

**MINUTES OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS’
BRIEFING OF APRIL 19, 2022 AT 3:00 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 19, 2022, in the Commission Chambers, 200 College Street, Room 326 in downtown Asheville, North Carolina at 3:00 p.m. where and when the following business was transacted:

The Chairman called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Brownie Newman, Chairman
Jasmine Beach-Ferrara, Commissioner
Amanda Edwards, Vice Chair
Robert Pressley, Commissioner
Terri Wells, Commissioner
Al Whitesides, Commissioner

Parker Sloan, Commissioner, was absent from the meeting.

Staff present: Avril Pinder, County Manager; Sybil Tate, Assistant County Manager; Dakisha Wesley, Assistant County Manager; Donald Warn, Finance Director; Jennifer Barnette, Budget Director; Sharon Burke, Human Resources Director; Taylor Jones, Emergency Services Director; Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations; Lamar Joyner, Clerk to the Board; Michael Frue, Senior Staff Attorney; Brandon Freeman, Staff Attorney

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

During the meeting, the Board and staff will review and discuss agenda items and receive staff updates with discussions as noted:

Review the Board’s Agenda.

Staff Updates:

Bond Feasibility Study Results. Pegeen Hanrahan, Southeast Conservation Finance Director, explained the service assistance that can be provided for the development of land conservation, affordable housing, and related priorities. Funding options discussed included property taxes and bonds. A polling data can be gathered to provide valuable information.

Code Enforcement and EVAD Ordinance Amendments. Brandon Freeman, Staff Attorney, updated the Board on the North Carolina General Assembly’s change to criminal penalties for certain local ordinance violations. A future public hearing will be held to have the Board amend the County’s local ordinances.

Life Cycle Cost Analysis for Fleet Building. Scott Metcalf, General Services, Jeremiah LeRoy, Sustainability, and staff from CPL provided an overview of the design plans for the new Fleet services building. They highlighted information about the HVAC Systems, battery storage, energy systems, LEED certification, and the life cycle cost analysis.

TMIP Project Review. Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations, explained the Tourism Management & Investment Plan (TMIP) potential projects that were up for discussion to be funded by the Tourism Product Development Fund (TPDF). The TPDF is a Tourism Development Authority (TDA) grant program that is funded by the Hotel Occupancy Tax. The County projects that are under consideration are the Affordable Housing Development, Buncombe County Sports Park Recreation Destination – Phase 2, Ferry Road Destination (Greenway, Trails, and River Access), Woodfin Greenway and Blueway, and Farm Heritage Trail Phase 2.

Open Discussion: Chairman Newman asked the other commissioners about ranking the Ferry Road project options/goals and elements that will be further discussed at the evening’s regular meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

LAMAR JOYNER, CLERK
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS