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The Gaston County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met in Regular Session at 6:00 pm on January 27, 2026, in The Harley B. Gaston, Jr. Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse.

Chairman Chad Brown presided with Commissioners Bob Hovis, Vice-Chairman; Jim Bailey, Cathy Cloninger, Allen R. Fraley, Tom Keigher and Scott Shehan in attendance.

Others present included Matthew Rhoten, County Manager; David Goldberg, County Attorney; and Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board.

Upon request of Chairman Brown, Commissioner Hovis led those assembled in the Invocation and Commissioner Cloninger led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fraley - Finance and Management Services - Budget - Commendation for GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award and Special Recognitions (Adopted under Consent Agenda)

Commissioner Fraley invited Ms. Taylor Ricci and Ms. Elizabeth McGee of the Budget Department to the podium and read the Commendation.

Ms. Ricci accepted and thanked the BOC for the Commendation.

Chairman Brown thanked Ms. Ricci and Ms. McGee for doing a tremendous job.

Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of February 2026 as Black History Month in Gaston County (Adopted under Consent Agenda)

Commissioner Keigher read the Proclamation (into the record).

Commissioner Keigher - Hope United Survivor Network - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of January 2026 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month (Adopted under Consent Agenda)

Commissioner Keigher invited Ms. Brittany Froning, Program Manager, Hannah Hopper, Sexual Assault and Human Trafficking Social Worker, and Heather Kauffman, Administrator at the Lighthouse Children's Advocacy Center to the podium and read the Proclamation.

The recipients accepted the Proclamation and expressed their gratitude to the Board of Commissioners. They also thanked federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies; the District Attorney's Office; hospital and healthcare partners; Emergency Medical Services; the Department of Social Services; and the Child Advocacy Center for their ongoing collaboration in preventing human trafficking, supporting victims, and ensuring a coordinated response characterized by compassion and accountability.

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Presentation - FY24-25 Gaston County Audit - Ms. Kelly Gooderham, Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A.

Chairman Brown announced the Audit Presentation was moved to the February 26th BOC meeting due to inclement weather.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Cloninger - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: REZ-25-07-11-00232, House Buyers, LLC/Jayne Infanzon (Applicant); Property Parcels: 316422, 316423, 316424, Located at Summerow Rd., Stanley, NC, Rezone from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District to the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District

Chairman Brown announced the Public Hearings as advertised, explained the procedures to be used, and called for the motion to enter into Public Hearing.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the BOC unanimously entered into Public Hearing.

Chairman Brown introduced Ms. Jaime Lisi, Planner I – Building and Development Services, for comments.

Ms. Lisi advised REZ-25-07-11-00232 is a general rezoning request from House Buyers, LLC for property parcels 316422, 316423, 316424 on Summerow Rd., Stanley, NC; the Applicant (Jayme Infanzon) is requesting to rezone from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District to the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District; the properties are located west of Stanley in the northeast quadrant of County; these vacant lots are .68 or .69 acres in size and surrounded mainly by residential lots.

She reviewed (aerial), zoning, adjacent property owners' maps and environmental features and advised the parcels are within a large residential pocket, mostly (R-1); there are some (R-2) and (RS-20), Residential 20,000SF, pockets in the larger vicinity; white areas on map is Stanley's city limits; the site has a gradual slope towards back of lot; there is no flood designation on the property; adjacent property owners' map depicts those noticed for tonight's Public Hearing and their addresses per NCGS.

The lots will be serviced via a private well and septic system and is accessed off a NCDOT maintained road.

The Technical Review Committee (TRC) reviewed the request; Environmental Health shows three separate permits for the lots; the GCLMPO (Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization) stated there are no funded transportation projects in the immediate vicinity; there were no additional comments from Building (Inspections), Natural Resources or public safety departments at this time.

Staff received one call from a citizen concerned about septic and well contamination; Environmental Health reached out to them to provide more information.

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Staff looks at well and septic requirements at the time of permitting; these requirements are the same regardless of type of homes developed (manufactured or stick built).

The parcels are located in *Area 3: Northeast Riverfront Gaston* of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP).

The lots were relinquished from Stanley's ETJ and have no formal small use plan designation; staff is comfortable using the *Rural Community* designation as it is consistent with the surrounding properties. Rural communities are areas that are largely rural with a number of residential buildings on smaller lots built closer to roadway with a neighborhood look and feel.

Staff finds the application, as presented, is consistent with the goals of the small area 3 and future land use designation.

The Planning and Zoning Board heard the request at its January 5th meeting and recommended approval via a 7-0 vote; this concludes the presentation.

Chairman Brown called for comments from the Applicant.

Mr. Jayme Infanzon (Applicant) and House Buyers, LLC representative, advised that House Buyers, LLC find properties to help build affordable housing; is remodeling another property on Summerow Rd. to sell along with these properties to help with the affordable housing issues in the area.

Chairman Brown called for citizen comment and for questions from the BOC; hearing none and no additional comments, declared the Public Hearing closed.

Chairman Brown recapped the Planning and Zoning Board unanimously recommended approval finding it to be reasonable and in the public interest and consistent with the goals of the CLUP.

Chairman Brown called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the BOC unanimously approved **2026-001**, upon consideration of the map change application, public hearing comment, and recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board and Planning staff, finds:

- 1) The map change request is consistent with the County's approved Comprehensive Land Use Plan as it will keep the parcel residential in nature as envisioned by the rural community future land use designation. Rural community areas are in the largely rural areas where there is a number of residential buildings on smaller lots, built closer to the roadway.

The Commission considers this action to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on: Planning and Zoning Board recommendation and compatibility with existing land uses in the immediate area. Therefore, the map change request for property parcels: 316422, 316423, 316424, is hereby approved, effective with the passage of this Ordinance to be rezoned to the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District.

- 2) The County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications in this matter to appropriate parties.

Chairman Brown directed the County Attorney to provide the Consistency Statement to the Clerk for the record.

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Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Bailey - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: REZ-25-09-16-00234, McLean Self Storage, LLC (Applicant); Property Parcels: 189855, 189856, & 221533, Located on Gaither Rd., Belmont, NC, Rezone from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay to the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay

Chairman Brown introduced Ms. Peyton Wiggins, Planner II – Building and Development Services, for comments.

Ms. Wiggins advised REZ-25-09-16-00234 is a general rezoning request from McLean Self Storage, LLC (Applicant) to rezone property parcels 189855, 189856, and 221533 in Belmont (NC) from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay to the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay; the total rezoning request for the three parcels is 11.42 acres.

She reviewed aerial, zoning, and adjacent property owners' maps and environmental features and advised the site is within a County pocket on the Belmont peninsula off of Gaither Rd. and includes an outdoor storage facility and single-family dwelling with associated accessory structures; residence at 298 Gaither Rd. was constructed in 1940 and is currently occupied; additional accessory structures on the property dates back to the 1960s; one was constructed in 1985; the site is more flat toward Gaither Rd. and becomes more of an *intense* slope towards the rear property lines.

The properties were previously split-zoned between the County's jurisdiction, (R-1) and (C-3), and Belmont's ETJ, (R-R) Rural Residential; on December 1st, the Belmont City Council voted to relinquished its ETJ zoning on rear portions of property; the property owners are requesting to rezone the remaining portions to the County's (C-3) district rather than the default (R-1) designation; approval of this request will establish consistent (C-3) zoning across all three parcels; staff supports this request given the surrounding land uses in the presence of adjacent (C-3) zoning.

If approved, any uses allowed in the (C-3) would be permitted per standards and regulations adopted in the UDO (Unified Development Ordinance).

The adjacent property owners' map depicts those notified about tonight's Public Hearing and their addresses; a sign was placed on the site on January 12th and notices were mailed the same day per NCGS; staff has not received any phone calls or inquiries about the request.

The site is served via a private well/septic system; the parcels front Gaither Rd., an NCDOT owned and maintained roadway.

The TRC (Technical Review Committee) reviewed the request on December 16th; Building Inspections and Natural Resources has no comments at this time; Environmental Health stated that parcels 189855 and 189856 would have septic systems and wells that would need to be properly abandoned if this site was redeveloped.

Per NCDOT's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), there are no funded transportation improvement projects in the immediate vicinity of the site; the widening of South

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Point Rd. (NC 273) is included in the MPO's CTP (Metropolitan Planning Organization's Comprehensive Transportation Plan) with a typical cross section for a four-lane divided road with a minimum of a 100' right-of-way (r-o-w); currently the r-o-w is 60' and this project has not yet received funding; the CTP shows recommended bicycle, sidewalks, multi-use path facility improvements along South Point Rd. which are also unfunded at this time.

The property falls within *Area 4: The Garden/Southeast Gaston* of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP); future land use designation is *Suburban Development* which consists of significant single-family residential areas that exists around commercial pockets representing standard suburban centers.

Staff finds that the application, as presented, is consistent with the goals and future land use designation.

The Planning and Zoning Board heard this request at its January meeting and recommended approval via a unanimous vote (7-0); this concludes the presentation.

Chairman Brown called for comments from the Applicant.

Mr. John Russell, lawyer with Mullen Holland and Cooper P.A., 301 S. York St., Gastonia (NC) and speaking on behalf of Applicant, advised that Tripp McLean (County resident and local homebuilder), Johnny Denton (Civil Engineer who worked on commercial site) and Joseph Alm (with County's Stormwater Management Program) were present to answer questions about the site topography or water issues.

Mr. Russell explained the request involves a dual or split zoning issue dating back to the establishment of Belmont's former extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ). He stated that research revealed a slanted boundary line where the City of Belmont had extended its ETJ to an old utility easement and stopped, creating inconsistent zoning across the three properties. With the implementation of countywide zoning and the elimination of involuntary annexation, the significance of the ETJ has diminished. He advised that the Applicant met with the City of Belmont last month to discuss long-term plans to expand the existing commercial use which is a self-storage facility, and to seek consistent zoning across the properties. Belmont agreed to release the ETJ, and the current request is intended to follow up on that release and establish uniform zoning.

Mr. Russell noted the area is characterized by commercial pockets surrounded by residential development. To the north is the Harris Teeter shopping center with associated outparcels and office space; to the south are a Dollar General, a restaurant, the South Point Social property, and additional storage facilities. He stated the Applicant's self-storage product is a high-end, all-brick facility designed to complement and support surrounding residential neighborhoods by meeting storage needs. He further advised there is no current site plan for development, as the project is market-driven. As residential growth continues and market conditions warrant, the long-term plan is to expand the C-3 commercial use. Some detention and preliminary site preparation work has already been completed. Mr. Russell noted the civil engineer was available to address technical matters.

Chairman Brown called for citizen comment; hearing none, called for questions from the BOC.

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Commissioner Shehan asked if the proposed expansion was firm, speculation or dependent on growth and different factors; if so, how many additional units would that allow on this amount of acreage?

Mr. Russell responded it is not specifically designed due to the different zoning districts; believes that is the general concept.

Mr. Johnny Denton advised it depends on what the market asks for; there is a mix of different types of storage there; it would depend on the footprint and potentially double in size if going with the same general use.

Commissioner Shehan asked what plans were in place to handle stormwater on that amount of impervious surface.

Mr. Denton responded Belmont gave up its ETJ to allow them to work within the County; they did water quality and detention (his personal preference) because of the sensitivity of the downstream area; currently the existing pond is functioning as a sediment pond because of some denuded that will be converted into a sand field consistent for stormwater quality; will do a two and ten detention on top of that.

Commissioner Shehan asked if that would be an additional or an expanded pond.

Mr. Denton advised it depends on the layout; there will either be an additional pond or that pond will expand towards the west.

Commissioner Shehan asked for the current acreage of the existing facility.

Mr. McLean advised the part with the buildings on it is about eight acres; do intend on expanding the facility.

Mr. Denton advised there are about 11 acres of impervious land; there is a large pond behind there that can detain the two in a ten-year event.

Mr. Russell advised he had some photos to submit to the Clerk.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously accepted the photos as information.

Commissioner Hovis asked if any further development other than what is already there would require an application and full site review regarding stormwater requirements and a stormwater site plan would have to be created taking the existing site into consideration to make sure mitigation does not have a negative impact on the watershed.

Mr. Denton responded "100%".

Chairman Brown thanked Mr. McLean and advised one of the biggest issues people have is that place lived up to your name with what is happening out there; he remarked on difficulties with ETJ issues.

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Commissioner Bailey advised of being told by a few surrounding landowners that some properties were being flooded during storms prior to installing stormwater drains; want to be clear the stormwater equipment will be suitable for that expansion.

Mr. Denton explained that when the detention pond was originally installed there were multiple drainage patterns along the rear of the property, and the initial discharge location was later determined to be problematic due to a downstream residence. He stated the Applicant invested additional time and resources to redesign the drainage and redirect the discharge across the property to a different, well-defined drainage pattern identified as a blue-line stream on the USGS map. Mr. Denton advised the issue has been mitigated and the stormwater from the area now flows through the revised drainage pattern, and any future expansion would continue to route stormwater around the affected property.

Commissioner Keigher advised he drove down there recently; the self-storage is one of the prettiest commercial sites in County; wished everyone would follow that footprint in the future; landscaping entrance and buildings you can see are impeccable; will vote to approve.

Hearing no additional comments, Chairman Brown declared the Public Hearing closed.

Chairman Brown recapped the Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval via a 7-0 vote finding it reasonable and in the public interest and consistent with the goals in the CLUP.

Chairman Brown called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the BOC unanimously approved **2026-002**, upon consideration of the map change application, public hearing comment, and recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board and Planning staff, finds:

- 1) The map change request is consistent with the County's approved Comprehensive Land Use Plan as it will allow for support services that serve neighborhood needs as envisioned by the Suburban Development future land use designation.

The Commission considers this action to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on: Planning and Zoning Board recommendation and compatibility with existing land uses in the immediate area. Therefore, the map change request for property parcels: 189855, 189856, & 221533, is hereby approved, effective with the passage of this Ordinance to be rezoned to the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay.

- 2) The County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications in this matter to appropriate parties.

Chairman Brown announced that the Public Hearings had concluded.

Agenda Revision/Approval

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously approved the Agenda of January 27, 2026.

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Approval of Minutes

On motion introduced by Commissioner Fraley and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved the Minutes of the Rescheduled Regular Meeting of November 17, 2025.

Citizen Recognition

Mr. Joshua Brown, Mt. Holly, urged the Board to address fire service staffing shortages, citing recent incidents where limited manpower delayed response efforts. He emphasized that increased staffing would allow faster deployment of apparatus, strengthen mutual aid support for municipalities across the County, and help maintain ISO ratings that reduce insurance costs for residents and businesses.

Consent Agenda

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

2026-003 Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of January 19-22, 2026 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and Coretta Scott King Book Awards Literature Week

2026-004 Commissioner Keigher - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of February 2026 as Black History Month in Gaston County

2026-005 Commissioners Brown & Keigher - BOC - To Update the Provisions of the Gaston County Investment Grant Program to Extend the Small Business Investment Grant Program Through Calendar Year 2026 as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that the Gaston County Investment Grant Program as adopted by Resolution No. 2006-065, dated February 9, 2006, is hereby amended to approve the one-year extension of the Gaston County Small Business Investment Grant for the 2026 calendar year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Small Business Investment Grant program shall sunset on December 31, 2026, and shall apply to investments made during the 2026 calendar year.

2026-006 Commissioner Brown - Building & Development Services - To Approve Plat Review Officer Changes as follows:

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly in 1997 session, approved legislation that requires the Board of Commissioners of each county to designate one or more persons as a County Plat Review Officer, to review each map and plat and approve same prior to recording at the County Register of Deeds (NCGS 47-30.2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that:

- 1) The County's Plat Review Officers shall be Jena Goodman, Juan G. Garcia, Jamie Kanburoglu, Peyton Wiggins, Shelby Harris, Jaime Lisi, Alex Pachter, and Jonathan Mead.

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2) The County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications, with the names of the County Plat Review Officers being recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds and indexed on the grantor index in the name of the Plat Review Officers.

2026-007 Commissioner Brown - County Attorney - Decline Opportunity to Purchase the Teacher Resource Center Property (Parcels: 108841, 108845 and 108844) from the Gaston County Board of Education as follows:

WHEREAS, North Carolina Gen. Stat. § 115C-518 affords boards of county commissioners the first opportunity to obtain property owned by a local school board which is no longer suitable for school purposes; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County Public Schools has determined that the properties located at 322 West Garrison Boulevard, Gastonia, North Carolina 28052 (Parcel # 108841), 384 West Garrison Boulevard, Gastonia, North Carolina 28052 (Parcel # 108845), and a neighboring unaddressed property (Parcel # 108844), commonly referred to as the Teacher Resource Center, is unsuitable for school purposes; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County acknowledges that it has the right to purchase said property from the local Board of Education for fair market value.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners declines to purchase the properties located at 322 West Garrison Boulevard, Gastonia, North Carolina 28052 (Parcel # 108841), 384 West Garrison Boulevard, Gastonia, North Carolina 28052 (Parcel # 108845), and a neighboring unaddressed property (Parcel # 108844) in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 115C-518(a).

2026-008 Commissioner Hovis - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information as follows:

ENTRY DATE	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT	DR/CR	AMOUNT
12/02/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-00000-000000-000000-0000-05-520020-	C	5,400
12/02/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-29001-000000-00000000-0000-05-560001-	C	8,620
12/02/2025	Health	1000-HLT-254-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-520002-GMTRN	C	937
12/02/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-293-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-520015-	C	150
12/02/2025	Human Resources	1000-HRM-000-00000-000000-00000000-0000-01-520010-	C	100
12/02/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-29001-000000-00000000-0000-05-530052-	D	14,020
12/02/2025	Health	1000-HLT-254-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-530030-GMTRN	D	937
12/02/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-293-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-530029-	D	150
12/02/2025	Human Resources	1000-HRM-000-00000-EmpRec-00000000-0000-01-530017-	D	100
12/03/2025	Sheriff	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-00000000-0000-02-530023-PubSf	C	20,000
12/03/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-00000000-0000-08-530021-	C	16,000
12/03/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-00000000-0000-08-530030-	C	17,000
12/03/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-00000000-0000-08-540009-21012	C	876,916
12/03/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-LEADGC-00000000-0000-02-520005-	C	1,440
12/03/2025	Health	1000-HLT-253-00000-FamPln-00000000-0000-05-520007-	C	2,800
12/03/2025	Sheriff	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-00000000-0000-02-530029-	D	20,000
12/03/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-00000000-0000-08-530024-	D	33,000
12/03/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-00000000-0000-08-540012-	D	876,916
12/03/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-530053-	D	1,440
12/03/2025	Health	1000-HLT-253-00000-FamPln-00000000-0000-05-530002-	D	2,800
12/10/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-520005-	C	1,900
12/10/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-29001-000000-00000000-0000-05-520005-	D	1,900
12/11/2025	Public Works	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-00000000-0000-01-540005-G0054	C	7,500
12/11/2025	Public Works	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-00000000-0000-01-540016-G0054	D	7,500
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-530027-	C	238
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-520005-	C	136
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-LEADGC-00000000-0000-02-520005-	C	86
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-520002-	D	238
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-530010-	D	100
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-520014-	D	36
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-520002-	D	63
12/15/2025	County Police	1000-GPD-000-00000-DrugCt-00000000-0000-02-520014-	D	24
12/16/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-530003-	C	1,000
12/16/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-29001-000000-00000000-0000-05-530010-	C	4,950
12/16/2025	Social Services	1000-DSS-271-00000-000000-Interpr-0000-05-530015-	C	2,000
12/16/2025	Social Services	1000-DSS-272-00000-000000-00000000-0000-05-520011-	C	1,000

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12/16/2025	Social Services	1000-DSS-270-00000-ChdSup-0000000-0000-05-520011-	C	500
12/16/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-0000000-0000-05-530015-	D	1,000
12/16/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-290-00000-000000-0000000-0000-05-530010-	D	4,950
12/16/2025	Social Services	1000-DSS-271-00000-000000-DNATest-0000-05-530010-	D	2,000
12/16/2025	Social Services	1000-DSS-272-00000-000000-0000000-0000-05-520010-	D	1,000
12/16/2025	Social Services	1000-DSS-270-00000-ChdSup-0000000-0000-05-520001-	D	500
12/18/2025	Building & Dev. Services	1000-BDS-233-00000-000000-0000000-0000-07-530015-G0155	C	10,128
12/18/2025	Building & Dev. Services	1000-BDS-233-00000-000000-0000000-0000-07-530015-G0115	C	6,586
12/18/2025	Building & Dev. Services	1000-BDS-233-00000-000000-0000000-0000-07-530029-G0155	D	10,128
12/18/2025	Building & Dev. Services	1000-BDS-233-00000-000000-0000000-0000-07-510001-G0115	D	6,586
12/29/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-270-00000-WIOA00-0000000-0000-05-530015-	C	1,200
12/29/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-270-00000-WIOA00-WIOAdlt-0000-05-520012-	D	400
12/29/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-270-00000-WIOA00-WIODWkr-0000-05-520012-	D	400
12/29/2025	Community Support Svcs.	1000-CSS-270-00000-WIOA00-WIOYuth-0000-05-520012-	D	400
12/30/2025	Health	1000-HLT-254-00000-000000-0000000-0000-05-520002-GMTRN	C	115
12/30/2025	Health	1000-HLT-254-00000-000000-0000000-0000-05-530030-GMTRN	D	115

2026-009 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds Received from the NC Department of Health and Human Services - Women, Infant, and Community Wellness Section/ Infant and Community Health Branch (\$25,966) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Salaries: Healthy Beginnings	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-510001-GHBGN	12,612.00
FICA: Healthy Beginnings	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-510100-GHBGN	964.82
Retirement: Healthy Beginnings	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-510101-GHBGN	2,346.18
Health Ins: Healthy Beginnings	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-510103-GHBGN	6,000.00
ProgSupp: Healthy Beginnings	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-520002-GHBGN	2,906.00
EmpTrain: Healthy Beginnings	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-520011-GHBGN	1,137.00
Fed Grnt Rev-Healthy Beginning	1000-HLT-254-00000-HltyBg-0000000-0000-05-410000-GHBGN	(25,966.00)

2026-010 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Local Grant Funds Received from AmeriHealth Caritas North Carolina, Inc. (\$500,389) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Salaries-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-510001-L0017	255,271.00
FICA-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-510100-L0017	14,355.00
Retirement-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-510101-L0017	25,522.00
401K Contr-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-510102-L0017	9,380.00
Health Insur-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-510103-L0017	48,000.00
Office Supplies-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520001-L0017	2,761.00
Program Suppl-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520002-L0017	85,000.00
OthMedicalSuppl-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520004-L0017	8,000.00
Food&Provisions-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520005-L0017	1,000.00
Uniforms-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520006-L0017	3,000.00
MiscSuppliesExp-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520007-L0017	10,000.00
Mileage Reimb-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520010-L0017	3,000.00
EmployeeTraing-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520011-L0017	20,000.00
Advertising-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520015-L0017	7,500.00
Furn/Equip<\$5K-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-520020-L0017	7,600.00
Other Grant Rev-AmerHlthCarNFP	1000-HLT-254-00000-NurFam-0000000-0000-05-445006-L0017	(500,389.00)

2026-011 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Funds Received from Partners Health Management (\$32,467.50) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Miscellaneous Revenue	1000-HLT-250-00000-PeerSp-0000000-0000-05-445001-	(32,467.50)
Professional Services	1000-HLT-250-00000-PeerSp-0000000-0000-05-530010-	1,867.50
Software Rental	1000-HLT-250-00000-PeerSp-0000000-0000-05-530029-	30,600.00

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2026-012 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Approve a Resolution to Direct the Expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds and Appropriate \$77,425.00 (Year 1: \$25,808.33, Year 2: \$51,616.67, Total: \$77,425.00) as follows:

WHEREAS, Gaston County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids, including settlements with drug distributors Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen, and the drug maker Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals; and,

WHEREAS, the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions (“Opioid Settlement Funds”) are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation (“MOA”); and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA; and,

WHEREAS, section E.6 of the MOA states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or Resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or Resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in alignment with the NC MOA, Gaston County authorizes the expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds as follows:

- 1. First strategy authorized:
 - a. Naloxone Distribution
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A of the NC MOA
 - c. Item letter and/ or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: Exhibit A, Strategy 7
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$77,425.00
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place: Start date January 1, 2026, through End date June 30, 2027.
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Naloxone Distribution

Funds will be used to integrate overdose-prevention into ASPEN's behavioral health and case-management services by incorporating naloxone distribution within family, peer, and re-entry supports, with necessary program supplies. ASPEN (A Safe Place Empowerment Network) will be responsible for managing this program.

- g. Provider: ASPEN (A Safe Place Empowerment Network)

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated for the above named and authorized strategies is \$77,425.00.

and per Budget Change Request:

Account Description (Year 1)	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(25,808.33)
Other Services	2055-HLT-000-00000-ASPENN-Stratg7-0000-05-530015-	25,808.33

Account Description (Year 2)	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(51,616.67)
Other Services	2055-HLT-000-00000-ASPENN-Stratg7-0000-05-530015-	51,616.67

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2026-013 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Approve a Resolution to Direct the Expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds and Appropriate \$79,211.00 (Year 1: \$41,185.00, Year 2: \$38,026.00, Total: \$79,211.00) as follows:

WHEREAS, Gaston County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids, including settlements with drug distributors Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen, and the drug maker Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals; and,

WHEREAS, the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions ("Opioid Settlement Funds") are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation ("MOA"); and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA; and,

WHEREAS, section E.6 of the MOA states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or Resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or Resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in alignment with the NC MOA, Gaston County authorizes the expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds as follows:

- 1. First strategy authorized:
 - a. Prevent Misuse of Opioids
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit B of the NC MOA
 - c. Item letter and/ or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: Exhibit B, Strategy G
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$79,211.00
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place: Start date January 1, 2026, through End date June 30, 2027.
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Prevent Misuse of Opioids

Funds will be used for the flexible deployment of Naloxone training through the "Just Call" program promoting to call for help even when unsure to local businesses, case workers, medical professionals, etc. The program will be managed by the Gaston Together.

- g. Provider: Gaston Together

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated for the above named and authorized strategies is \$79,211.00.

and per Budget Change Request:

Account Description (Year 1)	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(41,185.00)
Other Services	2055-HLT-000-00000-GasTog-StratgG-0000-05-530015-	41,185.00

Account Description (Year 2)	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(38,026.00)
Other Services	2055-HLT-000-00000-GasTog-StratgG-0000-05-530015-	38,026.00

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2026-014 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Approve a Resolution to Direct the Expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds and Appropriate \$320,000.00 (Year 1: \$140,000.00, Year 2: \$180,000.00, Total: \$320,000.00) as follows:

WHEREAS, Gaston County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids, including settlements with drug distributors Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen, and the drug maker Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals; and,

WHEREAS, the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions (“Opioid Settlement Funds”) are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation (“MOA”); and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA; and,

WHEREAS, section E.6 of the MOA states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or Resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or Resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in alignment with the NC MOA, Gaston County authorizes the expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds as follows:

- 1. First strategy authorized:
 - a. Prevent Misuse of Opioids
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit B of the NC MOA
 - c. Item letter and/ or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: Exhibit B, Strategy G
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$ 320,000.00
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place: Start date January 1, 2026, through End date June 30, 2027.
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Prevent Misuse of Opioids

Funds will be used by WBTV to deliver a comprehensive media campaign featuring sponsored interview segments, digital ads, social reels, and targeted outreach across streaming, YouTube, Facebook, and Instagram—supported by Gaston County Communications and backed by data-driven insights and the Opioid Settlement Team/funded programs. The program will be managed by the WBTV.

- g. Provider: WBTV

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated for the above named and authorized strategies is \$320,000.00.

and per Budget Change Request:

Account Description (Year 1)	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(140,000.00)
Other Services	2055-HLT-000-00000-WBTVGM-StratgG-0000-05-530015-	140,000.00

Account Description (Year 2)	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(180,000.00)
Other Services	2055-HLT-000-00000-WBTVGM-StratgG-0000-05-530015-	180,000.00

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2026-015 Commissioner Keigher - Hope United Survivor Network - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of January 2026 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month

2026-016 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Appropriate \$35,988.46 from Fund Balance to the ACCESS Community Transportation Grant Account (\$35,988.46) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	1000-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(16,360.15)
Fund Balance Appropriated	4000-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(13,355.81)
Fund Balance Appropriated	4000-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(6,272.50)
Transfer to General Fund	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-581000-	19,628.31
Transfers from CIF	1000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-484000-	(19,628.31)
Vehicle Prep	1000-CSS-290-29001-InsSet-0000000-0000-05-530052-CTCAP	35,988.46

2026-017 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Accept and Appropriate Donations Received in Second Quarter of FY26 Totaling \$23,564.12 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Adult Nutrition donations	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-HmDeIMI-0000-05-445004-	(4,544.86)
Adult Nutrition donations	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-0000000-0000-05-520019-15259	4,544.86
Shelter Donations	1000-CSS-273-00000-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(7,454.26)
Shelter Donations	1000-CSS-273-00000-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	7,454.26
Hope for Holidays Donations	1000-CSS-274-00000-Hope4H-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(10,225.00)
Hope for Holidays Donations	1000-CSS-274-00000-Hope4H-0000000-0000-05-520019-	10,225.00
Adult Daycare Donations	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdItDC-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(50.00)
Adult Daycare Donations	1000-CSS-272-00000-ADLTDC-0000000-0000-05-520019-	50.00
Adult Services Donations	1000-DSS-272-00000-AdtSvc-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(200.00)
Adult Services Donations	1000-DSS-272-00000-Adtsvc-0000000-0000-05-520019-	200.00
Kara's Closet Donations	1000-CSS-274-00000-KaraCI-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(1,090.00)
Kara's Closet Donations	1000-CSS-274-00000-KaraCI-0000000-0000-05-520019-	1,090.00

2026-018 Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Authorize an Application to The NC Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Program Application on Behalf of Project Family 2025 as follows:

WHEREAS, Project Family 2025 is considering a total investment of \$8,000,000 to customize and upfit a manufacturing facility in Gaston County and purchase machinery and equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the firm intends to create at least 30 new jobs over five years in Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute §158-7.1 authorizes a County to undertake an economic development project by providing grants for the location of industry; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the County to assist Project Family 2025 in completing a NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Application. The required local 5% match will be the Local Investment Grant; and,

WHEREAS, this will potentially increase property and sales tax revenue based upon Project Family 2025 choosing to expand its manufacturing facility in Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners desires to support this manufacturing operations so as to induce the company to provide good job opportunities and capital investment which will enhance the County's ability to attract additional business and industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Economic Development Commission to execute any documents necessary to complete this NCDOC Rural Economic Development Rural Division Building Reuse Grant Application on behalf of Project Family 2025.

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2026-019 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Budget - To Appropriate General Fund Balance for Risk Insurance and Workers Compensation (\$2,147,263) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	1000-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(2,147,263.00)
Insurance	1000-NDP-000-00000-0000000-0000000-0000-01-530024-	2,122,263.00
Professional Services	1000-FMS-141-00000-0000000-0000000-0000-01-530010-	25,000.00

2026-020 Commissioner Fraley - Finance and Management Services - Budget - Commendation for GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award and Special Recognitions

2026-021 Commissioner Brown - Financial and Management Services - Budget - Administrative Correction Amending Fund Number in Resolution #2025-349 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	1000-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	47,412.56
Fund Balance Appropriated	4005-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(47,412.56)

2026-022 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Approve Giving Authorization to the Procurement Services Manager, Hien Tran, to Pre-audit Gaston County Contracts

2026-023 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Accept as Information the November 2025 Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes. (Total NCVTS Refunds - \$2,088.92) as follows:

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
NOVEMBER 2025 REFUNDS			
AKERS, MICHELLE DENISE	\$87.51	LAWING, BARBARA STROUPE	\$58.58
BROWN, CHELSEA RENEE	\$45.88	LEDBETTER, PAMELA KEENER	\$23.00
BUCEATCHI, TATIANA	\$15.07	LOSKO, PATRICK JAMES	\$17.26
CERON, ARMANDO ANTONIO	\$84.47	LOVE, LINDA RUDISILL	\$90.65
WILLIS, TERESA BAUCOM	\$60.95	MAYHEW, RICKY DEAN	\$24.40
CHAPMAN, PHILLIP ROGER II	\$97.59	MCABEE, CHRISTOPHER ALAN	\$54.44
CHILES-GAINES, BREYANNA MONE'E	\$79.33	MURPHREE, BRETT ALAN	\$3.27
CHRISTOPHER, DEREK BLAIR	\$46.40	MURPHREE, BRETT ALAN	\$19.15
LEFEBVRE, HENRY ALLEN III	\$82.92	PATEL, ANIL RAMAN	\$38.91
COOK, NICHOLAS RYAN	\$15.96	PENNINGTON, TARA YVONNE	\$99.90
CUMMINGS, CRISTY BUSLER	\$17.96	RECUPERO, THOMAS CONRAD	\$72.38
DARNELL, SCOTT DEWITT	\$29.17	ROBERTSON, SHARON WALKER	\$30.42
DIXON, RICHARD LEE	\$23.83	ROBINSON, ELIZABETH MAHAFFEY	\$12.79
DUCKWORTH, JAMES CALTON III	\$29.16	ROOK, SUSAN ELIZABETH	\$23.80
DUFFY, SCOTT LYNN	\$69.18	RYAN, VERA CATHERINE	\$82.79
FEINSTEIN, ASHLEY CATHERINE	\$71.17	SHAMES, SAMUEL JONATHAN	\$56.78
FERGUSON, CHARLES LESTER	\$0.80	SMITH, WILLIAM SCOTT JR	\$64.21
GEORGE, KATHLEEN TEAM	\$38.69	WALKER, ANGELIAH MALANI	\$43.35
HALL, SHEILA COLLINS	\$53.52	WASHINGTON, COREY ALPHONSO	\$3.14
HEFFNER, TRACE DEAN	\$37.28	WILLIAMS, KENNETH EUGENE JR	\$18.97
HUSKEY, BEVERLY RENEE	\$22.29	WILSON, DANNY LEE	\$58.41
INVERNIZZI, JAVIER MARIA	\$66.23	WYNN, DAVID PAUL	\$91.94
KARLSTROM, ANDERS BERTIL RAGNAR	\$25.02	TOTAL	\$2,088.92

2026-024 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Accept as Information the December 2025 Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes. (Total NCVTS Refunds - \$3,065.39) as follows:

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
DECEMBER 2025 REFUNDS			

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ADAMS, LAMAR ALLEN JR	\$97.42	KOEHLER, SARAH WHITESCARVER	\$22.49
ANDERSON, CAROL NUGIER	\$81.37	LEARY, KENDRA LYNNE	\$45.52
BAILEY, JACK RAY	\$81.43	LOSKO, PATRICK JAMES	\$39.18
BALLARD, MARVIN KOPF III	\$82.28	LOVE-JOHNSON, CHESNEE VIONTE	\$13.36
BARBU, ABIGAIL MARIA	\$25.76	MAYBERRY, JOHN DANIEL	\$25.47
BARTLETT, WYNDAL JAMES	\$22.74	MCCARTER, PEGGY HORNE	\$6.96
BERCOVITZ, ANN S	\$54.52	MILLER, WILLIAM LOUIS	\$75.73
BICE, DAVID WILLIAM	\$86.96	NOLAN, JACOB THOMAS	\$24.14
BLAKE, PADGETT LAVERNE JR	\$41.55	OPEN ROAD RV RENTALS LLC	\$41.04
BRAUN, EVA WILLOW ANNELIESE	\$90.34	PAYNE, DANAISHA MONAE	\$23.56
BRYANT, JASON DOUGLAS	\$67.71	PRECISION RENTALS LLC	\$31.21
BULLOCK, KANEI BALLY	\$83.67	PRECISION RENTALS LLC	\$10.85
BURRELL, DONNA LEE	\$23.31	PRECISION RENTALS LLC	\$51.70
CARR, SANDRA RENAE	\$18.49	RHOM, TARA HENKE	\$44.11
CHAPMAN-CHOICE, MARRISSA KIMECHOL	\$3.75	ROMERO ROMAN, CESAR AUGUSTO	\$33.10
DA COSTA, THIAGO SILVEIRA	\$64.26	ROSABAL GARCIA, DAVID	\$9.98
DILLS, RACHEL LORIAN	\$53.61	ROWE, GABRIELA ALEJANDRA	\$80.80
ETIENNE, JEAN MARC	\$17.82	RUDISILL, ELIZABETH LINEBERRY	\$32.32
FANDREI, DENNIS ERVIN	\$86.24	SCHAFFER, HEIDI CHRISTINE	\$19.72
FEATHERSTONE, PLAYTO PERSCHEL	\$14.10	SHEHANE, WILLIAM DARWIN	\$40.25
GOMEZ, REBECCA MARISELA	\$79.01	SHEPHERD, SYLVIA ROWELL	\$26.29
H&M CATERING LLC	\$19.71	SHIMINSKI, JASON MICHAEL	\$43.94
HAMAM, RAFAT	\$41.61	SHIREY, CASEY MARIE	\$88.08
HART, JEAN HOWARD III	\$36.64	SMITHWICK, MICHAEL CHARLES	\$18.56
HEATWOLE, DEBORAH MATTHAI	\$62.96	STEVENS, ALFRED	\$25.20
HILL, TRACY RACKEL	\$25.83	STEVENS, ALFRED	\$19.47
HOLLER, HELEN MARIA	\$88.57	SUGGS, SCOTT EDWARD	\$79.49
INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE, INC.	\$83.56	SUN, XIAOHONG	\$18.12
JOHNSON, BEVERLY WISE	\$48.95	TAYLOR, PEYTON GRACE	\$47.71
JOHNSON, LASHEENA TANIA	\$94.36	WHITE, ANTHONY SCOTT	\$47.03
KEY, HEATHER CHRISTINA	\$69.84	WILLIAMS, MICHAEL EDWARD	\$66.94
KIEFER, JUDITH ROTHERMEL	\$80.99	WRIGHT, SCOTTY MORTON	\$82.25
KINGSWAY ENTERPRISES INC	\$1.46		
		TOTAL	\$3,065.39

2025-025 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Appropriate Accumulated Investment Earnings From October 1, 2025, Through December 31, 2025 (\$57,727.79) in FY26 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Interest Earnings-SHF StDirGrt	1000-NDP-000-00000-OSBMDI-0000000-0000-02-444001-G0108	(859.77)
Furn/Equip<\$5K-SHF StateDirct	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-520020-G0108	859.77
Interest Earnings-SHF StDirGrt	4005-NDP-000-00000-OSBMDI-0000000-0000-02-444001-G0108	(732.39)
Motor Vehicles:GPD StateDirctd	4005-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-540003-G0108	732.39
Interest Earnings-NC OSBM SHF	1000-NDP-000-00000-NCOSBM-0000000-0000-02-444001-G0143	(572.20)
Furn/Equip<\$5K-NC OSBM SHF Grt	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-520020-G0143	572.20
Interest Earnings	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-444001-G0089	(1,149.23)
Other Services-InnovatvCrtProg	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-530015-G0089	1,149.23
Interest Earnings - EDTAP	1000-NDP-000-00000-ROAPAc-0000000-0000-05-444001-	(735.22)
Interest Earnings - RGP	1000-NDP-000-00000-ROAPAc-0000000-0000-05-444001-	(412.03)
Transportation of Clients	1000-CSS-290-29001-000000-0000000-0000-05-560001-	1,147.25
Interest:Courthouse Renovation	4005-NDP-000-00000-NCOSBM-0000000-0000-02-444001-G0054	(42,289.65)
Bldg&Imp: NC OSBM County Crths	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-0000000-0000-01-540005-G0054	42,289.65
Interest Earnings	2025-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-444001-	(3,496.56)
Controlled Substance Tax	2025-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-530045-CSTPD	3,496.56
Interest Earnings - Justice	2020-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-444001-	(3,135.26)
Asset Forfeitures - Justice	2020-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-530043-AFJPD	3,135.26
Interest Earnings - Treasury	2020-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-444001-	(2,908.88)
Asset Forfeitures - Treasury	2020-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-530043-AFTPD	2,908.88

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Interest Earnings	2025-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-444001-	(757.61)
Controlled Substance Tax	2025-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-530045-CSTSH	757.61
Interest Earnings - Drug Supplies	2020-GPD-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-444001-	(22.27)
Asset Forfeitures - Drug Supplies	2020-GPD-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-530048-	22.27
Interest Earnings - Justice	2020-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-444001-	(37.81)
Asset Forfeitures - Justice	2020-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-530043-AFJSH	37.81
Interest Earnings - Treasury	2020-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-444001-	(618.91)
Asset Forfeitures - Treasury	2020-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-530043-AFTSH	618.91

2026-026 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance (Emergency Management/Fire Services) - To Approve the Appropriation of Unified Fire Protection Service District Fund Fund Balance for Distribution to Waco Fire Department in the Amount of \$18,659.90 for Reimbursement of Purchase of Flash Upgrades for 35 Radios to Meet State TDMA Requirement per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Additional Subsidies	2036-000-000-00000-000000-WacoFDi-0000-02-570011-	18,659.90
Fund Balance Appropriated	2036-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000-	(18,659.90)

2026-027 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (DHHS/Children's Advocacy Center) - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds from the Governor's Crime Commission for VOCA CAC Basic Services for The Lighthouse Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) for FY2026 (Year 4 - \$98,724.17 with No Match) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-GCC 2022VOCA	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-410000-G0052	(98,724.17)
Salaries-GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510001-G0052	86,509.81
FICA-GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510100-G0052	6,277.10
Dental Insur-GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510104-G0052	332.88
Life Insur-GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510105-G0052	127.82
Retirement-GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510101-G0052	3,973.78
Client Exp-GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-274-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-560018-G0052	1,502.78

2026-028 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Hope United Survivor Services) - To Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from the North Carolina Governor's Crime Commission for Gaston County Justice for DV Victims Grant (Year 1: \$100,000.00 with a 25% Non-County Match of \$33,333.33) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-FY26 VAWA DA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year001-0000-05-410000-G0165	(100,000.00)
Salaries-FY26 VAWA DA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year001-0000-05-510001-G0165	77,126.39
FICA-FY26 VAWA DA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year001-0000-05-510100-G0165	3,634.65
Retirement-FY26 VAWA DA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year001-0000-05-510101-G0165	11,090.88
Health Insur-FY26 VAWA DA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year001-0000-05-510103-G0165	8,114.88
Life Insur-FY26 VAWA DA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year001-0000-05-510105-G0165	33.20

2026-029 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Hope United Survivor Services) - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds from the Governor's Crime Commission for the DV/SA Basic Services Grant for FY2026 (Year 2 - \$123,346.36 with No Match) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-410000-G0145	(123,346.36)
Salaries-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510001-G0145	68,556.80

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FICA-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510100-G0145	5,230.42
Retirement-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510101-G0145	9,858.42
401K Contribution-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510102-G0145	3,427.84
Health Insur-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510103-G0145	9,173.32
Dental Insur-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510104-G0145	241.80
Life Insur-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-510105-G0145	107.90
Program Suppl-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-520002-G0145	5,523.40
Transtnl Housing-FY25 HUSN SA	1000-CSS-291-29101-000000-Year002-0000-05-530053-G0145	21,226.46

2026-030 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (DHHS/Shelter) - To Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from Gaston Community Foundation for the Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center for FY 2026 (\$13,000) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
OthrGmtRev-Gaston Comm Fdn	4005-CSS-273-00000-000000-000000-0000-05-445006-L0021	(13,000.00)
Othrlmprv&Capl-Gaston Comm Fdn	4005-CSS-273-00000-000000-000000-0000-05-540006-L0021	13,000.00

2026-031 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (DHHS/Shelter) - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds from the Governor's Crime Commission for the VOCA - DV/SA Basic Services Grant for the Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center - A Domestic Violence Shelter for FY2026 (Year 4 - \$81,952.42 with No Match) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-GCC 2022VOCA	1000-CSS-273-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-410000-G0053	(81,952.42)
Salaries-GCC 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-273-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510001-G0053	64,272.00
FICA-GCC 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-273-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510100-G0053	4,822.05
Retirement-GCC 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-273-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510101-G0053	9,242.31
401K Contr-GCC 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-273-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-510102-G0053	3,213.60
Transtnl Housing-GCC 2022 VOCA	1000-CSS-273-00000-000000-Year004-0000-05-530053-G0053	402.46

2026-032 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Sheriff's Office) - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds to Support Domestic Violence Deputies in the Sheriff's Office (Year 1: \$99,999.78 with a 25% County Match of \$33,333.26) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-GC SHF DV Un	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-Year001-0000-02-410000-G0158	(99,999.78)
Salaries-GC SHF DV Unit	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-Year001-0000-02-510001-G0158	99,999.78
Salary: Court Advocate	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-510001-Advoc	(25,846.91)
Salaries-GC SHF DV Unit MATCH	1000-SHF-000-00000-GMatch-Year001-0000-02-510001-G0158	25,846.91
Health Ins: Court Advocate	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-510103-Advoc	(7,486.35)
HealthIns-GC SHF DV Unit MATCH	1000-SHF-000-00000-GMatch-Year001-0000-02-510103-G0158	7,486.35

2026-033 Commissioner Shehan - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Sheriff's Office) - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds to Support Court Advocates in the Sheriff's Office (Year 1: \$125,000 with No County Match) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-GC SHF Advoc	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-Year001-0000-02-410000-G0159	(125,000.00)
Salaries-GC SHF Advocacy	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-Year001-0000-02-510001-G0159	101,373.22
Retirement-GC SHF Advocacy	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-Year001-0000-02-510101-G0159	5,280.14
Health Insur-GC SHF Advocacy	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-Year001-0000-02-510103-G0159	18,346.64

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2026-034 Commissioner Fraley - GEMS - To Amend the Current Gaston County Fee Schedule to Adjust Emergency Medical Services Fee Schedule Based on Medicare and Medicaid Allowable Rates as follows:

Current and Proposed GEMS fees				
Level Of Service	HCPCS	Current Charge	Proposed Charges 2-1-26	Proposed Change 2-1-26
ALS Non Emergency	A0426	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$200.00
ALS Emergency	A0427	\$1,200.00	\$1,500.00	\$300.00
BLS Non Emergency	A0428	\$750.00	\$850.00	\$100.00
BLS Emergency	A0429	\$1000.00	\$1000.00	0
ALS 2	A0433	\$1,450.00	\$1,800.00	\$350.00
Specialty Care Transport	A0434	\$1,750.00	\$2,400.00	\$650.00
Loaded Patient Mileage	A0425	\$20.00	\$23.50	\$3.50
BLS Disp Supplies	A0382	\$50.00	\$50.00	0
IV Disp Supplies	A0394	\$50.00	\$50.00	0
ALS Disp Supplies	A0398	\$100.00	\$100.00	0
Oxygen Disp Supplies	A0422	\$35.00	\$35.00	0
DOA Response Fee	A0429	\$180.00	\$180.00	0
DOA Transport	A0429	\$400.00	\$400.00	0
Treatment, No Transport	A0998	\$375.00	\$375.00	0
Stand By Per Hr	A0999	\$300.00	\$400.00	\$100.00
Medicaid Roundtrip	T2003	\$475.00	\$600.00	\$125.00
Lift Assist - after 3rd in rolling 30 days		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00
Wheelchair van transport		\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Wheelchair van mileage		\$0.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
GEMS Care annual subscription				
- Individual, emergency only		\$55.00	\$60.00	\$5.00
- Individual, emergency and MNNE		\$105.00	\$105.00	0
- Household, emergency only		\$100.00	\$105.00	\$5.00
- Household, emergency and MNNE		\$150.00	\$150.00	0
School Football Game Standby - Per Game		\$300.00	\$300.00	0

2026-035 Commissioner Shehan - GEMS - To Accept and Appropriate Federal Grant Funds from the North Carolina Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services to Support Peer Support Specialist (\$51,574 with No County Match) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Revenues-Peer Support	1000-EMS-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-410000-G0169	(\$38,681)
Professional Services-Peer Support	1000-EMS-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-530010-G0169	\$38,681

2026-036 Commissioner Keigher - Library - To Approve the Conversion of 4 Half-time Library Branch Employees to Part-time per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Furn/Equip<\$5K-FY26 State Aid	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-520020-G0156	(\$32,636)
Part-time:>1K hrs-FY26 State A	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-510006-G0156	\$20,042
FICA-FY26 State Aid	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-510100-G0156	\$1,533
Retirement-FY26 State Aid	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-510101-G0156	\$8,093
401K Contr-FY26 State Aid	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-510102-G0156	\$2,968

2026-037 Commissioner Keigher - Library - To Accept and Appropriate LSTA Scholarship Grant (\$1,714) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Federal Grant Rev-LSTA Scholar	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-410000-G0168	(\$1,714)
Employee Training-LSTA Scholar	1000-LIB-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-04-520011-G0168	\$1,714

2026-038 Commissioners Brown & Hovis - Office of Capital Improvements - To Approve a Qualifications Based Selection and Authorize the County Manager, or His Designee, to Execute a Professional Services Contract with JLL for Owner's Project Manager (OPM) Services for the Public Safety Campus

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2026-039 Commissioner Shehan - Office of Capital Improvements - To Amend the Old Willis Force Main Project Construction Contract to Classic City Mechanical to Total \$2,114,533.90 and Authorize the County Manager, or His Designee, to Execute a Contract on Behalf of Gaston County

2026-040 Commissioners Brown & Bailey - Office of Capital Improvements - To Authorize the County Attorney to Draft Contract Documents for the Jail Space Needs and Conditions Assessment Study and Provide Information about the Budget Transfer Required (\$127,450)

2026-041 Commissioner Cloninger - Police Department - To Approve the Donation of K-9 Salko from the Town of Dallas

2026-042 Commissioner Brown - Public Works - To Approve the Reallocation of \$120,000 Budgeted Capital Funds to Pay for Telematics in All Gaston County Fleet Vehicles per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Other Contracts & Subsidies	4005-PWK-192-00000-0000000-0000000-0000-01-540006-	(120,000.00)
Transfer to CIF Fund	4005-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-584000-	120,000.00
Transfer from Capital Fund	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-484005-	(120,000.00)
Transfers to General Fund	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-581000-	120,000.00
Transfer from CIF	1000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-484000-	(120,000.00)
Software Rental	1000-PWK-191-00000-0000000-0000000-0000-01-530029-	120,000.00

2026-043 Commissioner Shehan - Sheriff's Office - To Authorize a Transfer from the General Fund to the Capital Fund for the Sole Source Purchase of Four Integrated IDEMIA LiveScan Systems (\$73,507 Quote) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Furn/Equip<\$5k	4005-SHF-000-00000-Annual-PayAsGo-0000-02-540002-	74,000.00
Transfer from CIF	4005-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-484000-	(74,000.00)
Transfer to Gen Govt Capital	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-584005-	74,000.00
Transfer from General Fund	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-481000-	(74,000.00)
Transfer to CIF	1000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-584000-	74,000.00
Software Rental	1000-SHF-000-00000-0000000-0000000-0000-02-530029-	(74,000.00)

2026-044 Commissioner Brown - Tax - To Approve a Resolution Modernizing Appointments to the Board of Equalization and Review as follows:

WHEREAS, since 1973, the Board of Commissioners has appointed a Board of Equalization and Review (BOER) to hear property tax appeals and similar matters, in accordance with NCGS § 105-322; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-328 (adopted December 17, 2020) governs the structure and membership of the BOER, which unduly restricts those eligible for appointment and likely does not align with constitutional requirements; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution 2007-438 (adopted December 13, 2007) requires the County to notify all certified appraisers in the County of vacancies on the BOER via mail, which is no longer an efficient or effective method for soliciting applications for appointment; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners seeks to recruit members of the community that can provide a wide array of expertise and experiences in support of the important work of the Board of Equalization and Review using the most efficient and effective means possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners as follows:

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SECTION 1. MODERNIZATION OF QUALIFICATION AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

(a) Resolution 2020-328 is amended as follows:

(1) The matter under the heading "Qualifications" is amended to read as follows:

Qualifications

All members of the BoER shall meet the following qualifications:

1. Be a Gaston County resident at the time of initial appointment.
2. Maintain residency in Gaston County during the term of appointment.
3. Complete the UNC School of Government's Listing and Assessing Course or an equivalent course prior to appointment or within the initial three-year term.

(b) Resolution 2007-438 is repealed.

SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 shall become effective upon adoption.

2026-045 Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the Listed November 2025 Tax Refunds be Made. (Release and Refunds - \$16,504.85; Overpayments - \$63,914.96; VTS Refunds - \$2,073.28; Grand Total - \$82,493.09) as follows:

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
November 2025 RELEASES AND REFUNDS	
Rice, Frances C	\$891.75
Major, James Michael	\$1,661.02
Shellman, William	\$107.38
Shellman, William	\$110.31
Shellman, William	\$110.22
Mauney, Heather	\$574.20
Shellman, William	\$558.92
Shellman, William	\$588.89
Miller, Donyetta	\$1,967.11
Arms, Beverly	\$869.01
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$1,483.93
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$506.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$577.47
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$1,730.82
Stanley, Bonnie	\$196.35
Flores, Lucia	\$724.59
Lereta Attn: Central Refunds	\$474.30
Lereta Attn: Central Refunds	\$481.05
Lereta Attn: Central Refunds	\$474.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$321.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$321.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$481.05
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$481.05
Goonan Klem, Jeanne M	\$812.23
TOTAL	\$16,504.85
November 2025 OVERPAYMENTS	
Hoefner, Richard Thomas	\$106.29
ClearEdge Title, Inc	\$250.00
Shepard & Bright Law	\$211.24
Southern Benedictine Society Inc	\$2,839.58
Dalpiaz, Lorraine	\$3,500.00
Wilson, Vonjaree	\$151.04
Barker, Johnny	\$211.79
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$3,070.06
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$1,653.91
Breedlove, Judy	\$146.19
Stone, Meredith	\$114.68
McCorkle, Florence	\$108.73

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Boyd, Jon M	\$1,124.76
Butler, Matthew S	\$6,778.15
Thomas, Shannon P	\$289.29
Khan, Muhammad A	\$127.36
Allen, Joseph	\$100.00
Triangle Real Estate	\$518.68
Johnson, Kinya	\$191.53
Beard, Kevon W	\$112.20
Olsen, Scott A	\$275.50
24Hour Closing Real Estate Trust	\$599.36
Hoefner, Richard T Sr.	\$105.81
Barker, Johnny	\$210.06
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$1,395.44
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$5,634.49
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$827.03
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$702.47
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$4,566.13
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$653.05
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$671.33
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$474.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$991.46
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$321.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$451.80
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$325.22
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$1,430.14
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$1,356.17
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$200.00
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$481.05
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$915.15
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$3,874.54
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$3,098.69
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$321.30
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$474.30
Gtown Redevelopment Llc	\$3,692.46
Ashrafi, Kathy	\$126.00
Phh Mortgage Services	\$797.36
Lereta Attn: Central Refunds	\$2,604.19
Adams, Derek Lamont	\$234.99
Breedlove, Judy	\$200.00
Breedlove, Judy	\$200.00
Gregory, Bobbie Jo	\$241.18
Servi Solutions	\$178.31
Corelogic Centralized Refunds	\$3,222.46
Outlaw Tool Supply Inc	\$355.20
Tindall Law Firm PLLc	\$101.24
TOTAL	\$63,914.96
November 2025 VTS REFUNDS	
Cleveland County Tax	\$165.97
Cleveland County Tax	\$118.09
Cleveland County Tax	\$640.83
Living Water Community Worship Center	\$143.85
Living Water Community Worship Center	\$117.55
Melton, Charles Glenn	\$160.93
Namvar, Celia	\$158.44
Wilson Family Revocable Living Trust	\$567.62
TOTAL	\$2,073.28
GRAND TOTAL	\$82,493.09

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2026-046 Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the Listed December 2025 Tax Refunds be Made. (Releases and Refunds - \$2,460.29; Overpayments - \$182,642.45; VTS Refunds - \$783.13; Grand Total - \$185,885.87) as follows:

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
December 2025 RELEASES AND REFUNDS	
Starling, Catherine	\$1,117.41
Nwosu, Vitalis	\$1,342.88
TOTAL	\$2,460.29
December 2025 OVERPAYMENTS	
Erwin, William Jr	\$151.92
Fly-Hill, Tammy	\$197.21
Little, James	\$121.54
Olsen, Scott Andrew	\$305.54
Johnson, kinya	\$242.11
Queen, Trotman	\$302.00
Trimnal, Donna Gladden	\$1,728.38
Kennedy, Elaine	\$503.55
Hoefner, Richard Thomas	\$103.48
Corelogic	\$2,741.05
Corelogic	\$2,685.33
Harvey & Vallini, llc	\$707.54
Jones, Carrie	\$693.00
Holcombe, Angela	\$100.00
Corelogic	\$1,020.95
Corelogic	\$149.66
Corelogic	\$3,136.07
Corelogic	\$4,085.03
Livent USA Corp.	\$120,634.63
Stone, Meredith	\$113.81
Barker, Johnny D	\$209.21
Breedlove, Judy	\$200.00
Breedlove, Judy	\$200.00
Galbreath, Costner Llc	\$1,160.82
Poole, Megan Jaclyn	\$311.71
Corelogic	\$122.24
Williston, Barbara JoAnn	\$600.97
Austin, Randy II	\$438.00
Lanik, Cathleen	\$3,122.37
Lavery, Donna Jo	\$761.33
Erwin, Susan L	\$1,285.27
Mitch Squared Llc	\$2,721.04
Olsen, Scott A	\$334.22
Jones, Huong K	\$3,149.06
Allen, Joseph	\$100.00
Stone, Meredith	\$119.30
Bell, Karrie M	\$264.26
Sayasith, Tammy M	\$300.00
Wike, Stevi Rutledge	\$600.00
Hawkins, Edwina A	\$250.00
Providence Management & Investments, Llc	\$126.16
IMACC Corporation	\$602.82
Providence Management & Investments, Llc	\$154.37
Providence Management & Investments, Llc	\$156.87
Smith, Tracey Head	\$206.67
Lackey, Kaye Joye	\$111.81
Silk Title & Escrow NC IOLTA Account	\$500.00
Sand Dollar Properties of NC Llc	\$1,915.81
Rumfelt, Gregory	\$1,272.55
Ashrafi, Kathy	\$126.00

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Woodstone Properties Inc	\$1,726.91
Rose, Kyle	\$6,150.20
William D Martin D.B.A. D&C Designs	\$195.40
Kimsey, Ann R	\$190.86
Sheets, Cher McAfee	\$2,530.88
Shumate Builders Inc	\$240.98
VCM Bowman, Llc	\$632.84
Carpenter, J. Dean	\$180.97
Belmont Savings Bank	\$9,547.75
Armstrong, Nerissa	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$182,642.45
December 2025 VTS REFUNDS	
Gavilanes Zuniga, Fabian Antonio	\$247.95
Malone, Stephen Robert	\$272.57
Partin, Ernest Lee Jr	\$262.61
TOTAL	\$783.13
GRAND TOTAL	\$185,885.87

2026-047 Commissioner Fraley - Tourism Development - To Authorize the Use of the Remaining Balance of the Previously Approved Fund Balance Transfer for Fraley Field Improvements (\$60,513.38)

Non-Consent Agenda Items

Commissioner Brown - Public Works - Introduction of an Ordinance Reforming Parking Regulations on County-Owned Property - Chapter 16 of the Gaston County Code of Ordinances

Chairman Brown introduced the County Attorney for comments.

The County Attorney explained that the Ordinance addresses enforcement only and does not establish a specific parking scheme, such as meters or other parking controls. He noted the Ordinance includes the possibility of enforcement through infractions with penalties of up to \$50. Because the Ordinance allows for potential criminal enforcement, state law requires that it be introduced at one regular meeting and voted on at a subsequent meeting; therefore, no vote was required at this time.

Chairman Brown asked whether the Board would receive an outline or summary of the proposed changes.

The County Attorney deferred to the Assistant County Manager.

Mr. Brian Sciba, Assistant County Manager, advised that staff would provide the Board with details regarding the proposed requirements or changes to the Ordinance for review.

Chairman Brown asked that the Board be kept informed as the matter moves forward.

Commissioner Keigher – Re: Consent Agenda – Item “W”: Asked what the investments were regarding the accumulated investment earnings; did not want to pull it.

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The County Manager responded that most of the monies are in a community trust where the majority of the money and investments come from; County is also buying short-term securities; those monies come from anything that is allowed by NC state law and it could be more than one.

Commissioner Hovis asked whether the three pages attached to the proposed Ordinance would provide details regarding how courthouse parking would be managed.

Mr. Sciba explained that the proposed Ordinance repeals the existing Ordinance and replaces it with new language intended to be as simple as possible. He noted staff will develop the operational details, including payment methods and the type of system to be implemented, but wanted confirmation that the Board wished to move forward with the ordinance before proceeding with equipment purchases and related implementation.

Commissioner Hovis noted that the proposed Ordinance referenced time limits but did not include a schedule for time limits or the marking of individual spaces.

Mr. Sciba responded that the County intends to eliminate all permitted parking spaces and associated signage. Under the proposed approach, visitors would be allowed to park without a gate system, with the first 30 minutes free to conduct courthouse business, after which a fee would apply, with a maximum daily charge of \$12.

Appointments

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously appointed/reappointed to the ***Environmental Review Advisory Board***:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Fraley	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Jeff Howe, Jr.	January 31, 2029
Commissioner Bailey	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Jason Cloninger	February 1, 2029

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously appointed/reappointed to the ***Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)***:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Fraley	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Matthew T. Johnson	December 31, 2028
Commissioner Cloninger	Commissioner Fraley	Mr. Scott Wyatt	December 31, 2028
Commissioner Keigher	Commissioner Fraley	Ms. Samantha Dye	December 31, 2028

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously appointed/reappointed to the ***Gaston County Fire Commission***:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Shehan	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Bryan M. Falls	June 30, 2028 (Unexpired Term)
Commissioner Bailey	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Bill Lee	June 30, 2026 (Unexpired Term)

On motion introduced by Commissioner Shehan and seconded by Commissioner Hovis, the BOC unanimously appointed Ms. Stephanie C. Franks to the ***Economic Development Commission*** to an unexpired term ending December 31, 2027.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously appointed Mr. George Fulwood, Jr., to the ***Gaston Community Action Board of Trustees*** to an unexpired term ending October 31, 2027.

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On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously appointed Mr. Chris Guin to the ***Parks and Recreation Advisory Board*** to an unexpired term ending May 31, 2026.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Hovis, the BOC unanimously appointed Mr. Robert Delaney to the ***Historic Preservation Commission*** to an unexpired term ending June 30, 2027.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Hovis, the BOC unanimously appointed Ms. Paula F. Atkins to the ***Partners Health Management*** to a term ending December 31, 2026.

Commissioners' Committee Reports

Commissioner Shehan stated he hoped everyone remained safe during the inclement weather; the County faired very well as a whole; commended the Deputy County Manager (Mr. Vincent Wong) for a job well done and the preparations that showcased the County's ability to care for its citizens and to be proactive.

Chairman Brown commended the Emergency Management Chief and County staff for their work during the recent inclement weather event, noting that the Chief and others worked extended hours to coordinate response efforts. He recognized the County Manager, Assistant County Manager Brian Sciba, and other staff for managing multiple tasks and ensuring personnel and resources were in place, and also praised Public Works staff for clearing the parking lot across from the Administration Building after conditions refroze.

Mr. Sciba explained that most County generators currently operate on diesel fuel and staff are evaluating the potential to convert them to natural gas capacity. He also noted the City of Gastonia assisted by allowing the County to access fuel resources, and Gaston County Schools provided a fueling truck stationed at the Citizens Resource Center (CRC).

Chairman Brown thanked staff, partner agencies, and first responders for their coordinated efforts and encouraged continued planning to improve preparedness for future events; suggested staff explore the feasibility of converting County generators from diesel to natural gas to improve reliability and reduce challenges associated with securing fuel during emergencies.

County Manager's Report

No report.

County Attorney's Report

No report.

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Other Matters

Commissioner Bailey stated he was speaking in his personal capacity and not on behalf of the entire Board. He noted his nearly 45 years of experience in federal, state, and local government, as well as military and law enforcement service. He referenced receiving emails asking the Board to denounce federal immigration enforcement operations. He stated he would not support such action, emphasizing that individuals have the constitutional right to peacefully assemble, but must also comply with the law and respect law enforcement's authority to enforce federal and state laws. He encouraged cooperation among local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and urged the public to allow ongoing investigations to proceed without jumping to conclusions. He expressed his support for members of the military, law enforcement, and public safety, noting that officers are carrying out their assigned duties and that any concerns should be addressed through the investigative and judicial processes.

Adjournment

By unanimous consent, Chairman Brown adjourned the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2026 at 6:55 pm.

(All aforementioned documents are on file with the Clerk to the Board.)

Chad Brown, Chairman
Gaston County Board of Commissioners

Donna S. Buff
Clerk to the Board

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