

September 8, 2015

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the 1909 Randolph County Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, 145 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC. Commissioners Frye, Haywood, Kemp, Lanier, and Allen were present.

Dr. Bob Shackelford, RCC President, gave the invocation and everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance, which was led by Girl Scout Troop 2572.

Changes to Consent Agenda

Chairman Frye announced that *Item D. Appoint William (Bill) Neely and Tracey Murphy and Reappoint Jean Harris and Allison Brown to the Aging Services Planning Committee* had been amended on the Consent Agenda to read *Appoint William (Bill) Neely and Reappoint Jean Harris, Cindy McBane, and Allison Brown to the Aging Services Planning Committee. Item M: Approve revised FY '14-'15 Form DOA-731 for Aging Services* had been added to the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Consent Agenda, as follows:

- *approve minutes of regular meeting of 8/3/15;*
- *unseal closed session minutes from 10/6/14 – Closed Session II;*
- *reappoint Will Massie, Suzanne Dale, and Amanda Varner to Randolph County Public Facilities Corporation;*
- *appoint William (Bill) Neely and reappoint Jean Harris, Cindy McBane and Allison Brown to the Aging Services Planning Committee;*
- *reappoint Brian Heilig, Paxton Arthurs, Jay Dale, Wayne Jones, Greg Patton, Eddie Brown and Zeb Holden to the CDBG Site Selection Committee;*
- *adopt proclamation recognizing the Randolph County Public Library's 75th Anniversary, as follows:*

Randolph County Public Library Month

WHEREAS, by 1936, the citizens of Franklinville, Asheboro and Ramseur had established public libraries in their communities; and

WHEREAS, these citizen-advocates sought local government funding to sustain and develop their libraries, and envisioned a county library system; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 1940, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners established the Randolph Public Library system, providing funding and appointing a library Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, formation of the Randolph Public Library leveraged state and federal funds, enabled the hiring of a full time professional library director, established a core collection of books for the libraries, and led to a bookmobile service to reach underserved areas of the county; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Randleman, Liberty, Archdale and Seagrove subsequently established libraries for their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Randolph County Public Library, celebrating its 75th Anniversary, today stands as a shining example of cooperation among county and municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, the citizens visit their libraries over half-a-million times annually and check out over half-a-million items, and have made their library system a driving force for early childhood literacy, digital literacy, workforce development, lifelong learning, and the benefits and joys of just plain reading for pleasure;

NOW THEREFORE, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the month of September, 2015, as “Randolph County Public Library Month” and urge all the citizens to sign up for a library card and take advantage of all the library has to offer.

- approve Budget Amendment #7 for grant funds received by Emergency Services for Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness (\$30,000), as follows:

2015-2016 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #7		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Restricted Intergovernmental</i>	\$30,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Emergency Services</i>	\$30,000	

- approve Budget Amendment #8 for first installment payment under Economic Development contract – Kayser Roth (\$25,000) as follows:

2015-2016 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #8		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Transfer from ED Reserve</i>	\$25,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Other Economic and Physical Development Appropriations</i>	\$25,000	

- ratify the August 12 unanimous vote to approve easement for underground utility with Duke Energy for RCC Property;
- approve the addition of Administrative Assistant I to the 2015-2016 Randolph County Classification Plan;
- reappoint Rebecca Petty Moffitt and Ross Holt to the Tourism Development Authority;
- authorize signatures for the FY 15-16 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) Appendix A Certified Statement, as follows:

CERTIFIED STATEMENT
FY2016
RURAL OPERATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
County of Randolph

WHEREAS, the state-funded, formula-based Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division provides funding for the operating cost of passenger trips for counties within the state;

WHEREAS, the county uses the most recent transportation plans (i.e. CTSP, CTIP, LCP) available and other public involvement strategies to learn about the transportation needs of agencies and individuals in the county before determining the sub-allocation of these ROAP funds;

WHEREAS, the county government or regional public transportation authorities created pursuant to Article 25 or Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes (upon written agreement with the municipalities or counties served) are the only eligible recipients of Rural Operating Assistance Program funds which are allocated to the counties based on a formula as described in the Program Guidelines included in the ROAP State Management Plan. NCDOT will disburse the ROAP funds only to counties and eligible transportation authorities and not to any sub-recipients selected by the county;

WHEREAS, the county finance officer will be considered the county official accountable for the administration of the Rural Operating Assistance Program in the county, unless otherwise designated by the Board of County Commissioners;

WHEREAS, the passenger trips provided with ROAP funds must be accessible to individuals with disabilities and be provided without discrimination on the basis of national origin, creed, age, race or gender (FTA C 4702.1A, FTA C 4704.1, Americans with Disabilities Act 1990); and

WHEREAS, the period of performance for these funds will be July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 regardless of the date on which ROAP funds are disbursed to the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, by signing below, the duly authorized representatives of the County of Randolph, North Carolina certify that the following statements are true and accurate:

- The county employed a documented methodology for sub-allocating ROAP funds that involved the participation of eligible agencies and citizens. Outreach efforts to include the participation of the elderly and individuals with disabilities, persons with limited English proficiency, minorities and low income persons in the county's sub-allocation decision have been documented.
- The county will advise any sub-recipients about the source of the ROAP funds, specific program requirements and restrictions, eligible program expenses and reporting requirements. The county will be responsible for invoicing any sub-recipients for unexpended ROAP funds as needed.
- The county will monitor ROAP funded services routinely to verify that ROAP funds are being spent on allowable activities and that the eligibility of service recipients is being properly documented. The county will maintain records of trips for at least five years that prove that an eligible citizen was provided an eligible transportation service on the billed date, by whatever conveyance at the specified cost.
- The county will be responsible for monitoring the safety, quality and cost of ROAP funded services and assures that any procurements by sub recipients for contracted services will follow state and federal guidelines.

- *The county will conduct regular evaluations of ROAP funded passenger trips provided throughout the period of performance.*
- *The county will only use the ROAP funds to provide trips when other funding sources is not available for the same purpose or the other funding sources for the same purpose have been completely exhausted.*
- *The county assures that the required matching funds for the FY2016 ROAP can be generated from fares and/or provided from local funds.*
- *The county will notify the Mobility Development Specialist assigned to the county if any ROAP funded services are discontinued before the end of the period of performance due to the lack of funding. No additional ROAP funds will be available.*
- *The county will provide an accounting of trips and expenditures in a semi-annual report and a final year-end report to NCDOT – Public Transportation Division or its designee.*
- *Any interest earned on the ROAP funds will be expended for eligible program uses as specified in the ROAP application. The County will include ROAP funds received and expended in its annual independent audit on the schedule of federal and state financial assistance. Funds passed through to other agencies will be identified as such.*
- *The county is applying for the following amounts of FY2016 Rural Operating Assistance Program funds:*

<i>State-Funded Rural Operating Assistance Program</i>	<i>Allocated</i>	<i>Requested</i>
<i>Elderly & Disabled Transportation Assistance Program (EDTAP)</i>	<i>89,244</i>	<i>89,244</i>
<i>Employment Transportation Assistance Program (EMPL)</i>	<i>34,513</i>	<i>34,513</i>
<i>Rural General Public Program (RGP)</i>	<i>128,119</i>	<i>128,119</i>
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$251,876</i>	<i>\$251,876</i>

- *approve revised FY '14-'15 Form DOA-731 for Aging Services.*

Recognition of Retiree

Cynthia Grantham retired on September 1, 2015, with 31 years of service to Randolph County Public Health. Ms. Grantham was recognized by Chairman Frye and presented with an engraved clock on behalf of the Board.

Recognition of Randolph County Public Library 75th Anniversary

Ralph Hardison, Chairman of the Library Board of Trustees for the past 26 years, presented the history of the Public Library. The creation of the system on September 1, 1940, joined together the three existing libraries in Asheboro, Ramseur and Franklinville; the two shortly to be established in Randleman and Liberty; and the two eventually developed in Archdale and Seagrove. The County system would provide professional leadership, a core collection of materials to be shared among the libraries, access to state and federal support, and a bookmobile that operated from 1943 until 1972 and brought library service to all corners of the county.

Today, there are seven libraries. Three of which are County operated with significant municipal support, and four of which are operated by their municipalities with significant County support and are an unparalleled resource for citizens of the county and surrounding areas.

A special page on the Library's website features the Library's 75-year history, including some rare and indelible photographs of early library service. The Friends of the Library plan to have an ornament in recognition of the anniversary available for purchase in the next couple of months.

Mr. Hardison thanked those who have visited their libraries for their longstanding support of the library system. He also thanked the members of the Library Boards of Trustees and Friends of the Library that were present in support.

Library Director Ross Holt also thanked everyone for their support of the library.

Chairman Frye presented the proclamation to Mr. Hardison that was read aloud and approved earlier.

NCACC Hall of Fame Inductee Recognition

Vice Chair Kemp recognized Randolph County Commissioner and Board Chair Darrell Frye, who was inducted into the NCACC Hall of Fame on Saturday, August 22. Chairman Frye was elected to the Randolph County Board of Commissioners 11/82. He served as NCACC President in 1990-91 and was selected as the Outstanding County Commissioner in 1992. He has continued to serve on the NCACC Board of Directors in various capacities during his 33 years on the Randolph County Board of Commissioners.

To be eligible for the Hall of Fame, individuals must have been active within the NCACC, including service as a member of the Board of Directors. Individuals must also have made significant contributions to county government at either the state or national levels, such as a leadership role with the National Association of Counties (NACo) or service in a higher office.

Chairman Frye became active in the Association shortly after he was first elected as a Randolph County Commissioner in 1982, which makes him one of the longest-serving commissioners in the state. Even after his term as President of the NCACC in 1990-91, he has remained active within the NCACC in a variety of roles. He has also served on many other committees and task forces at the NCACC and been active in NACo as well.

Chairman Frye is VP of Finance and Administration at Harriss & Covington Hosiery Mills in High Point and has worked for them since 1982.

He won the M.H. "Jack" Brock Outstanding County Commissioner Award from NCACC in 1992

He currently serves on the High Point Urban Area Transportation Advisory Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority, is a Delegate to the Piedmont Triad Regional Council, and a Representative to the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation.

Commissioner Kemp congratulated him on behalf of the Board, County employees and citizens of Randolph County.

Chairman Frye reflected on his initial run for office and the years of service as a Commissioner. Mr. Frye said he didn't feel there was a county better than Randolph and its people.

Public Comment Period

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 153A-52.1, Chairman Frye opened the floor for public comment. County Attorney Ben Morgan read aloud the Rules of Procedure for Public Comment Period.

Bob Langston, NC Zoo and Big Sweep Coordinator, spoke about the transition into the Keep Randolph Beautiful program and invited the Commissioners to the kickoff celebration October 5.

Lena Keller, Humane Society of Randolph County, asked for the support of the Board for the anti-tethering ordinance that was proposed in August. Ms. Keller said the ordinance would help diminish unwanted litters of puppies.

She said that once there is an ordinance addressing anti-tethering, the Humane Society can help facilitate the process, start educating the public with information about the ordinance, and give warnings. She said they can begin to deliver shavings and dog houses to the dogs that have to endure the cold.

Commissioner Kemp asked Ms. Keller if she was familiar with the ordinances that the City of High Point and Guilford County had enacted. She said she was, but prefers the total no tethering ordinance proposed by Ms. Cooper.

Bobby Ferguson, 8703 Old Hwy 421, Julian, stated that he had heard it said several times that there had never been a project more important than this mega site project. He said the Board had committed millions of dollars of public money on a public project and asked if the Board would consider giving a monthly update.

Chairman Frye informed Mr. Ferguson that the last parcel purchase had been completed and the focus was now on site certification which includes the environmental studies. He asked Economic Development President Bonnie Renfro if she could speak about the certification process.

Ms. Renfro said that they are using private funds to pursue site certification from KPMG, a global accounting, financial, and tax advisory service. KPMG has performed this process for other state and local entities in the Southeast. They also have assisted in finding clients for those sites. She said she received the jurisdictional determination for the stream and wetlands from the US Army Corps of Engineers and the Division of Water Quality prior to this meeting and had advised the County Manager via email. They developed a map that will be part of the certification process.

Mr. Ferguson asked how this certification was different than the State process. Ms. Renfro replied that this would be recognized by the State and they were almost identical. She said the only difference is that the State would have a committee that would advise the Department of Commerce through the process. KPMG doesn't have a committee, but the criteria are identical. This process will take a few months to complete.

Public Hearing on Closeout of 2009 CDBG Standard Scattered Site Housing Grant & Budget Amendment Approval

Brian Heilig, Building Inspections, said that it is time to close out the 2012 CDBG Standard Scattered Site Housing Grant. He said that the County rehabilitated five houses scattered throughout the county. Since the final rehabilitation project has been completed, a public hearing is required to close out the grant, the public hearing having been duly noticed. A total of \$231,932 was used to complete the grant rehabilitations. This includes \$8055 of income from the sale of house that had been previously rehabilitated and not met the eight-year ownership after rehab requirement before selling. The CDBG Scattered Site Housing Program has been discontinued.

At 6:40 p.m., Chairman Frye opened the public hearing. Upon hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Allen, seconded by Kemp, the Board voted unanimously to approve the close-out of the 2012 CDBG Standard Scattered Site Housing Grant.

Approval to Purchase Cardiac Monitor for Erect Base

Emergency Services Director Donovan Davis stated that one of the items required for the new Erect EMS ambulance is a cardiac monitor/defibrillator. To maintain consistency, Physio Control, Inc. was asked to provide a quote in the amount of \$46,242.01 for one LifePak 15 Monitor/Defibrillator. This is the same monitor/defibrillator on all of the ambulance units. The funds are allocated in the current budget.

Chairman Frye asked if there had been a request for bids. Mr. Davis said they purchased under the existing contract so that all monitors operate the same in every ambulance.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Lanier, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the purchase of one (1) LifePak 15 cardiac monitor/defibrillator from Physio Control, Inc. in the amount of \$46,242.01.

Emergency Services Updates

Emergency Services Director Donovan Davis said that the new Liberty base is operational and they are planning an open house for the public.

He stated that the construction of the garage for the Erect (Southeast) base has begun.

Annual Report of the Child Fatality Prevention/Community Child Protection Team

Assistant Public Health Director Susan Hayes in accordance with NCGS 143-576.1(a)(2), gave an annual report of the Child Fatality Prevention/Community Child Protection Team that included recommendations for systems improvements that may prevent child fatalities in Randolph County. She said that the team met ten times during the past year and reviewed twelve child deaths and ten current cases of children under the protection of Social Services. (She noted that 29 cases were reviewed in the previous year; nine accidental.) Causes of death were: Perinatal Conditions—2, Illness—4, Accidents—2, Birth Defects—2, and Other—2. The purpose of the Child Fatality Prevention Team is to review the deaths of all children to determine if system problems exist that contribute in any way to the delay of or lack of services that might have prevented this death. If gaps exist, the team works to improve/add services that will prevent problems for families in the future. The team made the following recommendations: 1) Increase the number of working smoke detectors in homes: After the death of

two children in a house fire, a group of County employees led by EMS worked together with local fire departments to make sure working smoke detectors were present in more homes. Energizer Battery donated 9-volt batteries to be distributed by social workers, first responders, and nurses in homes where visits were taking place. Local fire departments provided additional smoke detectors and installed for families in need. 2) Update professionals on the NC Reporting Law for child abuse and neglect. Current copies of the book “Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect in North Carolina” were distributed to team members, staff working with children, and the public schools to increase the awareness of the NC laws.

The purpose of the Community Child Protection Team is to review current cases selected by the DSS staff that are particularly complex or cases where the social worker would like the teams help on reviewing services provided. The CCPT makes suggestions to the social workers that may improve the care for that child. The CCPT reviewed ten cases during the past year (July ‘14-June 15). The following gaps and recommendations were identified: 1) Encourage more direct communication with doctor’s offices, hospitals, and mental health providers. The team needs to share information at the onset of contact with the same families. Each team member needs to share their concerns as well as information within their area of work. Staff needs to work to communicate clearer with each other and DSS to make sure that all team members know the risks to the children involved. 2) Transportation continues to be a gap in service. Team members will make a concerted effort to get the word out about PART, RCATS, and Medicaid transportation and they are making a plan to use family resources.

Ms. Hayes said there were no intensive death reviews during this reporting period. She said she hopes the reduction of numbers is a good sign.

Approval to Use Law Enforcement Restricted Funds for Spillman Software License

Jane Leonard, Sheriff’s Department Business Manager, said that Sheriff Maynard Reid would like to spend \$48,343 in Law Enforcement Restricted Funds. The funds will be used to purchase a Spillman site license for the mobile field report and field interview module.

The new module will allow the officers to create incidence reports at the scene and have the information updated directly into the Spillman law incident table. The system will create a workflow where the report will advance to supervisors for approval but also have the option to be returned to the officer for corrections. Once the supervisor approves the report, it is automatically forwarded to Records for additional information. Records staff will no longer have to duplicate information into the law incident screen. This eliminates the need for a paper copy and scanning reports into a database.

Ms. Leonard said that the City of Asheboro has been using the system for six months and Guilford County for two years and both speak highly of the efficiency it has created.

She requested the Board approve the expenditure of restricted law enforcement funds for the purchase of the site license for mobile field report from Spillman Data Systems Inc. and approve the related budget amendment.

Commissioner Allen asked for clarification on time savings and Ms. Leonard gave details of the current paper flow.

On motion of Allen, seconded by Kemp, the Board voted unanimously to approve the expenditure of restricted law enforcement funds for the purchase of the site license for mobile field report from Spillman Data Systems Inc. and approve Budget Amendment #9, as follows:

2015-2016 Budget Ordinance General Fund—Budget Amendment #9		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Appropriated Fund Balance</i>	\$48,343	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Sheriff</i>	\$48,343	

Update on Electronic Recycling Regulations at the Landfill

Public Works Director Paxton Arthurs said that he was recently notified by Electronic Recyclers International (ERI) of their plans to begin charging for the disposal and recycling of Electronic materials. Mr. Arthurs gave a presentation with an overview of how this change came about and explained why this vendor was chosen.

In 2010, NC issued a ban on electronic equipment going into landfills and the law mandated that manufacturers financially support recycling. In 2011, Randolph County received a grant to build an electronics recycling facility and contracted with E-cycle Secure for disposal. E-cycle provided service at no charge in exchange for the value of the materials. In 2013, the County changed vendors to Electronic Recyclers International (ERI) still with no charge for disposal service. ERI dropped a trailer and picked it up when it was full. In 2014, ERI began charging for the use of the trailer and the transport of the materials. Rare metal prices have continued a downward trend; therefore the recycler isn't making the same amount.

Mr. Arthurs explained that House Bill 765 could change electronics recycling. What began as a one page bill requiring that gravel loads on trucks be secured has been changed by the Senate to a 58 page bill for recycling regulatory reform. The current language would eliminate the requirement for electronic manufacturers to financially support recycling. If approved, it would discontinue subsidies to recycling companies and would end tax payments from the manufacturers to Counties. The bill is currently in Conference Committee. This bill along with other factors has prompted ERI to review their fee structure.

Mr. Arthurs obtained quotes from other collection companies and although he found no companies willing to accept material for free, he identified a company named Global Electric Electronic Processing (GEEP) that can provide a better value for Randolph County. They will also stage a trailer on site for collection. The recycling facility has limited room and would not be able to store a full load without it.

Average price per pound

- ERI * \$.27
- Powerhouse * \$.21 does not stage trailers on site
- Synergy * \$.18 does not stage trailers on site
- GEEP * \$.18

(*Note: Main expense is for televisions and computer monitors. Some equipment like computers and laptops provide payments; however, their weights are small in comparison.)

He requested the Board authorize the Manager to sign a contract with GEEP in the amount of \$38,000 for the transport, disposal and recycling of electronic materials. Mr. Arthurs estimated the amount, as follows:

\$.18 per pound
 X Average weight per haul (12,600 pounds)
 X Number of hauls for remainder of year (16)
 + \$2,000 for recycling events

 = \$38,000 needed

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Allen, the Board voted unanimously to approve the contract with GEEP for \$38,000, authorize the County Manager to sign the contract and approve Budget Amendment #10, as follows:

2015-2016 Budget Ordinance		
General Fund—Budget Amendment #10		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Appropriated Fund Balance</i>	\$38,000	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Public Works</i>	\$38,000	

Rezoning Public Hearing & Action

At 7:08 p.m., the Board adjourned to a duly advertised public hearing to consider rezoning requests. Jay Dale, Planning Director, presented the following requests and Chairman Frye opened the public hearing for comments and closed each before taking action.

Commissioner Lanier asked to recuse himself from voting on both the zoning requests due to possible conflict of interest.

On motion of Haywood, seconded by Allen, the remaining Board voted to allow Commissioner Lanier to recuse himself from voting.

HENRY DELK, Asheboro, North Carolina, is requesting that 9.41 acres located on the corner of Old NC Hwy 49/McDaniel Road, Cedar Grove Township, be rezoned from RA/RR to CVOE-CD. Tax ID# 7730004959. Secondary Growth Area. The proposed Conditional Zoning District would specifically allow a 5-lot residential subdivision for site built or conventional modular homes with a minimum house size of 1,200 sq. ft. as per site plan. The Planning Board reviewed this request at a public meeting on July 7, 2015, and recommended that this request be denied with a vote of four to two. The Planning Board found the following standards and policies within the 2009 Growth Management Plan that support determination of consistency with the adopted plan with this recommendation are:

2009 Growth Management Plan, page 1: Residential subdivision designs are encouraged through the rezoning process that are sensitive to the rural community character, protection of farmland, support open space, and recognize the importance of our county's natural heritage resources.

Board of Commissioner Resolution Adopting the Growth Management Plan, Policy #2: Recognize that growth management policies should afford flexibility to County boards and agencies that will enable them to adapt to the practical requirements often necessary for rural development.

Clayton Burrow, 4483 Fork Creek Mill Rd., Seagrove, NC, a land surveyor, spoke in favor of the request. He said everyone should have the responsibility to look at the overall picture in making the right decisions. He said he has only penned two subdivisions in the past six years and that new subdivisions mean work for businesses in the construction industry as well as tax revenues for the County.

Mr. Burrow asked, "Which serves the county or community more? Three or four nice stick built homes on masonry foundation supported by restrictions or two or three mobile homes with a vinyl skirt and no restrictions."

He said others will speak that the property should not be subdivided and sold. Mr. Burrows said anyone should have the right to sell their land or do what they want with it, if it meets regulations. He said others will speak about the narrow road by the property, but stated he didn't think a few more cars would make a big difference.

Terry Vuncannon, 3151 Old NC Hwy 49, Asheboro, owns property beside the parcel and sold Mr. Delk this property. Mr. Vuncannon spoke in opposition. He said Mr. Delk originally said he was purchasing the house for his wife to live in if something happened to him. Mr. Vuncannon said he was pleased someone would be living in his mother's house. He said he farms the adjoining property and owns a restaurant near this parcel. He said it was a lot for him to look after, less work if he sold some of it, and thought this would be a perfect fit. He said a year later he saw the zoning signs and had to apologize to his neighbors for what has happened. He said five new lots with the five new wells would lower the water table and five additional homes potentially adding five to ten additional cars accessing a one lane road were just some of his concerns. He said, even though McDaniel Road is a state maintained road, it is barely wider than the width of a driveway.

Mike Miller, 3220 Old NC Hwy 49, Asheboro, was also concerned about water, safety of the community, and the value of his property. He spoke in opposition.

Robert Hussey, 3330 Old NC Hwy 49, Asheboro, spoke in opposition and stated he was concerned with the water situation and the increase in traffic on the one lane drive. He said he had lived in the community 76 years and hated to see it change any more.

Stephon Morton, 3425 Old NC Hwy 49, Asheboro, stated he was located to the left of the parcel and owns three acres across from it. He said he has the same concerns as his neighbors and opposes the request. He said his sister also lives nearby and recently had to add 600 feet to the depth of her well.

Commissioner Kemp stated that he was concerned about the safety of citizens that would be living on the narrow road. Chairman Frye added that access for fire and rescue personnel getting to structures would be limited. Commissioner Allen said he was more concerned with the water issue because a road can be redone, but it is not as easy to fix a loss of water.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Frye, the Board voted 4-0 to deny the request of Henry Delk for the 9.41 acres located on the corner of Old NC Hwy 49/McDaniel Road, Cedar Grove Township, as determined consistent with the standards and policies contained within the Growth Management Plan outlined in the recommendations provided by the County Planning Board.

HENRY DELK, Asheboro, North Carolina, is requesting that 5.85 acres (out of 44.73 acres) located on the corner of Mechanic Road/Lassiter Mill Road, Cedar Grove Township, be rezoned from RA to CVOE-CD. Tax ID# 7629012488. Secondary Growth Area. The proposed Conditional Zoning District would specifically allow a 6-lot residential subdivision for site built or conventional modular homes with a minimum house size of 1,200 sq. ft. as per site plan. The Planning Board reviewed this request at public meeting on July 7, 2015, and recommended that this request be denied by a vote of four to two. The Planning Board found the following standards and policies within the 2009 Growth Management Plan that support determination of consistency with the adopted plan with this recommendation are:

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Henry Delk, 3023 Hwy 64 West, Asheboro, spoke in favor of his request for rezoning this property to allow for six lots for stick built or off frame modular construction. He said he was trying to do the right thing with the request for rezoning to restrict the area to site built or modular homes on masonry foundation. Mr. Delk said he could have as many wells dug as he wanted and would put mobile homes on both parcels being requested for zoning changes if they were denied.

Larry McDowell, 6854 Old NC Hwy 49, Denton, NC, said his mom still lives in the house that adjoins the parcel and has a drive way through the parcel in which she's had nothing more than a verbal agreement for a driveway easement with the previous owner. He said his mom leases her land to an area farmer and lives off of those payments. The farmer has informed her that he will not renew the lease without a fence around the property. He has concerns about curious children wandering onto the farm and getting hurt. Mr. McDowell said he would have made arrangements to purchase the property if his family had known it was for sale. He opposes this rezoning request.

Max Lanier, 2854 Lassiter Mill Rd., Asheboro, spoke in opposition to the request. He said the area is quiet and would like it to stay that way. He added that Mechanic Road is narrower than other state maintained roads which are paved.

David McDowell, 2584 Lassiter Mill Rd, Asheboro, was opposed to the rezoning request and was concerned about the six houses on six acres. Mr. McDowell said he was raised on the adjoining property.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to deny this request of Henry Delk, stating it was due to the proximity of the house and farm to this parcel. This motion died due to the lack of a second.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted 3-1, with Commissioner Allen opposing, to approve the request of Henry Delk for the 5.85 acres located on the corner of Mechanic Road/Lassiter Mill Road, Cedar Grove Township, as determined consistent with the standards and policies contained within the Growth Management Plan outlined in the recommendations provided by the County Planning Board.

Approval to Purchase Telephone Equipment

Information Technology Director Michael Rowland said that pursuant to G.S. 143-131 and the Purchasing Procedures of Randolph County, the Information Technology Department requested quotes for telephones to replace 180 aging desktop phones at Social Services and the Jail. These phones were originally purchased when the County migrated from a CenturyLink Centrex service to an internal Mitel phone system in 2002. This equipment is scheduled to be replaced as part of the yearly technology maintenance plan.

Vendor Information:	<u>Sencomm</u>	<u>Mid-South Telecom</u>	<u>ATCOM</u>
Telephones	\$39,634	\$46,500	\$56,672
Licenses	N/A	N/A	\$36,273

Mr. Rowland said the low bid vendor, Sencomm, was deemed “best value” for the phone purchase. Sencomm includes a one year warranty on the phones. For each phone, the County is required to purchase an additional software license in order to activate it on the phone system. Our current phone system uses Mitel equipment. Mitel requires the purchase of the licenses from the same vendor that is used for support. Mitel deems that vendor to be a preferred partner and does not allow other vendors to quote on license purchases. The current support agreement is with ATCOM. Therefore, ATCOM was the only vendor able to provide a quote for the license purchase. Funds are currently available in the telephone maintenance budget to cover the purchase.

Mr. Rowland requested that the Commissioners award the telephone equipment purchase to Sencomm at \$39,634 and the license purchase to ATCOM for \$36,273.

On motion of Allen, seconded by Lanier, the Board voted unanimously to award the purchase of telephone equipment to Sencomm at \$39,634 and approve the license purchase to ATCOM for \$36,273, as requested.

Approval of Increase in County Portion of Family and Consumer Science Agent Position

Jonathan Black, Cooperative Extension Director, began his presentation by saying that Randolph County has always been highly ranked as a beef producing county, but that it had moved from third in the state into the first position and that the county ranked sixth in the state for hay and poultry. He added that 1200 more acres were planted in corn than in previous years. He said Randolph County is a strong agricultural county.

Mr. Black said that because of the strong agricultural presence in the county, the Family and Consumer Sciences Agent is a critical position providing educational services to Randolph County citizens related to foods, nutrition, and health. So far in 2015, the FCS position has provided 124 classes related to nutrition, health, and wellness. This position also provides leadership to the Extension and Community Association. Over 2,800 requests for educational information have been received this year by e-mail or phone from Randolph County citizens. He said to extend the reach of the FCS program, 256 volunteers have donated over 5,000 hours of their time so far in 2015. If Randolph County shares this position with another county, Randolph will lose at a minimum, half of these services and it will split the commitment to and knowledge of our county and our needs.

He stated that in the NCSU Cooperative Extension Visioning Plan, the Family and Consumer Science Agent positions in the state were going to be split between counties. This split would reduce the County portion of salary and benefits of this position to 33%. Recently, counties were given the option of paying 83% of the salary of these positions in order to maintain 100% of the service provided, meaning the position would not be shared with other counties. Currently, Randolph County is paying 77.96% of the salary for this position. If we increase it to 83%, the County portion of the salary will increase by \$2,120 and the fringe benefits by \$341.

Mr. Black requested that Randolph County increase the funding percentage of the Family and Consumer Science Agent position to 83% in order to maintain the current level of service provided to the citizens of Randolph County. Funds are currently available in Cooperative Extension's budget for this increase.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Allen, the Board voted unanimously to increase the funding percentage of the Family and Consumer Science Agent position to 83%.

Commissioner Lanier asked Mr. Black if Randolph County was at a point where the Board should be looking at an agricultural center like other counties have. Mr. Lanier explained that farmers have to take their stock to other counties to sale. Having a center where everything is located for this purpose could be used for livestock shows and other events and would benefit the farmers and the county. Commissioner Lanier said he sees a lot of growth in farming and agriculture in Randolph County. Commissioner Allen, who is also a farmer, agreed and added that it is an opportunity for additional tourism in the county and being in the center of the state makes it more of an asset. He said it could be a one stop shop for the farmer so they wouldn't have to run to different places for answers. Commissioners Kemp and Haywood both agreed and said an Agri-Civic Event Center could be something the Strategic Planning Committee might consider during their process. Commissioner Haywood said it would probably be money well spent.

Approval of Budget Amendment for Transfer to Economic Development Reserve (MOM Brands Installment)

Finance Officer Will Massie said that in November 2010, the Board approved a second phase of economic incentives for the MOM Brands expansion, to be paid out over eight years. Because of the size of the project, the County used annual revenues to make the installment payments, not the funds in the Economic Development Reserve. Although the capital investment goals were met on this project, MOM Brands notified us that the employment requirements were not maintained for 2014-15, resulting in forfeiture of the second \$197,500 installment payment.

The County continues to offer performance based incentives. However, remaining contract commitments exceed the available balance in the Economic Development Reserve Fund. Mr. Massie said management recommended that the 2014-15 installment payment of \$197,500, which was not claimed by MOM Brands, be transferred to the Economic Development Reserve to help cover other existing contract commitments.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Lanier, the Board voted unanimously to approve the transfer of the forfeiture of \$197,500 from MOM Brands to the Economic Development Reserve to cover other existing contract commitments and approve Budget Amendment #11, as follows:

2015-2016 Budget Ordinance		
General Fund—Budget Amendment #11		
Revenues	Increase	Decrease
<i>Appropriated Fund Balance</i>	\$197,500	
Appropriations	Increase	Decrease
<i>Transfer to ED Reserve</i>	\$197,500	

Strategic Planning Update and Approval of Strategic Planning Steering Committee

County Manager Hal Johnson gave an update on the beginning of a countywide Strategic Planning process. The theme of this Strategic Planning will be “Public Health, Safety, and Well-Being,” what it is and how it will impact our county and local governments during the next 20 years.

Mr. Johnson said he was excited about beginning this process and the positive impact it can have on our county and communities as we struggle to focus limited resources on strategic issues. The last countywide Strategic Plan was finalized in 1994.

He said he was surprised to learn when he asked the Health Director what she thought was the next biggest thing the county would have to deal with in regards to public health and she replied communicable disease. He said he was concerned about what the potential impact to the county would be if 30,000 more individuals were added to Medicaid. He said he also discovered that one in every four children living in Randolph County was living in poverty. He said this process is a way to review the issues and discuss long-term planning to address the needs.

He said one of the first actions necessary to begin a meaningful Strategic Planning program is to make sure the process is designed to be inclusive, and to involve local governments, organizations, and citizens from across the county. Through coordination with local school systems and Randolph Community College, he hopes to make the planning sessions available to students so that they might have the opportunity to observe a community planning process and learn about strategic issues that will impact their future.

Appointment of a Steering Committee by the County Commissioners is among these first steps, he said. The County Strategic Planning Steering Committee will consist of approximately 60 individuals, including County Commissioner Chairman, Mayors, City Managers, health care professionals, educators, human service providers, public safety providers, chambers of commerce, economic development, tourism, and other citizens that represent a wide range of the total Randolph County community.

Mr. Johnson said the expected eight to nine month planning process will allow the Steering Committee to identify long term strategic issues impacting the Randolph County community and local governments. Goals and strategies will be developed by multiple individual task forces which will give the opportunity for more citizens to take advantage of the opportunity to be involved in the planning process.

Technical support is being provided by the Piedmont Triad Regional Council of Governments (PTRC). The PTRC is currently preparing a detailed Environmental Scan (Statistical Profile) that will be used by the Steering Committee to identify long term strategic issues. Appropriate County employees and other technical staff will be participating to provide support and the Task Force facilitation.

The goal is to have a formal Strategic Plan completed by spring 2016 that can be used by County Commissioners, local governments, schools, health providers, organizations, and citizens as guidance when impacted by strategically identified issues.

Mr. Johnson contacted citizens that were proposed for the Steering Committee and they have agreed to provide their service to the county and our communities if appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioner Allen expressed that he wanted to make sure all areas of the county are represented. Mr. Johnson said selecting members for a steering committee was only the beginning. Several task forces would be developed to focus more in depth on specific topics and citizens from all over the county would be invited to take part and have input.

On motion of Kemp, seconded by Haywood, the Board voted unanimously to appoint the following recommended members to the Strategic Planning Steering Committee and designate Hal Johnson as the Chairman and Rick Powell as the Vice Chair:

<u>Name</u>	
<i>Darrell Frye</i>	<i>Chairman / Board of Commissioners</i>
<i>Hal Johnson</i>	<i>County Manager</i>
<i>Bert Lance- Stone</i>	<i>Mayor-Archdale</i>
<i>Zeb Hanner</i>	<i>Archdale City Manager</i>
<i>David Smith</i>	<i>Mayor-Asheboro</i>
<i>John Ogburn</i>	<i>Asheboro City Manager</i>
<i>Perry Connor</i>	<i>Mayor- Franklinville</i>
<i>Terry Caviness</i>	<i>Mayor- Liberty</i>

<i>Roy Lynch</i>	<i>Liberty Town Manager</i>
<i>Danny Shaw</i>	<i>Mayor-Ramseur</i>
<i>Bucky Jernigan</i>	<i>Mayor-Randleman</i>
<i>Nick Holcomb</i>	<i>Randleman City Manager</i>
<i>Jesse Hill</i>	<i>Mayor- Trinity</i>
<i>Debbie Hinson</i>	<i>Trinity City Manager</i>
<i>Karen Scotton</i>	<i>Mayor-Staley</i>
<i>Roy Edmonds</i>	<i>Mayor-Seagrove</i>
<i>Alan Ferguson</i>	<i>Attorney/NE Property Owners Association</i>
<i>Ann Shaw</i>	<i>Mental Health Volunteer Crisis Intervention Team</i>
<i>Beth Duncan</i>	<i>Social Services Director</i>
<i>Beverly Nelson</i>	<i>Archdale/Trinity Chamber</i>
<i>Bob Shackelford, Dr.</i>	<i>RCC President</i>
<i>Bonnie Renfro</i>	<i>EDC President</i>
<i>Cathryn Davis</i>	<i>County Risk Manager</i>
<i>David Caughron</i>	<i>Marketing Director Hospice of Randolph County</i>
<i>Dawn Gartman</i>	<i>Executive Director Senior Adults Association</i>
<i>Teresa Bruchon</i>	<i>Liberty Chamber Executive Director</i>
<i>Donovan Davis</i>	<i>Emergency Services Director</i>
<i>Duffy Johnson</i>	<i>CommunityOne</i>
<i>Ed Blair, Col.</i>	<i>Chief Deputy</i>
<i>Elbert Lassiter</i>	<i>Workforce Development, RCC</i>
<i>Elizabeth Mitchell</i>	<i>United Way</i>
<i>Gary Bean</i>	<i>Ramseur Chamber President</i>
<i>Greg Patton</i>	<i>Randleman Planning Director</i>
<i>Guy Troy</i>	<i>Farmer/Conservationist</i>
<i>Jane Leonard</i>	<i>Sheriffs Dept- Business Office</i>
<i>Janice Scarboro</i>	<i>Regional Consolidated Services</i>
<i>Jason Stopyra, Dr.</i>	<i>Emergency Services Medical Advisor</i>
<i>Jay Dale</i>	<i>County Planning Director</i>
<i>Jeff Freeman</i>	<i>Randleman Chamber of Commerce</i>
<i>Jim Meridith</i>	<i>Randolph Education Forum</i>
<i>Jonathan Black</i>	<i>Cooperative Extension Director</i>
<i>Kemp Davis</i>	<i>Voluntary Ag District Chairman</i>
<i>Lewis Dorsett</i>	<i>PTRWA Rep - Archdale</i>
<i>Linda Brown</i>	<i>Asheboro/Randolph Chamber</i>
<i>Lisa Hayworth</i>	<i>Randolph Partnership for Children</i>
<i>Mac Whatley</i>	<i>HLPC Chairman</i>
<i>Mary Joan Pugh</i>	<i>NC ZOO</i>
<i>MiMi Cooper</i>	<i>Public Health Director</i>
<i>Reid Pell</i>	<i>County Planning Board Chairman</i>
<i>Reynolds Lisk</i>	<i>EDC Board Member & Insurance Associates of the Triad</i>
<i>Richard Whitaker</i>	<i>Randolph County Farm Bureau BOD Pres.</i>
<i>Rick Powell</i>	<i>President, PEMMCO</i>
<i>Robert Dough, Dr.</i>	<i>Board of Health Chair</i>
<i>Robert Graves</i>	<i>Director of Security RCC/ Retired HP</i>

<i>Sam Varner</i>	<i>County Wellness Coordinator</i>
<i>Stephen Gainey, Dr.</i>	<i>County School Superintendent</i>
<i>Steve Eblin</i>	<i>President, Randolph Hospital</i>
<i>Steve Foley</i>	<i>EDC Chairman, 1st Bank Archdale</i>
<i>Tammy O'Kelley</i>	<i>Director of the Tourism Development Authority</i>
<i>Terry Worrell, Dr.</i>	<i>City School Superintendent</i>
<i>Trevor Nuttall</i>	<i>Director of Community Dev. -Asheboro</i>
<i>Zeb Holden</i>	<i>Archdale Planning Director</i>

Technical Support Staff

<i>Aimee Scotton</i>	<i>Associate County Attorney</i>
<i>Amanda Varner</i>	<i>Clerk to the Board</i>
<i>Jill Wood</i>	<i>Planning Systems Coordinator</i>
<i>Paxton Arthurs</i>	<i>Engineering</i>
<i>Michael Rowland</i>	<i>IT Director</i>
<i>Will Massie</i>	<i>Finance Officer/ Assist. County Manager</i>
<i>Anne Edwards</i>	<i>PTRC</i>
<i>Elizabeth Jernigan</i>	<i>PTRC</i>
<i>Jesse Day</i>	<i>PTRC</i>
<i>Malinda Ford</i>	<i>PTRC</i>
<i>Paul Kron</i>	<i>PTRC</i>

Regional Update

Chairman Frye said the Piedmont Triad Regional Development Corporation had been designated as an Economic Development District by the US Economic Development Administration which is a part of the United States Department of Commerce. It makes our region eligible for EDA grants that promote jobs and economic growth. Chairman Frye said economic developers are very excited about this and that it opens up opportunities for the county.

Adjournment

At 8:29 p.m., on motion of Kemp, seconded by Allen, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Darrell L. Frye, Chairman

Phil Kemp

Arnold Lanier

Stan Haywood

David Allen

Amanda Varner, Clerk to the Board