

**THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** convened for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 12, 2014 in the board room, Suite 209 of the Anson County Government Center.

Commissioners present: Anna H. Baucom, Chair  
Ross Streater, Vice Chair  
Dr. Jim Sims  
Bobby Sikes  
Harold C. Smith  
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  
Tiffany Randall, CPA, Finance Officer  
Josie Lodder, Planning

Others: Scott Forbes, County Attorney

Chairman Baucom called the meeting to **Order**, welcoming those present. Chairman Baucom then called on Reverend Michael McLeod of Elizabeth Baptist Church in Lilesville and Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Morven, North Carolina for the **Invocation**.

**Approval of the Agenda by Commissioners:** Chairman Baucom reminded board members of their Ethics Policy and if they feel there is any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict on any of the items let it be known when we get to them. Chairman Baucom noted a lengthy agenda and a lot of ground to cover. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Appearances:** Chairman Baucom noted seven groups that would like to speak to the board and limited each one to five minutes. Chairman Baucom stated that more than likely the board would not make a decision this evening on any of the request but feels most will come up in their budget discussions.

**Neil Jones – Historical Commission Budget Request:** In the absence of Mr. Jones, Chairman Baucom shared that we have a newly reconstituted Anson County Historical Properties Commission and they are requesting \$5,000 to operate the program. Chairman Baucom shared that they had people here from the North Carolina Historical Properties group in Raleigh last week and talked about the things we need to do to make sure the properties in Anson that are considered historical are protected.

Commissioner Sims asked how this was different from the Historical Society with Chairman Baucom answering this commission was appointed by the board. Vice Chair Streater added that this is the group that finds properties that need to be added to the list and they are working to get the Westview Cemetery on the historical list so they can get prison labor to help clean. Chairman Baucom felt this cemetery needed to be maintained to honor the people that are there. Chairman Baucom stated that Mr. Gatewood shared with her some statistical information that has caused her to lose some sleep. Chairman Baucom voiced that we continue to lose population and one of the workshops at the Commissioner's conference last summer was about Economic Development and one of the critical components of a successful program is quality of life. Chairman Baucom believes that taking care of the history of our community is a piece of quality of life as is the animal shelter and all the other programs we are participating in. Commissioner Sims voice agreement but felt the main thing above all else was we need jobs here for young people to bring the population back up.

**Janine Rywak – Cooperative Extension Proclamation:** Ms. Rywak offered thanks to Anson County Government for being their partner in educational programs they've been able to offer. Ms. Rywak also offered thanks to the board for considering their request for approval and signing their Centennial Proclamation. At this point Ms. Rywak recognized staff members and two advisory board members in attendance. Ms. Rywak noted the official Cooperative Extension Centennial was May 8<sup>th</sup> and they had a birthday party at the office. Ms. Rywak shared the following with those present: The Smith-Lever Act that the Centennial proclamation is all about, was signed on May 8, 1914. The bill established the national policy for teaching research and extension in agricultural and home economics. Ms. Rywak added that it took about sixty years for the folks in Washington to get their act together and sign it. Ms. Rywak felt it interesting that the Anson County Board of Commissioners hired the first county agent for Anson County in 1908. Ms. Rywak stated that they hired Dr. W. J. McLendon to provide agricultural education to farmers in the county through demonstration work. Ms. Rywak shared that based on his success and public demand the commissioners came back and hired five more people to help him and they were assigned different regions in the county to go out and do demonstration work. Ms. Rywak stated that in 1911 the commissioners hired Mr. J. W. Cameron who would serve as the county agent until his death in 1952. Ms. Rywak stated that in 1913 Rosalind Redfearn was hired as the Anson County Home Demonstration Agent. Ms. Rywak noted that her granddaughter was in the audience tonight. Ms. Rywak noted that Ms. Redfearn was hired by Mr. Cameron but she was actually the daughter of Dr. W. J. McLendon. Ms. Rywak stated that it would still be another year before the folks in Washington actually signed the federal act. Ms. Rywak shared that Anson County had been supporting demonstration work for the agricultural community for six years before Washington ever signed the bill. Ms. Rywak shared that the Proclamation recognizes the centennial of the signing of the Smith-Lever Act, it names the originators of the bill, it recognizes partners, which are Cooperative Extension, North Carolina State University, North Carolina A&T State University, County of Anson and USDA. Ms. Rywak added that it

also recognizes some of their educational programs and the significance of Cooperative Extension and encourages the county to celebrate and observe with them. Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the signing of the Centennial Proclamation. Motion carried unanimously.

**North Carolina Cooperative Extension  
ANSON COUNTY  
Centennial Proclamation**

*Thursday, May 8 2014*

**Proclamation By:**  
*Anson County Board of Commissioners*

**WHEREAS**, May 8, 2014 marks the Centennial of the signing of the Smith-Lever Act which established Cooperative Extension, the nationwide transformational education system operating through land grant universities in partnership with federal, state and local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, U. S. Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia and U.S. Representative A.F. Lever of South Carolina authored the Smith-Lever Act to expand the “vocational, agricultural and home demonstration programs in rural America” by bringing the research-based knowledge of the land-grant universities to the people where they live and work; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Cooperative Extension in Anson County is a critical component of the three part land-grant university mission and works collaboratively with research and academic programs associated with the North Carolina State University and North Carolina A&T State University to reach traditional and underserved audiences in all communities across North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cooperative Extension System continues to receive federal programmatic leadership and support enabled by the Smith-Lever Act and other legislation through the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture; and

**WHEREAS**, the Smith-Lever Act requires a partnership between county, state and federal governments and encourages priorities be established locally to meet the needs of each county; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina Cooperative Extension education disseminated through Anson County for agriculture producers has helped establish North Carolina as a leading agriculture producing state; 4-H youth development has reached millions of youth and helped prepare them for responsible adulthood by equipping them with citizenship and leadership skills; family and consumer sciences has prepared people for healthy, productive lives and breaking the cycle of poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina Cooperative Extension in Anson County engages with rural and urban learners through practical, community-based and online approaches, resulting in acquisition of knowledge, skills and motivation to strengthen the profitability of animal and plant production systems, protect natural resources, help people make healthful lifestyle choices, ensure a safe and abundant food supply, encourage community vitality and prepare the next generation of leaders;

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Anson County Board of Commissioners:

- Recognizes the significance of the Smith-Lever Act to the establishment of Cooperative Extension nationwide.

- Encourages the people of Anson County to observe and celebrate the centennial with a focus on congratulating the accomplishments of the past 100 years and ensuring a thriving future for Cooperative Extension.
- Honors the local Extension Agents and university faculty who dedicate careers to providing trusted education to help people, families, youth, businesses and communities solve problems, develop skills and build a better future.
- Thanks Cooperative Extension volunteers who provide thousands of hours to promote excellence for 4-H, Master Gardeners, family and consumer sciences and other programs in their communities.
- Encourages continued collaboration and cooperation among federal, state and local governments to ensure Cooperative Extension's sustainability as the nation's premiere non-formal educational network.
- Celebrates millions of youth, adults, families, farmers, community leaders and others who engage in Cooperative Extension learning opportunities designed to extend knowledge and change lives.
- Commends this observance to all in Anson County, North Carolina.

**APPROVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Anson County, North Carolina this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Victoria Whitt – Sandhills Center Budget Request:** Ms. Whitt thanked board members for allowing her to come before them tonight. Ms. Whitt stated that she was here to present the Sandhills Center request for county general funding. Ms. Whitt stated that in March the area Board of Directors met and made the decision for the tenth year in a row not to ask for any additional funding from their counties. Ms. Whitt noted that Vice Chair Streater serves on this board. Ms. Whitt stated that the request for next fiscal year is the same as it has been in the past in the amount of \$55,000. Ms. Whitt reminded board members that all of this funding stays in Anson County as the other county funding stays in those counties. Ms. Whitt stated that the funding supports the local crisis walk-in center as currently operated by DayMark Recovery, adding that without county funding they would find it very difficult to keep this facility in the county. Ms. Whitt noted they were one of the few LME's that provides brick and mortar places for county residents. Ms. Whitt stated that in the information handed out by the Clerk were statistics on the number of people served at the Anson walk-in clinic and gives a break down on the types of services the money is purchasing for our residents. Ms. Whitt stated that the January brochure quarterly report was included in each commissioner's packet and she shared a copy of the April report tonight. Ms. Whitt asked board members to read it at their leisure. Chairman Baucom stated that she has given the board very thorough reports on an ongoing basis so they know what she does and this would go into their budget discussions.

**Alex Sewell – Fire District Tax:** Mr. Sewell stated that on behalf of the Wadesboro Town Council, they send their best wishes. Mr. Sewell noted it was always a pleasure to work with Mr. Gatewood and Ms. Huntley and they hope this positive relationship will continue moving forward. Mr. Sewell introduced Fire Chief Mark Sessions. Mr. Sessions stated that in 2007 Wadesboro Fire Department began an aggressive campaign of education their community through churches, businesses and

various other entities and through these programs they delivered free smoke alarms and installed carbon monoxide alarms. Mr. Sessions added that they have installed over 2,000 since this time. Mr. Sessions stated that as a direct relation to this they have had thirty-one lives saved throughout the county. Mr. Sessions added that this was free of charge and in 2013 they were selected as the Number 2 fire and life safety division in the State of North Carolina, only second behind Greensboro, which has 26 full time fire stations and 540 firemen. Mr. Sessions stated that in 2013 their fire district residents received 50% of the fire emergency services but only paid approximately 33% of the fire budget. Mr. Sessions shared that in 1986 the fire district tax was five cents and when adjusted for inflation, this is the 2014 equivalent of 10.78 cents. Mr. Sewell shared with board members comparable fire districts to show what other Tier 1 counties in similar districts have set as their fire district tax. Mr. Sewell stated the maximum allowable by law is fifteen cents and Wadesboro is currently 5.6 cents. Mr. Sessions added that if the current trend continues the Wadesboro fire district will not be able to sustain its insurance rating. Mr. Sessions noted one lost point on the rating means a difference of seven to fifteen percent increase for a typical homeowner or business insurance. Mr. Sessions stated that a two cent tax increase would cost residents on a \$100,000 home approximately \$20.00 annually. Mr. Sessions felt this was significantly less than the above insurance. Mr. Sewell stated that raising the rate would help to purchase new equipment that can provide better services and protection and likely not result in a decrease in the fire rating which would be a higher cost and insurance rates than the fire tax rate would be. Mr. Sewell stated that on behalf of the Wadesboro Town Council they respectfully request the Board of Commissioners to consider a two cent fire district tax increase. Chairman Baucom asked what area this would encompass and how many properties were involved. Mr. Sewell explained that the fire district does not stop at the city limits and the idea is to help the people outside the city limits pay for the service or pay essentially a mini property tax that pays specifically for fire service. Chairman Baucom stated that people who live within the district but outside the town limits are not paying Wadesboro property tax. Mr. Sewell noted that was correct. Chairman Baucom asked if the increase would affect the people living inside the city limits with Mr. Sewell answering no. Vice Chair Streater asked if they had a map of their fire district with Mr. Sewell saying they did not have one tonight but they would get them a copy. Mr. Sessions added that their district was 85 square miles and he would be happy to get a map to him tomorrow. Commissioner Sims asked how many fire districts were in the county and how many would be affected by the increase with Mr. Sessions answering there were nine districts and they were only asking for the Wadesboro Fire District. Commissioner Sims asked if his request was to consider lowering or not raising at all with Mr. Sessions explain their request was for an increase of their fire district tax for the Wadesboro Fire District of two cents. Commissioner Woodburn noted it was 5.6 cents currently. Commissioner Woodburn asked if the area was roughly the same as the ETJ with Mr. Sewell saying it was larger. Commissioner Smith stated that everyone in the area in question would be paying this and not just the city limits with Mr. Sewell saying that only the people outside of the city limits but inside the fire district would

pay. Commissioner Sturdivant asked if the citizens would be made aware of the increase with Mr. Sessions answering that it would be publicized in the local paper. Commissioner Sikes asked the rate for the other fire departments with Mr. Sessions answering the same 5.6 cents. Vice Chair Streater felt this money has helped the fire departments to operate with Commissioner Sikes adding that it has helped homeowners with insurance. Chairman Baucom stated that this would go into their budget discussion.

**Cindi Pope and Carly Little – Taste of the Pee Dee:** Ms. Little stated that she and Ms. Pope were here representing the Town of Wadesboro as well as the citizens of Anson County to announce that the Town of Wadesboro was working to bring People Fest back the second weekend of October. Ms. Little stated that it would be a new festival with a new name and a whole new look and feel. Ms. Little stated that it would be called Taste of the Pee Dee and would be arts, crafts and outdoor living. Ms. Little noted the focus would be on all local hobbies, local artist, crafters and everything they can have that is local. Ms. Little stated that it would also include local food and games. Ms. Little stated that they want to showcase everything Anson County has to offer. Ms. Little noted the budget was tight with the Town of Wadesboro and that is why they skipped over 2013 and they were here to ask the board to consider helping them out to have the best festival Anson County has had in a while and to give citizens something to look forward to each year. Chairman Baucom asked that the committee put together a budget of what it will cost and give it to the County Manager so it can be included in their budget process. Ms. Little said she would, adding that they were working with East Coast Entertainment for the main event for the evening and they have a couple of other little things lined up. Commissioner Sturdivant asked the date with Ms. Little saying it would be October 11<sup>th</sup> and it would stay the second weekend in October each year. Ms. Little stated that it would start around 9:00 A.M. and they were hoping to have a 5K run and the Chamber is looking to change their bike ride to that morning. Chairman Baucom thanked them for appearing and wished them good luck.

**Rosalind Boothby & Leslie Capell – Anson County Arts Council Budget Request:** Mrs. Boothby introduced Leslie Capell, immediate past president of the Arts Council, adding that she was Roe Boothby, treasurer. Mrs. Boothby recognized Board of Director's member Fran Thomas and Phyllis Dunlap, current president. Mrs. Boothby stated that they were here tonight to tell about one of the best kept secrets in Anson County. Ms. Capell stated that there was a performing arts theater and an active Arts Council on Rutherford Street and they were here to share both the cultural and the economic impact that the Arts Council and the Ansonia Theater has had on our community. Ms. Capell referred to the remark made earlier about the importance of quality of life and felt the Arts Council and the Ansonia Theater had a direct impact on that. Ms. Capell shared that the Arts Council has been around since 1978 and was a multifaceted agency in our community and schools. Ms. Capell noted their partnerships with businesses, schools, county agencies and churches has strengthened their impact.

Ms. Capell shared that the Ansonia Theater has provided a venue that has not only strengthened their impact but broaden their reach. Mrs. Boothby stated that they were here for a budget request but first wanted to show some of the things they do. Mrs. Boothby noted that on the second part of the handout were quick facts about the Arts Council. Mrs. Boothby pointed out that they were currently totally staffed by volunteers and in the past year volunteers have given immeasurable hours of their time in support of the Ansonia Theater and to all of their programs. Mrs. Boothby added that their operating funds come from membership, donations, small grants and fundraisers. Mrs. Boothby stated that they have had at least one enrichment activity in every Anson County school both this year and last and they are very proud that in 2013 the Chamber of Commerce awarded the Anson County Arts Council the W. Dunlap Covington Award for community service. Mrs. Boothby stated that they try to showcase the talent of local artists, craftsmen and performers. Mrs. Boothby pointed out that they draw a lot of people to their activities and since the Ansonia Theater was renovated and reopened in 2011 over 23,200 people have attended events in the theater. Mrs. Boothby noted that they also bring performers from across the United States to the Ansonia and they too spend money here. Mrs. Boothby shared that they patronize local businesses for the maintenance of their two buildings, for catering, food, cleaning services and just about everything they purchase. Mrs. Capell called attention to the list of Theater events asking board members to pay attention to how many are in partnership with another agency. Mrs. Capell pointed out that the High School, Anson New Tech and Anson Early College now have drama clubs that they did not have before the theater. Mrs. Capell stated that the cost of the tickets to their events never cover the cost of the event. Mrs. Capell noted that quality entertainment is expensive but they try to keep the tickets at a price where all county residents can afford to attend. Mrs. Boothby called attention to the page that shows their community involvement, especially the part that showcases our local talent and offers venues for them to market their work. Mrs. Boothby noted the last page includes a list of schools programs sponsored for this ending school year, noting that every school was served. Mrs. Boothby stated the primary reason for their budget request was because they would like to continue their presence in the schools and their impact on the children of Anson County. Mrs. Boothby shared that for the past three years their school programs were funded primarily by a three year grant but it is ending and cannot be renewed. Mrs. Boothby stated that they would like to request \$10,000 so they can continue working with the schools. Mrs. Boothby added that they learned in the past few years that 97 of 100 North Carolina counties fund the arts in some way and Anson County is not one of them. Mrs. Boothby stated that they were hopeful their county leaders will support them the way the community and the citizens have supported the Arts Council and the Ansonia. Mrs. Capell thanked board members for listening. Commissioner Sims was of the opinion the Arts Council was invaluable to the children of Anson County as it provides opportunities they would never have gotten any other way. Mrs. Boothby commented that the Ansonia was a hidden gem and they want to make sure they continue to do that and that Anson County residents know what all is available. Mrs. Boothby invited all board members to the Ansonia and to attend their events.

Commissioner Sturdivant stated that she loves anything involved with the schools and asked that they show board members or the County Manager why it is \$10,000. Mrs. Boothby stated the reason was they did not think they should come the first time asking for \$18,000. Mrs. Boothby explained the way they've worked with the schools is they look at what money is available and they spend every penny of it in the schools. Mrs. Boothby added that with \$10,000 they won't be able to do as much as they did last year and thinks the year before they spent \$25,000 in the schools but they will be a presence in every school in the county. Commissioner Smith asked the grades this was centered around with Mrs. Capell answering K through 12. Mrs. Capell noted it was actually beyond that as they work with the Early College and that goes beyond the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that she has been to quite a few events in the Ansonia and felt they were doing an excellent job. Commissioner Smith asked if the theater was owned by the Arts Council with Mrs. Capell answering yes. Chairman Baucom commented that they have done a beautiful job renovating the theater. Mrs. Boothby shared that the performers, some of who are often nationally known, rave about it. Mrs. Boothby shared that they have had two performers offer to perform for free because they want to film in the Ansonia. Chairman Baucom thanked them for appearing noting this would go into their budget discussion.

**Union County Community Action Budget Request:** Mr. Eric Faulkner, appearing on behalf of Union County Community Action, stated that they were a 501 c 3 non-profit organization operating head start and early head start in Anson County. Mr. Faulkner stated that they also work with Anson County Partnership for Children and operate a North Carolina prekindergarten program. Mr. Faulkner stated that all of the early education services they provide are available to children from low income families and children from families that are below the federal poverty guidelines. Mr. Faulkner stated that last year they were fortunate to have Anson County fund them for the first time and they are back again to submit a budget request in the amount of \$25,000. Mr. Faulkner added that one of the biggest challenges of operating the head start and early head start program is that they have to secure 20% non-federal share from local governments and discounts from vendors. Mr. Faulkner stated that this year their non-federal share just for Anson County is \$375,000, funds they have to raise to operate in Anson County. Mr. Faulkner stated that they have spent approximately 1.5 million dollars in Anson County and it includes about \$500,000 in goods and services and about a million dollars in salaries for thirty employees. Mr. Faulkner stated that this year they will serve 44% of the low income children, which is 211 slots and 189 head start and 22 early head start. Vice Chair Streater asked how many children they turn down with Mr. Faulkner answering 75 to 100 every year. Mr. Faulkner added that they are funded only for a certain number of slots and they work every year with Partnership for Children to try to find way to offer additional services. Mr. Faulkner shared that this year for the first time they operated a classroom solely funded through the North Carolina Pre-kindergarten program at Morven Elementary. Mr. Faulkner stated that they did this because federal cuts required them to cut slots in Anson County and they made up some ground with the solely funded North Carolina pre-k classroom. Mr.

Faulkner stated that for the upcoming year they restored all slots that were cut from Anson County and their expenditures will be more in the range of 1.6 million with the funding restored. Chairman Baucom asked if this was a federal program with Mr. Faulkner answering that head start and early head start were federal and the pre-k program was state. Commissioner Sims asked the number of employees with Mr. Faulkner answering 140. Commissioner Sims then referred to his statement earlier about spending a million dollars on salaries with Mr. Faulkner saying that was just in Anson County and they have 30 employees in Anson County. Mr. Faulkner stated that last year Anson County spent \$880,000 on subsidies for children so there is obviously a need. Mr. Faulkner stated that there were 127 employees employed by child care programs in Anson County and they are employing about 24% of the people in the county that work in that field. Mr. Faulkner stated that currently they were operating out of Morven head start and Central Center and both are five star rated. Mr. Faulkner stated that they were also currently operating Race to the Top, a family engagement and technical assistance grant and 14 providers in Anson County participated in the six months program. Mr. Faulkner shared that they like to focus on family engagement because in order for a child to become successful the parents have to be involved. Mr. Faulkner stated that the funds being requested would be used solely for the head start and early head start program to supplement those budgets and will go towards the 20% non-federal share they have to have to operate in Anson County. Chairman Baucom noted that Mr. Faulkner's budget request was for maintenance and operation of vehicles, classroom supplies and equipment, utilities and building maintenance. Chairman Baucom stated that this would go into their budget discussion.

**Public Hearing: Request for Conditional Use Zoning-Arthur & Norris Davis:** Chairman Baucom stated that we've had this kind of hearing before and we were going to do this one by the book. Commissioner Sims stated that he has two citizens here from his area and asked if it would be possible for them to ask one or two questions with Chairman Baucom answering yes. Chairman Baucom noted that she would be following the guidelines from here on out. Chairman Baucom stated that this was a request by Davis Homes for a conditional use permit for a sales and office commercial facility, high industrial, to be located at 9961 US Highway 74 West in Peachland. Chairman Baucom noted it was parcel ID 642500946522. Vice Chair Streater asked if anyone had a map of the area with Chairman Baucom answering no but she had a picture. County Attorney Forbes noted that this information would be divulged during the hearing. Commissioner Sikes asked if a motion was needed to open the Public Hearing with County Attorney Forbes answering not yet. Chairman Baucom then read the following: The hearing on this matter is judicial in nature and will be conducted in accordance with special due process safeguards. Members of the board may cross examine witnesses after the witness testifies when questions are called for by the Chairman of the Board. The testimony that witnesses give today shall be taken under oath. If a witness wants the board to see written evidence such as reports, maps, pictures or other exhibits, then he/she should be familiar with the evidence and should explain the document and ask that it be introduced during or at

the end of his or her testimony. Any attorneys who speak should not give factual testimony but may summarize their clients' case. Anyone who wants to testify in this matter should have signed up on the Sign-Up Sheet. Commissioner Sims stated that his people did not wish to testify they just wanted to ask a question. If you wish to speak and have not signed up, then please sign up now. County Attorney Forbes stated that Commissioner Sims could pose those questions for them and it would be perfectly acceptable. Commissioner Smith asked what we were trying to do with County Attorney Forbes saying it was a conditional use zoning for Davis Homes. Chairman Baucom asked Ms. Lodder if she would explain what it is and asked the County Attorney if she needed to be sworn in with County Attorney Forbes answering that everyone would be sworn in at one time when we get to the swearing in part. Commissioner Smith asked if this went before the planning board or if it was just coming before this commission with County Attorney Forbes answering that it has been to the planning board and he would hear from them during the hearing. Chairman Baucom asked if each of you who expect to testify this evening would please raise your right hand. The Clerk explained that the list given the chairman was only for those wishing to speak under Public Addresses. County Attorney Forbes stated that the Davis' need to be sworn in. Again Chairman Baucom asked if each of you who expect to testify this evening, please raise your right hand. Do you swear (or affirm) that the evidence you shall give to the board in this action shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God? If so, please answer "I do". Those being sworn in answered I do. Chairman Baucom continued: I would also like to ask any Board members who have any information or special knowledge about the case, to please describe that information for the record so that interested persons will know and can respond. Commissioner Woodburn shared that he attended the meeting of the Planning Board where this was heard. Commissioner Woodburn stated that he was familiar with the information being presented. Commissioner Sims stated that this endeavor was not far from Peachland/Polkton Elementary School. Commissioner Smith asked the distance from the school and it was estimated to be less than one mile. County Attorney Forbes spoke saying if we will follow this agenda all this will be answered. Chairman Baucom continues: Before opening the hearing, I'd like to give Board members a chance to reveal any possible conflicts and withdraw from these proceedings if necessary. Conflicts include but are not limited to a member having a fixed opinion prior to hearing the matter that is not susceptible to change, undisclosed ex parte communications, a close familial, business, or other associational relationship with an affected person, or a financial interest in the outcome of the matter. If an objection is raised to a member's participation and that member does not recuse himself or herself, the remaining members shall by majority vote rule on the objection. Chairman Baucom asked if anyone has any money in the deal or special interest. There was no response. Chairman Baucom: In this hearing we will first hear from the planning staff, then from the applicant and their witnesses, and then from opponents to the request. Parties may cross-examine witnesses after the witness testifies when questions are called for. If you want the Board to see written evidence such as reports, maps or exhibits, the witness who is familiar with the evidence should ask that it be

introduced during or at the end of his/her testimony. We cannot accept reports from persons who are not here to testify. Attorneys who speak should not give factual testimony, but may summarize their client's case. Before you begin your testimony, please clearly identify yourself for the record. At the end of all testimony, the staff will present their recommendations to the board. Chairman Baucom called for a motion to open the Public Hearing. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Smith asked who staff was with Chairman Baucom answering Josie Lodder, our Planner. Chairman Baucom then asked planning staff to make the presentation on this request. Ms. Lodder stated that the planning board met on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM to hear the request from Davis Homes. Ms. Lodder stated that the Davis's purchased 26.87 acres on US Highway 74 West in Peachland and are asking to rezone 3.64 acres to HI heavy industrial from R-20 Residential conditional for the construction of a sales center for manufactured and modular homes. Ms. Lodder noted this was a conditional use request per article 5.3.14E. Ms. Lodder stated that there was no recognition of this particular use in the Anson County Ordinance but the use does fall under industrial use and heavy industrial zoning allows any other use not listed with an industrial type piece. Ms. Lodder stated that the site was located on the east bound side of highway 74 and presently zoned R-20 in the front with the back not zoned at all. Ms. Lodder noted the school was located approximately 1,780 linear feet from the property line. Ms. Lodder stated that they have agreed to honor the 50 foot setback and hope to place six models with no more than eight models on the site. Ms. Lodder stated that the sales unit will require electricity but not water or sewer. Ms. Lodder stated that at the planning board meeting there was some concern about the location to the school but this is a sale center and they will not be building homes here. Ms. Lodder stated that the planning board recommends approval of the request. Commissioner Sims questioned why you need HI zoning for modular homes with Ms. Lodder answering because it does not meet the requirements of office zoning that we have in our Ordinance and when she spoke with Mr. Owens of the School of Government he suggested that with the houses that would be modeled and the sales center it might be Light Industrial but our Ordinance does not permit this in Light Industrial but it does in Heavy Industrial. Commissioner Sims asked what if they go out of business and the property is heavy industrial could some factory or something we might not like move in with Ms. Lodder explaining that is why it is a conditional use. Ms. Lodder explained that it allows that whoever goes there must follow their plan. Ms. Lodder stated that if they were to sell it to someone else or if they wanted to change it to put nine sales centers in they must come back to this board to request changes to these conditions. Commissioner Sims asked if a tattoo pallor could move in without approval with Ms. Lodder answering any other use could not come in. County Attorney Forbes commented that he did not know that that was true and a tattoo pallor might be allowed. Ms. Lodder explained that it was based on this condition and felt it has to be a sales center for manufactured and modular homes otherwise it comes back to the board. Ms. Lodder stated that if they want to enlarge their acreage they have to

present the request to the commissioners. Commissioner Sims stated that they talked about used mobile homes with Ms. Lodder saying there might be up to three and they have to be located at the back of the property. Commissioner Sims asked if they were talking about a collection of used homes sitting there with Ms. Lodder saying they were a business and were not looking to stock pile homes. Commissioner Smith felt you could not hold them to that with Ms. Lodder saying the zoning is conditional and if they want to put in one more building they have to come back and ask for it. Commissioner Smith stated that the code calls for certain things in there and he was puzzled by her saying they cannot. Ms. Lodder stated again that it was a conditional use zoning and if you read further down the Ordinance it states that there are special uses that are allowed as well as conditional uses. Commissioner Sims asked if after a few years Mr. Davis decides to go out of business what happens next. Ms. Lodder explained that it still remains that zoning and if someone wants to do something other than the sale of mobile and manufactured homes on that site they have to come back and request it. Ms. Lodder added that it require us to go through the Public Hearing process again. Commissioner Smith asked if there was anything in the General Statutes that overrides the conditional use. County Attorney Forbes stated that by approving the request they are giving permission to Davis Homes to only do one thing and that is a sales office on that property. County Attorney Forbes added that anything other than that they are in violation of the zoning statutes that the commissioners enacted for Anson County. County Attorney Forbes stated that right now it is R-20 but within that R-20 there are conditional uses and they went with Heavy Industrial because they did not believe there was a light industrial that would fit there. County Attorney Forbes stated that no one can go in there and do anything else unless they come back to this board. Commissioner Sims asked if this was to just show the homes with Ms. Lodder answering yes. Ms. Lodder stated that this was just to show the model homes and once you select your home they build it in a factory in another location and it comes from the factory to your site. Commissioner Woodburn asked if anyone contacted school officials for their input with Ms. Lodder referring to the Davis's for this. Ms. Lodder shared that Mr. Getzen's concern was if there was an open pit or dangerous equipment but when he found there was no threat he was fine. Chairman Baucom: we will now hear from the applicant and other proponents of the request. If there are attorneys or other representatives who will give a general summary of the client's position I would like for them to go first, otherwise, please talk to us. Mr. Norris Davis of Davis Family Homes introduced his father, Arthur Davis, thanking the board for the Public Hearing on their request for conditional use zoning. Mr. Davis stated that they purchased this property three months ago for the purpose of a model sales center for modular and manufactured housing. Mr. Davis stated that the housing business is showing signs of recovery and modular and manufacturing houses are being sold so they decided to open their business at this location. Mr. Davis added that his dad was from Anson County. Mr. Davis shared that they would not be using this property to build houses as they are all ordered from manufacturers. Mr. Davis added that as homes are delivered to the purchaser's property they will need set up crews, brick masons, electrical contractors, plumbers and in some cases wells may have to be

drilled. Commissioner Sims asked the difference between modular and manufactured. Mr. Davis explained that one house is delivered on a frame system that remains with the manufactured house and a modular house is set on a foundation. Mr. Davis shared that there was a modular house on Lake Norman at a cost of 2.5 million dollars and you could not tell the difference between this house and site build house. Chairman Baucom asked if the customers would pay sales tax on the units with Mr. Davis answering absolutely. Commissioner Woodburn stated that when they sold their business they were in for several years they had to make a decision to go either east or west and asked if there was any type data collected to say go east rather than west with Mr. Davis saying they did have demographics on that but the traffic flow by the property they purchased was incredible. Commissioner Smith mentioned the difference in modular and manufacturing was in the code of how it is built. Mr. Davis noted the only difference in a modular and a manufactured house without the appearance is the manufactured house comes with a 52 gallon hot water heater versus 40 gallons. Mr. Davis stated that they do business with Clayton Homes and they have grown during the recession to over 1500 sales centers nationwide. Mr. Davis added that they have never had problems with houses they have sold and they've never had an accident on the road. Commissioner Woodburn referred to the mention that over the years they have bought two sites and sold them and asked how that applies to this site. Mr. Arthur Davis answered that was business. Chairman Baucom stated that if they sell this property it has to be used for the exact same thing. County Attorney Forbes asked how many acres were purchased with Mr. Norris Davis answering twenty six. County Attorney Forbes asked if they were asking to conditionally zone only 4.23 acres with Mr. Davis answering yes. Mr. Davis then shared a copy of the map showing the area with board members. County Attorney Forbes suggested that the map be submitted for evidence. County Attorney Forbes then asked if there was any way this could materially endanger the public health or safety of the area with Mr. Davis answering no. Mr. Davis stated that the homes will have lights and they will also have security lighting for the area. Chairman Baucom then asked if there were any other questions from board members, staff or anyone else. Chairman Baucom stated that we will now hear from people opposing the request. Again, we would like attorneys or persons providing a general summary to go first. Chairman Baucom asked if the planning staff had any further comments. Ms. Lodder answered no. Chairman Baucom asked if the board or other parties had any further questions of staff. Commissioner Sims felt a great deal was learned during this process and he thinks they will be good neighbors. Commissioner Woodburn asked about the input from the principal of the school, the superintendent or the chair of the school board. Mr. Davis answered that they have not had a discussion with them. Commissioner Smith asked if the planning department notified all adjoining property owners with Ms. Lodder answering yes. Commissioner Smith asked if they heard anything from them with Ms. Lodder answering no and there was a sign placed on the property as well and a public notice in the paper. Chairman Baucom asked if there were any other questions for the witnesses. County Attorney Forbes felt it would be prudent for the planner to give a recommendation. Ms. Lodder stated that the recommendation was an unanimous vote of the planning board to

approve the request for the conditional rezoning. Chairman Baucom opened the floor for a vote to close the Public Hearing . Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, Chairman Baucom opened the floor for a motion. County Attorney Forbes suggested she ask the planning director for a prepared order. Chairman Baucom then asked if the planning director had a proposed order prepared. Chairman Baucom then called for a ten minute break. Chairman Baucom then rescinded the break, noting the applicant was Davis Homes by Mr. Arthur Davis and Mr. Norris Davis. Chairman Baucom stated that we've heard the number on the conditional use permit on the parcel of land and now for the findings of fact, will the proposed use materially endanger the public health or safety if located where proposed and developed according to plan. Chairman Baucom asked if anyone thought it would endanger the public health or safety if located where planned. There was no reply. Chairman Baucom then asked if the proposed use meets all required conditions and specifications. Board members answered yes. Chairman Baucom then asked if the proposed use would substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property, unless the use is a public necessity. County Attorney Forbes answered that it was not a public necessity. Board members answered no it would not injure the value of adjoining or abutting property. Chairman Baucom asked if the location and character of the proposed use, if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located and be in general conformity with the land use plan for the area in question. Board members answered yes. Chairman Baucom asked if there was a motion to accept or deny the conditional use permit. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to accept the conditional use permit. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Baucom called for a ten minute break.

Back in regular session, Chairman Baucom shared that the County Attorney made the outline for her to follow to avoid where we ended up with the Strata thing. Chairman Baucom noted this is the way we should have done it with them. Chairman Baucom thanked County Attorney Forbes for doing this and for the time he put in writing the outline. Chairman Baucom stated that we were going to abbreviate the meeting from here on out.

#### **Administrative Matters:**

**Animal Shelter Fees:** Carol Ann Gibson introduced board members to the new Animal Shelter Director, Becky Wilson. Ms. Gibson noted she was a local girl who had been working out of the county and we were lucky to get her back here. Ms. Gibson reminded board members that several months ago we raised our boarding fee to \$20. Ms. Gibson stated that the Board of Health approved the shelter fees that are not in place and they were being presented tonight for approval by the commissioners. Ms. Gibson noted the first one was an adoption fee of \$100 that includes spay/neuter. Ms.

Gibson stated that to adopt an animal from the Anson County Animal Shelter it has to be spayed or neutered within six months, according to the age of the dog. Ms. Gibson stated that if the dog is old enough to be spayed or neutered it will be done before the owners gets the dog otherwise they will have six months to do it. Ms. Gibson shared that Dr. Wright has given a good price for this and if the adopted dog is a puppy it will leave with a certificate for spay or neuter. Ms. Gibson shared that they will also give the animal its first rabies vaccination. Ms. Gibson stated that Ms. Wilson and our new animal control officer Mr. Panky both have certification in rabies vaccination. Ms. Gibson shared that when animals come into the shelter as they are being socialized to see if they are able to be adopted they will be given certain medications to make sure other animals in the shelter do not get sick. Ms. Gibson added that the adopter will get a record of all medication and vaccinations that have been given. Ms. Gibson noted that the \$100 for an adoption includes all of the above. Ms. Gibson explained that the redemption/reclaim fee was something they've never had before. Ms. Gibson stated sometimes when they pick up a dog, the owner will call wanting it back. Ms. Gibson noted that they have spent a lot of time and energy rounding up the dog, keeping it a minimum of 72 hours and they've decided they would like this fee of \$25.00 for picking up the dog and \$10 a day. Ms. Gibson added that both Richmond and Union counties have this fee. Ms. Gibson stated that this fee was in the General Statutes, however if you make it a board of health fee they can collect it. Ms. Gibson stated that some folks don't have their dog vaccinated for rabies and state law says at four months of age they must be vaccinated. Ms. Gibson stated that from time to time they pick up animals that have not been vaccinated for rabies and they give the owner 72 hours to get them vaccinated and if they don't they can go back and pick up the animal and charge them a \$50 citation fee. Vice Chair Streater wanted to know if a senior citizen had a dog and was not able to bring it to a rabies vaccination clinic would they do house calls. Ms. Gibson answered no with Vice Chair Streater wondering why we don't set a fee for that. Ms. Gibson stated that Dr. Wright would do that and they were not going to be in competition with him as far as rabies shots. Ms. Gibson stated that they would only vaccinate what they adopt out. Ms. Gibson felt this was something to talk with Dr. Wright about. Ms. Wilson added that Dr. Leah Williams was a mobile vet here in Anson County and this was her business. Commissioner Smith asked if the dogs they pick up were strays with Ms. Gibson stating that by state law they keep them 72 hours and now with the new shelter they want to social those dogs that are capable of being adopted and let people have the opportunity to adopt them rather than putting them down. Commissioner Smith asked what they do when they find a dog with a collar and they belong to someone with Ms. Gibson answering they try to find the owner. Commissioner Smith asked if there was a fee with Ms. Gibson answering if they approve the reclaim fee then yes. Commissioner Smith stated that a lot of people hunt here and they don't pick up the dog at the same time and they want to be fair. Ms. Gibson stated that you can tell a dog that belongs to someone. Ms. Gibson stated that a lot of people microchip their dogs now and they need a universal scanner so they can scan the dogs that come in. Ms. Wilson added that not a lot of hunting dogs were brought to the shelter in Union County because when people see a dog with a collar they call

the owner. Commissioner Sikes asked about a chip in a dog and asked if there was anything for a dog that you could locate it when lost. Ms. Wilson stated that the microchip was about the size of a grain of rice and every shelter should scan every dog they pull off their truck. Chairman Baucom felt Commissioner Sikes was talking about a GPS with Ms. Wilson feeling most hunters use tracking devices. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve the fees as submitted: Adoption \$100, Redemption/Reclaim \$25 plus \$10/day and rabies citation \$50. Motion carried unanimously. Ms. Gibson invited all board members to the Open House Saturday from 11 AM to 1 PM. Chairman Baucom asked if they had heard of a program that lets children read to dogs and cats and asked if we would ever be in a position to support something like this with Ms. Gibson answering they probably could but felt we needed to check our liability insurance. Ms. Wilson shared that in Union County schools made field trips to the shelter and they had to sign a release form.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to approve. Chairman Baucom questioned the Budget Amendment for the emergency services center and the Budget Amendment for the transfer to ESC capital project with Ms. Randall answering they were overruns above and beyond the amount of the loan. County Manager Gatewood stated that anytime we have a new building we will have overruns and they were within the range they were expecting. Chairman Baucom then referred to the electronic transaction report and asked if these were through charge cards or direct deposit with Ms. James answering through charge cards. Chairman Baucom wanted to make sure they understood there is a way where the bank can send the money to the county and this is where she would like to see us headed. Vice Chair Streater asked where we took the overrun money from with Ms. Randall answering it was money that wasn't used for other items but already in the budget. County Manager noted it was not from fund balance. Commissioner Woodburn asked if we had this kind of money out there with Ms. James answering it was project based. Ms. Randall stated that a portion was additional revenue that wasn't already in the budget from the landfill. Chairman Baucom noted that collections from the tax thing was running about \$30,000 ahead of where it was last year. Vice Chair Streater asked if the money came from the landfill what would we have used it for had we not had the overrun with Ms. James answering that it was for remediation of the Lilesville landfill and the engineering work did not get done so the project did not take off this year. Chairman Baucom asked if it still needed to be done with Ms. James answering yes. Vice Chair Streater asked if this would have to go back in next year's budget with County Manager Gatewood answering yes but the urgency was not what they thought a year ago. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** approved minutes dated March 18, 2014, April 1, 2014, April 10, 2014 and April 14, 2014 and closed session minutes dated April 1, 2014.

**Tax Releases:**

**Tax Collector's Report**

# Real Property Taxes

**FY 2013-2014 Current Year Ad Valorem - 2013**  
**April 30, 2014**

| <b>(Total \$\$ Collections)</b>   |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|   | Sep           | Oct           | Nov           | Dec          | Jan          | Feb          | Mar           | Apr          |
| Year 2013   | 916,100.29    | 800,689.88    | 1,026,213.73  | 8,867,344.01 | 303,777.73   | 411,460.82   | 256,681.87    | 153,925.51   |
| Year 2012   | 863,307.89    | 662,140.94    | 1,545,771.18  | 8,245,555.45 | 591,530.54   | 394,773.55   | 234,592.51    | 179,365.23   |
| Year 2011   | 1,114,236.77  | 724,932.68    | 1,057,582.02  | 8,676,118.24 | 273,110.53   | 759,834.02   | 326,631.55    | 153,989.93   |
| Year 2010   | 1,078,301.02  | 727,146.32    | 1,834,033.24  | 8,467,126.13 | 313,652.81   | 740,139.07   | 332,344.50    | 132,854.57   |
| Year 2009   | 1,317,720.88  | 681,923.36    | 1,487,890.82  | 8,128,729.39 | 307,485.71   | 379,919.02   | 360,236.26    | 261,656.33   |
| Year 2008   | 750,653.41    | 705,888.42    | 1,308,422.04  | 7,772,676.85 | 477,271.59   | 361,778.44   | 243,148.97    | 131,934.01   |
| Year 2007   | 788,895.51    | 539,491.44    | 912,342.12    | 7,198,087.81 | 1,555,214.99 | 332,904.08   | 173,894.09    | 103,614.43   |
| <b>Of Total Collections</b>   |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| <b>County Taxes &amp; Late List</b>   |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | Sep           | Oct           | Nov           | Dec          | Jan          | Feb          | Mar           | Apr          |
| Year 2013   | 757,121.45    | 652,575.87    | 847,994.08    | 7,496,040.03 | 238,884.70   | 321,251.68   | 192,037.08    | 112,155.68   |
| Year 2012   | 716,431.79    | 548,716.84    | 1,246,234.94  | 6,965,653.63 | 474,125.82   | 311,770.51   | 186,458.87    | 132,595.62   |
| Year 2011   | 921,545.62    | 603,338.68    | 865,688.02    | 7,272,885.47 | 222,718.59   | 623,556.83   | 244,496.75    | 114,354.72   |
| Year 2010   | 894,518.98    | 605,605.64    | 1,479,716.19  | 7,135,832.26 | 256,020.32   | 571,966.13   | 256,151.14    | 101,065.71   |
| Year 2009   | 1,104,190.36  | 561,891.76    | 1,192,815.02  | 6,849,076.69 | 255,249.25   | 299,943.51   | 278,799.08    | 189,446.64   |
| Year 2008   | 633,646.80    | 574,997.79    | 1,046,831.34  | 6,643,082.02 | 382,989.15   | 288,841.07   | 193,174.13    | 99,314.46    |
| Year 2007   | 612,969.68    | 452,661.26    | 714,929.80    | 6,145,385.34 | 1,301,068.53 | 270,157.60   | 133,618.10    | 78,986.40    |
| <b>Current Year (2013) Ad Valorem Collections %</b>   |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | Sep           | Oct           | Nov           | Dec          | Jan          | Feb          | Mar           | Apr          |
| Year 2013   | 16.86%        | 18.95%        | 25.52%        | 85.89%       | 87.53%       | 89.84%       | 91.02%        | 91.74%       |
| Year 2012   | 14.37%        | 18.46%        | 28.32%        | 84.88%       | 88.50%       | 90.66%       | 91.84%        | 92.68%       |
| Year 2011   | 13.92%        | 18.51%        | 24.84%        | 84.15%       | 85.77%       | 90.48%       | 92.07%        | 92.77%       |
| Year 2010   | 13.35%        | 15.95%        | 27.10%        | 84.77%       | 86.61%       | 90.64%       | 92.35%        | 92.95%       |
| Year 2009   | 12.81%        | 17.03%        | 26.88%        | 84.98%       | 87.03%       | 89.23%       | 91.26%        | 92.70%       |
| Year 2008   | 15.53%        | 20.18%        | 29.04%        | 85.89%       | 89.03%       | 91.28%       | 92.77%        | 93.40%       |
| Year 2007   | 16.08%        | 19.69%        | 25.78%        | 79.39%       | 90.58%       | 92.71%       | 93.76%        | 94.32%       |
| Year 2006   | 15.87%        | 20.69%        | 30.37%        | 84.55%       | 89.67%       | 91.88%       | 93.41%        | 94.53%       |
| Year 2005   | 17.64%        | 21.77%        | 30.22%        | 84.70%       | 88.20%       | 91.88%       | 94.31%        | 95.09%       |
| Year 2004   | 7.59%         | 16.65%        | 29.10%        | 79.55%       | 86.76%       | 90.91%       | 93.00%        | 94.25%       |
| <b>Current Year (2013) Accounts Receivable Balance Remaining For County Taxes ONLY - Including Late Penalties</b> |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | Sep           | Oct           | Nov           | Dec          | Jan          | Feb          | Mar           | Apr          |
| Year 2013   | 8,585,188.08  | 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 |
| Year 2012   | 10,479,738.36 | 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   |
| Year 2011   | 10,421,780.20 | 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   |
| Year 2010   | 8,865,833.89  | 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   |
| <b>History of Past Due Mailings</b>   |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | 02/14/12      |               | 10/01/12      |              | 01/09/13     |              | 04/09/13      |              |
|   | #             | \$\$          | #             | \$\$         | #            | \$\$         | #             | \$\$         |
|   | 4,559         | 3,637,092.32  | 2,419         | 2,362,763.93 | 5,543        | 4,420,774.02 | 3,360         | 3,308,737.72 |
| <b>Tax Scroll Billings</b>  |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | Tax Rate      | Taxed Value   | County Tax    | Late List    | City Taxes   | Fire Taxes   | Total Billed  |              |
| 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   | 0.767         | 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 |              |
| <b>Utilities</b>  |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | County Tax    | City Taxes    | Fire Taxes    | Total Billed |              |              |               |              |
| 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 |              |              |               |              |
| 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 |              |              |               |              |
| <b>Accounts Receivable by Type</b>  |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | Jan 2014      |               | Feb 2014      |              | Mar 2014     |              | Apr 2014      |              |
|   | #             | \$\$ Due Now  | #             | \$\$ Due Now | #            | \$\$ Due Now | #             | \$\$ Due Now |
| Active Garnishments   | 163           | 65,729.97     | 162           | 65,121.99    | 161          | 64,624.53    | 161           | 63,375.03    |
| Accts with Agreements   | 42            | 10,783.78     | 42            | 10,839.08    | 42           | 10,894.38    | 42            | 10,949.68    |
| Accts in Foreclosure  | 293           | 121,207.40    | 292           | 121,583.14   | 323          | 140,593.02   | 322           | 140,536.90   |
| Bankruptcies  | 112           | 68,092.61     | 107           | 63,622.27    | 106          | 63,856.03    | 105           | 63,736.58    |
| Remaining Accts Collectible   | 7,780         | 2,435,402.50  | 7,674         | 2,399,727.97 | 7,514        | 2,335,487.28 | 7,462         | 2,310,627.55 |
| Current Year Ad Valorem(All)  | 5,112         | 1,913,233.73  | 4,298         | 1,569,833.76 | 3,921        | 1,463,664.46 | 3,731         | 1,356,392.34 |
| **Red = AR Dollars  | 13,502        | 4,614,449.99  | 12,575        | 4,230,728.21 | 12,067       | 4,079,119.70 | 11,823        | 3,945,618.08 |
|   | #             | \$\$          | #             | \$\$         | #            | \$\$         | #             | \$\$         |
| \$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo   | 1             | 184.61        | 1             | 11.30        | 1            | 100.00       | 2             | 1,469.72     |
| # Accts Given to ParaLegal  | -             | -             | -             | -            | -            | -            | -             | -            |
| Garnishments Executed   | -             | -             | -             | -            | -            | -            | -             | -            |
| Debt Setoff Letters Mailed  | -             | -             | -             | -            | -            | -            | -             | -            |
| Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)  | -             | 247,748.46    | -             | 246,568.72   | -            | 247,325.02   | -             | 247,684.16   |
| <b>One Year Ago</b>   |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
|   | Jan 2013      |               | Feb 2013      |              | Mar 2013     |              | Apr 2013      |              |
|   | #             | \$\$ Due Now  | #             | \$\$ Due Now | #            | \$\$ Due Now | #             | \$\$ Due Now |
| Active Garnishments   | 205           | 86,905.79     | 198           | 81,064.99    | 195          | 78,816.13    | 224           | 90,074.02    |
| Accts with Agreements   | 51            | 12,290.91     | 51            | 11,857.45    | 51           | 11,921.31    | 49            | 11,819.67    |
| Accts in Foreclosure  | 359           | 170,534.08    | 348           | 153,501.84   | 347          | 153,792.36   | 341           | 151,923.17   |
| Bankruptcies  | 129           | 75,637.58     | 127           | 75,063.67    | 138          | 82,743.99    | 137           | 82,926.61    |
| Remaining Accts Collectible   | 7,413         | 2,046,325.63  | 7,289         | 2,007,167.59 | 7,179        | 1,958,766.53 | 6,933         | 1,911,891.47 |
| Current Year Ad Valorem(All)  | 4,665         | 1,741,934.12  | 3,894         | 1,432,823.83 | 3,500        | 1,298,337.52 | 3,146         | 1,166,206.39 |
| **Red = AR Dollars  | 12,822        | 4,133,628.11  | 11,907        | 3,761,479.37 | 11,410       | 3,584,377.84 | 10,830        | 3,414,841.33 |
|   | #             | \$\$          | #             | \$\$         | #            | \$\$         | #             | \$\$         |
| \$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo   | 3             | 4,092.71      | 8             | 23,114.84    | 7            | 2,189.54     | 12            | 7,542.59     |
| # Accts Given to ParaLegal  | -             | -             | -             | -            | -            | -            | -             | -            |
| Garnishments Executed   | -             | -             | -             | -            | -            | -            | 33            | 13,347.06    |
| Debt Setoff Letters Mailed  | -             | -             | -             | -            | -            | -            | -             | -            |
| Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)  | -             | 304,472.85    | -             | 299,847.57   | -            | 300,036.29   | -             | 298,413.76   |



# Vehicle Property Taxes

**FY 2013-2014 - Current Ad Valorem Year - 2013**

**April 30, 2014**

| (Total \$\$ Collections)                            | Sep        | Oct               | Nov        | Dec               | Jan        | Feb               | Mar        | Apr               |
|---|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|
| <b>2013</b>   | 97,410.93  | 104,625.58        | 88,302.95  | 109,235.93        | 27,126.09  | 51,985.91         | 39,469.49  | <b>27,205.25</b>  |
| 2012  | 86,806.04  | 149,524.62        | 106,125.39 | 138,573.66        | 89,376.66  | 119,453.71        | 114,783.12 | 105,519.59        |
| 2011  | 105,721.28 | 89,208.44         | 148,511.21 | 146,211.62        | 66,546.71  | 145,510.44        | 114,926.78 | 87,325.91         |
| 2010  | 105,412.14 | 120,638.72        | 102,776.37 | 132,099.43        | 59,678.19  | 135,881.82        | 112,831.03 | 90,177.13         |
| 2009  | 126,604.54 | 148,976.92        | 109,246.46 | 165,750.40        | 78,676.31  | 128,615.80        | 146,889.60 | 101,431.08        |
| 2008  | 133,467.18 | 143,135.63        | 113,001.20 | 193,942.28        | 115,732.30 | 146,866.80        | 116,428.33 | 101,739.99        |
| 2007  | 123,647.78 | 146,325.19        | 147,290.59 | 166,118.52        | 143,668.15 | 147,628.44        | 124,665.05 | 117,102.74        |
| <b>Of Total Collections</b>                         |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
| <b>County Taxes</b>                                 |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
| <b>2013</b>   | 76,917.05  | 84,444.00         | 71,649.79  | 87,741.12         | 20,531.96  | 37,818.21         | 28,580.79  | <b>20,440.99</b>  |
| 2012  | 69,106.55  | 119,107.37        | 85,000.72  | 112,613.81        | 70,024.16  | 91,907.70         | 90,278.18  | 83,531.19         |
| 2011  | 85,160.92  | 70,394.58         | 118,902.26 | 117,567.90        | 53,245.76  | 112,779.42        | 90,584.78  | 69,967.91         |
| 2010  | 83,870.76  | 96,381.18         | 83,476.51  | 107,502.33        | 47,539.38  | 105,909.91        | 87,696.46  | 71,814.37         |
| 2009  | 100,742.46 | 121,008.41        | 89,356.91  | 134,554.58        | 62,366.01  | 102,809.18        | 116,588.69 | 81,139.59         |
| 2008  | 107,462.61 | 116,225.68        | 90,925.14  | 155,695.83        | 91,988.86  | 117,025.16        | 93,602.22  | 82,363.60         |
| 2007  | 98,711.37  | 118,921.05        | 118,540.93 | 134,593.33        | 113,643.72 | 118,232.44        | 99,966.05  | 94,660.52         |
| <b>Current Year (2013) Ad Valorem Collections %</b> |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
| <b>2013</b>   | 49.62%     | 52.40%            | 52.66%     | 61.92%            | 63.03%     | 65.76%            | 67.50%     | <b>69.74%</b>     |
| 2012  | 51.69%     | 57.99%            | 58.87%     | 64.99%            | 65.67%     | 67.83%            | 69.56%     | 70.87%            |
| 2011  | 56.21%     | 56.44%            | 61.75%     | 67.89%            | 66.43%     | 70.77%            | 73.38%     | 73.16%            |
| 2010  | 55.79%     | 60.46%            | 61.74%     | 67.57%            | 65.98%     | 69.88%            | 72.48%     | 72.77%            |
| 2009  | 56.71%     | 61.37%            | 61.15%     | 69.32%            | 68.56%     | 71.75%            | 76.21%     | 76.30%            |
| 2008  | 58.06%     | 61.79%            | 62.00%     | 70.89%            | 72.06%     | 76.33%            | 78.07%     | 76.81%            |
| 2007  | 58.75%     | 62.74%            | 66.28%     | 72.39%            | 75.42%     | 78.59%            | 80.07%     | 79.35%            |
| 2006  | 53.34%     | 57.96%            | 59.93%     | 66.77%            | 69.65%     | 72.51%            | 76.05%     | 77.89%            |
| 2005  | 66.63%     | 70.26%            | 69.72%     | 74.22%            | 74.67%     | 78.26%            | 80.75%     | 79.62%            |
| <b>History of Past Due Mailings</b>                 |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
|   | 11/08/11   |                   | 02/14/12   |                   | 10/01/12   |                   | 01/09/13   |                   |
|   | #          | \$\$              | #          | \$\$              | #          | \$\$              | #          | \$\$              |
|   | 9,681      | 530,539.81        | 8,750      | 487,461.50        | 8,205      | 446,932.26        | 8,998      | 504,404.62        |
| <b>Total Monthly Veh Billings</b>                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
| <b>2013</b>   | 124,032.98 | 125,450.95        | 17,156.42  | 5,522.15          | 2,688.17   | 2,127.06          | 4,347.01   | <b>4,114.98</b>   |
| 2012  | 111,716.60 | 121,200.21        | 101,022.19 | 94,645.38         | 87,993.27  | 98,544.78         | 114,165.80 | 127,160.05        |
| 2011  | 108,653.41 | 119,458.27        | 98,391.58  | 92,685.42         | 84,687.32  | 90,784.66         | 112,668.32 | 124,896.31        |
| 2010  | 107,672.23 | 117,140.95        | 97,615.33  | 90,680.69         | 82,034.34  | 84,233.87         | 109,039.61 | 119,912.86        |
| 2009  | 142,216.63 | 149,233.48        | 103,692.98 | 100,434.86        | 88,380.58  | 96,355.94         | 120,189.92 | 124,415.00        |
| 2008  | 155,143.04 | 148,373.75        | 113,200.10 | 108,876.07        | 96,624.23  | 104,656.71        | 140,299.87 | 125,658.12        |
| <b>Accounts Receivable by Type</b>                  |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
|   | Jan 2014   |                   | Feb 2014   |                   | Mar 2014   |                   | Apr 2014   |                   |
|   | #          | \$\$ Due Now      |
| <b>Active Garnishments</b>                          | 5          | 359.42            | 5          | 361.58            | 5          | 363.74            | 4          | 282.06            |
| <b>Bankruptcies</b>                                 | 23         | 1,240.97          | 23         | 1,248.18          | 13         | 651.73            | 13         | 655.62            |
| <b>Remaining Accts Receivable</b>                   | 6,408      | 348,134.22        | 5,998      | 322,694.40        | 4,625      | 241,688.79        | 4,530      | 238,420.44        |
| <b>Current Year AR (Taxes/Int)</b>                  | 4,994      | 312,124.96        | 4,665      | 291,719.51        | 4,402      | 279,025.46        | 4,136      | 262,827.39        |
| <b>**Red = AR Dollars</b>                           | 11,430     | <b>661,859.57</b> | 10,691     | <b>616,023.67</b> | 9,045      | <b>521,729.72</b> | 8,683      | <b>502,185.51</b> |
| <b>Garnishments Served by Mth</b>                   | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | -          | -                 |
| <b>Garnishments Matured by Mth</b>                  | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | -          | -                 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b>                                 |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |            |                   |
|   | Jan 2013   |                   | Feb 2013   |                   | Mar 2013   |                   | Apr 2013   |                   |
|   | #          | \$\$ Due Now      |
| <b>Active Garnishments</b>                          | 53         | 2,414.73          | 2          | 61.62             | 2          | 62.08             | 72         | 5,639.37          |
| <b>Bankruptcies</b>                                 | 36         | 1,933.94          | 33         | 8,148.40          | 24         | 1,219.24          | 24         | 1,226.78          |
| <b>Remaining Accts Receivable</b>                   | 5,198      | 280,906.78        | 4,552      | 239,680.58        | 3,231      | 162,606.94        | 3,079      | 155,310.34        |
| <b>Current Year AR (Taxes/Int)</b>                  | 5,605      | 331,539.41        | 5,700      | 341,807.34        | 5,892      | 356,554.15        | 6,106      | 371,360.05        |
| <b>**Red = AR Dollars</b>                           | 10,892     | <b>616,794.86</b> | 10,287     | <b>589,697.94</b> | 9,149      | <b>520,442.41</b> | 9,281      | <b>533,536.54</b> |
| <b>Garnishments Served by Mth</b>                   | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | 99         | 7,357.68          |
| <b>Garnishments Matured by Mth</b>                  | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | -          | -                 | 70         | 5,576.83          |

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

| <b>Fund Balance Calculation</b>                   |                          |                          |                          |                          |  |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|   | <b>Last Year</b>         | <b>Two Months</b>        | <b>Last</b>              |                          |  |
| <b>As of 04-30-14</b>                             | <b>Same Month</b>        | <b>Ago</b>               | <b>Month</b>             | <b>Now</b>               |  |
|   | As of<br><b>04/30/13</b> | As of<br><b>02/28/14</b> | As of<br><b>03/31/14</b> | As of<br><b>04/30/14</b> |  |
| <b>Available Fund Balance</b>                     |                          |                          |                          |                          |  |
| Cash & Investments (General)                      | \$ 10,657,239            | \$ 13,550,083            | \$ 12,378,023            | \$ 12,378,023            |  |
| Cash & Investments (22 Fund)                      | \$ 16,882                | \$ 19,391                | \$ 19,641                | \$ 19,892                |  |
| Less Cash from General (other funds)              | \$ (334,617)             | \$ (684,902)             | \$ (683,509)             | \$ (363,352)             |  |
| Less Liabilities (w/out deferred revenue)         | \$ 110,572               | \$ 111,856               | \$ 113,530               | \$ 107,334               |  |
| Less Deferred Revenue (from cash receipts)        | \$ (40,456)              | \$ (46,235)              | \$ (46,235)              | \$ (46,235)              |  |
| Less Encumbrances                                 | \$ (188,879)             | \$ (376,105)             | \$ (383,449)             | \$ (247,671)             |  |
| <b>Total Available</b>                            | <b>\$ 10,220,740</b>     | <b>\$ 12,574,089</b>     | <b>\$ 11,398,001</b>     | <b>\$ 11,847,991</b>     |  |
| <b>General Fund Expenditures</b>                  |                          |                          |                          |                          |  |
| Total Expenditures (Adopted Budget)               | \$ 26,598,175            | \$ 27,783,058            | \$ 27,783,058            | \$ 27,783,058            |  |
| <b>Total Available for Appropriation</b>          |                          |                          |                          |                          |  |
| Total Available                                   | \$ 10,220,740            | \$ 12,574,089            | \$ 11,398,001            | \$ 11,847,991            |  |
| Total Expenditures                                | \$ 26,598,175            | \$ 27,783,058            | \$ 27,783,058            | \$ 27,783,058            |  |
| <b>Total % Available Fund Balance</b>             | <b>38.43%</b>            | <b>45.26%</b>            | <b>41.03%</b>            | <b>42.64%</b>            |  |
| <b>Available Fund Balance Requirement Per LGC</b> | <b>8%</b>                | <b>8%</b>                | <b>8%</b>                | <b>8%</b>                |  |
|   | <b>\$2,127,854</b>       | <b>\$2,222,645</b>       | <b>\$2,222,645</b>       | <b>\$2,222,645</b>       |  |
| <b>% Undesignated Fund Balance</b>                | <b>30.43%</b>            | <b>37.26%</b>            | <b>33.03%</b>            | <b>34.64%</b>            |  |
|   | <b>\$ 8,092,886</b>      | <b>\$ 10,351,444</b>     | <b>\$ 9,175,356</b>      | <b>\$ 9,625,346</b>      |  |

**Monthly Jail Report:**

**ANSON COUNTY JAIL**

**May 1, 2014**

- As of 9:00am (May 1, 2014) the Anson County Jail (capacity of 60) held **42** inmates; **0** inmates housed in the other County Jails; **1** inmate in DOC/Butner for medical/safe-keeping; and **0** inmates awaiting transfer to DOC. **3** Juveniles in state Juvenile Detention.
- The following is a breakdown of the Average Daily Populations:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>ADP</u> | <u>Total Booked/Yr.</u> | <u>Average 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                         |
| 2012        | 48         | 1603                    | 134                         |
| <b>2013</b> | <b>44</b>  | <b>1582</b>             | <b>132</b>                  |

- 2013 Totals**      ADP      Total Booked

|           |    |     |
|-----------|----|-----|
| January   | 37 | 123 |
| February  | 44 | 127 |
| March     | 43 | 122 |
| April     | 47 | 160 |
| May       | 46 | 122 |
| June      | 44 | 123 |
| July      | 42 | 105 |
| August    | 48 | 151 |
| September | 52 | 153 |
| October   | 42 | 133 |
| November  | 44 | 129 |
| December  | 43 | 134 |

|           |                           |                   |                            |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>4.</b> | <b><u>2014 Totals</u></b> | <b><u>ADP</u></b> | <b><u>Total Booked</u></b> |
|           | January                   | 45                | 116                        |
|           | February                  | 41                | 119                        |
|           | March                     | 38                | 131                        |
|           | <b>April</b>              | <b>45</b>         | <b>137</b>                 |

**Budget Amendment – Retiree Health Insurance:** to appropriate funds from DEC-911 building renovations not used to cover cost of retiree health insurance

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Increase: Governing Body – General Administration 11-4110 | \$ 8,000 |
| Total Increase:   | \$ 8,000 |

Section 2. General Fund Expenditures:

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Decrease: Leased County Building 11-4265 | \$ 8,000 |
| Total Decrease:                          | \$ 8,000 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Belk Building:** to recognize and appropriate unanticipated ABC funds to appropriate funds from Parks and Recreation postponed capital project to cover cost of a new roof at the Belk Building.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Increase: Belk Building 11-4264        | \$ 23,000   |
| Decrease: Parks and Recreation 11-6120 | \$ (13,000) |
| Total Increase:                        | \$ 10,000   |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Increase: Governing Body – General Administration 11-4110 | \$ 10,000 |
| Total Increase:   | \$ 10,000 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – County Buildings:** to appropriate funds not used for remediation for proper closure of Lilesville landfill to cover unanticipated expenses in building budgets.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

|                 |                                 |            |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|------------|
| Increase:       | ES Center Building 11-4262      | \$ 127,000 |
| Increase:       | Animal Shelter Building 11-4375 | \$ 22,000  |
| Total Increase: |                                 | \$ 149,000 |

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

|                 |   |             |
|-----------------|---|-------------|
| Decrease:       | Landfill/Solid Waste Management 11-4720 | \$(149,000) |
| Total Decrease: |   | \$(149,000) |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – ACTS McLaurin Route:** to provide adequate funding to cover McLaurin route for ACTS.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures:

|                 |                         |          |
|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Increase:       | McLaurin Center 11-5930 | \$ 5,000 |
| Total Increase: |                         | \$ 5,000 |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues:

|                 |                                    |          |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------|
| Increase:       | Transportation – DOT Reimb 11-3452 | \$ 5,000 |
| Total Increase: |                                    | \$ 5,000 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Fire District Tax Collections:** to adjust fire district collections

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 19. Fire District Tax Fund

|                 |                                |           |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Increase:       | Fire District Tax Fund 71-0001 | \$ 15,800 |
| Total Increase: |                                | \$ 15,800 |

Section 20. Fire District Tax Fund

|                 |                                |           |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Increase:       | Fire District Tax Fund 71-4340 | \$ 15,800 |
| Total Increase: |                                | \$ 15,800 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Domestic Violence:** to record an increase in revenue from NC Council for Women for Anson County Domestic Violence SA.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                                     |        |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Increase:       | Domestic Violence Coalition 11-4325 | \$ 301 |
| Total Increase: |                                     | \$ 301 |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

|           |                                     |        |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Increase: | Domestic Violence Coalition 11-4325 | \$ 301 |
|           | Total Increase:                     | \$ 301 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

**Budget Amendment – Social Services:** to appropriate funding for the Energy Neighbor Program for the Anson County Social Services Department.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY I2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|           |                              |        |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------|
| Increase: | Social Services 11-5310-5580 | \$ 336 |
|           | Total Increase:              | \$ 336 |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

|           |  |        |
|-----------|--|--------|
| Increase: | Social Services Administration 11-5310 | \$ 336 |
|           | Total Increase:                        | \$ 336 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Social Services:** to appropriate funding for the Share the Warmth Program for the Anson County Social Services Department.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|           |                              |       |
|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| Increase: | Social Services 11-5310-5580 | \$ 75 |
|           | Total Increase:              | \$ 75 |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

|           |  |       |
|-----------|--|-------|
| Increase: | Social Services Administration 11-5310 | \$ 75 |
|           | Total Increase:                        | \$ 75 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Emergency Services Center:** appropriate funds contributed from the General Fund to cover Emergency Services center Capital Project expenses.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Capital Project – Emergency Services Center  
Budget Ordinance Amendment

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 3. Expenditures

|           |  |            |
|-----------|--|------------|
| Decrease: | ESC –Engineering 47-4400               | \$ (3,522) |
| Decrease: | ESC –Site Development/Testing 47-4400  | \$ (808)   |
| Increase: | ESC – Construction 47-4400             | \$ 392,834 |
| Increase: | ESC – Furniture/Fixtures/Equip 47-4400 | \$ 5,122   |
|           | Total Increase:                        | \$ 393,626 |

Section 4. Revenues

|           |  |            |
|-----------|--|------------|
| Increase: | ESC – Interest on Investments 47-4400        | \$ 273     |
| Increase: | ESC – Contribution from General Fund 47-4400 | \$ 393,353 |
|           | Total increase:                              | \$ 393,626 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Transfer to ESC Capital Project:** to recognize additional revenue and appropriate unused funds for transfer to Emergency Services Center Capital Project.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |   |                    |
|-----------------|---|--------------------|
| Increase:       | Governing Body – General Administration 11-4110 | \$ 393,353         |
| Decrease:       | Courthouse Building 11-4165                     | \$ (3,353)         |
| Decrease:       | Law Enforcement Building 11-4166                | <u>\$ (40,000)</u> |
| Total Increase: |   | \$ 350,000         |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

|                 |   |                   |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| Increase:       | Sales, Intangibles Taxes 11-4112              | \$ 140,000        |
| Increase:       | General Body – General Administration 11-4110 | \$ 10,000         |
| Increase:       | Landfill 11-4720                              | <u>\$ 200,000</u> |
| Total Increase: |   | \$ 350,000        |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Electronic Transaction Report:**

**Budget Amendment – Emergency Generator:** to appropriate funds from contingency to cover cost of the hookup required for an emergency generator.

**AMENDMENT**

**Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                              |                 |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Increase:       | Emergency management 11-4330 | <u>\$ 9,500</u> |
| Total Increase: |                              | \$ 9,500        |

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                                   |                   |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Decrease:       | Contingency – Emergencies 11-9912 | <u>\$ (9,500)</u> |
| Total Decrease: |                                   | \$ (9,500)        |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Social Services:** appropriate funding for the Share the Warmth Program for the Anson County Social Services Department.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                              |               |
|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Increase:       | Social Services 11-5310-5580 | <u>\$ 586</u> |
| Total Increase: |                              | \$ 586        |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

|                 |  |               |
|-----------------|--|---------------|
| Increase:       | Social Services Administration 11-5310 | <u>\$ 586</u> |
| Total Increase: |  | \$ 586        |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014

**Budget Amendment – Social Services:** appropriate funding for the Energy Neighbor Program for the Anson County Social Services Department.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                              |        |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--------|
| Increase:       | Social Services 11-5310-5580 | \$ 322 |
| Total Increase: |                              | \$ 322 |

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

|                 |  |        |
|-----------------|--|--------|
| Increase:       | Social Services Administration 11-5310 | \$ 322 |
| Total Increase: |  | \$ 322 |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Budget Amendment – Medical Examiner:** to appropriate unused funds from the courthouse restoration project to cover increased medical examiner fees.

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2013/14

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Anson County Board of Commissioners that the FY 2013/14 Budget Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                          |           |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Increase:       | Medical Examiner 11-4360 | \$ 12,000 |
| Total Increase: |                          | \$ 12,000 |

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

|                 |                             |             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Decrease:       | Courthouse Building 11-4165 | \$ (12,000) |
| Total Decrease: |                             | \$ (12,000) |

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**Appointments:** Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve the appointments as follows:

reappointment of Jason Kiker from District 6 and Robbie Harrington from District 2 to the Anson Agricultural Advisory Board

appointment of Ms. Phyllis Dunlap and Ms. Suzanne Carpenter to serve a one year term each on the CCOG Joint Community Advisory Board

re-appointment of Ms. Joyce Little and Ms. Cynthia Little to the Town of Wadesboro's Planning and Adjustment Board representing the ETJ.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Concerns:**

**Commissioner Sims** was of the opinion we needed to improve the relationship between the commissioners and the landfill because it is very necessary that we both agree that we have got to have complete safety and control over what comes into the landfill. Commissioner Sims noted that County Manager Gatewood was already working on monitors for us saying he would prefer a full time position but it was the pleasure of the board. Commissioner Sims stated that if approved by the board he would like for the County Manager Gatewood to talk with Mr. David Jones about the possibility of doing what they can to make sure what comes in is monitored.

**Closed Session:** Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to go into closed session for contract negotiations pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and to consult with the attorney pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(3). Motion carried unanimously.

\*Commissioner Smith left the meeting during closed session.

In regular session, motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the sale of the 107 Ashe Street property by the upset bid process. Motion carried unanimously.

County Manager Gatewood shared with board members the next step in the budget process. County Manager Gatewood stated that on June 2 the board would receive the recommended budget and then on June 3 he will make a presentation at the regularly scheduled board meeting. County Manager Gatewood stated that the Public Hearing is scheduled for June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM and then on the following Thursday June 26 at 6 PM we will have the meeting to adopt the budget. County Manager Gatewood stated that from his standpoint there was no reason to get together again relative to the budget. Vice Chair Streater asked when they would have the budget in hand with County Manager Gatewood answering Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Commissioner Sturdivant asked if there were any surprises with County Manager Gatewood saying the budget was very tight. County Manager Gatewood reported that on April 5, 2012 he sent out an email regarding our health insurance rates saying they would decrease by 5.9%. County Manager Gatewood noted the following year, April 19<sup>th</sup> he sent out another message saying he was expecting to see an increase around 5% but he was wrong. County Manager Gatewood stated that our premiums that year increased by 1.6% which was still very good. County Manager Gatewood stated that the email they have not received yet is that we've had some bad news. County Manager Gatewood noted that he and Bonnie met with the representative of BCBS to review our premiums for the coming year and he was expecting an increase around 7%. County Manager Gatewood stated that he was wrong. County Manager Gatewood reported that health insurance premiums for next year will increase by 13.4% which is about average for the BCBS universe so they tell us. County Manager Gatewood noted we were moving from \$610 to \$693 a month. County Manager Gatewood noted we've had some large major claims but that is why we have insurance. County Manager Gatewood stated that his recommendation is that we will fund health insurance premiums for our employees at the 100% level for this coming year. County Manager Gatewood reported that we've not had to dip into fund balance this year or last and we have a healthy fund balance and he's made a commitment to keeping it at least five million dollars. Commissioner Sims feels we need to let the employees know the sacrifice we are making and how good this is for them with County Manager Gatewood feeling they understand and know. Vice Chair Streater felt we were one of a few left that pays insurance with Chairman Baucom feeling we were one of a few counties with a healthy fund balance. Chairman Baucom stated that she would hate to see us start slipping in our support for public schools and the college. County Manager Gatewood believes we can maintain level funding for the public schools as well as the community college including that special \$180,000 appropriation for capital. County Manager Gatewood noted that we would have to dip into fund balance for \$315,000 for the Agri-Civic Center, \$20,000 for

the study for a new DSS Human Services building, a new ACTS building is \$10,000 and for the \$125,000 payment to Dr. Wright as the second payment on the Animal Shelter. County Manager Gatewood stated that if the board would allow him to budget all these things from fund balance he will do his best to use as little as possible as they have in the past. Chairman Baucom felt that it could be that along the way we could make up some of it. County Manager Gatewood reported that the first sale of timber this year brought \$277,000 and next week he will know what we should receive on the timber near the airport. County Manager Gatewood noted the timber was not as good and not as many acres and anticipates it being around \$100,000. County Manager Gatewood stated that the landfill has grown significantly and this year we anticipate somewhere around 1.1 million dollars in host fees and next year we are forecasting 1.25 million. Commissioner Sikes was of the understanding they were building two more cells with County Manager Gatewood saying he doesn't have those details. Vice Chair Streater asked if Head Start asked for more money tonight than what we gave them last year with County Manager Gatewood answering that we appropriated \$10,000 last year and they are asking for \$25,000 and his recommendation is to appropriate \$10,000 again. County Manager Gatewood felt we could not afford to go too far outside what we've already committed to with various agencies. Chairman Baucom is hopeful one day we can but they need to be able to generate their own. County Manager Gatewood stated that he was also recommending no change in the property tax rate for the coming year. Chairman Baucom felt when people want us to fund the arts and other things they will let us know.

### **Manager's Report:**

County Manager Gatewood invited board members to join them on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Animal Shelter for the open house. County Manager Gatewood reported that as of this afternoon we have received in voluntary donations \$3,895 for shelter supplies. County Manager Gatewood mentioned the donation from Ambassador Health that was in last week's paper of supplies. County Manager Gatewood stated that he has heard nothing but positive comments on the new Board of Election's headquarters at 402 Morven Road. At this point board members congratulated Commissioner Sturdivant on her reelection. County Manager Gatewood noted that we sold land on Hailey's Ferry Road and realized \$131,000, \$277,000 and change from the timber sale off high school road and we anticipate \$100,000 from the airport property. County Manager Gatewood stated that next year we will have four acres of land where the Anson Community Hospital property currently exist once the buildings are demolished and he believes we should realize between \$25,000 and \$50,000 per acre for this land. County Manager Gatewood felt that SanStone may be interested in the property for expansion purposes. Chairman Baucom stated that she was responsible for this district and those people have put up with helicopters and ambulances for a long time and feels we need to stand up for them and make sure that whatever is there will enhance their lives. Vice Chair Streater wondered if that would be a good place for Social Services and Health with Chairman Baucom and County Manager Gatewood answering it was not large enough for all the parking they would need for staff as well

as clients. County Manager Gatewood stated that in the future we have all this property near the airport and maybe it's time to consider selling some of the property. Chairman Baucom commented that she likes the growing of timber with Commissioner Sims saying it takes 30 years to get a good pine tree. Chairman Baucom favors selling property we are not using and turning it into tax revenue generating property but she also likes the timber business. County Manager Gatewood stated that we also have property near the high school. Vice Chair Streater asked where would we put a new DSS/Human Services building with County Manager Gatewood saying we could carve out 25 acres on the land near the high school and have ample parking and easy access. County Manager Gatewood stated that the county owns 126 acres in two tracts. County Manager Gatewood reported that we just completed a new roof for DSS and we will soon complete a new roof on the Belk building. County Manager Gatewood stated that we installed a new HVAC system on the courthouse and reminded board members that county offices would be closed May 26 for the Memorial Day Holiday. County Manager Gatewood complimented Jeff Waisner for the super job he is doing on these building project. It was mentioned that an increase might be in order here. County Manager Gatewood felt Jeff was not the only one and mentioned Ms. Bernice Bennett as we continue to see the results of her work. County Manager Gatewood stated that he plans to bring forward five or six recommendations for department heads similar to what he did last year.

Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to adjourn.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

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

Meeting time: 3 hr. 30 min.