

**THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** convened for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the board room, Suite 209 of the Anson County Government Center.

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

Staff members present: Bonnie M. Huntley, NCCCC Clerk to the Board  
Rita James, Data Processing  
Tiffany Randall, CPA, Finance Officer  
Bernice Bennett, Elderly  
Scott Rowell, ACTS Director  
Mike Sessions, Utilities Director  
Chris Harrington, Water Distribution  
Keith Gaskins, Inspections  
Evonne Burr, Health  
Dr. Fred Thompson, Health Director  
Larry Newton, Assessor  
Landric Reid, Sheriff  
Jeff Waisner, Parks and Rec. Director  
Wendell Smalls, Parks and Rec.

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

Chairman Baucom called the meeting to **Order**, welcoming everyone present. Chairman Baucom voiced appreciation for their interest in county government. Chairman Baucom called on Reverend Doctor Bernice Bennett, Harris Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, Morven, North Carolina to deliver the **Invocation**.

**Approval of the Agenda by Commissioners:** Chairman Baucom asked board members to move Item 11a, Closed Session for Economic Development, to about 7 PM. Chairman Baucom felt the board should be through Administrative Matters by that time. Chairman Baucom asked if there were any other changes or additions with Vice Chair Streater asking to make a presentation and Commissioner Sturdivant saying she had a Commissioner Concern. The clerk noted the two items placed at each board members place prior to the start of the meeting, asking that they be added to the Agenda. The Clerk noted one was an appointment and one was the Clean Water loan for WWTP. At this point, Vice Chair Streater presented a check to Commissioner Sturdivant in the amount of \$100 for Toys for Tots. Commissioner Sturdivant thanked

Vice Chair Streater for the donation. Commissioner Sturdivant then thanked Commissioner Sims for his check of \$100 for Toys for Tots given to her earlier. Chairman Baucom stated that we have been approved for a loan for the sludge lagoon and dam repair and asked board member to add this to the Agenda to receive the loan. Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to approve the Agenda with the additions and changes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Hearing: SFY 2016 Section 5310 Elderly Transportation Grant:**

Commissioner Sims asked Mr. Rowell to tell what has changed from the previous year with Mr. Rowell explaining that we've never applied for this grant. Mr. Rowell stated that it was federal money and they are going to apply for \$50,000. Mr. Rowell stated that \$10,000 of that will be community care and block grant funds to match \$40,000 from the federal government to enhance elderly and disabled transportation for citizens in Anson County who are at least 65 years old. Mr. Rowell added that this will help free up some money in Elderly Services that they would be spending on transportation so they can spend it somewhere else. Mr. Rowell stated that this would also free up some of his ROAP money to help provide more trips for citizens. Chairman Baucom called for a motion to open the Public Hearing. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Commissioner Sikes, to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

In the Public Hearing, Chairman Baucom asked if this was a grant with Mr. Rowell saying they were going to apply for a \$40,000 grant and Elderly Services already has the home care and community block grant money and they are going to use \$10,000 of that as the local match to get \$40,000. Mr. Rowell pointed out that it would not cost the county any money for them to get this grant. Vice Chair Streater commented that this was the kind of money they like. Chairman Baucom called for public comments. Commissioner Woodburn mentioned that the chart shows the local share as \$20,000 with Mr. Rowell saying they were working on a short time frame and they put in the paper for more than they are actually going to apply for. Chairman Baucom asked if there were any other questions or comments. Hearing none, motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Sims to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to accept the grant. Motion carried unanimously.

**Appearance:**

**Adam Kiker, LKG Engineering – Water Transmission Main:** Mr. Kiker thanked the board for the opportunity to be here tonight. Mr. Kiker explained that over the last month or so they have met with Mr. Sessions and Mr. Harrington several times and as a group with Chairman Baucom, Commissioner Sikes, Commissioner Sturdivant and members of the county team and tonight he wants to present what they've been talking about as a group and give guidance, figures, recommendations and cost figures. Mr. Kiker told board members to feel free to bounce questions off him or our finance group as he knows they prepared information for them as well. Mr. Kiker stated that we've been focusing on a couple of things and one is the diameter of the waterline. Mr.

Kiker was of the opinion that in the August meeting the board approved a 36-inch waterline and after meeting and talking, they feel a 30-inch waterline will achieve the ultimate goals we are trying to accomplish within a more prudent cost range. Mr. Kiker shared that Tiffany and Rita have given an amortization schedule or debt service expectations on this and a preliminary expectation on how the rate might have to be adjusted to service the debt. Mr. Kiker noted that since the board voted on a 36-inch line, Chairman Baucom wanted to have the discussion again and let him give the information on why they feel that a 30-inch line would be a more prudent choice. Mr. Kiker offered to answer questions or keep talking. Commissioner Sims asked for a brief explanation as to why he feels it is more prudent a choice. Commissioner Sims stated that he read the information and was in a conundrum about the lack of growth for 50 years. Mr. Kiker stated that when you are looking at what size line should be built, this line has to transmit your peak daily flow from the water plant on Blewett Falls into Wadesboro and the data they had to get their hands on, adding that we don't have instantaneous peak daily flow, we have average daily flow, so they compiled three years' worth of data, our average daily consumption and applied a standard text book peak to that and that actually came close to what we are pumping now for a peak day. Mr. Kiker stated that this made them feel like they were at least in the right ballpark. Mr. Kiker stated that when you look at the ultimate capacity of the line the new line will have an expected lifetime of 50 or maybe 75 years or more and they felt it was a prudent decision to evaluate the capacity of this line as if it were operating by itself and our existing 24-inch line was not in operation or at least not in operation at its force capacity. Mr. Kiker added that our existing line has been in the ground for about 50 years and is beginning to exceed its useful life. Mr. Kiker added that it may last another 50 years and we may make repairs to it that make it last another 50 years but they felt at this time it was the right thing to do to evaluate the new line as if it were operating on its own. Commissioner Sims, feeling he speaks for most everyone in the room, stated that they had rather be in the high side and not the low side because they don't have the money to take this opportunity very often and we've got several things going on with Economic Development and they are working on the new bypass in Marshville. Commissioner Sims was of the understanding that the new four lane coming in Richmond County will come very close to us and we might get a little help or assistance from that in an Economic Development sense. Commissioner Sims stated that you take all three of these factors plus sooner or later we've got to get lucky and he'd much rather take the high side. Mr. Kiker felt that was not a bad thing to do. Mr. Kiker stated that they found out that trying to project any type growth or water consumption based on population projections was not the most accurate way to do it. Mr. Kiker noted the reasons as 1) Anson County shows a new zero population growth over the next thirty years, 2) Richmond county shows some positive growth but they are a customer and therefore is not transmitted through this line so it doesn't come in to play and 3) Union County and we are all aware of the investment they are talking about making and the projections are present with and without Union County because they are a big player and the other customers they just assumed a new zero growth in terms of actual changes in water consumption. Mr. Kiker feels the towns inside Anson County may grow and change in size but if their borders change they may take over or somehow trade customers that are already Anson County customers. Mr. Kiker stated that the

tables presented show one with Union County and one without and they allowed an allocation for Economic Development in the future and they came up with a peak demand of 14.8 and 11.2 with and without Union County. Mr. Kiker noted there was no magic to this and certainly nothing that can be documented or published that they can put their finger on in a text book and they think they were just going off how they feel our system may change. Mr. Kiker feels we will have some organic growth in our water system and we have people building new houses on existing waterlines but in their opinion either of these fits the capacity of a 30-inch waterline. Mr. Kiker noted that they felt a 36-inch line was certainly a strong investment in our future and it almost doubles what we can transmit from the water plant into Wadesboro but it is about a 3.5 million dollar difference between a 36 and the 30 and they are not sure investing the extra 3.5 or 4 million dollars is the right choice. Commissioner Sims asked if he could make the assumption that they have allowed for adequate commercial growth, adequate normal growth and then a little more with Mr. Kiker answering that was correct. Mr. Kiker stated that there was some lead way and these were not hard numbers so we could, within still acceptable practice of operating our water system, force a little more through there as the numbers change. Mr. Kiker stated that they feel a 36-inch line might be a little too much money for something that is probably not necessary and anything smaller than a 30, in their opinion, gets to be in the range where our successors might regret not installing a larger line. Commissioner Sikes asked Mr. Kiker if he said the current 24-inch line was 50 years old with Mr. Kiker answering he believes the drawings for it are 1967/66 so it's close to 50 years. Commissioner Sikes asked if he thought there was any chance of it failing with Mr. Kiker thinking it will and between now and 50 years from now he thinks there is a high likelihood that without additional significant investment in the 24-inch line it will not be in service. Mr. Kiker added that he did not think it would fail tomorrow and that he would rely on Mr. Sessions and Mr. Harrington to answer the question but a 50 year old and he believes a lot of it is cast iron is getting close to the end of its useful life. Vice Chair Streater asked Mr. Sessions and Mr. Harrington how much repair they do each year on the 24-inch line with Mr. Sessions saying repairs are very rare. Mr. Sessions stated that as long as he and Mr. Harrington are here they are not putting the 24-inch out of service. Mr. Sessions understands what Mr. Kiker is saying but if the line breaks they have to repair it. Vice Chair Streater noted that we have waterlines all over the county that we repair daily. Mr. Harrington added that one of our major plants, Hornwood, has a leg off the 24-inch line that would require repairs in a timely fashion. Vice Chair Streater asked them how they felt about this line with Mr. Harrington feeling we need another line but no matter the size it will be tied into the existing 24-inch line so if something were to happen to the 24 we could still get water to the tank and the upper end of the county. Vice Chair Streater then mentioned Project X asking how much water they will use in a day with Mr. Harrington saying almost 4.5 million gallons daily. Vice Chair Streater asked if they would be a Wadesboro customer with Mr. Harrington answering yes. Vice Chair Streater then asked if Wadesboro would sign a contract to buy that much water a year with Mr. Sessions saying he understands about future growth but they are not doing away with the current 24-inch line and feels we need to look at how much water rates will increase in order to pay for the line. Mr. Sessions voiced that he was very concerned for increasing water rates, adding that he was still not against a 24-inch line. Mr. Sessions shared that a minimum bill would go

from \$12 to about \$17 a month and we need to look at what it will do to the commercial customers. Chairman Baucom asked Mr. Sessions if he was saying don't do it with Mr. Sessions answering that he was not saying don't do but he was saying we really need to look at what size we put in. Mr. Sessions pointed out that a 30-inch line was seventeen million dollars and if we go forward we will have to raise prices and that can't wait five years down the road. Vice Chair Streater noted that we have to keep the present system working and asked how much money it takes a year to run the present system with Ms. James saying four to four and one-half million dollars. Commissioner Sims voiced that he understands what he is saying and agrees we need to be as economical as possible but if we make a mistake by being too small we will pay a great deal more down the line and there will be extreme difficulties. Commissioner Sims feels it is better to at least allow for some difference of projections. Vice Chair Streater asked if they thought we would lose Union County feeling they were not spending all that money to build their own plant in Norwood to keep us with Commissioner Sims saying he's heard that for 20 years. Mr. Kiker stated that the rumor is that it will take eight to ten years to complete the project. Vice Chair Streater was of the opinion that if the county spends this kind of money to build this new waterline we should have some type guarantee from Wadesboro that they will buy so much water from us with Chairman Baucom and Commissioner Sims in agreement. Chairman Baucom felt we should not dig a ditch until we have assurance that Project X is coming and is going to be a mega user of water and we have an agreement or contract with the Town of Wadesboro. Chairman Baucom noted that we have contracts with Union County, Marshville and others. Mr. Sessions felt our contract needed to be with the Town of Wadesboro for 75 million gallons a month. Commissioner Sikes noted that was a little over 2 million gallons a day. Chairman Baucom felt we needed a 50 year agreement with the Town of Wadesboro and felt we needed to look at our contract with Marshville. Chairman Baucom stated that she would like to sell them water that they could sell to Union. Vice Chair Streater asked if we had a contract with Union County with County Attorney Forbes thinking we did with Mr. Kiker thinking it has expired. Chairman Baucom shared that the conversation broke down with Commissioner Woodburn saying it was not increased. Chairman Baucom asked if it automatically renewed for a period of time with County Attorney Forbes thinking it has not reached the point where it automatically renews yet but once it does it automatically renews within five year unless within one year of the date of that automatic renewal we tell them we are not renewing or they tell us they are not renewing. Chairman Baucom asked the County Attorney to research this and find that date. Commissioner Sikes thought there was also an issue with Union County about the return water with Chairman Baucom saying they thought the interbasin transfer was our problem and we thought it was theirs. Chairman Baucom stated that we have no way of knowing where the water goes after it leaves the county line. Commissioner Sikes thought the state was pushing this with Chairman Baucom answering yes. Chairman Baucom stated that she sees both lines running parallel with Mr. Kiker answering yes. Chairman Baucom was of the thought that as soon as the 30-inch is in the ground we ought to have a systematic process of repairing the maintaining the 24-inch line so that we have redundancy. Mr. Harrington stated that we only have the 24-inch line to the tank and if something happens to it they have to repair it regardless. Vice Chair Streater commented that we would have two tanks when the

project is over with Mr. Kiker saying that was the plan originally but there seems to be some discussion about that in the last few months. Mr. Kiker thinks that has yet to be decided but there is another tank designed and permitted but he thinks there is a question on how Project X from a timing standpoint will need water. Mr. Sessions was of the understanding in the beginning that Wadesboro would build another tank but they were told last week that Project X would be up and running before they would do that. Vice Chair Streater asked if we had a break and Project X was online would the tank drain pretty quickly with Mr. Harrington answering yes. Chairman Baucom felt we could switch to the 24-inch line as it would be the backup line with Vice Chair Streater saying we would still only have one tank. Mr. Harrington thought Project X mentioned something about building their own storage with Chairman Baucom thinking they would have underground storage. Vice Chair Streater stated that he would really like for Mr. Kiker, Mr. Sessions and Mr. Harrington to decide what we need and bring it back to the board. Mr. Harrington stated that he got the impression last week that they were fine with us not doing anything right now and he agrees. Chairman Baucom felt we needed to be ready to move forward when the time comes. Chairman Baucom understands that we have the 24-inch line and if we systematically keep that line operational then we've got a combined total so we could push a lot of water. Chairman Baucom stated that if one breaks the other will kick in. Chairman Baucom shared that she and Commissioner Sturdivant met with Premiere Fibers last month and their equipment is water intensive. Chairman Baucom stated that when the water stops they are just about out of business and he said it could cost them as much as one million dollars to get the machines started up again. Chairman Baucom thinks Project X's water is just as critical to them as it is to Premiere. Mr. Sessions shared that he talked with Premiere officials and was told the situation has improved. Mr. Sessions noted that Premiere was Ansonville's customer. Chairman Baucom asked if we sold water to Ansonville with Mr. Sessions answering yes. Commissioner Woodburn mentioned that what jumped out at him was the growth and felt these numbers have not filtered down to the state yet. Commissioner Woodburn stated that a study was done over the last five years or so and the estimate is a couple of million people in the Charlotte region over the next 20 years. Commissioner Woodburn feels with the by-pass and 73/74 will impact our growth. Commissioner Woodburn stated that he feels the information in the packet is good but on more than one occasion they have gotten bits and pieces of information and rather than having to remember all that he would like to see some kind of comparative analysis on paper that he could study. Commissioner Woodburn feels the board needs this in order to make an informed decision. Mr. Sessions asked if he wanted a 30 and a 36 with Commissioner Woodburn saying it could be that for this project but the information in the packet tells about that and the cost and whatever else they are proposing and the concerns they have and he thinks it would be good but at this meeting they mentioned something and next month more than likely it will be something different. Commissioner Woodburn stated that he has 30 days that he has to keep up with what was told this time to remember for the next time and he feels if you put it on paper he thinks the board could keep track of it better. Commissioner Sikes voiced that he's bothered by the rate increase for our customers. Commissioner Woodburn feels we will have that regardless of who does it or which way it goes it will be an impact as far as cost to households and to the commercial customers.

Commissioner Woodburn felt they needed to be cognizant of that and that is information they need as well in that comparative analysis so they will know which scenario makes the most sense. Mr. Sessions was glad the board was looking at the rate impact as that was a concern of his as well. Vice Chair Streater stated that this was just one piece of the puzzle and we have other things coming online and asked Ms. James how that will affect us. Commissioner Woodburn felt maybe the finance department could put this all together so they will know what they are looking at and what the impact is. Commissioner Woodburn voiced appreciation for the information given and added that the information just given is not included and he would like a way to keep track of all the information given. Vice Chair Streater asked Ms. James how this will affect us along with the other thing we are adding on. Ms. James stated that you can't have a project of this magnitude without an increase in fees. Ms. James stated that we have approximately 5,000 customers and the increase will affect all 5,000. Ms. James stated that it will affect the private citizens as well as the bulk users. Ms. James stated that this is debt service just for the water department and the current annual debt at the water department is only \$155,000 a year and it is being paid by current revenues. Ms. James stated that so far they've been able to cover the debt. Ms. James referred to the sludge lagoons noting that debt comes online in 2017/2018 and that will be an additional annual cost of \$300,000 a year. Ms. James stated that if we are funding the current \$155,000 debt from current revenues we still have to fund the \$300,000 in 2017/18 and that does not take into consideration the transmission line. Ms. James stated that it was a building affect. Ms. James shared that we were paying cash for the filter rehab and the generator and they will pay cash for the pump station in Burnsville. Ms. James noted that all this has to be taken into consideration when making your decision.

At this point Commissioner Woodburn asked to be excused from the meeting, saying he would try to get back. Chairman Baucom commented that she had a feeling we would be right here.

County Attorney Forbes asked how much revenue was this when we say we are paying cash for these items. Ms. James shared that we actually have one million dollars allocated in the 15/16 budget for \$600,000 for the generator, \$400,000 to complete the filter rehab. Ms. James noted the thing about the water department that was unique and different from the general fund is anything that has to be repaired at the filtration plant is extremely expensive. Vice Chair Streater thought she just said the cost of repairs was four million a year with Ms. James saying our revenues for the current system is about four and one-half million a year. Ms. James stated that that covers our expenses of installing new lines, any needed capital, new equipment, paying salaries, providing whatever it takes to get the water to the customer. Vice Chair Streater asked about the new line with Mr. Kiker saying it would be ductile iron which is a more modern material. Mr. Sessions added that it was the strongest you could get now but that he and Mr. Harrington have seen it blow out too. Mr. Harrington added that we have people that can fix a broken line. Mr. Sessions noted that we have some ductile iron in service now with Vice Chair Streater asking where. Mr. Harrington answered the 12-inch going up 74 to Union County. Chairman Baucom felt we also needed to be looking

around for grant money. Chairman Baucom stated that Senator McInnis called her one morning as he was going into one of the final budget meetings and wanted to know how much the waterline for Project X was going to cost and she said about 18 million and he said he was going to try to get that and if not, he would try to get 9 million. Chairman Baucom feels we have some moving parts here and if you look at doubling the cost of water to our customers that is formidable and if you look at losing Project X because we can't get enough water to them that is devastating. Chairman Baucom asked to look at this as a whole and see where we can get some money. Chairman Baucom stated that there was infrastructure bond money and felt this may be where Senator McInnis was going to look. Chairman Baucom thinks they turned that money over to Golden Leaf and looked to Mr. Kiker to start looking into this. Mr. Kiker said that Golden Leaf was an odd agency in that they don't have regular cycles and they don't have regular applications. Mr. Kiker stated that they do have large savings of money that are available for projects just like this and they would be a prime agency for us to target as we move forward. Chairman Baucom felt if this was where they parked the bond money then yes but otherwise we need to work with our representatives in Raleigh to get every nickel we can. Chairman Baucom stated that she does not see us toting this note all by ourselves. Chairman Baucom felt we needed to explore opportunities and a firm commitment from Project X as well as the Town of Wadesboro. Chairman Baucom felt that right now we were just selling them water without a commitment and they could turn that off tomorrow without an agreement. Commissioner Sturdivant shared that she was meeting with Senator McInnis next Thursday in Raleigh and she would bring this up. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that all of us have built a house and afterwards we think we should have done this or we should have added on and she would rather put in the 30-inch line than to go back and wish we had done it. Commissioner Sturdivant felt that we prepare people and she would rather prepare not just for Project X but other growth that is going to come. Commissioner Sims commented that we should be proactive rather than reactive. Chairman Baucom commented that she doesn't want another board to be here 20 years from now saying if they had just done this. Chairman Baucom voiced that she knows Vice Chair Streater is worried and she understands it is a leap of faith. Chairman Baucom was of the opinion we could not let this opportunity slip by because we failed to take action. Chairman Baucom asked board members if they were ready to change from a 36-inch line to a 30-inch line or wait. County Attorney Forbes advised that if they don't do it tonight they need to do it at a meeting rather than at any type impromptu meeting. Commissioner Sims offered the motion to go forward with the 30-inch line. From the audience, Jeff Boothby commented that since the state data on growth was compiled we have 300-400 poultry houses coming by next year and asked the difference in max capacity between the 30-inch and the 36-inch in millions of gallons. Mr. Boothby felt the bigger projects are all a million gallons or more a day and felt we needed to look at how many we want to be able to add in on this line before we run out of capacity and have to do this all over again. Mr. Kiker answered that the difference in capacity between a 24 and 30 inch in rough figures, the 30 inch will transmit almost twice what the 24 inch will transmit and it's about one-third more cost. Mr. Kiker noted the figures they were putting together for a 30-inch at about 16.7 million dollars total project cost and a 24-inch was about 12.7 million. Mr. Sessions asked what a 36 would transmit with Mr. Kiker answering that a 36 will transmit about twice what a

30 inch would transmit. Mr. Boothby asked if there would be a problem if we had a 36 in getting the pressure we need if we aren't using above a certain level. Mr. Boothby asked if we were looking at the 36 providing us 25 years from now with maximum capacity but we're talking about the next 10-15, will we still be able to function well with that 36 inch pipe if we spent that much more now or will we have more trouble than it's worth trying to keep the pressures up. Mr. Kiker answered that from an operating standpoint any of the lines function fine. Commissioner Sims stated that he doesn't wish to make a hasty decision or a non-informative decision but he does think we have projects that are very important to us and we are running behind now and we need to move on. Chairman Baucom stated that we have a 24-inch functional line and if the capacity of a 30-inch was inadequate we'd just turn the other big boy on. Mr. Sessions stated that they plan to run both lines. Mr. Harrington noted that we get to a limit to what the plant can actually produce. Vice Chair Streater asked how many gallons a day could the plant produce with Mr. Sessions answering sixteen million gallons. Chairman Baucom added that she feels comfortable with the 30-inch alongside the 24-inch. Commissioner Sikes asked the motion with Commissioner Sims answering it was to move forward with the 30-inch line and that we also move forward in looking for additional financing in a very vigorous way. Commissioner Sikes offered a second to the motion, adding that he really hates it. Commissioner Sikes noted it was something we have to have but it's hard to bite the bullet to get it. Chairman Baucom called for the motion:

Ayes: Chairman Baucom, Commissioner Sikes, Commissioner Sims and Commissioner Sturdivant

Nays: Vice Chair Streater

**Eric Locklear – Phase 1 Environmental:** Chairman Baucom announced that Mr. Locklear was with LL&J and he has done sixteen phase one environmental studies so we have 16 pieces of property that are on the way toward being certified. Mr. Locklear stated that he was going to talk about how they recruited money for us. Mr. Locklear stated that in 2012 his company teamed up with Anson County and applied for an EPA Brownfield program, which means federal funds put in a grant for Economic Development. Mr. Locklear stated that for the last year and one-half they have been working with the county to get as many industrial properties and commercial properties assessed. Mr. Locklear stated that when a company comes they want to inspect property to make sure there are no environmental concerns such as asbestos, lead paint, etc. Mr. Locklear stated that this money helps counties and developers get these reports completed at no cost but they have the information available to show to clients. Mr. Locklear noted that for a company to come in their only question is do you have reports saying this property is clean and if the answer is no, it could take up to two or three months for the report and the company may look elsewhere. Mr. Locklear shared that they have been assessing as many industrial properties as they could and they have completed 16 and that number has now gone up to about 22 properties. Mr. Locklear shared that Anson County was awarded \$400,000 to be used in a three year span. Mr. Locklear noted the average of Phase 1 completed is about 20 and they have completed that and two more and they will have a little over \$200,000 left. Mr. Locklear stated that now they plan to reach out to the citizens since they have taken care of a lot

of the county properties to let them know this money is available to them and if they know anyone that has commercial property that is zoned commercial or industrial they have the opportunity to request this money and a report to be done on the property. Mr. Locklear stated that they will reach out to realtors to work forward to be able to apply for additional funds in the future. Mr. Locklear stated that they have seen a great improvement in this program for the county and they've done a lot of good. Mr. Locklear plans to keep working with the board, Anson County Economic Development and any properties that we have if they would like information he would be more than happy to talk with them. Chairman Baucom stated that Mr. Newton has the reports in his office and asked Mr. Newton if he knew the location of the property Project Blue was looking at with Mr. Newton answering no. Chairman Baucom commented that she wants to make sure this piece of property is done with a Phase 1 Environmental. Chairman Baucom noted that she did not know the owner of the property and she's also asked Eric to do an environmental assessment on the hospital property, once the demolition is complete. Chairman Baucom noted that it belongs to the county but we want to make sure it's in good condition. Mr. Locklear noted that moving forward we could potentially apply for funds to clean up those properties. Mr. Locklear noted this was a two-step process and they want you to get assessment money to assess the problem then you can apply for clean up money which allows us to get the properties cleaned up. Mr. Locklear shared that they have caught up on the reports and they are willing to take any that may come in the future. County Attorney Forbes voiced that he understood him to say he already has 16 certified sites in Anson County with Mr. Locklear answering they have 16 completed certified sites and they have another five awaiting approval from the board once he submits them. Mr. Locklear added that this comes out to a little over \$6,000 per property per report and the EPA doesn't want you to spend more than \$12,000 so we are about 50% behind. Mr. Locklear shared that this has been a collaboration of effort between the county, himself and his company. Commissioner Sims mentioned the hospital buildings, noting there was a great deal of discussion about saving some of the buildings. Commissioner Sims stated that he wants the people of Anson County to understand that those buildings are being torn down and paid for by someone other than this board. Commissioner Sims stated that if we had kept those buildings and let the contract expire for them to tear the buildings down, then the taxpayers of Anson County at some point would be facing tearing those buildings down and all the environmental hazards and cost. Commissioner Sims added that he loves history and hates to lose any part of history but you are talking about a possible financial disaster for the taxpayers. Mr. Locklear stated that this program can go in and assess some of these items for you and help you make the best decisions in contamination zones, cleaning up and even revitalization. Chairman Baucom asked if before we can say these are certified sites there are other studies that need to be done or is this Phase 1 enough so we can legitimately say these are certified sites. Mr. Locklear said with the Phase 1's completed, environmentally you can say they are certified sites. Mr. Locklear added that at this time they do not have any Phase 1's being recommended for a Phase 2 but should they come upon properties where they have to do Phase 2's that is where more extensive study is done to include core samples, core borings, etc. but there is money for that work also. Mr. Locklear stated that is one reason they've tried to be as efficient as possible because of items such as

the hospital as they knew a project would come along that would absorb a lot of the funding but they wanted to make sure the right one came along. Mr. Locklear shared that they were looking at the hospital property and will look to future endeavors and get the background work to open up lots of exploration on what we can and can't do in the future. Mr. Locklear noted that as of right now we don't have any that are not certified as they have all passed. Chairman Baucom voiced appreciation for his work. Mr. Locklear again stated that this was available for the citizens, realtors and anyone with industrial or commercial property and recommended they take advantage of this to have some kind of selling point for their property.

Chairman Baucom called for a 10-minute break after which we will hold a closed session for Economic Development.

After the break, motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to go into closed session for Economic Development pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(4). Motion carried unanimously.

In regular session, the next topic was **Public Addresses.**

**Marvin Deese** stated that he read in the paper recently where the board wanted to go back and change the Mobile Home Ordinance to allow vinyl underpinning. Mr. Deese shared that he was totally against this as it is combustible material and a fire hazard. Commissioner Sims asked if it would be the same as vinyl siding on the house, even though it is not close to the ground it still has brush against it. Mr. Deese noted that the Ordinance was approved seven years ago and it has been good since then and asked why we need to go back and do it again. Commissioner Sims asked how many fires had we had directly related to this with Mr. Deese saying he hasn't had any on his but any combustible material close to the ground could be a fire hazard. Mr. Deese asked the board to continue requiring metal underpinning.

**Jeff Boothby** presented an update on TDA and recent projects. Mr. Boothby shared that they had their first work shop on branding and it went very well. Mr. Boothby stated that they have some initial designs on branding the county and everyone at the meeting was very favorable to the idea and design. Mr. Boothby announced that the second workshop as on the 21<sup>st</sup> of this month. Mr. Boothby stated that the economic partnership has a meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> and a lot of momentum is building for this and wanted board members to know there was a lot of momentum building on the private side as well. Mr. Boothby stated that TDA was in the process of doing their end of the partnership and finalizing the contract with the Chamber of Commerce on the clerical services part which will fill the void of their lack of a director. Mr. Boothby feels with this they will also see updates on things that are out of date with some of the changes in the county and he thinks they will see a much more effective use of TDA time. Commissioner Sims thanked Mr. Boothby for all they do. Mr. Boothby stated that he appreciates the opportunity to serve his community and they certainly appreciate the support of the board for what they are doing.

**Administrative Matters:**

**ACTS 2016 Rural Operating Assistance Program Application:** Chairman Baucom asked for an explanation of what this does. Mr. Rowell stated that this was the annual Rural Operating Assistance Program grant. Mr. Rowell added that they did not have to conduct a Public Hearing this year but they do have to sign off on the paperwork. Mr. Rowell stated that the local funds will be covered by cash fares paid by riders and as usual there is no cost to the county. Mr. Rowell noted the only change from last year is it increased about \$3,500. Chairman Baucom asked if this was what we've always done with Mr. Rowell answering. Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**New Fees for Health Department:** Dr. Thompson explained that the fees relate to their new ultra sound machine and with the machine they are able to establish the gestational age of the fetus which is real important to Dr. Zeller in managing pre-natal care. Dr. Thompson added that since they've never had an ultra sound machine before they had to set fees for the new procedures. Chairman Baucom asked if the first column was the proposed fees and the second column was Medicaid reimbursement with Dr. Thompson answering yes. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to approve the fees as submitted.

CPT CODE	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE
83986	PH Test	\$ 0	\$ 7.50
76857	Pelvic Ultrasound	\$ 0	\$ 47.55
76817	Transvaginal Ultrasound	\$ 0	\$100.00
76815	Ultrasound	\$ 0	\$100.00
76816	Ultrasound Follow up	\$ 0	\$120.00

Motion carried unanimously.

**Vehicle for Health Department's Preparedness & Response:** Ms. Burr stated that as of July 1 she took over preparedness for the health department and on October 20<sup>th</sup> she has to take their new plan to be approved by the State and one of the requirements is to have a vehicle capable of pulling one of their three trailers. Vice Chair Streater asked what was in the trailers with Ms. Burr saying it could be anything from generators, tables, traffic cones, whatever they need for an event. Mr. Burr added that they have to be prepared to dispense medicine. Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant that we approve transferring the vehicle currently used by Emergency Management to the Health Department. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sikes. Vice Chair Streater asked Ms. James if this suburban wasn't supposed to have been sold on GovDeals to balance the budget with Ms. James answering the income they anticipated to get from the sale of this vehicle was in the sale of fixed assets. Chairman Baucom asked what this would do to the budget with Ms. James answering that if she has to go out and buy a truck she will spend a lot more than the loss from this vehicle. Ms. Burr stated that she did not want to request a new vehicle if we had one they could use. Ms. Burr shared that they have to perform three exercises each year now and they have to be able to haul the trailers. Ms. Burr offered a 2001 Malibu that is not being used by the health department to be sold on GovDeals to replace the Suburban from

Emergency Management. Ms. Burr announced that the health department has received their flu shots and will be administering them to county employees on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Burr added that walk-ins were welcome anytime. Chairman Baucom asked the cost of the shot with Ms. Burr answering with no insurance it would be \$35.00. Vice Chair Streater shared that he has all his blood work done at the health department. Motion carried unanimously.

**Acceptance of State Loan for Sludge Lagoon/Dam Repair:** Anson County has been approved for loan assistance from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund in the amount of \$4,928,344. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the following Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT**

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Clean Water Revolving Loan and Grant Act of 1987 has authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible unites of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection systems, and water supply systems, water conservation projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources has offered a State Revolving Loan in the amount of \$4,928,344 for the construction of Project No. CS370422-06 Sludge Lagoon and Dam Repair, and

**WHEREAS**, the Anson County Board of Commissioners intends to construct said project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications,

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

That Anson County does hereby accept the State Revolving Loan offer of \$4,928,344.

That the Anson County Board of Commissioners does hereby give assurance to the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources that all items specified in the loan offer, Section II – Assurances will be adhered to.

That Anna H. Baucom, Chairman, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State Agency may request in connection with such application or the project; to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That Anson County has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015 in Wadesboro, North Carolina.

**Chairman's Report:** Chairman Baucom noted that some time ago there was mention that the Grand Jury room ceiling was flaking or peeling and asked if someone had looked at this. Mr. Waisner stated that some of the ceiling tiles had been moved while working on the air conditioning units but they've been replaced. Mr. Waisner stated that when we renovated the courthouse we had plans to renovate the first floor then the second floor. Mr. Waisner noted the first floor was completed and the last year before Mr. Gatewood retired we didn't do anymore. Mr. Waisner explained that over the years water came in through the brick and down through the ceiling and it caused the plaster to start coming off the wall. Mr. Waisner stated that they would need money to have this repaired. Mr. Waisner offered to get a price for having this done thinking it would probably involve removing all the plaster and coming back with sheet rock. Mr. Waisner noted that they met with Judge Wallace and Mark Hammonds and they were

going to close court four months while they renovated the courtroom but we never got to that stage. Chairman Baucom favored having a plan and cost estimates and how it will be done. Chairman Baucom noted a tight budget this year and hopes it will improve but we can't spend what we don't have. Vice Chair Streater asked about court facilities money with Ms. James saying that because we did so much work at the courthouse, part was paid by county funds and part by court facility fees fund balance so we don't have a big fund balance there anymore. Ms. James stated that was the reason we did not do a lot this fiscal year to try to build that fund balance back up. Ms. James noted it could take care of some of this. Chairman Baucom asked board members to set a date and time to review the County Manager applications. After much discussion, board members agreed to meet October 19, 2015 at 6 PM. Chairman Baucom asked if we had any standards for rental property in the county with Mr. Gaskins answering that we have a Minimum Housing Code to handle structural, plumbing, electrical, smoke detectors. Chairman Baucom shared that she had a call from someone renting a trailer close to Barbee's Barbeque saying it leaks, the siding is coming off the outside, there is a hole in the floor and she found a snake in there. Chairman Baucom stated that it occurred to her how someone could rent property that is in this bad shape with Mr. Gaskins saying if it was the same person he's familiar with she has been served eviction papers and thinks the landlord is Red Wright. Mr. Gaskins stated that in 90% of these cases they are trying to cause the landlord additional monies and the landlord refuses to make corrections to the property until they move out. Mr. Gaskins stated that it was more than he could take care of trying to negotiate the renter paying the rent and the landlord making repairs to the unit. Mr. Gaskins again added that nine times out of ten they've already been served eviction papers and are two to three months behind on rent. Mr. Gaskins stated that this is not every scenario but it applies to this case. Chairman Baucom feels we need to look at some kind of standard that you can't make money off of a piece of property that is basically a piece of crap. Chairman Baucom noted that we have a high incident of poverty in this community and that is just taking advantage. Chairman Baucom would like the board to look at this during a retreat and asked the County Attorney to do some research on this. Chairman Baucom stated that in Charlotte or Mecklenburg County they have a whole list of criteria before you can rent a piece of property. Commissioner Sturdivant asked Mr. Gaskins if he received a phone call from a lady at 83 Rorie Parson Road with Mr. Gaskins thinking he did not. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that she was in a rental property with no electrical and there was something about the water. Mr. Gaskins stated that sometimes they have to apply for the electrical with Commissioner Sturdivant saying it wasn't that she could not pay the electrical bill it was something about the wiring being messed up. Mr. Gaskins asked that she call him and he would look into it. Chairman Baucom asked what could he do when he checks it out with Mr. Gaskins explaining that with the Minimum Housing Ordinance the procedure is you receive a complaint, and it has to be someone with authority like the Board of Commissioners and if it is inside the limits of Wadesboro it would be Hugh James or you have to have five neighbors complain about the yard or condition of the home. Mr. Gaskins said that he investigates and sets up a hearing with the landowner and they have 10-30 days to make the corrective action. Commissioner Sturdivant then asked Mr. Gaskins to go to 83 Rorie Parson Road tomorrow. Chairman Baucom stated that if she could find her notes from the conversation with the Peachland

lady she would call Mr. Gaskins and see if they have corrected any of this stuff she was talking about.

### **Old Business:**

**Harvesting Trees at Little Park:** Chairman Baucom stated that she called the forester and told him not to do anything until we met. Chairman Baucom shared that apparently wherever he wants to thin the trees will interfere with the walking trail that the park staff has meticulously built and we don't want to interfere with that. Mr. Waisner shared pictures of the trail with board members. Mr. Waisner stated that Mr. Johnson has been very nice with them and he doesn't want the board to think they are trying to hurt the county from trying to make money but he doesn't want to see the park become a garden to harvest trees. Mr. Waisner noted that over 20 years ago when he first moved to Anson County the first time he went to the park the trees had been clear cut. Mr. Waisner noted that it was not reseeded and what they have now has grown naturally. Mr. Waisner stated that they have worked for the last two years putting in this hiking/biking trail and the staff worked hard on this. Mr. Waisner shared that Vice Chair Streater and Commissioner Sturdivant both have been through the trail, adding that it was absolutely beautiful. Mr. Waisner stated that they put the trail on the property line and there would be no way to get his equipment in without coming close proximity to the trail. Mr. Waisner stated that they met with a retired forest supervisor who said when you think about a park you generally use small equipment so you don't disturb the ground as much and feels once the trees are removed it has to be sprayed or a control burn. Mr. Waisner felt this was not what a park was for. Commissioner Sims asked how many acres he was talking about with Mr. Waisner saying they were going to cut 60 acres and they have 141. Mr. Waisner said of the 60 acres they were going to thin they already have flags out because this winter they were going to add another mile or mile and one-half to the trail. Mr. Waisner said once the thinning is done they will not be able to do this for another three to five years. Commissioner Sims voiced that to him the pictures don't look like there is valuable timber there with Mr. Waisner saying it was small. Mr. Waisner voiced a concern that once the trees are thinned they will leave piles of brush behind and he doesn't want that for the park. Motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Vice Chair Streater, to leave the park as is with no tree cutting. Mr. Waisner and Mr. Small invited board members to visit the park any time. Mr. Johnson spoke saying he was not soliciting work but Mr. Gatewood had asked him to do this. Mr. Johnson shared a map of the proposed area with board members saying he was going to leave a buffer around everything. Mr. Johnson feels as a forester he improves land and timber growth and we have other things to consider such as insects attacking an overcrowded forest and then we'll have holes where we aren't growing anything. Mr. Johnson explained when a forest is overcrowded there is a program called southern pine beetle prevention and this stand should have been gone through 10-15 years ago with a crew thinning out with weed eaters. Mr. Johnson feels thinning would help the growth which would in turn make more money but it's fine if they don't want to do anything. Mr. Johnson noted his job as a forester was to improve stands and can show board members stands he has worked on that are beautiful. Mr. Johnson stated that the loading decks were going to be deep in the woods and they were looking to come in through Mrs. Little's land. Mr. Johnson referred to the map noting the road was the red

dash line and the area circled in blue was the area to be thinned and the yellow was the walking trail. Mr. Johnson was going to buffer between them; adding that his machinery could help put in the new trail. County Attorney Forbes asked how long the thinning would take with Mr. Johnson answering three weeks. Mr. Johnson noted that it was not a lot of money but he feels it needs to be done. Chairman Baucom thanked Mr. Johnson but felt at this point we should hold off on this. Mr. Boothby asked to speak feeling if anyone would do a fine job it would be Mr. Johnson. Mr. Boothby felt Mr. Waisner and Mr. Small had a good point about maintaining the park atmosphere but in any sort of timber management work it is a very difficult balance between having a park and having timber land. Mr. Boothby felt in looking long term for this stand of timber there would be issues to mitigate for but it was just the general processes of a forest growing older. Mr. Boothby noted that there would be trees to die from competition and bugs but he feels the board is wise in at least taking a step back and looking closer at this, especially since they are putting in another trail. Chairman Baucom stated that Mr. Johnson has always done a nice job for us whenever we've had property to cut. Mr. Johnson voiced that he was glad they were addressing this as he was worried he could not please that many eyes. Mr. Waisner stated that there was another issue that needed to be resolved and reported that people have deer stands on county property inside the park. Chairman Baucom said to tear them down with Mr. Waisner asking the board to tell them it's ok to take them down. Chairman Baucom then called for a vote on the motion to not thin the trees at the park. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Sims explained that by his motion he was not saying we would never have to do anything to the trees but he's saying right now let's go with the beauty of the park and not worry about the money. Again Mr. Johnson commented that there wasn't much money right now but it is a health issue. Vice Chair Streater asked if the deer stands were on county property with Mr. Waisner saying during soccer season last year they found an arrow that landed on one of the ball fields. Mr. Small stated that he knows of three stands on county property adjacent to the power lines. Vice Chair Streater asked if they knew who they belong to with Mr. Small saying that one of the hunters approached him last year saying he was friends with the attorney that runs the trust but he could not remember his name. County Attorney Forbes stated that the law requires you to have written permission from the landowner to put up a deer stand and if not you are trespassing and that is a violation. Vice Chair Streater asked if we could put a note or a tag on them saying they have to be removed. Mr. Waisner stated they would work on that tomorrow. Motion by Vice Chair Streater, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, that we ask that the deer stands be removed from county property. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Baucom shared that HOLLA was going to have a donor appreciation event on October 22 at 6:30 PM and the board is invited to attend. Chairman Baucom shared that Ansonville's fire department's annual parade will be Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and their barbeque sale will be on Friday and Saturday. Commissioner Sims noted that Peachland had a barbeque coming up this weekend. Commissioner Sturdivant asked if the board was riding in the parade with Chairman Baucom saying the Clerk handles all of this. Commissioner Sturdivant commented that she would like to ride.

**Fire District Maps:** Chairman Baucom commented that the maps have not made their way to Raleigh yet. Chairman Baucom stated that she received a call from a man that has been waiting and waiting and he's shelled out another thousand dollars for his insurance. Chairman Baucom asked how we were coming on that. Mr. Newton stated that he had a conversation about the rejection in Raleigh and he then had a conversation with Rodney and it seems not all of the maps have been rejected. Mr. Newton stated that three of the maps have been approved. Mr. Newton stated that he made Randy aware of this problem and he stated that he could do the maps. Mr. Newton stated that they have been reprinted and picked up so they are moving ahead again. Chairman Baucom asked if they were on their way to Raleigh with Mr. Newton saying he would check and see. Chairman Baucom asked who picked them up with Mr. Newton saying he doesn't know but assumes it was Rodney. Chairman Baucom asked Mr. Newton to let her know when he knows they are in Raleigh and have been approved.

**Request to Use Conference Room in the Belk Building:** Chairman Baucom asked if this had been voted on with the Clerk answering no. The Clerk noted if this was after hours and the door was unlocked they would need security at the door. Commissioner Sims noted this would be a liability. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that the bathrooms in the building are locked and they would not have access to a bathroom during the classes. Chairman Baucom feels we aren't set up to make this space available. It was suggested they contact the library and use space there. Vice Chair Streater asked Commissioner Woodburn if they had checked with the library with Commissioner Woodburn saying he would find out. Commissioner Woodburn was of the opinion they were asking to use this building because the probation offices are located there. Mr. Boothby asked what type event was it with Commissioner Woodburn saying teaching classes. Mr. Boothby asked if it was ongoing with Commissioner Woodburn answering it was two meetings a week. Mr. Boothby offered to assist saying he just purchased the old Wadesboro bank building and he would be interested in seeing if he could assist with space. Commissioner Woodburn stated that he would give her all the information.

**SPCC Property:** Chairman Baucom reported that she looked at property owned by South Piedmont Community College that they thought would be suitable for the ACTS building. Chairman Baucom found that we would have to lease the land from the college and she doesn't see that as a good way of dealing with it when we already have property. Vice Chair Streater thought they wanted to give it to us with Chairman Baucom saying no. Chairman Baucom noted that as you turn off 74 onto the road that runs to the college the property is on the right.

**Changes to the Manufactured Housing Ordinance for Underpinning:** Chairman Baucom stated that last month we had a young lady that already put up her manufactured home and had underpinned it with vinyl and asked if we needed to change our Manufactured Housing Ordinance or leave it as it is. Commissioner Sikes shared that she was here earlier and had to leave. Commissioner Sikes also stated that it was a touchy subject to him. Mr. Newton stated that he had not heard the fire issue

with vinyl but it was also susceptible to being damaged by yard equipment. Mr. Newton felt if the board decided to make a change the issue would go to the planning board for a recommendation, then a Public Hearing would need to be held before a vote. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that she had a call from someone in Lilesville inquiring if the board would change it and if so she wanted to change hers. County Attorney Forbes explained that this was an issue that was in force when she hired a contractor to do this job. County Attorney Forbes stated that the contractor decided to put the vinyl on there and advised the board that the law was followed and there were proper procedures in place. County Attorney Forbes stated that the board was talking about lowering standards for every manufactured home in Anson County by changing this and there are things to be considered in doing this. Mr. Gaskins stated that she called and said she had everything corrected so he went up to inspect and asked if she was going to remove the metal when he left and she said yes. Mr. Gaskins said he told her that was not what the Ordinance says and she can't have any vinyl. Mr. Gaskins then shared pictures with board members where they covered the vinyl with metal noting in places they only half covered the vinyl. Mr. Gaskins agreed the vinyl looks good. County Attorney Forbes asked if the façade was up to code with Mr. Gaskins answering no. Mr. Gaskins shared that everyone else had to put metal, brick, block or fiberglass up and he feels she should too. Chairman Baucom felt unless the board was willing to change it they needed to follow it. Commissioner Sikes asked if they put up the metal would the vinyl have to be removed and not under it with Mr. Gaskins saying Mr. Wallace called and asked if they could just put metal over the vinyl without having to take it all down and he said sure as long as it will be a permanent underpinning. Mr. Gaskins stated that Ms. Carpenter called him last week to say everything was done and he asked if she was going to take the metal down when he gives her power to the mobile home and she said yes. From the audience Mr. Edwards asked if the Ordinance says you have to keep it up with Mr. Gaskins answering that it says it has to be underpinned with metal. County Attorney Forbes voiced that it appears from a legal standpoint with non-metal and metal and he doesn't believe that is what the code provides for. County Attorney Forbes stated that this actually goes against the code for being fire and combustible material being under a trailer that can catch on fire. Commissioner Sikes felt another issue was the septic tank, noting it was floating out of the ground now after all this rain. Chairman Baucom asked who put the septic tank in with Ms. Burr thinking it was one of the Hildreth's. Ms. Burr stated the reason for the septic tank being out of the ground was due to the flow of the system. Dr. Thompson explained that the soil was so shallow there and in years past there was no way to put a septic system there but with a raised system there is enough flow to put one in. Dr. Thompson noted the other option would be to put a pump in and pump it which would add about \$1500 to the cost. Dr. Thompson stated that the septic tank was partially out of the ground for gravity so it will flow. Commissioner Sikes shared that there was another house and trailer on the same lot and asked if they have problems with their septic. County Attorney Forbes voiced that their contractor needs to follow the Ordinance. Commissioner Woodburn commented that he feels it needs to remain as is. County Attorney Forbes stated that their contractor needs to follow the Ordinance that is in place when he was hired to do his job and that is the advice he's given them. Vice Chair Streater felt the contractor should know better especially since he moves mobile

homes. County Attorney Forbes stated that he installed it then he was told it was not proper and they said show me where it is not proper and they didn't have it on their paper but it was already in the code and he just never did it. County Attorney Forbes stated that he never asked anyone and was given bad advice like he tried to say at first, he installed it and then was told it was improper and now he is trying to avoid paying \$800 to redo what he was supposed to be doing. Commissioner Woodburn felt the recourse was against the contractor. County Attorney Forbes felt it was the landowner and not the board's place to follow that. Commissioner Sikes asked if there was any timeline we could put on this and let them go ahead and live in it since it's been there for three months and they can't use it. County Attorney Forbes answered not without violating the Ordinance. Chairman Baucom commented that she assumed the board was taking no action on this.

**Countywide Zoning:** Chairman Baucom asked to save this for another time.

**Deed for Property Exchange at WWTP:** Vice Chair Streater thought this was done last year with Commissioner Woodburn thinking they did this a couple of meetings back. The Clerk noted it was approved in March with the County Attorney apologizing. County Attorney Forbes stated that he has tried to get this done and they changed some laws and it has not been done. County Attorney Forbes stated that he's hired a local attorney to do this and they tell him they have things almost ready to do and it should be completed soon. County Attorney Forbes stated that if it was not done by this week he would get the job to another attorney that could do it.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** approved minutes dated September 1, 2015 and closed session minutes of the same date.

**Tax Releases:**

Property Tax Releases/Refunds/Adjustments						
10/6/2015 for September Month End						
20783	Conterra Ultra	2015	41.87	15-4-3617	Real Taxes	Releases Calculation Error
20784	Conterra Ultra	2015	47.02	15-7-3618	Real Taxes	Releases Calculation Error
20773	Haigler, Clifton	2015	49.12	15-4-6866	Real Taxes	Releases Multi Year Tag Appraisal in Error
20785	Hildreth, Spare	2015	96.88	15-3-7876	Real Taxes	Releases MH Burned/Demolished 2013
20786	Hildreth, Spare	2015	57.88	15-3-7875	Real Taxes	Releases MH Demolished
20787	Thomas Development	2015	962.07	15-2-17483	Real Taxes	Releases Error in Billing/Farm Deferrment
20774	Ton, T Tuan	2015	568.71	15-3-17952	Real Taxes	Releases Late Fee in Error
20782	Wall, Margie V	2015	13.16	15-7-18718	Real Taxes	Releases MH Sold 04-14-2014
			\$	1,836.71		
			\$	-		
			1,836.71	****		
<b>Tax &amp; Tag Together Refunds</b>						
24569940	Boggan, Kenjii Latoya		35.56	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17740769	Boone, Yuvonda Deese		20.50	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17590091	Cauthen, Lori R		39.46	Assessment Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
205359	Cauthen, Thomas E		7.35	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
14083916	Cauthen, Thomas E		1.70	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
19204656	Cauthen, Thomas E		70.47	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17294184	Clarke, Justin		114.57	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
22351527	Coxe, Willie		43.56	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
28005430	Cribb, Robert R		9.07	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17880332	Douglas, Michael F		7.31	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17616516	Frazier, Walter G		396.35	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
14092835	Goodwin, John W		39.22	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17880222	Hough, Jonathan		15.97	Vehicle Sold	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
19205552	Jackson, William A		8.27	Vehicle Totalled	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
25685577	Langston, Phillip E		81.36	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
14086236	Lear, Leroy T		4.00	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
27652201	Measmer, Jessica E		89.64	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
19204513	Pegram, Jennifer H		28.25	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17844310	Phifer, Marie T		230.07	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17229076	Polk, Clayton O		21.91	Situs Error	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17929090	Rivera, Timothy H		38.90	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
20628570	Rogers, Tara L		5.61	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
8818878	Scoggins, Christian J		4.63	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
17844404	Tyner, Timothy		17.84	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
9482647	Williams, Beatrice L		5.87	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
19209602	Williams, George J		5.45	Tag Surrender	Vehicle Taxes	Refund
			\$	1,342.89	****	

Tax Collector's Report:

# Real Property Taxes

**FY 2015-2016 Current Year Ad Valorem - 2015**  
**September 30, 2015**

(Total \$\$ Collections)	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
<b>Year 2015</b>	-	-	-	-	-	125,891.33	1,432,820.37	1,280,633.24
Year 2014	357,819.90	369,675.17	199,370.89	437,305.42	202,181.68	153,640.24	1,882,078.48	792,701.58
Year 2013	411,460.82	256,681.87	153,925.51	122,514.28	179,074.87	62,285.51	1,345,310.70	916,100.29
Year 2012	394,773.55	234,592.51	179,365.23	196,487.21	165,789.97	139,879.76	1,330,911.40	863,307.89
Year 2011	759,834.02	326,631.55	153,989.93	109,921.59	207,718.61	78,897.91	1,033,340.38	1,114,236.77
Year 2010	740,139.07	332,344.50	132,854.57	142,607.79	132,015.62	64,025.06	698,291.83	1,078,301.02
Year 2009	379,919.02	360,236.26	261,656.33	87,022.22	149,915.40	75,012.59	562,659.35	1,317,720.88
<b>Of Total Collections</b>								
<b>County Taxes &amp; Late List</b>	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
<b>Year 2015</b>	-	-	-	-	-	82,896.07	1,133,740.35	1,058,796.26
Year 2014	276,307.11	267,036.00	147,163.19	292,830.80	137,350.88	115,026.22	1,475,428.46	656,910.38
Year 2013	321,251.68	192,037.08	112,155.68	89,587.40	121,642.85	44,283.99	1,078,657.83	757,121.45
Year 2012	311,770.51	186,458.87	132,595.62	139,834.71	113,267.76	106,855.68	1,100,182.13	716,431.79
Year 2011	623,556.83	244,496.75	114,354.72	80,805.60	121,655.06	53,935.78	840,543.63	921,545.62
Year 2010	571,966.13	256,151.14	101,065.71	104,729.42	95,416.97	47,746.47	560,283.83	894,518.98
Year 2009	299,943.51	278,799.08	189,446.64	63,406.87	112,505.37	52,118.13	460,019.34	1,104,190.36
<b>Current Year (2015) Ad Valorem Collections %</b>	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
<b>Year 2015</b>	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	9.95%	19.21%
Year 2014	89.15%	90.94%	91.75%	93.23%	93.87%		13.93%	20.03%
Year 2013	89.84%	91.02%	91.74%	92.21%	92.87%		10.02%	16.86%
Year 2012	90.66%	91.84%	92.68%	93.58%	94.00%		10.76%	14.37%
Year 2011	90.48%	92.07%	92.77%	93.20%	93.75%		7.87%	13.92%
Year 2010	90.64%	92.35%	92.95%	93.57%	94.09%		4.90%	13.35%
Year 2009	89.23%	91.26%	92.70%	93.11%	93.78%		4.47%	12.81%
Year 2008	91.28%	92.77%	93.40%	94.15%	94.62%		12.88%	15.53%
Year 2007	92.71%	93.76%	94.32%	94.78%	95.25%		12.95%	16.08%
Year 2006	91.88%	93.41%	94.53%	95.28%	95.78%		9.72%	15.87%
<b>Current Year (2015) Accounts Receivable Balance Remaining For County Taxes ONLY - Including Late Penalties</b>	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
<b>Year 2015</b>	-	-	-	-	-	17,979.25	9,856,920.19	8,844,786.09
Year 2014	1,345,562.54	1,122,810.42	1,022,596.39	836,526.93	757,635.69	10,287,030.03	8,920,787.68	8,289,002.31
Year 2013	1,255,224.74	1,108,960.08	1,019,728.08	961,199.68	879,940.86	19,880.54	9,290,290.35	8,585,188.08
Year 2012	1,143,229.63	999,483.29	896,470.97	786,437.51	734,822.47	44,734.04	9,226,756.70	10,479,738.36
<b>History of Past Due Mailings</b>	10/01/12		01/09/13		04/09/13		05/01/15	
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
	2,419	2,362,763.93	5,543	4,420,774.02	3,360	3,308,737.72	3,729	4,334,411.25
<b>Tax Scroll Billings</b>	Tax Rate	Taxed Value	County Tax	Late List	City Taxes	Fire Taxes	Total Billed	
<b>Year 2015</b>	0.801	1,359,925,855	10,893,015.61	19,159.56	1,839,301.39	769,154.92	13,520,631.48	
Year 2014	0.767	1,337,826,323	10,261,136.82	25,913.00	1,817,440.08	543,719.23	12,648,209.13	
Year 2013	0.767	1,337,123,638	10,255,747.03	38,016.08	1,646,610.96	506,563.47	12,446,937.54	
Year 2012	0.767	1,329,890,486	10,200,268.80	14,665.91	1,635,582.81	504,013.76	12,354,531.28	
Year 2011	0.767	1,323,056,075	10,147,848.87	13,689.32	1,639,958.48	499,585.19	12,301,081.86	
Year 2010	0.894	1,327,866,369	10,184,743.25	15,890.10	1,629,828.36	503,371.31	12,333,833.02	
Year 2009	0.894	1,074,350,757	9,604,696.60	38,844.26	1,596,904.94	419,657.98	11,660,103.78	
<b>Utilities</b>	County Tax	City Taxes	Fire Taxes	Total Billed				
<b>Year 2015</b>	-	-	-	-				
Year 2014	1,986,444.95	98,421.89	129,157.90	2,214,024.74				
Year 2013	2,006,288.46	87,240.23	120,629.50	2,214,158.19				
Year 2012	1,912,391.52	95,646.61	113,513.96	2,121,552.09				
Year 2011	1,903,727.55	96,335.67	112,271.30	2,112,334.52				
Year 2010	1,909,334.87	96,146.67	110,638.22	2,116,119.76				
Year 2009	1,997,433.34	93,637.75	102,680.57	2,193,751.66				
<b>Accounts Receivable by Type</b>	Jun 2015		Jul 2015		Aug 2015		Sep 2015	
	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
<b>Active Garnishments</b>	156	66,626.81	133	57,669.24	127	53,990.15	126	53,075.78
<b>Accts with Agreements</b>	31	10,020.48	29	9,835.40	29	9,883.16	29	9,880.92
<b>Accts in Foreclosure</b>	336	156,519.15	302	145,815.27	299	144,934.83	296	142,898.26
<b>Bankruptcies</b>	82	51,541.69	61	42,790.75	60	42,610.64	58	41,738.08
<b>Remaining Accts Collectible</b>	8,056	2,606,297.61	10,842	3,485,818.71	10,682	3,409,488.71	10,582	3,365,980.29
<b>Current Year Ad Valorem(All)</b>	2,779	1,067,099.20	58	17,979.25	17,733	12,212,063.09	15,841	10,999,113.87
<b>**Red = AR Dollars</b>	11,440	3,958,104.94	11,425	3,759,908.62	28,930	15,872,970.58	26,932	14,612,687.20
<b>\$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo</b>	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
	11	5,031.79	6	1,067.57	7	2,581.35	9	4,376.61
<b># Accts Given to ParaLegal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Garnishments Executed</b>	40	11,015.11	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Debt Setoff Letters Mailed</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)</b>	-	171,741.36	-	93,702.34	-	93,327.29	-	93,226.91
<b>One Year Ago</b>	Jun 2014		Jul 2014		Aug 2014		Sep 2014	
	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now	#	\$\$ Due Now
<b>Active Garnishments</b>	158	62,482.20	146	58,557.10	138	56,347.02	137	56,005.40
<b>Accts with Agreements</b>	42	11,060.28	38	10,517.91	38	10,570.85	38	10,623.79
<b>Accts in Foreclosure</b>	308	133,202.56	284	124,480.83	284	124,945.31	284	125,488.79
<b>Bankruptcies</b>	104	62,839.62	86	49,852.64	86	49,885.75	86	50,140.88
<b>Remaining Accts Collectible</b>	7,323	2,253,638.45	11,314	3,315,383.46	10,554	3,214,994.13	10,456	3,196,514.42
<b>Current Year Ad Valorem(All)</b>	3,364	1,245,198.80	19,809	12,649,107.79	17,050	10,916,704.93	15,693	10,160,994.53
<b>**Red = AR Dollars</b>	11,299	3,768,421.91	31,677	16,207,899.73	28,150	14,373,447.99	26,694	13,599,767.81
<b>\$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo</b>	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
	14	6,643.23	1	507.76	2	204.82	2	713.58
<b># Accts Given to ParaLegal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Garnishments Executed</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Debt Setoff Letters Mailed</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)</b>	-	248,318.80	-	181,954.95	-	179,531.80	-	177,825.76

<b>**Red = AR Dollars</b>	11,299	<b>3,768,421.91</b>	31,677	<b>16,207,899.73</b>	28,150	<b>14,373,447.99</b>	26,694	<b>13,599,767.81</b>
	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$	#	\$\$
<b>\$\$ Pd/Foreclosures/ by Mo</b>	14	6,643.23	1	507.76	2	204.82	2	713.58
<b># Accts Given to ParaLegal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Garnishments Executed</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Debt Setoff Letters Mailed</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Balance owed on Debt Setoff(Call DSC239)</b>	-	<b>248,318.80</b>		<b>181,954.95</b>		<b>179,531.80</b>		<b>177,825.76</b>

**Electronic Transaction Report:**

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## September 2015 Report - Board Meeting of 10/06/2015

## Utilities Department Electronic Transactions

Month	Total \$\$	# Accounts Pd	# Days Electronic Pyt Used	# Working Days
Jul 2015	9,257.27	240	22	22
Aug 2015	9,231.86	222	19	21
Sep 2015	11,410.83	258	20	21
Oct 2015	-	-	-	-
Nov 2015	-	-	-	-
Dec 2015	-	-	-	-
Jan 2016	-	-	-	-
Feb 2016	-	-	-	-
Mar 2016	-	-	-	-
Apr 2016	-	-	-	-
May 2016	-	-	-	-
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>29,899.96</b>	<b>720</b>		

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

Month	Total \$\$ Draft Records	# Accounts Pd	Tot \$\$ Unpaid w/Phone calls	# Accts Reminded
Jul 2015	34,663.23	1,025	26,761.68	402
Aug 2015	40,673.22	1,034	38,545.29	444
Sep 2015	35,905.69	1,033	91,810.57	449
Oct 2015	-	-	-	-
Nov 2015	-	-	-	-
Dec 2015	-	-	-	-
Jan 2016	-	-	-	-
Feb 2016	-	-	-	-
Mar 2016	-	-	-	-
Apr 2016	-	-	-	-
May 2016	-	-	-	-
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>111,242.14</b>	<b>3,092</b>	<b>157,117.54</b>	<b>1,295</b>

## Tax Department Electronic Transactions

Month	Total \$\$	# Accounts Pd	# Days Electronic Pyt Used	# Working Days
Jul 2015	7,592.91	33	8	22
Aug 2015	15,009.86	53	14	21
Sep 2015	4,025.84	19	10	21
Oct 2015	-	-	-	-
Nov 2015	-	-	-	-
Dec 2015	-	-	-	-
Jan 2016	-	-	-	-
Feb 2016	-	-	-	-
Mar 2016	-	-	-	-
Apr 2016	-	-	-	-
May 2016	-	-	-	-
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>26,628.61</b>	<b>105</b>		

## Health Department Electronic Transactions

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

	<b>26,628.61</b>	<b>105</b>		
<b>Health Department Electronic Transactions</b>				
<b>Month</b>	<b>Total \$\$</b>	<b># Accounts Pd</b>	<b># Days Electronic Pyt Used</b>	<b># Working Days</b>
Jul 2015	1,047.96	20	13	22
Aug 2015	1,300.81	28	14	21
Sep 2015	584.55	17	7	21
Oct 2015	-	-	-	-
Nov 2015	-	-	-	-
Dec 2015	-	-	-	-
Jan 2016	-	-	-	-
Feb 2016	-	-	-	-
Mar 2016	-	-	-	-
Apr 2016	-	-	-	-
May 2016	-	-	-	-
Jun 2016	-	-	-	-
	<b>2,933.32</b>	<b>65</b>		

**Budget Amendment: Health Department:** to recognize and appropriate funding received for Ebola Preparedness:

**AMENDMENT**

Anson County Budget Ordinance FY 2015/2015

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

Section 1. General fund Expenditures

Increase:	Health Programs 11-5110-5181	\$ 20,000
Total Increase:		\$ 20,000

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase:	Health – All Programs 11-5100	\$ 20,000
Total Increase:		\$ 20,000

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**Budget Amendment- Health Department:** to record a decrease in anticipated revenue from the Women's and Children's Health Section of the North Carolina Dept. of Health and Human Services for the Family Planning Program at Anson County Health Department.

**AMENDMENT**

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

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

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Decrease:	Health Program 11-5110-5181	\$ (1,580)
Total Decrease:		\$ (1,580)

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Decrease:	Health – All Programs 11-5100	\$ (1,580)
Total Decrease:		\$ (1,580)

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**Budget Amendment – Health Department:** to recognize and appropriate funding received for STD Prevention.

**AMENDMENT**

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

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

Section 1. General Fund Expenditures

Increase:	Health Programs 11-5110-5181	\$ 2,000
Total Increase:		\$ 2,000

Section 2. General Fund Revenues

Increase:	Health – All Programs 11-5100	\$ 2,000
Total Increase:		\$ 2,000

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**Resolution: Centralina COG Mobility Transportation Services:**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CENTRALINA MOBILITY MANAGEMENT and VOLUNTEER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

**NCDOT Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program**

**FY17 Grant Application**

**WHEREAS**, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division (PTD) has principal responsibility and authority to administer funds from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Section 5310 Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Program is to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available in rural and small urbanized areas of North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centralina Council of Governments has worked in concert with NCDOT to provide a Mobility Management program for the nine county region and Volunteer Transportation Services through Centralina Connection to improve services for elderly individuals, individuals with disabilities, and veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centralina Council of Governments will apply for Section 5310 Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Program funding for Mobility Management activities and Volunteer Transportation Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centralina Council of Governments has coordinated with the Transit Advisory Boards and Transit Agencies during regional mobility management activities; and

**WHEREAS**, no separate funds are being requested from Anson County to help implement this project,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Anson County Board of Commissioners hereby supports Centralina's funding proposal to the North Carolina Department of Transportation to improve transportation mobility for seniors, individuals and disabilities, and veterans.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**Resolution:** Acceptance of State Loan for Sludge Lagoon/Dam Repair: Anson County has been approved for loan assistance from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund in the amount of \$4,928,344. Approval of the following Resolution is one of the requirements necessary to receive the loan.

#### **RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT**

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Clean Water Revolving Loan and Grant Act of 1987 has authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible unites of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection systems, and water supply systems, water conservation projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources has offered a State Revolving Loan in the amount of \$4,928,344 for the construction of Project No. CS370422-06 Sludge Lagoon and Dam Repair, and

**WHEREAS**, the Anson County Board of Commissioners intends to construct said project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications,

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

That Anson County does hereby accept the State Revolving Loan offer of \$4,928,344.

That the Anson County Board of Commissioners does hereby give assurance to the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources that all items specified in the loan offer, Section II – Assurances will be adhered to.

That Anna H. Baucom, Chairman, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State Agency may request in connection with such application or the project; to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That Anson County has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015 in Wadesboro, North Carolina.

#### **Appointments:**

**Jury Commission:** Motion by Commissioner Sturdivant, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to continue with William Wall and reappoint him to the Jury Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

**Joint Community Advisory Committee:** Vice Chair Streater asked what this person would do with the Clerk saying they visit nursing homes to see if patient's right are being violated. The Clerk explained that this was a committee monitored and trained by Laurie Abounader, our Regional Ombudsman with Centralina COG. Motion by Commissioner Woodburn, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to approve the appointment of Ms. Betty Horne to the Joint Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Commissioner Concerns:**

**Commissioner Sturdivant** shared that she pays the water bill for several senior citizens and voiced a concern for the steps you have to go down to get in the water department. Commissioner Sturdivant stated that if you aren't careful you will fall. Commissioner Sturdivant added that they don't have a drive through window or a handicap accessible entrance. The Clerk pointed out that you can park outside the gate and walk down the sidewalk into the building and it is all ground level. The Clerk was not sure the inside area was large enough to be wheelchair accessible. Commissioner

Woodburn said he parks outside the fence and walks down the sidewalk right beside the building. Vice Chair Streater asked if they had any signs telling people it's there as it is a very unusual step down. The Clerk will look into this. Commissioner Woodburn felt it could not be changed but noted there was not much room inside the office and only a couple of people can be in there at a time. Vice Chair Streater wondered if there was a way to put a drive-thru there with the clerk saying they considered that when she worked there 30 years ago but they could not figure it out.

**Closed Session:** Motion by Commissioner Sikes, seconded by Commissioner Woodburn, to go into closed session for personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

In open session, motion by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Sturdivant, to recess until 6:00 PM October 19, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Bonnie M. Huntley, NCCCC  
Clerk to the Board