

The Sampson County Board of Commissioners convened for their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2018 in the County Auditorium, 435 Rowan Road in Clinton, North Carolina. Members present: Chairman Clark Wooten, Vice Chairperson Sue Lee, and Commissioners Thaddeus Godwin, Jerol Kivett, and Harry Parker.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and acknowledged Vice Chairperson Lee, who then called upon County Manager Ed Causey for the invocation. Assistant County Manager Susan Holder then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda with the following changes: Resolution Supporting Request to Department of Transportation for Grant Dollars was added as Item 4 (q); Budget Amendment for Sampson County Schools Resource Officers was added as Item 4 (r).

Item 1: Presentations and Reports

Recognition of Retirees Service plaques were presented to Robert Balance and Jeffrey Culbreth in recognition of their years of service to the County.

Item 2: Planning and Zoning

R18-000001 The Chairman called the hearing to order and acknowledged Senior Planner Anita Lane, who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 1.26 acres located at 60 Olde Store Road from MRD-Mixed Residential District to C-Commercial, and the associated findings of fact. The Chairman opened the floor for public comments, and the following were received:

Anne Way: I'm here representing everyone who signed the petition opposing this rezoning. It's a tiny little residential neighborhood. It's a dead-end road. That property, if it were not a four-bay garage, it would be the third house down in this neighborhood. There are 15 houses in here. We're surrounded by farmland and all these little residential homes. This just happens to be a four-bay garage sitting there. In other words, if it were commercial, we would be having all this traffic coming through down a dead-end road. Most of us in there are well over 50 years old. Most of us are retired and most of us have lived there next to 30 years, and we do not want to see it zoned

commercial. It is farmland and it is just this one row of 15 houses. The commercial is out on (Hwy) 421, like she said, more than 400 ft from (Hwy) 421. That is one thing but down in our little neighborhood we don't want it. And there was, like you said, a petition handed out to the Planning Board and almost everybody in there signed it. I suppose they didn't pass it on to you.

Ruby Murfee: I live directly across the road from where this property is being rezoned. Directly across the road. I don't want to look at a garage, a body shop full of junk cars, or excuse me, to be repaired cars, vehicles and other equipment in that direction in my view from my front window and my front door. And it is not something that is going to be there for a little while, but this is going to be for a duration and on and on. And this is what I am going to have to look at. And I don't think I should have to put up with that or look at that more less.

Anne Way: We're just worried about property values going down and the decline of quality of life if it were zoned commercial in the middle of this residential area.

Pam Faircloth: My husband and I own JBF Properties. My husband and I bought some property there on Pope Road, and we lived in the house at 56 Olde Store Road, directly adjacent to that property. That house, our daughter currently lives in, is approximately 4,200 square feet. It's actually the largest house in the neighborhood. We owned and operated the body shop which was not a four-bay garage. It had a paint booth in it. It had a frame machine in it. We owned and operated that business there for 10-12 years. An opportunity arose for my husband and I to start PJ's Truck Bodies and Equipment Company. We started PJ's Truck Bodies and Equipment Company in 2002. The body shop was still being used at that time by two of my brother-in-laws. Our daughter owns a piece of property on Pope Road, that is staying in that residence right now. She is going to build a house there. We actually contacted Quintin and Summar Shirley, who own Tarheel Collision located in Dunn because they have a body shop. We lived there for over 20 years. We lived directly across from the Murfees. No one ever complained about the body shop. As far as their purchasing the house and 60 Olde Store Road, that's what the plan is and that's what we all agreed to. We've already come up with a purchase agreement.

Mr. Starling clarified that the Board should consider that any of the permitted uses in the commercial district could be conducted.

The hearing was closed. The Chairman noted that the request met the requirements of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and that he would vote based on that fact. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kivett and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request to rezone approximately 1.26 acres located at 60 Olde Store Road from MRD-Mixed Residential District to C-Commercial, accepting the provided findings of fact and adopting the

following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment R18-000001 is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan and other long-range planning documents due to the fact that this property is located in close proximity of a major thoroughfare.*

R18-000002 The Chairman called the hearing to order and acknowledged Senior Planner Anita Lane, who reviewed a request to rezone approximately 5.37 acres located on Spivey's Corner Hwy from C-Commercial to R-Residential, and the associated findings of fact. The Chairman opened the floor for public comment and none were received. In the interest of transparency, County Attorney Joel Starling informed the Board that Planning Board member Ann Naylor, as they applicant, had recused herself from voting on the request. The hearing was closed. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to rezone approximately 5.37 acres located on Spivey's Corner Hwy from C-Commercial to R-Residential, accepting the provided findings of fact and adopting the following zoning consistency statement: *Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-341, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners does hereby find and determine that the recommendation of the ordinance amendment R18-000002 is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Sampson County Land Use Plan for residential growth due to the fact this area is located within a portion of the county designated as a Residential Growth Area in Section 2 of the Sampson County Land Use Plan.*

Item 3: Action Items

Presentation of Market Schedule of Values and Present-Use Schedule of Values for 2019 Revaluation Tax Administrator Jim Johnson presented the Board with the proposed Market Schedule of Values and Present-Use Schedule of Values for 2019 Revaluation and then proposed that the Board schedule a public hearing for November 26, 2018, at 10 a.m. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to schedule a public hearing for November 26, 2018 at 10 a.m. in the County Auditorium. [The hearing was later moved to the County Administration Building Conference Room, with appropriate postings performed to announce room change.]

Designation of Voting Delegation for NCACC Legislative Goals Conference Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to designate Commissioner Kivett as voting delegate for the NCACC Legislative Goals Conference scheduled on January 10-11, 2019.

Public Hearing – Naming of Private Roads The Chairman opened the hearing and called upon Assistant County Manager Susan Holder who reviewed the

recommendations for naming certain private roads. The floor was opened for public comments and none were received. The hearing was closed. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Commissioner Kivett, the Board voted unanimously to name private roads as follows:

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Thunder Way Lane

Appointment - Library Board of Trustees Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Chairman Wooten, the Board voted unanimously to reappoint Cynthia Asante to the Library Board of Trustees. Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Chairman Wooten, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Karen Kinlaw to the Library Board of Trustees.

Item 4: Consent Agenda

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kivett and seconded by Commissioner Godwin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a. Approved the minutes of September 10, 2018; September 24, 2018; October 1, 2018; and October 9, 2018 meetings
- b. Adopted a resolution proclaiming November as Native American Heritage Month (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- c. Approved the Designation of Applicant's Agent and Applicant Disaster Assistance Agreement documents to apply for FEMA Public Assistance (Hurricane Florence) (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- d. Awarded the bid for disaster debris removal to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, DRC Emergency Services LLC, in the amount of \$117.38 per ton, and authorized the County Manager to execute the contract for services
- e. Approved the Sampson County Local Government Holiday Schedule for Calendar Year 2019:

New Year's Day	Tuesday, January 1, 2019
Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday	Monday, January 21, 2019
Good Friday	Friday, April 19, 2019
Memorial Day	Monday, May 27, 2019
Independence Day	Thursday, July 4, 2019
Labor Day	Monday, September 2, 2019
Veterans Day	Monday, November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving	Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29, 2019
Christmas	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, December 24, 25, & 26, 2019

- f. Approved the Board of Commissioners Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2019 (all meetings to be held at 6:00 pm in the Sampson County Auditorium unless otherwise announced):

Monday, January 7, 2019	Monday, July 1, 2019
Monday, February 4, 2019	Monday, August 5, 2019
Monday, March 4, 2019	Monday, September 9, 2018
Monday, April 1, 2019	Monday, October 7, 2019
Monday, May 6, 2019	Monday, November 4, 2019
Monday, June 3, 2019	Monday, December 2, 2019

- g. Approved the contract between the Sampson County Department of Social Services and Sampson Area Transportation for non-emergency medical transportation (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- h. Approved the System Safety Plan for Sampson Area Transportation (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- i. Adopted the Procurement Policy Governing Purchases Made with Federal Money (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- j. Adopted the Conflicts of Interest and Gift Policy Governing Purchases Made with Federal Money (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- k. Approved the delinquent disabled veteran applications for Donald Allen and Butler James Kendrick, Jr.
- l. Approved tax refunds and releases as submitted:

#8594	Gerardo Eudeca	\$112.34
#8744	BJ Williamson, Inc.	\$536.96
#8743	Constance Williamson	\$151.56
#8735	Bobby Thornton	\$120.38
#8748	Michael Albee	\$168.21
#8754	Jennifer Grice	\$114.50
#8756	Fred Lenoir	\$170.42
#8757	Wendy Jordan	\$117.59
#8763	Janet Mesecha	\$196.44
#8765	Ashley Wilkins	\$192.61
#8770	Bobby Hill	\$249.09
#8766	Manuel Anselmo	\$272.30
#8752	Katrina Hemmingway	\$971.72
Tax Release	Adaline Group LLC	\$334.70
Tax Release	Curtis Dew, Jr.	\$376.68

- m. Approved budget amendments as submitted:

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Finance</u>		
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
29549430	562004	Rehabilitation	\$175,000.00	
29549430	519049	Administration	\$70,000.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
29034943	403614	Grant-NC Housing Finance	\$245,000.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Finance-Taylor's Bridge Fire Dept.</u>		
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
23243410	581026	Taylor's Bridge Fire Department	\$46,000.00	
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
23043426	499900	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$46,000.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Finance</u>		
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11141300	599900	Disaster Relief	\$350,000.00	
61971000	544000	Contract Services	\$200,000.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11033010	402605	FEMA Funds	\$350,000.00	
61937100	408900	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$200,000.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Finance</u>		
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
05558310	581000	Transfer to State Agency	\$22,910.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
05435831	409906	FBA Youth Shelter	\$8,200.00	
05435831	409905	FBA Psychological	\$500.00	
05435831	409900	FBA Administration	\$8,439.00	
05435831	409902	FBA Teen Court Restitution	\$4,266.00	
05435831	409903	FBA Teen Inspire	\$1,505.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Environmental Health</u>		
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
12551810	526200	Department Supplies	\$95,660.00	

<u>REVENUE</u>				
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
12535181	404000	State Assistance	\$95,660.00	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Cooperative Extension</u>			
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
04449500	529900	Miscellaneous Exp.		\$500.00	
<u>REVENUE</u>					
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
04034950	408900	4-H Programs		\$500.00	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>Emergency Management</u>			
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Description (Object of Expenditure)</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11243300	526200	Departmental Supplies		\$4,962.00	
<u>REVENUE</u>					
<u>Code Number</u>		<u>Source of Revenue</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
11033839	408900	Miscellaneous Revenue		\$4,962.00	

(Board of Health Items)

- n. Adopted Fiscal Services Policy and Procedures (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- o. Adopted revised Operating Procedures of Board of Commissioners sitting as Board of Health (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- p. Approved new Lab Corp and State Lab Fees
- q. (Walk On) Resolution Supporting Request to Department of Transportation for Grant Dollars (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)
- r. (Walk On) Budget Amendment for Sampson County Schools Resource Officers (Copy filed in Inc. Minute Book ____ Page ____.)

Item 5: Board Information

The Board was provided the following items for information only:

- a. UNC School of Government - Elected Officials Needs Assessment Invitation
- b. Sampson County Convention and Visitors Bureau Resolution Supporting Agriculture

(Board Information, Board of Health)

- c. 2018 State of the County (Health) Report
- d. Health Advisory Board Minutes, August 21, 2018

County Manager's Reports

County Manager Ed Causey placed emphasis on Item 4 (d), the debris removal contract which was awarded to DRC Emergency Services, LLC. He noted that the contract could be signed immediately and that the services thereof could begin as soon as five days. He also noted that as part of the after-action review of Hurricane Florence disaster response that all county employees were given the opportunity to provide feedback, and that there were 40 responses. Reviewing the responses showed that overall the County's response was good, however, there is room for improvement. Therefore, staff will be working to improve emergency response overall, and will include each department, and the Sampson County and Clinton City school systems. He noted that the Board will be provided a revised Emergency Operations Report by March 1, 2019, which will highlight suggested operational changes. Prompted by Commissioner Parker's request for a debris removal update, Mr. Causey informed the Board that the State was conducting debris removal on the rights-of-way of State roads.

Public Comments

The Vice Chairperson opened the floor for comments and the following were received:

Linda Bradsher: I am representing the people down on Mossy Log on the Black River. I did live at 111 Ride Safe Lane, in Harrells, which I can't live there anymore because my house is washed away. All of our citizens that live in Mossy Log, everyone had horrific damage. And our street looks like a war zone with all the debris and everything. I've been told that since this is a private road not kept up by the State, that they would have to have a private contractor come in and take that debris away. That happened last year, well, two years ago in Matthew and it took a year almost to get all the debris out from our development. I'm just wondering if it's going to take another year to get it out?

The Chairman expressed sympathy to the Mossy Log residents and acknowledged Mr. Causey, who reviewed the debris removal information shared earlier, noting that county-wide debris removal would begin as soon as 5 days.

Linda Bradsher: We were charged \$50 to have our power cut back on and we had to get a permit to redo our houses. I understand that legislation passed that ruling that you would not have to pay a fee for that particular thing. The County did charge us and now they say in order to get your money back you've got to fill out a form, you've got to the zoning commission, or wherever over there in that building back there, to get your money. But the people that are not here tonight, do they get their money back if they do not know about it?

The Chairman ensured Ms. Bradsher that the County would fully abide by the terms of Section 5.16 of the 2018 Hurricane Florence Disaster Recovery Act (Senate Bill 3) and provide refunds to all qualified persons.

Linda Bradsher: Now I understand from a guy at FEMA that there are monies available to the citizens of the County that have been flooded that can get help through the County.

Assistant County Manager Susan Holder clarified that the County was hosting the Disaster Recovery Center, where FEMA and SBA agents were accepting applications for individual assistance through their programs and noted that the County had no control over the federal funding used in those programs.

Linda Bradsher: Do you ever purchase property? I have had my house totally flooded twice and right now it is totally unlivable and I don't have the money to replace it. I cannot get any money from FEMA. I cannot get any money from anybody. So, what will you do about my taxes on that piece of property?

The Chairman noted that the Board would take that question under advisement and provided direction once advised.

Linda Bradsher: Everybody where we live has the same problem. We have either been flooded twice or three times. So, there aren't any monies available individually for help?

The Chairman stated there were not any County monies allocated for individual assistance. Ms. Holder noted that said citizens may have been mistaking the United Way program as a County program and noted that United Way accepted donated monies after the storm and was managing the distribution of those monies; however, there were no County monies allocated.

Linda Bradsher: I cannot afford to redo my house. I simply do not have the means. I'm an old woman. You know, if you can't get help what good can you do. I'm not the only one. There are people sitting right there on that back row that are in the same situation. They all live down there where I live. You're empathizing is okay, but it doesn't help me get through my crisis. And Mr. Parker, I have a question for you. Have you been to Mossy Log?

Chairman Wooten reminded Ms. Bradsher of the Public Comment Rules and Procedures. Ms. Bradsher provided no further comments.

Janet Hosey: You may remember that I was here last month pleading with the debris pickup in Ivanhoe after the flood. My heart certainly goes out to those folk in Mossy

Log. But, I am here to say thank you for the debris pickup to Mr. Causey and to this man, for whatever efforts they had to do at NCDOT. It really has made a difference in our spirits just to have that debris moved away. I wanted to publicly thank you. I feel sorry for the people at Mossy Log. I also wanted to make a note from the last meeting. The NCDOT man said about American Materials being in Harrells. And I want to make sure that you understand that American Materials has been in Ivanhoe since 1999. I just wanted to make you aware that we are a small community, unincorporated and we don't have a mayor, but we've got a lot of thriving businesses in our little community. Some fourth generation. Black River Organic Farm, we've got several blueberry farms, we've Johnson Lumber Products, and of course you know we've got poultry farms, but they're all in Ivanhoe and I hope that we get a little more recognition. And I noticed in the Sampson Independent when they had the road closure notices on the front page, I noticed they were putting Ivanhoe Road in Harrells. Ivanhoe Road is in Ivanhoe, it's not in Harrells. And I wanted to ask what we can do about the recognition of Sampson County. I watch the news for the weather on WECT and WWAY and they put up the map and there's that big triangle county where there's nothing in between. They have Kenansville, they've got Burgaw, they've got Fayetteville, but they just show that triangular shape on the weather map on both of those stations. And Sampson County is not recognized whatsoever. They don't have Clinton in there or anything.

The Chairman made Ms. Hosey aware that the County does not control the weather channels nor what is aired on those channels. He then noted that Public Information Officer Susan Holder was on several weather stations during the Hurricane Florence storm event providing updates for county residents. Ms. Holder then informed Ms. Hosey that the National Weather Service - Raleigh website provided online county specific weather information.

Janet Hosey: This came in the mail today. It's from Bladen Community College. We live in Sampson County. I don't know why we're getting Bladen County mail and we have never gotten a Sampson Community College brochure.

Closed Session - GS 143-318.11(a)(4) Matters Related to Industry Location

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairperson Lee and seconded by Chairman Wooten, the Board voted unanimously to go into closed session pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(4) for matters related to industry location. In Closed Session, Economic Development Director John Swope discussed a potential industry with interest in Sampson County. Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Commissioner Kivett, the Board voted unanimously to come out of Closed Session.

Recess to Reconvene

Upon a motion made by Chairman Wooten and seconded by Vice Chairperson Lee, the Board voted unanimously to recess to reconvene on November 26, 2018, at 10 a.m. in the County Auditorium for the public hearing for the schedule of values.