



Wake County

301 South McDowell Street
Raleigh, NC

Meeting Minutes Board of Commissioners

Monday, December 5, 2016

5:00 PM

Wake County Justice Center

Meeting Called to Order: Denise M. Hogan, Clerk to the Board Presiding

Rollcall

Present: 7 - Chairman Sig Hutchinson, Vice-Chair Matt Calabria, Commissioner John D. Burns, Commissioner Greg Ford, Commissioner Jessica Holmes, Commissioner Erv Portman, and Commissioner James West

Presentation of Colors, National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Dr. Dumas A. Harshaw, Jr.

Items of Business

1. [Oath of Office for Wake County Commissioners](#)

[Administered by Judge Michael R. Morgan, Wake County Superior Court, for Greg Ford](#)

[Administered by Elaine F. Marshall, Secretary of State, for Erv Portman](#)

[Administered by Denise Hogan, Clerk to the Board, for James West](#)

Judge Michael R. Morgan, Superior Court Judge, administered the oath of office for Mr. Gregory Ford.

Commissioner Ford thanked Judge Morgan for administering his oath and congratulated him for his election to the North Carolina Supreme Court. He thanked his husband Anthony for his support. He thanked his three children. He said that he has served as a teacher and principal in Wake County for 20 years. He thanked his mother for supporting him through his career and for serving on the Board of Education. He thanked the Wake County staff for their support with the onboarding process. He thanked the family, friends, colleagues, students, teachers, parents, and PTA officers for supporting his campaign throughout the year. He recognized Ms. Betty Lou Ward for being his mentor through the process.

Ms. Elaine F. Marshall, Secretary of State, administered the oath of office for Mr. Ervin Portman.

Commissioner Portman said that it has been an honor and privilege to serve. He thanked his family for supporting him through the process. He said that he was wearing his father's jacket that was memorable to him. He noted he is named after his father. He said that he was looking forward to serving on the Board of Commissioners and making decisions on what is best for Wake County's citizens. He shared a short phrase from Sunday worship "We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another, and walk humbly with God."

Ms. Denise Hogan, Clerk to the Board, administered the oath of office for Commissioner James West.

Commissioner West thanked Dr. Dumas A. Harshaw, Jr. for providing the invocation. He said that this is his ninth oath of office counting the six consecutive terms on the Raleigh City Council. He said that he has served on the Wake County Board of Commissioners since 2010. He said that he took the responsibility seriously and that there are challenges, needs and opportunities in Wake County. He quoted scripture from the Holy Bible "What you do to the least of these, you have done unto me." He said that the underprivileged deserve services and the Board of Commissioners has goals and a shared vision. He thanked his spouse Sylvia for supporting him through the process of serving as a County Commissioner.

2. [Oath of Office for Wake County Register of Deeds](#)

[Administered by Jennifer J. Knox, Clerk of Court, for Laura M. Riddick](#)

Ms. Jennifer J. Knox, Wake County Clerk of Court, administered the oath of office for Ms. Laura M. Riddick.

Ms. Riddick thanked Ms. Knox for administering her oath of office. She thanked her registry staff that was present at the meeting. She said that her staff is dedicated to customer service and treating all customers with dignity and respect. She thanked the Board of Commissioners for the 5PM meetings in order for her staff to attend. She thanked County Manager Jim Hartmann and senior staff for the support of the registry. She thanked her spouse and daughter for the support they have given her through the years.

3. [Oath of Office for the Wake Soil and Water Conservation District Board](#)

[Administered by Judge Craig Croom, District Court Judge, for Thomas Dean](#)

[Administered by Judge Craig Croom, District Court Judge, for Marshall Harvey](#)

Judge Craig Croom, District Court Judge, administered the oath of office for Mr. Thomas Dean.

Judge Croom administered the oath of office for Mr. Marshall Harvey.

Mr. Harvey said that he was Chairman of the Census when Ms. Yevonne Brannon was serving as a county commissioner. He thanked everyone that supported him to serve on the Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors.

Commissioner Portman said that Ms. Marshall has administered oaths of office three times in the past and thanked her for her service. He also thanked his spouse for her support and acknowledged that today is her birthday.

4. [Election of Chair of the Board for a Term of One Year - Denise Hogan, Clerk to the Board, calls for Nominations for Chair. The new Chair is elected and then presides over the meeting](#)

Commissioner Calabria nominated Commissioner Sig Hutchinson, Commissioner West seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Burns, seconded by Commissioner Calabria, to close the nominations and confirm by affirmation to accept the nomination of Commissioner Sig Hutchinson as Chairman. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hutchinson thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support. He said that his role as Chairman is to continue to enable the work of professionals. He acknowledged the work of Commissioner Holmes and her work with affordable housing, Commissioner Calabria for his work with Transit and Food Insecurity, Commissioner West for his work with vulnerable communities, and Commissioner Burns for his work with water quality and environmental issues. He said the board is looking forward to working with Commissioners Portman and Ford and their visions.

Chairman Hutchinson thanked staff for their work. He thanked his spouse for her support through the years. He thanked the mayors of Wake County and the citizens for their volunteer work and making Wake County a great place to live.

5. [Election of Vice-Chair for a Term of One Year - Chair Presides over Election](#)

Commissioner West nominated Commissioner Calabria for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Burns seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Portman nominated Commissioner Jessica Holmes. Commissioner Ford seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Burns motioned, seconded by Commissioner Portman, to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hutchinson called for a show of hands from the board. Votes were as follows:

Commissioner Matt Calabria - Commissioner Matt Calabria
Commissioner John Burns - Commissioner Matt Calabria
Commissioner James West - Commissioner Matt Calabria
Commissioner Sig Hutchinson - Commissioner Matt Calabria
Commissioner Jessica Holmes - Commissioner Jessica Holmes
Commissioner Erv Portman - Commissioner Jessica Holmes
Commissioner Greg Ford - Commissioner Jessica Holmes

Commissioner Matt Calabria received the majority of votes and won the election of Vice-Chair effective December 5, 2016 thru December 4, 2017.

Commissioner Calabria said he was proud to serve on the Board of Commissioners and has had the opportunity to work with outstanding staff in the county. He said that Commissioners Ward and Sullivan will be missed by the board. He said that he was excited to work with the new board members and the individual and collective goals of the commissioners. He commended Commissioner Holmes for her service and leadership. He said that there is work to do, and he is looking forward to the future of serving on the board.

A brief recess was taken, and the meeting reconvened.

6. [Approval of Agenda](#)

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

7. [Recognition of Outgoing Chairman James West](#)

Chairman Sig Hutchinson commended Commissioner West for his service to Wake County. He said that he served on the Raleigh City Council for eleven years and on the Wake County Board of Commissioners for six years. He said that Commissioner West has served the community for seventeen years and with compassion for the citizens of Southeast Raleigh. He presented him with a plaque for his service as outgoing Chairman for the past two years.

Chairman Hutchinson read the plaque aloud.

Chairman West said that it has been an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Wake County. He commended the board for their commitment, focus and direction. He said that he is proud to be a part of the work of the board.

8. [Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2016](#)

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

9. [Authorize 1 FTE to Support County Enterprise Resource Platform](#)

Attachments: [Authorize 1 FTE to Support County Enterprise Resource Platform](#)
[Budget Memo - FY 2017 Information Services.xlsx](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners authorize one (1) full-time equivalent in the Information Services department to serve as project manager for the County's enterprise resource platform, eWake. The motion passed unanimously.

10. [Authorize 1 FTE in the Debt Service Fund](#)

Attachments: [Agenda Item.docx](#)
[Budget Memo - FY 2017 Debt Service Fund.xls](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners authorize an increase of 1.0 FTE in the debt service fund and amend the budget accordingly. The motion passed unanimously.

11. [Reallocate FY 2017 Capital Project Budget](#)

Attachments: [CIP BOC Agenda Item 12.05.16](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Reallocate \$103,201.84 of savings in projects in Automation and Public Safety Elements, to Uncommitted Funds in the County Capital Projects Fund; and**
- 2. Reallocate \$16,869.68 of savings in Blue Jay Point Paving Project**

within the County Buildings Element to the Lake Crabtree ADA Compliance Project in the Parks and Recreation Element. The motion passed unanimously.

12. [Certify and Appropriate for Wake County's Public, Educational and Governmental \(PEG\) Channels](#)

Attachments: [PEG agenda item.docx](#)
 [PEG Certification Form.pdf](#)
 [PEG MOA - Page 1 Signed.pdf](#)
 [PEG MOA - Page 2 Signed.pdf](#)
 [Budget Memo - FY 2017 Grants Fund.xlsx](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners:

1. Approve the certification of Wake County's Public, Educational and Government (PEG) Channels as Channel 10 (P), Channel 18 (E) and Channel 11 (G); and
2. Accept and appropriate \$56,796 in state revenue to be used for expenses related to the production of PEG channel programming. The motion passed unanimously.

13. [Accept and Appropriate \\$175,000 for Ryan White Care B Primary Medical Services Program Funding from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services](#)

Attachments: [Agenda Item](#)
 [Award Letter](#)
 [Budget Memo - FY 2017 Human Services.xlsx](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners accept and appropriate \$175,000 in one-time grant funds from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services. The motion passed unanimously.

14. [Consideration of the Revision to the Voluntary Agricultural District Program](#)

Attachments: [BOC VAD Item Summary Sheet2.docx](#)
 [2016 MOU btw Wake and towns.doc](#)
 [2016 Wake VAD Nov Fina IDRAFT.doc](#)
 [VAD comparison Chart .docx](#)
 [Map of VAD Parcels.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners approve the revised ordinance of its Voluntary Agricultural District Program, replacing the 2002 ordinance with an

updated ordinance that aligns with current General Statutes section 106-735 through 106-744 and Chapter 153A, effective immediately. The motion passed unanimously.

15. [Award Multi-Year Contract to Tyler Technologies, Inc. to Provide Street-Level Imagery Services](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary - Street Level Imagery.docx](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners authorize the County Manager to enter into a three-year contract with the option for two additional one-year renewals with Tyler Technologies, Inc. to provide street-level imagery of new residential and commercial construction. The motion passed unanimously.

16. [Tax Committee Recommendations for Value Adjustments, Late Filed Applications, Collections Refunds and Tax Collections](#)

Attachments: [Tax Collections Item Summary](#)
[Tax Committee Agenda Process](#)
[Executive Summary 1](#)
[Executive Summary 2](#)
[December 2016 Refunds Under 500](#)
[December 2016 Refunds Over 500](#)
[Daily Updates For Exemptions](#)
[Daily Updates For Penalties](#)
[Daily Updates For Tax Relief](#)
[Daily Updates For Special Situations](#)
[Municipal Collection Report](#)
[Wake County Collection Report](#)
[Monthly In-Rem Foreclosure Report](#)
[Register of Deeds Excise Tax Report](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners approve the attached recommendations by the Tax Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

No one came forward for public comments.

Regular Agenda

17. [Wake County Public School System CIP Reallocations and Appropriations - SNAP](#)

[Funding \(Second Reading\)](#)

Attachments: [2nd Reading Item Summary](#)
[BOC Resolution 12.5.16](#)
[CIP 2013 Appropriation Summary as of 12.5.16](#)
[Board of Education Resolution](#)

Mr. Joe Desormeaux, Wake County Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Facilities, Design and Construction, said the request is to reallocate \$8,380,000 in CIP 2013 from mobile classroom reallocations to fund design and construction for seven projects identified through the Space Needs Analysis and Prioritization (SNAP) Process. Mr. Desormeaux said that the revised mobile reallocation budget is \$7,583,159.

Commissioner Calabria commended Wake County Public School System staff and the extra time to put their best foot forward.

Commissioner West commended staff for developing creative, innovative ways to provide the best education for the children in Wake County.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners approve the following request from the Wake County Board of Education for reallocations and appropriations in CIP 2013:

1. Reallocate a total of \$8,380,000 from mobile classroom relocations to fund design and construction for seven projects identified through the Space Needs and Analysis Prioritization (SNAP) Process The motion passed unanimously.

18. [Wake County Public School System CIP 2013 Reallocations and Appropriations \(First Reading\)](#)

Attachments: [Agenda Cover](#)
[Presentation.pdf](#)
[BOC Resolution 1.3.17](#)
[CIP Appropriation Summary as of 12.5.16](#)
[Board of Education Development Agreement Resolution](#)
[Triangle YMCA Wake County Development Agreement.pdf](#)
[Board of Education Reallocation and Appropriation Resolution](#)

Mr. Desormeaux shared the key drivers of the request.

- Growth projections identify a need for an additional elementary school identified as E-46

- Startup design for the school to be funded by CIP 2013 and construction funding in future building program
- School completion scheduled for July 2019
- The project will be a Public Private Partnership (PPP) with the Young Men's Christian Association of the Triangle Area, Inc. (YMCA)

Mr. Desormeaux recognized members of the YMCA project that were present. He shared a map of the target rings for school site planning and a concept plan map.

He shared a summary of the facility.

- Approximately 110,000 SF
 - Estimated 75,000 SF for primarily school use
 - Shared use with YMCA of a portion of the remaining SF
- Accommodate approximately 500 students
- Development is just under 31 acres of which approximately 19 acres will be used for the school/YMCA project.
- Open for 2019-2020 school year

Mr. Desormeaux shared the Public Private Partnership information.

- P3 per NCGS 143-128.1C
- Initial term 20 years with three 10 year renewals
- PPP requires private developer to provide at least 50% of financing
- Including the value of land, the total cost of the project is \$40.2 million.
- WCPSS estimated building design and construction cost is \$18.5 million.
- Board of Education will lease the school portion of the Facility from the YMCA.
- WCPSS will use shared spaces during school hours and YMCA will use shared spaces during non-school hours
- The YMCA will have the right to use a portion of the school space leased to the Board for YMCA activities.
- Proposed payment structure for the partnership (to be approved in lease subsequent agreement) \$1 million for design
- \$2.5M payment when building construction begins
- \$2.5M payment at 50% construction completion
- 90% of remainder after occupancy
- 7.5% after the punchlist items are completed

- Remaining 2.5% based on open book third party examination of actual cost

Mr. Desormeaux shared the next steps.

- Today - BOC first reading of \$1M design funding request
- Dec 20 - BOE approval of the development agreement
- Jan 3 - BOC second reading and approval of \$1M design funding request
- Lease agreement to BOE, LGC and BOC late spring or early summer of 2017
- Occupancy of school fall of 2019

Commissioner West said that this process is a creative way to look at student achievement.

Commissioner Holmes thanked the Board of Education for the Public/Private partnership.

Commissioner West asked for information about the Raleigh Promise project led by Ms. Kia Baker. A member of the YMCA project said there was a trip to Atlanta, GA and the concept for the YMCA was developed. He said that a YMCA, affordable housing, and a school was all in one place. He said the concept of purpose built communities was developed. He said the Raleigh Promise program aids with health and wellness, affordable housing, and education. He said that leadership development and economic opportunity were added to the initiative.

Commissioner Burns commended the Board of Education and YMCA for working together on this initiative. He asked what steps are taken that there are not challenges with public tax dollars are used. He said that he was pleased the project is moving forward.

Commissioner Ford thanked the YMCA for the innovation and the ability to provide cost effective ways for students and their families with good programs. He thanked Mr. Desormeaux for his work on the project and asked if there had been discussion about whether the project would be a traditional or year-round school.

Mr. Desormeaux said that all schools are planned as traditional.

19. [Public Hearing on a Request for Disinterment, Relocation and Re-Interment of Approximately One Grave Located on a 47.1-Acre Property at 1116 Martin Pond Road Near Wendell to Oakwood Cemetery Near Downtown Raleigh \(Petition GR-01-16\)](#)

Attachments: [GR-01-16 Item Summary](#)
[GR-01-16 PowerPoint](#)
[GR-01-16 Petition, Archaeological Report, and Supplemental Information](#)
[GR-01-16 Aerial-Location Map](#)

Mr. Keith Lankford, Wake County Planner, said that the request for the grave disinterment, relocation, and re-interment is submitted by Richard Hibbits, on behalf of the property owner M'Lou Anderson, to remove the remains within approximately one grave. He said the term "approximately" is used until excavation is complete. He said the petitioner has indicated that the remains within the grave will be moved and reinterred within Oakwood Cemetery, at 701 Oakwood Avenue, near downtown Raleigh, where they will receive perpetual care. Mr. Lankford shared information about the location of the site.

He shared the cemetery history.

- In an attempt to identify the person buried in this grave, the petitioner:
 - Researched recorded deeds and plats
 - Performed genealogical research of the previous owners
 - No record of a grave could be found and no identification could be made
- No records or historical significance were found and no opposition to this request has been received
 - Capital Area Preservation
 - Irene Kittinger, Wake County Cemetery Survey Group
 - Town of Wendell planning staff

Mr. Lankford shared the grave removal process.

- Under NCGS, the remains are required to be reinterred in a suitable cemetery
- The remains will be reinterred within Oakwood Cemetery located at 701 Oakwood Avenue, near downtown Raleigh
- Work shall be performed by a licensed funeral director
- Wake County Environmental Services staff will observe the removal

Mr. Lankford shared the information about the compliance with NCGS.

- Legal notices appeared in the News and Observer newspaper on June 30th, July 7th, 14th, and 21st of 2016
- The remains will be reinterred in Oakwood Cemetery where they will receive perpetual care
- Planning staff posted the required notification signs at the

property on November 22nd, 2016

- No opposition has been received

He shared the staff findings.

1) The petitioner has fulfilled all of the requirements for the removal and relocation of the remains within this grave as outlined by the North Carolina General Statutes, Section 65-106

(2) The petitioner has indicated that the removal of the grave is necessary to accommodate the sale of the property for future development by others

(3) Arrangements have been made for the remains to be reinterred in Oakwood Cemetery, where they will receive perpetual care

(4) Neither the petitioner, nor the planning staff, have received any opposition to the removal and relocation of the grave

(5) There is no evidence of any historical significance regarding the grave and its removal would not be detrimental to the general welfare of the county

Chairman Hutchinson opened the public hearing.

Mr. Richard Hibbits, 4227 Galax Drive, Raleigh, NC said that he is the petitioner and would answer any questions that commissioners have about the process on behalf of M'Lou Anderson.

Chairman Hutchinson closed the public hearing.

Mr. Lankford said the staff recommendation is to approve the recommendation.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Calabria, that the Board of Commissioners approve the disinterment, relocation and re-interment of approximately one grave from a 47.1-acre property at 1116 Martin Pond Road near Wendell to Oakwood Cemetery near downtown Raleigh. The motion passed unanimously.

20. [Public Hearing to Consider Joseph Blake Farm Historic Landmark Designation](#)

Attachments: [ItemSummaryBlakeHouse.doc](#)
 [Presentation](#)
 [Landmark Designation Report.pdf](#)
 [Draft Ordinance](#)
 [SHPO Letter](#)

Mr. Gary Roth, President and CEO, Capital Area Preservation, Inc., said the Joseph Blake Farm, 4301 Mial Plantation Road, Knightdale, NC, is

the seventy fifth historic landmark should it be approved.
He shared the history of the Joseph Blake Farm. He shared the significance statement.

"The Joseph Blake Farm, established ca. 1860, exemplifies a late-antebellum, well-to-do, eastern Wake County farm in operation into the twentieth century. The farmstead comprises buildings dating from the mid-nineteenth-century through the early twentieth-century. The variety of building types and construction dates are testament to the decades of agricultural use of the land. The farm retains integrity of location, design, workmanship, materials, feeling and association, as it contains its original arrangement of outbuildings throughout the property."

Chairman Hutchinson opened the public hearing.

No one came forward.

Chairman Hutchinson closed the public hearing.

Mr. Roth said that staff recommends approval of the Joseph Blake Farm as a Wake County Historic Landmark.

Mr. Jeff Hastings, Wake County Historic Preservation Commission member, said at its November 15, 2016 meeting, the Wake County Historic Preservation Commission unanimously recommended that the Wake County Board of Commissioners designate the Joseph Blake Farm at 4301 Mial Plantation Road, Knightdale vicinity a Wake County Historic Landmark.

Chairman Hutchinson commended the WCHPC for their work.

Commissioner West moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners hold a public hearing and approve the proposed landmark designation ordinance for the Joseph Blake Farm. The motion passed unanimously.

21. [Public Hearing and Authorization of a \\$3 Increase in the Regional Transit Authority Registration Tax for Funding of Public Transportation Systems](#)

Attachments: [Agenda Item](#)
 [Resolution](#)

Mr. Tim Maloney, Wake County Director, Planning, Development and Inspections, said that on June 6, 2016, the Wake County Board of Commissioners officially adopted the Wake County Transit Plan, including the Wake County Transit Financial Plan, and the Transit Governance Interlocal Agreement which guides the ongoing planning,

funding, expansion and construction of the plan. The Board of Commissioners also authorized an advisory referendum for a 1/2 percent sales tax for transit, a key source for funding implementation of the plan. He said a \$3 increase in the Regional Transit Authority Registration tax was included as a local funding source in the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan. Since 1991, a \$5 regional transit authority registration tax has been assessed on qualifying motor vehicles registered in Durham, Orange, and Wake counties and is remitted by the NC Department of Motor Vehicles (NC DMV) to GoTriangle. He said it is used for regional transportation services provided in Durham, Orange, and Wake counties. He said that it is estimated that a full year of funding will result in approximately \$2.5 million of new revenue for the Wake County Transit Work Plan. He said a public hearing regarding whether the Board of Commissioners authorize a \$3 increase in the Regional Transit Authority Registration Tax by GoTriangle for the purpose of funding public transportation systems in accordance with the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan was duly noticed on November 22, 2016. Per NCGS 105-561, the Wake County Board of Commissioners must approve an increase in taxes by the Regional Transit Authority assessed in Wake County. He said the \$3 increase will be effective for vehicle registration renewal offers that will be mailed in July 2017, subject to NC DMV implementation.

Mr. Maloney said that the Board of Commissioners is also asked to request that the GoTriangle Special Tax Board and the Board of Trustees, after issuing notice and holding a public hearing, increase the Regional Transit Authority Registration tax from \$5 to \$8 in Wake County to fund the Wake County Transit Work Plan in accordance with the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan. He said it is anticipated that the GoTriangle Special Tax Board of Trustees will meet in January.

Commissioner West reiterated that the funds are to be used for the Wake County Transit Plan. Mr. Maloney said that is correct.

Chairman Hutchinson opened the public hearing.
No one came forward.
Chairman Hutchinson closed the public hearing.

Mr. Scott Warren, County Attorney commended Ms. Allison Cooper, Senior Assistant County Attorney, and Ms. Beth Smerko, Senior Deputy County Attorney, for their work toward the item.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner West, that the Board of Commissioners, after a public hearing, adopt the attached resolution to:

1. Authorize a \$3 Increase in the Regional Transit Authority Registration Tax by GoTriangle for the purpose of funding public transportation systems in accordance with the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan; and

2. Authorize the GoTriangle Special Tax Board and Board of Trustees, after issuing notice and holding a public hearing, to increase the Regional Transit Authority Registration Tax by \$3 for the purpose of funding public transportation systems in accordance with the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan. The motion passed unanimously.

22. [Public Hearing and Authorization of a \\$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax for Funding of Public Transportation Systems](#)

Attachments: [Agenda Item](#)
 [Resolution](#)
 [Draft Interlocal Agreement](#)

Mr. Maloney said the request is for a \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax that was included as a local funding source in the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan and the revenue can only be used for transit in Wake County. He said that it is estimated that a full year of funding will result in approximately \$6 million of new revenue. The state statute allowing the \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax directs that funds collected by the NC Department of Motor Vehicles (NCDMV) be remitted to Wake County and the municipalities in its jurisdiction providing public transportation services in Wake County are the City of Raleigh, the Town of Cary, and the Town of Wake Forest. He said a small portion of the City of Durham overlaps with the jurisdiction of Wake County, and as such, they too would be deemed a municipality providing transit services in Wake County.

Mr. Maloney said that it is anticipated that GoTriangle, the City of Raleigh, the Town of Cary, the Town of Wake Forest, and the City of Durham will consider and approve the Interlocal Agreement subject to further amendments of the parties, for the administrative distribution of funds derived from the \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax before January 31, 2017. Once approved, Wake County will submit all necessary documentation to the NCDMV for implementation of the \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax in accordance with G.S. 105-570. The \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax would be effective for the registration renewal offers that will be mailed in July 2017, subject to NCDMV implementation.

Chairman Hutchinson opened the public hearing.
No one came forward.
Chairman Hutchinson closed the public hearing.

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners, after a public hearing, adopt the attached resolution to:

1. Levy a new \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax as authorized pursuant to NCGS 105-570 for the purpose of funding public transportation systems in accordance with the Wake County Transit Plan and Wake County Transit Financial Plan; and

2. Approve the attached Interlocal Agreement governing the administrative distribution of funds derived from the new \$7 Wake County Vehicle Registration Tax and authorize the County Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement, subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney. The motion passed unanimously.

- 23. [Appropriate \\$410,565 in Partnership with the Triangle Land Conservancy and the City of Raleigh to Acquire Approximately 40 Acres of Open Space Adjacent to Lake Benson](#)**

Attachments: [Ral TLC Partnership Liles Item Summary](#)
 [Liles Property Presentation](#)
 [Liles Site Map.pdf](#)
 [Liles Area Map.pdf](#)
 [Liles Appraisal Summary 2016 01 27.pdf](#)
 [Ral TLC Partnership Liles Funding Agreement FINAL.pdf](#)
 [Budget Memo - FY 2017 Open Space](#)

Mr. Chris Snow, Wake County Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Director, said the acquisition agreement is between Wake County, City of Raleigh, Triangle Land Conservancy and the Conservation Fund. He recognized property owners Mr. Robert Liles and Ms. Martha Liles. He also recognized Mr. Bo Howes and Ms. Leigh Ann Hammerbacher, Triangle Land Conservancy.

Mr. Snow shared information about the Liles property.

- 2015 Request for Projects (RFP) Process
- 40 acres of a larger 43 acre property
- Swift Creek Watershed

- Adjacent to City property at Lake Benson
- Water quality benefits in Lake Benson and Swift Creek
- Size = 40 acres
 - Appraisal \$892,000
 - Sale Price \$799,930
 - Project Cost \$825,830
- Wake participation \$410,565 or 49.7% of Project Cost

He shared the acquisition notes.

Commissioner West asked about the connection between the Town of Garner and City of Raleigh. Mr. Snow said the acquisition is important to the City of Raleigh because of Lake Benson and the water quality protections of the drinking water.

Mr. Snow said the Town of Garner was approached by the City of Raleigh about the long-term stewardship role that the Triangle Land Conservancy is providing now. He said that the Town of Garner has decided not to participate at this time.

Chairman Hutchinson asked about the restoration planning. Mr. Snow said that re-establishing a buffer around the lake is important.

Commissioner Burns thanked the land owners for assisting with the water supply in Wake County. He said there is a \$92,000 contribution to the preservation of land in Wake County.

Commissioner Ford moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Approve and authorize the County Manager to sign a funding agreement with the Triangle Land Conservancy (TLC) for the acquisition of approximately 40 acres of open space adjacent to Lake Benson pursuant to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney;**
- 2. Appropriate \$410,565 in open space funds for the acquisition; and**
- 3. Accept a conservation easement from the TLC covering the acquisition. The motion passed unanimously.**

- 24. [Approve Rules of Procedure and Areas of Representation, as well as Appoint Members of the Wake County Affordable Housing Steering Committee](#)**

Attachments: [Item Summary.doc.docx](#)
[Wake County Affordable Housing Steering Committee Rules of Procedure.pdf](#)
[Affordable Housing Steering Committee RosterV2.docx](#)
[Applications Received for Appointment.pdf](#)

Ms. Alicia Arnold, Wake County Housing and Transportation Division Director, said that the Wake County Affordable Housing Steering Committee was established by the Board of Commissioners on September 19, 2016. The mission of the Steering Committee is to provide guidance, contribute input and engage the public during the completion of a 20-year, comprehensive Affordable Housing Planning effort. Ms. Arnold said that the Affordable Housing Steering Committee will include Subject Matter Expert members, Stakeholder members, Resident members, and one Board of Commissioner member.

Commissioner West said there was a question about the representation from the Wake County Home Builders Association and fully defining the gaps on the committee. He said there is a process to include that representation.

Commissioner Burns thanked staff, commissioners, and the committee members for their patience in receiving the answer to his questions. He thanked Commissioner Holmes for chairing the committee. He thanked Mr. David Ellis, Deputy County Manager, for his leadership in the process.

Commissioner West said the residents in Southeast Raleigh are participating and filling the gaps on the committee is important to its success.

Chairman Hutchinson commended Commissioner Holmes for her leadership and thanked staff for their work for bringing the committee forward.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners approve the Rules of Procedure for the Wake County Affordable Housing Steering Committee; approve updates made to the areas of representation; and appoint members to the Wake County Affordable Housing Steering Committee such that the areas of representation indicated by the Rules of Procedure are each represented. The motion passed unanimously.

25. [Approval of 2017 Board of Commissioners' Meeting Schedule and Budget Calendar](#)

Attachments: [Approval of 2017 Board of Commissioners Meeting Schedule and Budget Calendar.docx](#)
[2017-BOC-PROPOSED-MTG-SCHEDULE.docx](#)

Commissioner West moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners approve the meeting schedule and budget calendar for 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointments

26. [Wake County Commission for Women](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.doc](#)
 [Commission for Women Members 11-16.docx](#)
 [2015 Attendance Commission for Women 11.10.16.xlsx](#)
 [Commission for Women Applicants.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria asked that the Commission for Women appointments be deferred until the January 2017 meeting to be considered by board members at that time.

27. [Fire Commission](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.doc](#)
 [Fire Commission Members 11-16.docx](#)
 [Applicants.pdf](#)
 [Fire Commission Attendance.xls](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. Ricky Wright for appointment to serve as a Citizen/Consumer representative on the Wake County Fire Commission with the suspension of rules regarding term limits.

28. [Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.doc](#)
 [Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority Members.docx](#)
 [RDU Applicants 12-16.pdf](#)
 [RDU Attendance.xls](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. John Kane and Mr. Lawrence Zucchini for reappointment.

29. [Fairview Rural Fire Department Inc. Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.doc](#)
 [Fairview Rural Fire Department Inc Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund Members.docx](#)
 [Fairview Rural Fire District Report.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. Donald Pierce and Mr. Joel West for reappointment. Recommending suspension of rules for both

reappointments.

30. [Garner Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.docx](#)
 [Garner Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)
 [Members .docx](#)
 [Garner Fire District Report.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. Kevin Radford and Mr. Steve Woodall for reappointment.

31. [Hopkins Rural Fire Department Inc. Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.doc](#)
 [Hopkins Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)
 [Members.docx](#)
 [Hopkins Fire District Report.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Deputy Chief Matthew White for appointment.

32. [Rolesville Rural Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.docx](#)
 [Rolesville Rural Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief](#)
 [Fund Members.docx](#)
 [Rolesville Rural Fire District Report.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. Jerry Eddins and Mr. Charles Jones for reappointment. Recommending suspension of the rules for Mr. Jones.

33. [Stony Hill Rural Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief Fund](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.docx](#)
 [Stony Hill Rural Fire Department Board of Trustees Firemen's Relief](#)
 [Fund Members.docx](#)
 [Stony Hill Rural Fire District Report.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. G. Brian Dillard and Mr. Charles Brown for reappointment. Recommending suspension of the rules for both reappointments.

34. [Western-Wake Fire-Rescue Department Inc. Board of Trustees Fireman's Relief](#)

Attachments: [Item Summary.docx](#)
 [Western Wake Fire-Rescue Department Inc Board of Trustees](#)
 [Firemen's Relief Fund Members.docx](#)
 [Western Wake Fire District Report.pdf](#)

Vice-Chair Calabria nominated Mr. Edward Brantley and Mr. Stephen Mickler for reappointment.

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes, to approve the appointments by acclamation. The motion passed unanimously.

35. [Upcoming Vacancies](#)

Attachments: [Upcoming Vacancies for January 2017.docx](#)

Ms. Denise Hogan, Clerk to the Board read aloud the Upcoming Vacancies for January 2017.

Other Business

Commissioner Holmes said that she has been humbled to serve Wake County. She said that she is proud to advocate for education, child hunger, and affordable housing. She said there are many of her goals to be accomplished, but she would be leaving the board in excellent hands. She said she will be resigning her position on the Board of Commissioners and will work with others to ensure that her goals will continue to move forward. She thanked staff and those that have supported her through the process. She said that she would work with staff to ensure a smooth transition.

Closed Session

Mr. Warren said there was a need for a Closed Session and the motion was pursuant to receive advice from the County Attorney regarding Industrial Commission file number Y04810 pursuant the N.C.G.S. 143-318 11 (a) (3). He said attendance to the Closed Session was limited to staff under the attorney client privilege.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes, to go into Closed Session. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting recessed and then reconvened.

Vice-Chair Calabria moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes, that the Board of Commissioners approve a settlement in Industrial Commission file number Y04810 in the sum of \$140,000 subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

Adjourn

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to Adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Hogan, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board
Wake County Board of Commissioners