

# COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

127 W. Webster St  
Whiteville, NC 28472



## AGENDA

Monday, August 1, 2022  
5:15 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 (6) PERSONNEL**

2. **Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A)(3) Attorney-Client Privilege and (6) 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:**
  - A. July 11, 2022 Special Called Meeting
  - B. July 11, 2022 EMS Workshop
  - C. July 18, 2022 Regular Session
6. **Approval of August 1, 2022 Agenda:**
7. **Public Input**
8. **Proclamation – Whiteville High School Baseball Team:** The Commissioners would like to congratulate Whiteville High School Baseball Team for receiving the 2A State Championship Runner-Up Trophy. **Pages:01-02**

9. **Employee Spotlight – Heather Woody** County Manager Eddie Madden will spotlight Columbus County Assistant Finance Director Heather Woody. **Pages:03-04**  
(Eddie Madden will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
10. **Administration – Approval of Design Plans for Historic Courthouse:** Lee Dixon with Coastal Architecture will present the restoration plans for the Historic Courthouse. County Administration is requesting Board approval of the plans and to move forward with bidding the project. **Page:05**  
(Lee Dixon will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
11. **Cooperative Extension – 4-H Youth Member, Alexandria Benton, will address the Board of Commissioners:** Ms. Benton will provide information on North Carolina 4-H and talk about her experiences with the group. Ms. Nakoma Simmons, 4-H Agent with the Cooperative Extension, will also be in attendance. **Page:06**
12. **Health Department – Approval of New Tobacco-Free Policy for Columbus County Health Department, located at 304 Jefferson Street, Whiteville, NC 28472:** Kim Smith, Director, is requesting Board Approval as this policy adoption is a requirement by Medicaid. **Pages:07-15**  
(Kim Smith will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
13. **Health Department – Update on COVID-19 and Monkey Pox:** Kim Smith, Director, will provide an update to the Board. **Page:16**  
(Kim Smith will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
14. **Administration – Approval of North Carolina Housing Finance Agency 2022 Essential Single Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool Program (ESFRLP) Assistance Policy, Disbursement & Procurement Policy, Language Access Plan, The Adams Company Service Agreement and Project Ordinance:** Gail Edwards, Assistant County Manager, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:17-52**  
(Gail Edwards will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)
15. **Administration – Approval of Bid Opening and Acceptance of Recommendation to Award 2019 CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Project Grant #18-C3058:** Gail Edwards, Assistant County Manager, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:53-78**  
(Gail Edwards will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)

16. **Planning – First Reading of Planned Development Zoning Districts Ordinance and Call for Public Hearing:** Dr. Gary Lanier, Director, is requesting a first reading and establishment of a Public Hearing for August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. **Pages:79-87**

(Gary Lanier will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)

17. **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**

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

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXP. DATE
Animal Control	I	William Christopher Barnhill	08/06/2022
COG – Aging Advisory Council Region O	EB	Judy Ward ( <b>resigning</b> )	06/30/2022
Department of Aging Advisory Council	II	Robert Adams ( <b>deceased</b> )	06/30/2022
	V	Wilbur Chestnut ( <b>resigning</b> )	06/30/2022
Home & Community Care Block Grant Committee	I	Barbara Williams	06/30/2022
	II	Anita Adams ( <b>resigning</b> )	06/30/2022
	II	Karen Thurman	06/30/2022
	V	Henry Milligan	06/30/2022
	V	Tommy Spivey	06/30/2022
	VII	J.D. Gore ( <b>resigning</b> )	06/30/2022
Housing Advisory Committee	VII	Judy Ward ( <b>resigning</b> )	06/30/2022
	I	Sherica Powell	06/30/2022
	III	David Solomon	06/30/2022

The LAB Advisory Board	EB	SCC Representative <b>(Dr. Sylvia Cox recommended)</b>	
	EB	SCC Representative <b>(VP Lacie Jacobs recommended)</b>	
	EB	Jobs Foundation Representative	
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	EB	Columbus Chamber of Commerce Representative	
	EB	Tabor City Chamber Representative	
	EB	Fair Bluff Chamber Representative	
	EB	Columbus County At Large	
	EB	Columbus County At Large	
	EB	Columbus County At Large	
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Southeastern Community Action Partnership	EB	Barbara Featherson	06/30/2022
Whiteville City Planning - Zoning Board and Board of Adjustment	EB	Sammy Jacobs	8/1/2022
	EB	Freddie Edwards	8/1/2022
	EB	Vacant <b>(ETJ)</b>	8/1/2022
	EB	Vacant <b>(ETJ)</b>	8/1/2024

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

18. **Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V – Approval of Minutes:**  
A. July 18, 2022

19. **Water Districts I, II, III, IV, and V – Approval of Contracts with On-Call Engineers Subject to Recommended Modifications by Attorney:** Harold Nobles, Director, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:88-155**  
(Harold Nobles will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)

20. **Water Districts I, II, III, IV, and V – First Reading of Amendment to the Columbus County Public Utilities Customer Service Policy:** Melanie Hester, Interim Finance Director, is requesting a first reading. **Pages:156-164**  
(Melanie Hester will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)

21. **Water Districts I, II, III, IV, and V – Approval of Green Engineering Agreement for Master Plan Study of Water Districts I, II, III, IV, and V:** Harold Nobles, Director, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:165-169**  
(Harold Nobles will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)

22. **Water District IV – Approval of EDA Grant Award:** Harold Nobles, Director, is requesting Board approval. **Pages:170-177**  
(Harold Nobles will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)

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

23. **Comments:**

- A. Board of Commissioners; **and**
- B. County Manager.

24. **Adjournment**