



Gaston County

Board of Commissioners

COURTHOUSE
Harley B. Gaston Jr., Public Forum
325 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Gastonia, NC

Chairman Chad Brown
Vice-Chairman Bob Hovis
Cathy Cloninger
Allen R. Fraley
Kim Johnson
Tom Keigher
Ronnie Worley

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Meeting Agenda

Regular Meeting 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Keigher - County Manager - A Resolution Approving Issuance by the Public Finance Authority of its Revenue Bonds, in One or More Series, in the Principal Amount not to Exceed \$60,000,000, for the Purpose of Financing and Refinancing Certain Projects for the Benefit of Covenant Village, Inc.
 - 1. Receive Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion

II. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. AGENDA REVISION/APPROVAL

III. CITIZEN RECOGNITION (Limited to One Hour; Sign up Prior to Start of Session; Comments Limited to 3 Minutes)

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commissioner Brown - BOC - To Increase Membership of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board by One Commissioner/Ex-Officio Position
- B. Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Commendation - To Recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Dallas Township Rescue Squad
- C. Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Commendation - To Recognize the 25th Anniversary of the William Gaston Fourth Degree Assembly 2531 of the Knights of Columbus
- D. Board of Commissioners - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of April 21-27, 2024 as Volunteer Week in Gaston County

- E. Board of Commissioners - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2024 as County Government Month in Gaston County
- F. Commissioner Brown - Budget & Strategy - To Appropriate Additional Funds for the Repair and Replacement of Wrecked Vehicles (\$240,000)
- G. Commissioner Brown - Budget & Strategy - Administrative Correction - To Correct Budget Change Request for Resolution 2023-254 Adopted at the 7/27/23 Meeting
- H. Commissioner Brown - Budget & Strategy - To Transfer \$191,130 Budgeted Funds from the General Fund to the Capital Fund via the CIF (No Additional County Funds)
- I. Commissioner Worley - Budget & Strategy - To Accept and Appropriate Additional State-Directed Grant Funds for the Sheriff's Office for Public Safety Equipment (\$325,000/No County Funds)
- J. Commissioner Hovis - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information
- K. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services - To Accept and Appropriate Donations Totaling \$750
- L. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services (ACCESS) - To Authorize Proposal Awards for ACCESS Overflow Transportation for Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)
- M. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services (Survivor Services) - To Accept and Appropriate Donations Totaling \$10,165.39
- N. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services (Survivor Services) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Gaston County
- O. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant Funds Passed through the NC Division of Public Health (100% Federal Grant Funds - \$12,108)
- P. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds Received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Passed Through the NC Division of Public Health for Public Health Infrastructure: Local Workforce Development (100% Grant Funds - \$595,762)
- Q. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds Received from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Passed Through Cabarrus Health Alliance for the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) Grant (100% Federal Grant Funds - \$133,469)
- R. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate the ARPA Temporary Savings Funds State Grant Received from North Carolina DHHS - Local and Community Support Division. (100% Grant Funds - \$50,000)
- S. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2024 as Public Health Month in Gaston County

- T.** Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds for the Caregiver Support Program in the Amount of \$701
- U.** Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Approve the Gaston County Workforce Development Program/Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WDB/WIOA) Comprehensive Four-Year Title I Plan (No Funding Impacted Herein)
- V.** Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Accept and Appropriate Donated Funds Received During the Third Quarter of FY23-24 for Various Social Services Programs in the Amount of \$1,719.12 (100% Donated Funds)
- W.** Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Accept as Information the Attached Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes. (Total NCVTS Refunds - \$2,276.14)
- X.** Commissioner Hovis - Finance - To Approve and Establish the Daily Deposit Threshold for all Cash Collection Sites of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), and to Authorize the Finance Officer to Develop and Implement a Process for Daily Deposit Requirements, Pursuant to NCGS §159-32
- Y.** Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Approve Giving Authorization to the Purchasing Agent position, (currently held by Brittany Owusu), to Pre-Audit Gaston County Purchase Orders
- Z.** Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Approve Giving Authorization to the Assistant Finance Director, (Currently Held by Brandy Decker and Albert Witt), to Pre-audit Gaston County Contracts
- AA.** Commissioner Cloninger - Parks and Recreation - To Accept and Appropriate Funds from Donations, Senior Games Sponsorships and Entry Fees (\$5,664)
- AB.** Commissioner Cloninger - Parks and Recreation - To Accept and Appropriate Funds from Recreation Fees for the First Annual Gaston County Soccer Cup Tournament Held on March 4-8, 2024 at Poston Park (\$3,815)
- AC.** Commissioner Keigher - Police Department - To Accept and Appropriate Donation Received from Alliance for Children and Youth in the Amount of \$551.39
- AD.** Commissioner Keigher - Police Department - Retirement Commendation - To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Captain Robert B. Battle
- AE.** Commissioner Fraley - Police Department - Retirement Commendation - To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Master Police Officer Charles W. Lawing
- AF.** Commissioner Fraley - Police Department - Retirement Commendation - To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Master Police Officer J. Rodney Hamrick
- AG.** Commissioner Hovis - Police Department (Animal Care and Enforcement) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of April 14-20, 2024 as Animal Care and Enforcement Appreciation Week

- AH.** Commissioner Hovis - Police Department (Animal Care and Enforcement) - To Accept and Appropriate Donation Received Electronically Through PayPal from the Fourth Quarter of 2023 in the Amount of \$1,049.78 and the First Quarter of 2024 in the Amount of \$983.38 for a Total of \$2,033.16
- AI.** Commissioner Hovis - Police Department (Communications 911) - Approve the Appropriation of E911 funds for the Purpose of Purchasing 911 Dispatch Console Furniture (\$347,308)
- AJ.** Commissioner Brown - Police Department (Communications 911) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of April 14-20, 2024 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week
- AK.** Commissioner Hovis - Public Works - To Propose the Acceptance of an Offer to Purchase a County Owned Surplus Parcel (PID 121088), Located on West Carolina Avenue in Bessemer City and Authorize Staff to Initiate the Upset Bid Process
- AL.** Commissioner Johnson - Public Works - A Resolution to Declare List of Unused Equipment as Surplus and Authorize a Surplus Auction of the Listed Equipment
- AM.** Commissioner Hovis - Public Works - To Accept and Finalize an Offer to Purchase Vacant County Owned Surplus Parcel (PID 121058) Located on the Corner of North D Street and West Virginia Avenue in Bessemer City
- AN.** Commissioner Johnson - Sheriff's Office - To Award the Inmate Medical Service Contract Pursuant to the Proposal Submitted by Reserve Health P.C. for Inmate Medical Services at the Gaston County Jail
- AO.** Commissioner Johnson - Sheriff's Office - To Appropriate Funding for Inmate Off-Site Medical Expenses (Fund Balance Appropriation - \$320,000)
- AP.** Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the March Tax Refunds be Made. (Releases and Refunds - \$6,142.82; Overpayments - \$4,884.63; VTS Refunds - \$7,779.15; Grand Total - \$18,806.60)
- AQ.** Commissioner Brown - Tourism Development - To Appropriate \$60,000.00 From the Tourism Strategic Reserve Funds to the Tourism Advertising Account for Marketing Initiatives Prior to FY24 Year-End

V. 2024 LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS

- A.** Board of Commissioners - Legislative Request: Approval of the Gaston County Legislative Agenda for the 2024 Session of the North Carolina General Assembly

VI. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VII. ITEMS ADDED BY MAJORITY VOTE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

VIII. APPOINTMENTS

- A.** Appointment List - Current Expiring Terms/Vacant Positions

IX. REPORTS

A. Commissioners Committee Reports

B. County Manager's Report

C. County Attorney's Report

X. OTHER MATTERS

XI. ADJOURNMENT