

June 1, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic, the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met for its Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M. via an electronic meeting (Zoom) with the following Commissioners present: Chairman Sidney E. Dunston, Vice-Chair Shelley Dickerson, Cedric K. Jones, Sr., David Bunn, Harry L. Foy, Jr. and Michael Schriver. Commissioner Mark Speed joined the meeting at approximately 7:16 P.M.

The public was not allowed to physically attend this meeting; however, the meeting was livestreamed on YouTube at <http://franklincounty.today>. Citizens were also able to view or listen to the meeting via Zoom.

Chairman Dunston called the meeting to order, called the roll and asked the Board to consider approval of the consent agenda.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bunn and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

The items approved are as follows.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. May 18, 2020 Minutes
- B. May 21, 2020 Minutes
- C. Fireworks Designee Resolution
- D. Budget Ordinance Amendment #7 (Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 159-15, the County Finance Officer is requesting a budget ordinance amendment in the amount of \$2,677,658.)
- E. Tourism Development Authority (TDA) grant request for \$3,500 for Bar-B-Q in the Burg!
- F. Tourism Development Authority (TDA) grant request for \$6,700 for Friday Nights on the Tar
- G. Heath Department Fee Changes

Item 1-C

**FIREWORKS DESIGNEE RESOLUTION
DESIGNATION OF FRANKLIN COUNTY PLANNING AND INSPECTIONS DEPT.**

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statutes 14-410 through 14-415 spell out the authority of the Board of Commissioners to issue permits for public exhibitions of fireworks (pyrotechnics) and the standards for such permits;

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Statutes require that a permit shall be issued only after applicant produces satisfactory evidence to the effect that said pyrotechnics will be used for public displays such as at fairs, carnivals, shows of all descriptions and public exhibitions and none other; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby designates the Franklin County Planning and Inspections Department as its designee, and grants the Planning and Inspections Department the authority to set the requirements in coordination with appropriate entities, based on North Carolina law, for issuance of a pyrotechnic permit, to investigate and manage the process of application and issuance of said permit without the necessity of individual approval of each permit by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of this designation and authority shall begin upon approval of this resolution by the Board of Commissioners.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Franklin County Board of Commissioners does hereby designate the Franklin County Planning and Inspections Department as its designee and grants the Franklin County Planning and Inspections Department the authority to set the requirements in coordination with appropriate entities, based on North Carolina general statutes, for issuance of a pyrotechnic permit, to investigate and manage the process of application, investigation, and issuance of said permit without the necessity of individual approval of each permit by the Board of Commissioners.

Item 1-D

| BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #7 | | | | |
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| BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Franklin, North Carolina, that pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 159-15, the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. | | | | |
| Section 1. To amend the General Fund to recognize Board action from previous meetings, and additional funding from DHHS for Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIEAP), to amend the Airport budget to account for CARES Act funding. To amend the Insurance Fund to recognize a transfer from the General Fund for insurance cost. | | | | |
| | | | | Amount |
| Expenditures | Account # | | | of Increase |
| DSS - LIEAP Funds | 10-650-0351 | | | \$ 8,658 |
| Transfer to Insurance Fund | 10-506-1100 | | | \$ 1,300,000 |
| Airport - Capital Outlay | 10-650-0740 | | | \$ 69,000 |
| Health Insurance Payments | 20-506-0060 | | | \$ 1,300,000 |
| | | | Total | \$ 2,677,658 |
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| | | | | Amount |
| Revenues | Account # | | | of Increase |
| GF Fund Balance | 10-399-0000 | | | \$ 1,300,000 |
| Crisis and LIEAP | 10-377-0010 | | | \$ 8,658 |
| CARES Act Grant | 10-335-0020 | | | \$ 69,000 |
| General Fund Contribution | 20-397-0000 | | | \$ 1,300,000 |
| | | | Total | \$ 2,677,658 |
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| Section 2. Copies of this amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners, the Budget Officer, and the Finance Officer for their direction. | | | | |
| Adopted this 1st day of June 2020. | | | | |
| Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners | | | | |
| Clerk to the Board | | | | |

2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

This was the time set aside by the Board of Commissioners to allow individuals to address the Board on issues concerning the county.

Members of the public who wished to make public comments were required to register by emailing publiccomments@franklincountync.us before 12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, June 1, 2020 and include their name, address, comment topic, phone number they would call from and email address. Individuals were recognized (by video or phone call using the instructions listed at the beginning of this agenda) for comments in the order registered. The time limit for each speaker was five minutes with a total time limit set aside for informal public comments totaling 30 minutes.

Frank Winstead, 145 Victoria Court, Youngsville, NC

- Public Schools

Jay Colvin, 3000 RDU Center Dr., Ste. 202 Morrisville, NC

- Pending Water Allocation Ratifications

Scott Strickland, 40 Sheila's Lane, Louisburg, NC

- Emergency Radio System

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. 2020-2021 Proposed Budget

This was the time scheduled to hear public comments on the proposed 2020-2021 budget.

Chairman Dunston opened and closed the public hearing at approximately 7:10 P.M. with no comments offered.

Consideration of the budget will be held at a later date.

B. Rezoning Request (20-REZ-01 Youngsville)

The Board was asked to conduct a public hearing and consider approval of a rezoning request by Franklin County Planning Staff to incorporate the previous (Zoning) Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of the Town of Youngsville into Franklin County's zoning jurisdiction.

Chairman Dunston opened and closed the public hearing at approximately 7:11 P.M. with no comments offered.

Consideration of the rezoning request will be held at a later date.

Members of the public who wished to participate in the public hearing could share their comments in one of two methods:

- Share comments during the meeting using Zoom via audio or video. If you wish to address the Board, you must register at publiccomments@franklincountync.us before 12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, June 1, 2020. Please include your name, address, public hearing topic, phone number you will be calling from and email address. You will be recognized by the Chairman for comments in the order that you registered.
- Email written comments to publiccomments@franklincountync.us before 12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, June 1, 2020. Please include your name, address and public hearing topic. Comments will be shared with the Board and made part of the official record. Written comments received within 24 hours after the hearing is closed will also be shared with the Board and made a part of the official record.

4. COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CDP)

A public hearing was held May 18, 2020, in which no comments were received. The public comment period per state law is extended for a 24-hour period following the close of the public hearing. All comments received during this period will be presented to the Board at the June 1, 2020, Board of Commissioner meeting as formal adoption is considered. No additional comments were received.

Commissioner Speed joined the meeting at approximately 7:16 P.M.

Commissioner Schriver made a motion to approve the CDP, seconded by Commissioner Speed. The motion was approved 6 to 1, with Commissioner Foy voting "NO."

5. UPDATE: COVID-19

Health Director Scott LaVigne provided an update on the pandemic. He stated 159 cases are confirmed in the County, 35 since the Board's last update. The virus is now present in all 100 North Carolina counties.

No action was requested.

6. **ACTIVITY AT TRIANGLE NORTH FRANKLIN & DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FROM TRIANGLE NORTH FRANKLIN**

Franklin County EDC provided an update on activity at Triangle North Franklin and information related to the financial request to provide funds to KTREDC in the amount of \$41,673.14 for subsequent distribution to Triangle North Franklin, Warren, Granville and Vance.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the disbursement of funds to Kerr-Tar Regional Economic Development Corporation in the amount of 41,673.14. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schriver and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

7. **APPOINTMENTS**

Home Care Community Block Grant Advisory Committee

The Board was asked to appoint Cindy Jones to the committee for a term to expire June 30, 2021.

Commissioner Bunn made a motion to appoint Cindy Jones to the committee for a term to expire June 30, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Speed and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

No additional business was discussed.

9. **BOARD, MANAGER AND CLERK'S COMMENTS**

Clerk to the Board Kristen G. King – Ms. King asked the Board to consider recessing tonight's meeting to June 4, 2020 at 3pm.

Commissioner Dunston – No comments were offered.

Commissioner Dickerson – No comments were offered.

Commissioner Foy – Commissioner Foy made comments relative to the curfew previously in place due to the Coronavirus. He also asked about trash fees included in the budget and suggested fees not be increased. He asked if a new aquatic facility was included in the budget proposal.

Commissioner Bunn – No comments were offered.

Commissioner Speed – No comments were offered.

Commissioner Jones – No comments were offered.

Commissioner Schriver – Commissioner Schriver asked what items would be consider as part of the recessed meeting agenda on June 4, 2020. He was informed the Board could then take action on items related to the public hearings held earlier in the evening including the budget.

County Manager Angela L. Harris – No comments were offered.

10. **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board was asked to conduct a closed session pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (3) Attorney-Client Privileged Communication.

At approximately 7:53 P.M., Commissioner Speed made a motion to enter into closed session, seconded by Commissioner Schriver. The motion was approved 6 to 1, with Commissioner Foy voting in opposition.

Following closed session, Commissioner Schriver made a motion to enter back into open session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

No action was taken.

Commissioner Bunn made a motion to recess until Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 3pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

Sidney E. Dunston, Chair

Kristen G. King, Clerk to the Board

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