The Board of County Commissioners met in a duly noticed regular meeting on November 20, 2014 at 5:30 PM, in the Commissioners’ Meeting Room, 301 W. Market St., Greensboro; North Carolina.

PRESENT: Chairman Bill Bencini, presiding; Vice Chairman Hank Henning; Commissioners Jeff Phillips, Carolyn Q. Coleman, Kay Cashion, Bruce Davis, Linda O. Shaw, Alan Branson (in at 5:50 PM), and Ray Trapp.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Marty Lawing, County Manager; Mark Payne, County Attorney; Robin Keller, Clerk to the Board; Michael Halford, Budget Director; Paul Lowe, Deputy Clerk to the Board; Jim Albright, Emergency Services Director; Robert McNiece, Facilities, Parks, and Property Management Director; Thomas Marshburn, Parks Division Director; Jeff Fowler, Security Director; Reid Baker, Finance Director; Scott Greene, Environmental Health Director; Greg French, Deputy Tax Director; Ken Carter, Assistant Public Health Director; and members of the media and community.

I. INVOCATION

Chairman Bencini led those present in a moment of silence.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Bencini led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bencini called the meeting to order at 5:48 PM.

IV. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Andy Stevens, Greensboro, thanked the Board for their service and then raised concerns with spending and the County’s tax rate.

Luther Falls, Jr., Greensboro, commended Commissioners for their service to the County and shared his excitement regarding the groundbreaking of the new LeBauer Park downtown.
Robert Mortin, Greensboro, President of the iCare Foundation reported that his organization was working to address food insecurity issues in the County.

Brenda Overman, Greensboro, commended Commissioner Shaw for her guidance of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee and the Board for supporting spay/neuter programs in the County.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognize Graduates of the 2014 Citizens' Academy

Commissioner Cashion welcomed the 2014 graduates of the Guilford County Citizens' Academy. Cashion commented that the program is designed to improve residents’ knowledge of County departments and to cultivate an interest in community service. Cashion thanked each of the participants for their attendance and all of the County staff who work to support the program.

Class participant, Marion O’Brien thanked the Board for sponsoring the Academy and shared that she was able to gain a greater understanding about County services by attending the course.

Program Graduate, Terail LeSane spoke to the merits of the program. LeSane then expressed his appreciation of the Board for their service and presented Cashion with a plaque- thanking her for supporting the Academy.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

1. Approve an increase to the FY 2015 Health and Human Services Department (Public Health Division) of $13,757 as detailed below.

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

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2. Approve a transfer between revenue sources within the Allen Middle School Capital Project Ordinance totaling $2,000. The below budget action transfers $2,000 in General Obligation Bond Proceeds to COPs / Limited Obligation Bonds financing, which aligns budgeted revenues to actual receipts. Attached is the revised capital project ordinance for approval. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

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3. a) Increase the Law Enforcement Special Operations Building Capital Project Ordinance by $75,000 to complete construction documents and competitively solicit for award.

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

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4. Increase Appropriated Fund Balance by $14,643 and increase the Cooperative Extension budget by $14,643 to reflect the appropriation of unspent High Point Community Foundation funds from FY 13-14 for the purpose of establishing "Growing Healthy Families School Gardens" at 9 Title I schools in High Point to teach gardening and nutrition education. These funds were received last fiscal year, but not spent in the county's budget by June 30, 2014 and fell to fund balance. An appropriation from fund balance is needed to re-establish the program budget.

The following Budget Ordinance Amendment was adopted:

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**B. CONTRACTS**

1. Approve amendment of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center contract for the continuation of Medical Director services. The provider will provide medical director services eight (8) hours a day for three (3) days a week. Services include but not limited to coordination and oversight of all medical care and quality of services provided at the Guilford County Public Health Department medical clinics. A detailed description of provider's services is attached. The contract will extend for the period 01/01/2015 through 06/30/2016; amount of contract is $190,499.94.NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUESTED.

2. Approve an interlocal agreement, in substantial form, as attached hereto, with the City of Greensboro for joint ownership of the Greensboro/Guilford County 800 MHz trunked radio system and system upgrades. This has been previously approved as part of the Capital Improvement Plan. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.

3. Approve an interlocal agreement, in substantial form, as attached hereto, with the City of Greensboro and City of High Point for High Point to co-locate a back up 911 center in the existing County facility. NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED.
C. MISCELLANEOUS


2. Accept the Tax Department's Beverage License and Tax Collection Reports for the month ending October 31, 2014.

3. Approve the following sets of County Commissioner's Meeting Minutes: 10/22/2014 - Jail Population Reduction Committee

Motion was made by Commissioner Linda O. Shaw, and seconded by Commissioner Jeff Phillips to approve the consent agenda.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0.
NOES: None.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

A.3. a) Increase the Law Enforcement Special Operations Building Capital Project Ordinance by $75,000 to complete construction documents and competitively solicit for award.

Commissioner Coleman questioned the specifics of the proposed budget amendment.

Robert McNiece, Facilities, Parks, and Property Management Director, reported that the original allocation provided to the Board was not sufficient to complete the designs for the facility.

Reid Baker, Finance Director, clarified that the first component of the item represented the proposed expenditure side, while the second item served as the revenue to support the allocation.

Commissioner Coleman inquired regarding the shortfall in the original allocation.

McNiece replied that the total cost of the project was $4,000,000 and noted that the requested $75,000 was needed to complete the designs for the facility. McNiece commented that the original allocation was used to complete topographic tests and soil samples. McNiece explained that once the bids were received, the project would come back to the Board for approval.

Commissioner Phillips questioned the initial allocation.

McNiece responded that the initial funding was approved before he was hired with the County, but noted that he would have budgeted approximately $200,000 to complete site preparation.

Commissioner Davis asked how the County selected the architectural firm for the project.

McNiece reported that the service provider was retained after the County developed a RFQ.
Commissioner Davis inquired if the County was going to implement a CM at Risk construction model to manage the project.

McNiece stated that staff would employ a standard Bid/Build plan to manage the project.

Commissioner Coleman encouraged staff to work to improve the County’s utilization of MWBE service providers on the construction project.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman, and seconded by Commissioner Jeff Phillips to approve increasing the Law Enforcement Special Operations Building Capital Project Ordinance by $75,000 to complete construction documents and competitively solicit for award.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 – 1.


NOES: Commissioner R. Trapp.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Hold Public Hearing on the incentive grant request of Kay Chemical, a division of Ecolab, and Consider approval of up to $165,000 of County funds pursuant to N.C. General Statute 158.7.1.

Commissioner Henning asked to be recused from the vote to avoid a potential conflict of interest.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Branson, and seconded by Commissioner Ray Trapp to approve recusing Commissioner Henning due to a potential conflict of interest.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 – 0.


NOES: None.

ABSTAIN Commissioner H. Henning.

Commissioner Henning left the meeting at 6:30PM.

Cindy Dancy, Vice President of Business Development Services- Greensboro Partnership, presented the Company's request and noted that the proposed expansion would create 45 jobs. Dancy commented that the request met and exceeded the County’s established incentive policy.

Commissioner Davis out at 6:33PM. Commissioner Davis returned at 6:40 PM.

Sean Fitzwater, Kay Chemical Rep., shared that his firm had been operating in the County since the 1930s manufacturing cleaning products for the retail and food service industries. Fitzwater explained that the incentive award would help his firm to construct a corporate office building.

Commissioner Trapp questioned if the site was accessible by public transportation.
Fitzwater replied that public transportation served the site and was utilized by many employees.

Chairman Bencini opened the public hearing. There being no proponents, that portion of the meeting was closed. Chairman Bencini opened the floor for opponents.

Andy Stevens, Greensboro, expressed concerns with the proposal.

Commissioner Davis thanked the staff of Kay Chemical for bringing the project to the County.

Davis recognized that the firm’s supply chain supported minority service providers. Davis then asked for clarification regarding the request.

Marty Lawing, County Manager, reported that the proposed incentive was based upon a $11Million capital investment in the County which would generate $84,000 in taxes.

Commissioner Phillips commended Fitzwater and Kay Chemical for their long standing commitment to the County and service as a responsible corporate citizen, but opined that he would be unable to support the request.

Commissioner Coleman thanked Kay Chemical for considering expanding in the County. Coleman then expressed concerns with previous firms that had received incentives and did not provide demographic data to the County. Coleman noted that she could not support the request.

Fitzwater responded that Kay Chemical had been a recipient of incentives in the past and had reported the requested demographic information. Fitzwater explained his firm’s commitment to comply with the County’s directives and promoting diversity.

Commissioner Cashion asked if the firm had received any awards from the City or State.

Dancy reported that only the City of Greensboro had provided funding to the project.

Commissioner Cashion inquired how many employees Kay Chemical had in the County.

Fitzwater stated that the firm had about 450 staff, of which 230 positions were in manufacturing.

Commissioner Cashion shared her support of the request, and offered her appreciation of Kay Chemical for their strong commitment to the County.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bruce Davis, and seconded by Commissioner Kay Cashion to approve an incentive grant request of Kay Chemical, a division of Ecolab, of up to $165,000 of County funds pursuant to N.C. General Statute 158.7.1.

VOTE: Motion failed 4 – 4.

AYES: Commissioners B. Davis, B. Bencini, L. Shaw, K. Cashion.


ABSTAINED: Commissioner H. Henning.
VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Appointments and Reappointments to Various Boards and Commissions

Vice Chairman Henning returned to the meeting at 6:58 PM.

Vice Chairman Henning read the names of the proposed nominees.

Commissioner Davis expressed concerns regarding the attendance of some of the candidates and noted that he wanted to ensure that High Point was well represented on County boards.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ray Trapp, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Branson to approve the appointments and reappointments to various boards and commissions.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0.
NOES: None.

Adult Home Community Advisory Committee
Appoint Linda Snips (term expiring 11/20/2017)
Appoint Marjorie Stossmeister (term expiring 11/20/2017)

Board of Equalization and Review
Appoint Willie Johnson (term expiring 11/20/2017)

City/County Insurance Advisory Committee
Reappoint Jerry Cowan (term expiring 11/20/2017)

Commission on Aging
Appoint Delphine Springs (term expiring 11/20/2017)

Health and Human Services Advisory Committee
Appoint William McCormick (term expiring 11/20/2017)
Appoint Yolanda Jarrett (term expiring 11/20/2017)
Appoint Daphna Schwartz (term expiring 11/20/2017)

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
Reappoint Carmen Graves (term expiring 11/20/2017)
Reappoint Jenny Caviness (term expiring 11/20/2017)
Reappoint Maria Hicks-Few (term expiring 11/20/2017)

B. Award contract to ___________ (Bids for project are scheduled to close on 11/17 with the name of recommended contractor to be forthcoming at meeting) for renovations to the Greene Street Building for purposes of the Guilford County Family Justice Center in the amount not to exceed $500,000; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contract with the vendor and any other necessary agreements including and not limited
McNiece stated that the design work had been completed and bids were received. McNiece then asked for the authority to complete negotiations and award a contract for the improvements.

Mark Payne, County Attorney, shared that an interlocal agreement between the County and the City of Greensboro had been developed and was ready for the Board to consider.

Commissioner Phillips asked for clarification regarding the proposed agreement.

Lawing commented that the City of Greensboro had agreed to support the Family Justice Center project by providing $250,000- which would be paid out over two payments.

McNiece explained that the lowest bidder estimated that the project would take $409,000 to complete. McNiece noted that the bid agreement included a large number of alternates, and did not account for soft costs.

Commissioner Phillips questioned if soft costs would be included in the agreement between the County and City.

Payne replied that the proposed agreement referenced the renovation project in total- which would include any soft costs.

Commissioner Cashion inquired regarding the bid process.

McNiece reported that the County had received two bids for the improvement project and shared that the lowest bid was for $409,000 while the second bid was well over $500,000. McNiece cautioned the Board that the lowest bid was a base bid, and did not include a contingency. McNiece explained that approximately twelve contractors toured the site prior to the bid process.

Commissioner Cashion asked if the City of Greensboro had approved the agreement.

McNiece responded that the City had signed the proposed contract.

Commissioner Trapp shared that he was comfortable approving the cooperative agreement, but did not support awarding the bid.

Commissioner Branson questioned if the bids were from local vendors and expressed concerns regarding the outdated HVAC systems and electrical fixtures found at the site- which were in need of repair could increase the final project cost.

McNiece reviewed the per price costs for replacement fixtures.

Commissioner Coleman asked if staff felt comfortable with only two contractors submitting bids.
McNiece shared that staff was surprised that only two contractors had submitted bids and stated that staff had contacted the other potential bidders to ascertain why they did not bid. McNiece stated that the project was unique- as it was a renovation project of an older building and due to the estimated cost, which was more than $300,000, service providers would require bonding, which is often a deterrent for smaller businesses.

Motion was made by Commissioner Linda O. Shaw, and seconded by Commissioner Kay Cashion to adopt the interlocal agreement between the County and the City of Greensboro.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0.
NOES: None.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Branson, and seconded by Commissioner Jeff Phillips to approve awarding a contract to Hodgin Construction for renovations to the Greene Street Building for purposes of the Guilford County Family Justice Center in the amount not to exceed $500,000; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contract with the vendor and any other necessary agreements including and not limited to an Agreement with the City of Greensboro for financial participation; and increase GREENE STREET CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE by $250,000 to reflect revenue anticipated to be received from the City of Greensboro.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0.
NOES: None.

C. Review and Adopt the 2015-2025 Guilford County Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Thomas Marshburn, Parks Division Director, reviewed the 2015-2025 Parks Master Plan. Marshburn shared that the last plan which was approved in 1991 had generated twenty grant awards for the County.

Commissioner Trapp inquired if the County operated any basketball facilities.

Marshburn replied that basketball facilities were only found at Northeast Park, but staff was working to add additional courts.

Motion was made by Commissioner Alan Branson, and seconded by Commissioner Linda O. Shaw to adopt the 2015-2025 Guilford County Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0.
NOES: None.
D. New Business from County Commissioners

1. Receive Update on Animal Tethering Ordinance

Commissioner Shaw introduced Scott Greene, Environmental Health, and Frankie Health.

Scott Greene, Environmental Health Director, reviewed the tethering ban which was approved in November 2013. Greene noted that the provision was approved by all jurisdictions in the County, except in the Cities of High Point and Gibsonville which operate their own animal control units. Greene reported that the County had created multiple educational materials as a way to inform the public regarding the new ordinance, including billboards, flyers, and commercials. Greene explained that warning tickets will be provided to violators from March 1st to September 1st 2015, when full enforcement of the new policy would take effect.

Frankie Heath, member of the Guilford County Animal Welfare Committee, recognized the accomplishments of Shaw to improve the status of animals in the County.

Commissioner Shaw thanked the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee for their work.

Marsha Williams, Director of the Guilford County Animal Shelter, spoke to the efforts of the Committee and options created to help citizens comply with the new policy. Williams noted that a non-profit called "Un-Chain Guilford" had been formed to raise money and construct fences in an effort to allow more families to keep their animals.

D. New Business from County Commissioners

Commissioner Coleman requested that language requiring the reporting of demographic data to the County to be added to the economic development incentive policy.

Payne commented that the addition could be added to the County’s current incentive policy to require firms receiving grants to report on the demographics of the employees they hire.

Several Commissioners expressed concerns that they thought the Board would discuss the policy in its entirety at the retreat in January.

The Board agreed that gender and race should be reported at the time a firm requests to draw down funds from an approved incentive agreement.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carolyn Q. Coleman, and seconded by Commissioner Ray Trapp to approve adding reporting requirements to the County’s incentive policy.

VOTE: Motion carried 8 – 1.
NOES: Commissioner A. Branson.
Commissioner Davis reviewed his plan to convert the old Life Span facility located in High Point into a training center to foster urban agriculture and to reduce the number of food deserts found in the County. Davis noted that the facility would go a long way to improving access to fresh locally grown foods for the residents of High Point while working to address food insecurity issues. Davis commented that to tackle the public policy consideration concerned citizens had developed the High Point Food Desert Initiative. Davis shared that two professors and researchers from NC A&T University were working to provide technical expertise to the project. Davis then introduced Antoine Smith, of Smith Gruppe, LLC, to provide an overview of the business plan for the initiative.

Smith reported that the project would serve as a public-private partnership that would help to alleviate food insecurity issues found in High Point. Smith explained that the cooperative would need approximately 20,000 square feet to implement equipment for the farming operation and requested that the Board provide the group a twenty five year lease for $1.00.

Commissioner Davis thanked the Board for considering the request and shared that the project would help meet the needs of the homeless, hungry, and vets. Davis explained that the ask would see the County retain ownership of the facility with the potential vendor making all needed tenant improvements. Davis noted that due to the state of disrepair found at the facility-selling the property would be quite difficult and that allowing the non-profit group to utilize a footprint on the site would help meet a community need while retaining activity at the campus.

Commissioner Trapp expressed his support for the proposal.

Commissioner Coleman asked for additional information regarding funding for the project.

Smith replied that his group was not asking for funding from the County or City, but noted cooperative staff would work to pursue grants. Smith reported that after conducting an assessment on the potential business operations of the site, the project would generate about $115,000 in revenue with operating expenses of approximately $85,000.

Commissioner Coleman inquired regarding the composition of the project’s Board and questioned to whom would be the recipient of the lease.

Smith responded that the NIA Community Action Center would maintain the lease, and noted that both community and project partners would serve on the Board of Directors.

Commissioner Coleman expressed concerns regarding the length of the proposed lease.

Smith commented that he was open to all considerations made by the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Davis opined that a long term lease would aid the organization in securing grants and urged the Board to support an agreement that would allow the operation time to become self sufficient.
Commissioner Coleman stated that as the organization was new, the Board should offer a five year lease with an option to renew.

Chairman Bencini added that staff could develop a range of options for the Board to consider.

Commissioner Branson spoke to the need for services, but expressed concerns with the proposal. Branson noted that the proposed lease terms should be reworked and added that the private sector as well as faith communities were better positioned to support the project.

Vice Chairman Henning commented that the concept was intriguing, but he had concerns with proposed long term lease. Henning added that if the County receives an offer on the property, the Board needs to be able to respond quickly. Henning asked staff to develop options for Commissioners to consider.

Commissioner Phillips raised concerns regarding the proposal as the non-profit that was to manage the facility had no governance structure, funding, or established model in place to operate the site. Phillips then questioned the issue of liability.

Payne replied that an insurance policy in the amount of one to three million dollars would help to address most liability issues. Payne added that if the Board agreed to lease the facility to the non-profit additional decisions would need to be made regarding the details of the agreement.

Chairman Bencini stated that it would be beneficial to authorize staff to move forward with developing options which could be considered fully by the Board.

Commissioner Phillips expressed concerns with the endeavor.

Commissioner Cashion acknowledged the need for the venture, but commented that she would like to review additional information regarding the project at a work session to fully understand the complexities related to the proposal. Cashion opined that staff should work to develop various options for the Board to consider. Cashion then questioned the value of the property.

McNiece stated that the property, including buildings, was valued at four million dollars.

Commissioner Davis clarified that the group only expressed interest in one of the buildings.

Commissioner Branson questioned if the property was one singular tract of land.

McNiece commented that the property was a single tract which would need to be subdivided.

Commissioner Shaw opined that the new Board should consider the request.

Commissioner Coleman asked if the County had been aggressively trying to sell the property.

Lawing responded that the Facilities Department had solicited providers to market County properties.
Motion was made by Commissioner Bruce Davis, and seconded by Commissioner Ray Trapp to approve authorizing staff to move forward with a lease agreement with the nonprofit in regards to the Evergreen Property.

**VOTE:** Motion carried 7 – 2.

**AYES:** Commissioners B. Davis, C. Coleman, B. Bencini, L. Shaw, K. Cashion, H. Henning, R. Trapp.

**NOES:** Commissioners J. Phillips, A. Branson.

Smith thanked the Board for their service to the County.

Commissioner Davis out at 9:00 PM.

**D. New Business from County Commissioners**

Commissioner Shaw asked for funding that was removed from the Piedmont Triad Film Commission during the budget development process to be reappropriated to the organization.

Motion was made by Commissioner Linda O. Shaw, and seconded by Commissioner Ray Trapp to approve allocating $25,000 to the Piedmont Triad Film Commission.

**VOTE:** Motion carried 7 – 1.


**NOES:** Commissioner A. Branson.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner B. Davis.

**IX. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Phillips thanked the sitting Board and Shaw for her leadership last year. Phillips then commended Bencini for his service and congratulated him on winning the mayoral race in High Point.

Commissioner Coleman thanked all of the members of the Board and opined that it had been an honor to serve with them. Coleman then commended Shaw and Bencini for their leadership.

Commissioner Davis returned at 9:09 PM.

Commissioner Davis shared his appreciation to the Board for allowing the Life Span project to move forward.

Vice Chairman Henning stated that it was an honor to serve with his fellow Commissioners.

Chairman Bencini commented that it had been a pleasure serving with the members of the current Board.
Commissioners then discussed the friendships that they have developed over the years while serving together on the Board.

Commissioner Branson shared that he attended the LeBauer Park groundbreaking and commended County Parks staff for their efforts.

Commissioner Trapp thanked the Board for their prayers and condolences during the recent loss of his father in-law.

X. COMMENTS FROM COUNTY MANAGER

No additional comments were offered by County Manager Marty Lawing.

XI. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Ernie Whittenborn, Greensboro, thanked Commissioners for their service and urged the Board to work to keep tax rates in the County low.

Andy Stevens, Greensboro, urged the Board to reconsider allowing concealed carry permits.

XII. HOLD CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONSIDERING A BUSINESS LOCATION OR EXPANSION.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ray Trapp, and seconded by Commissioner Alan Branson to approve entering closed session pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11 for the purposes of considering a business location or expansion.

VOTE: Motion carried 9 – 0.


NOES: None.

Meeting went into Recess at 9:24 PM. Meeting Reconvened 9:48 PM

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:49 PM.

Chairman

Deputy Clerk