

**Cleveland County Board of Commissioners**  
**March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015:**

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 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 Crotts, Deputy Clerk  
Kerri Melton, Community Services Director  
Allison Mauney, Human Resources Director  
Bill McCarter, Planning Director  
Brian Epley, Finance Director  
Chris Green, Tax Administrator  
Robbie Morgan, Coroner

ABSENT: Ronnie Hawkins, Commissioner

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Falls called the meeting to order and County Attorney Bob Yelton led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the invocation for the meeting.

## **AGENDA ADOPTION**

**ACTION:** 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.

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

Commissioner Falls stated that we had a very special and unique recognition tonight. The Cleveland County Sheriff's Office was retiring Hecky, a 13 year old German Shepherd that had been with the Sheriff's Office for just under 9 years. Hecky had been instrumental in getting just under \$500,000 in street value drugs off the street over his 8 years. The commissioners invited Kevin Pruett, the dog's handler, up to the front along with other deputies that were present, and took pictures with the deputies, Hecky and then presented Deputy Pruett with a certificate of appreciation for Hecky's years of service.

## **CITIZEN RECOGNITION**

- Buford Burton: 322 Margrace Road, Kings Mountain- Mr. Burton spoke in opposition to the casino, asking the commissioners to rescind their support of it.
- Karen Clarke: 35 Drury Lane, Shelby- Mrs. Clarke spoke in opposition to the casino, asking for a reversal of their support

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**MINUTES:** There being no corrections, additions or deletions, the Minutes of the February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 regular meeting and work session were presented and approved as written.

**TAX ASSESSOR:** Abatements for the month of January 2015 were \$842.35 and the supplements were \$6,687.17.

**TAX ADMINISTRATION:** Taxes collected through the month of January 2015 for the 2014-2015 fiscal year were at 92.27%.

**TAX ADMINISTRATION:** Per general statute 105-69 taxes in lien on real property are required in March of every year to be advertised in the local paper. The Tax office is requesting permission to do this state mandated operation. Fiscal impact from advertising is expected to be \$6,200.00

**COMMUNICATIONS 911: BUDGET AMENDMENT #039**

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department/Account Name</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
010.444.4.991.00	Sheriff's Fund Balance App.	\$ 420.00	
010.444.4.357.02	House Inmate/SSA	\$ 1,580.00	
010.444.5.357.02	House Inmate/SSA	\$ 2,000.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget social security funds so a donation can be made to the County Missing Person's Fund to provide incentives to citizens who provide information on missing persons*

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT #040**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
012.546.4.350.00	State Government Grants	\$ 97,935.00	
012.546.5.121.00	Salaries-Regular	\$ 6,559.00	
012.546.5.131.00	Social Security	\$404.00	
012.546.5.132.00	Retirement	\$464.00	
012.546.5.133.00	Hospital Insurance	\$1,037.00	
012.546.5.134.00	Dental Insurance	\$26.00	
012.546.5.135.00	401K	\$328.00	
012.546.5.136.00	Medicare Insurance	\$94.00	
012.546.5.210.00	Departmental Supplies	\$1,000.00	
012.546.5.310.00	Travel/Training	\$4,700.00	
012.546.5.322.00	Postage	\$1,000.00	
012.546.5.322.00	Advertising/Promotions	\$300.00	
012.546.5.461.00	License/Permit	\$4,900.00	
012.546.5.490.00	Professional Services	\$75,623.00	
012.546.5.581.00	Awards/Incentives	\$1,500.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget funds from the Office of Rural Health for Healthnet activities.*

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE: BUDGET AMENDMENT #041**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
010.442.4.991.00	Fund Balance Appropriations	\$ 14,945.00	
010.442.5.910.00	Capital Equipment	\$ 14,945.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Federal Forfeiture Funds to purchase new body cameras for undercover officers.*

**SOCIAL SERVICES: BUDGET AMENDMENT #042**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
011.504.4.310.00	Federal Government Grants	\$ 7,630.00	
011.504.5.420.00	Family Reunification	\$ 7,630.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Family Reunification Funds. The allocation received was more than projected budget estimate.*

**SOCIAL SERVICES: BUDGET AMENDMENT #043**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
011.504.4.310.00	Federal Grants	\$ 13,127.00	
011.504.5.121.00	Professional Services	\$ 13,127.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget Title XX funding to offset county salary share for fiscal year 2014-2015*

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE: BUDGET AMENDMENT #044**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
010.441.4.810.15	Donations-Canines	\$ 2,000.00	
010.441.5.790.15	Donations-Canines	\$ 2,000.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Request to budget donations received to go toward the purchase of a new sheriff's office canine.*

**FINANCE: REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION:** The county manager presented a resolution to the board allowing the county manager to borrow money against the capital that is being used for the new health department construction project to be used for economic development projects.

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE:** The Sheriff's Office requested to officially retire Hecky, and to take him off the county inventory list and to remove him from county insurance. His county asset number is #200718. Deputy Kevin Pruettt has agreed to care for him, at his own expense, for the remainder of the dog's life.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**BOARD APPOINTMENT TO FILL NURSING HOME ADVISORY**

**BOARD SEAT:** Chairman Falls called on Henry Earle, county clerk, to read

the name (listed below) that was listed for the nursing home advisory board.

Mr. Earle read the 1 name listed below.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins made the motion to nominate Karen Waldrop, seconded by Commissioner Holbrook, and unanimously approved by the Board.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **ZONING MAP AMENDMENT CASE 15-02: 119 SIENNA DRIVE,**

### **KINGS MOUNTAIN**

Chairman Falls called Chris Martin, Planning Administrator, up to the podium. Mr. Martin discussed a zoning map amendment at 119 Sienna from residential to neighborhood business. The requestor, Kathy Smith, is purchasing the property from her parents Mitchell and Ruby McKinney. Kathy is intending to open a home hair car salon but needs the property rezoned to do so. Mr. Martin said there were spots along this road that had been rezoned for neighborhood business as well so rezoning this property had met the approval of both the planning board and isothermal planning board.



**Cleveland County, NC**

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Chairman Falls opened the public hearing at 6:34. And one person came up to speak:

- **Kathy Smith:** Kathy Smith is the applicant and a 19 year hairdresser. She wants to use the property for a home based salon so she is asking for the rezoning.

The public hearing was closed at 6:39. Chairman Falls then asked the commissioners for questions and there were none.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins made the motion to accept the zoning map amendment that was presented by the planning board. It was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and approved unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

**Commissioner Allen:** Commissioner Allen said that she survived the winter weather and commended the work of emergency management and the Sheriff's Office for keeping everything in check and solving problems.

**Commissioner Hutchins:** Commissioner Hutchins said he had the animal task force meeting last week and made the trip to Washington with Chairman Falls. He said Prescription Card modifications were a highlight of the events and he wants to look into that as a possibility for incarcerated individuals because it could save money for taxpayers.

**Commissioner Holbrook:** Commissioner Holbrook said he had been in many economic development meetings over the past several weeks. Ultra looks like it's going to be a win-win for everyone and an additional win for the powder coating company in Kings Mountain.

**Commissioner Falls:** Chairman Falls attended the NACo conference in Washington, DC and got lots of information from other people. Met someone from DOJ who deals in body cameras which pertains to tonight's meeting. He enjoyed attending the reception for Commissioner Holbrook



and Holbrook Court at GWU. Seeing him with his players was very cool and exciting to see.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Falls entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Commissioner Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously approved by the Board. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Chambers.