

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA**

Monday, Sept 8, 2014

County Commissioners' Chambers
200 East Main Street, Durham, North Carolina

AGENDA

"Public Charge"

The Board of Commissioners asks its members and citizens to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Board and fellow citizens. At any time, should any member of the Board or any citizen fail to observe this public charge, the Chairman will ask the offending person to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chairman will recess the meeting until such time that a genuine commitment to the public charge is observed.

As a courtesy to others, please turn off cell phones during the meeting.

7:00 pm Regular Session

1. **Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance (5 min)**
2. **Agenda Adjustments (5 min)**
3. **Announcements (5 min)**
 - 1) "In Touch with Durham County," the Durham County Television show, airs daily on Durham Television Network (DTN) Channel 8 or 97-5 at 10 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Our County Commissioners' meetings are also rebroadcast on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., Saturdays at 9:00 p.m., and Sundays at 9:00 p.m.
 - 2) Durham County needs you! If you have a few hours to commit, Durham County has a number of boards and commissions that can benefit from your participation. We invite you to make a difference in our community. Contact the Clerk's Office at 919-560-0025, visit the County's website, or email Clerk@dconc.gov for more information. Please note that all City and County taxes must be current at the time of application.
 - 3) "Living Healthy," the Durham Diabetes Coalition Television show, airs daily on Cable TV Channel 8 or 97-5 at 7 p.m. Each episode features Durham County resources and residents successfully living with diabetes. This is also an initiative that supports Durham County's strategic goal Health and Well-being for All.
 - 4) As Chair of the Board of County Commissioners, I will offer office hours for citizens on Wednesdays from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Appointments can be made by calling me at 919-949-4022.

- 5) The FY2014-2015 Matching Grant Program of the Durham Open Space and Trails Commission application process will be from September 1 until November 14, 2014. The grants are to assist nonprofit organizations in preserving open space lands and promoting new or improved recreational opportunities for citizens. All Durham community nonprofits interested in applying for FY2014-15 Matching Grant funds must submit an application by the November 14, 2014 deadline. The Matching Grant Program application and FY 2014-15 Program Guidelines are available on the County's website. For additional information, please contact the Matching Grants Administrator, Bo Gattis, in the Budget and Management Services department at 560-0012.
- 6) The Durham County Department of Social Services is hosting the 4th Annual Grandparents and Caretakers Conference on September 11, 2014 at the Human Services Building, 414 E. Main Street from 8:00 am to 2:30 pm. Registration is free however pre-registration is requested. To register, contact Diane Fening by telephone (919)560-8398, fax (919)560-8682 or email dfening@dconc.gov by September 3, 2014.
- 7) We are pleased to announce another key appointment of one of our members. New NCACC President Ronnie Beale has appointed Commissioner Ellen Reckhow as Chair of the NCACC Environment Steering Committee, and to serve on the NCACC Board of Directors. In addition, she is a member of the Justice and Public Safety and General Government Steering Committees. Congratulations Commissioner Reckhow for your service beyond the boundaries of Durham County!

4. Minutes (5 min)

- a. August 11, 2014 Regular Session
- b. August 25, 2014 Regular Session

5. Resolution Recognizing the Legacy of Mrs. Selena Warren Wheeler (5 min)

- 1) The Board is requested to support a resolution recognizing the legacy of Mrs. Selena Warren Wheeler for her service to Durham County Library and the community.
- 2) Selena Warren Wheeler served as the head librarian of the Durham Colored Library for 13 years, beginning in 1932. She was the first African-American professional librarian hired by Durham County. Under Mrs. Wheeler's leadership, library services were expanded to include extended hours, bookmobile service and increased meeting space. Mrs. Wheeler began programs that served the community, including Saturday Morning Story Hour, the Story Telling Institute, Book Exhibits and Art Exhibits by African-American artists. Mrs. Wheeler initiated library service to Lincoln Hospital and began providing library services for the blind. She helped to designate Stanford L. Warren's Negro Collection as a special, non-circulating collection to be preserved for future generations. After serving as the librarian for Stanford L. Warren, Mrs. Wheeler went on to serve on the Warren Board of Trustees for 20 years, and later the Durham County Library Board of Trustees for seven years. In 1990, the Negro Collection was named the Selena Warren Wheeler Collection in her honor. Mrs. Wheeler passed away on the 18th of July, 2014, at the age of 102, leaving behind a legacy of leadership and service.

- 3) For her years of service to Durham County Library and the entire Durham County community, we request that the Board of County Commissioners support a resolution honoring the memory and legacy of Mrs. Selena Warren Wheeler.
- 4) Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with the Strategic Plan Goal 1 to provide opportunities and support for educational, cultural and creative opportunities. Mrs. Wheeler's service to the library and the community epitomized this goal.

Resource Persons: Tammy Baggett, Director of Libraries; Terry B. Hill, Durham County Library Deputy Director; Myrtle Darden, Stanford L. Warren Library Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board support a resolution recognizing the legacy of Mrs. Selena Warren Wheeler for her service to Durham County Library and the community.

6. Resolution Honoring Karen King Thompson (5 min)

- 1) The Board is requested to adopt the attached resolution honoring Karen King Thompson.
- 2) Karen Thompson passed away on August 21, 2014. She had been a prominent member of several boards and councils in Durham County for many years. In 1991, she volunteered on a committee focusing on at-risk and court-involved youth and continued her passionate engagement on the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) until her death. Karen provided leadership to the group by serving as the chairperson for several years and in recent years served as the JCPC Treasurer. She invested many volunteer hours helping to train new council members and agencies, but especially her colleagues at the JCPC meant a lot to her.

Resource Persons: Angela Nunn, JCPC Chairperson

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the resolution be adopted to honor the service of Karen King Thompson.

7. Proclaim September 2014 as National Recovery Month in Durham County (5 min)

- 1) The Board is requested to proclaim September 2014 as National Recovery Month in Durham County. This national observance began in 1989 to help reduce the stigma associated with behavioral disorders by educating the public on the fact that appropriate treatment and services enable persons with a substance use or mental disorder to live healthy and rewarding lives. Communities gather to celebrate the accomplishments of individuals in recovery and those who support them. National Recovery Month promotes the message that behavioral health is essential to overall health; prevention works; treatment is effective and people do recover.
- 2) Robert Thomas, Quality Assurance Manager from Criminal Justice Resource Center will receive the proclamation and review community events.
- 3) Alignment with Strategic Plan: This resolution aligns with Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-Being for All.

Resource Persons: Michael D. Page, Chairman

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve this proclamation and present to Robert Thomas and other staff in attendance.

8. Proclamation - 2014 Bull City Stand Down (5 min)

- 1) The Bull City Stand Down Committee will host the 2014 Bull City Stand Down on Friday, September 19, 2014 at the Durham County Memorial Stadium and the National Guard Armory. The event is free and open to all male and female veterans, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free DATA bus of ACCESS service will be offered to veterans to and from the event.
- 2) Veterans will be provided free food, clothing, basic medical and legal assistance, housing benefits, educational benefits, haircuts, substance abuse and mental health assistance, job counseling, VA benefits assistance, local health and human services, personal care and supplies, flu shots, mammograms, showers, entertainment and more! This year, the Stand Down will feature a dental clinic.
- 3) The original Stand Down for Veterans was modeled after the Stand Down concept used during the Vietnam War to provide a safe retreat for units returning from combat operations. At secure base camp areas, troops were able to take care of personal hygiene, get clean uniforms, enjoy warm meals, receive medical and dental care, mail and receive letters, and enjoy the camaraderie of friends in a safe environment. Stand Down afforded battle-weary soldiers the opportunity to renew their spirit, health and overall sense of well-being.

Resource Persons: Lois Harvin-Ravin, Veteran Services Officer

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the Board proclaim Bull City Stand Down Day and present the signed proclamation to the Bull City Stand Down Committee.

9. Consent Agenda (15 min)

- a. Authorize the County Manager to enter into a service contract with Aramark Corporation in the amount not to exceed \$570,000. The initial term of the contract would be September 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, with the option to renew by the County for four (4) successive one-year periods under the same terms and conditions;
- b. Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 15BCC000008 to recognize \$50.00 in Communicable Disease Funds from NC DHHS, Division of Public Health to support the reduction in morbidity and mortality resulting from communicable disease in Durham County;
- c. Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 15BCC000009 to appropriate unspent funds allocated in FY 2013-14 to the FY 2014-15 Public Health Budget for the Hepatitis C reimbursable grant in the amount of \$11,741;

- d. Approve a request from the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service to match a 40-hour special leave awarded for 2014-2015 to eligible employees by the General Assembly;
- e. Amend the Agreement with Alliance Behavioral Healthcare for FY 15, to the amount of \$6,661,442;
- f. Approve the legislative goals and forward to NCACC for inclusion in the 2015 State Legislative Package;
- g. Approve a Facility Use Policy to assure certain facilities owned and operated by Durham County are utilized in a manner that has a public purpose which meets the needs and interests of the community, as well as to set clear policies, procedures, regulations and fees regarding such uses.

10. Public Hearing for Private Activity Bonds – Voyager Foundation, Inc. (15 min)

- 1) The Board of Commissioners is requested to hold a public hearing concerning the issuance and sale by the Public Finance Authority, which is a public authority existing under **Wisconsin** law (the “Authority”), of its Charter School Revenue Bonds (Voyager Foundation, Inc. Project) Series 2014 (the “Bonds”), in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed \$10,500,000, and if appropriate approve the attached Resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds will be used to (1) to finance or refinance the acquisition, development and equipping of certain educational facilities, including land, buildings and equipment, with an aggregate square footage of approximately 42,000 square feet on a site of approximately 13.5 acres located at approximately 101 Hock Parc, Durham, North Carolina (collectively, the “Facility”),(2) fund a debt service reserve for the Bonds and (3) pay all or a portion of the costs of issuing the Bonds.
- 2) The Project will be owned by Voyager Foundation, Inc. Pursuant to Section 147(f) of the IRS Code, prior to their issuance, the Bonds are required to be approved by the “applicable elected representative” of a governmental unit having jurisdiction over the entire area in which the Project is located, after a public hearing held following reasonable public notice. Since the Project is in Durham County, the Board is the applicable elected representatives of the County.
- 3) **Voyager Foundation, Inc is solely responsible for the repayment of the bonds. The County has no financial responsibility for the debt.**
- 4) Representatives from Voyager Foundation, Inc will be present at the public hearing to further explain the Project.

Resource Persons: Lowell Siler, County Attorney

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board hold the public hearing on the issuance of the bonds for the expansion of Voyager Foundation, Inc whose operations are currently located in Durham County, and approve the Resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds.

11. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA (20 min)

12. Closed Session (20 min)