



Chowan County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

Monday, November 20, 2023

Chowan County Public Safety Center

305 West Freemason Street

6:00pm

AGENDA

Regular Meeting

- a. Call to Order
- b. Pledge
- c. Invocation Commissioner McLaughlin

1. Approval of Draft Agenda

2. Public Comment

In accordance with NCGS 153A-52.1 The Board will allow a maximum of 3 minutes per speaker during the Public Comment Period.

3. Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. If a County Commissioner requests discussion on an item, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- a. Tax Refund/Release
Pederson, S. \$4,880.54 Paid Twice

4. Recreation Items

Registration Software

Recreation Director Shannon Ray has provided the Board with a cost analysis for registration software. The Board will consider approval of the purchase.

5. John A. Holmes High School Items

- Public Hearing

The Board of Commissioners is considering entering into an interim installment financing contract with PNC Bank, National Association in a principal amount not to exceed \$34,998,500, under which the County will make certain installment payments, to finance a portion of the costs of constructing a new John A. Holmes High School, and pay the costs associated with entering into the contract. The Project will be located 600 Woodard Street, Edenton, North Carolina 27932. In connection with the Contract, the County will secure its obligations under the Contract by a deed of trust that grants a security interest on the site of the Project and the improvements thereon for the benefit of the Lender. The Contract and the Deed of Trust permit the County to enter into amendments to finance additional projects and refinance projects using the Mortgaged Property as collateral and the County may grant additional collateral in connection with such amendments. On the County's payment of all installment payments due under the Contract,

including any future amendments to finance or refinance projects, the lien created in the Project will terminate and any security interest granted to the Lender under the Contract will be released. Pursuant to Sections 160A-20 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, that on November 20, 2023 at 6:00pm, or as soon as practicable after that, in the Chowan County Public Safety Center, 305 West Freemason Street Edenton, NC, the Board will conduct a public hearing concerning the approval of the execution and delivery of the Contract as described above. All interested parties are invited to present comments at the public hearing on the Contract.

- Interim Financing Contract and Deed of Trust

The Board will consider an approving resolution that authorizes an interim installment financing contract with PNC Bank and a Deed of Trust for the subject property.

- Lease Agreement

The Board will consider approval of a lease agreement between Chowan County and the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education for the John A. Holmes High School project.

6. Teacher Supplement Update

Mr. Howard will provide the Board with an update on the monies budgeted for teacher supplement which exceeds what was needed due to a decrease in the state budget for salary increases.

7. Appointment

VAD Board

Cary Parrish and Joey Byrum are eligible and request reappointment to the Voluntary Ag. District Board.

8. Financial Items

Ms. Smith will present the following:

a. Budget Amendments

BA2024-028

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BA2024-030

BA2024-031

9. External Board/Committee Report

Board members are asked to report on the activities of the external boards to which they have been appointed.

NCACC Steering Committee Appointments

Chair Kirby has been appointed to General Government and Tax/Finance, Agriculture and Public Education and Commissioner Lawrence has been appointed to Agriculture and Public Education Steering Committees of the NCACC.

Broadband

Commissioner Lawrence has been appointed to manage a broadband grant for Elizabeth City State University.

10. Manager's Report

County Manager Kevin Howard will update the Board on any pending matters.

11. Timely and Important Matters

12. Adjourn