

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

127 W. Webster St
Whiteville, NC 28472



AGENDA

Monday, July 18, 2022
5:45 P.M. – Closed Session
6:30 P.M. – Regular Session

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Chairman Ricky Bullard

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A) (3) ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE and PERSONNEL

2. **Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(3) Attorney-Client Privilege and Personnel.**

RECESS CLOSED SESSION and enter into REGULAR SESSION

Regular Session begins at 6:30 P.M.

3. **Invocation:** Commissioner Brent Watts
4. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Lavern Coleman
5. **Approval of Board Minutes with Corrected Financial Documents:**
 - A. June 20, 2022
 - a. Budget Amendment Item #2 – Corrected amount from \$9,509.98 to \$9,510
 - b. Budget Amendment Item #3 – Corrected Revenue account number: Changed from 10-3517-530171 to 10-3417-430171
 - c. Budget Amendment Item #6 – Corrected Revenue account number: Changed from 70-3432-489042 to 10-3432-589042
 - B. June 27, 2022 Special Called Meeting
6. **Approval of July 18, 2022 Agenda and Tax Refunds & Releases: Page:01**
7. **Public Input**

8. **Employee Spotlight – Preston Turner:** County Manager Eddie Madden will spotlight Columbus County Solid Waste Operations Supervisor Preston Turner. **Pages:02-03**
(Eddie Madden will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
9. **Trillium – Acceptance of Annual Report:** Dennis Williams, Southern Regional Director with Trillium will provide the Board with an update and introduce the incoming Southern Regional Director Cecilia Peers. **Pages:04-17**
(Dennis Williams will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
10. **Cape Fear Council of Governments – Recommendations from the Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Columbus County:** Patrick Flanagan, Regional Planner with the Cape Fear Council of Governments, will present the Board with recommendations from the Transportation Plan. **Pages:18-67**
(Patrick Flanagan will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
11. **Administration – Presentation on the NC Works Commission Workforce Alignment Recommendation & Adoption of Resolution:** Eddie Madden, County Manager, will present the Commission’s recommendation for realignment to the Board and is requesting Board adoption of the resolution. **Pages:68-96**
(Eddie Madden will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
12. **DSS – Monthly Administrative Update:** Algernon McKenzie, Director, will provide the Board with an update. **Pages:97-104**
(Algernon McKenzie will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
13. **DSS – Approval of Updated Energy Outreach Plan for 2022/2023:** Algernon McKenzie, Director, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:105-109**
(Algernon McKenzie will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
14. **Economic Development – Approval of Request for Matching Funds for Product Development Grants from North Carolina’s Southeast:** Dr. Gary Lanier, Director, is requesting Board approval. **Page:110**
(Gary Lanier will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
15. **Sheriff’s Department – Approval of NC Governor’s Highway Safety Program Local Governmental Resolution:** Jody Greene, Sheriff, is requesting Board approval of the Resolution. **Pages:111-112**

16. **Legal – Approval of The LAB Entrepreneurship Center Advisory Board Bylaws:** Amanda Prince, Staff Attorney, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:113-118**
(Amanda Prince will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
17. **Finance – Acceptance of the Monthly Finance Report:** Jay Leatherman, Director, is requesting Board acceptance of the monthly finance report. **Pages:119-123**
(Jay Leatherman will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
18. **Finance – Approval of Budget Amendment and Capital Project Budget:** Jay Leatherman, Director, is requesting Board approval of the following: **Pages:124-128**
a. Sheriff’s Office Budget Amendment for School SRO’s
b. Soil & Water Conservation Capital Project Budget for Farmland Preservation
(Jay Leatherman will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
19. **Introduction of Interim Finance Director Melanie Hester and Approval of Signatory Authority:** Jay Leatherman, Director, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:129-130**
(Jay Leatherman will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
20. **Appointments/Re-Appointments/Replacements:** Staff is requesting appointments, re-appointments or replacements to the following boards, committees and councils.

Legend: EB = Entire Board
Listed Zone # = Individual Commissioner

Zone I: Jerome McMillian Zone V: Brent Watts
Zone II: Chris Smith Zone VI: Ricky Bullard
Zone III: Giles E. Byrd Zone VII: Charles T. McDowell
Zone IV: Lavern Coleman

| COMMITTEE | ZONE/ EB | PERSON(S) | EXP. DATE |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--|--------------------------|
| Chadbourn Planning & Zoning Board | EB | Jennifer Caines (recommended by Chadbourn to serve as the ETJ Alternate) | 02/2024 |
| COG – Aging Advisory Council Region O | EB EB | Robert Adams (deceased) Judy Ward (resigning) | 06/30/2022 06/30/2022 |
| Department of Aging Advisory Council | II V | Robert Adams (deceased) Wilbur Chestnut (resigning) | 06/30/2022 06/30/2022 |

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| Home & Community Care Block Grant Committee | I | Barbara Williams | 06/30/2022 |
| | II | Anita Adams (resigning) | 06/30/2022 |
| | II | Karen Thurman | 06/30/2022 |
| | IV | Robert Adams (deceased) | 06/30/2022 |
| | V | Henry Milligan | 06/30/2022 |
| | V | Tommy Spivey | 06/30/2022 |
| | VII | J.D. Gore (resigning) | 06/30/2022 |
| | VII | Judy Ward (resigning) | 06/30/2022 |
| Housing Advisory Committee | I | Sherica Powell | 06/30/2022 |
| | II | Michael Clemmons | 06/30/2022 |
| | III | David Solomon | 06/30/2022 |
| Juvenile Crime Prevention Council | II | Mitch Nance | 06/30/2022 |
| Water & Sewer Advisory Commission | II | Clarence Matthew Smith | 06/02/2022 |

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING

21. Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V – Approval of Minutes:
A. June 20, 2022

ADJOURN COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V BOARD MEETING

22. Comments:
A. Board of Commissioners; **and**
B. County Manager.

23. Adjournment