

July 9, 2012

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 E. Shane Mitchell, Vice-Chairman Robert L. Swanson, Sidney E. Dunston, Harry L. Foy, Jr., Cedric K. Jones and David T. Bunn. Commissioner Donald C. Lancaster was absent.

Chairman Mitchell called the meeting to order and asked the Board to consider approval of the consent agenda.

Commissioner Swanson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Dunston. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

The items approved are as follows.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. June 18, 2012 Minutes
- B. Agreement for the Provision of County-Based Aging Services
- C. Family Caregiver Support Program Grant Contract
- D. Reuse System Agreement
- E. Releases, Adjustments, Refunds, and Tax Collection Report
- F. 2011-2012 Tax Settlement

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.

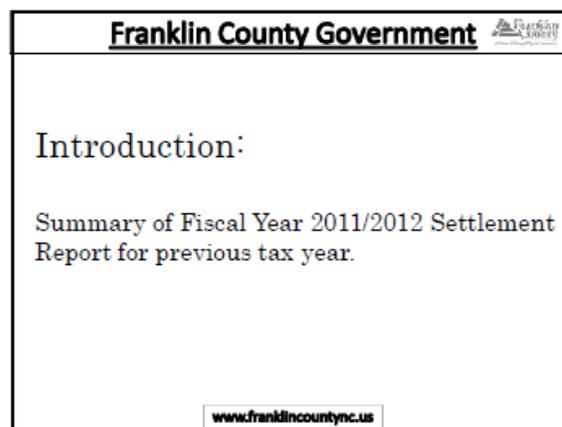
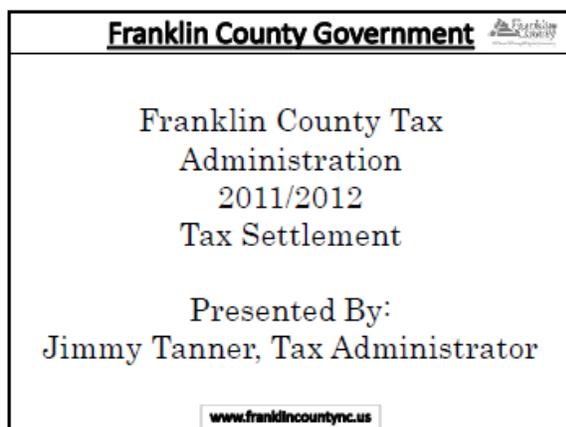
Vi McCane, 90 Steeple Chase Run, Franklinton

- Ms. McCane requested assistance in learning more about the County's budget as it pertains to libraries. She also asked the Board to become familiar with Agenda 21 and its effects locally.

3. ANNUAL 2011-2012 TAX SETTLEMENT SUMMARY

Jimmy Tanner, Tax Administrator, offered a brief summary of the Tax Settlement for the 2011-2012 tax year.

Mr. Tanner's presentation follows.



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2011 LEVY

Real Property			
Total Billed	Actual Collections	Uncollected	%Collected
\$29,908,252	\$29,528,469	\$ 379,783	98.73%
Personal Property (Including System Property)			
Total Billed	Actual Collections	Uncollected	%Collected
\$ 2,707,438	\$ 2,640,918	\$ 66,520	97.54%
Registered Motor Vehicles			
Total Billed	Actual Collections	Uncollected	%Collected
\$ 3,365,793	\$ 2,943,841	\$ 421,952	87.46%

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Total Levy

Total Billed	Actual Collections	% Collected
\$35,981,483	\$35,113,228	97.59%

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Comparison Overall Collection Rate

2008 / 2009	2009 / 2010	2010 / 2011	2011/2012
95.94%	96.62%	97.10%	97.59%

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Comparison Prior Year Collections

Fiscal Year	Year Ending	Amount
2005 / 2006	6-30-06	\$ 850,441
2006 / 2007	6-30-07	\$ 884,048
2007 / 2008	6-30-08	\$ 681,402
2008 / 2009	6-30-09	\$1,001,978
2009 / 2010	6-30-10	\$ 1,120,171
2010/2011	6-30-11	\$ 1,108,096
2011/2012	6-30-12	\$ 1,029,688

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- POINTS OF INTEREST (Collections)**
- Collected on \$546,676 more in levy than last year
 - Increased collection rate in all classifications (Real Estate, Personal Property, Registered Motor Vehicles).
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QUESTIONS ?

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Mr. Tanner’s presentation highlighted the overall collection rate for 2011-2012 was 97.59%. He thanked staff for their efforts in achieving success in collections.

No action was requested or taken.

4. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) SCATTERED SITE GRANT (11-SSH)

The County was recently awarded a CDBG scattered sites grant in the amount of \$400,000 from the North Carolina Division of Community Assistance. Bids for grant administration were sent to eight firms and published within the local newspaper. Five proposals were received and reviewed by staff based upon criteria set forth within bid documents. Based upon the submitted proposals, staff recommended a contract for grant administration be awarded to the Wooten Company in an amount not to exceed \$48,000. County funds are not required as part of the scattered sites program.

Commissioner Dunston made a motion to award a grant administration contract to the Wooten Company in an amount not to exceed \$48,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swanson and duly carried approval with all present voting “AYE.”

5. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN THREE YEAR UPDATE

The Board was asked to review the updated Solid Waste Management Plan and consider adoption a resolution of support. Mr. John Faulkner, Solid Waste Director, provided a brief synopsis of the updated plan required in order to receive funding from the Department of Natural Resources.

Commissioner Swanson made a motion to adopt the resolution of support, seconded by Commissioner Dunston. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ENDORSING THE SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN OF 2011/2012 FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, it is a priority of this community to protect human health and the environment through safe and effective management of municipal solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of the amount and the toxicity of the local waste stream is a goal of this community; and

WHEREAS, equitable and efficient delivery of solid waste management services is an essential characteristics of the local solid waste management system; and

WHEREAS, it is a goal of the community to maintain and improve its physical appearance and to reduce the adverse of effects of illegal disposal and littering; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County recognizes its role in the encouragement of recycling by educating and informing the public about the items that can be recycled; and

WHEREAS, involvement and education of the citizenry is critical to the establishment of an effective local solid waste program; and

WHEREAS, The State of North Carolina has placed planning responsibility on local government for the management of solid waste; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 130A-309.09A(b) requires each unit of local government, either individually or in cooperation with other units of local government, to update the Ten Year Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan at least every three years; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Solid Waste Management Department, the Solid Waste Task Force, and Keep America Beautiful have undertaken and completed a long range planning effort to evaluate the appropriate technologies and strategies available to manage solid waste effectively;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Franklin County Board of Commissioners that Franklin County's 2011/2012 Ten Year Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan Update is accepted and endorsed.

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. NCACC Voting Delegate

The Board was asked to designate a voting delegate to represent the County at the 105th Annual Conference of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners to be held in Wake County on August 16-19, 2012.

Action was delayed until the Board's meeting on August 6, 2012.

B. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

The Board was asked to appoint a Commissioner to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council to fill a term vacated by former Commissioner Penny McGhee. The term will end November 30, 2012.

The Board was also asked to reappoint Mattie May (County Manager or designee) to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council for a two-year term that would end July 12, 2014.

Commissioner Dunston made the motion to appoint Commissioner Cedric Jones and to reappoint Mattie May to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swanson and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

Three positions remain vacant on the Council including a Substance Abuse Professional and two persons under the age of 18, one of whom is a member of the State Youth Council.

C. Five County Community Operations Center Oversight Board

Following the dissolution of Five County Mental Health Authority and the creation of the Five County Community Operations Center Oversight Board, the Board was asked to make the following appointments:

- Commissioner Cedric Jones (Commissioner representative)
- T.A. Gardner, Jr. (citizen representative)
- Jacqueline Sills (consumer or family member representative)

Commissioner Dunston made a motion to appoint Commissioner Cedric Jones, T.A. Gardner, Jr. and Jacqueline Sills to the Five County Community Operations Center Oversight Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swanson and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

Before moving to the next item of business, Chairman Mitchell recognized Ms. Diane Cox who now serves as Interim Director of the Kerr-Tar Council of Governments.

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

County Manager Angela L. Harris submitted a handout to the Board relative to the Quilt Trail project. She stated a presentation about the project will be given at the Board's regular meeting on August 6, 2012.

Mrs. Harris informed the Board testing of the County's E911 Communications Project has begun.

Chairman Mitchell asked County Attorney Pete Tomlinson to provide an update to the Board at its regular meeting on August 6, 2012 regarding the case involving former Franklin County Sheriff Patrick Green. Mr. Tomlinson stated he would contact the Special Prosecutor at the Attorney General's Office in control of the case to determine if information can be obtained.

Sheriff Jerry Jones stated he received "unofficial word" the case will reach Franklin County Superior Court in August, 2012.

8. 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: Mrs. King called attention to a handout she provided to the Board regarding opportunities to serve on various County boards and commissions. There are currently 11 vacant positions.

Commissioner Lancaster: Commissioner Lancaster was absent.

Commissioner Jones: Commissioner Jones stated he attended the last meeting of the Five County Mental Health Authority before its dissolution. He will now serve on the Five County Community Operations Center Oversight Board.

Commissioner Dunston: Commissioner Dunston commented on his attendance at the grand opening of Sandy Cross Solar Farm in Nash County on June 21, 2012. He stated the company that opened the farm, O2 Energies, is the same company that is planning a solar farm in Franklin. The Franklin location is expected to be three times the size of the farm in Nash County and will likely serve 10,000 homes with solar energy.

Commissioner Foy: No report was offered.

Commissioner Bunn: No report was offered.

Commissioner Mitchell: No report was offered.

Commissioner Swanson: No report was offered.

County Manager Angela L. Harris:

- Mrs. Harris provided an update on the County's website redesign that launched May, 2011. Statistics confirm the redesign has increased overall usage and traffic to the Franklin County site. She mentioned some of the highlights including a 40% increase in visits and a 569% increase in users accessing the site via mobile devices.
- Mrs. Harris commented on the recent retirement of three Franklin County employees including Ms. Pat Baker (Tax), David Sebastian (EMS) and Delphinia Livingston (Health).
- Mrs. Harris commented on a Lunch-and-Learn session scheduled for July 18, 2012 for Franklin County employees. The topic will be internet safety.
- Mrs. Harris stated she has reached out to Valerie Hennike, Piedmont Behavioral Healthcare, regarding the effects of how Senate Bill 191 will impact Franklin County.

9. CLOSED SESSION

The Board was asked to consider entering into closed session pursuant to the following matters.

- A. Approval of Closed Session Minutes from June 18, 2012.
- B. North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6), in order for the Board to discuss a personnel matter.
- C. North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(5) to establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease.

At approximately 7:52 P.M., Commissioner Dunston made the motion to enter into closed session pursuant to the statutes listed above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Swanson. The motion carried 6 to 1, with Commissioner Foy voting "NO."

Following closed session at approximately 8:41 P.M., Commissioner Dunston made a motion to enter back into open session, seconded by Commissioner Bunn. The motion duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

Commissioner Swanson made a motion to approve the Closed Session Minutes of June 18, 2012. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bunn and duly carried approval with all present voting "AYE."

Chairman Mitchell removed Item 10 from the Board's agenda.

~~10. UTILITY ASSET ACQUISITION AGREEMENT UPDATE~~

~~The Board was given an update regarding the acquisition of the Town of Youngsville's Water and Sewer Utilities.~~

~~ACTION REQUESTED: Receive update and consider possible action.~~

At approximately 8:41 P.M., Commissioner Bunn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Swanson. The motion duly carried with all present voting "AYE."

E. Shane Mitchell, Chair

Kristen G. King, Clerk to the Board