BOCC highlights from Monday, November 23, 2009

Hold Your Head Up, a local nonprofit that provides career attire for low income women, received the November Commissioners Community Circle award for successfully suiting 400 women in its first year. Participants also receive accessories and valuable career support services. Rachel Grady, Founder and CEO accepted the award.

The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners presented a special award to Durham County employees who volunteered for citizen outreach at the group's State Fair Booth. Of 100 counties, Durham County had the greatest number of employees to volunteer for the annual event. Participants included Commissioner Joe Bowser, Tax Office supervisor Joyce Logan and Gudrun Parmer, Director of Criminal Justice Resource Center.

The Board approved a budget amendment of \$920,694 for Social Services in Child Care Funds and Permanency Planning from the Child Care American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

The Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Text Change on Sedimentation and Erosion Control. After hearing from staff, the Board approved the text change that will bring Durham County into compliance with sedimentation and erosion control measures required in recent state legislation to address water quality in Falls Lake.