

BOCC highlights for Monday, October 11, 2010

The Durham Board of County Commissioners met on Monday, October 11, 2010, at 7 p.m. and considered an agenda that included the following highlights:

Durham County Commissioners approved a proclamation honoring Durham City Councilman A. J. Howard Clement III. He was recently recognized for more than 27 years as a City Council Member and for his reputation as a pioneering leader and statesman in many areas including civil rights, affordable housing and advocacy on behalf of those without an effective voice.

Chairman Michael D. Page proclaimed November as “Adoption Awareness Month” to raise awareness of the need for adoptive homes for children in foster care. Planned events are intended to offer children the chance to live with stable and loving families and to encourage dedicated individuals to make a powerful difference in the life of a child through adoption.

Durham County Commissioners held a public hearing on the North Carolina Department of Transportation’s 2010-2011 Secondary Road Construction Program. The discussion included a conversation about general roadway maintenance and various specific projects in Durham County.

The Board approved a budget amendment to increase the Mental Health budget by \$542,492. The Durham Center (Mental Health) recently received a grant by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for the BECOMING (Building Every Chance of Making It Now and Grown Up) Project. The multi-year program will target high risk, 16-21 year olds who have a serious mental illness and problems functioning in relationships at school, or in the community. Commissioners also approved the creation of two fulltime positions and three half time positions related to the grant.

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