

MINUTES

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HENDERSON**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023**

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.

Those present were Chairman Rebecca McCall, Vice-Chair J. Michael Edney, Commissioner William Lapsley, Commissioner Daniel Andreotta, Commissioner David Hill, County Manager John Mitchell, Assistant County Manager Amy Brantley, and Attorney Russ Burrell.

Also present were: Director of Business and Community Development Christopher Todd, Finance Director Samantha Reynolds, Budget Manager/Internal Auditor Sonya Flynn, Budget Analyst Jennifer Miranda, Chief Communications Officer Mike Morgan, Planning Director Autumn Radcliff, Senior Planner Janna Bianculli, Sheriff Lowell Griffin, Chief Deputy Vanesa Gilbert, Capital Projects Manager Bryan Rhodes, Facility Services Director Andrew Griffin, Human Resources Director Karen Ensley, Emergency Management/Rescue Coordinator Jimmy Brissie, Assistant County Engineer Deb Johnston, PIO Kathy Finotti – videotaping and Deputy Chris Stepp provided security.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

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

INVOCATION

Chairman McCall provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman McCall led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

RESOLUTIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

2023.60 Proclamation - National Public Health Week

The Henderson County Board of Health discussed this annual recognition event at their April 11, 2023, meeting. Board members agreed to advance a proclamation to the Henderson County Board of Commissioners for their consideration. National Public Health Week provides the opportunity to recognize the many organizations and groups that contribute to improved health outcomes in Henderson County, including the Henderson County Department of Public Health.

Henderson County is currently ranked 12th in health outcomes among the 100 counties in North Carolina, and it has the highest health ranking of any county in Western North Carolina.

Approved: May 1, 2023

National Public Health Week in Henderson County

WHEREAS, the week of April 3 - 9, 2023, is National Public Health Week; and

WHEREAS, the goal of National Public Health Week in 2023 is to recognize the contributions of public health in improving the health of the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, many of the leading causes of death for individuals in the United States result from chronic conditions, which are among the most common, costly, and preventable of all health challenges; and

WHEREAS, there were an estimated 101,758 drug overdose deaths in the United States during the 12-month period ending in October 2022; and

WHEREAS, studies show that strategic investments in disease prevention can result in significant savings in healthcare costs; and

WHEREAS, vaccination is one of the most significant public health achievements in history and has resulted in substantial decreases in the number of cases, hospitalizations, and deaths associated with vaccine-preventable diseases, and health care costs associated with vaccine- preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS, public health professionals help communities prevent, prepare for, mitigate, and recover from the impact of health threats, including disease outbreaks; and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, public health professionals collaborate with partners outside of the health sector, including sectors that design our built environments, educational systems, and private sector businesses, recognizing that other sectors influence health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, in communities across the United States, individuals are changing the way they care for their health by avoiding tobacco use, eating healthier, increasing physical activity, and preventing unintentional injuries at home and in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, efforts to adequately support public health and the prevention of disease and injury can promote a health system focused on treating illness to a health system focused on promoting wellness; and

WHEREAS, Henderson County is currently ranked 12th in health outcomes among the 100 counties in North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, do hereby recognize National Public Health Week in Henderson County, and applaud the efforts of public health professionals, community organizations, and individuals in Henderson County working to prevent disease and improve health outcomes.

Adopted this day the 19th of April 2023.

Commissioner Lapsley made the motion that the Board adopt the Proclamation to recognize National Public Health Week in Henderson County. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Service Badge and Sidearm Requests

Service Badge and Sidearm Requests for the following were included on the published agenda: Major Chris Denny, Master Deputy Michael Marsteller, Corporal Allan Corthell, Sergeant Paul Blackwell and Senior Deputy Edwin Scott Estremera. Per a request from the Sheriff, it was the consensus of the Board to move those to a future meeting.

INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Chris Walters – Spoke about the recent Charters of Freedom presentation and the amendments that had been added since the adoption of the Constitution.
2. Dean Boyles – Spoke to the 2023 Reappraisal, and recent economic change. He suggested the reappraisal be put off for another year.
3. Chuck McGrady – Spoke in favor of the negotiation of consolidated water and sewer services, in opposition to the changes made by the Board to the 2045 Comp Plan, and asked that the Board consider starting over and re-writing the draft 2045 Plan Comprehensive Plan to align with the comments received from citizen input.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

Commissioner Hill requested the addition of Discussion Item B - “Set Public Hearing for Moratorium”.

Chairman McCall made the motion to adopt the agenda as presented with the addition of Discussion Item B. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

The CONSENT AGENDA consisted of the following:

Minutes

Draft minutes were presented for Board review and approval of the following meeting(s):

April 3, 2023 - Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Motion:

I move the Board approve the minutes of April 3, 2023.

Tax Collector’s Report

The report from the office of the Tax Collector was provided for the Board’s information.

Henderson County Annual Bills (Real and Personal Property):

2022 Beginning Charge:	\$91,627,197.91
Discoveries & Imm. Irreg.:	\$764,581.14
Releases & Refunds:	(\$1,118,174.05)
<u>Net Charge:</u>	<u>\$91,273,605.00</u>
Unpaid Taxes:	\$1,381,607.52
Amount Collected:	\$89,891,997.48



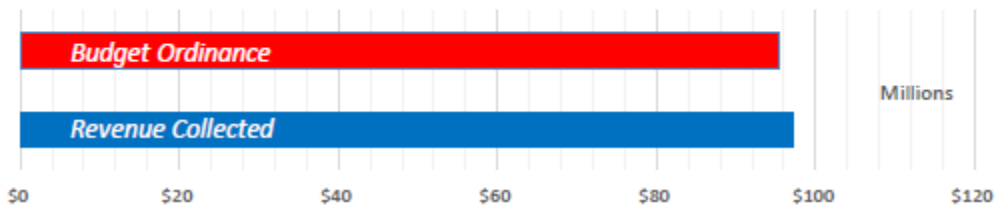
Henderson County Registered Motor Vehicles (As Collected by NC DMV):

Net Charge:	\$6,577,867.63
Unpaid Taxes:	\$20,267.33
Amount Collected:	\$6,557,600.30

99.69%

Henderson County FY22 Budget Analysis:

	<u>Budget Ordinance</u>		<u>Revenue Collected</u>
Ad Valorem:	\$94,458,998.00	Ad Valorem:	\$96,449,597.78
Prior Years:	\$981,000.00	Prior Years:	\$735,516.54
Budget Total:	\$95,439,998.00	YTD Revenue:	\$97,185,114.32



Henderson County Financial Report/Cash Balance Report – February 2023

The Henderson County Financial Report/Cash Balance Report for February 2023 was provided for the Board’s approval.

The following are explanations for departments/programs with a higher budget to actual percentages for the month of February:

- Dues/Non-Profit Contributions – payment of 3rd quarter Board appropriations
- Rescue Squad – payment of 3rd quarter Board appropriation
- Site Development – the timing of board approved purchases
- Agri-Business – excess operating expenditures, to be covered by membership fees
- Mental Health – payment of 3rd quarter Board appropriation
- Juvenile Justice Programs – receipt and disbursement of additional program funding
- Public Education – Payment of 8 of 10 annual appropriations made to the public school system

Year to Date Net Revenues under Expenditures for the Emergency Telephone System (911) Fund is due the utilizing fund balance appropriations for FY23.

Year to Date Net Revenues under Expenditures for the Misc. Other Governmental Activities Fund is due to the expenditure of program funds held in fund balance received during the previous fiscal year.

Year to Date Net Revenues under Expenditures for the ARPA Fund is due to Board approved expenditures from restricted fund balance for ARPA funds received in a previous fiscal year.

HENDERSON COUNTY
FINANCIAL REPORT
FEBRUARY 2023

GENERAL FUND REVENUES						
	BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	% USED	ENCUMBRANCES	TOTAL
General Fund	192,293,679	7,855,758.07	138,431,807.60	72.0%	-	138,431,807.60
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES						
	BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	% USED	ENCUMBRANCES	TOTAL
Governing Body	574,991	29,438.61	367,061.23	63.84%	-	367,061.23
Dues/Non-Profit Contributions	1,011,401	37,940.67	804,808.87	79.57%	-	804,808.87
County Manager	392,022	20,952.11	174,463.80	44.50%	-	174,463.80
Administrative Services	753,341	51,992.88	450,913.67	59.86%	-	450,913.67
Human Resources	1,174,860	81,035.53	776,177.25	66.07%	-	776,177.25
Elections	994,733	38,386.57	561,351.60	56.43%	21,850.87	583,202.47
Finance	1,249,748	79,509.84	797,157.94	63.79%	-	797,157.94
County Assessor	1,996,430	150,240.27	1,160,406.69	58.12%	-	1,160,406.69
Tax Collector	543,131	29,562.55	297,778.60	54.83%	-	297,778.60
Legal	991,880	66,897.18	638,944.92	64.42%	-	638,944.92
Register of Deeds	703,454	53,833.92	460,925.44	65.52%	2,568.59	463,494.03
Facilities Services	5,774,050	465,528.16	2,995,641.61	51.88%	413,922.45	3,409,564.06
Garage	475,053	19,200.38	222,374.54	46.81%	-	222,374.54
Court Facilities	153,000	11,196.31	85,028.70	55.57%	-	85,028.70
Information Technology	5,740,519	217,422.28	2,837,372.14	49.43%	658,853.63	3,496,225.77
Sheriff	22,577,264	1,438,837.75	13,291,854.52	58.87%	271,235.01	13,563,089.53
Detention Center	6,280,838	429,982.62	3,622,823.80	57.68%	168,282.06	3,791,105.86
Emergency Management	1,036,018	59,859.29	608,547.60	58.74%	48,992.23	657,539.83
Fire Services	824,220	75,617.31	420,989.67	51.08%	94,035.00	515,024.67
Building Services	1,505,530	100,351.26	884,388.79	58.74%	-	884,388.79
Wellness Clinic	1,352,315	87,165.55	833,102.45	61.61%	53,155.29	886,257.74
Emergency Medical Services	9,462,971	721,283.28	5,451,788.50	57.61%	16,749.45	5,468,537.95
Animal Services	864,123	48,602.85	496,100.58	57.41%	65,689.76	561,790.34
Rescue Squad	557,750	2,695.30	424,781.51	76.16%	-	424,781.51
Forestry Services	91,484	8,463.87	29,819.91	32.60%	-	29,819.91
Soil & Water Conservation	926,159	32,149.19	281,499.35	30.39%	430,706.00	712,205.35
Planning	913,427	63,236.17	533,830.81	58.44%	520.51	534,351.32
Code Enforcement Services	335,195	20,054.43	205,637.83	61.35%	-	205,637.83
Site Development	247,341	18,813.75	173,375.43	70.10%	-	173,375.43
Heritage Museum	100,000	-	66,666.64	66.67%	-	66,666.64
Cooperative Extension	598,356	48,227.50	316,368.64	52.87%	-	316,368.64
Projects Management	286,800	13,963.53	128,350.08	44.75%	-	128,350.08
Economic Development	801,724	-	325,500.00	40.60%	-	325,500.00
Agri-Business	187,268	13,878.88	145,531.29	77.71%	-	145,531.29
Public Health	13,831,858	714,069.54	6,217,729.11	44.95%	550,508.51	6,768,237.62
Environmental Health	1,705,286	122,716.70	934,901.21	54.82%	13,413.01	948,314.22
H&CC Block Grant	820,541	70,745.75	477,802.00	58.23%	-	477,802.00
Medical Services - Autopsies	90,000	9,600.00	46,500.00	51.67%	-	46,500.00
Mental Health	528,612	-	396,459.00	75.00%	-	396,459.00
Rural Transportation Assist Program	201,384	-	81,836.53	40.64%	-	81,836.53
Social Services	20,688,003	1,367,885.22	11,983,840.77	57.93%	22,933.49	12,006,774.26
Juvenile Justice Programs	218,745	22,085.00	189,282.50	86.53%	-	189,282.50
Veteran Services	141,120	4,561.33	53,528.84	37.93%	-	53,528.84
Public Library	4,001,274	253,436.05	2,477,255.42	61.91%	143,359.99	2,620,615.41
Recreation	2,684,351	156,167.67	1,579,719.61	58.85%	40,032.93	1,619,752.54
Public Education	38,362,938	3,287,800.00	29,978,603.50	78.14%	-	29,978,603.50
Debt Service	19,668,907	-	8,847,925.51	44.98%	-	8,847,925.51
Non-Departmental	7,323,542	182,323.13	3,409,541.07	46.56%	-	3,409,541.07
Interfund Transfers	10,549,722	882,476.84	7,044,814.72	66.78%	-	7,044,814.72
TOTAL	192,293,679	11,612,187.02	114,591,104.19		3,016,808.78	117,607,912.97
Net Revenues over (under) Exp.	-	(3,756,428.95)	23,840,703.41		(3,016,808.78)	20,823,894.63

APPROPRIATIONS DETAIL						
	BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	% USED	ENCUMBRANCES	TOTAL
SOCIAL SERVICES						
Staff Operations	16,726,787.00	1,124,597.51	9,948,315.47	59.5%	22,933.49	9,971,248.96
Federal & State Programs	3,860,216.00	237,843.04	1,991,799.65	51.6%	-	1,991,799.65
General Assistance	101,000.00	5,444.67	43,725.65	43.3%	-	43,725.65
TOTAL	20,688,003	1,367,885.22	11,983,840.77		22,933.49	12,006,774.26
EDUCATION						
Schools Current/Capital Expense	33,112,938.00	3,287,800.00	26,478,603.50	80.0%	-	26,478,603.50
Blue Ridge Community College	5,250,000.00	-	3,500,000.00	66.7%	-	3,500,000.00
TOTAL	38,362,938	3,287,800.00	29,978,603.50		-	29,978,603.50
DEBT SERVICE						
Public Schools	11,951,709.00	-	4,628,688.01	38.7%	-	4,628,688.01
Blue Ridge Community College	3,372,266.00	-	1,769,870.07	52.5%	-	1,769,870.07
Henderson County	4,344,932.00	-	2,449,367.43	56.4%	-	2,449,367.43
TOTAL	19,668,907	-	8,847,925.51		-	8,847,925.51
INTERFUND TRANSFERS						
Public Transit Fund	14,874	1,239.50	9,916.00	66.7%	-	9,916.00
Capital Projects Fund	250,000	25,833.34	171,666.72	68.7%	-	171,666.72
Capital Reserve Fund	1,710,808	142,567.33	1,140,538.64	66.7%	-	1,140,538.64
Fire Districts Fund	20,000	-	20,000.00	100.0%	-	20,000.00
HCPS MRTS	5,132,424	427,702.00	3,421,616.00	66.7%	-	3,421,616.00
BRCC MRTS	3,421,616	285,134.67	2,281,077.36	66.7%	-	2,281,077.36
TOTAL	10,549,722	882,476.84	7,044,814.72		-	7,044,814.72
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS						
	BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	% USED	ENCUMBRANCES	TOTAL
FIRE DISTRICTS FUND						
Revenues:	12,284,624	227,945.47	11,855,778.08	96.7%	-	11,855,778.08
Expenditures:	12,284,624	1,523,566.38	11,630,845.16	94.8%	-	11,630,845.16
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	(1,295,610.91)	224,930.92		-	224,930.92
REVALUATION RESERVE FUND						
Revenues:	1,517,381	131,733.00	1,032,404.56	68.0%	-	1,032,404.56
Expenditures:	1,517,381	64,096.15	883,973.42	58.3%	-	883,973.42
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	67,636.85	148,431.14		-	148,431.14
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM (911) FUND						
Revenues:	452,332	8,867.42	56,605.04	12.5%	-	56,605.04
Expenditures:	452,332	3,789.26	248,526.29	54.9%	13,125.84	261,652.13
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	5,078.16	(191,921.25)		(13,125.84)	(205,047.09)
PUBLIC TRANSIT FUND						
Revenues:	1,088,403	8,203.01	667,750.13	61.4%	-	667,750.13
Expenditures:	1,088,403	65,483.52	452,421.03	41.6%	67,654.70	520,075.73
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	(57,280.51)	215,329.10		(67,654.70)	147,674.40
MISC. OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES						
Revenues:	1,193,856	57,084.98	444,402.65	37.2%	-	444,402.65
Expenditures:	1,193,856	59,118.22	875,078.41	73.3%	-	875,078.41
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	(2,033.24)	(430,675.76)		-	(430,675.76)
ARPA FUND						
Revenues:	1,574,992	57,935.72	228,341.57	14.5%	-	228,341.57
Expenditures:	1,574,992	-	682,336.66	43.3%	466,608.83	1,148,945.49
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	57,935.72	(453,995.09)		(466,608.83)	(920,603.92)
OPIOID FUND						
Revenues:	-	2,996.65	820,338.41		-	820,338.41
Expenditures:	-	-	18.08		-	18.08
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	2,996.65	820,320.33		-	820,320.33

CAPITAL PROJECTS						
	BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	PROJECT TO DATE	% USED	ENCUMBRANCES	TOTAL
EDNEYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT (1702)						
Revenues:	26,854,136	7,482.55	27,794,806.47	103.5%	-	27,794,806.47
Expenditures:	26,854,136	-	25,331,294.76	94.3%	-	25,331,294.76
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	7,482.55	2,463,511.71		-	2,463,511.71
HENDERSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT - 2019 (1903)						
Revenues:	60,442,694	-	61,165,283.96	101.2%	-	61,165,283.96
Expenditures:	60,442,694	-	60,937,920.87	100.8%	105,084.58	61,043,005.45
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	-	227,363.09		(105,084.58)	122,278.51
BRCC PATTON BUILDING PROJECT (1904)						
Revenues:	24,800,016	-	25,487,986.04	102.8%	-	25,487,986.04
Expenditures:	24,800,016	-	24,870,673.35	100.3%	324,184.04	25,194,857.39
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	-	617,312.69		(324,184.04)	293,128.65

ENTERPRISE FUNDS						
	BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	% USED	ENCUMBRANCES	TOTAL
SOLID WASTE LANDFILL FUND						
Revenues:	8,739,933	668,021.96	5,670,348.92	64.9%	-	5,670,348.92
Expenditures:	8,739,933	652,816.81	5,559,855.57	63.6%	2,112,403.80	7,672,259.37
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	15,205.15	110,493.35		(2,112,403.80)	(2,001,910.45)
JUSTICE ACADEMY SEWER FUND						
Revenues:	65,781	5,642.62	37,605.25	57.2%	-	37,605.25
Expenditures:	65,781	4,746.18	27,030.19	41.1%	-	27,030.19
Net Revenues over (under) Exp	-	896.44	10,575.06		-	10,575.06

**HENDERSON COUNTY
CASH BALANCE REPORT
FEBRUARY 2023**

<u>Fund(s)</u>	<u>01/31/23 Beg. Cash Balance</u>	<u>Debits Revenues</u>	<u>(Credits) Expenditures</u>	<u>02/28/23 Ending Cash Balance</u>
General	\$ 121,145,558.89	\$ 7,536,886.29	\$ (11,447,313.14)	\$ 117,235,132.04
Special Revenue	41,461,614.54	626,619.75	(1,753,542.19)	\$ 40,334,692.10
Capital Projects	4,160,093.98	947,584.46	(1,024,222.98)	\$ 4,083,455.46
Enterprise	1,277,768.53	672,323.27	(219,054.96)	\$ 1,731,036.84
HCPS - Maint. and Repair	7,711,979.98	427,702.00	-	\$ 8,139,681.98
BRCC - Maint. and Repair	2,578,609.00	136,893.00	-	\$ 2,715,502.00
Custodial	2,672,949.66	378,851.62	(2,193,602.63)	\$ 858,198.65
Total	<u>\$ 181,008,574.58</u>	<u>\$ 10,726,860.39</u>	<u>\$ (16,637,735.90)</u>	
Total cash available as of 2/28/2023				<u><u>\$ 175,097,699.07</u></u>

Motion:

I move that the Board approve the February 2023 County Financial Report and Cash Balance Report as presented.

Henderson County Public Schools Financial Reports – February 2023

The Henderson County Public Schools February 2023 Local Current Expense Fund / Other Restricted Funds Report was provided for the Board’s information.

**HENDERSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
LOCAL CURRENT EXPENSE/OTHER RESTRICTED FUNDS
as of February 28, 2023**

	LOCAL CURRENT EXPENSE FUND		OTHER RESTRICTED FUND		Combined Total	Prior YTD
	Budget	YTD Activity	Budget	YTD Activity		
REVENUES:						
3200 State Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 4,000
3700 Federal Sources-Restricted	-	-	1,104,588	323,994	323,994	325,893
3800 Other Federal-ROTC	-	-	100,520	69,127	69,127	99,757
4100 County Appropriation	31,378,000	25,102,400	-	-	25,102,400	23,942,400
4200 Local -Tuition/Fees	-	-	68,000	35,395	35,395	30,485
4400 Local-Unrestricted	630,000	430,170	124,325	95,922	526,092	497,488
4800 Local-Restricted	-	-	630,666	478,130	478,130	407,053
4900 Fund Balance Appropriated/Transfer From school	1,182,221	-	50,729	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND REVENUES	\$ 33,190,221	\$ 25,532,570	\$ 2,086,828	\$ 1,010,568	\$ 26,543,138	\$ 25,307,076
EXPENDITURES:						
Instructional Services:						
5100 Regular Instructional Services	\$ 10,004,854	\$ 5,733,046	\$ 369,369	\$ 218,948	\$ 5,951,994	\$ 4,811,859
5200 Special Populations Services	1,350,830	682,870	620,691	183,214	866,084	797,993
5300 Alternative Programs and Services	222,310	104,750	211,699	152,939	257,690	296,864
5400 School Leadership Services	2,773,563	1,948,614	12,522	12,091	1,960,706	1,683,401
5500 Co-Curricular Services	881,122	408,410	10,000	9,630	418,040	397,313
5800 School-Based Support Services	1,569,903	997,503	8,180	1,911	999,414	942,096
Total Instructional Services	\$ 16,802,582	\$ 9,875,194	\$ 1,232,461	\$ 578,733	\$ 10,453,928	\$ 8,929,527
System-Wide Support Services:						
6100 Support and Development Services	\$ 298,112	\$ 180,883	\$ 9,205	\$ 7,647	\$ 188,529	\$ 180,608
6200 Special Population Support	235,922	154,361	5,050	1,381	155,742	142,279
6300 Alternative Programs	96,817	64,192	431	431	64,623	48,780
6400 Technology Support Services	1,318,582	860,714	140,000	-	860,714	1,146,196
6500 Operational Support Services	8,721,855	5,014,178	306,503	171,240	5,185,418	4,774,305
6600 Financial and Human Resource Services	2,132,512	1,804,418	71,688	51,045	1,855,463	1,591,540
6700 Accountability Services	220,065	142,606	10,400	1,200	143,806	169,972
6800 System-Wide Pupil Support Services	402,068	265,660	538	538	266,199	206,543
6900 Policy, Leadership and Public Relations	706,800	428,701	13,220	12,789	441,490	466,795
Total System-Wide Support Services	\$ 14,132,733	\$ 8,915,715	\$ 557,034	\$ 246,270	\$ 9,161,985	\$ 8,727,019
Ancillary Services:						
7100 Community Services	\$ 388	\$ 388	\$ 135,703	\$ 85,076	\$ 85,463	\$ 102,146
7200 Nutrition Services	228,607	84,080	-	-	84,080	68,325
Total Ancillary Services	\$ 228,994	\$ 84,467	\$ 135,703	\$ 85,076	\$ 169,543	\$ 170,471
Non-Programmed Charges:						
8100 Payments to Other Governments	\$ 1,996,000	\$ 1,211,842	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,211,842	\$ 1,119,985
8400 Interfund Transfers	\$ 29,912	\$ 36,999	11,524	13,380	50,379	9,539
8500 Contingency	-	-	103,922	-	-	-
8600 Educational Foundations	-	-	46,184	24,679	24,679	41,802
Total Non-Programmed Charges	\$ 2,025,912	\$ 1,248,840	\$ 161,630	\$ 38,059	\$ 1,286,900	\$ 1,171,326
TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$ 33,190,221	\$ 20,124,217	\$ 2,086,828	\$ 948,139	\$ 21,072,356	\$ 18,998,342

Motion:

I move that the Board approve the Henderson County Public Schools February 2023 Financial Reports as presented.

Construction Manager at Risk – Upward Elementary Renovation and Addition Project

The Board was requested to approve the RFQ selection of, Vannoy Construction, and authorize staff to proceed with the negotiations, of CMR services.

The Statements of Qualifications received were from Vannoy Construction and Frank L. Blum Construction.

Henderson County Request for Qualification:
HCPS Upward Elementary Reno and Addition Construction Manager at Risk

Solicitation No. 1	Project: HCPS Upward Elem Reno and Add	Project Title: HCPS Upward Elem Reno and Add Construction Manager at Risk Qualifications	Date: 3/22/23											
Final Selection Evaluation Summary														
Individual Board Member Ranking of Firms												Total Points	Rank	
Board Member No.														
Firm	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Vannoy Construction	28	44	50	47									169	1
Frank L. Blum Construction	14	38	47	41									140	2

Motion:

I move the Board approve the selection of Vannoy Construction, as the Construction Manager at Risk, for the Henderson County Public Schools, Upward Elementary Renovation and Addition Project, and direct Staff to negotiate an agreement.

2023.61 Recovery Court Coordinator Position

The Board was requested to approve the addition of a Recovery Court Coordinator Position in the County’s Public Health Department, effective April 23, 2023. The addition of the position will be funded by Opioid Settlement Funds received in accordance with the State-Subdivision Agreement under the National Opioid Settlement Agreement.

Staff also requested the Board approve a Budget Amendment for the creation of this position, with funds transferred from appropriated fund balance from the Opioid Fund as expended by Henderson County.

Motion:

I move the Board approve the requested position and Budget Amendment as presented.

Chairman McCall made the motion to adopt the consent agenda as presented. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION

Construction Projects Update

Andrew Griffin and Bryan Rhodes provided the Board with an update on construction projects around Henderson County. This monthly report was a review of the scope and statuses of assigned construction management responsibilities and includes specific updates regarding County funded construction activities.

HC Capital Projects

AAC Gym – Air Conditioning



Historic Courthouse Window Painting and Repair



Jackson Park Storage Shed Location Cleared – Location is next to fields 8 and 9.



VFW Renovation Project

Mr. Rhodes shared that Staff continues to work with MPS and FL Blum Construction through the Construction Document (CD's) phase of the project. It is expected that the 100% drawings will be

delivered on May 1, 2023. At that point, FL Blum will then bid the trades, and Staff will work toward GMP/Contract.

BRCC MRTS Projects

Patton Building Parking Lot



HCPS MRTS Projects

West Henderson High School Renovation and Addition

LS3P has delivered a 100% SD set of drawings and is set to deliver a 100% DD set on May 21, 2023. Carolina Specialties was awarded the CMR for the project, and staff is finalizing the Pre-Construction Contract. Once this is complete, staff will begin the first pricing exercise.



Upward Elementary Cafeteria Renovation and Secure Entry

Clark Nexsen Architecture continues to work on the Upward Elementary design. RFQ proposals were accepted and reviewed by the selection committee. The selection committee's recommendation was presented and approved earlier in the meeting as part of the consent agenda.

Jackson Park Playground



Chairman McCall noted that FAA students from North, West and East Henderson High Schools had been on site and done the plantings for the playground. A ribbon cutting for the playground is scheduled for May 13, 2023 at 10:00am.

Chris Todd also noted that with regards to Broadband, the State had stated that by the beginning of April they would have the full draft contract to the County that meets the language requirements for the federal government. That contract has yet to arrive, but Staff is continuing to work with Optimum to begin work as soon as the contract is available. Staff is also working through the process to determine the exact grant amount, for which the County has allocated up to \$1,000,000 in ARP funding for the local match.

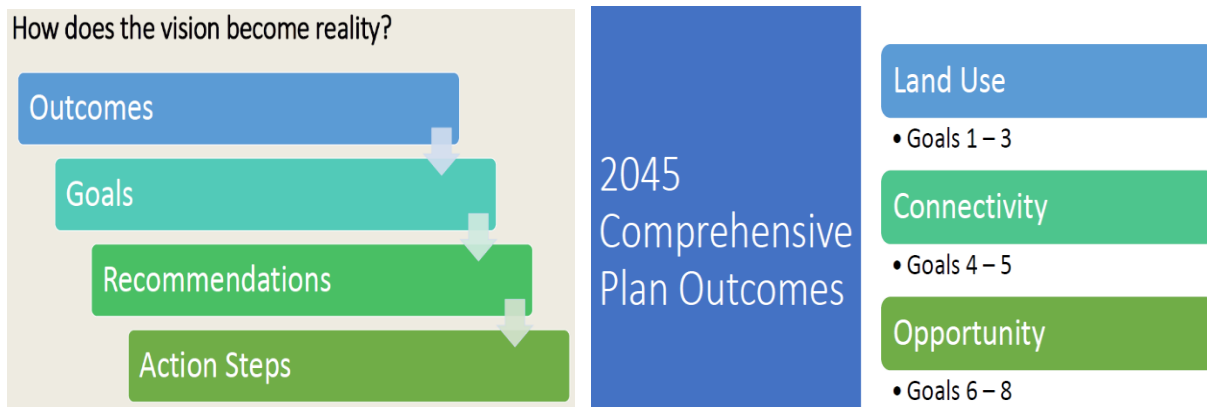
Bryan Rhodes noted that in the past few months, Project Management and Finance had reconciled the final expenditures for two major projects. Hendersonville High School had come in \$225,283.59 under budget, and the BRCC Patton Project had come in \$404,764.44 under budget.

Set Public Hearing for Moratorium

Commissioner Hill made the motion that the Board set a public hearing on the issue of a moratorium on cryptocurrency mining land uses within the County for May 1, 2023 at 5:30 pm and direct Staff to publish notice of such hearing in a newspaper other than the Hendersonville Lightning. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

County Comprehensive Plan Update

The Board was requested to continue their discussion of the plan goals in the draft 2045 Comprehensive Plan.



Goal 3

“Improve the resiliency of the natural and built environments.”

- Emergency Service personnel were heavily involved in the creation of the action steps. Representatives are here today if there are any specific questions.
- Best practice in areas with similar topography and weather patterns was reviewed for guidance.
- Planning Board carefully reviewed the chapter and deleted two action steps, which is the version currently available online at www.hendersoncountv2045.com.

- Leave it better than you found it to the extent possible
 - Avoid development negatively impacting someone else’s property
 - Example: erosion, undermining, stormwater, etc.
- Act as stewards of the land
 - Agriculture is a major economic driver and ag-oriented groups help to ensure the continued yield of farmland
 - Protection of farmland from natural disasters is becoming more necessary
- Be prepared for emergencies
 - Ensure emergency services can be accessed/deployed during a natural disaster
 - Ensure development regulations do not hinder rescue efforts or increases risks (e.g. fire in an area with only one way in and out that becomes blocked)

Section 3.3 was discussed, and the following revisions are in red.

Rec 3.3: Decrease the potential exposure to hazards by managing future development

A: Within new subdivisions consider the reservation of open space and conservation areas in

and around areas with a high potential for landslides.

- Maps of past debris flow and area of potential debris flow pathways are maintained by the NC dEQ. See landslidesncgs.com for more information.

B: Use ~~available existing~~ vulnerability and risk assessment ~~s tools (such as the regional Land of Sky vulnerability and risk assessment)~~ to guide development design and rezoning decisions.

C: Discourage the amount of land disturbed in steep slope developments, including construction of roads, as well as ~~decrease~~ density of development.

D: Continue to limit fill in floodplains unless additional standards are met.

E: Utilize the fire, building, and land development codes to mitigate risk of fire hazards in areas with limited access.

F: Encourage wildfire mitigation principles in new developments located in the Wildland Urban interface including:

- design recreation space and access roads to double as firebreaks
- design each home site to have defined defensible space
- Encourage fire resistant building design and provide defensible space around clustered development

G: Encourage best practice design standards for new construction within the Wildland Urban Interface.

H: Encourage additional street trees within new developments to enhance the environmental benefits of the requirement.

Rec 3.4: Improve stormwater management strategies and water quality protections.

A: ~~L~~ ~~Continue to~~ limit built-upon area within the watersupply watersheds and provide standards for storm- water management.

B: Monitor water quality trends to determine effectiveness of existing regulations and other trends.

C: Consider additional site development standards to reduce stormwater and erosion impacts of new ~~minor and~~ major subdivisions.

- These could include changes to minimum disturbance thresholds that require stormwater devices or adjusting impervious surface lot coverage maximums.

D: Identify regulatory barriers and consider incentives for green infrastructure projects, which can lessen stress on natural systems.

Goal 4

“Prioritize multi-modal transportation options & connectivity.”

- This goal focuses on increasing safety, improving traffic, and creating other travel options.
- There are no county roads in the state of North Carolina.
- The state works with local jurisdictions and regional entities to create and prioritize road projects.
- Greenways and other multi-modal infrastructure is the main focus of Goal 4 based on public input, but traditional transportation and transit are also important in planning for life in 2045.

- Considerations for transportation:
 - Currently, the state does not maintain “off-road infrastructure” for County governments.
 - County governments are not eligible for Powell Bill money for multi-modal maintenance.
 - NCDOT’s updated Complete Streets Policy eliminates the cost-share for “off-road infrastructure” if the concept is in an **adopted plan**, otherwise, a jurisdiction could be on the hook for covering 50% of the construction costs.

GOAL 4: Prioritize Multi-Modal Transportation Options and Connectivity

Recommendations

Rec 4.1: Address traffic and road maintenance priorities.

A: Advocate for the County’s transportation priorities at the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization (FBRMPO) board meetings regarding project prioritization, roadway design, and safety.

B: Coordinate with NCDOT and municipalities via the Henderson County Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

C: Advocate for the NCDOT ~~French Broad River MPO~~ to update the Comprehensive Transportation Plan, which was adopted in 2008, and focus improvements around active transportation options and transit.

D: Collaborate with NCDOT and the French Broad River MPO to develop a county-wide Rural Roadway Design Manual to provide clear recommendations to NCDOT and developers for expanding and improving the transportation network throughout the County.

Rec 4.2: Adopt policies and regulations that reduce or mitigate impacts of new development.

A: Encourage adequate roadway connectivity with appropriate access (ingress and egress) and limited dead ends/cul-de-sacs in new subdivisions.

B: Consider reducing Henderson County's Traffic Impact Study (TIS) threshold for developments located along specific road classifications.

C: ~~Create access management standards for private roads and driveways in Henderson County, limiting the number of curb cuts on specific road classifications.~~

D: Consider amending the Land Development Code to allow for integration of residential and commercial uses to allow for shorter travel time between destinations.

E: Consider additional sidewalk/trail connections for new commercial developments, especially when adjacent to an existing trail.

F: ~~Consider requiring~~ Encourage connections between existing and new commercial developments to reduce curb cuts and make it easier to access the businesses.

Rec 4.3: ~~Ensure that~~ Promote the development of Henderson County's transportation system in ways that benefits the community.

A: The County should continue to seek grant funding (through the French Broad River MPO and other sources) for corridor studies along primary roadways throughout the County.

B: Establish a vision for significant roadway corridors and its surrounding land use, with input from the community they serve.

C: Identify creative solutions for roadway congestion and safety during seasonal peak demand and at public schools.

D: Support NCDOT with the on-going ~~corridor~~ studies for major roadways ~~US-64~~.

E: ~~Address~~ Collaborate through the TAC and the NCDOT on intersections with safety and congestion issues in the County.

F: Communicate the desire to NCDOT for prioritization of continuous traffic flow to allow for alongside safer speeds, and EMS access, ~~sustainability, and aesthetics~~ in strategic rural intersections during high traffic seasons.

G: Encourage NCDOT to accept and maintain all public subdivision roads and drainage infrastructure which were dedicated, recorded, approved or installed prior to October 1, 1975

without requiring the private property owners who adjoin the improvement to pay the costs of bringing them up to current NCDOT standards.

Rec 4.4: Improve active transportation options (i.e. transit, sidewalks and bicycle facilities) in the County.

A: Identify opportunities to incorporate transit, cycling, and pedestrian facilities into roadway upgrades.

B: ~~Advocate for~~ Encourage NCDOT where appropriate to install ~~wide, buffered multiuse~~ paths along key roadways, giving people an option for bicycle and pedestrian commuting and recreational use

when applicable ~~and encourage~~ NCDOT to install appropriate signage for bicyclists to follow local traffic laws.

C: Conduct studies of the transportation network surrounding County schools to identify deficiencies in safety and access.

D: Identify safe cycling routes and create ~~and distribute~~ maps to be made available to community members and visitors, ~~and update as needed~~.

E: Support the State Legislature to improve solutions for the funding, construction, and maintenance of bike, public transit, and pedestrian infrastructure.

F: Work with NCDOT and the municipalities to create guidance for businesses that want to connect to a greenway identified in the Greenway Master Plan.

- ~~Ensure~~ Advocate for safety of pedestrians and bicyclists through parking lots and via roadway access
- Encourage adjacent businesses to develop connections along existing trails

Rec 4.5: Maintain Apple Country Public Transit's service levels and invest in infrastructure to support transit.

A: Conduct a transit feasibility study to identify gaps in transit service, particularly to schools, large employers, and greenway and recreation facilities ~~as needed~~.

B: Use the Future Land Use Map to identify potential stops along transit routes.

C: Support higher density housing developments along transit routes.

D: ~~Consider increasing the percentage of Henderson County's population living~~ Consider directing development to within 3/4 mile of the fixed-route transit system by extending the distance of the routes, ~~and adding new routes, as well as by supporting denser housing.~~

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. EMS Peer Review Committee – 6 vacs.

Commissioner Hill made the motion to reappoint David Lee to position # 12, Mark Stepp to position #14, Marlee Arnold to position #15, Maureen Dzialo to position #16, and Lisha Corn-Stanley to position #17. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

2. Henderson County Planning Board – 3 vacs.

Commissioner Lapsley made the motion to reappoint Jared Owenby to position # 5, Rick Livingston to position #6, and Linda Pittillo-Bradley to position #8. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

3. Home & Community Care Block Grant Advisory – 1 vac.

There were no nominations, and this item was carried to the next meeting.

4. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council – 4 vacs.

There were no nominations, and this item was carried to the next meeting.

5. Nursing/Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee – 11 vacs.

There were no nominations, and this item was carried to the next meeting.

6. Airport Authority Board – Vacancy upcoming in July 2023

Chairman McCall made the motion to nominate Dr. Laura Leatherwood to the Airport Authority Board when the position comes available in July. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

There were none.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE

John Mitchell updated the Board on items under consideration in both the NC General Assembly, as well as in the Federal Government. Mr. Mitchell highlighted that the federal budget was underway, with the primary issue surrounding the debt ceiling.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Mitchell noted that Staff has been working toward finalizing the County Manager's Recommended Budget, and will publicly present it at the May 1st meeting. The County had closed on some property contiguous to the East Flat Rock Park and a ribbon cutting is forthcoming. Finally, the Airport had approved an MOU with the County on some property next door to Ferncliff, with the next step being the FAA. Finally, Mr. Mitchell congratulated the Board on the steps they had taken with regards to the drug court, such as the position that was approved on the Consent Agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Edney made the motion that the Board go into closed session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §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 (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease, and §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. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Chairman McCall made the motion to go out of closed session and adjourn at 12:26 p.m. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

ADJOURN

Amy Brantley, Assistant County Manager

Rebecca McCall, Chairman