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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ROWAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
December 7, 2020 – 3:00 PM
J. NEWTON COHEN, SR. ROOM
J. NEWTON COHEN, SR. ROWAN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Present: Greg Edds, Chairman
Jim Greene, Vice-Chairman
Mike Caskey, Member
Craig Pierce, Member
Participating Remotely: Judy Klusman, Member

County Manager Aaron Church, Clerk to the Board Carolyn Barger, County Attorney Jay Dees, Assistant County Manager/CIO Randy Cress and Finance Director James Howden were also present and/or participating remotely.

Chairman Edds convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Chaplain Michael Taylor provided the Invocation.

Chairman Edds led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Edds expressed appreciation to Jeffrey Barger, Clerk of Superior Court, for being present to administer the Oaths of Office to Commissioners-elect Mike Caskey and Craig Pierce.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Greene seconded and the vote to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2020 and November 20, 2020 Commission Meetings passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT
Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Caskey seconded and the vote to adjourn the meeting at 3:02 p.m. passed unanimously.
OATH OF OFFICE
The Honorable Jeffrey R. Barger, Rowan County Clerk of Superior Court, came forward. Mr. Barger congratulated Commissioners Caskey and Pierce for their re-election and expressed appreciation for the duties carried out by the Board. Mr. Barger said it was an honor to administer the Oaths. Mr. Barger said the swearing in was special to him because it would be his last time performing the honor since he would not be seeking re-election in two (2) years.

Mr. Barger then administered the Oath of Office to Commissioners-elect Michael David Caskey, Jr. and Rodney Craig Pierce.

After taking the Oaths of Office the Commissioners were presented with Rowan County lapel pins by Clerk to the Board Carolyn Barger.

NEW BOARD CONVENES
County Attorney Jay Dees convened the meeting.

SELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN
Mr. Dees presided over the selection of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Chairman:
Mr. Dees opened the floor for nominations for Chairman.

Commissioner Klusman nominated Commissioner Edds followed by a second from Commissioner Greene.

Commissioner Pierce moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Caskey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Dees stated that by acclamation Greg Edds was elected as Chairman.

Vice-Chairman
Mr. Dees opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Klusman nominated Commissioner Greene. Commissioner Caskey seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Pierce moved to close the nominations followed by a second from Commissioner Caskey. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Dees stated that by acclamation Commissioner Greene was elected as Vice-Chairman.

Chairman Edds congratulated Commissioners Pierce and Caskey for a job well-done. Chairman Edds said both Commissioners had a passion for the community that was
reflected in all they did. Chairman Edds said he looked forward to continuing to work with them. Chairman Edds also stated being selected as Chairman was humbling and a duty he did not take lightly. Chairman Edds said he would always seek to represent the Board well.

Commissioner Greene echoed the sentiments of Chairman Edds. Commissioner Greene said he appreciated the support the Board had given him and he appreciated the Board’s ability to work well together. Commissioner Greene said the opinions of five (5) independent thinkers had bode well for the County.

Chairman Edds said according to the Salisbury Post, Commissioners Pierce and Caskey would be part of a group of the longest serving Commission members together as a Board.

Chairman Edds again expressed appreciation to Mr. Barger for administering the Oaths. Chairman Edds also thanked County Manager Aaron Church, Finance Director James Howden and Clerk to the Board Carolyn Barger for their work with the Board.

CONSIDER ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
Chairman Edds said the Board had been notified of several necessary changes to the agenda and Consent Agenda. The changes were as follows:

- Remove Consent Agenda Item U (Tempus ALS Monitor/Defibrillators) and replace Item U with request to Authorize Chairman and Manager to sign the two (2) NC Office of State Human Resources Substantial Equivalency Monitoring Short Forms 2020
- Remove Consent Agenda Item W (COVID-19 Phase II Change Orders #1, #2 and #3 Requests)
- Add Item #7a – COVID-19 Common Solutions (Salcoa Contracting Inc.) Change Order #1
- Add Item #7b – COVID-19 Design Solutions (Vertex Construction, LLC) Change Order #1
- Delete Item #3 (Consider FSW 02-20 Request from Randy Goode)
- Add Consent Agenda Item Y – Annual Bond Report
- Add Item #4a - Open Broadband Update

CONSIDER DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA
Please see above for all agenda additions and deletions.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Greene seconded and the vote to approve the agenda as amended passed unanimously.
1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
Commissioner Pierce moved approval of the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:
A. Resolution Establishing Commission 2021 Meeting Schedule

WHEREAS, the Rowan County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of public service and accommodating its citizens by providing the opportunity for public attendance at Commission meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Rowan County Board of Commissioners presently meets at 130 West Innes Street, Salisbury, North Carolina and holds its regular meetings the first and third Monday of each month, beginning at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. respectively.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rowan County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the above meeting schedule and meeting times for 2021 in an effort to continue to encourage citizen participation at Board meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exceptions to the 2021 regular meeting schedule are approved as follows:
- Change the January 18, 2021 Meeting to Tuesday, January 19, 2021 (6:00 p.m.)
- Change the July 5, 2021 Meeting to Tuesday, July 6, 2021 (3:00 p.m.)
- Change the September 6, 2021 Meeting to Tuesday, September 7, 2021 (3:00 p.m.)

B. SECU ATM Lease at Health Department
C. NC Soil and Water Conservation Shared Personnel Mutual Aid Agreement
D. Resolution for Handgun to Retiring Detective Karen Brindle

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 20-187.2 provides that the governing body of a local law enforcement agency may, in its discretion, award to a retiring member the service handgun of the retiring member; and

WHEREAS, Detective Karen Brindle has served as a member of the Rowan County Sheriff's Office since June 30, 1994; and

WHEREAS, Detective Karen Brindle is retiring from the Rowan County Sheriff's Office effective December 11, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rowan County Board of Commissioners to allow Detective Karen Brindle to purchase her service sidearm in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute § 20-187.2 for the purchase price of $1.

E. Request to Ratify Incentives for EDC 'Project Hero'
F. Request to Execute Grant Documents - Continental Structural Plastics Project
G. CRF Expenditure Report
H. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Bylaws Amendment
I. Ratify Z 03-20: Daniel Almazan
J. MOU Between NCDHHS and Rowan County
K. Schedule Public Hearing for Z 05-20 (Steinman Storage) for January 4, 2021
L. Schedule Public Hearing for Z 06-20 (Nengtou Vue) for January 4, 2021
M. Schedule Public Hearing for Z 07-20 for January 4, 2021
N. Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness Grant
O. Combined Preparedness Grant Application
P. NCFSWC Grant & BA
Q. Request Cancellation of 2nd Public Hearing for CDBG-CV Grant
R. Relocation of Modular Office Building
S. Authorize Erosion Control Plan Review Services
T. Pandemic Lieap and Lieap-CIP Admin CARES Funds and BA
U. Tempus ALS Monitor/Defibrillators
V. Revisions to Sick Time Policy
W. COVID-19 Phase II Change Orders #1, #2 and #3 Requests
X. Resolution and Lease for Perkins Cafeterias, LLC

WHEREAS, Rowan County Board of Commissioners (the “County”) is authorized pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 160A-272 to lease County property to Perkins Cafeterias, LLC (the “Lessee”) to open and operate a restaurant, which in turn will expand the tax base and employment within Rowan County; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the Lease is (1) made for fair market value under the circumstances, the same being: (i) five thousand and no/100 dollars ($5,000.00) plus two hundred fifty and no/100 dollars ($250.00) Common Area Maintenance (CAM) per month, (ii) an initial term of five (5) years with annual increases of 2.5% for rent and Cam amounts to be paid by Lessee to County, and (iii) possible options to extend for an additional four (4) years at then prevailing market rate at the time of the exercise of the option to extend, and (2) is in the best interest of the County to promote new development at West End Plaza.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County hereby approves entering a Lease Agreement with Lessee consistent with the terms above for the purposes stated herein for that certain area shown on the attached Exhibit A incorporated herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the County that the Chairman or County Manager are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the County, any and all documents necessary for the Lease Agreement consistent with this Resolution, and the Clerk is hereby authorized to attest to any document signed in the County’s name.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Chairman Edds opened the Public Comment Period to entertain comments from any citizens wishing to address the Board. With no one coming forward or having called in, Chairman Edds closed the Public Comment Period.

3. CONSIDER FSW 02-20 REQUEST FROM RANDY GOODE
This item was deleted from the agenda.

4. BI-WEEKLY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DATA REPORT
Adrian Pruette, Environmental Health (EH) Manager, provided an update as to the backlog for inspections. The approximate wait time was four (4) weeks and four (4) days.

In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Klusman, Mr. Pruette said a consulting firm had been hired to help EH get caught up on inspections. The budget amendment to approve the expenditure was included in the current agenda packet (item #9).

Commissioner Pierce questioned the status of the equipment the Board had previously approved for purchase. Mr. Pruette said the budget amendment for the purchase was also in the current agenda packet (item #9).
Nina Oliver, Health Director, addressed the matter of a consulting firm helping with inspections. Ms. Oliver explained that six (6) quotes were received and four (4) or five (5) of the companies could not do the work, or, did not respond. Ms. Oliver stated the company EH previously worked with responded and the budget amendment was being submitted to the Board today. Once the budget amendment was approved, Ms. Oliver said she could approve the contract so work with the consulting firm could begin.

**ADDITION**

4a. OPEN BROADBAND UPDATE

Kent Winrich with Open Broadband reported that Rowan County should be proud as it was the first in the State of North Carolina to make funds usable for broadband in rural areas. Mr. Winrich shared that other counties had reached out to him to learn more about the steps Rowan County had taken in the effort to make broadband available to the underserved and unserved population.

The update captured the following information:

- Agreement for main tower on Statesville Boulevard
- Agreement for Cable Drop, then an upgraded Fiber Drop
- Line of site and non-line of site (CBRS) wireless
- Most equipment in hand
- More CPE to be purchased
- Avoiding COVID supply problems
- Temporary location at “The Springs” (on High Rock Lake)
- Agreement for two (2) other towers in place
- Tower Climbers read to go. Climb next week.
- First “Beta Testers” lined up
- Phase Two tower agreement- Youngs Mountain

Mr. Winrich reported that equipment was coming in and he showed the proposed coverage areas. The main goal was to get the Morgan Ridge and Scotch Irish areas covered, with plans to get to other areas later.

Mr. Winrich said every available grant would be applied for and Rowan County was number one on the list to apply for State grants. Mr. Winrich discussed funding areas and required matches. Chairman Edds asked County Attorney Jay Dees and Assistant County Manager/CIO Randy Cress to find out if the County could incentivize other funding. Mr. Winrich said one item Open Broadband would need from the County was a letter of support for the submissions. Mr. Winrich encouraged the board members to reach out to the County’s legislators to support Rowan County in its broadband efforts.

Commissioner Greene questioned the timeframe for having broadband available and Mr. Winrich said Open Broadband anticipated having people in the Beta Groups online by the end of the month.
Mr. Winrich noted the Scotch Irish area was part of Phase 2. Mr. Winrich anticipated people in the Young’s Mountain area would have service by the spring of 2021.

Commissioner Klusman mentioned St. Luke’s Lutheran Church had applied to be a disaster housing site and that broadband would be very useful to the area. Mr. Winrich asked Commissioner Klusman to get the information to him and Open Broadband would make the site a priority.

In closing, Mr. Winrich said the Company was on target and meeting its deadlines.

Chairman Edds thanked Mr. Winrich for the update.

5. STATUS UPDATE ON COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS GRANT
County Manager Aaron Church reported the County opened the COVID-19 Small Business Grant (Grant) application process on November 23, 2020 at noon and applications were accepted until 5:00 p.m. on December 4, 2020. There were 210 electronic submissions (including duplicates) and 16 paper in-person submissions.

Overall, there were 16 businesses eligible and in progress in the amount of $71,000. There were 36 businesses the County was awaiting further documentation from. There was also 58 businesses where additional contact/documentation was needed, and 14 ineligible businesses that had applied. The potential grant awards total was $336,000.

In response to an inquiry from Chairman Edds, Mr. Church reviewed the breakdown for various categories.

Commissioner Greene asked for confirmation that if all the businesses submitted the proper documentation, the County could be paying out $336,000 in grant funds and Mr. Church responded yes, and possibly part of the $68,500 listed for ineligible applications.

Mr. Church reviewed the proposed changes for the third revision to the COVID-19 Small Business Grant, which were as follows in red:

(Page 1, I. GRANT PROGRAM)
C. FUNDING
Rowan County will provide $350,000 in grants to small businesses in Rowan County. This funding will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis for eligible small businesses that submit a “Completed” application and follow all the written directions on the application. McGill Associates has the discretion to define or determine what constitutes a completed application if there are technical errors and / or mistakes that are not substantial. Applications will be accepted online and in person at 130 West Innes Street, Salisbury, NC 28144 on the second floor starting November 23, 2020 at 12 noon through December 4, 2020 at 5pm. Each application will be electronically or manually time stamped. Checks will be issued no later than December 30, 2020.

(Page 2, II. ELIGIBILITY)
B. REQUIREMENTS
1. Shall be a For-profit business with a Brick-and-Mortar address located in Rowan County, North Carolina.
A. A Secretary of State ID is required unless the business is a sole
proprietor that does not operate under an assumed name. If the sole proprietor currently operates under an assumed name without a Secretary of State ID, they must file a Certificate of Assumed Business Name at the Rowan County Register of Deeds in person. A copy of the recorded form and receipt can be substituted for the requirement of a Secretary of State ID.

(Page 3, REQUIREMENTS)
6. Business will not be eligible if they meet any of the following:
   A. Business has filed for bankruptcy anytime in the last 3 years.

(Page 3, D. DOCUMENTATION)
7. Secretary of State Identification Number with exceptions listed in II. Eligibility, B. Requirements, 1(A)

(Page 3, E. ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES)
1. If applicant is selected and fills out the application correctly, they will receive an email or phone call notifying them they were selected. Applicants will have three business days (Monday - Friday) to respond to McGill Associates to begin providing information in Section D. All required information must be received no later than December 11th at 5pm. If applicant fails to provide all the required information for any reason, then the applicant will be disqualified.
2. McGill Associates shall have the discretion to make exceptions if the application was not completed correctly due to a technical problem.

Mr. Church said the businesses needed to get their documentation in by December 11, 2020 so the County could get the checks written.

Commissioner Pierce moved to approve the updates on the COVID-19 Small Business Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

Chairman Edds thanked Mr. Church for his work on the grant. Chairman Edds also thanked Assistant County Manager/CIO Randy Cress for his work on the grant, as well, describing him as “the magician behind the curtain”.

6. CRF FUNDS UPDATE
Finance Director James Howden provided a handout with a breakdown of the County’s Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF).

County Manager Aaron Church reminded the Board that a lot of programs had been implemented during the Pandemic that would end on December 30, 2020. Mr. Church said the County could not financially continue to do all that it had been doing with the CRF Funds without additional stimulus funding.

Mr. Church said he had talked with the Health Director last week and the Board of Health had some policy decisions to make as to how the Health Department’s grant monies would be spent.

Mr. Howden presented the CRF summary for the County as a whole as of December 4, 2020. The remaining funds to be spent by the end of the month was $1,383,738.

Mr. Howden continued by highlighting the expenditures in progress and said he would be glad to explain in further detail if any board members had questions.
Since the Board had cancelled its second regular monthly meeting for the month of December, Mr. Howden said he would be glad to email the Commissioners a weekly CRF update through the end of the month.

7. COVID-19 TEMPERATURE CHECK TUNNELS
Architect Pete Bogle reported that after due advertisement, bids from qualified firms to supply and install three (3) automatic temperature tunnels in Rowan County facilities were received on November 17, 2020 by The Bogle Firm (Firm), which was working with the County on the project. This was the second release of the Request for Bids on the project due to the fact that only one (1) bid was received from the initial Request for Bids. Again, only one (1) bid was received from the same company, Integro Technologies, at a cost of $97,500. The tunnels could be purchased using COVID Relief Funds (CRF).

County Manager Aaron Church discussed contingency funds that could go potentially go towards the purchase of the tunnels.

In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Caskey, Assistant County Manager/CIO Randy Cress reviewed the timeline for using the COVID-19 funds for the purchase/installation of the tunnel(s).

Chairman Edds stated he had heard from a source the Justice Center could make do with one (1) tunnel. Commissioner Caskey mentioned the Board had received a letter from the Courthouse Committee requesting two (2) tunnels.

Commissioner Pierce commented the vaccine was about to be released for COVID-19, which would eliminate the reason for the purchase of the tunnels. Commissioner Pierce said once the machines were purchased, they also had to be manned and maintained, which was quite costly. Commissioner Pierce said he had a difficult time trying to justify the large expenditure for such a short period of time.

Chairman Edds agreed with Commissioner Pierce and offered a motion to approve funding for one (1) tunnel.

Commissioner Klusman said COVID-19 would never go away and cautioned the Board about not purchasing the tunnels. Commissioner Klusman stated there were people who would not take the vaccine and it would take time for those wanting the vaccine to receive it.

Commissioner Pierce pointed out the tunnels were not COVID-19 detectors but rather temperature checks.

Commissioner Greene inquired as to the number of metal detectors at the courthouse. Mr. Bogle said there were two (2) metal detectors; however, one of the entrances was
temporarily closed. Mr. Bogle said the deputies had manual temperature checks at this point.

Commissioner Greene felt using the tunnels was adding expenses to the County.

Commissioner Caskey agreed with Commissioners Edds and Pierce and said it was unknown how long the tunnels would be used.

Commissioner Klusman seconded the motion on the floor by Chairman Edds for the purchase of one (1) tunnel.

Chairman Edds then moved to table the matter until later in the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously.

**ADDITIONS**

7a. **COVID-19 COMMON SOLUTIONS (SALCOA CONTRACTING INC.) CHANGE ORDER #1**

Architect Pete Bogle of The Bogle Firm reviewed the details in the requested change order for Salcoa Contracting, Inc. If approved, the contingency of $10,000 would be reduced by $5,862.05 for the presented changes.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Klusman seconded and the vote to approve the Common Solutions Change Order #1 passed unanimously.

The approved Change Order was as follows:
Architect Pete Bogle of The Bogle Firm presented the details for Change Order #1 with Vertex Construction, LLC. The contingency of $25,000 would be reduced by $17,181.00, if approved.

Commissioner Klusman moved to approve the Design Solutions Change Order #1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Caskey and passed 4-1 with Commissioner Pierce dissenting.

The approved Change Order was as follows:

Mr. Bogle said since the current meeting could be the last meeting for the Board of Commissioners in 2020, it had been suggested that he recommend the Board allow the County Manager to approve any minor changes that may remain in the contingencies,
as long as the total amount did not change. Mr. Bogle said Phase 1 had $4,137 left in contingency and the balance in contingency for Phase 2 was $7,819.00.

Mr. Bogle added that if the Board wanted to move forward with the temperature tunnels, the Board should do so as a change order to the contract and not in contingency since the funds were not there.

Chairman Edds moved to give the County Manager authority to make changes through the end of the year on the contingency fees in Phases 1 and 2. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously.

With regards to the temperature tunnels, Chairman Edds maintained his earlier motion (during agenda item #7) to purchase one (1) temperature tunnel ($33,500). The motion had been seconded by Commissioner Klusman and upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

8. LITTER REPORT
Chairman Edds reported the Environmental Management Staff removed 6,635 pounds of roadside debris and litter during the two-week period beginning November 2, 2020 through November 13, 2020.

9. BUDGET AMENDMENTS
Finance Director James Howden presented the following budget amendments for the Board’s consideration:

- Social Services – Budget additional Federal Cares Act Funding to support Foster Care Stipend payments. The additional funds are a result of adjustments for July and August payments. $1,100
- Finance – To budget revenue and expenditures for the FY 2021 HOME Program that was approved by the BOC on March 2, 2020. $188,956
- Social Services – Budget final adjustments of Federal Cares Act Funding to support Foster Care Stipend payments. The deposit and draft are a result of adjustments submitted for September payments. ($100)
- Finance – Recognize reserved funds from FY 20 for Health Department Local Grants. Reserves represent money received by a Department for a restricted purpose. The funds that have not been spent by year-end are budgeted for expenditure in the new fiscal year. $22,020
- Finance – Budget revenue and expenditures for two (2) Building Reuse Incentive Grants awarded by the NC Department of Commerce and approved by the Board of Commissioners and 9/21/20 and 10/19/20, respectively. $760,000
- Health – Move funds into PORT Program accounts to cover salaries, fringe, and expenditures for remainder of FY 2021. $77,882
- Health – Move money from reserve into accounts to cover Soil Scientist, GPS devices and the increase in salary and bonuses. $390,935
Commissioner Pierce moved approval of the budget amendments as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOARD APPOINTMENTS
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD
Ben Knox applied to fill the remainder of a previous member’s term that will expire May 31, 2023.

Commissioner Greene moved, Commissioner Pierce seconded and the vote to appoint Ben Knox passed unanimously.

CABARRUS ROWAN MPO
Each year the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) requires the MPO to supply a list of current Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) members and the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) of the Cabarrus-Rowan Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization.

The Commissioners were asked to consider the reappointment of the following members for 2021:

- Chairman Greg Edds as the TAC member and Vice-Chairman Jim Greene as the alternate.
- Planning Director Ed Muire as the TCC appointee and Assistant Planning Director Shane Stewart as the alternate.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Caskey seconded and the vote to reappoint Chairman Edds, Vice-Chairman Greene, Ed Muire and Shane Stewart as requested passed unanimously.

CLEVELAND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Claude Rogers applied for reappointment for a two-year term that will expire December 31, 2022.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Claude Rogers. The motion was followed by a second from Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

BOARD OF HEALTH
Engineer Seat:
L. Giles Goodman currently fills the Engineer seat on the Board of Health and has applied for a second term.

Samuel Lebowitz also applied for the Engineer’s seat.
The appointment for the chosen applicant would be for three (3) years and expire on December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Klusman nominated Giles Goodman. Chairman Edds seconded and the nomination carried unanimously.

**Dentist Seat:**
Dr. John Webb currently filled the Dentist seat and applied for a second term that would expire December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Klusman seconded and the vote to reappoint Dr. John Webb passed unanimously.

**General Public Seat:**
James B. Sides, Jr., Dr. Darise D. Caldwell and Dr. Ann R. Furr applied to fill the General Public seat.

The chosen applicant would serve a three (3) year term that would expire on December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Klusman nominated Dr. Dari Caldwell followed by a second from Commissioner Greene.

Commissioner Pierce nominated Jim Sides. Commissioner Caskey seconded.

Chairman Edds considered the nominations in the order received and Dr. Caldwell was appointed with the majority support of Commissioners Edds, Greene and Klusman.

**JURY COMMISSIONER**
Michael Taylor applied for reappointment for a three-year term that would expire December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Michael Taylor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**
Kyle Baker applied to fill the vacant Environmental/Health/Transportation seat. While Mr. Baker is not a Rowan County resident, the LEPC is a unique Board serving specialized emergency coordination needs for the County. There are no term limits for the LEPC.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Greene seconded and the vote to appoint Kyle Baker carried unanimously.
PARKS AND RECREATION
Edmond Watts and Jim Beck both applied for reappointment for three-year terms that will expire December 31, 2023.

There is one (1) remaining seat that will become vacant December 31, 2020 and Alex Bruce has applied. The term would expire December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Edmond Wats and Jim Beck, and the appointment of Alex Bruce. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and carried unanimously.

PLANNING BOARD
There were three (3) seats on the Planning Board that would become vacant on December 31, 2020. The following four (4) applications were received:

- Adam Sewell
- Charles Michael Julian
- Stephen Jeno Johnson
- Karla C. Foster

The three (3) selected applicants would serve a three-year term that would expire December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Klusman nominated Karla Foster followed by a second from Chairman Edds. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Pierce nominated Mike Julian. The nomination was seconded by Chairman Edds and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Caskey moved, Chairman Edds seconded and the vote to appoint Adam Sewell carried unanimously.

ROWAN COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD
Commissioner Mike Caskey’s term on the Rescue Squad was to expire December 31, 2020. If reappointed, the term would be for three (3) years and expire on December 31, 2023.

William D. Feather applied for an At Large seat with a three-year term that would expire on December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Commissioner Caskey and the appointment of William Feather. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and carried unanimously.
SALISBURY-ROWAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
There were two (2) county-appointed seats that would become open at the end of December and Gary Blabon and Luke Carroll Fisher applied. The term for both appointments would expire December 31, 2023.

Commissioner Greene moved the appointment of Gary Blabon and Luke Fisher. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously.

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION BOARD
Nancy Collins applied for reappointment for a three-year term. Ms. Collins’ term expired March 31, 2020. The Board had not met during the Pandemic; however, Ms. Collins had remained available, if needed. If approved, the term would expire March 31, 2023.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Greene seconded and the vote to reappoint Nancy Collins carried unanimously.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Commissioner Craig Pierce filled the County Commission seat on the TDA and would like to be reappointed for a two (2) year term that would expire on November 30, 2022.

Chairman Edds moved the reappointment of Commissioner Pierce. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

WEST ROWAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Jennifer McDaniel and Danny Ellenburg were eligible for reappointment for two-year terms that would expire December 31, 2022.

Matthew Graham Owen applied for a two-year term that would also expire December 31, 2022.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Jennifer McDaniel and Danny Ellenburg and the appointment of Matthew Owen. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS RELIEF FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTMENTS
In accordance with North Carolina General Statute § 58-84-30, the Board was asked to consider two (2) appointments for each of the volunteer fire department listed below.

All appointments and/or reappointments were for two (2) years beginning January 1, 2021 and expiring December 31, 2022.

Commissioner Greene moved, Commissioner Pierce seconded and the vote to approve the following applicants, as listed, passed unanimously:
ATWELL
- Steven Garver – reappointment
- Ryan Yost - reappointment

BOSTIAN HEIGHTS
- Jason Corriher - reappointment
- Charles Haas - reappointment

CLEVELAND COMMUNITY
- Greg Summitt - reappointment
- Ronald Herion - reappointment

EAST GOLD HILL
- Carter Trexler
- Randall Chad Earnhardt - reappointment

ELLIS CROSS COUNTRY
- Jerry Kepley
- William Kyles - reappointment

ENOCHVILLE
- Diane Elizabeth Burney - reappointment
- Michael David Caskey, Jr. – reappointment

FRANKLIN
- Carter Thomason - reappointment
- Jennifer Simmons Spry - reappointment

LIBERTY
- Lisa Misenheimer Trexler - reappointment
- Jeffrey Miller - reappointment

LOCKE TOWNSHIP
- David Lee Linker - reappointment
- James Basinger - reappointment

MILLER FERRY
- Michael Cole Alligood - reappointment
- David Linn Oakley - reappointment

POOLETOWN
- Tina Barkley - reappointment
- Allen Shinn - reappointment
ROCKWELL RURAL
- Kenzie Overcash
- Michael Peeples

SCOTCH IRISH
- Mike Aistrop - reappointment
- Ryan Thompson - reappointment

SOUTH SALISBURY
- Gary M. Caskey - reappointment
- Michael E. Goodman - reappointment

UNION
- Kevin Kesler - reappointment
- Rick Waller - reappointment

WEST ROWAN
- Eddie Mills - reappointment
- Philip Sloop - reappointment

WOODLEAF
- Joseph Artie Watson - reappointment
- Joseph Gregory - reappointment

11. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Klusman moved to adjourn at 4:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Barger, MMC, NCMCC
Clerk to the Board