

## MINUTES

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF HENDERSON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2020

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Historic Courthouse on Main Street, Hendersonville, NC.

Those present were: Commissioner Mike Edney, Chairman Grady Hawkins, Commissioner Rebecca McCall, Commissioner Charlie Messer, Vice-Chairman William Lapsley, Assistant County Manager Amy Brantley, Attorney Russ Burrell and Clerk to the Board Teresa Wilson.

Also present were: Finance Director Samantha Reynolds, Director of Business and Community Development John Mitchell, Engineer Marcus Jones, IT Director Mark Seelenbacher, Emergency Management/Rescue Coordinator Jimmy Brissie, Planning Director Autumn Radcliff, Recreation Director Carleen Dixon, Capital Projects Manager Thad Ninnemann, Construction Manager David Berry, Social Services Director Jerrie McFalls, Tax Administrator Darlene Burgess, Budget Analyst Sonya Flynn, Project Engineer Natalie Berry & PIO Kathy Finotti – videotaping, Deputy Mike Marsteller as security.

Absent was: County Manager Steve Wyatt.

### CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chairman Hawkins called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

### INVOCATION

The invocation was provided by Pastor Brian Hindman of Hendersonville 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Chairman Hawkins.

### 2020.24 RESOLUTION Recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Founding of the League of Women Voters in North Carolina

Commissioner Messer requested the inclusion of this item on the agenda.

The Board of Commissioners is requested to adopt a Resolution recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Founding of the League of Women Voters in North Carolina.

Commissioner McCall read the Resolution aloud.

- Whereas, an organized movement to enfranchise women began in July 1848, at a convention in Seneca Falls, NY; and
- Whereas, through the efforts of brave and courageous women referred to as suffragists who sacrificed family, their personal lives and financial resources for over seventy years to gain equal rights for women, especially the right to vote; and
- Whereas, people of all walks of life supported the woman's suffrage movement for women to gain the constitutional right of having a voice in making the laws that govern them; and
- Whereas, the woman's suffrage movement led to the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution of the United States in 1919, with ratification by the states by the summer of 1920; and

DATE APPROVED: March 2, 2020

Whereas, the National Woman’s Suffrage Association dissolved in 1920 to create the League of Women Voters of the US to register and educate all voters; and  
Whereas, the League of Women Voters of North Carolina was launched on October 7, 1920, on the steps of the Guilford County Courthouse by Gertrude Weil, a politically active and tireless young woman from Goldsboro, NC; and  
Whereas, more than 120,000 women were registered to vote in North Carolina by 1920; and  
Whereas, women today constitute a majority vote in our state and the US and are running for office in high numbers and are more active in the election process than ever before in history.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women gaining the right to vote and the founding of the League of Women Voters in the United States and in North Carolina is hereby recognized by the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, for the impact these historic accomplishments have on citizen engagement and the civic life of the community, the state and the nation.

*Commissioner McCall made the motion that the Board adopt the Resolution recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Founding of the League of Women Voters in North Carolina. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

Rachel Poller, President of the League of Women Voters, stated the League is honored to carry on the movement. She shared information on the mission of the League of Women Voters with part of that mission being to help individuals register to vote. Vote411.org is their online voter’s guide. The League will be holding an event on Thursday, February 20, 2020 at the main library “All Things Voting” at 4:00 p.m.

Ms. Poller was presented with a copy of the Resolution.

**INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Dennis Justice feels everyone has a right to worship God. He asked the Board to appeal Article 14 Section 6 –and get rid of bad laws.
2. Patsy Panther in concerned about trash along the roadways. As an advocate for cleaner roads, she would like to see cameras placed along the roads and signs regarding fines for littering. Other possibilities are school campaigns for clean-up or having landlords include trash pick-up with their rent.

**Discussion/Adjustment of Consent Agenda**

*Commissioner Messer made the motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

CONSENT AGENDA consisted of the following:

**Minutes**

Draft minutes were presented for board review and approval of the following meeting(s):  
February 3, 2020 - Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Motion:

*I move the Board approves the minutes of February 3, 2020.*

**Tax Collector’s Report**

Collections Specialist Luke Small had presented the Tax Collector’s Report to the Commissioners dated February 12, 2020 for information only. No action was required.

Please find outlined below collections information through February 11, 2020 for 2019 real and personal property bills mailed on August 1, 2019. Vehicles taxes are billed monthly by NC DMV.

**Henderson County Annual Bills (Real and Personal Property):**

2019 Beginning Charge:	\$84,275,773.18
Discoveries & Imm. Irreg.:	\$1,254,883.64
Releases & Refunds:	(\$987,558.76)
<u>Net Charge:</u>	<u>\$84,543,098.06</u>
Unpaid Taxes:	\$2,653,105.05
Amount Collected:	\$81,889,993.01



Unpaid  
3.14%

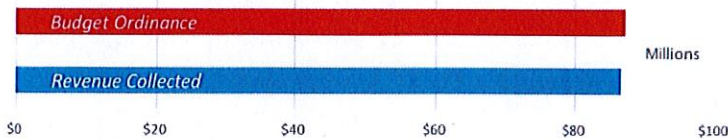
**Henderson County Registered Motor Vehicles (As Collected by NC DMV):**

Net Charge:	\$4,038,893.15
Unpaid Taxes:	\$9,866.73
Amount Collected:	\$4,029,026.42

99.76%

**Henderson County FY20 Budget Analysis:**

	<u>Budget Ordinance</u>	<u>Revenue Collected</u>
Ad Valorem:	\$86,093,532.00	\$85,919,019.43
Prior Years:	\$1,035,000.00	\$695,856.36
<b>Budget Total:</b>	<b>\$87,128,532.00</b>	<b>YTD Revenue: \$86,614,875.79</b>



**Vaya Health – Quarterly Fiscal Monitoring Report (FMR) for the quarter ended December 31, 2019**  
 N.C.G.S. 122C-117(c) requires the staff of the local area mental health authority to provide the County Finance Officer with the quarterly Fiscal Monitoring Report (FMR) within 30 days of the end of the quarter. The County Finance Officer is then required to provide the FMR to the Board of Commissioners at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board. The FMR for Vaya Health was received by the County Finance Officer on January 31, 2020.

**Motion:**

*I move that the Board of Commissioners approves the Vaya Health Fiscal Monitoring Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2019.*

**Henderson County Historic Resource Landmark Designation Application – Saint Paul’s Episcopal Church**

On April 15, 2015, the Board of Commissioners adopted the Historic Resources Landmark Ordinance and associated design guidelines. Although the program participation is voluntary, properties must meet certain criteria to be selected through a quasi-judicial hearing by the Zoning Board of Adjustment and be approved by the Board of Commissioners. By law, adoption of this ordinance will allow the portions of properties approved for historic designation to be eligible for a 50% tax abatement.

The Henderson County Historic Resources Commission (HRC) recommends that Saint Paul’s Episcopal Church, located at 1659 St. Pauls Rd., be designated as a Local Landmark based on the information presented in the Local Landmark Designation application. The HRC has completed reports on the historic, architectural and cultural significance of the church sanctuary building and have determined that it is worthy of Local Landmark designation. The State Historic Preservation Office has also reviewed the application for conformance.

On January 29<sup>th</sup>, the Zoning Board of Adjustment through a quasi-judicial proceeding, voted to approve the sanctuary building and memorial garden of the Saint Paul’s Episcopal Church as a Local Landmark Designation.

The order must be forwarded to the Board of Commissioners for approval and eligibility for a tax abatement. The tax abatement would not apply to this application since the property owner, as an active church, is exempt from Henderson County property tax under NCGS 105-278.3 for religious purposes.

Motion:

*I move that the Board approves the order for the sanctuary building and memorial garden of the Saint Paul's Episcopal Church located at 1659 St. Pauls Rd (S.R. 1602) as a Local Landmark Designation.*

#### **Facility Use Policy Exemption – Carolina Baptist Association**

The County has received an application from the Carolina Baptist Association to use the Historic Courthouse Courtyard on Friday, May 7, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for the National Day of Prayer.

To allow for this use on County grounds for this community wide event, the Board is requested to grant a one-time exemption to the sound amplification policy on page 4, Paragraph 5 of the Facility Use Policy, which prohibits sound amplification during County or State Government business hours. This exemption, if granted, would cover the date and time specified on the application, and outlined above.

Motion:

*I move that the Board grants an exemption to the County Facility Use Policy for Carolina Baptist Association, allowing for the use of sound amplification on the Historic Courthouse Courtyard on Friday, May 7, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.*

#### **DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT OF DISCUSSION AGENDA**

*Chairman Hawkins made the motion to adopt the discussion agenda as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Chairman Hawkins recognized the vacancies and opened the floor for nominations. He thanked Bill Moss for the article in the Lightning regarding the Nursing/Adult Care Home and Community Advisory Committee and the vacancies. Applications are being received and applicants trained.

##### **1. Animal Services Committee – 3 vac.**

Commissioner Messer nominated Paul Blackwell for position #9 and Gaby Johnsen for position #3. *Chairman Hawkins made the motion to accept the reappointment of Paul Blackwell to position #9 and the appointment of Gaby Johnsen to position #3 by acclamation. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

##### **2. Asheville Regional Housing Consortium – 1 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

##### **3. Henderson County Transportation Advisory Committee – 4 vac.**

Commissioner Lapsley nominated Dr. John Bryant for position #2, Joseph Sanders for position #3, and Beau Waddell for position #4. Commissioner Lapsley nominated John Dockendorf for position #1. *Chairman Hawkins made the motion to accept the reappointments of Dr. John Bryant to position #2, Joseph Sanders to position #3, Beau Waddell to position #4 and the appointment of John Dockendorf to position #1 by acclamation. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

Commissioner Lapsley acknowledged Renee Kumor in the audience, a previous commissioner and member of the League of Women Voters and thanked her for her service on the Transportation Advisory Committee.

##### **4. Hendersonville City Zoning Board of Adjustment – 2 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**5. Hendersonville Planning Board – 1 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**6. Historic Resources Commission – 1 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**7. Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee – 2 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**8. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council – 1 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**9. Mountain Valleys Resource Conservation and Development Program – 1 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**10. Nursing/Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee – 9 vac.**

There were no nominations at this time and this item was rolled to the next meeting.

**11. Recreation Advisory Committee – 5 vac.**

Commissioner Messer nominated Terry Maybin for position #3, Robert Smith for position #4, Katie Breckheimer for position #5, Philip Ellis for position #12, and Tricia King for position #13. *Chairman Hawkins made the motion to accept the reappointments of Terry Maybin to position #3, Robert Smith to position #4, Katie Breckheimer to position #5, Philip Ellis to position #12, and Tricia King to position #13 by acclamation. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

**CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UPDATE**

David Berry provided the Board of Commissioners with an update on the following construction projects around Henderson County. This monthly report is a review of the scope and statuses of assigned construction management responsibilities and includes specific updates in regard to County funded construction activities.

**MRTS Project Update – Henderson County Public Schools  
Facilities Maintenance and Repair, Technology and Security Initiatives**

**Elementary Schools**

- Dana gym roof and Etowah gym roof are both complete
- Staff is waiting on a PO in order to proceed with the Hendersonville – iworks control system
- Staff is reviewing bids for the Upward entrance/cafeteria

**Middle Schools**

- Staff will receive bids this afternoon for both the Flat Rock and Rugby HVAC systems. The project will be in multiple stages with a goal of completion in 2021.
- Paving projects at EHHS, WHHS and Rugby have been combined for cost savings. WGLA's bid was received yesterday and is due back by March 5, 2020.
- WHHS iworks and fan coil replacement is complete.

**Other**

- ADA Study for stadiums is in process
- Former Hillandale demolition is complete (storage trailers will be moved once empty)
- Johnson Farm Sewer Improvement is complete
- Project Empower Chromebooks is in process

Mr. Berry questioned the double entry of \$44,673 and asked the Finance Director to review for possible discrepancy.

Detailed Project Report					At A Glance—Summary Report
PROJECT	FY20 BOC APPROVED	\$ EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED	% EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED	TOTAL REMAINING	
<b>Elementary Schools</b>					<b>MRTS Project Status - February 2020</b> <p> <span style="color: black;">\$521,620</span> 11.2%  <span style="color: black;">\$4,149,140</span> 88.8%                      ■ \$521,620 EXPENDED/ENCUMBERED                      ■ \$4,149,140 TOTAL REMAINING                 </p>
Dana - Gym Roof	\$ 140,000	\$ 62,300	44.5%	\$ 77,700	
Etowah - Gym Roof	\$ 110,000	\$ 61,810	56.2%	\$ 48,190	
Hendersonville - iWorks Control System	\$ 40,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 40,000	
Upward - Entrance/Cafeteria	\$ 702,000	\$ 42,650	6.1%	\$ 659,350	
<b>Middle Schools</b>					
Flat Rock - HVAC - Phase I	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 1,000,000	
Flat Rock - Paving	\$ 50,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 50,000	
Rugby - HVAC - Phase I	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 5,850	0.6%	\$ 994,150	
Rugby - Paving	\$ 100,000	\$ 4,267	4.3%	\$ 95,733	
Rugby - Main Entrance	\$ 500,000	\$ 31,500	6.3%	\$ 468,500	
<b>High Schools</b>					
East - Paving	\$ 100,000	\$ 4,267	4.3%	\$ 95,733	
West - iWorks and fan coil replacement	\$ 70,000	\$ 63,237	90.3%	\$ 6,763	
West - Paving	\$ 100,000	\$ 4,266	4.3%	\$ 95,734	
<b>Other</b>					
ADA Study - Stadiums	\$ 25,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 25,000	
Former Hillandale - Demolition	\$ 197,000	\$ 196,800	99.9%	\$ 200	
Contingency	\$ 200,000	\$ 44,673	22.3%	\$ 155,327	
Johnson Farm Sewer Improvement		\$ 44,673			
Project Empower Chromebooks	\$ 300,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 300,000	
Unallocated	\$ 36,760	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 36,760	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,670,760</b>	<b>\$ 521,620</b>	<b>11.2%</b>	<b>\$ 4,149,140</b>	

<b>FY20 BOC APPROVED</b>
<b>\$4,670,760</b>
<b>EXPENDED/ENCUMBERED</b>
<b>\$521,620</b>
<b>TOTAL REMAINING</b>
<b>\$4,149,140</b>

**MRTS Project Update – Blue Ridge Community College  
Facilities Maintenance and Repair, Technology and Security Initiatives**

**Continuing Education**

- Renovation for BLET - An Independent Architect has been hired by BRCC (Ellis 3P) and is in the design process
- Engineers have not bid on the Chiller replacement

**Grounds Maintenance**

- Replacement of heaters and circular fans complete
- Re-coating of roof complete

**Industrial Skills Center**

- Ventilation System and Welding Booth have been installed and are complete

**Sink**

- Replacement of Chiller in process
- New furniture is ongoing

**Spearman**

- Replacement of Boiler is out to bid for engineers and should be received February 28
- Generator has been installed and is complete
- Renovation for Trades Programs is complete
- New furniture has not been bid

**TEDC**

- Replacement of compressors is complete
- PO has been issued for the replacement of conference hall tables & chairs and should begin shortly

**Campus Wide Improvements**

- Outdoor lighting improvements are ongoing

- Sidewalk installation is complete
  - Updating of wayfinding and monument signs is ongoing
- Additional Classroom Space
- Surveyor Fee is ongoing
  - Architect Fee is ongoing

Detailed Project Report					At A Glance—Summary Report	
PROJECT	FY20 BOC APPROVED	\$ EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED	% EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED	TOTAL REMAINING	MRTS Project Status - February 2020	
<b>Continuing Education</b>					<p>\$1,473,605 47.3%</p> <p>\$1,640,735 52.7%</p> <p>Legend:                      ■ \$ EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED                      ■ TOTAL REMAINING</p>	
Renovation for BLET	\$ 363,124	\$ 70,617	19.4%	\$ 292,507		
Replace Chiller	\$ 121,400	\$ 2,340	1.9%	\$ 119,060		
<b>Grounds/Maintenance</b>						
Replace Heaters and Circular Fans	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,913	39.4%	\$ 9,087		
Re-Coat Roof	\$ 17,500	\$ 8,119	46.4%	\$ 9,381		
<b>Industrial Skills Center</b>						
Install Ventilation System	\$ 22,500	\$ 20,555	91.4%	\$ 1,945		
Install Welding Booth	\$ 35,000	\$ 7,305	20.9%	\$ 27,695		
<b>Sink</b>						
Replace Chiller	\$ 225,000	\$ 2,340	1.0%	\$ 222,660		
New Furniture	\$ 262,500	\$ 245,363	93.5%	\$ 17,137		
<b>Spearman</b>						
Replace Boiler	\$ 80,000	\$ 2,840	3.6%	\$ 77,160		
Install Generator	\$ 21,000	\$ 19,694	93.8%	\$ 1,306		
Renovation for Trades Programs	\$ 50,000	\$ 22,022	44.0%	\$ 27,978		
New Furniture	\$ 168,356	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 168,356		
<b>TEDC</b>						
Replace Compressors	\$ 35,000	\$ 20,168	57.6%	\$ 14,832		
Replace Conference Hall Tables & Chairs	\$ 151,500	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 151,500		
<b>Campus Wide Improvements</b>						
Outdoor Lighting Improvements	\$ 134,250	\$ 21,643	16.1%	\$ 112,607		
Sidewalk Installation	\$ 83,710	\$ 83,255	99.5%	\$ 455		
Update Wayfinding and Monument Signs	\$ 300,000	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 300,000		
<b>Additional Classroom Space</b>						
Surveyor Fee	\$ 28,500	\$ 60,382	211.9%	\$ (31,882)		
Architect Fee	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 881,050	88.1%	\$ 118,950		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,114,340</b>	<b>\$ 1,473,605</b>	<b>47.3%</b>	<b>\$ 1,640,735</b>		

<b>FY20 BOC APPROVED</b>
<b>\$3,114,340</b>
<b>EXPENDED/ENCUMBERED</b>
<b>\$1,473,605</b>
<b>TOTAL REMAINING</b>
<b>\$1,640,735</b>

**Edneyville Elementary**

Work continues with Clark/Nexsen and BG/Barnhill on the final site work portion of the project, as well as the demolition of the old school which is nearing completion. Installation of the storm water systems in that area are also ongoing, in what will be the new parking lot.

As requested by the parent/teacher association, two dump truck loads of old bricks from the old school were delivered to the Henderson County Public Schools Maintenance Shop where they can be used for fund raising or memorabilia.

**Hendersonville High School**

Work continues with Vannoy and PFA Architects on the GMP #2 portion of the project. This work is inclusive of site perimeter fencing and erosion control measures, selective demolition, site work, selective footings and foundations, temporary power, utility relocations, etc.

Bids are being received for the final portion (GMP #3) of the project. Due to the size of the work scopes of the trades included in this portion, bidding was broken down into two parts. The first part of the bids for GMP #3 were received on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. These bids included but were not limited to expansion joints, ceramic tile, wood flooring, painting, building accessories, lockers, signage, gym equipment, window treatments, landscaping, panel systems, audience seating and resilient tile/carpet flooring. The balance of the GMP #3 components bids were received yesterday and are being reviewed. Included were many of the larger components such as mechanical systems, electrical and plumbing systems. Follow-up bids are

scheduled for next Tuesday, February 25th, which will allow staff to open bids that could not be opened due to the statute required three bids. We remain in budget as expected.

The GMP #3 will be presented to the Board of Commissioners at their March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting for consideration.

#### DSS Expansion

At the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the Board approved going forward with the DSS expansion project. The contract has been signed, PO generated, and Cooper Construction is expected to be on site March 2 with an expected construction duration of approximately 3 months. Jerrie McFalls and her staff are busy finalizing the clean out of stored materials from the space in anticipation of the start of construction.

#### 95 Courthouse Holding Cell

Clark/Nexsen was previously approved to provide the design of this space and is currently preparing the drawings. Preliminary drawings are anticipated within the next month and the cost will be brought back to the Board of Commissioners.

#### 95 Courthouse Skylights

This project has been discussed in detail. Initially staff received unacceptable pricing for the replacement of just the gasket material and unacceptable pricing for the replacement of the skylight system as per the existing system. During the pricing and bidding exercise it was discovered that a different but acceptable system (Cowl Wall – translucent panels as used at Main Library) could be installed at a lower cost. This option was discussed by the Board and staff was directed to proceed. However, before staff moved forward, another vendor came forward and priced the replacement of the existing clear glass system at a competitive price.

#### Cost Breakdown of Bids

- Gasket replacement only \$92,000 plus contingencies = estimated \$140,000
- Clark/Nexsen replacement of entire existing system with new roof system = estimated cost \$250,000
- Cowl Wall System – Translucent, Carolina Architectural Products including demolition = \$103,852
- New replacement price – glass system, JP Ross inclusive of glass = \$119,320\*

\*The only additional cost associated with JP Ross bid will be the in-house cost associated with requesting Facilities Services to handle the safety and employee coordination. Staff recommends proceeding with the latest bid with JP Ross. The Cowl Wall System and Glass System both have similar warranties with the same expected life of the product.

*Commissioner Edney made the motion that the Board directs staff to move forward with the new replacement glass system with JP Ross. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

David Berry stated staff will bring the final contract back to the Board for approval.

#### Detention Center Shower Resurfacing

Work on the shower resurfacing is ongoing.

#### Balance of Main Library Roof

The contractor is expected to mobilize February 24, 2020 on the planned metal roof portion of the main library roof project.



### **HAWKINS SPRING ROAD EROSION**

Marcus Jones stated during the Board's October 16, 2019 meeting, Mr. Larry Marshall and other residents of Hawkins Spring Road (HSR) presented their concerns regarding the erosion of their road. They were concerned that NCDOT's drainage from Howard Gap Loop Road was causing the erosion. They reported that NCDOT did not agree with the owners and that NCDOT is not diverting water onto HSR. After the owner's presentation, the Board requested that NCDOT revisit the drainage in the vicinity of HSR.

On November 12, 2019, the County Engineer met on site with NCDOT District staff and NCDOT Hydraulics staff from Raleigh. The meeting's purpose was to provide field data for the Hydraulic staff to prepare a report on the drainage.

On January 23, 2020, Commissioner McCall, the property owners, NCDOT District staff and NCDOT Hydraulics staff met to review the drainage report from NCDOT. The report reached the same conclusion as prior research; NCDOT was not diverting water and were not liable for the erosion on HSR. NCDOT District staff did agree to armor the ditch within NCDOT right of way leading into HSR and have started the purchasing process for materials. Also, the option of adding the road to NCDOT's system was discussed and is possible. It would require the owners to bring the road up to an acceptable condition of maintenance first and obtain adequate right of way width. The County Engineer and NCDOT staff agreed to assist the owners with navigating the addition process.

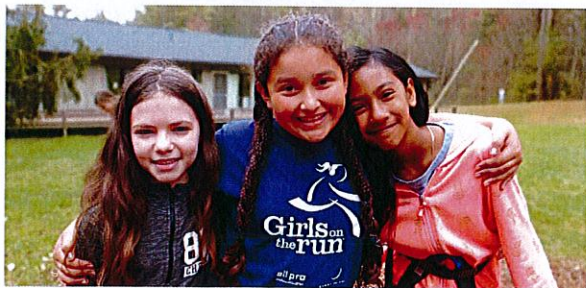
Commissioner Messer is concerned about proper drainage after recent flooding from torrential rain. He requested the County Engineer reach out to NCDENR to evaluate streams and waterways for removal of trees and stumps due to the flooding.

### **CAMPLIFY**

Commissioner McCall requested Camplify be on the discussion agenda for informational purposes only. She is a member of a State Task Force looking to help disconnected youth. They are looking for suggestions for counties to identify and help these youth become responsible adults. During the process, Commissioner McCall came across Camplify which has a 100% success rate.

Executive Director Kristin Dunn stated Camplify uses a series of camp-based and experiential learning programs to teach kids-in-need the life skills required to succeed and become the leaders of tomorrow. The group started in 1994 as Henderson County Young Leaders and have worked with over 3000 students.

Students enter our nine-year commitment in the 4th grade to learn about responsibility, respect, ethics, collaboration, goal setting and more.



 Camplify




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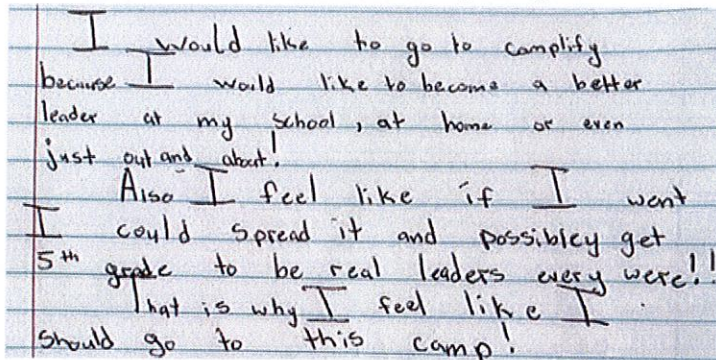
### Summertime Poses Challenges and Opportunities

1. Often, access to...enriching summer experiences is dependent on parents' financial standing.
2. For low-income families, opportunities for experiences that promote positive development...are limited.
3. When schools close...families may lose a number of vital supports, such as access to healthy meals, access to medical care, daily supervision, and structured enrichment opportunities.

- 4. As a result, summertime can increase inequity if children...in better-served communities participate in enriching experiences while their peers from less financially secure families and underserved communities do not.
- 5. During the summer, low-income children and youth have lesser gains—and in some cases losses—in reading aptitude, greater exposure to violence and crime, and further weight gain for those with obesity.

-National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

Camplify provides a “cradle to career” journey to local leaders in training.



Camplify/camp·li·fy/: A journey of five programs beginning with a 4th grade nomination from Henderson County school counselors.



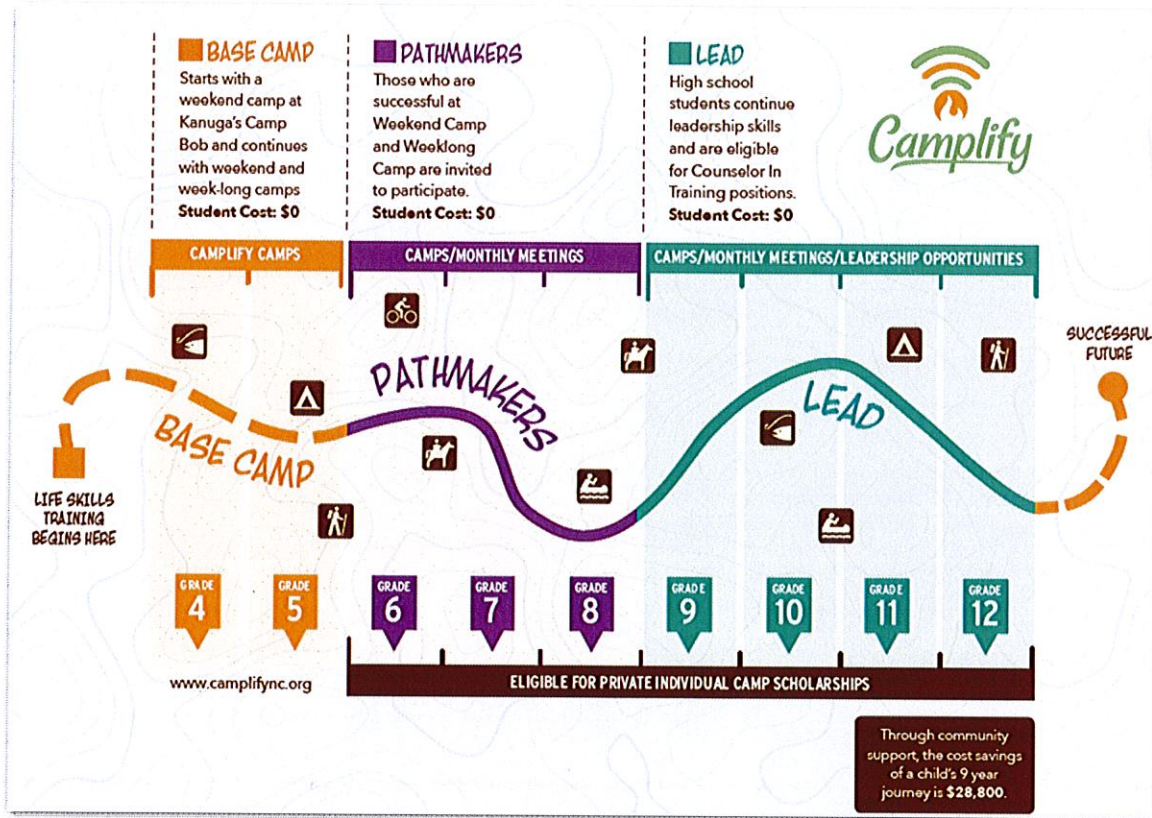
### What Makes Camplify Different?

Nominated students observe leadership skills in their first two years, develop and practice those through middle school, and finally internalize and apply skills in high school.

### Why Camp?

Camplify promotes high-quality, immersive experiences outside of school for children who otherwise lack such opportunities.

Our agency is closing the gap in learned developmental outcomes of 21st century skills. We ensure youth have access to experiences that support their needs every month out of the year.

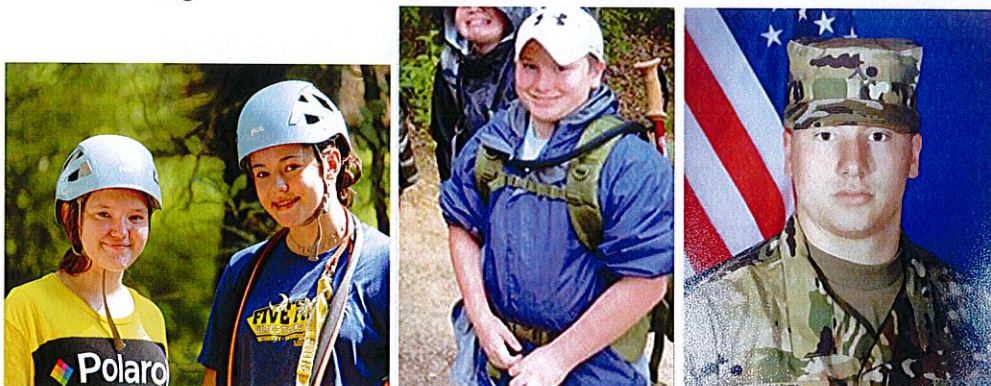


...My daughter was offered a 3 week camp the summer after 6th grade. Having her away from home was challenging for me, but I reminded myself this was excellent preparation for the future. She also experienced challenges during this time.

Leadership skills are constantly nurtured in Camplify, and she truly had the opportunity to put her skills to the test. She spent weeks with campers and counselors from all over the world. There were times her leadership abilities shone brightly, and there were times she found great opportunities to further develop herself. Navigating those challenging periods has helped build her resiliency, communication, and compassion.

...The opportunities she has gained access to have developed her into a strong, active, positive member of our community...

For Camplify to continue to invest in my daughter and her future over the years is a true blessing I could have never imagined.



Camplify students develop skills outside the classroom -- skills that every 21st century employer looks for and that every person deserves to learn.

Camplify proudly provides over 4,000 hours of leadership experiences to tomorrow's heroes.

**REQUEST TO APPLY FOR STBGDA FUNDING**

John Mitchell stated the French Broad River MPO (FBRMPO) currently has a call for projects for STBGDA funds (Surface Transportation Block Grant). Total funding available for STBGDA is \$26 million. As member government, Henderson County has a unique opportunity to apply for these funds to be used for greenway projects. STBGDA funds requires a 20% local match.

Henderson County's Greenway Master Plan relies on available right of way prior to project implementation.

Grant applications are due by March 31<sup>st</sup> and require a commitment letter. No matching funds are required until the project is implemented and only as the work is completed. Funding is for projects planned to be implemented in fiscal years 2022-2026. It is anticipated this will be a very competitive call for projects. The MPO will make a decision in April.

Municipalities are aware of the application and are in support. They however, have not been solicited for funding. There are eleven miles of trails within the right-of-way of Henderson County.

**STBGDA Funding**

- Funds programed directly to the FBRMPO from the Surface Transportation Block Grant
- Funding available for Bike/ped projects (greenways)
- Approximately \$26 million is available

**Grant Requirements**

- Require a 20% local match
- Match can span multiple fiscal years over the course of the project implementation
- Funding for projects that will be implemented in FY 2022-2026

**Application Deadline**

- Applications are due by March 31<sup>st</sup>
- Funding would not be available until October of 2021
- Implementation would be in FY 2022-2026

**Project Funding**

- Preliminary Engineering and Construction of all or a portion of the Ecusta Rail Trail
- Rail ownership will be secured prior to funding implementation
- Planning staff is working with County Engineer on a project budget (grant request range is 12-18 million in 2-3 phases)

Chairman Hawkins is concerned that Henderson Tourism Development Authority will not be able to meet the 20% match due to a commitment to another 20% match for a grant of \$6m to Conserving Carolina.

Commissioner McCall stated the 20% match is over a four-year period and could be by private entities.

Commissioner Lapsley agreed with Commissioner McCall and feels the opportunity is now and staff should apply.

John Mitchell responded the County is under no obligation to provide the match. They will be applying for an amount to cover the Henderson County portion of the line only, not the full \$26m.

*Commissioner Edney made the motion that the Board authorizes staff to apply for funding from the MPR to be used for greenway projects and directs staff to seek matching funds. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

**IMPORTANT DATES**

A special called meeting/Public Hearing of the Environmental Management Commission of the NC Department of Environmental Quality and the Board of Commissioners of Henderson County will be held on the issue of inclusion of the current ("CCWSD") into the ("MSD") on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of West Henderson High School.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board is requested to go into closed session for the following reason(s).

1. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee.

*Commissioner Edney made the motion that the Board go into closed session Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11 (a)(6), for the reasons set out in the Request for Board Action in the Board's agenda packet. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

**ADJOURN**

*Chairman Hawkins made the motion to go out of closed session and adjourn at 11:15 a.m. All voted in favor and the motion carried.*

Attest:

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Teresa L. Wilson, Clerk to the Board

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Grady H. Hawkins, Chairman

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## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE PASSAGE OF THE NINETEENTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND FOUNDING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IN NORTH CAROLINA


- WHEREAS,** an organized movement to enfranchise women began in July, 1848, at a convention in Seneca Falls, NY; and
- WHEREAS,** through the efforts of brave and courageous women referred to as suffragists who sacrificed family, their personal lives and financial resources for over seventy years to gain equal rights for women, especially the right to vote; and
- WHEREAS,** people of all walks of life supported the woman's suffrage movement for women to gain the constitutional right of having a voice in making the laws that govern them; and
- WHEREAS,** the woman's suffrage movement led to the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution of the United States in 1919, with ratification by the states by the summer of 1920; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Woman's Suffrage Association dissolved in 1920 to create the League of Women Voters of the US to register and educate all voters; and
- WHEREAS,** the League of Women Voters of North Carolina was launched on October 7, 1920, on the steps of the Guilford County Courthouse by Gertrude Weil, a politically active and tireless young woman from Goldsboro, NC; and
- WHEREAS,** more than 120,000 women were registered to vote in North Carolina by 1920; and
- WHEREAS,** women today constitute a majority vote in our state and the US and are running for office in high numbers and more active in the election process than ever before in history.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women gaining the right to vote and the founding of the League of Women Voters in the United States and in North Carolina is hereby recognized by the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, for the impact these historic accomplishments have on citizen engagement and the civic life of the community, the state and the nation.

Approved and adopted this 19th day of February, 2020.

ATTEST:

  
TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD

  
GRADY HAWKINS, CHAIRMAN  
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Henderson County Tax Collector

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Wednesday, February 12, 2020

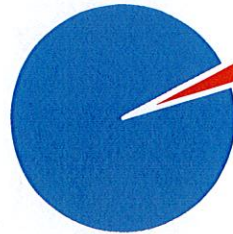
Re: Tax Collector's Report to Commissioners - Meeting Date February 19, 2020

Please find outlined below collections information through February 11, 2020 for 2019 real and personal property bills mailed on August 1, 2019. Vehicles taxes are billed monthly by NC DMV.

## Henderson County Annual Bills (Real and Personal Property):

<b>2019 Beginning Charge:</b>	<b>\$84,275,773.18</b>
Discoveries & Imm. Irreg.:	\$1,254,883.64
Releases & Refunds:	<b>(\$987,558.76)</b>
<u>Net Charge:</u>	<u>\$84,543,098.06</u>
Unpaid Taxes:	\$2,653,105.05
<b>Amount Collected:</b>	<b>\$81,889,993.01</b>

**Paid**  
**96.86%**



**Unpaid**  
**3.14%**

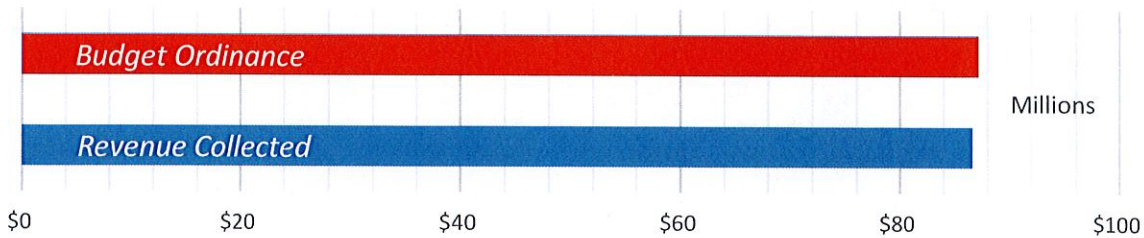
## Henderson County Registered Motor Vehicles (As Collected by NC DMV):

Net Charge:	\$4,038,893.15
Unpaid Taxes:	\$9,866.73
<b>Amount Collected:</b>	<b>\$4,029,026.42</b>

**99.76%**

## Henderson County FY20 Budget Analysis:

	<u>Budget Ordinance</u>		<u>Revenue Collected</u>
Ad Valorem:	\$86,093,532.00	Ad Valorem:	\$85,919,019.43
Prior Years:	\$1,035,000.00	Prior Years:	\$695,856.36
<b>Budget Total:</b>	<b>\$87,128,532.00</b>	<b>YTD Revenue:</b>	<b>\$86,614,875.79</b>



Respectfully Submitted,

Luke Small  
 Deputy Tax Collector

Darlene Burgess  
 Tax Administrator

**DURING THE FEBRUARY 19, 2020 MEETING, THE BOARD ENACTED THE FOLLOWING**

**2020.24 RESOLUTION** Recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Founding of the League of Women Voters in North Carolina