

**Cleveland County Board of Commissioners**  
**October 20, 2015:**

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</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  
Ronnie Hawkins, Commissioner  
Jeff Richardson, County Manager  
Henry Earle, County Clerk  
Tim Moore, County Attorney  
Andrea Leslie-Fite, Assistant County Attorney  
Kerri Melton, Community Services Director  
Brian Epley, Finance Director  
Allison Mauney, Human Resources Director  
Chris Green, Tax Administrator  
Dayna Causby, Elections Director  
Joe Lord, Emergency Medical Services Director

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Falls called the meeting to order and County Manager Jeff Richardson 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 Holbrook, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to adopt the

agenda as presented by the County Clerk, with flexibility on the first two items due to time constraints of participants.

### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

#### **RECOGNITION OF EARL ROAD CLEANUP INITIATIVE:**

Chairman Falls introduced Skip Warrick and asked him to come forward. Mr. Warrick spoke about Jim Horn Day, which was August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015, during the World Series. Mr. Warrick said that he was inspired by Mr. Horn and wanted to clean up a portion of Earl Road in Shelby that was traveled by World Series participants. He and a group of citizens cleaned up the Earl Road corridor and planted trees. Mr. Warrick showed the Commissioners before and after pictures. Commissioners then handed out certificates and took pictures.

#### **RECOGNITION OF MISS CLEVELAND COUNTY FAIR 2015:**

Chairman Falls called on Mary Accor to come forward. Ms. Accor recognized Robert Miller and Betsy Wells from the Commission for Women. Ms. Accor then recognized Natalyn King, winner of the 2015 Miss Cleveland County Fair, and Hannah McCombs, 1<sup>st</sup> runner up. Miss King and Miss McCombs then greeted the Commissioners and took pictures with them.

### **CITIZEN RECOGNITION**

- There were no names registered for Citizen Recognition.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hawkins 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 October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 regular meeting and were presented and approved as written.

**TAX ADMINISTRATION:** Collections for September 2015 are at 54.98% for fiscal year 2015/2016.

**TAX ADMINISTRATION:** Abatements for September are \$38.49 and supplements are \$1,350,909.04.

**TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION:** BNA #022

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
012.548.4.310.00	CODAP	\$12,688.00	
012.548.5.370.00	CODAP		\$3,542.00

*Explanation of Revisions: Adjust budget to show increase in state ROAP funding and a decrease in other state grant funding.*

**PLANNING:** The Planning Department presented a request to set a public hearing for November 3<sup>rd</sup> for rezoning case 15-10.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT:** The health department requested the establishment of two new vaccination fees: Bexsero at \$173.57 and 9-Valent HPV at \$177.84.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT:** The health department requested to write off bad debt in the amount of \$46,297.68 from outstanding claims over 2 years old.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2016 REVALUATION:** Chairman Falls called Chris Green, Tax Administrator, to the podium. Mr. Green discussed that, as of October 6<sup>th</sup>, the revaluation schedule has been available for public viewing in the tax administration office. Tonight the Commissioners will hold a public hearing but are statutorily required to wait 7 days until voting so the vote will take place at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. The public hearing was opened at 6:39 p.m. and was closed at 6:40 p.m. when no one came to speak.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**LATE APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTION:** Chairman Falls called Chris Green, Tax Administrator, to the podium. Mr. Green showed the Commissioners a list of late applications for tax exemption. He said if approved, the fiscal impact would be \$54,000. Chairman Falls asked about educational institutions and Mr. Green said they get similar tax considerations to religious institutions.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins moved to approve the applications for exemption and it was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook. It was unanimously approved by the Board.

**RESCUE SQUAD FRANCHISE AGREEMENT RENEWALS:**

Chairman Falls called up Joe Lord, Emergency Medical Services Director, to the podium. The county now has 3 rescue squads, and it used to have 5. He was here tonight to renew the franchise agreements for the three squads, Shelby, Kings Mountain, and Upper Cleveland. Commissioner Hutchins thanked Joe for his work and commented on the amount of money the rescue squads saved the county (just under 500K).

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins moved to approve purchase of the property and it was seconded by Commissioner Allen. The Board unanimously approved it.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

**Commissioner Hawkins:** nothing

**Commissioner Allen:** Attended ribbon cutting for the KM senior center this week, that place is very active and buzzing with energy.

**Commissioner Hutchins:** Just keeping busy with meetings.

**Commissioner Holbrook:** Commissioner Holbrook appreciated the work session, appreciated the Legrand Center's work and the county staff in general.

**County Manager Richardson:** Pointed out the health and benefits fair was happening this week, 209 employees went today.

**Chairman Falls:** nothing

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Falls entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Commissioner Holbrook, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins and unanimously approved by the Board. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners will be on Tuesday, November 3, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Chamber.