

April 7, 2014

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met for its Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Conference Room located in the County Administration Building with the following Commissioners present: Chairman Sidney E. Dunston, Vice-Chairman John M. May, Commissioners E. Shane Mitchell, Cedric K. Jones, Harry L. Foy, Jr., Donald C. Lancaster and David T. Bunn.

Chairman Dunston called the meeting to order and asked the Board to consider a 10 minute recess for the purpose of calling to order the Board of Equalization and Review.

Commissioner Lancaster made the motion to recess, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Chairman Dunston read the following statement to the Board.

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 105-322, the 2014 Franklin County Board of Equalization & Review will convene this evening. By convening, the Board of Equalization & Review opens the statutory period during which county taxpayers may appeal their values for their Franklin County real and personal property. Individuals wishing to appeal to the Board of Equalization & Review should contact the Franklin County Tax Office for information and scheduling. The Board of Equalization & Review will not adjourn any earlier than the third Monday in May, but will continue to hear appeals as needed. By convening this evening, the Board of Equalization & Review opens up the longest available time period for taxpayers to submit their appeals. After officially convening this evening, the 2014 Board of Equalization & Review will recess. Further meetings of the Board of Equalization & Review are open to the public and held at this location. Dates and times will be available on the county website.

Chairman Dunston then called to order the meeting of the 2014 Board of Equalization and Review.

Dan Williams, Tax Administrator, stated there is no current business to discuss. He said there are currently four appeals that will be heard at a later date. Mr. Williams will meet with the Clerk to the Board (Kristen G. King) to discuss scheduling. Mr. Williams offered to schedule a training session with a representative of the North Carolina Department of Revenue similar to training offered last year if necessary. By consensus, the Board did not request additional training.

Commissioner Lancaster made a motion to recess the Board of Equalization and Review, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to reconvene the Board's regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Chairman Dunston asked the Board to consider approval of the consent agenda.

Commissioner Foy asked the Board to remove Item 1-E from the consent agenda for further discussion. He made his request in the form of a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Lancaster and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

Chairman Dunston asked the Board to consider approval of the remainder of the consent agenda.

Commissioner Lancaster made a motion to approve the remainder of the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

The following items were approved.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. March 17, 2014 Minutes
- B. Spring Litter Sweep 2014 Proclamation
- C. County Government Month 2014 Proclamation
- D. Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week Proclamation
- ~~E. Consider TDA (Tourism Development Authority) request to fund a \$2,500 grant for the Song of the Mountains Festival at Norris Creek~~
- F. Request by the Board of Education to purchase 438 and 440 South Main Street in Franklinton in order to provide access to the rear of Franklinton Elementary School for emergency and maintenance vehicles

Commissioner Foy asked who would benefit from the TDA (Tourism Development Authority) grant and if the money would be given to a non-profit organization. Commissioner Jones serves on the TDA and stated the grant would be given to the Song of the Mountain Festival. It was noted the event will be held at Norris Creek. Norris Creek Entertainment, LLC is donating the use of its facility for the event for up to three (3) years.

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to approve the \$2,500 TDA grant, seconded by Commissioner May. The motion carried 6 to 1, with Commissioner Foy voting "NO."

Item 1-B

**SPRING LITTER SWEEP 2014
BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation organizes an annual spring statewide roadside cleanup to ensure clean and beautiful roads in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the spring 2014 **LITTER SWEEP** roadside cleanup will take place April 26 to May 10, 2014, and encourages local governments and communities, civic and professional groups, businesses, churches, schools, families and individual citizens to participate in the Department of Transportation cleanup by sponsoring and organizing local roadside cleanups; and

WHEREAS, Adopt-A-Highway volunteers, Department of Transportation employees, Department of Correction inmates and community service workers, local government agencies, community leaders, civic and community organizations, businesses, churches, schools, and environmentally concerned citizens conduct local cleanups during **LITTER SWEEP** and may receive certificates of appreciation for their participation; and

WHEREAS, the great natural beauty of our state and a clean environment are sources of great pride for all North Carolinians, attracting tourists and aiding in recruiting new industries; and

WHEREAS, the cleanup will increase awareness of the need for cleaner roadsides, emphasize the importance of not littering, and encourage recycling of solid wastes; and

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WHEREAS, the 2014 spring cleanup will celebrate the 26th Anniversary of the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program and its volunteer groups that donate their labor and time year round to keep our roadsides clean; and

WHEREAS, the **LITTER SWEEP** cleanup will be a part of educating the children of this great state regarding the importance of a clean environment to the quality of life in Franklin County;

NOW, THEREFORE, the **Franklin County Board of Commissioners**, does hereby proclaim April 26 to May 10, 2014 as the **SPRING LITTER SWEEP** in Franklin County, and encourages citizens to take an active role in making their communities cleaner.

PROCLAIMED this the 7th day of April, 2014.

Item 1-C

**County Government Month
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the month of April, 2014 is National County Government Month and North Carolina's county governments are proud of their key role in the governmental partnership as the local provider and facilitator of important services for the community; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's counties face the challenge of using limited resources efficiently and effectively to meet the needs of the public through such programs as health care, child and elder care, environmental protection, deed registration, social services, job training, public education funding, emergency medical services, drug and alcohol abuse treatment, law enforcement, water and sewer services, and library services; and

WHEREAS, all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain healthy, vibrant, safe, and economically competitive, America's counties must be able to anticipate and adapt to all types of change; and

WHEREAS, many North Carolina counties seek a stronger partnership with their citizens in defining community problems and solutions through such efforts as strategic planning and local focus groups; and

WHEREAS, leadership in county government today requires a commitment to long hours and continued learning in a variety of topic areas, and a strong sense of purpose to assure that necessary services are provided without undue burden on the taxpayers;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of April, 2014, as

**"COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH IN FRANKLIN COUNTY"
"Ready and Resilient Counties: Prepare. Respond. Thrive."**

and urges all citizens to be more involved in and aware of issues facing our counties by volunteering for county programs, voting in elections and attending public meetings.

PROCLAIMED this the 7th day of April, 2014.

**PROCLAMATION
A PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE APRIL 13-19, 2014
PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR'S WEEK**

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time that require law enforcement, fire or emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of emergency responders is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our emergency responders is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who call 9-1-1; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first contact our citizens have with emergency services. They provide steady guidance and support in a caller's most frantic and panicked moments; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our emergency responders by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and insuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are more than a calm and reassuring voice at the other end of the phone, they are the "unseen first responders"; and

WHEREAS, each telecommunicator has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 13-19, 2014, as "PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR'S WEEK" in Franklin County in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe; and urge our citizens to observe this week in honor of all telecommunicators nationwide who answer our calls for help.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

This was the time set aside by the Board of Commissioners to allow individuals five minutes to address the Board on issues concerning the County. No comments were offered.

3. NORTH EAST AREA STUDY UPDATE

Scott Lane, owner of J S Lane Company, LLC and member of the North East Area Study team presented recommended transportation and land use scenarios and transportation priorities. Areas within the North East Area Study include the Towns of Bunn, Franklinton and Youngsville as well as adjacent areas of the County located within CAMPO's boundary. His presentation follows.

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Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
Northeast Area Study
 Franklin County Board Briefing | 4-7-2014

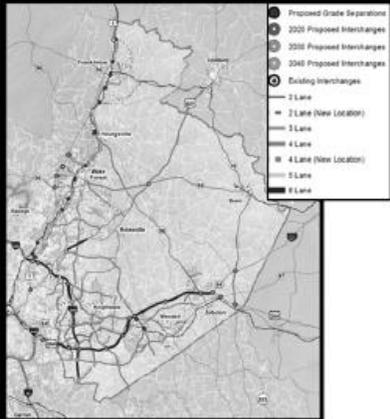


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PUT THE "MULTI" BACK IN MODAL



Laneage Map

Priority Score

- 36-46
- 26-36
- 16-26
- 12-17
- 4-11

Long Term Proposed Facilities

- Proposed Interchange
- Proposed On-Road Facility

Existing & Planned Facilities

- Existing Interchange
- Existing On-Road Facility
- Existing Planned Interchange
- Existing Planned On-Road Facility
- Existing Sidewalk
- Designated/Other Way Route



Bike/Walk Prioritization

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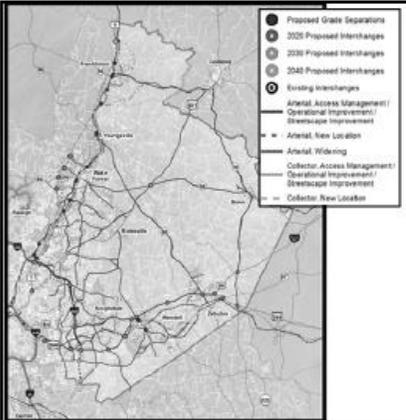


PROJECT SHEETS

Products Complete/Adoption Schedule

- Draft Products Complete**
 - Project Report (Workbook)
 - Policy Guidebook and 2 Catalyst Sites
 - 12 Hot Spots, 4 Corridor, and 12 Railroad Crossing Studies
 - Additional Information: One Voice (public engagement), Market and Demographic Assessment
- Upcoming Work**
 - Implementation Guidance
 - Final Round of Briefings (now)
 - Adoption by Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
 - Integration into Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)





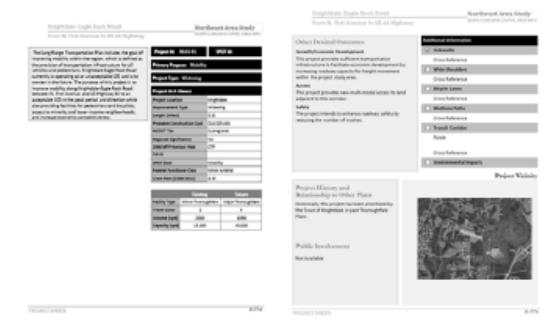
Official Roadway Map

Cross-Sections: Completing the Street




Transit Phases

Roadway Project Sheet (ex.)



Mr. Lane stated the recommendations in the presentation are the final recommendations before being presented to CAMPO (Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization). He said briefings are being held in each municipality in the County.

No action was requested.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

No additional items were discussed.

5. BOARD, MANAGER AND CLERK'S COMMENTS

This was the time set aside for the Board of County Commissioners, the County Manager, and the Clerk to the Board to report on various activities. The Board may also discuss other items of interest.

County Clerk Kristen G. King: No comments were offered.

Commissioner Foy: No comments were offered.

Commissioner Bunn: No comments were offered.

Commissioner May: No comments were offered.

Commissioner Jones: Commissioner Jones stated he attended a recent meeting of the Franklinton Town Council.

Commissioner Mitchell: No comments were offered.

Commissioner Dunston: Commissioner Dunston offered congratulations on behalf of the Board to its Clerk, Kristen G. King, as she was recently installed as the President of the North Carolina Association of County Clerks. Commissioner Dunston also stated he would be asking the Board to review and consider a resolution regarding the coal ash spill affecting the Dan River which is upstream of the County's water source Kerr Lake. He said the Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments is putting together a sample resolution that he would like for the Board to consider at its meeting on April 21, 2014.

Commissioner Lancaster: No comments were offered.

County Manager Angela L. Harris: Mrs. Harris also offered congratulations to Board Clerk, Kristen G. King, as she was recently installed as the President of the North Carolina Association of County Clerks. She also congratulated Bryce Mendenhall, Public Utilities Director, who recently earned the Utility Management Certification Credential. Mrs. Harris reminded the Board of the State of the College address planned for April 10, 2014. Mrs. Harris mentioned the following events that are part of the County Government Month celebration:

- Litter Sweep (April 22, 2104)
- Employee Picnic (April 24, 2014)
- Community Preparedness Day (April 25, 2014)

6. CLOSED SESSION

The Board was asked to consider entering into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged.

Commissioner May made the motion to enter into closed session, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. The motion was approved with a 6 to 1 vote with Commissioner Foy voting "NO."

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

Chairman Dunston noted no action was taken.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

Sidney E. Dunston, Chair

Kristen G. King, Clerk to the Board