 52.9% when compared to 2020 as a whole

*(*This report analyzes a variety of tourism indicators and comparisons to previous years where applicable. While virtually every chain in the United States provides Smith Travel Research (STR) with data on almost all properties, there are still some hotels that do not submit data. However, every year STR examines listings and directories for information on hotels that do not participate. STR calls each hotel in the database every year to obtain “published” rates for multiple categories. Based on this information all hotels are grouped – those that report data and those that do not – based off price level and geographic proximity. They then estimate the non-respondents based on nearby hotels with similar price levels.)*

Historical Growth in Revenues:

Overall tax revenue collections for 2021 were:

\$1,155,778.55 compared to 2020 revenues of: \$636,761.81; this is an 81.5% increase in revenues from 2020

*(*Occupancy tax revenues reports are provided by Will Massie, Ex-Officio, Finance Officer, Randolph County)*



Destination Data –

29 attractions surveyed:

- 2020 Attendance #'s – **507,685** | • 2021 Attendance #'s – **1,310,281** (158% increase from 2020)

Domestic Top States:

- North Carolina
- Florida
- South Carolina
- Ohio
- Virginia
- Pennsylvania
- Texas
- Georgia
- California
- New York

Domestic NC Metro:

- Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill
- Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point/Burlington
- Charlotte/Gastonia/Concord
- Wilmington/Southport
- Pinehurst/Southern Pines
- Asheville/Brevard

Requests from International Countries:

- Iran
- India
- Canada
- Germany
- Poland

Top Visitor Requests:

- Heart of NC – General Information
- Seagrove Pottery
- North Carolina Zoo
- History & Heritage
- Deep River State Trail
- Kersey Valley Attractions
- Petty Family Attractions
- Linbrook Heritage Estate
- High Point Furniture Market
- Victory Junction



I-73/74 Visitor Centers Statistics:

- **Greeted 60,381 visitors** for a 104% increase from 2020's 29,535 visitors greeted
- **Distribution of Heart of NC Travel Guides was 22,550** compared to 19,850 in 2020 (an increase of 14%)
- **Distribution of NCDOT Road Maps was 18,400** compared to 10,826 in 2020 (an increase of 70%)
- **Distribution of NC Travel Guides was 10,900** compared to 9,250 in 2020 (an increase of 18%)
- **Domestic Guest Registries for 2021 were 2,127** compared to 3,520 in 2020 (a decrease of 39%)
- **International Guest Registries for 2021 were zero** compared to 79 in 2020 (this was due to International Travel Bans that expired in November 2021; with COVID vaccination proof & recent negative COVID test)



Northbound Visitor Center



Southbound Visitor Center

Social Media Review & Website –



Facebook – Heart of NC:

- **New likes & follows – 813** (an increase of 1,494% increase from 2020's 51 NEW likes/follows)
- **Page visits – 6,027** (an increase of 1,765% increase from 2020's 323 page visits)
- **Page reach – 87,661** (an increase of 1,101% increase from 2020's 7,298-page reach)

Instagram – Heart of NC:

- **Profile visits – 2,938** (an increase of 996.3% increase from 2020's 268 profile visits)
- **Profile reach – 24,933** (an increase of 1,145% from 2020's 2,003 profile reach)

Facebook – Seagrove, Pottery Capital of the US:

- **New likes & follows – 219** (an increase of 606% from 2020's 31 NEW likes/follows)
- **Page visits – 1,161** (an increase of 548% from 2020's 179 page visits)
- **Page reach – 57,457** (an increase of 930% from 2020's 5,580-page reach)

Facebook – I-73/74 Visitor Centers:

- **New likes & follows – 27** (an increase of 170% from 2020's 10 NEW likes/follows)
- **Page visits – 526** (an increase of 1,778% from 2020's 28 page visits)
- **Page reach – 28,734** (an increase of 1,179% from 2020's 2,246-page reach)



Website Stats:

- **Unique Visitors in 2021 – 61,799**
a decrease of 16.5% from 2020's 74,014
- **Page Views in 2021 – 155,188**
a decrease of .32% from 2020's 155,680

Top 10 URLs:

- Cities & Towns – Asheboro
- Newsroom
- BLOG – Feel Your Heart Race, Why We Love Richard Petty
- Cities & Towns – Seagrove
- Cities & Towns – Archdale
- Travel Tools – About Randolph County
- Things To Do – Seagrove Pottery
- Cities & Towns – Randleman
- Cities & Towns – Liberty
- Cities & Towns – Ramseur

Links from External Pages:

- LibertyAntiquesFestival.com
- AsheboroNC.gov
- VisitNC.com
- NCZoo.org
- SeagrovePotteryMuseum.net
- RichardPettyMuseum.com
- Courier-Tribune.com
- Linktr.ee
- RandolphCountyNC.gov
- StarNewsOnline.com

Top 10 Key Phrases:

- Seagrove, NC
- Asheboro, NC
- Downtown Asheboro
- Asheboro Christmas Parade 2021
- Asheboro
- Seagrove Pottery
- Asheboro Fall Festival 2021
- Staley NC
- Randleman NC
- Heart of NC



Public Relations –

Estimated Total Coverage Views:

- Online - 323.4K
- Print - 304.K
- Social Shares of Media Stories – 23.03K
- Links back to HeartofNorthCarolina.com – 5
- Average Domain Authority – 49 out of 100 (this is a STRONG number; context – New York Times has D.A. of 88 with more than 300 million visits to their site.)
- TV Segments – 5 (in Charlotte, Raleigh, Durham regions)
- Online Placements – 6
- Podcast – 1, NC Tripping featured Millstone Creek Orchards
- Hosted Media
 - Jessica Laurel – Raleigh based influencer, hosted at North Carolina Zoo
 - Tara Lynn – WRAL online, hosted at North Carolina Zoo for family Snorin' Zoo Safari
 - Jason Barnette – Charleston based national blogger Road Trips & Coffee
 - Debbie Moose – Raleigh based national freelance writer
 - Bridgette Lacy – freelance writer
 - Christina Riley – Raleigh based NC blog NC Tripping
 - Vanessa Infanzon – Charlotte based national freelancer
 - Stephanie Burnette – Editor of Greenville (SC) At Home Magazine
 - Martha Steger – freelance writer for Richmond Magazine



DK Communications Group with NC Tripping, Vanessa Infanzon, and Tom Osteen at Linbrook Hall Christmas

Highlights: Media Coverage

- **STATE** - **WRAL online** featured TWO stories with a reach of more than 20K readers, Seagrove Pottery community and North Carolina Zoo | **Charlotte Parent** and **AAA Go** online stories, multiple partners
- **REGIONAL** - Continued visibility in Greenville, SC area with 'road trip' feature in **At Home Magazine** and **Talk Greenville**, Seagrove Pottery community | Cracked Richmond drive market with **Richmond Magazine**, Seagrove Pottery story
- **NATIONAL** – **Travel + Leisure** online story features Seagrove in a list of 'Best Small Towns in NC'

Highlights: Partners Covered by Media (social & content)

- **First time or notable coverage:**
 - **Tarheel Traveler** covered Pisgah Covered Bridge
 - **NC Tripping** covered holiday stories and featured Linbrook Hall in Trinity Christmas Events and Kersey Valley Christmas on TikTok
 - **Carolina Bronze** – CB East Opening
 - **Triad Moms on Main** included Piedmont Legacy Trails in their hiking round up with Randolph County trails mention
 - **Media training** for event organizers of Liberty Antiques Festival for a Triad TV segment
 - **Improved visibility** of the Randolph Arts Guild initiatives
- **Event Highlights:** DKCG participated in VisitNC Statewide Media Mission in October in Raleigh with a new pitch sheet including "highlights" of our area
- **Social Media Execution:** DKCG provided social media execution for all platforms through October 2021 and for Seagrove Pottery Facebook through November 2021
- **Creation of Consumer Focused Eblast Newsletters:** Two quarterly consumer focused newsletters from the Heart of NC
 - **July 2021** – "Cool Off in the Heart of NC" featuring 10 partners with 1,917 readers
 - **Fall 2021** – "Full on Fall" featuring 13 partners and events with 1,826 readers



Tarheel Traveler photojournalist at Jugtown Pottery

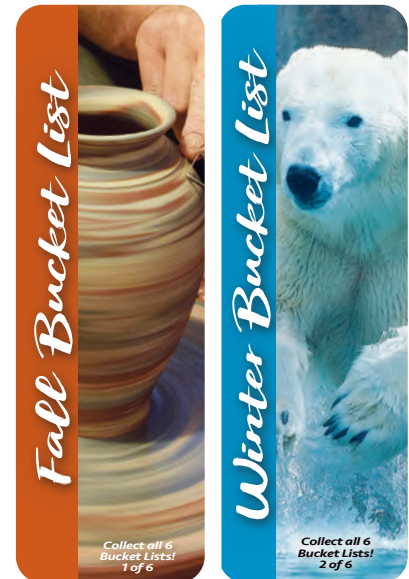
Visual Advertising –

Advertising Partners + Print & Digital:

- Chapel Hill Magazine
- Our State Magazine
- The Griffon
- Chatham Magazine
- Raleigh Magazine
- The Randolph Hub
- Durham Magazine
- The Courier-Tribune
- USA Today



Double Page Spread - Chatham Magazine



Bucket List Bookmarks



Full Page Ad - Chapel Hill & Durham Magazines



Weekly Ad - The Randolph Hub



Quarter Page Ad - The Griffon



Half Page Ad - Our State Magazine



Half Page Ad - Our State Magazine



Weekly Ad - The Courier-Tribune

Award Winners for 2021:



Hospitality Hero Award
- **Vivian Hunt** -
I-73/74 Visitor Center Staff Member



Mary Joan Pugh Excellence in Hospitality Award
- **Dr. Frances Jones** -
Friends of the Library

TDA Board of Directors:

- David Caughron, Chairman
- Rebecca Petty Moffitt, Vice Chairperson
- Luke Hollingsworth
- Leslie Brown
- Pam Brown
- Barbara Gallimore
- Ross Holt
- Shawn Patel
- Diane Villa

Meet Our Team:

- Amber Scarlett, Executive Director
- Amber Skeen, Director of Office Administration
- Melody Varner, Tourism Marketing Coordinator
- Doyle Craven, Visitor Services Coordinator
- Annette Cagle, Director of Visitor Services & Information
- Jerry Hayes, Tourism Information Coordinator
- Part-Time Travel Information Counselors:
Kenneth Broadway, JoAnne Higgins, Vivian Hunt, Matthew Jarrett,
Christy Kiser, Shelly LaCoss, Benita McNeill, and Carole Thorsen

Collaboration Team:

- Kenny Kidd, Liaison to the Board of County Commissioners
- Will Massie, Ex-Officio Finance Officer
- Susan Dosier, DK Communications Group
- Richard Schoenberger, Manor House Creative
- Mike Southard, Triad Hosting, Inc.



**Heart of North Carolina
Visitors Bureau**
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HeartofNorthCarolina.com



County Grant Application

Background Information

In 2021 the North Carolina General Assembly accepted the recommendations of a feasibility study to create a North Carolina Textile Museum in Randolph County. The unmatched textile machinery collection of Randolph Heritage Conservancy, the geographic centrality of its property for visitor access, and the proximity to the North Carolina Zoo were all factors cited in locating the new facility in the county.

An initial grant of \$1Million was given to Randolph Heritage to begin creating a suitable facility on its property in Cedar Falls and Franklinville. The collection was (and is) housed in the former Cedar Falls Manufacturing mill, built in 1846 and upgraded to 140,000 square feet in many stages. Randolph Heritage purchased the property in 2020 with financial assistance from a private nonprofit group, North Carolina Textile Museum, Inc. The factory had been used as a warehouse since 1998, and few if any repairs had been made to the roof since that time or before. Water leaks and structural damage had been increasing since the initial feasibility survey in 2019, and additional damage from Hurricane Fran had not been addressed due to COVID interruptions. Therefore, the immediate need for the state funding was to demolish deteriorated or failing structure and to rebuild and repair the Cedar Falls roof, at a cost which is now exceeding \$800,000. Serious upgrades are still required for electrical service and for water and sprinkler system maintenance. Electrical service for the 550-volt system had been obtained from a large substation in the rear of the mill, but this was removed by Duke Energy in 2021. Their intention is to bring in a new 3-phase service along Andrew Hunter Road in 2023, but until then the facility has temporary service for lighting only.

The facility at Cedar Falls will become the main attraction of the Textile Museum, ultimately housing galleries, exhibit areas, administrative offices, the collection storage warehouse, a museum shop and a food and visitor service area. The parking lot on Deep River will also become a trail head for the Deep River trail, with a canoe/ kayak launch dock. The Deep River Trail (a blueway and a greenway) is a new State Trail administered by North Carolina State Parks, and coordinated by Mary Joan Pugh for the county, in conjunction with the Piedmont Land Conservancy. The Deep River Trail will intersect the former Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad at Cedar Falls, and follow its

railbed along the north side of the river all the way to Ramseur. The Randolph Heritage parking area on Andrew Hunter in Franklinville will also serve as a major trail head and access hub for the trail.

The Randolph Heritage property in Franklinville encompasses the site of the 1838 Franklinsville Manufacturing Company cotton mill, one of the oldest industrial complexes in Randolph County. A mill was located here by Jacob Skeen in the 1760s, near the site of an aboriginal river ford known as "Crawford's Path" crossed the river on its way from the Occaneechi Trail at Climax down to the Pee Dee River in South Carolina. Grist, flour and saw mills were built and rebuilt on the site until 1821, when Quaker anti-slavery activist Elisha Coffin bought the property and created the county's first stock corporation to build the cotton factory. Much of the early factory was destroyed by arson in 2010, but the village itself retains more than 25 houses and structures built before 1860- the largest group of antebellum cotton mill residences in North Carolina. The feasibility study cited the lack of early worker housing in Cedar Falls as a drawback, one that would be corrected by the link to the existing village less than two miles away at Franklinville. Explicitly linking the two sites through the Deep River Trail is needed both to maximize visitation and increase overnight stays, as the impact of tourism to the county is much increased by hotel room revenue. The North Carolina Textile Museum would then become the third major draw, along with the Seagrove Potteries and the Zoo, which would increase visitation and generate additional hotel and restaurant revenue in the county.

Randolph Heritage is sponsoring the development of the museum to avoid contracting delays inherent in beginning such a complicated project through the state construction office. The Museum will ultimately operate with the combined revenues of state support and private nonprofit earned income and fundraising, similar to the relationship between the Zoo and the Zoo Society, and the Spencer Shops Transportation Museum and the Transportation History Associates. It is anticipated that the nonprofit's earned income will come from using the vintage machinery in its collection to spin wool yarn, weave, knit and braid a variety of fabrics, and sell its production in museum shops. This is a new and untried concept in state government, and details must be worked out, but the facility in Franklinville will be vital to the success of that operation. The Collection Restoration Workshop will be located there, together with a machine shop and Textile Technology Lab where machines will be set

up, tested used to train a new generation of skilled apprentices on the use and maintenance of the technology.

Since February 2021, Randolph Heritage has contracted for the demolition and removal of a massive HVAC hulk (the pumps and compressors already being removed) from the Cedar Falls building. Designed to remove cotton dust and humidify the air for better carding and spinning of cotton, the system was over-built for office/institutional use and poorly maintained. Five air-handling units on the roof had created leaks through the deck and substantial rot of the wood below. All of these units and ductwork were removed by contractors, the failing structure supported by cribwork, and the area around the mill cleared for access by cranes and demolition dumpsters. Trademark Construction ordered materials in March, which arrived in August, allowing McRae Roofing to begin work in late September. On the interior of the building, as much of the machinery collection as possible was moved to the west end of the building, which had few roof issues, in order to get them out of the way of leaks. We hired carpenters, riggers and masons to work through the summer to demolish, rebuild, support and repair as much as possible on a day to day basis. This proved to be effective when roof work began, as we were able to have our staff on hand to address issues immediately, without have to wait for further estimates and contract delays. With the staff headquartered in Franklinville, most of the most visible improvements were made there at our property on Andrew Hunter Road, but the bulk of the state funds have been spent at Cedar Falls.

Funding Request

With the major roof reconstruction at Cedar Falls on track to be finished before Christmas 2022, the next round of major expenses would address further basic structural and utility infrastructure in the Randolph Heritage properties. With the state funding allocated toward the roof repairs in progress, Randolph Heritage is in need of the following additional funding to address immediate capital needs. The estimates which we currently have in hand total **\$152,265** as detailed below, but given the volatility of current labor and materials pricing, these estimates must not be considered firm bids.

We previously contracted with Hobbs Architects for 3-D photogrammatic scans of the building, which allowed them to develop detailed floor plans. We now wish to contract

for preliminary programming and space planning for the museum, together with visual renderings of proposed interior and exterior views of a prospective museum. The architects advise that the next stage of their work would also require more detailed environmental investigation of the site to anticipate design issues and constraints. We have the following proposals in hand for this work:

"Preliminary Programming and Conceptual Renderings"- \$21,800 (Hobbs Architects)

"Preliminary Site Investigation and Conceptual Design"- \$9,965 (Dewberry Engineers)

"Environmental Impact Study"- \$28,000 (Dewberry Engineers)

Total Professional Work Needed- \$59,765

With the removal by Duke Energy of the existing 3-Phase service, we need to work with them to design a new service adequate for future museum needs. We also need to provide basic temporary lighting throughout the structure to facilitate maintenance and security. Our estimate for the minimum need here is-

Electrical Work (lighting and security)- \$12,500

With the loss of electrical service, the buildings also lost access to plumbing and sprinkler services. Utility water service was through a well and pump, which has been removed. Sprinkler water was pumped from Deep River by a 550-volt system that is now disconnected from 3-phase power. Our estimate for preliminary investigation of getting these services back on line is-

Plumbing & Utility Work (pump, sprinkler rehab, septic field investigation)- \$40,000

The portion of the Cedar Falls mill which suffered the most damage is a separate wing in the rear, which has only been accessible with the removal of the Duke Energy substation. This wing requires demolition of its collapsed structure and covering with a temporary roof to allow access for design and environmental assessments. There are also two areas on the mill in Franklinville which require structural work and roof patching. These are the last areas of Randolph Heritage buildings which require roof repair. The Franklinville building will be the site of the future steam engine-powered lineshaft machine shop.

Roof demolition and reconstruction- \$40,000

TOTAL REQUESTED- \$152,265

Programming and Capital Improvement Plan

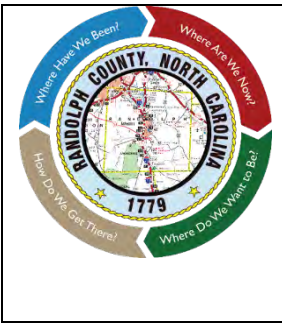
The above estimates address the first six items on the following list of capital investment and program projects Randolph Heritage seeks to undertake in 2023:

1. Structural Masonry repairs (largely complete)
2. Roof repairs to the Cedar Falls mill (to be complete by Christmas 2022).
3. Architectural and Engineering studies by Hobbs Architects in Pittsboro
4. Permanent electrical service at Cedar Falls and Franklinville.
5. Sprinkler service at Cedar Falls and Franklinville.
6. Roof repairs to the Fville Opening Room
7. Window repairs and replacement at both mills.
8. Cosmetic Rehab of the Opening Room (windows, pressure washing, paint, utilities)
9. Relocate the 1897 steam engine and lineshaft machine shop into the Opening Room
10. Rehab the 1892 FMC stair tower- most visible symbol of the mill
11. Rehab of the 1838 FMC stone Picker House- oldest remaining portion of the mill
12. Establishing visitor toilet facilities at both Cedar Falls and Fville
13. Marketing via social media and online software
14. Create a "Makers/ Breakers/ Fixers" group of volunteers
15. Host an event to introduce local citizens, history professionals and elected officials to the properties and collection.

We are currently involved in a variety of private fundraising activities to address all these needs. We will also be seeking at least \$2 million from the next legislature, with the goal of handing over the facility to the state Department of Natural and Cultural Resources by the 2025-27 biennium.

We ask that Randolph County consider funding the capital projects outlined above in the amounts indicated.

L. McKay Whatley, President
Randolph Heritage Conservancy, Inc.
Sponsor of the North Carolina Textile Museum Project.



RANDOLPH COUNTY STRATEGIC PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Application to Request 2022 Funding

I. General Information

Agency Name: RANDOLPH HERITAGE CONSERVANCY, INC.

Address: 724 West Main St.

Franklinville, NC 27248

Type of Agency:
(check one)

☐ Government/Public Authority

☒

Non-Profit

☐ Private

Telephone: 336-824-4855

Fax: none

Website: <https://randolphheritage.org/>

Contact: Mac Whatley

Telephone: 336-318-1484

E-Mail: macwhat@gmail.com

Name of Project: North Carolina Textile Museum roof and utility service repairs

Total County Funding Requested: \$ _____

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

Randolph Heritage Conservancy,
President

Title

Date

II. Organizational Information

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

"Randolph Heritage" or "RHC", legally known as The Randolph Heritage Conservancy, Inc., was created December 30, 1994 to preserve, manage and enhance the historic, cultural, natural, scenic and recreational resources of Randolph County. It was certified as a nonprofit charity by the IRS on February 14, 1995, and was re-certified by the IRS on October 22, 2014.

Randolph Heritage currently owns 8.9 acres of property in Franklinville, NC, and 33 acres of property two miles away in Cedar Falls, NC, together with more than 20,000 square feet of machinery and artifacts pertaining to American textile history.

Over twenty years RHC raised more than \$175,000 to purchase and renovate its Franklinville property, which was partially burned by an arsonist in 2010. RHC has since then acquired adjoining property and is working with the Randolph County Deep River Trail committee to open it to the public as part of the riverfront park, facing "Faith Rock" across the river, with the ruins of the mill stabilized and preserved as an outdoor exhibit.

Since 2020 RHC has received more than \$1.6 million in state, local and private grants to purchase and begin renovating the Cedar Falls factory property where it currently stores its comprehensive collection of American textile machinery. This facility will ultimately become a state history museum, and be managed in connection with the Franklinville property a mile and a half downriver.

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

Beginning in 2006 RHC partnered with the American Textile history Museum in Lowell, Mass., to preserve much of its landmark machinery collection now in storage at Cedar Falls. In 2010 the machinery collection was designated as American Engineering Landmark #251 by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, whose citation stated that the collection represented a 'catalyst of the Industrial Revolution,' showcasing the transitions from an agricultural to a manufacturing economy, from animal to mechanical power, from wood to metal construction, and from rural to urban population shifts. This collection, more than 1500 machines, will become the nucleus of the North Carolina Textile Museum.

A Feasibility Study conducted by the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources in 2020 determined that the RHC property in Cedar Falls and Franklinville was the best candidate to become the North Carolina Textile Museum, based on its central location in the state and its unique collection.. \$1M in grant funds were allocated to RHC by the NC General Assembly in 2021. More than \$575,000 has been paid out for major roof repairs performed by McRae Roofing of Asheboro, together with more than \$200,000 in demolition and clean-up expenses. These repairs, completed December 10, 2022, have given us a weathertight building envelope for the first time. There is still one adjacent section which has not been attempted, given its currently inaccessible location in the rear of the building.

We are working with North Carolina businesses and educational institutions to preserve our history of textile manufacturing and its workers. In 2022 we received donations and support from the Museum of the New South in Charlotte, the NC Transportation Museum in Spencer, Mountain Rug Mills in Hendersonville, Commonwealth Hosiery in Randleman, the Heart of NC Visitors Center, and the NC Textile Museum, Inc.

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 #
	Well-Being - Goal #3- establish & promote county's unique assts and identity, historical, cultural and recreational resources, unique and interesting heritage and history, and natural and recreational resources.

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.

In 2021 the North Carolina General Assembly accepted the recommendations of a feasibility study to create a North Carolina Textile Museum in Randolph County. The unmatched textile machinery collection of Randolph Heritage Conservancy, the geographic centrality of its property for visitor access, and the proximity to the North Carolina Zoo were all factors cited in locating the new facility in the county. Randolph Heritage has offered its property

The 130,000-square foot facility at Cedar Falls will become the main attraction of the Textile Museum, ultimately housing galleries, exhibit areas, administrative offices, the collection storage warehouse, a museum shop and a food and visitor service area. The parking lot there, site of a canoe/ kayak launch dock, will also become a trail head for the Deep River trail. The Cedar Falls mill was used as a warehouse for 20 years, and was poorly maintained when acquired by RHC. We have spent the majority of the state appropriation to make the building watertight, and to remove pipes and ductwork in the way of future renovations. The building is in better condition now, but still lacks basic utility services. There are two sections that still need roof repairs. Within five years it is planned to hand this facility over to the state for further development, and everything we do now will help this happen sooner.

The Randolph Heritage parking area on Andrew Hunter in Franklinville will also serve as a major trail head and access hub for the trail. The feasibility study cited the lack of early worker housing in Cedar Falls as a drawback, one that would be corrected by linking to the existing village at Franklinville. Having the two sites as nodes at each end of a two-mile trail will maximize visitation and increase overnight stays, as the impact of tourism to the county is much increased by hotel room revenue. The North Carolina Textile Museum would then become the third major draw, along with the Seagrove Potteries and the Zoo, which would increase visitation and generate additional hotel and restaurant revenue in the county. Work to improve the appearance and public facilities at the RHC property in Franklinville is also therefore a priority.

Current activities in Franklinville involve creating visitor parking, a machine restoration workshop, and a textile fabrication lab which will exhibit operating machinery. These will preview future programs at both textile museum facilities.

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.

With the major roof reconstruction at Cedar Falls on track finished in December 2022, the next round of major expenses will address further basic structural and utility infrastructure in the Randolph Heritage properties. With the state funding largely committed toward the roof repairs, Randolph Heritage needs additional funding to address the following immediate capital expenses:

- *Architectural and engineering evaluation of the Cedar Falls structure preparatory to renovations; development of interior space plans and visual renderings of exterior alterations.

- *Design of new 3-phase electrical services and provision of basic temporary lighting

- *Design and renovation of plumbing and sprinkler services. Utility water service was through a well and pump, which has been removed. Sprinkler water was pumped from Deep River by a 550-volt system that is now disconnected from 3-phase power. Toilet facilities are nonfunctional.

- *A structure adjoining the mill to the north has been inaccessible until Duke Power removed an electrical transformer station. The roof of that building has partially collapsed and must be removed for safety. There are several other RHC buildings in Franklinville that also need roof and structural renovations to provide safe and dry working spaces.

All of these capital expenses are designed to allow public access to RHC properties as soon as possible, which will enable RHC to develop public programming and private fundraising. Randolph Heritage is sponsoring the development of the museum to avoid contracting delays inherent in beginning such a complicated project through the state construction office. The Museum will ultimately operate with the combined revenues of state support and private nonprofit earned income and fundraising, similar to the relationship between the Zoo and the Zoo Society.

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?

Both the Cedar Falls and Franklinville factories have been designated as Randolph County Landmarks by the Historic Landmark Preservation Commission. Neither of them benefits from landmark tax deferrals as the owner is tax exempt. These funds will be used to preserve both sites and make them more accessible to the public.

The Deep River Trail committee, headed by Mary Joan Pugh, County Trail Coordinator, is the only county or community agency presently involved in developing the Deep River Trail which uses RHC property. The trail directly accesses all of Randolph Heritage's properties.

There are no other active Randolph County history organizations, but the museum will partner to develop future programming with all North Carolina state and local history museums.

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.

Randolph Heritage has begun a fundraising program through its website and social media internet services.

We also have received grants in the past from a related nonprofit "NC Textile Museum, Inc." which is run by an unrelated board.

We expect to receive more funding from the state legislature in the 2023 session, but the earliest any such funds would be available would be July 2023; 2021 funding was not available until February 2022.

Our only staffers to date have been local contract employees, and it is a priority to keep them working.

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: Develop “nodes” to promote recreational access to Deep River Trail

Goal	Initiative	Measure	Target
Create a 2-mile long section of Deep River trail that links Cedar Falls to Franklinville	Create trail head parking areas on both RHC properties	Parking and canoe/kayak access opened for daily public uses.	Minimum 10-20 cars per day at each parking area
Disseminate trail information to the public	Develop historical walking trail tour on “PocketSights” software package	Visitor use of signage and brochures linked to website with QR codes	25 daily hits on “PocketSights” software

Program Objective: Protect the architectural/ historical value of the Cedar Falls mill

Goal	Initiative	Measure	Target
Renovate Cedar Falls mill to provide future museum space and secure collection storage	Commission architectural and engineering study	Floor plans and exterior architectural renderings, environmental and safety analysis.	Plans and drawings of proposed to use in space planning and fundraising.
Insure the safety of visitors and collections	Obtain engineering analysis for structural and utility systems	Plans for electrical, plumbing and sprinkler systems	Specifications for future bids and construction

Program Objective: Create programmatic spaces at Franklinville to build volunteer support

Goal	Initiative	Measure	Target
Create “textile fabrication laboratory” in Franklinville	Open our first exhibit area using machinery collection	Machines moved to Picker House space, with electrical and HVAC services	looms and knitting machines available for demonstration by volunteers
A belt-powered machine shop powered by steam	Re-install the Franklinville steam engine on its original site	Move the steam engine from Godwin and renovate with volunteer support	Create a focal point for visitors and volunteers to gravitate toward

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

yes

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	195,000		195000
State of NC		50000	50000
Private nonprofit		45000	45000
Total Revenues:	195000	95000	290000

Expenditures	Total Project Budget		
	COUNTY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDING SOURCES	TOTAL
Salaries and Benefits	--		
Operating Expenses		30000	30000*
Contracted Services	60000		60000
	40000		40000
	35000	15000	50000
Capital	20000	50000	70000
	40000		40000
Total Expenditures	195000	95000	290000

*Randolph Heritage covers all operating expenses from our general budget.

Budget Detail

Program Objective: Develop two "nodes" to promote access to Deep River Trail

Budget \$70,000 (county contribution \$20,000)

Randolph Heritage is contributing its parking areas in both Cedar Falls and Franklinville, and paid to clear the lot in Franklinville

RHC has commissioned and paid for all trail signage design work

RHC is licensing the "PocketSights trail-making program to design the web tour

Program Objective: Continue Cedar Falls renovation

Budget: Contracted Services- Architect and Engineers \$60,000; electrical/ plumbing 25,000; masonry and roof repair \$40,000

Total \$195,000 (county contribution, \$135,000 ; RHC \$15,000)

RHC has previously hired Hobbs Architects for 3-D photogrammatic scans of the building, which allowed them to develop detailed floor plans. We now wish to contract for preliminary programming and space planning for the museum, together with visual renderings of proposed interior and exterior views of a prospective museum. The architects advise that the next stage of their work would also require more detailed environmental investigation of the site to anticipate design issues and constraints. We have the following proposals in hand for this work:

"Preliminary Programming and Conceptual Renderings"- \$21,800 (Hobbs Architects)

"Preliminary Site Investigation and Conceptual Design"- \$9,965 (Dewberry Engineers)

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The portion of the Cedar Falls mill which suffered the most damage is a separate wing in the rear, which has only been accessible with the removal of the Duke Energy substation. This wing requires demolition of its collapsed structure and covering with a temporary roof to allow access for design and environmental assessments.

Program Objective: Create Programmatic Spaces at Franklinville to build volunteer support

Budget: Capital improvements to masonry, roof, windows and utilities (county contribution, \$40,000; RHC \$50,000)

RHC contract workers have been based at our Restoration Workshop, 1295 Andrew Hunter Rd, and have been renovating the "Upper Mill" property located across the road. That building, 1306 Andrew Hunter, will become the site of the first exhibit space, the Textile Fabrication Laboratory, or "Fab Lab.". That space is clean, painted and ready for use, except for the lack of electricity, lights and HVAC. Two adjacent areas at that mill require structural work and roof patching to make them suitable space for the future steam engine-powered lineshaft machine shop. When this area is secure, the 1897 Harris Corliss steam engine will be relocated back on its original foundation.

These two spaces will provide areas where volunteers and visitors can see machinery being restored and operated. We intend for this area to function in a manner comparable to the glass-blowing workshop at StarWorks, where the infrastructure is provided for students and apprentices to work with equipment which is not usually available to the general public.

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Heritage Conservancy

If the Board wishes to support the request for the Textile Museum, 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	\$152,265	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Cultural and Recreational Appropriations	\$152,265	

From: Fran Andrews <franandrews80@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2022 9:21 AM
To: Johnson, Hal C. <Hal.Johnson@randolphcountync.gov>
Subject: FUNDING

WE ARE ASKING FOR THE FOLLOWING
13,000. FOR A NEW ROOF ON THE OLD TRAIN STATION BUILDING

7,000. FOR REPAIR OF OUR CHIMNEY ON THE MUSEUM HOUSE, IT IS PULLING
AWAY FROM THE HOUSE.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND YOURS.

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Fran

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Trinity Museum

If the Board wishes to support the request for the Trinity Museum, 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	\$25,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Cultural and Recreational Appropriations	\$25,000	



RANDOLPH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SHERIFF GREGORY J. SEABOLT

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

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Sheriff Greg Seabolt

Date: January 3rd, 2022

RE: Request of Approval to Purchase Law Enforcement Vehicles through the North Carolina Statewide Vehicle Contract

The Sheriff's Office wishes to purchase (3) 2023 Chrysler 300 Touring through the NCSA Procurement Program. The North Carolina Sheriff's Association's Procurement Program helps to eliminate duplication of effort through the creation of one statewide bid that can be used by all 100 sheriff's offices in North Carolina, as well as units of local governments and political subdivisions including, but not limited to, county, local county board of public instruction, municipalities and/or police agencies.

Ilderton Dodge was awarded the bid for the 2022-2023 fiscal year – 22-09-0913R

The Sheriff's Office also wishes to purchase (6) 2023 Ford 150's through the North Carolina Statewide Vehicle Contract.

The Division of Purchase and Contract governs procurement for State agencies, community colleges, universities and some local government entities, ensuring that the State acquires the goods and services it needs to operate at costs which are fair and effective uses of taxpayer dollars.

Performance Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram was awarded the bid under the North Carolina Statewide Vehicle Contract #2021-00002.

Randolph County Purchasing Policy requires all purchases over \$90,000 and above to be approved by the Board of Commissioners. The total purchase price for (6) Ford F-150's and (3) Chrysler 300 comes to \$416,501. Funding for these purchases were included in the Sheriff's 2022-2023 budget. Please approve our request.



Randolph County

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

TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Hal Johnson, County Manager
SUBJECT: Growth Management Plan Update/Northeast Randolph County

January 3, 2023

Historical Background:

As Randolph County entered the 21st century, the public process of accommodating new growth while preserving the county's rural resources and natural heritage became more difficult. As a result, in 2000, the Board of County Commissioners asked that a Growth Management Plan be developed that would provide guidance as evaluations and decisions were made on rezoning and growth-related issues. In 2002, the County Commissioners adopted Randolph County's first Growth Management Plan. This Plan prepared broad policy statements that would, when combined with designated Growth Management Areas (Primary, Secondary, and Rural Growth), form an overall growth management policy for Randolph County.

In 2009, high density residential subdivisions interspersed with rural industrial and commercial development continued to impact the rural community and challenged Randolph County's ability to manage growth. As a result, the Board of Commissioners approved revisions to the Growth Management Plan that provided flexibility to County boards and agencies enabling them to adapt to the practical requirements often necessary for rural economic development. The Plan focused on the physical growth and development of Randolph County but also addressed quality of life issues such as the preservation of our heritage assets in an increasingly fragile rural environment.

The foundation of Randolph County's Growth Management Plan is to recognize that sustainable economic growth, environmental protection, and rural quality of life can be pursued together as mutually supporting growth management and public policy goals. One does not necessarily exclude the other.

CURRENT AND FUTURE CHALLENGES:

The location and construction of Toyota Battery at the Greensboro/Randolph Megasite and the pending development of the Chatham County Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) Site, will have growth impacts on Randolph County never before envisioned. The availability of Federal/State Recovery Funds strengthens the County's ability to impact future infrastructure (water/sewer) development. As a result, a comprehensive update of the existing Randolph County Growth Management Plan should be implemented. **The initial scope of the update should focus on the northeast portion of Randolph County as reflected in the attached maps.**

PLANNING CONSULTANT/SCOPE OF SERVICES

I am requesting that the Board of Commissioners approve a Scope of Services contract with the **Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC)** in the amount of \$58,500. I have attached the detailed outline of the process to be used in updating the Randolph County Growth Management Plan. The duration of the contract is anticipated from January 2023 until **August 2023**.

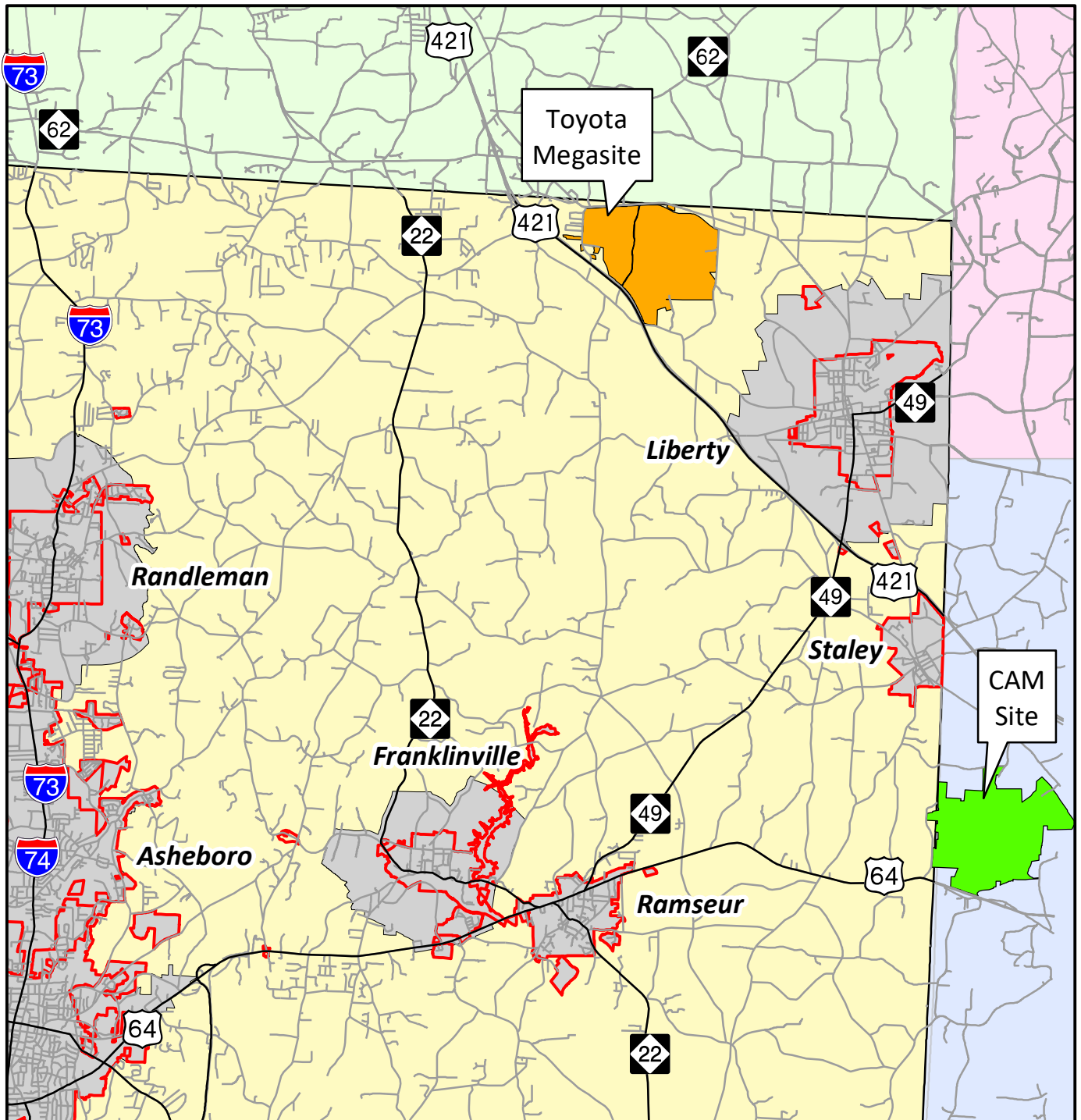
The Scope of Services as outlined in the contract include:

- 1:** Report Development (economic factors; growth patterns/trends; jurisdictional plans; review & update growth areas; growth impacts; mapping; policy & goals)
- 2:** Public Involvement & Consensus Building
- 3:** Committee Meetings
- 4:** Public Meetings including Municipal Meetings

STEERING COMMITTEE & SUBCOMMITTEES

A Growth Management Plan Steering Committee and related Subcommittees, shall be appointed by the County Manager.

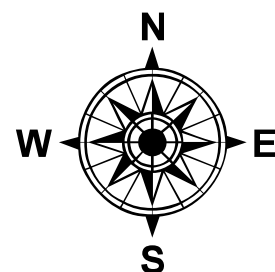
Randolph County, NC



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Legend

- Main roads
- Municipal limits
- Municipal zoning
- Greensboro - Randolph County Megasite
- Chatham County Megasite
- County line





December 16, 2022

Mr. Hal Johnson, County Manager
Randolph County
725 McDowell Road
Asheboro, NC

Dear Hal:

Thank you for asking the Piedmont Triad Regional Council to conduct an update to the *Randolph County Growth Management Plan* (GMP) authored in 2009 and updated in 2017. The following scope of services is proposed for a successful update to the plan; page numbers reference the existing 2009 GMP.

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES SUMMARY – The PTRC in consultation with the Randolph County Manager and Planning Department and advised by a steering committee proposes to compile an update of the *Randolph County Growth Management Plan* (GMP). Based on initial discussions, the GMP needs a comprehensive update, but this scope will focus on the northeast portion of Randolph County. Sections and meeting agenda and topics can be utilized for updates to other areas of the County.

STAFF – José Colón, AICP, CZO, Dawn Vallieres, AICP, Jesse Day, AICP and Malinda Ford, GISP will be the PTRC staff members providing services on this project. Other PTRC Planning staff or sub-contractors may assist from time to time as necessary. Any use of sub-contractors would be in consultation with the County Manager for review and approval prior to engagement.

TIMELINE – The duration of the contract is anticipated to be provided from January 2023 until August 31, 2023. The PTRC intends to complete the majority of public input by June 30, 2023 allowing for draft review between staff, Planning Board, Commissioners and the PTRC for the last two months of the contract prior to a formal adoption hearing.

SERVICES – The following scope of services are proposed for the GMP update:

1. Report Development

Complete updated report data and maps with development of new sections and analysis supporting growth management areas and types of development.

a. Existing Situation (Estimated 68 hours)

2009 Randolph County Economic Factors (pg. 3 and 4)

- Provide updated data on population and projected County growth according to the State Demographer

Finance Revenues and Expenditures (pg. 5)

- Provide updated revenue and expenditure data for Randolph County

b. Growth Patterns and Maps, Demographics and Issues (Estimated 292 Hours)

Randolph Growth Trends Map and Descriptions (pg. 6-9 and 46-49)

- Update existing growth trend maps to reflect existing land use data from existing County level data for unincorporated areas of Randolph County

Review and Update Development Types (pg. 10-14)

- Review with steering committee what types of Developments are being seen that are not listed in this section?
 - Focus on evolving industrial, commercial and high-density residential development types, placement and proximity to growth management areas
 - Review utility policies of Randolph County and jurisdictions providing any water or wastewater utilities to un-incorporated areas.

Coordinate and Document Review of Jurisdictional Growth Plans (new section)

- Review Chatham and Guilford County growth and land development projections, and Randolph County municipal plans or other plans to understand growth projects and potential impacts adjacent to Northeast Randolph County

Review and Revise Randolph County Development Programs and Growth Management Areas (pg. 18-26 and new section)

- Focusing on the northeast portion of Randolph County, insure the existing development programs are able to utilize the Growth Management Plan effectively to maximize consistency between the GMP and proposed development and conservation needs
- Review and update existing growth management areas to reflect recent development and conservation needs (e.g. Mega-site development pressures, watershed preservation and protection, agricultural conservation, NC Zoo preservation or others)
- Review projected growth impacts to population and employment, utilizing a preferred growth scenario in consultation with the steering committee, calculate expected use of land by type (residential, industrial and commercial) based upon the scenario and produce graphic representation of preferred growth scenario
- Update the growth management area map for Northeast Randolph County (pg. 28)
- Create a future land use map, policy and goals section for Northeast Randolph County, building from growth strategy map and growth scenarios, focusing along major transportation corridors in Northeast Randolph County including US 64, NC 22, NC 49 and US 421.

2. Public Involvement and Consensus Building

Public involvement is a critical component of the Plan update and will help to identify community values, while highlighting important demographic and existing condition changes since the 2009 GMP adoption. Public involvement will be provided in the following ways:

a. Steering Committee Meetings (Estimated 104 hours)

- PTRC will facilitate up to six (6) monthly steering committee meetings, to review and discuss existing conditions, plan research, public meeting feedback and to build consensus on recommendations and GMP updates.

b. Public Meetings (Estimated 64 hours)

- PTRC will facilitate two (2) public meetings (#1 March/April and #2 June 2023) and present at a public hearing (see below on review/adoption). The first meeting will be designed to share existing conditions data and maps and to gather input and identify public values concerning growth and land use patterns, service areas, and policies for the growth management plan. The second public meeting will consist of a presentation on the draft growth strategy map (including new development types or new growth area designations) and future growth scenarios with any relevant existing conditions updates presented.

c. Municipal Meetings (Estimated 60 hours)

- PTRC will facilitate and compile notes for five (5) municipal meetings to identify and coordinate policies around land development at the intersection of incorporated and unincorporated areas

3. Review and Adoption (Estimated 16 hours)

The plan is scheduled to be presented for consideration at the August 2023 Randolph County board of commissioners meeting. A staff draft is anticipated to be completed by mid-July for review and input, with draft maps presented prior to June 30 in preparation for the 2nd public meeting.

BUDGET – The anticipated budget is \$58,500 over the proposed 7-month update process which includes purchase of socioeconomic and economic data forecasts for growth projections. It is anticipated that two PTRC staff will be at each meeting. The PTRC will invoice the County on a quarterly basis as a percentage of scope completed. Travel is included in this contract and is part of the overall fee for the work.

INDEMNIFICATION – PTRC agrees to indemnify and save harmless Randolph County against all claims made for damages which may arise as a result of its work pursuant to this agreement, and understands nothing within this agreement creates or establishes an employer and employee relationship between the parties. Both parties may end this contractual arrangement by providing the other party 14 days written notice.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist the County with its planning needs. If the County concurs with this agreement as described herein and on the above Scope of Services, please return a signed copy to me. Please call me with any questions or suggestions (336.904.0300).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jesse Day', is positioned above the printed name.

Jesse Day, Planning Director

Mr. Hal Johnson, Manager
Randolph County

Date

"This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the local government budget and fiscal control act."

Mr. William Massie, Finance Officer
Randolph County

Date

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Growth Management Plan

If the Board wishes to contract with the PTRC for updates to our Growth Management Plan, please approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment #_____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Investment Income	\$58,500	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Planning and Zoning	\$58,500	



Randolph County

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To: Randolph County Commissioners
From: Hal Johnson, County Manager
Date: January 3, 2023
Subject: Mid-Year Request for New Positions, Position Reclassifications, and the associated modifications to the 2022 – 2023 Randolph County Classification Plan

Due to growth and development throughout the County and increases in requests for services, departments are faced with the challenge of having sufficient staff to provide critical services. Positive changes were made during the 2022 – 2023 budget process to add a number of positions requested by departments. However, because there was uncertainty about economic trends, it was not possible to approve all position requests.

While it is not possible to fund all of the position requests that were previously requested but not approved during the budget process, I am coming to you tonight to consider several requests for new positions, as well as position reclassifications, that will allow departments the ability to provide necessary services more efficiently. Fortunately, investment income has been greater than anticipated for the first half of the 2023 fiscal year and can cover the additional costs for the new positions. The costs of reclassifications are being absorbed by existing departmental budgets.

Outlined in this memorandum are the requests for new positions, requests for position reclassifications, and the associated changes that would need to be made to the 2022 – 2023 Randolph County Classification Plan.

New Position Requests:

DEPARTMENT	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	CLASSIFICATION / POSITION TITLE	GRADE
Administration – County Manager	1	Assistant County Manager	131
Administration - Legal	1	Administration Paralegal	115
Building Inspections	1	Inspections Permitting Technician	114
Emergency Services	1	Morgue Manager	E214
Emergency Services	4	Telecommunicator	E212
Juvenile Day Reporting Center (JDRC)	1	JDRC Program Manager	120
Maintenance (Public Buildings)	1	Maintenance Technician	114
Planning & Zoning	1	Addressing Coordinator	115
Social Services	1	Paralegal I	115

Reclassification Requests:

DEPARTMENT	No. Pos.	CURRENT CLASSIFICATION / POSITION TITLE	GRADE	REQUESTED RECLASSIFICATION / POSITION TITLE	NEW GRADE
Administration – Human Resources	1	Benefits Coordinator	117	Assistant Human Resources Director	120
Administration – Media Communications Specialist	1	Media Communications Specialist	118	Public Information Officer	123
Planning & Zoning	1	Property Development Technician	114	Planning Information Specialist	117
Public Health	1	Public Health Strategist	122	Environmental Health Director	123
Public Health	1	Dental Position	N/A	Environmental Health Specialist	117
Public Health	1	Dental Position	N/A	Foreign Language Interpreter I	111

Public Health	1	Dental Position	N/A	Accounting Clerk Supervisor	115
<u>Reclassification Requests continued:</u>					
DEPARTMENT	No. Pos.	CURRENT CLASSIFICATION / POSITION TITLE	GRADE	REQUESTED RECLASSIFICATION / POSITION TITLE	NEW GRADE
Sheriff's Office	1	Deputy Sheriff Corporal	167	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant	171
Sheriff's Office	1	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant	167	Deputy Sheriff Detective Sergeant	168
Sheriff's Office	3	Deputy Sheriff	164	Deputy Sheriff Detective	167

Classification / Position Titles to be Added / Removed:

- Add: Accounting Clerk Supervisor, Grade 115
- Add: Administration Paralegal, Grade 115
- Add: Assistant County Manager, Grade 131
- Add: Inspections Permitting Technician, Grade 114
- Add: Morgue Manager, Grade E214
- Add: JDRC Program Manager, Grade 120
- Add: Planning Information Specialist, Grade 117
- Add: Public Information Officer, Grade 123
- Add: Zoning Permitting Technician, Grade 114
- Remove: Property Development Technician, Grade 114

Action Requested:

I request that the Board approve the requests for new positions, position reclassifications, and associated changes to the 2022 – 2023 Randolph County Classification Plan, with an effective date of February 1, 2023, with the exception of the Assistant County Manager position, which will be effective January 16, 2023. I also request that the associated budget amendment be approved.

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – New Positions

If the Board authorizes the additional positions that are being requested, the salaries and related benefits can be funded through additional investment income.

Please approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment # _____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Investment income	\$355,307	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Administration	\$85,387	
Building Inspections	26,707	
Social Services	27,826	
Juvenile DRC	34,319	
Public Buildings	26,707	
Planning & Zoning	27,826	
Emergency Services	126,535	

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MEMORANDUM

To: Randolph County Commissioners

From: Tara Aker, Health Director

Date: December 28, 2022

Subject: Duke Endowment Grant

In 2021, the Duke Endowment approved a grant to Randolph County in the amount of \$375,000 to support the expansion of a comprehensive school based oral health program. When the County applied for this grant, it was the intent of the health department to use these funds and develop this program in-house. As you are aware, our dentist left and we were unable to find a replacement. Last month you supported the partnership between Randolph County Public Health and Kintegra Family Dentistry. Whereby, Kintegra assumes all responsibility for the provision of dental services allowing these services to continue despite the health department's inability to find a dentist.

As you may recall, an integral part of Kintegra's model is provision of school based dental services. Since the County is not providing these services directly, it is necessary for us to subcontract the Duke Endowment to Kintegra. These funds are dedicated to the provision of the school based dental service program. If they are not used for this purpose, the funds would need to be returned to the Duke Endowment. Duke Endowment staff are aware of the county's new relationship with Kintegra Family Dentistry and have indicated that these funds may still be used in Randolph County if the county subcontracts our grant agreement to Kintegra. I am requesting that you approve the subcontract of the Duke Endowment grant funds to Kintegra Family Dentistry to be used for the provision of school based oral health services in Randolph County and that you authorize Chairman Frye to sign any documents necessary to effectuate this subcontract.

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Transfer to I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Project

The redesign of the I-74 sewer connection to Randleman instead of Asheboro is underway, and the estimated costs for the shorter route are lower than those originally budgeted. Please approve the following budget amendments to reduce the expected ARPA funding for this project:

Coronavirus Recovery Fund

Project amendment # 11

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Transfer to I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Capital Project		\$2,000,000
Contingency	\$2,000,000	

I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Capital Project Ordinance

Amendment # 1

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Transfer from Coronavirus Recovery Fund		\$2,000,000
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Construction		\$2,000,000

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: William Massie, Asst. County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Randolph County I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Capital Project

A multi-year capital project fund has already been established to account for I-74 Industrial Center Sewer extension costs, separate from the General Fund. The original intent was to make this a fully ARPA funded project. However, we will receive two supporting grants which will assist in the funding for this project.

The redesign of the sewer connection to Randleman instead of Asheboro is underway, and the estimated costs are lower than planned. The original Commerce IDF grant request was reduced from \$1,000,000 to an award of \$800,000. Golden LEAF has awarded the County a grant for \$1,000,000.

To update the budget for the Capital Project, please a) accept the revised Commerce IDF grant and Golden LEAF grant and authorize the Chairman to sign related documentation and b) approve the following project amendments:

Randolph I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Capital Project Fund

Amendment #2

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
State grant - Commerce IDF		\$200,000
Golden LEAF grant	\$1,000,000	
Transfer from Coronavirus Recovery Fund		\$800,000
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease

Coronavirus Recovery FundProject amendment # 12

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Transfer to I-74 Industrial Center Sewer Capital Project		\$800,000
Contingency	\$800,000	

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Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Paxton Arthurs

Date: January 3, 2023

Re: Sheriff's Office Garage Paving and Drainage

Last year, the Sheriff's Office reached out to me to look into making some improvements to their Fleet Maintenance Garage. The parking lot at this building has always been gravel and has required regular maintenance. Additionally, there have been ongoing issues with poor drainage and standing water. To correct these issues, I sent out a Request for Bids to grade and pave this area and to provide for site drainage. The low bid received was from Smith and Allen, LLC for \$161,450.00. Not long after this, the project was postponed and the contract was never presented for approval. Recently, the Sheriff's Office notified me that they were ready to proceed with the work; however, when I reached out to Smith and Allen, I learned that they were no longer in business. From previous discussions, I knew that the entire job was to be subbed out to DBM Construction. I contacted the owner, Brian Moody, and requested a proposal for the paving and drainage work as well as an additional 20-foot extension along the east side of the building. Because the project was no longer being marked up by another contractor, DBM proposed to do the work at the same price as before. DBM Construction has been in business for many years and has performed other asphalt paving work for the County.

If the Board wishes to move forward with this, I recommend that you award a contract to DBM Construction, LLC. in the amount of \$161,450.00 for the paving of the Sheriff's Office Fleet Maintenance Garage, and that you authorize the County Manager to sign the contract.

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Assistant County Manager / Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Toyota Permit Refunds for 2022

Per the performance-based incentive agreement with Toyota Battery Manufacturing, any building inspection permits are refundable once a year. For the 2022 calendar year, Toyota initiated construction on three buildings. The total permits assessed on these buildings in this fiscal year were approximately \$200,000. These fees were not included as part of the normal budget estimates, since they were not available.

Please approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Budget amendment #_____

General Fund

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Permits and Fees	\$200,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Building Inspections	\$200,000	

Randolph County Administration



Memo

To: Randolph County Board of Commissioners

From: Will Massie, Finance Officer

Date: 12/30/2022

Re: Budget Amendment – Kraftsman and Mid-State Building Reuse Grants

On February 7, 2022, following a public hearing, the Board of Commissioners approved the building reuse application for Kraftsman Trailers. The Dept. of Commerce approved this project on April 21. The grant will be \$140,000 pass through to the company, with 20 new jobs required.

On December 5, 2022, following a public hearing, the Board of Commissioners approved the building reuse application for Mid-State Trailers. The Dept. of Commerce approved this project on December 8. The grant will be \$100,000 pass through to the company, with 19 new jobs required.

There is no longer a County match for these grants. Please a) accept the grants and authorize the Chairman to sign any documentation and b) make the following budget amendment to the General Fund:

2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

General Fund

Budget amendment #_____

Revenues	Increase	Decrease
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$240,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
Other Economic and Physical Development	\$240,000	