

**THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** convened for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the board room, Suite 209 of the Anson County Government Center.

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

Staff members present: Megan Garner, County Manager  
Bonnie M. Huntley, Clerk to the Board  
Rita James, IT/Interim Finance Officer  
Dr. Fred Thompson, Health Director  
Evonne Burr, Health Dept.  
Joe Dutton, Collector  
Jackie Rubio, Environmental Health  
Larry Newton, Assessor/Interim Planner

Others: Scott Forbes, County Attorney  
Janine Rywak, Extension Director

Chairman Baucom called the meeting to **Order**, saying she was glad to see so many people here to take an interest in their local government. Carey Rodgers, Pathways to Peace Ministries, delivered the **Invocation**.

**Approval of the Agenda by Commissioners:** Chairman Baucom asked if there were any changes with Commissioner Sims saying he had a Commissioner Concern. Commissioner Sturdivant asked to discuss item 5g, Duke Progress Coal Ashe Letter, in closed session. Commissioner Sims voiced that this was the same as his Commissioner Concern. Commissioner Woodburn stated that his Commissioner Concern was a request from a citizen for a waterline. Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve the Agenda with the change and additions. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Smith asked for a small moment of silence for the Honorable F. O'Neil Jones and the greatest boxer in the work, Muhammed Ali. Commissioner Sturdivant asked to add Attorney Fred Poisson's mother who will be buried Thursday.

After the moment of silence, Commissioner Smith asked about Mr. Jones. Chairman Baucom stated that the Anson flag was flying at half-mast in honor of F. O'Neil Jones. Chairman Baucom shared a copy of the obituary with board members saying arrangements were June 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. at the Presbyterian Church. Chairman Baucom voiced that Neil has meant a lot to this community. Chairman Baucom stated that he probably was a brilliant man and she knows he was a smart man but he's the only person she knows that married twice, divorced twice and had a wonderful relationship with both x-wives. Chairman Baucom stated that he was a man with a demon of addiction and he used that to help others in this community with their addiction. Chairman Baucom stated that he was so smart and we all benefitted from his service. Chairman Baucom noted that he was a North Carolina Senator, he represented this community in Raleigh, and he was a county commissioner and a member of Sandhills Mental Health Board for a number of years. Chairman Baucom stated that anybody with a problem or addiction went immediately to Neil and he could get them in anywhere. Chairman Baucom felt we had a loss and we all share that loss.

**Public Hearing: Economic Development Incentive:** Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

In the Public Hearing, County Manager Garner stated that Premiere Fibers has requested an Economic Development incentive in the amount of \$35,000 to be granted over a period of no more than five years. County Manager Garner shared that the business does plan an expansion and Vijay with Premiere Fibers is here if you need more details about the expansion. County Manager Garner added that they plan to create 10 new jobs once the expansion is complete. County Manager Garner added that the business is located just outside Ansonville. County Manager Garner explained that this would require the upgrade of two sewer pump stations, which is where the estimated \$35,000 comes from, as well as dedicated power service to both pump stations, which Premiere Fibers plans to cover the cost. Vijay spoke saying they have started construction on the expansion project and unfortunately were not able to get their permitting because of the sewer concerns for the Town of Ansonville. Vijay said they were at a standstill and have been for almost two months now and they feel that they would like to offset some of these cost. Vijay commented that they were the largest employer in Ansonville and they are seeking assistance from the county to offset some of the cost that are required for public utilities. Vice Chair Streater asked their number of employees with Vijay answering around 200 people now. Commissioner Sturdivant shared that she and Chairman Baucom toured the facility and they take care of their employees. Commissioner Sturdivant noted that some of the things there are so

restricted that you can't just put anything in the newspaper but it would be a tour other board members would enjoy. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that someone has to be there all the time and they have Christmas for the parents that have children. Chairman Baucom noted it was in operation 24 hours a day seven days a week and she thinks they work 12 hour shifts. Chairman Baucom added that this was an asset to this community and she was glad they were here. County Attorney Forbes asked if this would increase water consumption with Vijay answering that they will have some water increase as far as consumption and the discharge would be minimal. County Attorney Forbes felt this should raise revenues for the water department. Commissioner Sims added that they have been an industry that has been very supportive of this county and their community. Commissioner Sims voiced that they have taken part in fund raisers and they have done a lot for youth. Commissioner Sims added that they have grown over the years and he believes they will grow a lot more. Commissioner Sims thanked them for what they have meant to this county. Chairman Baucom asked if there other questions or comments. Commissioner Sturdivant asked Vijay to explain what happens if they have a problem with the water. Vijay stated that if they ever have a drop in pressure, not only does that reduce the pressure to their chillers it causes water loss as well. Vijay stated that they have fire protection and it would not be up to code as to how much water pressure is necessary if the town had any water issues. Chairman Baucom then asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. Mr. Locklear commented that there were grants out there to help businesses that are expanding because Anson County is a Tier 1 and also to help with infrastructure. Mr. Locklear added that because of the 10 new jobs the county could apply for grants to help offset that cost. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sikes, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Economic Development Incentive. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Appearances:**

**Victoria Whitt – Sandhills Center:** Ms. Whitt, CEO of Sandhills Center, added her remembrances of Mr. Jones. Ms. Whitt shared that he served on the Sandhills Center Board for years and he kept them on their toes. Ms. Whitt assured board members that when it came to getting help for all people, especially folks with substance abuse issues, he did not know the word "no" and he quickly taught her there was no such thing as saying no. Ms. Whitt added that they have spent the last two days at Sandhills

Center telling Neil Jones stories. Ms. Whitt thanked Vice Chair Streater for his loyal membership on the Sandhills Center Board and assured board members that Anson County was well represented. Ms. Whitt stated that their board met March 8<sup>th</sup> to take up the question of county general funding and for the past 12 years they have not requested any additional funding from any of their nine counties. Ms. Whitt stated that she was here tonight to request the same amount they requested last year which is \$55,000. Ms. Whitt noted that in each agenda packet there was a sheet showing the number of people that were served with this funding last year through DayMark recovery. Ms. Whitt called their attention to the column saying indigent because that is where the county funding goes. Ms. Whitt stated that the county money helped serve the 356 people listed for last calendar year. Ms. Whitt shared with board members that we've done such a good job that this year her board directed her to meet with each county and have a discussion of the \$55,000 and if we would like to see it go to a different behavioral health need. Ms. Whitt stated that a couple of months ago she had the opportunity to meet with our County Manager, Vice Chair Streater, Sheriff Reid and Lula Jackson of DSS to brain storm what were some of the specific behavioral health needs in Anson County. Ms. Whitt stated that they came up with several avenues that she is currently pursuing and she hopes in the next few days to have another meeting with those folks to talk about what they could do to assist with those needs. Ms. Whitt added that this has gone real well in their other counties where they have been able once again to zero in what specific counties there are and across the board one of the issues coming to the forefront is detention centers. Ms. Whitt mentioned the jail and the mentally ill that are incarcerated and those are some of the areas she hopes can continue to be discussed. Ms. Whitt stated that also in the packet is their annual report and their quarterly report to be read at their leisure. Ms. Whitt updated board members on something going on at the state level. Ms. Whitt reminded board members that in 2013 she stood before them to say that the DHHS secretary wanted to take the eleven LME/MCO's which Sandhills is one, and consolidate them down to three or four. Ms. Whitt shared that their board did not think this was a good thing so they did not make any movements in that area. Ms. Whitt added that they thought this movement had gone away for good but in March of this year the new secretary proposed it again. Ms. Whitt noted it was the same map and the same configuration and reminded board members that the plan is to have Sandhills Center's nine counties merge with Alliance. Ms. Whitt explained that Alliance was the LME/MCO that covers Durham, Wake, Cumberland and Johnston counties. Ms. Whitt shared that her board has instructed her to meet with all of their counties to inform them of this namely was an FYI at this point because we are not sure that the state, without legislation, can force anything but we want to have this on your radar in case something comes up she may come back for a more detailed

discussion. Ms. Whitt again noted that her board does not feel it is in the best interest of Sandhills Center's counties to be merged into that particular configuration. Ms. Whitt noted that she would keep board members abreast of this and if things seem to be progressing towards some kind of mandate she will be coming back to request their support. Chairman Baucom stated that she noted that our facility here served 849 total clients and that comes out to \$65 each and that's not too bad. Chairman Baucom stated that speaking of our guest at the jail there is a big deal on that and for illnesses as well.

**Eric Locklear:** Mr. Locklear, representing Locklear and Jacobs engineering and consultants, said he has been working in Anson County since 2012. Mr. Locklear stated that Anson County was awarded an EPA brownfield grant that was designed for an inventory to be taken of any commercial or industrial property in Anson County that may or may have had the presence of environmental hazards. Mr. Locklear stated that this gives the commissioners and the county a good idea of what these buildings need and what they don't need to help be able to market them to industry coming in or industry expanding and looking for more room. Mr. Locklear then introduced Ms. Locklear, his environmental scientist for Locklear and Jacobs and Ms. Emily Jones. Mr. Locklear stated that the grant ends in September and they have spent a good portion of the money but they still have about \$154,000 left. Mr. Locklear noted they were still taking applications for anyone with a commercial or industrial building that needs to be assessed. Mr. Locklear stated that they were trying to get the inventory together to paint a good picture for the county on what needs to be done, what they can do and to also go after additional funding. Mr. Locklear stated that they could go after another round of funds to keep this going or they could go after some cleanup funds to help clean up some of the properties. Mr. Locklear stated that they were putting together some plans on how to get the information out so Ms. Jones made a brochure. Mr. Locklear added they were also working to get the information on the county's website. Mr. Locklear mentioned the old hospital site noting they were digging up the soil to see if anything is there and if so they will determine how to clean it up so it can be marketed. Mr. Locklear noted that the EPA requires them to do a community involvement plan which is to put together a plan and inventory of all the properties that we do have and what the county plans to do with the properties and how they plan to move forward. Mr. Locklear added that using federal dollars requires them to put the information on the county website. Mr. Locklear stated that from now to October they will be putting together some good information and make it available to the public. Commissioner Sturdivant asked what they would need to do to get him to check out the building in Lilesville marked as the future site of the Lilesville Community Center. Mr. Locklear said they need to talk with County

Manager Garner as they have funding available. Chairman Baucom suggested he talk with Mr. Newton our Assessor to see if he knows of any land that would be prime for Economic Development. Mr. Locklear shared that his plan was to come in next week and sit down again with County Manager Garner and Mr. Newton. Vice Chair Streater asked what other things could be done with the money with Mr. Locklear answering assessments which is Phase 1 or Phase 2 ESA or they can do soil samples, mold, asbestos, lead paint inspections but it has to be commercial or industrial. Vice Chair Streater asked if he had looked at the Social Services building with Mr. Locklear answering it has not been put on his list.

**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Stebbing:** Mr. Stebbing stated that they have been residents of Anson County for about 20 years and they live on a small farm just outside McFarlan. Mr. Stebbing voiced a concern for the trash he sees on the roads of this county. Mr. Stebbing felt it was a great grievance saying it disturbs him and he would like to see improvements in the county. Mr. Stebbing shared that over the last several seasons he has taken it upon himself to pick up the trash on 1003 from McFarlan to Peru Road. Mr. Stebbing stated that every morning he takes his dog on a leash and a large trash bag and he comes home with a full bag of trash. Mr. Stebbing felt it was an abomination picking up used diapers, people's lunches, beer cans and he would say without exaggeration that he has carried home at least 500 bags. Mr. Stebbing shared that he was at a point to where he is very proud of what he has done and invited everyone to come take a tour of the area. Mr. Stebbing questioned the mentality in Anson County wondering if people were just self-interested, naïve or if they just don't have any respect for their community and he thinks this is a majority not a minority. Mr. Stebbing thought it might be good to address this issue in the public schools maybe giving the children one-half an hour a semester, twice a year on why they should pick up trash, why they should respect their community and how to discard trash. Mr. Stebbing also thinks a recycling center where we could recycle cans, glass products, newspaper and plastic goods would work and he doesn't know how many people would appreciate a recycling center but he thinks it would grow in time. Mr. Stebbing thought trying a public dumpster where the public could discard their trash might help and they could see how it goes. Mr. Stebbing suggested a summer program for children on Saturdays, hopefully financed by businesses, to go out for a couple of hours and pick up trash. Mr. Stebbing noted another idea would be renting a big marquee on 74 and/or 52 with No littering, Keep Anson County Beautiful. Mr. Stebbing felt the mowers make ten times the mess as before and if we could work it out that we could pick up the trash before they mow it would be a lot more presentable. Mr. Stebbing offered that since he has been doing this he has gotten in really good shape so this would be a good workout for everyone. Mr. Stebbing felt everyone present

could go outside with a trash bag and set an example for the community. Chairman Baucom thanked Mr. and Mrs. Stebbing for helping to remove litter in their part of the world. Chairman Baucom added that the board had this conversation earlier in the year. Chairman Baucom mentioned her trip to Florida and how pristine the interstate was and realized it was because the fine for littering in Florida is \$1,000. Chairman Baucom feels we have a limit on what we can charge and it is nowhere near \$1,000 but thinks this is something we need to consider. Chairman Baucom stated that over the years we've had civic organizations and others voluntarily clean up the roadsides. Chairman Baucom stated that one of the worse places she knows of is Kitty Bennett Road. Chairman Baucom noted that their points were well taken and we don't have a lot of money to spend on this but there are convenience centers in several of the small communities and urged them to look at that. Chairman Baucom noted that we've had two recycling centers to open and not be successful but they were private enterprise. Chairman Baucom added that as they go through the budget season they will see if they can find anything that can help with this problem. Chairman Baucom commented that it shows a lack of pride and disrespect. Vice Chair Streater then asked Mr. Sessions to address the issue raised by Mr. Stebbing about an older home with trash around it. Mr. Sessions stated that they had a hard time finding the owner but they did and he's been asked to clean it up. Mrs. Stebbing shared that in one of the large trash bags she found the name and address of the people's whose garbage was in the bag and found that they live in Cheraw, South Carolina. Ms. Stebbing added that in the trash was their social security, bank card and credit card information and asked if there was any way they could approach this person about dumping their trash in North Carolina. County Attorney Forbes stated that from the limited facts a letter could be written to these people saying their trash was found on this property and we have reason to believe they deposited it here illegally. County Attorney Forbes stated that we would include the statute about littering. County Attorney Forbes stated that if we have photographic evidence or eye witness evidence you can always go to the magistrate's office and take out papers. County Attorney Forbes added that getting a license tag on its on is not good enough because you need to be able to identify who was driving the car. Ms. Stebbing asked for suggestions of what they could do besides citizens picking up garbage. Commissioner Sims favored raising the penalty as high as possible. County Attorney Forbes asked if they had ever seen anyone throwing out the garbage with Mr. Stebbing answering they never see anyone and there is never any law enforcement on these roads. Mr. Stebbing realizes it is a financial situation in Anson County and feels the best way is by example. Commissioner Smith mentioned that we have prisoners that clean up the roadways with Chairman Baucom thinking they stopped that program. Commissioner Sturdivant noted that the program had not stopped but they can refuse in certain

weather conditions. Chairman Baucom stated that they love the things they said about Anson County and glad they chose to be here. Commissioner Sikes suggested deer cameras on the road to take pictures of the cars. Commissioner Sturdivant added that she likes the idea of the billboard but feels if we could do a day of community clean up and asked everyone to take that time to get out with a bag and clean up their area. Mr. Stebbing stated that Chris with Windstream is the only other man in the county he knows that has a heart for this and they share stories. Chairman Baucom feels we need a comprehensive program.

**Jeff Boothby:** Lewis Evans stated that Jeff asked him to speak on his behalf tonight for the TDA. Mr. Evans mentioned a letter of agreement that they need a signature on for the Uwharrie Regional Tourism project. Mr. Evans noted this was a non-committal contract covering nine counties that allows them to form a collaborative partnership for fabulous results. Mr. Evans feels Anson County will prosper better than the other eight counties involved because they already have strong tourism going on in their counties. Mr. Evans feels that by sharing information and letting us benefit from their knowledge will put us in a better position to create tourism in the future. Mr. Evans added that tourism contributes greatly to Economic Development. Mr. Evans noted that County Attorney Forbes has taken a look at the document. County Attorney Forbes asked if this would be funded by revenue collected from the hotel tax with Mr. Evans answering that at this point and time there is no money involved but in the future, yes. Mr. Evans told County Attorney Forbes that when fees are established they will most likely handle that from the TDA fund. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to approve pursuing this partnership. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Evans mentioned the 2016-2017 budget for TDA saying he did not have a copy of last year's budget but he felt the board was familiar with what it was last year. Mr. Evans stated that they see no need to increase their budget from what it has been the last three or four years and the only thing they will do is change a couple of line items. Mr. Evans stated that some things no longer apply and some have been combined and they hope to move some things around but will not spend any more than what they have been doing. Commissioner Sims asked Ms. James if she was ok with this with Ms. James answering yes. Motion by Commissioner Sims to approve. Vice Chair Streater noted that the county budget had not been approved with Commissioner Sims withdrawing his motion. Mr. Evans shared that they picked up some new board members and things were going well. Mr. Evans shared that the groups that are interested in Anson County being better are all having collaboratively efforts. Mr. Evans feels things are happening because all the groups are communicating and unfortunately before everybody wanted to do good stuff but everybody wanted to do it on their own. Mr. Evans added

that we all know that power is in numbers and the better we communicate and find out that another group is wanting to do the same things we are and if we connect our efforts together we can accomplish much more than we can by ourselves. Chairman Baucom asked if they were still pursuing the Branding program with Mr. Evans answering yes. Mr. Evans said that at the Wadesboro Town Council meeting last night they approved the Welcome to Anson County signs. Mr. Evans added that there will be new Welcome to Wadesboro signs going up. County Attorney Forbes asked if they would be similar to the ones in downtown Marshville with Mr. Evans answering they will be like on two lamp post, professionally done and the lettering will be in 3-D. Chairman Baucom voiced appreciation for all they do.

**Denise Whitley:** Ms. Whitley was not present.

**Public Addresses:**

**Danny Pearson** – Mr. Pearson noted the recent concerns raised about the landfill and Brown Creek and that prompted him to call J. D. Bricken at Pee Dee Wildlife to ask the condition of Brown Creek. Mr. Pearson shared that according to Mr. Bricken it gets tested all the time and everything came back good on Brown Creek. Commissioner Sims mentioned to Mr. Pearson that he wants to appoint him to the Citizens Advisory Board and asked him to call Bob Briley. Chairman Baucom commented that they need to organize but felt the board needed to revise the program or the description of what the committee is supposed to do. Mr. Pearson added that Mr. Bricken also gave him the website and phone number to call to monitor testing. Mr. Pearson stated that there was no pollution in Brown Creek. Mr. Pearson stated that he also toured the landfill and there was trash there but what would you expect at a landfill. Mr. Pearson added that there was some blown out of boundaries but they had people with orange vest and hard hats picking it up. Mr. Pearson stated that he was not saying he was for or against coal ash but he was here to hear both sides of the story. Mr. Pearson stated that at the meeting he brought it up to the opposing party about getting Duke Energy to come talk with us and they said they were not going to hear what they had to say. Mr. Pearson felt they did not want to hear the other side; they just want us to hear their side. Mr. Pearson added that he was not a paid speaker but just a concerned citizen and local business owner that wants to hear both sides of the story before he makes a decision.

**Cary Rodgers:** Chairman Baucom noted he had three minutes to speak. Mr. Rodgers stated that he was not here to cause problems and for the record he never said Brown Creek has been contaminated. Mr. Rodgers stated that they want to keep it from being contaminated and before the last

meeting he was accused of just trying to find negative things in the community and that is not the reason he came here. Mr. Rodgers was not here to purposely cause enemies. Mr. Rodgers said he worked in Charlotte for years as a social worker then he changed careers and went into the computer industry for a little then God called him to the ministry. Mr. Rodgers stated that in traveling through Anson County he thought somebody needed to come here to evangelize and never thought it would be him. Mr. Rodgers stated that he wants to make sure our water is protected and our land. Mr. Rodgers shared that he got involved because of the fracking issues. Mr. Rodgers added that they want to make sure the landfill is running at the best and we keep away something that will be hurtful to us. Mr. Rodgers stated that he lives here and he actually joined the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League because of the great things they have done. Mr. Rodgers added that in our county they have kept away a low level nuclear dump, an incinerator and other things that could be harmful to the community. Mr. Rodgers asked the board to make sure that when they put the Citizens Advisory Board together, that it is balanced. Mr. Rodgers said it was good to have someone with an open mind but someone at the same time that is critical. Commissioner Sims referred to coal ash saying it was still up in the air about how dangerous it is but most physicians in the United States believe it is very dangerous. Commissioner Sims noted that coal ash contains arsenic, lead, mercury and a dozen other poisonous things.

**Neva Helms:** Ms. Helms stated that she was glad to be here tonight. Ms. Helms gave a brief legislative update saying the house passed their budget. Ms. Helms added that the Senate passed their budget and now they are working on a compromise. Ms. Helms reminded board members of the 2015 Appropriation Acts where they had the sales tax expansion and distribution changes, saying she was told that earlier that across the state they are projecting an additional twenty nine million dollars more than what they had originally projected. Ms. Helms shared that they are projecting an additional \$28,000 for Anson County from the original \$574,000 in revenue. Ms. Helms feels this is good news as long as the projections fall in line. Ms. Helms shared that their office stays pretty busy between Raleigh and the district. Ms. Helms shared at the next AEDC meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup> they have Chris Plate' from Union County Economic Development. Ms. Helms stated that she would ask their research division about laws governing littering across state lines. Commissioner Sims asked her to find out the highest littering charge we could make. Chairman Baucom told her to tell her Dad that state employees who have retired appreciate the house budget that doesn't cut their benefits like the senate budget does. Ms. Helms stated that in the house budget state retirees were to get a 2% increase and she hopes it will stay. Chairman Baucom noted that on the senate side there was no raise. Chairman Baucom thanked Ms. Helms for coming.

Chairman Baucom called for a short break.

After the break, Chairman Baucom noted that they will be meeting several times this month and proposed that they go through **Administrative Matters** and the **Consent Agenda** and then recessed until Monday and hopefully finish up the agenda.

### **Administrative Matters:**

**Health Department Family Planning Fee Proposal:** Dr. Thompson stated that the fee proposed was reviewed by the Board of Health last month and is recommended for approval. Dr. Thompson shared that it was for Liletta, which is a lower cost IUD and the proposed fee is \$60. Dr. Thompson stated that they would like to offer this new IUD in their family planning program at the health department. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sikes, to approve. Chairman Baucom shared that she has a problem with IUD's and would not be voting for this but she appreciates the value of having an array of birth control methods. Motion carried 6 to 1 with Chairman Baucom opposed.

**Recognition of Ms. Rubio – Authorization in Food/Lodging:** Dr. Thompson said he could not be more proud than to present Ms. Rubio for two reasons: she is a 1980 graduate of Bowman High School and she served this country honorably in the United States Army for 25 years with 20 years active duty and five years reserve. Dr. Thompson shared that she rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant and he knows what her sacrifice meant. Dr. Thompson added that after retiring from the Army she returned to Anson County and decided to build a home not far from her mother. Dr. Thompson stated when she applied for her septic permit Mr. Kane found out that while in the military Ms. Rubio attended the University of Kansas earning a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. Dr. Thompson stated that one thing led to another and last summer they brought her on as an Environmental Health intern and he thanked Mr. Kane for mentoring her. Dr. Thompson shared that on May 23rd she received a letter notifying her that she was being granted delegation of authority for food/lodging and institutional sanitation, which includes migrant housing, effective immediately. Dr. Thompson noted that she now has authority to administer and enforce the laws of North Carolina. Dr. Thompson feels we now have stability in environmental health that we've not had for a number of years.

**Animal Shelter Monthly Report:** Dr. Thompson noted that last month they were working through a kennel cough outbreak with Dr. Wright's plan of treatment. Dr. Thompson added that the animals were essentially symptom free by mid-May but he wanted to wait at least two weeks until

they were symptom free and June 1<sup>st</sup> they reopened the shelter for normal operations. Dr. Thompson added that they've had six adoptions since last Wednesday and currently holding 45 dogs and 9 cats. Dr. Thompson pointed out that one of the dogs was on a 10 day bite hold in quarantine and four of the dogs have been held for some time now for Chief Gallimore of Lilesville. Dr. Thompson hopes the judge may assign them to the shelter so they can put them up for adoption. Dr. Thompson announced that they will be at Tractor Supply this Saturday with some of the animals and they hope to do this on a regular basis. Dr. Thompson stated that today they were visited by a student from Wingate University and she has volunteered for a school project to take over Facebook/Instagram/Twitter and other social media and will be doing that on a weekly basis. Dr. Thompson feels their biggest need is staffing and after three months they have not had any viable candidates for the director's position and they will keep looking. Dr. Thompson shared that they will start recruiting for the Vet Tech position this week. Chairman Baucom was of the understanding there was some difficulty with the volunteers, and from what she can tell they have been a tremendous help during this time. Chairman Baucom asked Dr. Thompson to make a concerted effort to mend some bridges as she feels we will be in a difficult situation if we don't have the volunteers to come in and help. Chairman Baucom noted that we were having trouble recruiting someone to fill the two positions and we just need to mend fences.

Commissioner Sims asked the County Attorney if they could take up a budget item at the meeting tonight saying he has just one budget item he'd like to present to the board. County Manager Garner answered that it could be presented but the board would have to hold the Public Hearing before they can adopt the budget.

**Reappointment of Tax Collector:** Chairman Baucom asked Mr. Dutton if he had made any money today with Mr. Dutton answering that a particular tax debt they've had would be taken care of with the Town of Wadesboro moving their police department. Mr. Dutton stated that they would have the issue related to Mr. Pearson taken care of in full by the end of the month. Commissioner Sims asked Mr. Dutton if he was doing debt set-off with Mr. Dutton answering that they were waiting on some software situations they have to have done here and yes they will move forward on that. Vice Chair Streater asked about garnishments with Mr. Dutton answering yes they were. Vice Chair Streater asked how many they have done with Mr. Dutton answering they have a lot going on at any given time, especially county employees and school system employees. Mr. Dutton added that they do garnishments actively. Mr. Dutton noted an issue is that someone has to have a job to be garnished. Chairman Baucom stated that she and Mr. Dutton had a conversation last July and they talked about

garnishments and it sounds like he's doing those and as he explained, they are not worth a thing if the person does not have a job. Mr. Dutton noted that they could not attach government assistance. Chairman Baucom recalled that he needed some software to facilitate the process and asked the cost. Mr. Dutton answered that to buy new software could be very expensive. Mr. Dutton noted that they use what they have in-house and Ms. James helps with that and they've been needing Ms. Williams on a regular basis to do these. Chairman Baucom mentioned debt set-off, mailing past due notices twice a year in January and August with Mr. Dutton feeling they've done more than that this year. Mr. Dutton stated that their official in the paper notice would be in the next Anson Record. Mr. Dutton offered that they were running about one-half percent to three-quarters percent ahead of last year at this point. Chairman Baucom stated that in their conversation he mentioned that he needed a paralegal person with Mr. Dutton saying yes, that would be great. Chairman Baucom added that she was not sure we could afford that with Mr. Dutton saying a paralegal would allow them to do a lot more with foreclosures because it is just not cost worthy to hire lawyers to do these. Chairman Baucom asked when they send out the notices how many come back with the wrong address with Mr. Dutton thinking it was four to five percent. Mr. Dutton added that they do what they can to find them even using all matters of social media, the phone book and asking people. Mr. Dutton stated that you can spend hours and hours searching for people who owe \$71 and the majority of their delinquencies is an average ticket of \$271. Vice Chair Streater asked the cost of hiring a paralegal with Mr. Dutton thinking \$35,000 at the very least. Mr. Dutton asked the County Attorney if they could hire one for that with County Attorney Forbes answering he might be surprised what he might find one for now days. Mr. Dutton added that it would be great to have one do the title searches for them so they could put them on the courthouse steps themselves. Mr. Dutton stated that it was \$2,500 to \$3,000 to put a \$10,000 tax bill on the courthouse steps and then they might not get it all. County Attorney Forbes stated that the danger also becomes that they come up at the last minute and pay their taxes and the provisions do not allow you to recoup. Mr. Dutton noted that all he could collect was the taxes. Mr. Dutton added that they can't get the legal fee and it happens to them almost every time if it's a valuable property. Chairman Baucom liken it to people coming in throwing trash on the ground in Anson County. Chairman Baucom stated that you have to pay your property tax if you're going to have property here and she knows he has property with lots of heirs. Vice Chair Streater was of the opinion the law had changed on this with County Manager Garner thinking there was something now where you do not have to contact every heir. Mr. Dutton stated that there has never been an in rem foreclosure overturned in North Carolina but if they do sell a property with 36 heirs and they only reach 18, they have done their due

diligence and if a person is found later they can still get something and we'll be in court with them defending our position. Chairman Baucom feels we may have to do that to send a message. Mr. Dutton said that while collecting money he tries to save the county money because he knows how expensive it is to do foreclosures. Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to reappoint Mr. Dutton as tax collector for a term of two years. Motion carried unanimously.

**Dates for Budget Workshops:** Chairman Baucom noted they were coming back on the 13<sup>th</sup> and asked board members how many they thought were needed. This will be decided after the budget presentation.

**Fiscal Year 2016-2017 BCBS Health Insurance Proposal:** Chairman Baucom stated that she sees staff has gotten it down to a 7.5% increase but there is right much difference in the benefits and wondered if we could do a hybrid system where the difference in the premium is like \$64.80 a month and could we consider having the employee pay that part. County Manager Garner stated that she had hoped next year to bid out insurance and sometime during next year implement a wellness program to encourage our employees to live a healthier lifestyle and then eventually if they don't meet certain benchmarks they would be responsible for paying a portion of their health insurance. County Manager Garner noted that was the plan long term. Vice Chair Streater commented that when we bring the Human Resource person on board that should be one of their first assignments. County Manager Garner added that that would be a very busy person. County Manager Garner requested the board to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield Option 1 at a 7.5% premium increase. County Manager Garner explained that the change was the deductible as it goes from \$1,000 to \$2,000 for in network and \$2,000 to \$4,000 for out of network. County Manager Garner felt \$1,000 was a fairly low deductible and we've been very fortunate to have that and it also affects the family coverage which was an easy change to make since we have no employees with family coverage. County Manager Garner felt the reason was because it is so cost prohibitive at this time. Vice Chair Streater asked in dollar amounts how much was the 7.5% with Chairman Baucom answering \$64.80. Vice Chair Streater asked total with County Manager Garner answering \$186,120. Vice Chair Streater stated that he hopes our employees take this into consideration along with the raise they may be getting. County Manager Garner shared that once the final budget is adopted they plan to send out a press release to all employees and the public to let them know what their total compensation packet is and exactly how much it cost for each one of us to be covered on the health insurance. Commissioner Sims stated that insurance has almost become more valuable than salary. Vice Chair Streater asked how much we pay per month per employees with County Manager Garner answering with

the new coverage for next year it is \$8,960 a year per employee. Vice Chair Streater commented that this was a good benefit. Chairman Baucom noted it was \$747 a month. Commissioner Sturdivant commented that so often you will have young employees that may not want to go to work on Monday so they will go to the hospital and get a slip not to go to work but that cost us when you use the emergency room. County Manager Garner noted that was correct. County Manager Garner explained that part of the deductible change is their out of pocket will increase. Vice Chair Streater feels that should stop some of this. County Manager Garner stated that this fiscal year the plan was change to increase the ER visit co-pay to \$500 and that has cut back on some of the visits but she thinks the people that are still going despite the \$500 may continue to go no matter what we say. Commissioner Woodburn shared that he talked with the County Manager about the Wellness program noting that other counties do that through their health department. Commissioner Woodburn stated that most of the time if employees take off work for medical care they will take at least one-half day and in some cases a whole day but as an incentive we could give them an hour still on the clock to go by the health department for routine healthcare and they don't have to take off work or lose any money and the county gets reduced healthcare cost because the health department is not as costly as going other places. Commissioner Woodburn said this would save the employee and the county money. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the FY2016-2017 BCBS Health Insurance proposal as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Duke Progress Coal Ash Letter:** Moved to closed session.

**General Obligation Bond Discussion:** Chairman Baucom felt it would be just as well to discuss this during budget discussions. Chairman Baucom stated that it looks like any way we go it will be about the same so we just need to figure out who we want to be in debt to. County Manager Garner pointed out that if the board wants to go the route of bonds, we have to start taking action immediately and if not tonight, then at the Monday meeting in order to take all steps possible to get it on the ballot for November. Chairman Baucom felt it will cost about the same if we go with bonds or USDA. County Manager Garner added that bonds would have some additional cost because you will have \$5,000 just for bond council to get it on the ballot and then if it passes she thinks it is \$14,000 to \$15,000 beyond that. Chairman Baucom noted the time period for dealing with USDA was much shorter. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that she wants the Agri-Civic Center as soon as possible. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that she, Commissioner Woodburn and Commissioner Sikes were at graduation and a student passed out from the heat and an elderly person passed out in the stands. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that when the student passed out

they were looking for EMS and they were nowhere to be found. Chairman Baucom asked where they were with Commissioner Sturdivant answering at the high school on the football field. Commissioner Sturdivant feels the board needs to do all they can to get this Civic Center. Chairman Baucom voiced that she was charmed by the USDA because it would take 105 days as opposed to 12-18 months with the bond issue to get going.

**Presentation of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget:** County Manager Garner stated that she would go through and hit highlights of the budget. County Manager Garner noted that packets were delivered late Friday evening. County Manager Garner thanked board members for their direction noting the planning retreat was tremendously helpful in setting our goals for the coming year. County Manager Garner thanked the staff, saying most department directors worked really hard on their budget, submitted it and they worked through it. County Manager Garner thanked Bonnie and Rita who have spent a tremendous amount of time helping her with the budget. County Manager Garner noted that they have been a tremendous asset since she's been here. County Manager Garner stated that the general fund was \$29,716,650 and compared to last year it is an increase as last year we had \$28,574,937. County Manager Garner noted the enterprise funds are around \$7.5 million. County Manager Garner noted that our annual debt service was really low, including general fund and enterprise funds, we have around \$765,000, which is to be applauded for a county our size. Chairman Baucom asked if they could calculate the debt per capita with Commissioner Sims saying \$3,400. County Manager Garner stated that the Manager's recommended budget maintains the current tax rate and it does recommend the Wadesboro Fire Tax Increase of two cents per the request of the Town of Wadesboro. County Manager Garner added that they have recommended a one cent municipal tax increase on their end and they would require both increases in order to do the new fire department they have proposed. County Manager Garner shared that as of last night their tax increase had not yet been approved. County Manager Garner added that the proposed budget includes a 2.5% cost of living adjustment for all regular full time employees and we will continue to provide health insurance at no cost to employees at \$8,960 per year per employee. County Manager Garner noted that the retirement rate increased for the coming year and it will be 10.37% of their salary for non-law enforcement officers which is an additional increase for employees but there is no reduction of services. County Manager Garner shared that they did a thorough review of personnel and they had quite a few request for new positions and increases for existing positions but they only recommended funding for two new employees. County Manager Garner noted that the Sheriff had requested two new deputies for the courthouse and after talking with him he said he would do whatever it took to make it work even it if it meant taking someone from the

office to sit out during lunches or times off and he would do it himself if he had to. County Manager Garner stated that there is also a Human Resources Manager position in the proposed budget. County Manager Garner stated that they estimate additional revenue from the sales tax on labor. County Manager Garner noted the highest estimates have been \$574,000 a year and we don't know how much we'll get but we booked \$408,000. County Manager Garner added that it has to be spent on Economic Development, k-12 education or community college education. County Manager Garner explained that representatives from those three groups met and recommend we split the funds equally among the three groups and that is what is proposed. County Manager Garner stated that we will get the money in and monthly cut a check to the schools for one-third, to the college for a one-third and we will put one-third into a county fund for Economic Development that could be appropriated as the board decides. County Manager Garner noted it would be after July 1 when we receive our first batch of money and we will have to monitor this throughout the year. County Manager Garner explained that Economic Development would be in a separate fund that would stay with the county since we are responsible for making sure it is spent on one or all three purposes. County Manager Garner stated that we have proposed a different funding method for Economic Development. County Manager Garner noted this was important to the county so they have proposed to build upon the public private partnership that we already have with the AEDC by increasing our funding from \$15,000 to \$85,000 to help fund an Economic Development Developer, which would not be a county employee. County Manager Garner noted the details still have to be worked out and she understands the AEDC is in favor of the idea. County Manager Garner stated that they have proposed to pay cash for new voting machines for Elections in the amount of \$80,000, they propose an additional \$24,000 for some improvements to the jail and the government center and the library are proposed to get new roofs. County Manager Garner stated that education requested a little over four million dollars in current expense or a 3% increase from last year and they also requested \$90,000 in capital outlay and they are recommending 3.6 in current expense, the full \$90,000 in capital outlay, they will get approximately \$340,000 from the quarter-cent sales tax and roughly \$136,000 a year from the new sales tax on labor. County Manager Garner stated that the college requested \$755,000 in current expense and \$500,000 in capital outlay. County Manager Garner added that they requested two new full time grounds keepers and she recommends level funding in the amount of \$560,629 in current expense and \$233,250 for capital outlay. County Manager Garner added that they will still get their third of the new sales tax money which currently is estimated at \$136,000 a year. County Manager Garner noted that there is \$10,000 in the governing body budget for the branding concept as presented by the TDA. County Manager Garner

was of the opinion the county's appropriation originally was around \$40,000 but they put \$10,000 in to at least get started. Chairman Baucom stated that if we maintain that over a four year period we'll kick in our portion. Chairman Baucom commented that is sounded like everyone did a thorough job and they have a good starting place. Vice Chair Streater felt they now needed to set dates for budget workshops. Chairman Baucom added that they also need to take care of the consent agenda tonight. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Baucom noted the Public Hearing for the budget was scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. Vice Chair Streater asked how many workshops would be needed with Commissioner Woodburn thinking at least a couple but they probably would not get a good feel until after the Public Hearing and that might set the tone for how many would be needed. After discussion, board members decided to meet June 20 at 6 PM to discuss the budget. Chairman Baucom stated that they will see how the 20<sup>th</sup> goes and schedule from there as needed.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Minutes:** approved minutes dated April 5, 2016, May 3, 3016 and May 17, 2016.

**Tax Releases:**

## Property Tax Releases/Refunds/Adjustments

06/07/2016 for May Month End						
20968	Anson Music Co	412.55	15-5-476	Real Taxes	Releases	Business Dissolved
20964	Suntrust Bank	709.72	12-7-17061	Real Taxes	Releases	Foreclosure by Bank
20965	Suntrust Bank	561.12	13-7-17051	Real Taxes	Releases	Foreclosure by Bank
20966	Suntrust Bank	460.73	14-7-17109	Real Taxes	Releases	Foreclosure by Bank
20967	Suntrust Bank	422.74	15-7-17061	Real Taxes	Releases	Foreclosure by Bank
20963	Taylor Jeremy	323.96	16-2-DF27903	Real Taxes	Releases	Qualifies for Farm Deferrment
20969	Wagoner Scott	202.60	15-7-18630	Real Taxes	Releases	Billing Error on Aircraft
		<u>\$ 3,093.42</u>				

### Tax & Tag Together Refunds

23932706	Allen Melinda	19.70	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
25005115	C&A of Washington Inc	98.13	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
207160	Carpenter Joe	15.02	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
27009245	Clark Evelyn	41.79	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31786927	Cowick Troyene	110.07	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
195225	Cox Mararuth	25.26	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
14086960	Crowder Bobbie	4.47	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
189349	Dirks Enterprises	88.23	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
28694083	Eddins Amy	28.23	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31831832	Ellerby Melton	6.06	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
29370884	Emrich Thomas	17.06	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
29549749	Emrich Thomas	4.84	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31342466	Emrich Thomas	35.21	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
30119290	Fuller William	64.75	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
19206665	Huntley Thomas	10.53	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
19204703	Knotts James	3.29	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
19204307	Knotts James	2.44	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
9350882	Lowery, David	10.27	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31173368	Martin Frank	13.99	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31700409	McKenzie Edward	36.83	Adjustment	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
28230526	Morton Austin	4.89	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31758067	Oliver Jeffery	27.19	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
30020785	Pee Dee Electric Membership	256.06	Exempt	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
30020782	Pee Dee Electric Membership	377.97	Exempt	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
30020786	Pee Dee Electric Membership	424.31	Exempt	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
197108	Rosie Powell	5.99	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
29134662	Rutledge Amy	75.15	Adjustment	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
23171410	Sanders Lucy	20.06	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
19631236	Stegall Christopher	57.10	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
19631147	Stegall Holly	15.11	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
31782617	Thomas Patsy	21.47	High Mileage	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
8811242	Thompson Tina	18.35	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
8803484	Wegner Stephanie	9.41	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund	
		<u>\$ 1,949.23</u>	*****			

Tax Collector's Report:

# Real Property Taxes

**FY 2015-2016      Current Year Ad Valorem - 2015**  
**May 31, 2016**

(Total \$\$ Collections)	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Year 2015	747,790.07	2,012,016.84	8,868,948.85	248,408.65	716,505.43	177,188.17	180,034.42	106,010.82
Year 2014	692,263.47	1,705,171.82	7,948,195.47	370,053.62	357,819.90	369,675.17	199,370.89	437,305.42
Year 2013	800,689.88	1,026,213.73	8,867,344.01	303,777.73	411,460.82	256,681.87	153,925.51	122,514.28
Year 2012	662,140.94	1,545,771.18	8,245,555.45	591,530.54	394,773.55	234,592.51	179,365.23	196,487.21
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
<b>Of Total Collections</b>								
<b>County Taxes &amp; Late List</b>								
Year 2015	600,879.32	1,608,294.62	7,306,535.25	194,347.99	546,925.63	127,089.32	128,226.36	70,761.31
Year 2014	564,856.89	1,379,948.94	6,666,713.31	286,653.45	276,307.11	267,036.00	147,163.19	292,830.80
Year 2013	652,575.87	847,994.08	7,496,040.03	238,884.70	321,251.68	192,037.08	112,155.68	89,587.40
Year 2012	548,716.84	1,246,234.94	6,965,653.63	474,125.82	311,770.51	186,458.87	132,595.62	139,834.71
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
<b>Current Year (2015) Ad Valorem Collections %</b>								
Year 2015	20.23%	32.28%	87.29%	88.62%	92.22%	92.91%	93.48%	93.76%
Year 2014	21.00%	31.94%	85.20%	87.23%	89.15%	90.94%	91.75%	93.23%
Year 2013	18.95%	25.52%	85.89%	87.53%	89.84%	91.02%	91.74%	92.21%
Year 2012	18.46%	28.32%	84.88%	88.50%	90.66%	91.84%	92.68%	93.58%
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%
<b>Current Year (2015) Accounts Receivable Balance Remaining For County Taxes ONLY - Including Late Penalties</b>								
Year 2015	10,484,596.90	8,902,579.70	1,673,108.72	1,497,555.15	1,023,815.29	932,466.16	857,832.30	821,557.65
Year 2014	9,767,584.90	8,429,004.05	1,835,844.56	1,582,856.61	1,345,562.54	1,122,810.42	1,022,596.39	836,526.93
Year 2013	10,002,458.80	9,209,218.73	1,743,978.92	1,540,704.41	1,255,224.74	1,108,960.08	1,019,728.08	961,199.68
Year 2012	9,979,652.70	8,777,582.71	1,851,666.78	1,408,474.10	1,143,229.63	999,483.29	896,470.97	786,437.51
<b>History of Past Due Mailings</b>								
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
	5,543	4,420,774.02	3,360	3,308,737.72	3,729	4,334,411.25	4,971	5,195,083.07
<b>Tax Scroll Billings</b>								
	Tax Rate	Taxed Value	County Tax	Late List	City Taxes	Fire Taxes	Total Billed	
Year 2015	0.801	1,359,925,855	10,893,015.61	19,159.56	1,839,301.39	769,154.92	13,520,631.48	
Year 2014	0.767	1,337,826,323	10,261,136.82	25,913.00	1,817,440.08	543,719.23	12,648,209.13	
Year 2013	0.767	1,337,123,638	10,255,747.03	38,016.08	1,646,610.96	506,563.47	12,446,937.54	
Year 2012	0.767	1,329,890,486	10,200,268.80	14,665.91	1,635,582.81	504,013.76	12,354,531.28	
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	0.894	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	
<b>Utilities</b>								
	County Tax	City Taxes	Fire Taxes	Total Billed				
Year 2015	2,194,701.64	105,825.79	188,443.47	2,488,970.90				
Year 2014	1,986,444.95	98,421.89	129,157.90	2,214,024.74				
Year 2013	2,006,288.46	87,240.23	120,629.50	2,214,158.19				
Year 2012	1,912,391.52	95,646.61	113,513.96	2,121,552.09				
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				
<b>Accounts Receivable by Type</b>								
	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
Active Garnishments	208	95,433.00	238	107,688.56	231	101,594.92	189	96,715.23
Accts with Agreements	26	8,796.37	26	8,837.35	26	8,878.33	26	8,919.31
Accts in Foreclosure	281	141,202.99	276	139,380.29	275	139,653.76	275	139,980.61
Bankruptcies	54	38,419.92	54	38,475.05	52	38,112.51	65	44,390.14
Remaining Accts Collectible	9,709	3,082,486.47	9,565	3,051,530.68	9,442	2,994,548.68	9,366	2,949,818.35
Current Year Ad Valorem(All)	3,574	1,304,909.42	3,317	1,249,953.32	3,130	1,160,063.99	3,038	1,122,410.60
**Red = AR Dollars	13,852	4,671,248.17	13,476	4,595,865.25	13,156	4,442,852.19	12,959	4,362,234.24
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
\$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo	6	3,391.96	9	3,953.48	4	1,148.94	3	1,226.88
# Accts Given to ParaLegal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garnishments Executed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Setoff Letters Mailed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)	-	88,810.86	-	87,884.04	-	87,001.53	-	86,555.22
<b>One Year Ago</b>								
	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
Active Garnishments	135	57,447.52	133	57,433.93	133	57,568.43	126	57,435.54
Accts with Agreements	38	10,868.49	38	10,921.43	38	10,974.37	33	10,339.98
Accts in Foreclosure	270	119,382.48	269	119,735.52	349	171,475.46	345	159,674.03
Bankruptcies	84	49,994.11	80	48,140.94	80	48,121.93	79	47,486.15
Remaining Accts Collectible	9,849	3,010,606.91	9,688	2,961,358.28	9,513	2,870,652.38	8,945	2,692,137.70
Current Year Ad Valorem(All)	4,515	1,718,525.45	3,950	1,504,270.24	3,682	1,371,366.41	3,096	1,125,888.30
**Red = AR Dollars	14,891	4,966,824.96	14,158	4,701,860.34	13,795	4,530,158.98	12,624	4,092,961.70
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
\$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo	2	198.45	3	497.60	4	988.32	9	15,785.25
# Accts Given to ParaLegal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garnishments Executed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Setoff Letters Mailed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)	-	176,403.69	-	174,483.46	-	174,014.33	-	172,385.23



**Budget Expense Report and Fund Balance Update:**

<b>Fund Balance Calculation</b>					
	<i>Last Year</i>	<i>Two Months</i>	<i>Last</i>		
<b>As of 05-31-16</b>	<b>Same Month</b>	<b>Ago</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Now</b>	
	As of 05/31/15	As of 03/31/16	As of 04/30/16	As of 05/31/16	
<b>Available Fund Balance</b>					
Cash & Investments (General)	\$ 10,351,380	\$ 14,233,042	\$ 14,233,042	\$ 12,322,170	
Cash & Investments (22 Fund)	\$ 23,153	\$ 25,680	\$ 25,936	\$ 26,192	
Less Cash from General (other funds)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Less Liabilities (w/out deferred revenue)	\$ 111,540	\$ 114,883	\$ 106,205	\$ 103,418	
Less Deferred Revenue (from cash receipts)	\$ (16,779)	\$ (16,779)	\$ (16,779)	\$ (16,779)	
Less Encumbrances	\$ (152,570)	\$ (3,537)	\$ (58,993)	\$ (38,127)	
<b>Total Available</b>	<b>\$ 10,316,724</b>	<b>\$ 14,353,288</b>	<b>\$ 14,289,411</b>	<b>\$ 12,396,874</b>	
<b>General Fund Expenditures</b>					
Total Expenditures (Adopted Budget)	\$ 28,852,503	\$ 28,574,937	\$ 28,574,937	\$ 28,574,937	
<b>Total Available for Appropriation</b>					
Total Available	\$ 10,316,724	\$ 14,353,288	\$ 14,289,411	\$ 12,396,874	
Total Expenditures	\$ 28,852,503	\$ 28,574,937	\$ 28,574,937	\$ 28,574,937	
<b>Total % Available Fund Balance</b>	<b>35.76%</b>	<b>50.23%</b>	<b>50.01%</b>	<b>43.38%</b>	
<b>Available Fund Balance Requirement Per LGC</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	
	<b>\$2,308,200</b>	<b>\$2,285,995</b>	<b>\$2,285,995</b>	<b>\$2,285,995</b>	
<b>% Undesignated Fund Balance</b>	<b>27.76%</b>	<b>42.23%</b>	<b>42.01%</b>	<b>35.38%</b>	
	<b>\$ 8,008,524</b>	<b>\$ 12,067,293</b>	<b>\$ 12,003,416</b>	<b>\$ 10,110,879</b>	

**Electronic Transaction Report:**

05/31/16

## May 2016 Report - Board Meeting of 06/07/2016

## Utilities Department Electronic Transactions

Month	Total \$\$	# Accounts Pd	# Days Electronic Pyt Used	# Working Days
Jul 2015	9,257.27	240	22	22
Aug 2015	9,231.86	222	19	21
Sep 2015	11,410.83	258	20	21
Oct 2015	10,214.59	237	22	22
Nov 2015	8,065.55	231	18	18
Dec 2015	9,921.50	248	21	21
Jan 2016	8,596.42	241	17	19
Feb 2016	11,051.03	263	21	21
Mar 2016	12,441.66	286	21	22
Apr 2016	12,234.93	279	21	21
May 2016	11,207.73	314	21	21
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>113,633.37</b>	<b>2,819</b>		

## Utilities Dept -Draft Records &amp; Unpaid Accts with Phone reminders

Month	Total \$\$ Draft Records	# Accounts Pd	Tot \$\$ Unpaid w/Phone calls	# Accts Reminded
Jul 2015	34,663.23	1,025	26,761.68	402
Aug 2015	40,673.22	1,034	38,545.29	444
Sep 2015	35,905.69	1,033	91,810.57	449
Oct 2015	35,832.17	1,037	43,604.22	436
Nov 2015	29,806.94	1,032	27,601.78	349
Dec 2015	27,513.45	1,037	67,591.40	458
Jan 2016	26,849.78	1,045	64,206.31	452
Feb 2016	28,797.33	1,046	23,960.47	397
Mar 2016	28,013.26	1,049	58,640.34	384
Apr 2016	29,841.24	1,054	22,526.09	376
May 2016	26,922.07	1,054	15,183.19	327
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>344,818.38</b>	<b>11,446</b>	<b>480,431.34</b>	<b>4,474</b>

## Tax Department Electronic Transactions

Month	Total \$\$	# Accounts Pd	# Days Electronic Pyt Used	# Working Days
Jul 2015	7,592.91	33	8	22
Aug 2015	15,009.86	53	14	21
Sep 2015	4,025.84	19	10	21
Oct 2015	6,062.44	30	10	22
Nov 2015	1,990.57	9	6	18
Dec 2015	23,329.04	60	16	21
Jan 2016	17,846.38	43	11	19
Feb 2016	23,856.41	65	17	21
Mar 2016	10,866.14	31	12	22
Apr 2016	3,565.26	22	10	21
May 2016	2,891.53	13	4	21
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>117,036.38</b>	<b>378</b>		

## Health Department Electronic Transactions

Month	Total \$\$	# Accounts Pd	# Days Electronic Pyt Used	# Working Days
Jul 2015	1,047.96	20	13	22
Aug 2015	1,300.81	28	14	21

	<b>117,036.38</b>	<b>378</b>		
<b>Health Department Electronic Transactions</b>				
<b>Month</b>	<b>Total \$\$</b>	<b># Accounts Pd</b>	<b># Days Electronic Pyt Used</b>	<b># Working Days</b>
Jul 2015	1,047.96	20	13	22
Aug 2015	1,300.81	28	14	21
Sep 2015	584.55	17	7	21
Oct 2015	915.80	21	14	22
Nov 2015	945.16	21	13	18
Dec 2015	1,425.35	26	13	21
Jan 2016	900.10	18	10	19
Feb 2016	1,726.53	28	15	21
Mar 2016	1,838.66	30	14	22
Apr 2016	872.82	17	8	21
May 2016	990.60	21	12	21
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>12,548.34</b>	<b>247</b>		

**Budget Amendment – Veterans Service:** to recognize revenues received in Grants for Veterans Service to appropriate for Veterans activities expenses.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase: Veterans Service Officer 11-4128 \$ 1,800  
Total Increase: \$ 1,800

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

Increase: Veterans Service Officer 11-4128 \$ 1,800  
Total Increase: \$ 1,800

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Budget Amendment – Building Budgets:** To recognize additional revenues received in Ad Valorem Taxes to appropriate for building budget shortfalls in utilities and maintenance line items.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase: Administrative Building 11-4162 \$ 10,000  
Increase: Law Enforcement Building 11-4166 \$ 17,500  
Total Increase: \$ 27,500

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase: Ad Valorem Taxes 11-4111 \$ 27,500  
Total Increase: \$ 27,500

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016

**Budget Amendment – Emergency Management:** to move excess funds from Administration – Grants to cover needs in Emergency Management for the purchase of Live Fire Extinguisher Training System to be used in Safety Training exercises.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase:	Emergency Management 11-4330	\$ 4,281
Total Increase:		\$ 4,281

Section 2. General Fund Expenditures

Decrease:	Administration-Grants 11-4122	\$ (4,281)
Total Decrease:		\$ (4,281)

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Budget Amendment – Parks and Recreation:** to recognize Yost donations received and to appropriate for program activity expenses.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase:	Parks and Recreation 11-6120	\$ 3,000
Total Increase:		\$ 3,000

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase:	Parks and Recreation n11-6120	\$ 3,000
Total Increase:		\$ 3,000

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Budget Amendment – Water Department:** to appropriate Water Sales revenues for additional needs in Filtration expenses of chemicals and electricity.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 15. Water Fund Expenditures

Increase:	Distribution 61-7122	\$ 200,000
Total Increase:		\$ 200,000

Section 16. Water Fund Revenues

Increase:	Water Sales 61-7120	\$ 200,000
Total Increase:		\$ 200,000

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Budget Amendment – Public School Capital Outlay:** to appropriate funds from the State Board of Education Lottery Fund through the North Carolina Public School Building Capital Fund for the Anson County School System repair projects.

**AMENDMENT**

**Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the Fiscal year 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase:	Public Schools – CO 11-5912	\$ 2,215
Total Increase:		\$ 2,215

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase: Public Schools – CO 11-5912 \$ 2,215  
Total Increase: \$ 2,215

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Circle G Arena Fireworks Request:** Board granted permission for public fireworks display at the Circle “G” Arena Rodeo July 8 and 9, 2016.

**FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 JCPC Certification:** Board approved the Juvenile Crime Prevention County Certification (JCPC) funding for 2016-2017.

**Budget Amendment – Jail:** to recognize additional revenues in Ad Valorem Taxes to appropriate for Medical Expenses of inmates in the Jail budget.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase: Sheriff/Jail 11-4310-4320 \$ 75,000  
Total increase: \$ 75,000

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase: Ad Valorem Taxes 11-4111 \$ 75,000  
Total Increase: \$ 75,000

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Budget Amendment – Parks and Recreation:** to appropriate donations received for purchase of athletic equipment for programs.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2016

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2015/2016 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase: Parks and Recreation 11-6120 \$ 800  
Total Increase: \$ 800

Section 2. General fund Revenues

Increase: Parks and Recreation 11-6120 \$ 800  
Total Increase: \$ 800

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

**Closed Session:** Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to go into closed session for personnel pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(6). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to go out of closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to increase the County Manager’s salary in the amount of \$5,000 effective July 3, not to include the cost of living increase

and to modify her contract to reflect the continuous term. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to recess until 6:00 P.M. Monday, June 13, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Bonnie M. Huntley, NCCCC  
Clerk to the Board

Meeting time: 3 hr. 45 min.