



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, August 22, 2023

Meeting Agenda

Regular Meeting 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Approve a Gaston County Level One Incentive Grant Pursuant to N.C. Gen.State. 158-7.1 and To Authorize Gaston County to Enter into an Economic Development Agreement (EDA) with Project Box
 - 1. Receive Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion to Approve Resolution

II. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. AGENDA REVISION/APPROVAL

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. To Approve the Minutes of:
 - Rescheduled Meeting of July 27, 2023

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 - Certificate of Commendation - To Commend GEMS Paramedics Captain Leandra Lowrance, Christina Cruse and Andrew Adams for their Heroic Actions on May 23, 2023, Rendered in the Line of Duty, Which Saved the Life of Mrs. Darlene Lowrance, a Court Services Employee at the Gaston County Courthouse
- B. Commissioner Worley - Budget & Strategy (Building & Development Services - Housing Rehab) - To Accept and Appropriate State Grant Funds from the NC Housing Finance Agency for Home Repairs (\$132,000)

- C. Commissioner Worley - Budget & Strategy (Building & Development Services - Housing Rehab) - To Approve and Adopt the Assistance Policy and the Procurement Policy Specific to the 2023 Urgent Repair Program
- D. Commissioner Brown - Budget & Strategy - To Appropriate Fund Balance for FY24 New and Replacement Vehicles (\$63,000 General Fund and \$252,000 CIF, up to \$88,500 to be Reimbursed with Debt) and IT SAN Replacement (\$944,093 CIF to be Reimbursed with Debt) and Approve the Reimbursement Declaration
- E. Commissioner Worley - Building & Development Services - To Appropriate \$86,550 from Building Inspection Reserves for Software Rental: Tyler
- F. Commissioner Keigher - Cooperative Extension - To Accept and Appropriate Additional State Partnership for Children Grant Funds for the Cooperative Extension's Triple P Parenting Education Program (\$95,624)
- G. Commissioner Keigher - Cooperative Extension - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) Grant Funds for Cooperative Extension's Triple P Parenting Education Program (\$37,646)
- H. Commissioners Keigher and Johnson - County Manager - To Support the City of Gastonia Application to U.S. Department of Transportation's 2023 Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (RCN) Grant Program
- I. Commissioner Hovis - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information
- J. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services (Hope United Survivor Network) - To Accept and Appropriate Threads of Hope Sponsorships Totaling \$6,000
- K. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services (Hope United Survivor Network) - Transfer Funds from the General Fund, FVSPA ARP Supplemental Transitional Housing Account, to Reimburse the General Government Capital Fund for the Purchase of the Outreach Vehicle for The Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center (\$4,803)
- L. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds Received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the Public Health Environmental Health Healthy Wells Project and Correct FY24 Budgeted Grant Project Expenditures (\$7,000 in Grant Funds, \$200 in County Funds)
- M. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Transfer Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases (ELC) Enhancing Detection Federal Grant Budget for a Mobile Clinic from the General Fund to the General Government Capital Fund Totaling \$203,622
- N. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate State Grant Funds Received from the Women's and Children's Health Section/Nutrition Services Branch for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Public Health Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) (100% Grant Funds - \$17,348)

- O. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Amend the Bid Award Amount Authorized for Two Hawk Workforce Services (Res# 2023-242, Adopted 7/27/2023) for Services to be Provided for the Adult and Dislocated Workers Program through the Workforce Innovations and Opportunities Act (WIOA) (Revised Bid Award Amount \$533,970)
- P. Commissioner Hovis - Emergency Management/Fire Services - To Approve the Amended By-Laws of the Gaston County Fire Commission and the Membership Structure to Convert the Municipal Position to a Citizen At Large Position
- Q. Commissioner Hovis - Finance - To Approve Revisions and Updates to the County Travel Policy and Replacing the Current Travel Policy from the HR Personnel Policy and Establishing it as a Standalone Financial Policy
- R. 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 - \$5,227.40)
- S. Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Appropriate Additional Revenue for the Fines and Forfeitures Fund (\$6,000) and the Insurance Service Fund (\$500,000) for FY2023
- T. Commissioner Hovis - Finance (County Manager's Office) - To Approve the Carry Forward Request from County Manager's Office (\$105,547)
- U. Commissioner Hovis - Police Department (Animal Care and Enforcement) - To Accept and Appropriate Donations Received from The Thrasher Group, Bissell Pet Foundation, and a Gaston County Resident in the Amount of \$2,210
- V. Commissioner Brown - Police Department - To Approve Surplus and Donation of 38 DamascusGear Prison Riot Suits to Gaston College Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) to be used in Training
- W. Commissioner Brown - Police Department - To Accept Donation from Lake Wylie Marine Commission for the Purpose of Purchasing New Sonar Unit for the Marine Enforcement Unit in the Amount of \$2,050
- X. Commissioner Cloninger - Public Works - To Approve a Lease Agreement for Property Owned by Gaston County Located at 1305 Fire Ranger Way, Dallas, NC (No Additional County Funds)
- Y. Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the Listed Tax Refunds be Made. (Overpayments - \$15,530.37; VTS Refunds - \$8,298.99; Grand Total - \$23,829.36)

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