

**MINUTES OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 1, 2022 AT 5 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Board of Commissioners met in regular session on November 1, 2022, in the Commission Chambers, 200 College Street, Room 326 in downtown Asheville, North Carolina at 5 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
Parker Sloan, Commissioner
Terri Wells, Commissioner
Al Whitesides, Commissioner

Staff present: Avril Pinder, County Manager; Sybil Tate, Assistant County Manager; Dakisha Wesley, Assistant County Manager; Donald Warn, Finance Director; John Hudson, Budget Director; Sharon Burke, Human Resources Director; Jennifer Pike, Tax Collector; Keith Miller, Tax Assessor; Sheriff Quentin Miller; Stoney Blevins, Health & Human Services Director; Rachael Nygaard, Strategic Partnerships Director; Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations; Nathan Pennington, Planning Director; Dane Pederson, Solid Waste Director; Lamar Joyner, Clerk to the Board; Michael Frue, Senior Staff Attorney; Brandon Freeman, Staff Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Wells motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and the remainder of the agenda. Commissioner Beach-Ferrara seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

- Approval of October 18, 2022 Briefing Meeting Minutes
- Approval of October 18, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Tax Collection Report
- Approval of Construction Contract with C&T Paving for the FY20 Countywide Parking Lot Improvements Project
- Approval of Technical Correction to Leave Policy
 - Leave Policy

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Thompson, Thomas Van Dalsen, Cathy Anders, Brad Shore, and Mike Kennedy expressed their concerns and disapproval for the Pinner's Cove (rezoning) new construction project by KLP Pinner's EAT, LLC.

Don Yelton questioned the open space bond, "I Voted" sticker, and how equity is applied in the County.

Joel Harder stated his displeasure with County employee recruitment as it relates to Native Americans.

Jen Hampton, Karli Schwartz, and Liz Button expressed their support for the Affordable Parking Program.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Operation Green Light Proclamation**

Vice Chair Edwards read and presented the proclamation. Heath Smith, Veterans Services, and Kevin Rumley, Justice Services-Veteran Treatment, accepted the proclamation and expressed thanks for the County's support of veterans.

- **Financial Quarterly Report - FY22 Fourth Quarter**

Don Warn, Finance Director, presented the FY22 Fourth Quarter Report with an update on revenues and expenditures.

- **Financial Quarterly Report - FY23 First Quarter**

Don Warn, Finance Director, presented the FY23 First Quarter Report with an update on revenues and expenditures.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

- **Election Update**

Lillian Govus, Communication & Public Engagement Director, provided an update on the General Election with details related absentee ballots, early voting, and election day voting.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Affordable Parking Program**

Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations, presented background, survey results, and program details for Coxe Avenue Garage. Staff presented the Affordable Parking Program concept to the Board at the September 6th Briefing Agenda and Commissioners requested additional input from the Community regarding the proposed options. The proposed program provided a reduced rate of \$40 per month to individuals that purchase a monthly parking pass and are of low to moderate income (i.e., 80% AMI).

Vice Chair Edwards moved to approve the resolution authorizing the creation of the Affordable Parking Program at Coxe Avenue Garage as presented. Commissioner Wells seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Wells moved to approve the ordinance amending the FY2023 Fee Schedule. Commissioner Sloan seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

- **Budget Amendment for School Capital Fund Commission Fiscal Year 2023 Project Recommendations**

Commissioner Wells moved to approve the budget amendment as presented. Vice Chair Edwards seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made the following announcements:

- *November 15 @ 3 p.m. - Commissioners' Briefing at 200 College Street, Room 326 in downtown Asheville.*
- *November 15 @ 5 p.m. - Commissioners' Regular Meeting at 200 College Street, Room 326 in downtown Asheville.*

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Beach-Ferrara moved to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (4) to hear economic development matters and NCGS 143-318.11(a) (5) hear real property negotiation matters with no possible action anticipated following the closed session. Commissioner Whitesides seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

The Board heard the update and had discussion regarding the matters. No action was taken.

Commissioner Beach-Ferrara moved to go back into open session. Commissioner Sloan seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Beach-Ferrara moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair Edwards seconded and the motion passed 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

LAMAR JOYNER, CLERK
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS