



Gaston County

Board of Commissioners

COURTHOUSE
325 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Gastonia, NC

Chairman Tom Keigher
Vice-Chairman Allen Fraley
Chad Brown
Bob Hovis
Kim Johnson
Tracy L. Philbeck
Ronnie Worley

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

Meeting Agenda

**COMBINED Rescheduled Work Session (Non-Voting) - 6:00 PM
& REVISED - Regular Meeting (To Immediately Follow the Work Session)**

CALL TO ORDER

I. PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, AWARDS, CERTIFICATES

- A. Commissioner Fraley - BOC - Resolution In Memoriam - Recognizing Judge Robert William Kirby for His Many Contributions to Gaston County and to Dedicate and Rename the Fourth Floor Jury Assembly Room in the Gaston County Courthouse in His Honor
- B. Commissioner Hovis - BOC - Resolution Honoring Judge Jesse B. Caldwell, III Upon His Retirement as Senior Resident Superior Court Judge

(Reception to Follow Immediately)

- C. [Commissioner Brown - DHHS \(Social Services Division\) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of August 2021 as Child Support Awareness Month in Gaston County](#)
- D. Certificates in Appreciation for Public Service
 - 1. Charles Meakin, Caromont Health/Gaston Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees
 - 2. Taylor Drury, Rhonda Gottfried, Jennifer Stepp, Family Advisory Board
 - 3. Suzanne Deal, Mike Peters, Danny Wilson, Historic Preservation Commission
 - 4. David Keith Masters, Jury Commission
 - 5. Tara Conrad, Vanessa Lane, Matthew Rhoten, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
 - 6. Ralph Robinson, Jr., Library Board of Trustees
 - 7. Sharon Stiles, Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee

II. PRESENTATIONS (Limited to 15 Minutes)

- A. PRESENTATION - HEALTH SYSTEM COVID RESPONSE AND COUNTY CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS UPDATE:
 - Mr. Steve Eaton, DHHS - Public Health Director
 - Dr. Todd Davis
 - Mr. Chris Peek, President, CEO CaroMont Health, Inc.

III. ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARINGS***I. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Commissioners Only)**

- A. Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Authorize the Sale of Real Property for Economic Development and Approve a Level Four Economic Incentive Grant for Project Ashbury**
 - 1. Receive Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion to Approve Resolution

II. BUSINESS AGENDA**A. AGENDA REVISION/APPROVAL**

- 1. *ADDED: Section IV, Item R.*

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. To Approve the Minutes of:
 - Regular Meeting of July 27, 2021
 - Special Meeting of August 6, 2021

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

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commissioner Worley - Budget & Strategy - To Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from the NC Finance Agency for the 2021 Urgent Repair Program Cycle
- B. Commissioner Worley - Budget & Strategy - To Accept and Appropriate an Essential Family Rehabilitation Grant Awarded by NC Housing Finance Agency (\$190,000) (County Match - \$2,000)
- C. Commissioner Keigher - Budget & Strategy - Administrative Change to Correct Account Numbers on Carry Forward List for Board Action 2021-143 Adopted at 5/25/2021 BOC Meeting (Administrative Correction)
- D. Commissioner Fraley - County Attorney - To Approve the Engagement of Fox Rothschild LLP to Represent Gaston County Through Niche Mining and Land Use Issues and to Appropriate the Necessary Funds for the Execution of the Agreement (Cost Not to Exceed \$75,000 - Fund Balance)
- E. Commissioner Brown - County Attorney - To Authorize an Interlocal Grant Agreement With the City of Gastonia to Relocate Public Utilities at 147 W. Main Avenue (Center City Crossings) and to Appropriate the Necessary Funds for the Execution of the Interlocal Grant Agreement (Not to Exceed \$370,000 - Capital Fund Balance)
- F. Commissioner Worley - County Manager - Resolution in Support of the Charlotte Area Transit System's (CATS) LYNX Silver Line Extending Into Gaston County and to Seek Federal, State, and Local Funding Options for the Silver Line Project
- G. Commissioner Philbeck - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information
- H. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Health Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds Received in Fiscal Year 2021 from the Gaston County Community Foundation (CF) for the Let Me Run Program (100% Grant Funds - \$894)
- I. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Health Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Funds Received from CaroMont Regional Medical Center for the Community Health Assessment (100% Grant Funds - \$20,000)
- J. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of August 2021 as Child Support Awareness Month in Gaston County
- K. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Adoption Promotion Program Funds to Enhance the Adoption Program in the Amount of \$55,709 (No County Funds Required)
- L. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Accept and Appropriate the SC Johnson Grant to Support the Meals on Wheels Program in the Amount of \$20,000 (No County Funds Required)
- M. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Accept and Appropriate the Supplemental HDC5 Grant of the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Home Delivered and Congregate Meals in the Amount of \$91,623 (100% Federal Funds)

- N. 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 - \$4,652.28)
- O. Commissioner Brown - Public Works - To Request Two Parcels (PID 148011 and PID 148012) Be Annexed Into Lowell's Jurisdiction
- P. Commissioner Johnson - Sheriff's Office - To Accept and Appropriate a \$83,000 Donation from CaroMont Health Foundation to the Gaston County Sheriff's Office (100% Donation)
- Q. Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the Listed Tax Refunds be Made. (Releases and Refunds - \$639.13; Overpayments - \$5,651.05; VTS Refunds - \$8,543.25; Grand Total - \$14,833.43)
- R. ADDED/ Commissioner Hovis - County Manager - To Approve a COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive for Gaston County Employees

V. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VI. ITEMS ADDED BY MAJORITY VOTE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

VII. APPOINTMENTS

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

VIII. REPORTS

- A. Commissioners Committee Reports
- B. County Manager's Report
- C. County Attorney's Report

IX. OTHER MATTERS

X. ADJOURNMENT