REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: December 1, 2025

SUBJECT: Review of Public Officials' Bond

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §58-72-20 (and also pursuant to the Board's Rules of Procedure), the next order of business at the Board's annual organizational meeting is the annual review and approval of the size and issuer of the bonds for county public officials for the coming year.

Under §58-72-20:

> The bonds of the officers named in G.S. 58-72-10 shall be carefully examined on the first Monday in December of every year, and if it appears that the security has been impaired, or for any cause become insufficient to cover the amount of money or property or to secure the faithful performance of the duties of the office, then the bond shall be renewed or strengthened, the insufficient security increased within the limits prescribed by law, and the impaired security shall be made good; but no renewal, or strengthening, or additional security shall increase the penalty of said bond beyond the limits prescribed for the term of office.

The following are the current bond amounts, all of which meet the requirements of the General Statutes:

PUBLIC OFFICIAL	BOND AMOUNT	BOND COMPANY
Lowell Griffin, Sheriff	$25,000.00	Fidelity and Deposit Co.
Lee King, Register of Deeds	$50,000.00	Fidelity and Deposit Co.
Luke Small , Tax Collector	$1,000,000.00	Fidelity and Deposit Co.
Nicole Brown, Deputy Tax Collector	$250,000.00	Fidelity and Deposit Co.
Randall Cox, Finance Director	$1,000,000.00	Fidelity and Deposit Co.

The Sheriff's bond may not exceed $25,000, pursuant to N.C. Gen Stat. §162-8. The other bonds have been set by previous Boards of Commissioners and are in your discretion.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of bonds.

If the Board is so inclined, the following motion is suggested:

I move that the Board approve the public officials' bonds in the current amounts.