

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

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, November 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  
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  
Kristin Reese, Economic Development Director

**ABSENT:** Ronnie Hawkins, Commissioner  
Henry Earle, Clerk

**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.

**CITIZEN RECOGNITION**

- Andrew Erdle: Mr. Erdle spoke about the desire to see a police aviation unit in Cleveland County. He recommended the Commissioners explore the option and that he would be available to help if the Commissioners were interested.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Allen 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 20th, 2015 regular meeting and October 15<sup>th</sup> work session were presented and approved as written.

**FINANCE:** After an extensive RFP process in which 4 banks supplied proposals to be the county’s official depository, Cleveland County Finance recommended that Home Trust Bank become the county’s official banking depository.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT:** BNA #023

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
012.532.4.310.00	TB/STD/CD	\$2,000.00	
012.532.5.230.00	TB/STD/CD	\$687.00	
012.532.5.230.00	TB/STD/CD	\$1,313.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Budget STD prevention funds for educational materials and medical supplies.*

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT:** BNA #024

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
012.541.4.350.00	ENV. HEALTH	\$5,163.00	
012.541.5.210.00	ENV. HEALTH	\$3,163.00	
012.532.5	ENV. HEALTH	\$2,000.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Budget DHHS Summer Food Service Program funds for supplies and motor fuels.*

**SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION:** BNA #025

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
010.498.4.510.00	SWCD	\$1,000.00	
012.498.5.530.00	SWCD	\$1,000.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Budget revenues received for the annual County Farm Tour provided by SWCD to allow residents to experience and become familiar with area farms and agriculture.*

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:** BNA #026

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
010.437.4.310.00	Public Safety Grants	\$60,000.00	
010.437.5.910.00	Public Safety Grants	\$60,000.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Budget funds to purchase (3) DPR 7 Rapid Deployment Shelter Systems-one will remain in Cleveland County with the other two going to Gaston and Lincoln County.*

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE:** BNA #027

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
010.444.4.991.00	SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$1,510.00	
010.444.5.357.02	SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$1,510.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Budget SSA funds to cover expenses of over the edge sponsorship and CID/CSI team building retreat.*

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE:** BNA #028

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Department/Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
010.442.4.991.00	FED FORF PROP	\$183,592.00	
010.442.5.210.00	DEPARTMENTAL SUPPLY	\$36.00	
010.442.5.910.00	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	\$104,442.00	
010.442.5.910.00	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	\$26,378.00	
010.442.5.910.00	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	\$24,088.00	
010.442.5.910.00	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	\$4,648.00	
010.442.5.910.00	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	\$24,000.00	

*Explanation of Revisions: Budget federal forfeiture funds for the purchase of six vehicles for the Sheriff's Office fleet, tags, highway use taxes, lights, sirens, radio, to equip vehicles.*

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING MAP AMENDMENT CASE 15-**

**08:** Chairman Falls called Chris Martin, Zoning Administrator, to the podium. Mr. Martin stated that Laura Good of Pennington Law Firm, LLC, was requesting a zoning map amendment at 853 Botts Road from Restricted Residential to Neighborhood Business Conditional Use District (NBCD).

The public hearing was opened.

- Laura Good: Property owner. Ms. Good said that the property will be used to house a cell phone tower but it will be made to resemble a pine tree. Offered to give the Commissioners an engineered letter regarding the fall zone.

The public hearing was then closed.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins made a motion that they approve the ordinance with a certified copy of the drawing and an engineered letter regarding the fall zone. It was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously adopted by the Board.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING MAP AMENDMENT CASE 15-10.**

Mr. Martin said that Keith Clark was asking for his property on Pansy Lane be rezoned from Residential to General Business. Mr. Martin discussed that the area has several mixed uses. The planning board had recommended denying the zoning amendment and the Isothermal Planning Board recommended approving it. The public hearing was then opened:

- Keith Clark: Mr. Clark stated he had a junk yard on the property before and wants to build a building to have a towing service.

The public hearing was closed.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins made the motion that they approve the map amendment. It was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously adopted by the Board.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROJECT PIONEER:** Chairman Falls called Kristin Reese, Economic Development Director, to the podium. Mrs. Reese discussed the incentive agreement for Pioneer Motor Bearings. The

conditions of this incentive agreement state that the company will expand by creating 10 new jobs in year 1 of the 3 year agreement, while creating \$1,000,000 worth of new taxable investment. In return the county will grant them 50% of their .72 cent tax rate for three years, granting them \$10,000 over three years. This is a small business that hinges on support like this for expansion. The public hearing was opened:

- David Dear: Mr. Dear is a contracted employee of Cleveland County Economic Development. He stated that this company has been in Cleveland County for 30 years and has grown at least four times. They are an asset to the community.

The public hearing was closed.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Allen made the motion to approve the incentive agreement. It was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously approved by the Board.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROJECT SHOWTIME:** Mrs. Reese brought a second incentive agreement before the Board called Project Showtime. The conditions of the incentive agreement are that the the company will create 40 new jobs over a 5 year period with a total capital investment of \$3,070,000. The county will, in turn, offer a 50% tax reduction in the .72 rate on the investment for 5 years, totaling \$50,940.00. The public hearing was opened.

- David Dear: Mr. Dear said there were two purposes to this incentive agreement. The first is the sale of the shell building and the second is 40+ high paying jobs in the county.

The public hearing was closed.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins made the motion to approve the incentive agreement, it was seconded by Commissioner Allen, and unanimously adopted by the Board.

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE 2016 REVALUATION SCHEDULE:** Chris

Green came to the podium. He said in preparation of the 2016 revaluation the assessor is required to present rules and schedules. On October 6<sup>th</sup> those were submitted and a public hearing was held on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Tonight the Commissioners will decide whether or not to adopt the revaluation schedule. There are two orders to be adopted, one is the schedule for market value and the other is the schedule for present use value.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins moved to approve the schedule for market value and it was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook. It was unanimously approved by the Board. Commissioner Holbrook then made a motion to approve the schedule for present use value and

it was seconded by Commissioner Hutchins before being unanimously approved by the Board.

### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

**Commissioner Allen:** Attended SS Institute for State of NC workshop for Board members.

**Commissioner Holbrook:** Commissioner Holbrook thanked the Economic Development team and pointed out that there were three live projects being worked on.

**Commissioner Hutchins:** Nothing

**Chairman Falls:** Nothing

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Falls entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Commissioner Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously approved by the Board. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners will be on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Chamber.