

THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS convened for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 5, 2012 beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the board room, Suite 209 of the Anson County Government Center.

Commissioners present: Anna H. Baucom, Chair
Ross Streater, Vice Chair
Bobby Sikes
Dr. Jim Sims
Vancine Sturdivant
Jarvis Woodburn

Staff members present: Lawrence R. Gatewood, County Manager
Bonnie M. Huntley, CMC, NCCCC, Clerk to the Board
Rita James, Data Processing
Robert Thomas, Finance Officer
Scott Rowell, ACTS Director
Tommy Allen, Sheriff
Cathy Baxter, Senior Accounting Officer

Others: Scott Forbes, County Attorney

Chairman Baucom called the meeting to **Order**, welcoming those present. Chairman Baucom noted it was budget season and felt the board would be meeting several times this month. Chairman Baucom called on Reverend Norm Jones, Lilesville United Methodist Charge, to deliver the **Invocation**.

Approval of the Agenda by Commissioners: Chairman Baucom reminded board members of their Ethics Policy and if they see or know of a conflict of interest with any item on the Agenda or the perception of conflict to please let it be known. Chairman Baucom noted there were several changes to the Agenda. Chairman Baucom added an item under Chairman's Report, a Resolution to name a portion of Highway 74 for Larry Ratliff. Chairman Baucom noted a change in the Budget Amendment listed as item 8p with the replacement amendment at the desk of each Commissioner. Chairman Baucom noted two Public Hearings adding that Commissioner Sims was running late and asked to hold the second Public Hearing until his arrival. Chairman Baucom asked if there were any other changes to the Agenda. Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve the Agenda with the changes and additions. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings:

FY 2013 Rural Operating Assistance Program Grant: Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to open the Public Hearing.

Motion carried unanimously. Scott Rowell was present to speak to the issue. Mr. Rowell explained that this was their annual rural operating assistance program grant application, due in Raleigh on June 20th in the amount of \$131,000. Mr. Rowell shared that \$51,389 was for elderly and disabled, \$17,395 for employment and \$59,380 for rural general public. Mr. Rowell stated that the rural general public was the only one requiring a local match and that comes from fares charged to passengers. Mr. Rowell noted no county funds were involved. Chairman Baucom asked about transportation being used for employment and the locations they travel. Mr. Rowell shared that they travel anywhere inside Anson County. Chairman Baucom asked if they had a lot of passengers with Mr. Rowell answering they do have quite a few that need transportation for work and this also covers taking children to daycare so parents can work. Chairman Baucom was of the understanding that one of the biggest reasons for job loss was lack of transportation. Commissioner Sturdivant asked if there were restrictions on why it was only in Anson County with Mr. Rowell answering resources, vehicles and drivers and hours to get them there were the main reasons. Chairman Baucom called for questions or comments from the public. Hearing none, motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Baucom stated that as requested, item b would be delayed for later.

In regular session, motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the FY 2013 Rural Operating Assistance Program Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Appearances:

Sherri N. Knotts: Chairman Baucom stated that she was pleased to see Ms. Knotts was going to be here and asked her to tell Mark Anthony Hines hello. Ms. Knotts shared that she owns a small business doing performing arts and her latest venture was a feature film entitled *The Community*. Ms. Knotts shared that because she was from Anson she loves to try to incorporate Anson in whatever she does. Ms. Knotts requested use of the courthouse for her film. Ms. Knotts stated that there was a trial in the film and she contacted the County Manager and Mr. Mark Hammonds. Ms. Knotts had a copy of an email from Mr. Hammonds saying he saw no reason she could not use the courthouse. Ms. Knotts stated that they were looking to film July 21 and 22 but she would work around the current construction going on at the courthouse. Ms. Knotts understands that she will have to secure security as well as janitorial services. Ms. Knotts shared that she plans to speak with Sheriff Allen on the security issue. Chairman Baucom asked if the courthouse would be prominent in the film with Ms. Knotts answering they were looking to use shots of the external, the corridor as well as the grand courtroom and the juror's deliberation room. Ms. Knotts added that this would be a PG rated film with no violence, no sexual scenes and very little profanity. Vice Chair Streater asked the name of the film with Ms. Knotts answering *The Community*. Ms. Knotts shared that Tracy Little would be playing the central character and the film

was about a politician that had not been forthcoming about some things he did in his past and there was an event that happens that causes all the truths about him to come out. Ms. Knotts stated that you now see a community that supported this black man that has risen through the ranks from lawyer to senator pulling their support but it has a happy ending. Commissioner Sturdivant asked why she did not use our lawyer with County Attorney Forbes offering his assistance in any way. Chairman Baucom shared that she had acting and political experience and her starring role was in *Night of the Living Dead Part 2*. Chairman Baucom shared that the Ansonia theater had purchased a screen and if she wanted to play her movie here that probably could happen. County Attorney Forbes voiced that we could do a red carpet premiere and everything. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve use of the courthouse. Motion carried unanimously.

*Commissioner Sims joined the meeting at this point. Commissioner Sims apologized for being late, noting it was for his Church.

Mike Goodwin-Approval for Fireworks. Mr. Goodwin stated this was their 20th year and voiced appreciation for the support received from the county. Mr. Goodwin stated that he gave the Clerk a copy of the insurance and everything was in place. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing: Installment Financing for Construction of Emergency Service Center: Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Cathy Baxter stated her reason for being present was three fold. Ms. Baxter requested approval of the Resolution to authorize the filing of an application with the North Carolina Local Government Commission to authorize her to request proposals for financing and to pursue grant funding from both federal and state sources to construct a new Emergency Services Center pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 160-A. Ms. Baxter noted highlights from the Resolution include the construction of a 23,885 sq. ft. facility that will house our Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Operations and Fire Marshall and the 911 call center. Ms. Baxter noted the estimated cost for the facility was \$4,700,000. Ms. Baxter noted preliminary discussions regarding grant funding have taken place with Richard Taylor, Executive Director of the 911 board and Sheriff Allen has spoken with Larry Kissell, our representative in Washington and if all goes well this evening there are plans to contact Kay Hagen to request her support. Ms. Baxter then asked if there were any questions. Commissioner Sims was of the opinion this was a good thing for the county and even though grants were scarce at the moment, with medical needs for a county with so many seniors he felt we had a good chance. Commissioner Sikes asked if we had an amount of the grants we might receive with County Manager Gatewood answering not at this stage but we would be aggressively pursuing grants from a number of different sources and we hope to have a reasonable measure of success. Ms. Baxter shared that they talked with Richard Taylor and he was

very supportive of the idea and may possibly have grant funding for equipment and some for the mortar. Commissioner Sikes asked what effect this would have on the current satellite stations with County Manager Gatewood answering we currently have a satellite station in Polkton that operates twelve hours a day and one in Morven operating twelve hours a day. County Manager Gatewood stated that this would have no effect on these at all. County Manager Gatewood shared that our vision for the future was to make the Polkton base twenty-four/seven and depending on the call volume the Morven base could be twenty-four/seven. County Manager Gatewood was of the opinion a satellite base was needed in Burnsville and Ansonville as well. Commissioner Sikes voiced concern for the cost of this building and wondered what it would cost to do the satellite stations when needed. Commissioner Sikes voiced a concern from the Ansonville/Burnsville area that we were putting the emergency services center six minutes further away. County Manager Gatewood shared that Ryan Teal has had some discussions with Ansonville and they do have quarters at the fire station and we would love to put a person there on a twelve hour bases to start and then ultimately twenty-four/seven. County Manager Gatewood was of the belief that with an ambulance situated in Ansonville we could get Burnsville in a matter of a few minutes and certainly cover the northern sector of the county. Commissioner Sims felt they could come from Polkton if needed. County Manager Gatewood mentioned that Polkton covers the western side of Wadesboro and Chairman Baucom felt Polkton could hit White Store. County Manager Gatewood noted the sticker shock of 4.7 million dollars for right at 24,000 square feet but felt current construction cost of \$150 per square foot was not out of line. County Manager Gatewood stated that the Law Enforcement Center was the last facility built from the ground up and that was in the 1980's. County Manager Gatewood noted that the airport has been since that time but the feds and the state were responsible for that construction. Chairman Baucom mentioned the financial data for the county on the State Treasurer's website and the most recent spreadsheet they have covers 2006-2011. Chairman Baucom stated that in 2006 general government debt in Anson County was 5.69 million dollars and \$807,000 at the end of 2011. Chairman Baucom noted debt per capita in 2006 was \$255 per person and in 2011 was \$32. Chairman Baucom felt this additional debt would take us to about \$204 per capita. Chairman Baucom felt this says that we probably have not made some investments we should have but we've been paying off school bonds. Chairman Baucom noted that also in this time period our bond rating went from BB to A. Vice Chair Streater asked if there was an idea of what type grant money might be available with Ms. Baxter hopeful we would receive funds from the 911 board to help pay for some of the equipment and even though the price tag is 4.7 million with grants it could be lowered to as much as 3.7 million. Chairman Baucom asked what the payment would be on this money with Ms. Baxter answering that she requested from three of our local banks estimated cost on financing for ten, fifteen and twenty years. Ms. Baxter stated that the low she received for ten years was 2.3% and the high for twenty years was 4.95%. Ms. Baxter stated that on our RFP we would be requesting a fifteen year term with roughly between a 3.25 and a 3.75 interest rate. Ms. Baxter shared that the payments would begin around \$406,000 and would decrease as the

principal decreases to around \$275,000 annually. Chairman Baucom asked if this would be done without raising the tax rate with County Manager Gatewood answering that was our goal but he could not promise that at some point in time we might need a slight increase in order to make the payments. County Manager Gatewood then shared with board members the plan for making the payments. County Manager Gatewood noted that we had been very aggressive in addressing our issue with our tax collection rate and currently we were at 92.68% and our goal is to move this up, over time, to 95%. County Manager Gatewood stated that if successful this would mean an additional \$280,000 a year. County Manager Gatewood stated that some years back we entered into an agreement with Progress Energy for an energy efficiency program and we've been paying them a total of \$81,437 a month for a number of years and that debt will be fully paid off in 2015, 2016 and that amount could be used to pay off the debt for the Emergency Services Center. County Manager Gatewood shared that Anson County Government was one of the largest land holders in the county and we have a number of parcels and surplus property that we need to monetize. County Manager Gatewood noted that before we sell some of them we need to sell the timber and that would be another source of revenue and feels the land values would be several hundred thousand dollars at a bare bones minimum. County Manager Gatewood stated that Ms. Bonnie Huntley has been very successful in selling surplus equipment and automobiles and we've brought in anywhere from fifty to one hundred thousand dollars a year and that will be our plan moving forward. County Manager Gatewood shared that we've been managing the affairs of Anson County Government effectively for a number of years and six year ago our fund balance was 1.5 million dollars and June 30, 2011 it was 8 million dollars. County Manager Gatewood noted the next reading would be June 30, 2012 and he believes we will contribute one-half million dollars to our fund balance. County Manager Gatewood stated that if we run into a tight we could always pull money from fund balance to make the payments. County Manager Gatewood added that right now we don't know how much grant funding there may be out there because we've not been given approval to pursue it but approval of the resolution will give us the green light to make contacts. County Manager Gatewood stated that it was amazing that we were able to fund half of the expense of the Anson County signs without asking for a dime and he believes people will assist in some way. Vice Chair Streater asked how this would affect the Civic Center we want to go after with County Manager Gatewood answering that he sees these as separate but in looking at the funding we have to consider one and the other. Vice Chair Streater asked if we could do both with County Manager Gatewood answering that we have not addressed that as of yet but he believes we can. County Manager Gatewood stated that we have a commitment from the Ag community that they will take care of 25% of the expense of the facility, which right now appears to be a ten million dollar facility. County Manager Gatewood noted that we had already received the generosity of Wade Manufacturing Company with the land acquisition and he believes there are some private agencies and foundations that will contribute but it remains to be seen the extent. Chairman Baucom voiced that she was committed to the Agri Civic Center but would like to see us plan for both. Chairman Baucom was of the opinion this facility should save us money although

not enough to pay for itself but it would certainly cut some expenses. Commissioner Sims voiced that we would not know the price until the bids were in with County Manager Gatewood noting 4.7 million was a rough estimate today but it may be like the courthouse where we asked for a million dollars and it looks like we'll come in at \$870,000,000. Chairman Baucom stated that we don't want to exceed the 4.7 million. Commissioner Sikes voiced that he did not want the Ag Center put on the back burner with everyone voicing agreement. Vice Chair Streater stated that if he had to choose between the two he would take the Ag Center. County Manager Gatewood stated that today they were asking for approval of the resolution so we could go out aggressively and pursue grant funding opportunities as well as move forward with the project. Commissioner Woodburn referred to the \$81,000 being paid to Progress Energy and felt when the deal was done we were supposed to pay them from savings and asked if that was accurate. County Manager Gatewood stated that he had looked for the records to support and justify this expenditure but they were not there. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sikes, to close the Public Hearing. Chairman Baucom asked again for comments from the Public Hearing. Commissioner Woodburn then withdrew his motion with Commissioner Sikes withdrawing his second. Mr. Kenny Hildreth felt we were still in a bad recession and did not understand how the county could come up with fifteen million dollars even with grants. Mr. Hildreth was of the opinion most of the money came from water and sewer with County Manager Gatewood answering no it was from the general fund balance. Mr. Hildreth still thought a lot came from water and sewer with Ms. James answering that the water and waste water departments were supported by fees, meaning the water they sell supports the operation. Ms. James stated that we don't support water and water doesn't support us. Mr. Hildreth felt it needed to be a long drawn process rather than trying to rush into it. Mr. Hildreth mentioned the Ag Center feeling that was too much money and felt haste makes waste. Mr. Hildreth noting when spending someone else's money you needed to squeeze it and be careful. Vice Chair Streater asked if the fifteen million had been paid back for the schools with Ms. James stating the payoff was in the budget. Chairman Baucom noted that the five cents was removed from the tax rate last year. Mr. Hildreth felt the worst thing people in the county did was not pass the ½ cent sales tax to fix up public buildings. Mr. Hildreth felt had it passed everyone would have had some skin in the game. Mr. Hildreth mentioned the elderly population and even though they would be using these facilities they would have a heap of skin in the game. Chairman Baucom asked if there were any other questions or comments. Hearing none, motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to approve the resolution as presented. Commissioner Sikes asked if we were approving just to see how much money we could get through grants or if we were Okaying the building. County Manager Gatewood answered that at this point they were agreeing to the Resolution to pursue financing of the building, to pursue grant funding and to continue with the construction process. Vice Chair Streater asked if we

do not receive any grant funding would we still continue with the project with County Manager Gatewood answering that was the recommendation. Commissioner Sikes asked if there was a time frame as to when we would hear from grants with County Manager Gatewood stating we plan to break ground in November of this year and he was hopeful that by August or September we should have a reading. Vice Chair Streater asked if after approving the resolution we were to see we could not go any further could we stop this with County Manager Gatewood stating that the board could withdraw at any time but he hopes we would not go into this tentatively. Chairman Baucom stated that if it appears there won't be any grants to help with this or if something happens further in the economy she would like to know that this board could change direction with County Manager Gatewood answering they could and we would appreciate that. Commissioner Sikes voiced that he wants to pursue the Ag Center and have all the information on it as quick as possible. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Baucom agreed with Mr. Hildreth and felt we may need to look again at the quarter percent sales tax. Vice Chair Streater asked if something was wrong with the current 911 center with Sheriff Allen answering that besides being space crowded there were certain things we will have to do in the next few years that will be difficult to do. Sheriff Allen shared that a representative from the 911 board was here today and emphasizes that the county did not rush into planning this facility. Sheriff Allen stated that they were just completing the first year of the study, planning and hiring the architects. Sheriff Allen stated that the current building was not user friendly and would not withstand a significant weather event. Commissioner Sikes asked if the state was pushing us towards the 800 system with Sheriff Allen answering yes but it was the FCC that passed a bill in Washington trying to free up band width on certain frequencies. Sheriff Allen stated that January 1, 2013 all people that use emergency radio services have to meet a certain standard called narrow banding. Sheriff Allen stated that they were encouraged to go to the state wide 800 radio system and they did purchase a number of the 800 radios. Sheriff Allen did not feel the coverage was good enough in Anson County to go to the 800 radios right now, adding that most of the radios purchased in the last five years have the capability of being narrow banded. Sheriff Allen shared that for the last one and one- half years law enforcement has been operating on both the 800 frequency and their regular ultra-high frequency and at the end of this month they plan to narrow band all of their old radios. Sheriff Allen stated that the Fire Chief's Association has been working to narrow band fire radios as well. Sheriff Allen felt it would cost them \$1500 to narrow band their radio system where one mobile 800 radio cost about \$2500. Commissioner Sikes asked if the 800 would allow deputies to talk inside a building with Sheriff Allen stating that because of the limited coverage they sometimes don't work inside a building. Sheriff Allen noted that in the county the 800's work pretty good but they don't work well in Wadesboro because there is no central transmitter. Sheriff Allen added that the State of North Carolina runs the 800 network and it was the same network that the highway patrol and all other state radios would eventually migrate to.

Public Addresses to the Board:

Neil Jones was here to speak to a mental health situation. Mr. Jones stated that he and Vice Chair Streater have served on the Mental Health Board for some time and neither is content with the service mental health is giving Anson County. Mr. Jones noted that twelve years ago when mental health decided to organize in a different way we had seven counties with sixteen seats and we had three of them. Mr. Jones noted that since Sandhills picked up Harnett, Lee and Randolph counties we have two seats out of twenty-five. Mr. Jones shared that a bill pending in the General Assembly does not guarantee us the two seats anymore and it may not guarantee one seat but reading between the lines it would say one seat. Mr. Jones felt we would be inadequately represented if this were the situation. Mr. Jones felt if we have only one representative they would probably want a Commissioner and in order for him to give appropriate representation he would have to have perfect attendance. Mr. Jones felt this was impossible since they have to drive to West End once a month. Mr. Jones noted that the new board did not say who was to make the appointments or how many there would be. Mr. Jones stated that he tried to speak to the Chairman and he said they'd get around to it and that he did not think the way to staff mental health boards was with people from the public and county commissioners. Mr. Jones stated that he also talked with Senator Purcell and Representative McGuirt and they felt if our board was upset and still wanted to have representation of at least two seats they needed to hear from them. Mr. Jones then presented a motion from him and Vice Chair Streater to our representatives saying to them that on this bill we request that representation of Anson County stay at two. Chairman Baucom noted that it was basically saying that we needed to take some action perhaps in the form of a Resolution that Anson County maintain two seats on the mental health board for Sandhills Mental Health. Chairman Baucom asked if the board would consider a motion to do such a resolution and let them come up with the wording. Commissioner Woodburn offered the motion with Commissioner Sturdivant offering the second. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Jones commented that he was saying this entirely on his own but he recalls that about 2009 or 2010 when we gave the maintenance job to the current Parks and Recreation fellow, he remembers the County Manager saying he would get an increase in his pay. Mr. Jones was of the opinion that he had never received the increase and felt he was entitled and should have it. Mr. Jones felt the last County Manager intended for it to be included but he left before it happened. Chairman Baucom voiced that she was glad to have Mr. Jones around.

Chairman Baucom called for a ten minute break.

After the break, **Administrative Matters** was the next item of discussion.

Presentation of Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget: County Manager Gatewood voiced that he would be remised if he did not thank Rita James, Bonnie Huntley, Cathy Baxter, Robert Thomas, Lula Jackson, Sheriff Allen and all the other department heads in Anson County Government who played a tremendous roll in developing the presentation of this budget. County Manager Gatewood stated the recommended

budget for fiscal year 2012-2013 was \$26,451,744. County Manager Gatewood noted this was about 1.8 million dollars less than the current year budget and the key difference was with capital projects that we've engaged in. County Manager Gatewood stated that the budget was based on a level tax rate of 76.7 cents per hundred dollars evaluation and a tax collection rate of 92.68%. County Manager Gatewood shared that before the recession our tax collection rate was around 95-96% and after the recession we find ourselves at 92.68%. County Manager Gatewood hopes that over the next three years we can achieve a 95% tax collection rate. Chairman Baucom shared that in wandering through the state treasurer's site she noticed that we were are 92% but 2% was vehicle taxes that we were not getting. Chairman Baucom felt we should have some cars for sale with County Manager Gatewood offering to take the report back to Mr. Dutton. County Manager Gatewood shared that since October 2008 we've experienced double digit unemployment rates, as high as 17.7% in 2010 and over the last six months it seems to have improved somewhat with the latest report showing we were around 10.5% unemployment rate. County Manager Gatewood feels as we look to the next twelve months the economy will remain tough and probably stay in double digit unemployment rates. County Manager Gatewood stated that for the coming year he was proposing that we appropriate from fund balance \$450,000 to balance the operating budget, which is the same amount appropriated for this fiscal year and the year before. Commissioner Sims added that we were still able to accumulate enough money to add back. County Manager Gatewood also recommends appropriating \$653,000 and change to fund some needed capital projects on a pay as we go basis. County Manager Gatewood outlined the projects as follows: to continue with the interior renovations at the courthouse, \$250,000; to appropriate a special capital budget of \$183,250 to SPCC for paving and roof repair at the Lockhart-Taylor Center; \$150,000 to restore the façade of the Belk building and \$70,000 for a new maintenance building at Parks and Recreation. County Manager Gatewood noted this makes a total of 1.4 million dollars from fund balance, adding that we hope to add to our fund balance this year. County Manager Gatewood recommended for the second year not funding the Human Resources position, noting we were effectively utilizing other staff members such as Bonnie Huntley, Rita James, Cathy Baxter and Gaylia Martin. County Manager Gatewood noted since Mr. Deese, our Chief Building Inspector retired earlier this year the Interim Chief Building Inspector Mr. Gaskins has been doing an outstanding job. County Manager Gatewood shared that with the savings we want to fund a full time Veteran's Services Officer and as opposed to 37.5 hours a week we would move him to 80% or 30 hours a week with full benefits. Commissioner Sims asked if anything had been done about the stray dogs with County Manager Gatewood stating that he did not include in the budget an animal control officer. County Manager Gatewood proposed his plan for support in this area without adding to the taxpayer's burden. County Manager Gatewood noted the person already had a county vehicle and believes adding this additional responsibility would not take away from his primary role with some organizational adjustments. County Manager Gatewood shared that he would come back at a later date with a proposal. County Manager Gatewood stated that the Anson County Board of Education requested \$3,775,880 which is the same as

requested last year and he recommends appropriating this amount. County Manager Gatewood stated that South Piedmont Community College requested \$1.1 million and he indicated to Dr. Sidor it would probably be level funding and they were comfortable as long as we gave them some flexibility on what is applied to capital vs. current expense. In summary, County Manager Gatewood shared that the proposed budget was balanced and prepared in accordance with policies and procedures outlined in the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act; it provides for \$26.4 million in funding, it is conservative and provides for a level tax rate. County Manager Gatewood stated that to achieve this budget we will need 12.2 million dollars in ad valorem taxes. Commissioner Sims asked about salaries with County Manager Gatewood answering that he was proposing a 2.5% COLA, he hopes to restore our 401K contribution from 2% to 3% except for sworn law enforcement officers who by statute receive 5%. County Manager Gatewood noted the one change he was recommending was that we include our Register of Deeds in the 401K contribution. County Manager Gatewood shared that he had learned that we probably have the only Register of Deeds in the state that is not included in their county's 401K matching program and this position has never been included and he sees no reason to not include it. County Manager Gatewood stated that special adjustments to compensate for salary compression were not included in his budget. County Manager Gatewood explained that we did not have the money to do it and keep our tax rate flat. Vice Chair Streater voiced this was one thing he didn't understand about county government, how we can bring a new person in at the same pay the previous person who had been here thirty years was making when they left. Chairman Baucom voiced that this was not just county employees as she saw this for twenty-five years at the college. Vice Chair Streater noted private enterprise did not operate like this. Commissioner Woodburn voiced that they did not intentionally operate like this but it happens. Commissioner Woodburn shared that most of the time in an organization a person worked their way up and did not have a lot of the credentials but now someone that has the credentials and some experience could command. County Manager Gatewood stated that he would like to have another discussion of this once we see where our fund balance is. County Manager Gatewood shared that they did include \$69,000 for emergencies and contingencies and one reason for the increase is we have not included any new vehicles other than those for the Sheriff's office that is on a four year rotation. Vice Chair Streater asked if every four years we replace the deputy cars did those being replaced come to county government with County Manager Gatewood answering we cash out the old ones as soon as we get enough to put on GovDeals. Vice Chair Streater asked if any were good enough to place in other departments with County Manager Gatewood answering we do when we have needs and the car is worthwhile but often times they are worn out with high mileage. Commissioner Sims asked to remember our County Attorney in some way. Vice Chair Streater asked if we used all of the \$64,000 put in contingency last year with County Manager Gatewood answering just about all then we had to put a new roof on this building in the amount of \$13,000. County Manager Gatewood shared that he did not include funds for our annual membership dues in Charlotte Regional Partnership. County Manager Gatewood reminded board members of the budget Public

Hearing on Thursday, June 21st at 6 PM and a noon lunch meeting to adopt the budget on Friday, June 22. Commissioner Sturdivant voiced appreciation for funding a full time Veterans Officer and asked his current number of hours with County Manager Gatewood answering nineteen hours a week and we are moving him to thirty with benefits. County Manager Gatewood voiced that if he continues to grow the service he may come back next year asking for 37.5 hours. Vice Chair Streater voiced that the Board of Social Services recommended 30 hours. Chairman Baucom shared more information from the State Treasurer's website, the per capita county property tax in our population group the average was \$601 a year and Anson County's per capita property tax is \$496. Commissioner Sims voiced that we went through all the economy problems and did not raise taxes. County Manager Gatewood added that during the revaluation process some properties went up in value but the tax rate remained flat. Commissioner Sikes voiced that we dwell a lot on public safety and feels there are a lot of times we need a third dispatcher at 911 because that is where everything starts and asked if there was anything in the budget for this. County Manager Gatewood answered not at this point but something that would be reconsidered with Sheriff Allen and Ms. Mullis. Vice Chair Streater mentioned bringing in part time help when this happens with Commissioner Sikes stating when it happens you don't have time to get someone there. Commissioner Sikes feels they have the most stressful job in the county with County Manager Gatewood stating he would have a conversation with Sheriff Allen.

Manager's Report: County Manager Gatewood started by showing a short video from Stuart Darden, of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, talking about the renovations and expansion of the Parks and Recreation building. Mr. Darden spoke of his appearance before the board several months ago concerning the condition of the office building and the discovery of mold and the bad condition of the building. Mr. Darden attended the open house for the new building and found it so nice that he plans to take his children swimming at this facility on June 8th. Mr. Darden commended the board for approving the funds for the renovation and feels it will please the people of Anson County when they use the park. County Manager Gatewood reported that the courthouse renovations would continue through the month including the installations of the new entry doors. Commissioner Sims asked about the little bathroom with County Manager Gatewood answering all bathrooms would be included. County Manager Gatewood reported the Welcome to Anson County signs on highway 74 were complete with Commissioner Sims stating that they were complimenting them in his Church today. County Manager Gatewood noted it exceeded our expectations and the signs in Ansonville and McFarlan should be completed in a few days. County Manager Gatewood shared that they were working on a maintenance plan and light landscaping. County Manager Gatewood stated that Lonnie Lowery and John Greene had done a yeoman's job and had taken great pride in the work they've done for the county. County Manager Gatewood invited board members to attend the upcoming health fair for county employees on August 3 starting at 10:00 A.M. in the Ingram Room at SPCC Lockhart-Taylor Center. County Manager Gatewood noted that we

received a \$1,000 grant from Wal-Mart and we plan to use some of it to defray the cost of lunch. County Manager Gatewood shared that the fair was being co-sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield. County Manager Gatewood encouraged board members to visit the Parks and Recreation building if they had not already done so. County Manager Gatewood noted that he was approaching two years on this job and voiced appreciation for the confidence shown him, stating that he was loving it and he had a good team of people around him and so far so good. Commissioner Sims voiced that the County Manager was a doer and not a talker.

Chairman's Report:

Small Business Entrepreneurship-Young Adult Camp: Chairman Baucom shared that this was being offered by SPCC and felt this was a step towards young adults learning to start their own business. Chairman Baucom feels not everyone will go to college immediately after high school and feels this was another step in some very valuable learning opportunities and an opportunity to have some of the young people start their own business here in Anson County. Commissioner Sturdivant asked what campus with Chairman Baucom thinking it was the Lockhart-Taylor Center. Commissioner Sturdivant then asked if the parents were working how the youth would get to camp with Chairman Baucom noting this was for student's grades 10-11 and felt they would have driver's license. Chairman Baucom did note that the college did not have the ability to provide transportation. Chairman Baucom was hopeful others could think of ways to support this. Commissioner Sims asked about ACTS with Chairman Baucom asking the County Manager to contact Dan Merle with the college to see if there were ways we could help.

Chairman Baucom shared that Representative Frank McGuirt had suggested we draft Resolutions to name a portion of highway 74 for H. Pat Taylor and a portion for Larry Ratliff. Chairman Baucom asked the Clerk if she received something for Mr. Ratliff with the Clerk noting she did and had placed a copy at each board members seat. Commissioner Sims voiced that he was a very popular man and was struck on the job. Chairman Baucom feels Representative McGuirt was proposing a section through Lilesville for Mr. Ratliff and a section through Wadesboro for Mr. Taylor. Chairman Baucom noted that we did not have a Resolution for Mr. Taylor and asked if the board would support such a Resolution. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve Resolutions for Larry Ratliff and H. Pat Taylor. Motion carried unanimously. Vice Chair Streater asked the Clerk to contact Representative McGuirt about naming 145 from Morven City Limits to the South Carolina State line after Deputy Jesse Pratt. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, for the Clerk to contact Representative McGuirt about naming 145 from Morven City limits to the South Carolina line for Deputy Jesse Pratt. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION OF THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO THE NORTH
CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the said Larry Thomas Ratliff was born in Anson County, North Carolina on February 1, 1949 to Marion Preston Ratliff and Eva Hildreth Ratliff; and

WHEREAS, the said Larry Thomas Ratliff was educated in the public schools of Anson County, North Carolina and graduated from Anson High School in 1967; and

WHEREAS, the said Larry Thomas Ratliff was employed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Polkton Branch, and served with distinction as an employee of the North Carolina Department of Transportation for a period of 30+ years; and

WHEREAS, the said Larry Thomas Ratliff died as the result of a tragic automobile accident on U.S. Highway 74 on August 20, 2001 while performing his assigned duties with the North Carolina Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, in order to perpetuate the memory of the said Larry Thomas Ratliff, a number of citizens have expressed their desire to commemorate Mr. Ratliff's service to the State of North Carolina by designating a portion of the highway in his memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ANSON COUNTY THAT:

1. The Board of Commissioners of Anson County hereby petitions and recommends that the North Carolina Department of Transportation place an appropriate marking adjacent to U.S. Highway 74 thereby commemorating the memory of Larry Thomas Ratliff.

2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Done this the 5th day of June, 2012 by the Board of Commissioners of Anson County, North Carolina.

Chairman Baucom called attention to the Resolution in the consent agenda concerning African American Revolutionary War Patriots of Anson County. Chairman Baucom felt it was fascinating reading but Anson County had three who were in the American Revolution. Commissioner Sims mentioned that one was named Hammond with Chairman Baucom sharing that she researched him on internet but was unable to find anything except that apparently he lived in Robeson County but served in the Anson County troop. Chairman Baucom named Josiah Abshier and Allen Demery as the other two members.

Consent Agenda: Chairman Baucom reminded board members that item 8p had a substitution. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes: Approved minutes dated May 1, 2012 and May 15, 2012.

Tax Releases: Approved as follows:

Property Tax Releases/Refunds/Adjustments

06/05/12							
20152	Howard, Carl F	2006	72.22	06-4-8129	Real Taxes	Release	Single Wide Removed from Co
20153	Howard, Carl F	2007	65.16	07-4-8129	Real Taxes	Release	Single Wide Removed from Co
20154	Howard, Carl F	2008	57.81	08-4-8150	Real Taxes	Release	Single Wide Removed from Co
20155	Howard, Carl F	2009	51.05	09-4-8205	Real Taxes	Release	Single Wide Removed from Co
20156	Howard, Carl F	2010	39.00	10-4-8324	Real Taxes	Release	Single Wide Removed from Co
20157	Howard, Carl F	2011	34.06	11-4-8327	Real Taxes	Release	Single Wide Removed from Co
20151	Poplin, Margaret Heirs	2009	1,202.95	12-2-DF29104	Real Taxes	Release	Incorrect Billing
20150	Poplin, Margaret Heirs	2010	1,824.21	12-2-DF29103	Real Taxes	Release	Incorrect Billing
20149	Poplin, Margaret Heirs	2011	1,601.41	12-2-DF29102	Real Taxes	Release	Incorrect Billing
			\$ 4,947.87				
					Real Taxes	Refund	Coding Error
			\$ -				
19318	Allen, John C	2011	191.30	1204-000022	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21959	Brown, Karen	2011	29.97	1203-000164	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21953	Carpenter, Billy G	2011	127.20	1203-000233	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
20159	Crowell, Roland	2012	7.44	1205-000506	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Situs
20148	Gallimore, Bobby	2011	19.82	1204-000687	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Situs
21958	Gordon, Eddy	2011	118.50	1204-000738	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21960	Howell, Joel	2011	75.50	1204-000988	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
19325	Jackson, Gregory	2011	29.20	1204-001050	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21956	Jimenez, Patricia	2011	15.57	1204-001076	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21955	Johnson, Katrena	2010	44.64	1101-000749	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21957	Morton, William Jr	2009	21.63	0908-001352	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
21954	Rowell, Henry S	2011	26.91	1203-001663	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
20147	Smith, Bobby	2011	5.72	1204-002026	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Value
19322	Smith, Deanna	2009	11.76	0912-001421	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
19321	Smith, Deanna	2010	12.50	1102-001227	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
19320	Smith, Deanna	2011	12.21	1107-001639	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
19324	Warwick, Michael	2012	91.80	1205-002410	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Proration
20158	Watkins, Jesse	2012	3.93	1205-002414	Vehicle Taxes	Release	Situs
			\$ 845.60				
19323	Carpenter, Larry M	2010	16.40	1104-000341	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	Proration
19319	White, Marble	2011	10.62	1201-001517	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	Proration
			\$ 27.02				
20148	Gallimore, Bobby	2011	2.07	1204-000687	Vehicle Taxes	Adjustment	Situs
20158	Watkins, Jesse	2012	0.66	1205-002414	Vehicle Taxes	Adjustment	Situs
			\$ 2.73				
			5,823.22				

Tax Collector's Report:

Real Property Taxes

FY 2011-2012 Current Year Ad Valorem - 2011

May 31, 2012

(Total \$\$ Collections)	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Year 2011	724,932.68	1,057,582.02	8,676,118.24	273,110.53	759,834.02	326,631.55	153,989.93	109,921.59
Year 2010	727,146.32	1,834,033.24	8,467,126.13	313,652.81	740,139.07	332,344.50	132,854.57	142,607.79
Year 2009	681,923.36	1,487,890.82	8,128,729.39	307,485.71	379,919.02	360,236.26	261,656.33	87,022.22
Year 2008	705,888.42	1,308,422.04	7,772,676.85	477,271.59	361,778.44	243,148.97	131,934.01	145,103.87
Year 2007	539,491.44	912,342.12	7,198,087.81	1,555,214.99	332,904.08	173,894.09	103,614.43	101,440.48
Year 2006	600,534.92	1,229,982.74	6,661,857.22	668,463.89	313,235.43	218,036.11	178,097.47	135,565.80
Year 2005	513,758.67	1,053,007.12	6,399,381.90	445,472.77	449,982.63	306,315.81	103,893.23	171,399.92

Of Total Collections County Taxes & Late List	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Year 2011	603,338.68	865,688.02	7,272,885.47	222,718.59	623,556.83	244,496.75	114,354.72	80,805.60
Year 2010	605,605.64	1,479,716.19	7,135,832.26	256,020.32	571,966.13	256,151.14	101,065.71	104,729.42
Year 2009	561,891.76	1,192,815.02	6,849,076.69	255,249.25	299,943.51	278,799.08	189,446.64	63,406.87
Year 2008	574,997.79	1,046,831.34	6,643,082.02	382,989.15	288,841.07	193,174.13	99,314.46	107,874.15
Year 2007	452,661.26	714,929.80	6,145,385.34	1,301,068.53	270,157.60	133,618.10	78,986.40	72,638.39
Year 2006	502,659.49	1,013,901.27	5,543,430.26	545,377.88	248,758.10	174,023.97	135,349.05	111,677.89
Year 2005	428,210.56	841,956.15	5,377,552.13	356,497.68	364,618.02	247,875.78	83,544.85	138,753.30

Current Year (2011) Ad Valorem Collections %	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Year 2011	18.51%	24.84%	84.15%	85.77%	90.48%	92.07%	92.77%	93.20%
Year 2010	15.95%	27.10%	84.77%	86.61%	90.64%	92.35%	92.95%	93.57%
Year 2009	17.03%	26.88%	84.98%	87.03%	89.23%	91.26%	92.70%	93.11%
Year 2008	20.18%	29.04%	85.89%	89.03%	91.28%	92.77%	93.40%	94.15%
Year 2007	19.69%	25.78%	79.39%	90.58%	92.71%	93.76%	94.32%	94.78%
Year 2006	20.69%	30.37%	84.55%	89.67%	91.88%	93.41%	94.53%	95.28%
Year 2005	21.77%	30.22%	84.70%	88.20%	91.88%	94.31%	95.09%	95.85%
Year 2004	16.65%	29.10%	79.55%	86.76%	90.91%	93.00%	94.25%	95.47%
Year 2003	18.90%	27.62%	82.59%	87.84%	91.20%	93.91%	95.06%	95.74%
Year 2002	12.65%	23.68%	80.46%	85.80%	89.61%	91.22%	92.54%	94.09%

Current Year (2011) Accounts Receivable Balance Remaining For County Taxes ONLY - Including Late Penalties	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Year 2011	9,872,181.97	9,108,774.55	1,922,422.15	1,726,814.58	1,155,588.56	962,100.93	877,303.12	824,977.42
Year 2010	10,243,265.68	8,883,658.36	1,857,343.24	1,632,751.51	1,141,393.93	933,101.21	859,307.48	784,518.34
Year 2009	9,763,301.52	8,627,953.83	1,770,470.81	1,529,286.07	1,270,039.78	1,030,408.42	859,835.75	811,612.36
Year 2008	9,285,824.84	8,256,793.08	1,642,118.89	1,275,760.82	1,014,606.83	840,697.33	768,238.94	680,072.63

History of Past Due Mailings	11/10/10		02/10/11		11/08/11		02/14/12	
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
	2,177	1,837,679.92	4,771	3,526,519.23	2,168	2,100,002.93	4,559	3,637,092.32

Tax Scroll Billings	Tax Rate	Taxed Value	County Tax	Late List	City Taxes	Fire Taxes	Total Billed
Year 2011	0.767	1,323,056,075	10,147,848.87	13,689.32	1,639,958.48	499,585.19	12,301,081.86
Year 2010	0.767	1,327,866,369	10,184,743.25	15,890.10	1,629,828.36	503,371.31	12,333,833.02
Year 2009	0.894	1,074,350,757	9,604,696.60	38,844.26	1,596,904.94	419,657.98	11,660,103.78
Year 2008	0.894	1,067,095,405	9,539,833.35	15,293.61	1,587,401.81	418,342.90	11,560,871.67
Year 2007	0.894	1,057,504,045	9,454,086.99	36,594.58	1,567,062.65	417,392.35	11,475,136.57
Year 2006	0.894	1,031,311,772	9,219,927.97	30,747.75	1,470,983.74	413,585.67	11,135,245.13
Year 2005	0.875	1,011,277,231	8,848,717.58	15,868.51	1,441,260.16	405,725.04	10,711,571.29

Utilities	County Tax	City Taxes	Fire Taxes	Total Billed
Year 2011	1,903,727.55	96,335.67	112,271.30	2,112,334.52
Year 2010	1,909,334.87	96,146.67	110,638.22	2,116,119.76
Year 2009	1,997,433.34	93,637.75	102,680.57	2,193,751.66
Year 2008	2,036,138.47	80,919.31	104,766.86	2,221,824.64
Year 2007	1,845,058.15	752,396.25	36,424.77	2,633,879.17
Year 2006	866,105.28	128,816.34	34,170.91	1,029,092.53
Year 2005	794,788.24	72,326.24	36,058.48	903,172.96

	Feb 2012		Mar 2012		Apr 2012		May 2012	
Accounts Receivable by Type	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
Active Garnishments	233	88,070.32	228	84,837.98	196	70,829.39	191	69,359.61
Accts with Agreements	71	18,575.58	68	17,706.44	67	17,459.87	66	17,069.78
Accts in Foreclosure	74	25,160.63	101	39,136.61	489	270,046.62	470	261,313.80
Bankruptcies	123	76,574.60	122	79,233.09	147	91,982.39	145	91,515.39
Remaining Accts Collectible	6,576	1,848,359.29	6,411	1,772,101.03	6,063	1,557,620.68	6,013	1,542,181.85
Current Year Ad Valorem(All)	3,875	1,445,847.18	3,375	1,233,151.73	3,057	1,086,918.83	2,938	1,029,151.15
**Red = AR Dollars	10,952	3,502,587.60	10,305	3,226,166.88	10,019	3,094,857.78	9,823	3,010,591.58
## Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo	4	1,886.89	3	639.48	1	654.14	26	14,156.36
# Accts Given to ParaLegal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garnishments Executed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Setoff Letters Mailed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)	-	355,643.02	-	349,512.90	-	348,963.68	-	347,575.55

One Year Ago	Feb 2011		Mar 2011		Apr 2011		May 2011	
Accounts Receivable by Type	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
Active Garnishments	379	149,430.33	320	121,784.86	313	114,083.59	294	103,924.61
Accts with Agreements	80	23,660.46	77	22,195.57	77	21,302.68	77	20,555.54
Accts in Foreclosure	88	14,073.99	75	13,161.41	74	13,028.03	74	12,894.45
Bankruptcies	139	77,290.40	132	75,947.10	130	75,701.56	130	75,697.10
Remaining Accts Collectible	5,397	1,590,644.94	5,286	1,542,040.56	5,200	1,523,196.72	5,159	1,511,433.79
Current Year Ad Valorem(All)	3,636	1,387,475.06	3,435	1,181,344.56	2,874	1,097,469.60	2,708	1,008,673.62
**Red = AR Dollars	9,719	3,242,575.18	9,325	2,956,474.06	8,668	2,844,782.18	8,442	2,733,179.11
## Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo	4	1,296.29	14	1,599.19	3	687.89	2	376.46
# Accts Given to ParaLegal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garnishments Executed	127	61,605.85	7	3,588.76	9	2,054.83	-	-
Debt Setoff Letters Mailed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)	-	411,070.55	-	401,555.66	-	398,274.20	-	390,020.05

Vehicle Property Taxes

FY 2011-2012 - Current Ad Valorem Year - 2011

May 31, 2012

(Total \$\$ Collections)	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
2011	89,208.44	148,511.21	146,211.62	66,546.71	145,510.44	114,926.78	87,325.91	95,750.68
2010	120,638.72	102,776.37	132,099.43	59,678.19	135,881.82	112,831.03	90,177.13	96,321.49
2009	148,976.92	109,246.46	165,750.40	78,676.31	128,615.80	146,889.60	101,431.08	92,017.58
2008	143,135.63	113,001.20	193,942.28	115,732.30	146,866.80	116,428.33	101,739.99	140,891.81
2007	146,325.19	147,290.59	166,118.52	143,668.15	147,628.44	124,665.05	117,102.74	123,039.32
2006	129,893.08	114,626.08	157,960.67	137,685.46	134,050.57	148,557.15	161,751.61	142,012.85
2005	131,088.21	93,076.77	131,539.48	94,377.68	127,276.33	176,635.93	142,610.59	139,331.91
Of Total Collections								
County Taxes								
2011	70,394.58	118,902.26	117,567.90	53,245.76	112,779.42	90,584.78	69,967.91	77,506.09
2010	96,381.18	83,476.51	107,502.33	47,539.38	105,909.91	87,696.46	71,814.37	77,687.74
2009	121,008.41	89,356.91	134,554.58	62,366.01	102,809.18	116,588.69	81,139.59	76,374.99
2008	116,225.68	90,925.14	155,695.83	91,988.86	117,025.16	93,602.22	82,363.60	114,310.48
2007	118,921.05	118,540.93	134,593.33	113,643.72	118,232.44	99,966.05	94,660.52	99,394.36
2006	106,168.06	93,444.65	127,794.21	109,043.87	106,565.99	118,369.14	127,982.67	114,089.37
2005	106,353.71	76,792.22	106,670.91	75,869.66	102,525.54	143,130.12	119,435.76	113,044.97
Current Year (2011) Ad Valorem Collections %								
2011	56.44%	61.75%	67.89%	66.43%	70.77%	73.38%	73.16%	72.76%
2010	60.46%	61.74%	67.57%	65.98%	69.88%	72.48%	72.77%	72.93%
2009	61.37%	61.15%	69.32%	68.56%	71.75%	76.21%	76.30%	75.90%
2008	61.79%	62.00%	70.89%	72.06%	76.33%	78.07%	76.81%	78.93%
2007	62.74%	66.28%	72.39%	75.42%	78.59%	80.07%	79.35%	79.80%
2006	57.96%	59.93%	66.77%	69.65%	72.51%	76.05%	77.89%	79.28%
2005	70.26%	69.72%	74.22%	74.67%	78.26%	80.75%	79.62%	81.44%
2004	69.64%	71.97%	77.53%	77.83%	81.56%	82.47%	82.47%	82.41%
2003	69.96%	67.97%	76.97%	76.99%	82.41%	83.61%	84.39%	83.82%
History of Past Due Mailings								
	10/01/10		02/10/11		11/08/11		02/14/12	
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
	7,810	471,356.74	5,540	340,622.47	9,681	530,539.81	8,750	487,461.50
Total Monthly Veh Billings								
2011	116,870.35	100,398.20	93,940.00	87,640.79	89,908.51	112,682.82	131,078.36	132,080.06
2010	117,140.95	97,615.33	90,680.69	82,034.34	84,233.87	109,039.61	119,912.86	127,180.60
2009	149,233.48	103,692.98	100,434.86	88,380.58	96,355.94	120,189.92	124,415.00	140,069.44
2008	148,373.75	113,200.10	108,876.07	96,624.23	104,656.71	140,299.87	125,658.12	143,902.71
2007	150,609.76	122,374.37	115,257.50	103,750.93	114,734.32	147,713.65	134,495.46	154,241.50
2006	145,191.02	120,878.86	115,964.90	104,861.62	114,077.68	148,750.88	137,007.57	158,391.01
Accounts Receivable by Type								
	Feb 2012		Mar 2012		Apr 2012		May 2012	
	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
Active Garnishments	149	11,652.10	88	4,938.77	89	4,856.07	86	4,840.70
Bankruptcies	7	460.10	48	2,320.38	48	2,303.14	46	2,280.60
Remaining Accts Receivable	3,958	225,055.58	2,842	152,491.21	2,725	147,120.18	2,687	138,713.27
Current Year AR (Taxes/Int)	5,273	299,554.21	5,233	297,971.01	5,817	332,326.27	6,767	373,327.01
**Red = AR Dollars	9,387	536,721.99	8,211	457,721.37	8,679	486,605.66	9,586	519,161.58
Garnishments Served by Mth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garnishments Matured by Mth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
One Year Ago								
	Feb 2011		Mar 2011		Apr 2011		May 2011	
	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
Active Garnishments	295	20,704.33	210	14,457.94	185	12,764.11	170	12,042.25
Bankruptcies	4	235.57	1	5.06	1	5.09	1	5.12
Remaining Accts Receivable	3,772	219,831.23	2,494	149,294.47	2,216	144,234.62	2,315	140,430.09
Current Year AR (Taxes/Int)	5,122	315,349.68	5,476	316,118.10	6,028	345,612.88	6,935	378,681.08
**Red = AR Dollars	9,193	556,120.81	8,181	479,875.57	8,430	502,616.70	9,421	531,158.54
Garnishments Served by Mth	94	7,320.09	6	383.64	2	89.60	-	-
Garnishments Matured by Mth	77	6,151.24	6	390.04	2	90.23	-	-

Budget Expense Report and Fund Balance Update:

Fund Balance Calculation					
	Last Year	Two Months	Last		
As of 05-31-12	Same Month	Ago	Month	Now	
	As of 05/31/11	As of 03/31/12	As of 04/30/12	As of 05/31/12	
Available Fund Balance					
Cash & Investments (General)	\$ 10,363,912	\$ 11,738,848	\$ 11,738,848	\$ 9,865,724	
Cash & Investments (22 Fund)	\$ 10,852	\$ 13,611	\$ 13,862	\$ 14,114	
Less Cash from General (other funds)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Less Liabilities (w/out deferred revenue)	\$ 88,224	\$ 111,780	\$ 94,542	\$ 118,433	
Less Deferred Revenue (from cash receipts)	\$ (52,979)	\$ (43,474)	\$ (43,474)	\$ (43,474)	
Less Encumbrances	\$ (621,752)	\$ (539,680)	\$ (491,308)	\$ (368,079)	
Total Available	\$ 9,788,256	\$ 11,281,085	\$ 11,312,470	\$ 9,586,718	
General Fund Expenditures					
Total Expenditures (Adopted Budget)	\$ 26,226,323	\$ 28,090,574	\$ 28,090,574	\$ 28,090,574	
Total Available for Appropriation					
Total Available	\$ 9,788,256	\$ 11,281,085	\$ 11,312,470	\$ 9,586,718	
Total Expenditures	\$ 26,226,323	\$ 28,090,574	\$ 28,090,574	\$ 28,090,574	
Total % Available Fund Balance	37.32%	40.16%	40.27%	34.13%	
Available Fund Balance Requirement Per LGC	8%	8%	8%	8%	
	\$2,098,106	\$2,247,246	\$2,247,246	\$2,247,246	
% Undesignated Fund Balance	29.32%	32.16%	32.27%	26.13%	
	\$ 7,690,151	\$ 9,033,840	\$ 9,065,224	\$ 7,339,472	

Monthly Jail Report:

ANSON COUNTY JAIL

June 4, 2012

- As of 9:00am today (June 4, 2012) the Anson County Jail (capacity of 60) held 51 inmates in Anson County; 0 inmates housed in the other County Jails; 2 inmate in DOC/Butner for medical/safe-keeping; and 0 inmates are awaiting transfer to DOC.
- The following is a breakdown of the Average Daily Population:

<u>Year</u>	<u>ADP</u>	<u>Total Booked</u>	<u>Booked/Month</u>
2003	51	1920	160
2004	54	1954	163
2005	58	2119	177
2006	55	2027	169
2007	55	----	----
2008	53	1707	142
2009	62	1919	160
2010	68	1483	124
2011	58	1669	139

3. 2011 Totals

January	59	113
February	61	136
March	56	144
April	59	170
May	59	145
June	53	162
July	58	124

August	66	177
September	62	126
October	57	136
November	60	132
December	46	104

4. 2012 Totals

January	40	117
February	45	125
March	48	158
April	45	146
May	48	146

Budget Amendment – Health Department: to recognize additional funding received from NC DHHS WCH-Children and Youth for the Anson County Health Department for Motivational Interviewing Training.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	11-5110-5181 Health Programs	<u>\$ 2,635</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 2,635

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

Increase:	11-5100 Health- All Programs	<u>\$ 2,635</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 2,635

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment –Administration Building: to appropriate funds from contingency fund to cover cost of new roof for the Anson County Government building.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	11-4162 Administration Building	<u>\$ 13,250</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 13,250

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Decrease:	11-9912 Contingency-Emergencies	<u>\$ 13,250</u>
Total Decrease:		\$ 13,250

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Carolina Apparel SBEA Project: to appropriate funding from the NC Department of Commerce Small Business Entrepreneurial Assistance Community Development Block Grant Project and funding from Carolina Apparel for the Anson County Carolina Apparel SBEA Project.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the Anson County Carolina Apparel SBEA Project be amended as follows:

Section 3. Revenues:

Increase:	NC Dept. Commerce-Community Assistance	\$ 250,000
Increase:	Anson County Local Commitment Admin	\$ 37,500
Increase:	Anson County Local Commitment GC	\$ 5,000

Increase:	Carolina Apparel Commitment	\$ 100,000
Total Increase:		\$ 392,500

Section 4. Expenditures:

Increase:	Equipment	\$ 350,000
Increase:	Grant Costs	\$ 5,000
Increase:	Grand Administration	\$ 37,500
Total Increase:		\$ 392,500

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – ACTS: to recognize additional already received revenues and appropriate funds from Contingency-Emergencies to cover costs for Anson County Transportation Department until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FISCAL YEAR 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Transportation 11-4521-4523	\$ 17,500
Increase:	Transportation 11-4521-4523	\$ 3,500
Increase:	Transportation 11-4521-4523	\$ 15,000
Decrease:	Contingency-Emergencies 11-9912	\$ 11,827
Total Increase:		\$ 24,173

Section 2. General fund Revenues:

Increase:	Transportation 11-3452	\$ 978
Increase:	Transportation 11-3452	\$ 1,635
Increase:	Transportation 11-3452	\$ 2,245
Increase:	Tax Collector -11-4141	\$ 19,315
Total Increase:		\$ 24,173

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Elderly Services: to appropriate unspent funds in Economic Development Commission to cover additional costs in Elderly Services Programs until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Elderly Services Programs 11-5880-5885	\$ 3,000
Increase:	Elderly Services Programs 11-5880-5885	\$ 1,500
Decrease:	Economic Development Commission 11-4920	-\$ 1,080
Decrease:	Economic Development Commission 11-4920	-\$ 2,505
Decrease:	Economic Development Commission 11-4920	-\$ 581
Decrease:	Economic Development Commission 11-4920	\$ 334
Total Increase:		\$ 0

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

Increase:		\$ 0
Total Increase:		\$ 0

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Library: to appropriate unspent funds in Economic Development Commission to cover additional costs in Library Programs until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Library – 11-6110	\$ 500
Decrease:	Economic Development Commission 11-4920	<u>\$ 500</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 500

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

Increase:		<u>\$ 0</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 0

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Parks and Recreation: to appropriate unspent funds in Economic Development Commission to cover additional costs in Parks and Recreation until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Parks and Recreation – 11-6120	\$ 1,500
Decrease:	Economic Development Commission 11-4920	<u>\$ 1,500</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 0

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

Increase:		<u>\$ 0</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 0

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Sheriff/Jail: to recognize additional already received revenues to cover additional expenses in Sheriff/Jail budget until fiscal year end June 30, 2012:

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Sheriff/Jail 11-4310-4320	<u>\$ 25,000</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 25,000

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	<u>\$ 25,000</u>
Total Increase:		\$ 25,000

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Water Filtration: to recognize and appropriate funds from Water fund balance to cover additional expenses in Water Filtration budget until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 15: Water Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Water Fund 61-7122	\$ 45,000
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Increase:	Water Fund 61-7122	\$ 10,000
	Total Increase:	\$ 55,000
<u>Section 16: Water Fund Revenues:</u>		
Increase:	Water Fund 61-7120	\$ 55,000
	Total Increase:	\$ 55,000

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Data Processing: to recognize additional already received revenues to cover website upgrade costs in Data Processing budget until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

<u>Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:</u>		
Increase:	Data Processing 11-4210	\$ 10,320
	Total Increase:	\$ 10,320
<u>Section 2. General Fund Revenues:</u>		
Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 10,320
	Total Increase:	\$ 10,320

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012

Budget Amendment – Tax Collector: to recognize additional already received revenues to cover additional advertising fees for the Tax Collector budget until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

<u>Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:</u>		
Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 9,000
	Total Increase:	\$ 9,000
<u>Section 2. General Fund Revenues:</u>		
Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 9,000
	Total Increase:	\$ 9,000

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Board of Elections: to recognize additional already received revenues to cover additional Registrars Fees for the Board of Elections until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

<u>Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:</u>		
Increase:	Board of Elections 11-4170	\$ 13,000
	Total Increase:	\$ 13,000
<u>Section 2. General Fund Revenues:</u>		
Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 5,500
Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 5,500
Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 2,000
	Total Increase:	\$ 13,000

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Budget Amendment – Finance Department: to recognize additional already received revenues to cover additional expenses for finance department until fiscal year end June 30, 2012.

AMENDMENT

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2011/12

BE IT ORDAINED by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2011/12 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

Increase:	Finance 11-4130	\$ 800
Total Increase:		\$ 800

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase:	Tax Collector 11-4141	\$ 800
Total Increase:		\$ 800

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2012.

Resolution – Anson County African American Revolutionary War Patriots: approved as follows:

A Resolution Concerning African American Revolutionary War Patriots of Anson County, North Carolina and the Proposed National Liberty Memorial

WHEREAS, from 1775 to 1783, an estimated 5,000 to 10,000 slaves and free persons served as soldiers, marines and patriots in the Revolutionary War in addition to tens of thousands of men, women and children who provided civilian assistance, ran away from slavery and petitioned courts and legislatures for freedom; and

WHEREAS, more than 250 African Americans served in the Revolutionary War from 39 of 100 counties in North Carolina and eleven (11) of the thirteen (13) Congressional Districts; and

WHEREAS, three African American soldiers and patriots from Anson County, including **Josiah Abshier, Allen Demery and John Hammond**, participated in the struggle for independence; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources in January 2012 recommended that the United States Senate act favorably on a bill, S. 883, to create a citizen-funded National Liberty Memorial in Washington to complete the unfinished business of two decades: the construction of a fitting honor to the inspiring struggle of African Americans of the Revolutionary War era; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of Senator Richard Burr, a member of the National Parks panel during the 111th Congress, and former Senator Elizabeth Dole, a cosponsor of a predecessor bill during the 110th Congress, contributed significantly to the progress of the legislation; and

WHEREAS, although the original memorial was not constructed, and the authority to do so has lapsed, genealogical research and the publication of hundreds of books over more than two decades reaffirm the significant contributions made by African Americans of the post-colonial period and validates their influence on the patriotism of future generations and the fulfillment of the principles of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1984, landmark legislation was approved by Congress, including Public Law 98-245 commemorating African American patriotism and Public Laws 99-558 and 100-265 that authorize a national memorial and declare the history of “preeminent historical and lasting significance to the nation.”

WHEREAS, these efforts over 24 years helped propel the publication in 2008 of *Forgotten Patriots, African American and American Indian Patriots in the Revolutionary War*, which contains the most extensive list so far of African Americans in the Revolutionary War, **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ANSON COUNTY, NC joins the National Mall Liberty Fund, D.C., (www.libertyfunddc.org) the congressional sponsors of the National Liberty Memorial Act and those who applaud the decision of Congress and President Reagan in 1988 to declare the history of “preeminent historical and lasting significance to the nation.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anson County Board of Commissioners encourages volunteers to discover the names of still-unknown African American Revolutionary War soldiers, sailors and patriots, enlarge the body of knowledge about their lives and forward the information to National Mall Liberty Fund D.C. for inclusion in a database that will celebrate the trail blazers of Anson County together with those of hundreds of proud American communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anson County Board of Commissioners urges the North Carolina Delegation to the United States Congress to work for the enactment of the National Liberty Memorial Act and to spread knowledge of the history to the state's institutions and citizens while promoting its potential for understanding and unity throughout the nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Anson County Board of Commissioners forward certified copies of this Resolution to the North Carolina Delegation to the United States Congress, the Governor of North Carolina, the Speaker and President Pro Tempore of the General Assembly and the local superintendent of schools, librarian and historical society.

Appointments:

Region F Aging Advisory Committee – Centralina COG: Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the re-appointment of Angela DePietro and Thomasina Spencer as delegates and Dot Huntley as an Alternate. Motion carried unanimously.

Centralina Workforce Development Board, Inc.: Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to approve the reappointment of Bob Stowe and Chris Wease, representing the private sector. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Concerns:

Commissioner Woodburn – Hours at Little Park: Commissioner Woodburn noted the concern was brought to him by a citizen and it ties into the video shown at the beginning of the meeting. Commissioner Woodburn shared that the citizen made reference to the renovations at the park and their concern was that because of their work hours they did not have access to the pool. Commissioner Woodburn stated that he talked with Mr. Waisner and got very good information about the various programs and all the things they were doing at the pool. Commissioner Woodburn shared that Mr. Waisner also informed him that there have been attempts in the past to make the pool open to the public but the turnout was so low that it was discontinued because we have to provide lifeguards and it was not practicable. Commissioner Woodburn stated that now they were using that time for swimming lessons and other things. Commissioner Woodburn stated that he had not had an opportunity to get with the citizen to make them aware of what he found out. Commissioner Woodburn asked the board to support having the County Manager and staff to look at a trial to see if there was low turnout for swimming lessons they may be willing to do something different with the hours. Commissioner Woodburn shared that he had only been approached by one person and did not know if this was wide spread or just one individual. Commissioner Woodburn applauded Mr. Waisner for everything he was doing at the park to make the facilities available to the public.

Chairman Baucom asked if there were other issues. County Manager Gatewood referred to the concern raised by Mr. Jones and asked for a short closed session for discussion. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to go into closed session for personnel pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.

Commissioner Sturdivant asked how many board members would be attending graduation. Commissioner Woodburn voiced that he would be out of town and Commissioner Sims voiced a conflict. Vice Chair Streater stated that he would attend. Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to recess until 6:00 P.M. on June 21, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Bonnie M. Huntley, CMC, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board

Meeting time: 2 hr. 15 min.