

## **BOCC highlights for Monday, November 22, 2010**

The Durham Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) met in a Regular Session Meeting on Monday, November 22 at 7 p.m. and considered an agenda that including the following highlights:

The Board of Commissioners recognized Vice Chairman Ellen W. Reckhow who was recently named a “Champion of Democracy” by the Kids Voting-Durham organization. She was honored by the group on November 11 for supporting the mission of engaging Durham’s young people in active citizenship and a lifetime of informed voting. She has headed up a Kids Voting polling station at her neighborhood at Cole Mill Church of Christ for 10 years, giving hundreds of young people the opportunity to cast a ballot like their parents.

Urban Ministries of Durham was recognized as the November recipient of the Commissioners Community Circle Award. Program director Peter Donlon received the honor. UMD has operated since 1982 providing comprehensive services to Durham’s diverse homeless and indigent population including food, shelter, clothing and support services for men, women and children. This organization works collaboratively with Durham County Social Services, Cooperative Extension Durham Center and others to meet the demand for homeless and homeless-prevention services in Durham.

The Board also held a public hearing to hear comments on proposed changes to its procedures on Public Hearings and the Public Comment Period.

The following citizens were appointed to Boards and Commissions:

- Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee: Christa Gaston and Harvey E. Kirby
- Community Child Protection Team/Child Fatality Prevention Team: Jeffrey Clark
- Durham Convention & Visitors Bureau: Wib Gulley
- EMS Council: Henrietta Cooke

- Nursing Home Community Advisory Board: Dr. Iris Carlton-LaNey
- Women's Commission: Clayborne Brooks