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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ROWAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 3, 2020 – 3:00 PM

J. NEWTON COHEN, SR. ROOM

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Present:

Jim Greene, Vice-Chairman
Mike Caskey, Member
Judy Klusman, Member
Craig Pierce, Member

Absent: Greg Edds, Chairman

County Manager Aaron Church, Clerk to the Board Carolyn Barger, County Attorney Jay Dees and Assistant County Manager/Finance Director Leslie Heidrick were present.

Vice-Chairman Greene convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Chaplain Michael Taylor provided the Invocation.

Vice-Chairman Greene led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDER ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

CONSIDER DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

There were no deletions from the agenda.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Klusman seconded and the vote to approve the agenda passed unanimously (4-0).

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Klusman moved, Commissioner Pierce seconded and the vote to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2020, January 10, 2020 and January 21, 2020 Commission Meetings passed unanimously (4-0).

1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Klusman moved approval of the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously (4-0).

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Emergency Management Preparedness Grants Application
- B. Topaz Development, Inc. Settlement Agreement and Release
- C. Martin Starnes & Associates – FY 2020 Audit Contract
- D. Purchase of Vehicle for Facilities Management
- E. Cooperative Extension/4H Shoot Sports Program NRA Grant
- F. Rowan County 4H Grants
- G. Lease Purchase Agreement Authorization Letter for South Salisbury Fire Department
- H. Revised JCPC Funding Plan for FY'20
- I. Appointment of County Manager's Designee for Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Vice-Chairman Greene opened the Public Comment Period to entertain comments from any citizens wishing to address the Board. With no coming forward, Vice-Chairman Greene closed the Public Comment Period.

3. PUBLIC HEARING FOR STA 02-19: SUBDIVISION STREET STANDARDS

Assistant Planning Director Shane Stewart recalled that on December 2, 2019 the Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing for STA 02-19 concerning road width and turn around standards from Appendix D of the North Carolina Fire Code for adoption into the Subdivision Ordinance. The Commissioners voted to table a decision until after it heard from the North Carolina Department of Transportation during the Annual Planning Work Session held on January 10, 2020. Mr. Stewart said Planning Staff had prepared revisions based on the discussions regarding street width, turn-around standards and provisions for secondary access for developments creating more than thirty (30) residential lots.

Using a power point, Mr. Stewart highlighted the proposed text amendments.

In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Klusman, Fire Marshal Deborah Horne stated over time the firetrucks could become longer; however, she did not see them getting wider due to road width standards.

Vice-Chairman Greene opened the public hearing to receive citizen input regarding STA 02-19 and with no one coming forward, Vice-Chairman Greene closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Pierce moved approval of STA 02-19. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and passed unanimously (4-0).

County Attorney Jay Dees said Staff would put STA 02-19 on the Consent Agenda at the next Commission Meeting for a second reading since all five (5) Commissioners were not present.

The text amendments were approved as follows. Existing text proposed for deletion appeared ~~highlighted with strikethroughs~~ while new text appeared as **bold red text**.

Section 22-10. Other Definitions.

NCDOT means the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Specific Type Roads:

Cul-de-sac. ~~A short street having but one end open to traffic and the other end being permanently terminated and a vehicular turnaround provided.~~ **A permanent dead-end street which has one (1) end open to traffic and terminates in a circular turnaround.**

Section 22-80. Road Standards.

Every lot shall have access to it that is sufficient to provide a means of ingress and egress for emergency vehicles as well as for all those likely to need or desire access to the property in its intended use. In situations where an original lot is provided access via a non-state standard right-of-way or easement (public or private) and is proposed to be subdivided, the subdivider shall be responsible for obtaining the necessary right-of-way and for all aspects of road construction for upgrading said access to the proposed subdivision. Road construction and right-of-way standards shall meet the requirements of Section 22-80(a) or (b) of this ordinance.

(a) Public Roads.

All subdivision lots shall abut on a public road except as provided in section 22-80(b) and (d) of this ordinance. All public roads shall be paved and built to all applicable standards of this ordinance and all other applicable standards of the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT). Roads which are not eligible to be put on the NCDOT system because there are too few residences shall nevertheless be dedicated for public use and shall be built in accordance with the standard necessary to be put on the NCDOT System. ~~A written agreement with provision for maintenance of the street until it is put on the State System shall be included with the final plat and recorded with Rowan County Register of Deeds office. The maintenance agreement shall provide~~ **A final plat shall contain the road maintenance disclosure statement from section 22-59 (2) notifying prospective buyers** that either the subdivider or property owners shall be responsible for the maintenance of all proposed public streets until the responsibility has been transferred to either a homeowner's association established for the owners of properties in the subdivision or has been accepted for public road maintenance by NCDOT.

(b) Private Roads.

Private roads shall be permitted only when the roads proposed within a

subdivision will not be eligible for inclusion into the NCDOT state maintained system or by a municipality in Rowan County because of their standards for acceptance. Such roads shall meet all right-of-ways and construction standards of NCDOT unless specifically provided otherwise. The subdivider shall provide certification from a registered professional engineer that the subject roads were built to these standards. All private roads shall be marked as such on the preliminary and final plat, **include the road maintenance disclosure statement from section 22-59 (2) on the final plat**, and **record** a maintenance agreement ~~shall be provided and recorded with the plat~~ at the Rowan County Register of Deeds office once the final plat has been approved.

Said maintenance agreement shall include, but not be limited to, the following items:

- (1) That a homeowner's association shall be established as a legal entity for the property owners within the entire subdivision.
- (2) That all property owners within the subdivision shall be members of the homeowner's association.
- (3) That the subdivider shall convey all private streets in fee simple ownerships within the subdivision to the homeowner's association.
- (4) That the responsibility for maintenance of private streets from the developer to the homeowners association shall be noted in the deed of each purchaser of property within the subdivision.

At the time of the preparation of the sales agreement the developer shall include a disclosure statement to the prospective buyer as herein outlined. The developer and seller shall include in the disclosure statement an explanation of the consequences and responsibility about the maintenance of a private street, and shall fully and accurately disclose to the party or parties upon whom responsibility for construction and maintenance of such street or streets shall rest.

Private roads for a family subdivision, as defined in section 22-9, shall not be required to meet construction standards of NCDOT, instead the lot(s) created shall be provided ingress and egress via a twenty-foot easement or right-of-way (new or existing) in continuity to a publically maintained road, which shall be shown on the final plat. Furthermore, family subdivisions may also occur in situations where prior minor subdivision approval was granted but not within a major subdivision. In addition, the street frontage requirements of section 22-79(a) "Lot Dimensions" shall not apply to these lots. For the purposes of determining other required setbacks, "street" and "street right-of-way" shall be interpreted to mean the twenty-foot exclusive easement. The establishment or extension of a new easement or right-of-way shall not be prevented by the required setback of an existing structure if the Subdivision Administrator determines no other feasible options are available.

Any family subdivision that cannot comply with the provisions of this subsection shall not be approved as a family subdivision and shall be approved and comply

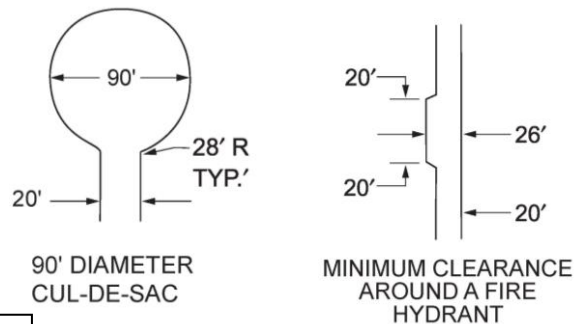
with the provisions of a minor or major subdivision.

(e) *Street Design Standards.*

The design of all streets and roads within the jurisdiction of this ordinance shall be in accordance with the accepted policies and standards of the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Division of Highways. The most recent edition of the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Division of Highway's Subdivision Roads Minimum Construction Standards, shall apply for any items not included in this ordinance or where stricter than this ordinance.

The following design standards shall apply to all streets proposed in subdivisions:

- (1) Street jogs with centerline offsets of less than one hundred fifty (150) feet are not permitted.
- (2) Street intersections shall not include more than four (4) street approaches.
- (3) Streets shall be laid out to intersect as nearly as possible at right angles. No street shall intersect another at less than sixty (60) degrees, other arrangements for smooth merging of traffic shall be permitted where the total effect on the intersection is to reduce traffic hazards and provide for smooth traffic flow at the intersection as a whole. As an example, where a one-way street leaves or enters a street divided by a median strip or otherwise controlled to prevent left turns, the angle of departure or entry might be less than sixty (60) degrees. All angles of street intersections shall meet current NCDOT standards.
- (4) To ensure streets are appropriately designed to support the efficient and safe movement of emergency service vehicles and the general public, minimum pavement dimensions shall be as follows unless an alternative design is accepted by the Rowan County Fire Marshal:**
 - 1. Twenty (20) feet in width;**
 - 2. Twenty-six (26) feet in width when adjacent to a dry or municipal hydrant in accordance with the below figure; and**
 - 3. When proposed, cul-de-sacs shall be ninety (90) feet in diameter in accordance with the below figure.**



Not to Scale

Additional right-of-way may be necessary to accommodate width and turnarounds which exceed

NCDOT minimum standards.

(f) *Other Requirements.*

(1) Sidewalks.

Sidewalks may be required by the Board of Commissioners on one or both sides of the street in areas likely to be subject to heavy pedestrian traffic such as near schools and shopping areas. Such sidewalks shall be constructed to a minimum width of four (4) feet, and shall consist of a minimum thickness of four (4) inches of concrete. All sidewalks shall be placed in the right-of-way. Sidewalks shall consist of a minimum of six (6) inches of concrete at driveway crossings. Sidewalks shall be constructed of concrete with a minimum compressive strength of two thousand five hundred (2,500) pounds per square inch or greater.

(2) Street Names.

Proposed streets which are obviously in alignment with existing streets shall be given the same name. In assigning new names, duplication of existing names shall be avoided and never shall the proposed name be phonetically similar to existing names in the county irrespective of the use of a suffix such as street, road, drive, place, court, etc. Street names shall be subject to the approval of the Planning Department and shall be in accordance with section 22-78.

(3) Street Name Signs.

The subdivider shall be required to reimburse Rowan County for providing and placing street name signs to county standards at all intersections within the subdivision. This fee shall be paid before final plat approval.

(4) Permits for Connection to State Roads.

An approved permit is required for connection with any existing state system road. This permit is required before any construction on the street or road. The application is available at the office of the nearest district engineer of the Division of Highways.

(5) Wheelchair Ramps.

In accordance with G.S. 136-44.14, all street curbs in North Carolina being constructed or reconstructed for maintenance procedures, traffic operations, repairs, correction of utilities, or altered for any reason after September 1, 1973, shall provide wheelchair ramp for the physically handicapped at all intersections where both curb and gutter and sidewalk are provided and at other major points of pedestrian flow.

(6) Secondary Access.

In addition to the primary access required in section 22-80 (a), a residential subdivision creating more than thirty (30) lots shall also

construct a separate and approved access road twenty (20) feet in width for emergency service vehicles, which meet or exceed the construction standards of section 22-80 (g). The Board of Commissioners may waive the secondary access road requirement for developments with limited public road frontage, environmental constraints, including topography, or similar circumstances, which prevent or significantly inhibit construction.

(g) *All-Weather Access Road for Water Point Sources*

In situations where the water point source cannot be directly accessed by a mobile water supply apparatus via the proposed subdivision street; or, an existing state maintained road; or a linkage of hoses not to exceed twenty (20) feet, then the subdivider shall be responsible for construction of an access road in fire districts with a PPC rating of 8 or lower. In districts with a PPC rating of 9 or 9S, the fire department having jurisdiction shall participate equally with the subdivider in sharing the costs for access road construction.

This access road shall be maintained in accordance with the following NFPA 1142 Chapter 7 guidelines to which it was built. These standards are intended to serve as the maximum requirements that may be imposed, subject to (11) below.

- (1) Roadways shall have a minimum clear width of twelve (12) feet (3.7 m) for each lane of travel.
- (2) Turns shall be constructed with a minimum radius of one hundred (100) feet (30.5 m) to the centerline.
- (3) The maximum sustained grade shall not exceed eight (8) percent.
- (4) All cut-and-fill slopes shall be stable for the soil involved.
- (5) Bridges, culverts, or grade dips shall be provided at all drainageway crossings; roadside ditches shall be deep enough to provide drainage with special drainage facilities (tile, etc.) at all seep areas and high water table areas.
- (6) The surface shall be treated as required for year-round travel.
- (7) Erosion control measures shall be used as needed to protect road ditches, cross drains, and cut-and-fill slopes.
- (8) Where turnarounds are utilized during firefighting operations, they shall be designed with a diameter of one hundred twenty (120) feet (36.5 m) or larger, as required, to accommodate the equipment of the responding fire department.
- (9) Load-carrying capacity shall be adequate to **support the imposed load of fire apparatus weighing at least 75,000 pounds** ~~carry the maximum vehicle load expected.~~

(10)The road shall be suitable for all-weather use.

(11)Upon determination from the SRC that lesser standards are adequate and comply with the intent of this article, deviations may be permitted on an individual basis.

4. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER NO WAKE ZONE FOR EMERALD BY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Vice-Chairman Greene stated the Emerald Bay Homeowners Association (HOA) had requested to establish a No Wake Zone (NWZ) going up to their property on High Rock Lake.

Vice-Chairman Greene opened the public hearing to receive citizen input regarding the request from the HOA for the No Wake Zone and the following individuals came forward:

- David Porter of 645 Panther Point Trail was opposed to the request. Mr. Porter said he did not see what the benefit would be to implement the NWZ. Mr. Porter said residents enjoyed seeing the boats coming through the channel enjoying the lake life. Mr. Porter said two (2) neighbors (Jim Bassinger and Dennis Troutman) also preferred the channel remain as is. Mr. Porter said he had not encountered any damage to his dock and he questioned what defined the NWZ. Mr. Porter agreed there were boats that did cause wakes; however, he was opposed to the NWZ. (Note: Mr. Porter came back to the podium later in the meeting and was no longer opposed to a NWZ).

Vice-Chairman Greene referred to the map in the agenda packet and noted the Wildlife Resources Commission (WRC) had submitted three (3) options for the Board of Commissioners to consider. The first option began at the Emerald Bay Property. Option 2 began further down the cove and Option 3 was where the cove entered the waters of High Rock Lake.

Commissioner Klusman asked Mr. Porter where he lived in proximity to the Emerald Bay HOA. Mr. Porter estimated he lived 300 yards from the HOA. Commissioner Klusman said one of the issues raised had been the wakes eroding the shore. Mr. Porter said yes, to some extent. Mr. Porter said he had lived at his property for ten (10) years and had not observed any noticeable erosion.

- Mark Scott, of 414 Emerald Bay Drive and President of the Emerald Bay HOA, said he attended a Board of Commissioners meeting around one (1) month ago and made the request for the NWZ. Mr. Scott said the request was not made due to property damages – even though there was damage to the docks and the shoreline. Mr. Scott said request was strictly from a safety standpoint. Mr. Scott stated jet skis and boats pulling skiers/children on tubes down Panther Creek made their turns frequently in front of the HOA dock. Mr. Scott expressed concern that someone on a tube, a water ski, etc. were eventually going to hit

one of the docks. Mr. Scott said the other two (2) recommendations were proposed by the WRC after its investigation.

County Attorney Jay Dees said the County needed to identify who planned to pay for the buoy. Mr. Scott said the Emerald Bay HOA had agreed to pay for the buoy if it was approved.

Commissioner Greene said if the Board approved the request, it would submit a resolution to the WRC indicating which option was preferred. The WRC would start the process for consideration/approval and make the final decision.

- Stephen Kidd of 710 Emerald Bay Drive said he had lived on his property since 2004 near the second option provided by the WRC. Mr. Kidd said Emerald Bay had continued to grow and the growth had brought more piers, which made travel from both directions more difficult. Mr. Kidd noted 150 feet of the cove was taken up by piers along both sides, which tightened up the space for boats to pass through. Mr. Kidd pointed out skiers or children on tubes behind boats were not pulled in a straight line but rather swayed left and right. Mr. Kidd noted if the Board were to approve the requested option (from the HOA), boaters would start turning around where Option 1 was shown. Mr. Kidd also mentioned the increasing popularity of wake boats used for skiing.

Commissioner Klusman questioned the width of the cove and Mr. Kidd responded that the width of the cove varied.

In response to Commissioner Klusman, Mr. Kidd said while wake boats had been around for awhile, they had increased in popularity over the past few years. Commissioner Klusman asked if the reason for the NWZ request boiled down to damage to docks and Mr. Kidd said the primary reason was for the safety of those on tubes.

Commissioner Klusman asked who would be liable if a child was to hit one of the piers. Vice-Chairman Greene said typically the owner of the boat was responsible for injuries that might be received.

Mr. Kidd felt if the Board were to approve the requested option for the NWZ people would start turning around at Option 1 and the issue would not be resolved. Mr. Kidd felt if Option 1 was approved to implement the NWZ, people would more than likely stop skiing in the cove altogether.

Commissioner Pierce stated the Board of Commissioners could submit the request; however, the final decision was up to WRC.

Commissioner Caskey asked if people paid attention to the NWZ areas. Mr. Kidd said anytime people see the NWZ, they typically assume the Wildlife Officers “are just around the corner.”

Commissioner Caskey asked if most of the people doing the tubing lived in the cove and Mr. Kidd estimated the percentage to be 50%.

- Timothy and Carol Isenburg said they also had property in the area shown on the map as Option 1. Ms. Isenburg said their family endured the same issues described by Mr. Kidd. Ms. Isenburg said when the water levels drop in the summer the conditions worsen. Mr. and Mrs. Isenburg supported Option 2 for implementation as the NWZ.

In response to Commissioner Klusman, Mr. Isenburg said the number of boats was not tracked; however, he stated the number had increased over the years making the situation hazardous. Mr. Isenburg said unless kayaks, etc. had reflectors on them, they could get run over. Mr. Isenburg expressed concern that someone could be killed.

Vice-Chairman Greene asked if it had been determined if the No Wake Zoning Matrix had been filled out by the HOA or by the WRC. County Attorney Jay Dees said the Association representative had submitted the information.

Mr. Dees said once the County submitted the information, the WRC would review it and post a rule for comment for sixty (60) days. Mr. Dees said the WRC had already done some review. Mr. Dees said the WRC would hold a meeting where citizens could attend in person and provide comments before the rule was adopted.

Vice-Chairman Greene asked if there was anyone else who wished to address the issue.

- David Porter came back to the podium and clarified information regarding the depth of the water in various locations. Mr. Porter continued by agreeing with Mr. Kidd that if a NWZ was going to be implemented, it would be better to put it at the front of the lake (Option 2). Mr. Porter said when he initially spoke he had not been considering the safety factor. Mr. Porter felt Option 1 would not solve the problem.
- Steve Six of 345 Panther Point Trail said he moved to the area last June. Mr. Six talked about the speed and turning location of the boaters. Mr. Sexton stressed the safety issue versus the use of the water for someone.

With no one else wishing to address the Board, Vice-Chairman Greene closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Pierce moved approval of a Resolution to Establish No Wake Zone in the Vicinity of Panther Creek / Emerald Bay Community Piers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and passed unanimously (4-0).

Commissioner Pierce read the Resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, under authority of North Carolina General Statutes Section 75A-15 any subdivision of the State of North Carolina may at any time, after public notice, make formal application to the Wildlife Resource Commission for special rules and regulations with reference to the safe and reasonable operation of vessels on any water within its territorial limits; and

WHEREAS, Rowan County has given public notice of its intention to make formal application to the Wildlife Resources Commission for special rules and regulations with reference to the safe and reasonable operation of vessels on High Rock Lake within the territorial limits of Rowan County, and for the implementation of the Uniform Waterway Marker System in all the waters of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with NCGS 75A-15, the Board of Commissioners of Rowan County requests the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission to promulgate special rules and regulations with reference to safe and reasonable operation of vessels on the waters of High Rock Lake located in said County, the pertinent substance of which proposed regulations is as follows:

No wake zone in the waters of High Rock Lake from the Panther Creek shore to shore west of a line that is 50 yards east of community piers at Emerald Bay at 35.60186 N, 80.25738 W or for any distance deemed appropriate by the Wildlife Resources Commission (Option #2 on No-Wake Zoning Matrix)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rowan County Board of Commissioners requests the said Commission to promulgate regulations fully implementing the Uniform Waterway Marker System in all of the waters of said County.

Vice-Chairman Greene noted the responsible party to purchase any buoy approved had already been identified (Emerald Bay HOA).

Commissioner Pierce moved to authorize staff to submit the necessary application and supporting documentation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and passed unanimously (4-0).

5. UPDATE REGARDING CARDINAL INNOVATIONS HEALTHCARE

Melissa Bunker, Regional Executive for Cardinal Innovations, along with Alyssa Smith of Healthy Rowan were present to discuss the shift in changes from Cardinal's Community Boards.

A power point was provided as Ms. Bunker and Ms. Smith talked at length about the governance structure, partnership, Healthy Rowan Community Coalition, the Board of Commissioners and the Rowan County Advisory Council.

The Southern Region consisted of Rowan, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Stanly and Union counties with the following membership:

Position	Name
CFAC Rep	Jeff Philips
Cardinal	Melissa Bunker
BOD	Beverly Morrow
DSS	Donna Fayko
Non-CFAC Member	Janet Breeding
3rd Member/Family	Gwen Bartley
County Commissioner	Judy Klusman
Stakeholder	Neetu Verma
Behavioral Health	Pamela Rankin
Physical Health	Angela Miccoluci
CAC Chair	TBD
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CAC Chair	TBD
Flex Position	Nicole French

Commissioner Klusman suggested to Ms. Bunker that public comment be allowed at all meetings.

Continuing with the power point, Ms. Bunker reviewed the purpose, membership appointments and meeting cadence for the Community Advisory Committees (CAC).

Ms. Bunker shared that Rowan County was already “ahead of the game” due to its Healthy Rowan Coalition.

Ms. Smith provided the history behind Healthy Rowan, which started in 1999 as part of the Healthy Carolinians Project by the Department of Health and Human Services. Ms. Smith said there had been no real collaboration to enhance capacity in order to have a greater return on the investment for health issues in Rowan County.

Ms. Smith discussed Healthy Rowan Community Coalition’s governance, partnerships, financial support and functions. The functions were listed as:

Function:

- Advocates for health in all policies
- Provides support and implements evidence-based interventions
- Facilitates collaboration between agencies to improve health outcomes in Rowan County.

Ms. Smith talked about the current reporting structure for Rowan County and efforts to focus on a common agenda.

Current Members – Healthy Rowan Executive Committee

- Alyssa Smith – Chairwoman
- Christa Wooley – Community Care Clinic
- Nina Oliver – Director Health Department
- Dari and/or Jessica – Novant Health Rowan

- Karen Alexander – Salisbury City Council
- Judy Klusman – Rowan County Commissioner

A brief question and answer period followed the presentation.

Vice-Chairman Greene thanked Ms. Bunker and Ms. Smith for their presentation.

6. PARKS CONCESSION STAND/OFFICES APPROVAL

Facilities Management Director Don Bringle and Architect Pete Bogle presented information for the design of a new concession stand and office building at Dan Nicholas Park. The existing concession stand had been in place for almost 53 years and staff and visitors had outgrown the facility.

Mr. Bringle said staff had worked with the Bogle firm to create not only a location for the concession stand but a design they felt would be beneficial. Mr. Bringle said as part of the proposed plan, the concession stand was actually smaller; four (4) offices had been created along with a small conference area. Mr. Bringle reported the Parks Advisory Board had met and were unanimously in support of the proposed project and design. In conclusion, Mr. Bringle discussed the timeline for advertising and opening bids. Mr. Bringle said when the Board of Commissioners meet on March 16, 2020 he hoped to present the bid package and ask for selection of a contractor.

Using a power point, Mr. Bogle showed drawings for the proposed facility that included the concession stand building, office areas and restrooms.

Commissioner Pierce asked several questions pertaining to materials proposed for the exterior. Commissioner Pierce said he was looking at the long-term maintenance for the facility and he asked if brick would be much more expensive compared to the materials proposed for the exterior. Mr. Bogle said yes. After further discussion, Mr. Bogle said he would obtain pricing for brick veneer.

Commissioner Pierce moved approval of the design followed by a second from Commissioner Klusman. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Finance Director Leslie Heidrick presented the following budget amendments for the Board's consideration:

- Health Department – Disperse Healthy Rowan funds to match awarded funding - \$63,775
- Emergency Services – Move funds from donations revenue account to donations expenditure account - \$290
- Sheriff – Recognize funds received from Salisbury-Rowan Community Foundation Discretionary Fund and place in the proper expense account. Funds donated for Shop-With-A- Cop Program - \$3,500

- Finance – Budget additional FY 20 JCPC funds awarded to Rowan County Program Providers - \$15,984
- Sheriff – Recognize \$250 check for donation to Christmas Fund and budget to proper expense account.
- Social Services – Budget donations received in order to provide goods and services to clients - \$40,816
- Rowan Transit – Increase to budget for newly awarded Federal Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Urban Transportation Grant Funds - \$130,000
- Sheriff – Recognize check from Walmart Foundation and place in the Sheriff's Christmas Caring Account for use in the Shop-With- A-Cop Program - \$2,500
- Finance – To de-obligate the Land Acquisition Services Award (ID #36244.56.10.3) budgeted for the Mid-Carolina Regional Airport. BOC rescinded the award on 11/18/19 - \$111,111

Commissioner Pierce moved approval of the budget amendments as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Caskey and passed unanimously (4-0).

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOARD APPOINTMENTS **AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD**

Per the memorandum from Cooperative Extension Director, Amy-Lynn Albertson, the Agricultural Advisory Board (Board) did not meet for close to four (4) years. As a result, the advisory board member's terms expired and Ms. Albertson asked the previous members to reapply. Those members were reappointed; however, most have now served two (2) terms and are not eligible for reappointment.

In order to stagger the terms of the Board and to avoid losing the majority of the members at the same time, Ms. Albertson asked the Commissioners to consider extending and ratifying the board members terms as listed below:

- Kim Starnes- Current Chair, please extend term for 2 years beginning 2/1/2020
- Randy Eilium- extend 1 year beginning 5/1/2020
- Mark Mauldin- please extend term 2 years beginning 1/1/2020
- Mark Hammill- Will reapply for 2nd 3 year term beginning 6/1/2020
- Michael Shepherd- recently appointed for 3 years on 1/6/2020 (keep as is) replacing Darrell Nichols

Commissioner Pierce moved to readjust the Agricultural Advisory Board's terms/years as requested by Amy-Lynn Albertson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and passed unanimously (4-0).

LIBERTY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Alan King applied for reappointment for a term that will expire June 30, 2021.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Alan King. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and passed unanimously (4-0).

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Steve Stroud from the Town of China Grove applied to fill the vacant Elected Official's seat. There are no term dates for this Committee.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Klusman seconded and the vote to appoint Steve Stroud carried unanimously (4-0).

NURSING HOME ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Robbie Dale Pickrel applied to fill a vacant seat. If appointed, the term would expire July 31, 2022.

Commissioner Pierce moved the appointment of Robbie Pickrel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and carried unanimously (4-0).

PLANNING BOARD

John Leatherman applied for reappointment for a three-year term that would expire December 31, 2022.

Commissioner Klusman felt more diversity was needed on the Board for both gender and race. Commissioner Klusman said the Commissioners should be encouraging and people to apply and get involved with the County's advisory boards.

Commissioner Greene agreed there was a need to get more people involved.

Commissioner Caskey moved to reappoint John Leatherman. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously (4-0).

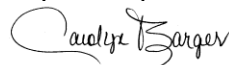
Michael Harrill applied for a two-year term that would expire December 31, 2021.

Commissioner Pierce moved approval of Michael Harrill followed by a second from Commissioner Caskey. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Pierce moved to adjourn at 4:39 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Klusman and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carolyn Barger, MMC, NCMCC
Clerk to the Board