

**MINUTES OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 15, 2022 AT 5 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Board of Commissioners met in regular session on November 15, 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
Amanda Edwards, Vice Chair
Robert Pressley, Commissioner
Parker Sloan, Commissioner
Terri Wells, Commissioner
Al Whitesides, Commissioner

Jasmine Beach-Ferrara, Commissioner, was absent from the meeting.

Staff present: Avril Pinder, County Manager; Dakisha Wesley, Assistant County Manager; John Hudson, Budget Director; Jennifer Pike, Tax Collector; Stoney Blevins, Health & Human Services Director; Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations; Lamar Joyner, Clerk to the Board; Michael Frue, Senior Staff Attorney; Brandon Freeman, Staff Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice Chair Edwards motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, add a **Proclamation Honoring Commissioner Pressley** before **Public Comment** and the remainder of the agenda. Commissioner Sloan seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

- Approval of November 1, 2022 Briefing Meeting Minutes
 - Approval of November 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - Resolution Approving Pyrotechnic Experts for Firework Display
 - Resolution
 - Resolution Approving Addition to State Highway System
 - Resolution
 - More Information
 - Memorandum of Understanding between County of Buncombe & The Board of Trustees of A-B Tech for Demolition of Enka Tower Using ¼ Cent Sales Tax Revenues
 - Memorandum of Understanding
 - Approval of Technical Correction to Drug-Free Workplace Policy
 - Drug-Free Workplace Policy
 - Approval of Updated Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) FY 2022-2023 County Funding Plan
 - Funding Plan
 - Budget Amendment for NC Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Program Grant Budget Revision
 - Ordinance
 - Budget Amendment for School Health Liaison - Agreement Addendum 361
 - Ordinance
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- **Commissioner Robert Pressley Proclamation**

Commissioner Wells read and presented the proclamation. Commissioner Pressley accepted the proclamation and reflected on his service as a commissioner.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Scott Kuhlman, Andy Flavelle, and Lee Barwick expressed their concerns and disapproval for the Pinners Cove (rezoning) new construction project by KLP Pinners EAT, LLC.

Laurie Fisher issued a message on behalf of the sovereign people.

Pat Bryant thanked the Board for the partnership with the Buncombe County School Board.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Adoption Awareness Month Proclamation**

Vice Chair Edwards read and presented the proclamation. Heather Sellers, Health & Human Services, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Board for the support.

- **Native American Heritage Month Proclamation**

Commissioner Sloan read and presented the proclamation. Sonja Saunooke, Justice Services, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Board on behalf of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

- **Asheville Community Reparations Commission Update**

DK Wesley, Assistant County Manager, and Christine Edwards, Civility Localized, provided a quarterly update on the progress of the Reparations Commission that is a partnership with the City of Asheville and Buncombe County. Project management, project process, timeline, and commission appointments were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Budget Amendment to Establish Three New Conservation Easement Projects**

John Hudson, Budget Director, explained the budget amendment.

Commissioner Wells moved to approve the budget amendment as presented. Commissioner Pressley seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

- **Approval of Cross Functional Line - Item Transfers Memo**

John Hudson, Budget Director, explained the transfer memo and no action was needed.

- **Budget Amendment for Affordable Housing Services Program Budget Consolidation**

John Hudson, Budget Director, explained the budget amendment.

Commissioner Wells moved to approve the budget amendment as presented. Vice Chair Edwards seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Newman moved to appoint **Jaime Benshoff** to the **Homeless Initiative Advisory Committee**. Vice Chair Edwards seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Chairman Newman moved to appoint **Miranda Poe**, **Jorge Redmond**, reappoint **Jeremy Bricker** and **Tim Henderson** to the **Juvenile Crime Prevention Council**. Commissioner Whitesides seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Chairman Newman moved to appoint, by general consensus of receiving the most votes, **Elizabeth Putnam** to the **Tourism Development Authority**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made the following announcements:

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

Commissioner Whitesides moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Pressley seconded and the motion passed 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

LAMAR JOYNER, CLERK
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS