



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, May 25, 2021

Meeting Agenda

REVISED - Regular Meeting 6:00 P.M.

*Meeting is open to the public. Attendees will undergo temperature screenings and a health questionnaire. Capacity in the Forum and overflow rooms will be limited to allow for social distancing and attendees will be asked to wear face coverings. The meeting will be **TELEVISED** live for members of the public to view on Spectrum Channel 16 and AT&T Uverse Channel 99 and **LIVESTREAMED** from the Commission's Meeting portal on the Gaston County website, GastonGov.com.*

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, AWARDS, CERTIFICATES

- A. Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Memorial Day Proclamation - To Recognize and Honor Those Who Gave All During Their Military Service to the United States of America, and to Express Our Gratitude to the Fallen Members of Our Armed Services

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARINGS

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing RE: Commissioner Hovis - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: Z21-11 Samuel B. Cannon Jr. (Applicant); Property Parcel: 206987, Located at 1203 Freedom Mill Rd., Gastonia, NC, Rezone from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay to the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay
 1. Receive Comment
 2. Close Public Hearing
 3. Accept Motion to Approve Resolution
- B. Public Hearing RE: Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Authorize the Sale of Real Property for Economic Development and to Authorize a Level One Economic Development Grant and a Local Match for a One NC Grant - PROJECT KNOCK
 1. Receive Comment
 2. Close Public Hearing
 3. Accept Motion to Approve Resolution

- C. Public Hearing RE: Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Authorize an Application to the NC Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Program and to Authorize a Gaston County 5% Match; and, to Authorize a Gaston County 50% Match of the State's ONE NC Grant - POLYKEMI
 - 1. Receive Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion to Approve Resolution
- D. Public Hearing RE: Town of Stanley - Stanley Planning and Zoning Board ETJ
 - 1. Receive Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion for Appointment

III. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. AGENDA REVISION/APPROVAL

- 1. REVISED: Section V, Item E
- 2. REVISED: Section V, Item G
- 3. ADDED: Section X, Item C-1

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. To Approve the Minutes of:
 - Regular Meeting of April 27, 2021

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

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Memorial Day Proclamation - To Recognize and Honor Those Who Gave All During Their Military Service to the United States of America, and to Express Our Gratitude to the Fallen Members of Our Armed Services
- B. Commissioner Johnson - BOC - Resolution in Memoriam - To Posthumously Honor and Commemorate Mount Holly Police Officer Tyler A. Herndon
- C. Commissioner Brown - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim Thursday, May 6, 2021 as A Day of Prayer in Gaston County
- D. Commissioner Fraley - BOC - To Authorize the Dedication and Renaming of the 4th Floor Jury Assembly Room of the Gaston Courthouse in Memory and Honor of Judge Robert Kirby
- E. **REVISED/ Assistance Policy Replaced** - Commissioner Worley - Budget & Management Services -To Approve the Post Award Documentation (PAD) and Required Submissions (Assistance Policy and Procurement and Disbursement Policy) for the NC Housing Finance Agency's Essential Single Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool

- F. Commissioner Keigher - Budget & Management Services - To Adopt a Fee Schedule Effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
- G. **REVISED**/Commissioner Keigher - Budget & Management Services - To Approve the Carry Forward of \$18,645,047 (\$14,418,977 in Outside Funding and \$4,226,070 in County Funds) from FY2020-21 into FY2021-22
- H. Commissioner Keigher - County Attorney - Approval of Rules of Decorum for Public Meetings
- I. Commissioner Brown - County Attorney - To Authorize New Collection Fees for the Collection of Property Taxes on Behalf of Municipal Governments
- J. Commissioner Keigher - County Manager - To Approve the Use of the Accrued Interest from the 2016, 2017 and 2018 GO School Bonds for Paving Projects at Bessemer City High School, Hunter Huss High School, Catawba Heights Elementary School and Gardner Park Elementary School
- K. Commissioner Keigher - County Manager - To Approve the Use of the Remaining Principal Proceeds from the 2016 School Bond Issue for a Paving Project at Bessemer City Middle School and a Paving Project at Bessemer City High School
- L. Commissioner Philbeck - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information
- M. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2021 as Foster Care Awareness Month
- N. Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2021 as Older Americans Month
- O. Commissioner Brown - Elections - To Approve Election Systems & Software (ES&S) as a Sole Source Provider for the Purchase of ADA-Compliant Ballot Marking Voting Equipment (100% Grant Funds - \$185,294)
- P. 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 - \$2,519.56)
- Q. Commissioner Philbeck - Finance - To Appropriate 2019 Vehicle Financing Interest Earnings and Unspent Proceeds Totaling \$48,766 for Payment to Bank of America (\$48,766)
- R. Commissioner Hovis - Emergency Management - To Authorize, Appropriate, and Carry Forward Additional Emergency Management Performance Grant Funds for 2020 Optional Activities in the Amount of \$18,752.80
- S. Commissioner Fraley - GEMS - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of May 16-22, 2021 as Emergency Medical Services Week in Gaston County
- T. Commissioner Worley - Police Department/Sheriff's Office - Proclamation - To Proclaim May 9-15, 2021 as Law Enforcement Week and May 15, 2021 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day in Gaston County

- U. Commissioner Brown - Police Department - Retirement Commendation - To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Master Police Officer Ronald D. Robinson
- V. Commissioner Worley - Public Works - To Finalize and Formally Accept an Offer to Purchase a County Owned Surplus Parcel (PID# 203783 Located at 2005 Beauhaven Lane, Belmont, NC 28012) No County Funds
- W. Commissioner Philbeck - Public Works - To Authorize the County Manager to Execute a Construction Contract with Kearey Builders, Inc. for the Child Advocacy Center (The Lighthouse) at a Cost of \$3,092,425.00
- X. Commissioner Johnson - Sheriff's Office - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of May 2-8, 2021 as National Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees Week in Gaston County
- Y. Commissioner Worley - Sheriff's Office - To Authorize Lawmen's as a Sole Source Provider for the Purchase of Defense and Tactical Equipment (\$45,716)
- Z. Commissioner Worley - Sheriff's Office - To Accept Food Service Proposal and Contract Submitted by Kimble's Food by Design, Inc. d/b/a Skillet Kitchen for Inmate Food Service at the Gaston County Jail. The Annual Food Service is Estimated Not To Exceed \$1,076,461
- AA. Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the Listed Tax Refunds be Made. (Release and Refunds - \$228.88; Overpayments - \$22,389.59; VTS Refunds - \$8,825.49; Grand Total - \$31,443.96)
- AB. Commissioner Brown - Travel & Tourism - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of May 2-8, 2021 as Travel & Tourism Week in Gaston County

VI. LEGISLATIVE REQUEST

- A. Board of Commissioners - Legislative Request: To Adopt Resolution Opposing Proposed Local Government Zoning Reform

VII. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VIII. ITEMS ADDED BY MAJORITY VOTE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

IX. APPOINTMENTS

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

X. REPORTS

A. Commissioners Committee Reports

B. County Manager's Report

1. PRESENTATION OF THE FY2021-2022 GASTON COUNTY BUDGET

C. County Attorney's Report

1. ADDED/ CLOSED SESSION - Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) - Consult with the Attorney - Opioid Litigation

XI. OTHER MATTERS

XII. ADJOURNMENT