

Cleveland County Board of Commissioners
October 7th, 2014:

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, October 7th, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Cleveland County Administrative Office.

PRESENT: Jason Falls, Chairman
Eddie Holbrook, Vice-Chairman
Johnny Hutchins, Commissioner
Susan Allen, Commissioner
Jeff Richardson, County Manager
Bob Yelton, County Attorney
Henry Earle, County Clerk
April Crofts, Deputy Clerk
Kerri Melton, Community Services Director
Chris Greene, Tax Administrator
Allison Mauney, Human Resources Director
Brian Epley, Finance Director
Richard Hooker, School Board

ABSENT: Ronnie Hawkins, Commissioner

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Falls called the meeting to order. Kerri Melton, Community Services Director, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and provided the invocation for the meeting.

AGENDA ADOPTION

ACTION: Chairman Falls asked that Item I, an amendment to adopt the contract between the finance office and their auditors, be added to the agenda and that the Public Hearing was to be continued until the October 21st meeting.

Commissioner Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Allen, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to adopt the agenda as presented by the County Clerk with the modifications brought by Chairman Falls.

CITIZEN RECOGNITION

The following residents spoke in opposition to the proposed casino project:

Tim Stalcup: 145-1 Hicks Road, Grover
Karen Clarke: Casino- 35 Dreary Lane Shelby

Kristin Stalcup: 145-1 Hicks Road, Grover- Ms. Stalcup spoke about her appreciation to the commissioners for their work on the new addition to the Mayor Rick Murphry Children’s Park and their work on helping people with disabilities.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: Commissioner Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Holbrook, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to approve the following items:

MINUTES: There being no corrections, additions or deletions, the Minutes of the August 5th and September 16th, 2014 regular meeting were presented and approved as written.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #011

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
012.546.4.991.00	Carolina Access	\$ 40,000.00	
012.546.5.210.00	Carolina Access	\$ 7,000.00	
012.546.5.310.00	Carolina Access	\$8,000.00	
012.546.5.370.00	Carolina Access	\$15,000.00	
012.546.5.581.00	Carolina Access	\$10,000.00	

Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Chronic Pain Clinical Initiative money (\$40,000) to carry out statement of work from the NC Community Care Network

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #012

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department/Account Name</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
012.532.4.310.00	TB/STD/CD	\$ 25.00	
012.532.4.310.00	TB/STD/CD	\$ 25.00	
012.532.5.230.00	TB/STD/CD	\$50.00	

Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Federal government grant money to buy supplies.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #013

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department/Account Name</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
012.541.4.350.00	ENV HEALTH	\$ 222.00	
012.541.5.241.00	ENV HEALTH	\$ 222.00	

Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget DHHS Summer Food Service Program Funds.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #014

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department/Account Name</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
012.541.4.350.00	CODAP	\$ 2,500.00	
012.541.5.241.00	CODAP	\$ 2,500.00	

Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Project Lazarus DHHS funds to support Cleveland County Overdose Prevention.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #015

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department/Account Name</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
012.543.4.410.00	GRANTS	\$ 2,045.00	
012.543.5.122.00	GRANTS	\$ 2,045.00	

Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Office of Rural Health-Medication Assistance Program grant funds for salaries.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #016

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
012.539.4.991.00	FAMILY PLANNING	\$ 667.00	
012.539.5.211.00	FAMILY PLANNING	\$ 667.00	

Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Office of Rural Health-Medication Assistance Program grant funds for salaries.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: WRITE-OFF: The health department requested that \$22,107.01 in private pay fees be written off as uncollectible for services rendered through June 30, 2011. It was noted by Manger Richardson that if an inactive patient returns for services charges written off will be reinstated per health department policy.

FINANCE OFFICE: This is an amendment to the contract with Martin, Starnes, and Associates, CPA's, to cover the firm's preparation of the Schedule of Federal and State Awards (SEFSA). Manager Richardson explained that this company could create this more effectively and efficiently than the county finance office would. The amendment was for \$3,000.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

PROCLAMATION HONORING OCTOBER 20-25 AS MINORITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT WEEK:

Chairman Falls asked the clerk to read the following proclamation:

Number 08-2014

Minority Enterprise Development Week

WHEREAS, Minority Enterprise Development Week is an annual observance that has been proclaimed by every President of the United States since 1983 to highlight the important role and contributions minority business enterprises bring to our local, national and global economy; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland County Business Development Center in collaboration with Cleveland Community College Small Business Center, Shelby Star, Cleveland County Schools and other community partners have teamed up to facilitate greater

awareness, civic participation, and access to opportunities and information through business education, networking and community capacity building; and

WHEREAS, this year's celebration of Minority Enterprise Development Week also will bring together small business owners, community stakeholders and emerging leaders to provide a diverse array of learning opportunities, including the Women -in-Business Series, Youth Forums, and Emerging Leaders Lecture Series, and annual Awards celebrations to honor local success and improve the overall business climate and spirit of collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the 19th Annual Awards Gala represents the highlight of this year's celebration in Cleveland County to recognize and commemorate the accomplishments of small business entrepreneurs, local citizens and community organizations who give of their time, resources and humanitarian efforts to make a difference in our community and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim October 20-25, 2014 as "**Minority Enterprise Development Week**" in recognition of the cooperative efforts of the above sponsoring organizations and individuals to enhance, promote and support the success of minority owned businesses and other community partners in Cleveland County .

ADOPTED THIS THE 7th DAY OF OCTOBER 2014.

Jason Falls, Chairman

Chairman Falls introduced Perry Richard Hooker, Cleveland County MED week president. Mr. Hooker spoke on the myriad of ways that minority enterprises have been vital to the local economy, not just of Cleveland County, but to surrounding counties, the state and this nation. There are 5 million minority owned businesses generating over \$1 trillion in economic impact. Mr. Hooker then introduced Gaye Devoe (chairman) and Robert Miller (vice-chair) of MED week and they joined him at the podium. Commissioners gave some remarks and then took a photograph with the 3 MED week representatives.

**PROCLAMATION HONORING OCTOBER 2014 BREAST CANCER
AWARENESS MONTH**

Chairman Falls asked the clerk to read the following proclamation:

Number 09-2014

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, last year, more than 230,000 women and 2,000 men were diagnosed with breast cancer in America, as well as 102 cases in Cleveland County; and

WHEREAS, the heartache and the pain of this disease has already touched too many of our mothers, fathers, daughters, sisters and other family members; and

WHEREAS, when breast cancer is caught early, treatments work best and survival rates increase; and

WHEREAS, all women and men should be familiar with risk factors and symptoms of this disease and should take every effort to be screened annually; and

WHEREAS, this nation has invested billions of dollars into critical research to better understand the causes of breast cancer, develop treatments and create better diagnostic tools; and

WHEREAS, those that have been lost to this disease as well as those who have survived all deserve our remembrance and honor;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaims October 2014, as "**Cleveland County Breast Cancer Awareness Month**" and encourages all citizens to join them in recognizing the impact that breast cancer has on the citizens of Cleveland County and how we can all move forward to combat this disease together.

ADOPTED THIS THE 7th DAY OF OCTOBER 2014.

Jason Falls, Chairman

Chairman Falls then recognized Commissioner Hutchins, who said 25% of women will develop breast cancer. He then asked anyone who has had

family touched by breast cancer to stand, with more than half of the room standing. Commissioner Hutchins called on Rita Wortman, Clinical Health Educator at Cleveland Regional Medical Center, to come forward. Ms. Wortman spoke about the hospital's commitment to working on the plague of breast cancer and about the local work the hospital is doing to help alleviate the bills that local residents accrue during treatment.

Commissioner Hutchins then recognized Julie Pearson, a specialist with Relay for Life in Charlotte, and she spoke about their program and their commitment to ending breast cancer through research. The commissioners then took a picture with Ms. Wortman, Ms. Pearson, Allison Mauney and Pat Spangler (staff that had survived breast cancer) and local Shelby and Kings Mountain Relay for Life representatives.

REGULAR AGENDA

PRESENTATION BY NTE: Chairman Falls called Mike Green of NTE to come to the podium. Mr. Green spoke on NTE being the cleanest power plant in North and South Carolina, and possibly in the United States. Mr. Green said the new NTE generator is uses natural gas and gets turbine power generation through combustion and steam at 475 megawatts. The project will begin in April 2015 and will create 300 construction jobs and use 290 acres. The company is hoping for a 40 year life with the plant and is looking

forward to public/private partnerships and look forward to being a long term corporate citizen for Cleveland County. Duke is finalizing their interconnections so that NTE can tap into their lines. NTE is excited about being in Cleveland County because of good support and good community size. NTE hopes to utilize the community college and create partnerships and training opportunities for new workers in Cleveland County. Chairman Falls then added that he appreciated the fact that NTE vowed to use local contractors for their project. The commissioners then took a picture with Mr. Green.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Allen: Commissioner Allen said she had nothing.

Commissioner Hutchins: Commissioner Hutchins spoke on the 16 firms that were present for the gun range pre-bid meeting. He then mentioned in the MPO meeting that the state had changed their scoring system for road projects which could pit local projects against each other, possibly stalling certain projects.

Commissioner Holbrook: Commissioner Holbrook thanked Commissioner Hutchins for his work with the MPO and keeping the Commission up to speed.

Commissioner Falls: Chairman Falls said he and Commissioner Holbrook shut the fair down campaigning. He said he enjoyed meeting and speaking with many people from the community.

ADJOURN Commissioner Hutchins made the motion to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by Commissioner Allen and unanimously approved. The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, October 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Chambers.