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The Gaston County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met in Regular Session on April 25, 2017 at 6:00 pm, in The Harley B. Gaston, Jr. Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse.

Chairman Chad Brown presided with Commissioners Ronnie Worley, Vice-Chairman; Allen R. Fraley, Don Grant, Bob Hovis, Tom Keigher (Arrived at 6:18 pm) and Tracy L. Philbeck in attendance.

Others present included Earl Mathers, County Manager; Charles L. Moore, County Attorney; and Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board.

Upon request of Chairman Brown, Pastor Chris Howell, Flint Groves Baptist Church, Gastonia, NC, led those assembled in the Invocation and Commissioner Philbeck led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamations, Commendations, Awards, Certificates

Chairman Brown invited Pastor Howell to the podium and read the Proclamation – **To Proclaim Thursday, May 4, 2017 as A National Day of Prayer in Gaston County** (adopted under Consent Agenda).

Chairman Brown and Vice-Chairman Worley invited volunteers to the podium for the reading of the Proclamation – **To Proclaim the Week of April 23-29, 2017 as Volunteer Week in Gaston County** (adopted under Consent Agenda) and the presentation of certificates. The following volunteers received certificates on behalf of their respective boards:

- Ms. Cindy Englert, Centralina Council of Governments (COG) Community Advisory Committee Ombudsman Program Coordinator – Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee and Ms. Sheila Merrill, Chair of Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee.
- Mr. Reggie Horton, Vice-Chair Animal Care and Enforcement Advisory Board
- Mr. Chris Peek, Chair CaroMont Health/Gaston Memorial Hospital Board of Directors
- Dr. Ed Smith, Member Council on Aging and Home & Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee
- Mr. Dick Cromlish, Vice-Chair *Economic Development Commission*
- Mr. Miles Hamrick, Chair Equalization and Review Board
- Mr. Benjamin Beasley, Chair Farmers Market Advisory Board
- Mr. Jesse Watts on behalf of Fire Advisory Board and Firemen's Relief Fund Trustees:
- Mr. James Smith, Member Gaston College Board of Trustees
- Ms. Nancy Maynor, Chair Gaston Community Action Board of Trustees
- Mr. Tim Bolynn, Chair Gaston County Board of Adjustments
- Dr. Gina Ramsey, Member Health & Human Services Board
- Mrs. Sarah Penley, Gaston County Planning GIS Specialist, on behalf of Historic Preservation Commission
- Ms. Anne Huggins, Member Jury Commission
- Chief Joseph Ramey, Chair JCPC (Juvenile Crime Prevention Council) and Mr. Marvin Hagen, JCPC Youth Representative
- Mr. Paul Ward, Assistant Library Director, on behalf of the Library Board of Trustees
- Mr. Josh Taylor, Chair Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
- Mr. Andrew Schrag, Regional Director of Community Operations on behalf of *Partners Behavioral Health Management* (*BHM*) *Board of Directors*
- Mr. Michael Linker, Executive Director, on behalf of Partnership for Children of Lincoln/Gaston Counties Board of Directors
- Mr. Scott Attaway, Vice-Chair Planning Board
- Mr. Dean Harris, Chair SARA Local Planning Committee

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- Mr. Michael Coone, Gaston County Adult & Aging Services Administrator, on behalf of the *Transportation Advisory Board* (*TAB*) and *Region F Aging Advisory Council*
- Former Commissioner Jack Brown, Vice-Chair Travel and Tourism Advisory Board
- Ms. Rachel Whitaker, Member Personnel Advisory Board
- Mr. Larry Garland, Chair Workforce Development Board
- Ms. Shannon Childress Child Fatality Prevention Team (Member) and Community and Child Protection Team (Co-Chairman)
- Mr. Gerald Liska, Chair Family Advisory Board
- Mr. Charles L. Moore, County Attorney, was recognized on behalf of the Industrial Facilities & Pollution Control Financing Authority
- Commissioner Bob Hovis was recognized as Chair of the Environmental Review Advisory Board

Chairman Brown recessed the meeting for a brief reception. The meeting was reconvened at 6:47 pm.

Commissioner Worley recognized the Veterans Discount Program organized by Mrs. Susan Lockridge, Register of Deeds (ROD). He advised that veterans can file their DD 214 at the ROD's Office on Mondays through Fridays, 8 am to 6 pm and receive a Veterans ID Card to qualify for many discounts throughout the County.

Public Hearing - To Approve Naming of Private Drive as Jerusalem Ct

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

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously entered into Public Hearings.

Chairman Brown recognized Mrs. Sarah Penley, Planning GIS Specialist III, for a brief overview.

Mrs. Penley advised that staff received a property owner's petition with 100% signatures requesting to name a private drive accessing property parcel 225802; the parcel is located in the southeast small area district off Robinson Circle and is comprised of approximately 16.92 acres; Applicant has one outstanding building permit issued with the intent to add another home or homes in the future if allowed per zoning district; Applicant wishes to name the private drive Jerusalem Court (which is a non-duplicating road name and an acceptable use with 911) to reduce emergency response time.

She reviewed maps and aerials depicting location of private drive off Robinson Circle, one home under construction (with potential to build 1-2 more homes). She advised the home(s) will be out of the line of vision for emergency responders; application required only one property owner's signature; Planning Board reviewed application and approved a recommendation at their March 21st meeting; notices were mailed out in accordance with County policy; no calls for comment or information; staff recommends approval.

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

Responding to Commissioner Keigher, Mrs. Penley explained that road definitions are included in the road naming and addressing ordinance.

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Hearing no further questions, Chairman Brown called for a motion to approve.

2017-095 Commissioner Keigher – Planning/Zoning – To Approve Naming of Private Drive as Jerusalem Ct

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Grant, 2017-095 was unanimously approved as follows: Name Private Drive Jerusalem Ct and authorize the County Manager to make the necessary notifications to the appropriate State and local officials.

Public Hearing – To Approve Issuance by the Public Finance Authority of its Education Revenue Bonds (Mountain Island Charter School) Series 2017 in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$45,000,000

Chairman Brown introduced the County Attorney for comments.

The County Attorney advised the BOC is requested to approve Education Revenue Bonds for Mountain Island Charter School and it is not a debt of the County; the Public Hearing was advertised as required by statute. Ms. Mary Nash Rusher, Partner with McGuire Woods Law Firm in Raleigh, NC is here to answer any questions.

Chairman Brown called for citizen comment and for questions from the BOC, hearing none Chairman Brown called for a motion to approve; none heard.

2017-096 Commissioner Brown - County Attorney - To Approve Issuance by the Public Finance Authority of its Education Revenue Bonds (Mountain Island Charter School) Series 2017 in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$45,000,000

Chairman Brown called for a motion and action was taken as set forth herewith and therein as follows:

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gaston, North Carolina (the "Board") was held in the Harley B. Gaston, Jr., Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse, 325 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Gastonia, North Carolina 28052, at 6:00 p.m. on April 25, 2017, after proper notice, and was called to order by the Chairman.

Present: C	Chairman Chad Brown presided with Commissioners Ronnie Worley, Vice-Chairman				
Allen R. Fraley, Don Grant, Bob Hovis, Tom Keigher and Tracy L. Philbeck					
Absent:					
Absent:					

At <u>6:00 p.m.</u>, the Chairman announced that the Board would proceed to hold a public hearing and would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the proposed issuance by the Public Finance Authority, a public authority existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (the "Authority"), of its Education Revenue Bonds (Mountain Island Charter School) Series 2017 (the "Series 2017 Bonds"), in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000, the

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proceeds of which will be loaned to Mountain Island Charter School SOAR Foundation, a North Carolina nonprofit corporation (the "Borrower").

The proceeds of the Series 2017 Bonds will be used to (i) refund the outstanding principal amount of the North Carolina Capital Facilities Financing Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bond"), (ii) refund the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2014 (the "Series 2013 Bond"), (ii) refund the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bond" and, together with the Series 2013 Bond, the "Prior Bonds"), and (iii) finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, and equipping of certain educational facilities of Mountain Island Charter School, Inc., on its campus located at 13440 Lucia Riverbend Highway (the "Campus"), including the construction of an approximately 75,800 square foot two-story elementary school building and related outdoor play spaces, renovation of the Administration Building to add additional classrooms; the construction of site and roadway improvements to include traffic control measures at the intersection of Lucia Riverbend Highway and State Hwy 16, removal of modular classroom buildings located on the Campus; the construction of athletic facilities, including a track and internal field, baseball and softball fields and related site improvements located on the Campus and/or on unimproved land located north of Johnson Street, northeast of Henderson Street, southwest of State Hwy 16 and west of Catawba Street in Mount Holly, Gaston County, North Carolina (collectively, the "Facilities"). The proceeds of the Prior Bonds were also used to acquire, construct and equip site improvements, road improvements and buildings on the Campus.

On April 11, 2017, a notice of public hearing was published in the Gaston Gazette, a copy of the affidavit of publication being attached, setting forth a general, functional description of the type and use of the facilities to be financed or refinanced, the maximum principal amount of the Series 2017 Bonds, the initial owner and operator of the Facilities and the location of the Facilities, among other things.

After the Board had heard all persons who had requested to be heard, the public hearing was closed. A certificate and summary of remarks made at the public hearing is attached.

Commissioner <u>Brown</u> introduced the following resolution, a copy of which had been distributed to each Commissioner and the title of which appeared on the agenda:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GASTON, NORTH CAROLINA, APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ITS EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS (MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER SCHOOL) SERIES 2017 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000,000

WHEREAS, Mountain Island Charter School SOAR Foundation, a North Carolina nonprofit corporation (the "Borrower"), has requested that the Public Finance Authority, a public authority existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (the "Authority"), issue its Education Revenue Bonds (Mountain Island Charter School) Series 2017 (the "Series 2017 Bonds"), in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000, and loan the proceeds thereof to the Borrower to (i) refund the outstanding principal amount of the North Carolina Capital Facilities Financing Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bond"), (ii) refund the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bond" and, together with the Series 2013 Bond, the "Prior Bonds"), and (iii) finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, and equipping of certain educational facilities of Mountain Island Charter School, Inc., on its campus located at 13440 Lucia Riverbend Highway (the "Campus"), including the construction of an approximately 75,800 square foot two-story elementary school building and related outdoor play spaces, renovation of the Administration Building to add additional classrooms; the construction of site and roadway improvements to include traffic control measures at the intersection of Lucia Riverbend Highway and State Hwy 16, removal of modular classroom buildings located on the Campus; the construction of athletic facilities, including a track and internal field, baseball and softball fields and related site improvements located on the Campus and/or on unimproved land located north of Johnson Street, northeast of Henderson Street, southwest of State Hwy 16 and west of Catawba Street in Mount Holly, Gaston County, North Carolina (collectively, the "Facilities");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code, prior to their issuance, the Series 2017 Bonds are required to be approved by the "applicable elected representative" of a governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the Facilities are located, after a public hearing held following reasonable public notice;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 66.0304(11)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, prior to their issuance, bonds issued by the Authority must be approved by the governing body or highest ranking executive or administrator of the political jurisdiction within whose boundaries the Facilities are to be located;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of the County of Gaston, North Carolina (the "County") is the "applicable elected representative" of the County under the Code for the Facilities located within the County;

WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested that the Board approve the Authority's issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds and the financing or refinancing of the Facilities located within the County in order to satisfy the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code;

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WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested that the Board approve the financing or refinancing of the Facilities and the issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds in order to satisfy the requirements of Section 4 of the Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement Relating to the Public Finance Authority, dated as of September 28, 2010 (the "Joint Exercise Agreement"), and Section 66.0304(11)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes;

WHEREAS, the Board, following notice duly given in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "TEFRA Notice"), held a public hearing today regarding the Authority's issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds and the financing or refinancing of the Facilities and now desires to approve the Authority's issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds and the financing or refinancing of the Facilities in accordance with the Code;

WHEREAS, the Series 2017 Bonds shall not be deemed to constitute a debt or the County or a pledge of the faith and credit of the County, but shall be special limited obligations of the Authority payable solely from the loan repayments to be made by the Borrower to the Authority, and shall contain on the face thereof a statement to the effect that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the County is pledged to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2017 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that approval of the issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds is to satisfy the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code, Section 66.0304(11)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, and Section 4 of the Joint Exercise Agreement, and shall in no event constitute an endorsement of the Series 2017 Bonds or the Facilities or the creditworthiness of the Borrower, nor shall such approval in any event be construed to obligate the County for the payment of the principal of or premium or interest on the Series 2017 Bonds or for the performance of any pledge, mortgage or obligation or agreement of any kind whatsoever which may be undertaken by the Authority, or to constitute the Series 2017 Bonds or any of the agreements or obligations of the Authority an indebtedness of the County, within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision whatsoever;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code and Section 66.0304(11)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes and Section 4 of the Joint Exercise Agreement, the Board hereby approves (a) the Authority's issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000 and (b) the financing or refinancing of the Facilities.

Section 2. The County has no responsibility for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2017 Bonds or for any costs incurred by the Borrower with respect to the Series 2017 Bonds or the Facilities.

Section 3. This resolution is effective immediately on its passage.

On motion of Commissioner <u>Philbeck</u>, seconded by Commissioner <u>Keigher</u>, the foregoing resolution entitled "RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GASTON, NORTH CAROLINA, APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ITS EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS (MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER SCHOOL) SERIES 2017 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000,000" was duly adopted by the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS BROWN, WORLEY, KEIGHER, PHILBECK, HOVIS, GRANT AND FRALEY

NAYS: NONE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)	SS:
COUNTY OF GASTON)	,	

I, <u>Donna S. Buff</u>, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gaston, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gaston, North Carolina at a regular meeting held on April 25, 2017, as it relates to the adoption of a resolution entitled "RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GASTON, NORTH CAROLINA, APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ITS EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS (MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER SCHOOL) SERIES 2017 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000,000" and the holding of a public hearing related thereto, and that said proceedings will be recorded in the minutes of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gaston, North Carolina.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County of Gaston, North Carolina, this the 25 day of April, 2017.

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners County of Gaston, North Carolina

(SEAL)

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EXHIBIT A - FORM OF TEFRA NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GASTON, NORTH CAROLINA WITH RESPECT TO EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS (MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER SCHOOL) SERIES 2017 TO BE ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000,000

Notice is hereby given that on April 25, 2017, a public hearing, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), will be held by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gaston, North Carolina (the "Board") with respect to the proposed issuance by the Public Finance Authority (the "Authority"), a commission organized under and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 66.0301, 66.0303 and 66.0304 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, of its Education Revenue Bonds (Mountain Island Charter School) Series 2017, in one or more series (the "Series 2017 Bonds"), in an amount not to exceed \$45,000,000. The hearing will commence at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, and will be held in the Harley B. Gaston, Jr., Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse, 325 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Gastonia, NC 28052.

The Series 2017 Bonds are expected to be issued pursuant to Section 66.0304 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, by the Authority, and the proceeds from the sale of the Series 2017 Bonds will be loaned to Mountain Island Charter School SOAR Foundation, a North Carolina nonprofit corporation (the "Borrower"), and used to (i) refund the outstanding principal amount of the North Carolina Capital Facilities Financing Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bond"), (ii) refund the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bond"), (ii) refund the North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Mountain Island Charter School Project) Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bond" and, together with the Series 2013 Bond, the "Prior Bonds"), and (iii) finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, and equipping of certain educational facilities of Mountain Island Charter School, Inc. ("MICS"), on its campus located at 13440 Lucia Riverbend Highway (the "Campus"), including the construction of an approximately 75,800 square foot two-story elementary school building and related outdoor play spaces, renovation of the Administration Building to add additional classrooms; the construction of site and roadway improvements to include traffic control measures at the intersection of Lucia Riverbend Highway and State Hwy 16, removal of modular classroom buildings located on the Campus; the construction of athletic facilities, including a track and internal field, baseball and softball fields and related site improvements located on the Campus and/or on unimproved land located north of Johnson Street, northeast of Henderson Street, southwest of State Hwy 16 and west of Catawba Street in Mount Holly, Gaston County, North Carolina (collectively, the "Facilities").

The Facilities are located or to be located at 13440 Lucia Riverbend Highway, Mount Holly, Gaston County, North Carolina and/or on unimproved land located north of Johnson Street, northeast of Henderson Street, southwest of State Hwy 16 and west of Catawba Street in Mount Holly, Gaston County, North Carolina. The Facilities are or will be owned by the Borrower and leased to and operated by MICS.

The Series 2017 Bonds will be special limited obligations of the Authority payable solely from the loan repayments to be made by the Borrower to the Authority, and certain funds and accounts established by the bond indenture for the Series 2017 Bonds.

The public hearing will provide an opportunity for all interested persons to express their views, both orally and in writing, on the proposed issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds and the financing or refinancing of the Facilities. Any person interested in the issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds may appear and be heard or submit written comments. Any person wishing to submit written comments regarding the proposed issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds, the financing or refinancing of the Facilities or any matter related thereto should do so within 10 days after the date of publication of this notice by mailing said written comments to the Board of Commissioners, c/o the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Gaston County, North Carolina, P.O. Box 1578 Gastonia, NC 28053-1578. This notice is given pursuant to the provisions of Section 147 of the Code. Additional information concerning the Facilities may be obtained from Mountain Island Charter School, 13440 Lucia Riverbend Hwy, Mount Holly, North Carolina 28120.

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Gaston County, North Carolina

Certificate and Summary

The undersigned Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Gaston County, North Carolina, hereby certifies:

1. Notice of a public hearing (the "Hearing") to be held on April 25, 2017, with respect to the issuance of a Bond by the Public Finance Authority (the "Authority") for the benefit of Mountain Island Charter School SOAR Foundation, Inc. (the "Borrower") was published on April 11, 2017, in the Gaston Gazette.

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2. The presiding officer of the Hearing was _____

3. The following is a list of the names and addresses of all persons who spoke at the Hearing:

4. The following is a summary of the oral comments made at the Hearing:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, my hand and the seal of Gaston County, this 25th day of April, 2017.

Clerk, Board of Commissioners of Gaston County, North Carolina

(SEAL)

Chairman Brown called for a motion to close the Public Hearings.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Worley and seconded by Commissioner Grant, the BOC unanimously closed the Public Hearings.

Agenda Revision/Approval

Moved/ Commissioner Brown – Budget/Purchasing – To Adopt a Fee Schedule Effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 – VI.

Chairman Brown referred to the resolution to appoint Mrs. Ronda Freeman as Deputy Clerk; he introduced her to the Board and members of the audience and welcomed her to Gaston County.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously approved the Agenda of April 25, 2017 with changes as noted above.

Approval of Minutes

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Grant, the BOC unanimously approved the Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 10, 2017, the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2017 and the Closed Session Minutes of March 28, 2017.

Citizen Recognition

Ms. Stacy Manning, 304 Belwood Dr., Belmont, expressed concerns regarding the South Point Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) following the recent resignations of several certified firefighters; asked for BOCs assistance in making the VFD Board more transparent regarding meetings, open positions and board contact information.

Mr. Wil Neumann, 3215 Grange Court, Cramerton, urged Commissioners to release the remaining \$40M of school bonds and to move forward with replacing Belmont Middle School (BMS); commented on governmental immunities, exceptions and notifications; cited information from a Board of Education comprehensive study of 13 Gaston County schools, including BMS; noted age and construction similarities with an elementary school in Columbus County destroyed

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by a fire in 2015; cited similar concerns such asbestos, wiring, lack of sprinkler systems, dropped ceilings, ADA and HVAC issues; presented a portion of the study to the Clerk and on motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously accepted the report as information. Cited UNCC Urban Institute statistics on potential Belmont growth and subsequent infrastructure needs.

Consent Agenda

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

- 2017-097 Commissioner Brown BOC Proclamation To Proclaim the Week of April 23-29, 2017 as Volunteer Week in Gaston County
- 2017-098 Commissioner Brown BOC Proclamation To Proclaim Thursday, May 4, 2017 as A Day of Prayer in Gaston County
- 2017-099 Commissioner Keigher BOC Proclamation To Proclaim April 2017 as Guardian Ad Litem Child Advocate Month in Gaston County
- 2017-100 Commissioner Keigher BOC Commendation To Commend St. Michael Catholic School on its 75th Anniversary
- 2017-101 Commissioner Brown BOC Appointment of Ronda R. Freeman as Deputy Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
- 2017-102 Commissioners Brown, Fraley, Grant, Hovis, Keigher, Philbeck, Worley -Gaston County Board of Commissioners Legislative Request: Restoration to Counties of the Statutorily Authorized Appropriation of Lottery Funds as follows:
 - WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 18C of the North Carolina General Statutes the "North Carolina State Lottery Act and the 2005 Appropriations Act was signed into law establishing the North Carolina Education Lottery. The act created the nine-member North Carolina Lottery Commission to initiate, supervise and administer the education lottery"; and,
 - WHEREAS, the North Carolina Education Lottery was promoted and supported on the basis of proceeds enhancing local governments' ability to adequately provide for education expenses; and,
 - WHEREAS, the distribution to counties budgeted from proceeds in FY 2015-2016 has been drastically reduced to \$100 million in contrast to \$208 million at the previous statutory funding rate of 40%, which amounted to \$2,121,473 in Gaston County in contrast to \$4,412,662 at the 40% rate; and,
 - WHEREAS, pursuant to state law, the lottery funds that are allocated to the counties can be used for education for capital outlay projects, including the planning, construction, enlargement, improvement, repair, or renovation of public school buildings and for the purchase of land for public school buildings or for equipment to implement a local school technology plan (NCGS 115-546.2); and,
 - WHEREAS, it is extremely difficult for the Boards of Commissioners and Boards of Education across this State to plan for improvements in school buildings and for technology equipment with the reduction of lottery funds.
 - NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners respectfully requests that the Governor and the North Carolina General Assembly support the allocation to counties at their statutorily authorized portion of educational lottery funds to be used for capital needs and technology.

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- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution are forwarded to the Local Legislative Delegation to the North Carolina General Assembly, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners and to the other 99 North Carolina counties.
- 2017-103 Commissioner Brown Budget/Purchasing To Approve the Carry Forward of \$4,271,128 (\$3,905,187 in Outside Funding Sources and \$365,941 in County Dollars) from FY 2016-2017 Funds into FY 2017-2018

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Carry Forward to FY 18

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Department Name	Account	Project Number	Description/Project Name	Esti	mated Amount	Source of Funds
County Police	25-4310-4310-511-000	10002-0001	Drug Forfeitures - Treasury	\$	39,016	Federal Drug Forfeitures
	25-4310-4310-511-001	50113-0001	Drug Forfeitures - Justice	\$	3,268	Federal Drug Forfeitures
	26-4310-4310-511-002	50112-0001	Control Substance Abuse Tax	\$	16,225	State of North Carolina
	26-4310-4310-298-000	07300-0001	Control Substance Abuse Tax	\$	1,660	State of North Carolina
			Homeland Security Grant: Equipment,			
	10-4310-4310-620-000	12277-0001	Police	\$	124	Federal Grant Funds
	10-4310-4310-620-000	15221-0001	JAG 2014: County Police	\$	6	US Justice Department
	10-4310-4310-620-000	16230-0001	JAG 2015: County Police		\$145	US Justice Department
	10-4310-4310-620-000	17225-0001	JAG 2016: County Police	\$	96.95	US Justice Department
	10-4310-4310-298-000	12282-0001	OBI/Smart Talk	\$	2,500.00	State of North Carolina Grant/National Assoc. Of Drug
	10-4310-4310-298-000	13253-0001	Prescription Drug Abuse Enforcement	\$	908.00	Diversion Investigators, Inc.
	10-4310-4310-298-000	13272-0001	Marine Unit	\$	963.45	Duke Energy
	10-4310-4310-298-000	14206-0001	Purchase K9	\$	110.03	Gaston County Humane Society
Тах	23-4142-298-000	15031-0001	FY 15 Reappraisal Funds	\$	16,772.82	County
		17169-0001	expenses associated with reval	\$	166,674.76	County
Emergency Management	10-4330-298-000	16196-0001	FY 16 Duke Power Funds	\$	698	Grant
Emergency Management	10-4330-298-000	17217-0001	Fy 17 Duke Power Funds	\$	28,138	Grant
Veterans Services	10-5820-298-000	162800-001	NC State Matching Funds	\$	2,952	NC Division of VA Grant
Social Services	20-5300-5585-298-000	16282-0001	CAC Donations	\$	1,585	Donations
Social Services	20-5582-211-000		Janitorial Supplies	\$	633	Donations
Social Services	20-5582-220-002		Food and Provisions-Donations	\$	4,698	Donations
Social Services	20-5582-298-000	08162-0001	Shelter Donations	\$	271,462	Donations
Social Services	20-5582-298-000	09253-0001	Shelter Child Care Program	\$	20,000	Donations and Grants
Social Services	20-5582-298-000	10321-0001	Shelter Unmet Client Needs	\$	18,564	Donations and Grants
Social Services	20-5582-298-000	17234-0001	CFW-Domestic Violence	\$	100,000	Grant
Social Services	20-5582-393-000		Shelter Temporary Help	\$	5,000	Donations and Grants
Social Services	20-5582-530-000		Shelter Equip/Furn: \$250-\$4,999	\$	8,292	Donations and Grants
Social Services	20-5582-580-000	08321-0001	Shelter Bldgs., Structures & Improvements	\$	103,314	Donations and Grants
Social Services	20-5600-298-000	08159-0001	Adult Services Donations	\$	96,763	Donations
Social Services	20-5600-298-000	14234-0001	Home Community Care Block Grant	\$	151,306	Grant
Social Services	20-5600-298-000	15259-0001	Adult Nutrition	\$	7,287	Donations
Social Services	20-5600-298-000	15260-0001	EGADC	\$	2,278	Donations
Social Services	20-5600-298-000	15261-0001	GADC	\$	172	Donations
Social Services	20-5600-5622-298-000	16244-0001	Meals on Wheels Volunteer Recruitment	\$	500	Grant
Social Services	20-5867-298-000	16194-0001	Residential Child Care: Donations	\$	132	Donations
Social Services	20-5867-298-000	16210-0001	Residential Child Care: General Purpose	\$	271	Donations
Social Services	20-5867-298-000	16211-0001	Residential Child Care: Emergency Asst	\$	600	Donations
Social Services	20-5867-298-000	16212-0001	Residential Child Care: Resource Closet	\$	50	Donations
Social Services	20-5867-298-000	16213-0001	Residential Child Care: Education	\$	200	Donations

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Social Services	20-5867-298-000	17228-0001	Glenn Foundation	\$	5,798	Grant
Social Services	20-5867-5471-298-000	00324-0001	Special Children Adoption Program	\$	151,597	Special Federal Funds-Incentive
			Special Programs: Links Program		- ,	
Social Services	20-5867-5868-298-000	13263-0001	Donations	\$	4,113	Donations
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	12293-0001	EMR Incentives - Year 1	\$	4,286	Medicaid
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	14221-0001	Medicaid Incentives	\$	21,430	Medicaid
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	14247-0001	SPP - Incubator Project	\$	22,941	Cabarrus Health Alliance
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	15202-0001	EHR Incentives - #3	\$	110,573	Medicaid
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	15228-0001	CHA - United Way	\$	352	United Way
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	15229-0001	CHA - CaroMont	\$	5,000	CaroMont
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	15252-0001	FY14 Excess Fee-CA Fee Rev.	\$	2,840	Fees
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	15277-0001	EHR Incentives - #4	\$	136,000	Medicaid
Health - Administration	11-5100-5110-298-000	16216-0001	FY16 E H R Medicaid Incentives	\$	63,750	Medicaid
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	08319-0001	HHC Building Project	\$	620	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	08320-0001	HHC Contingency Fund	\$	73,277	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	10363-0001	FY 09 Medicaid Max	\$	14,914	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	11280-0001	FY 10 Medicaid Cost Settlement	\$	831	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	14203-0001	MCS - #1 Appropriated	\$	15,206	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	15218-0001	FY15 Budget Appropriated	\$	29,695	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	15219-0001	MCS - #2 Appropriated	\$	103,687	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	16163-0001	FY16 Budget Appropriated	\$	4,105	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	16279-0001	Hudson Clinical Renovation	\$	2,062	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - Administration	11-5100-5111-298-000	17242-0001	MCS - #3 Appropriated	\$	350,000	Medicaid Cost Settlement
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5115-298-000	16265-0001	FY16 NFP - RISE	\$	605	SRI International - RISE Eval.
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5115-298-000	17237-0001	NFP Donations	\$	175	Donations
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5118-298-000	15253-0001	FY14 Excess Nutr. Fee Revenue	\$	2,519	Fees
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5118-298-000	16271-0001	FY15 Excess Nutr. Fee Revenue	¢ \$	4,060	Fees
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5118-298-000	17252-0001	FY16 Excess Nutr. Fee Revenue	¢	191	Fees
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	13283-0001	CDC - YRB Survey	\$ \$	4,254	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	15231-0001	FY15 LMR - CF Sims Fund	¢	613	Community Foundation
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	15240-0001	FY 15 Caromont - LMR Sponsor	¢	699	Caromont
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	16242-0001	LMR FY16 CF Garrison Fund	¢ ¢	3,404	Community Foundation
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	16243-0001	LMR - FY16 CaroMont Grant	Ψ \$	4,373	CaroMont
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	16253-0001	Healthy Corner Store Initiative	¢	763	UNC Chapel Hill
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	17010-0001	FY17 LMR Participant Fees	\$	738	Participant Fees
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	17208-0001	CF Run for the Money - LMR	\$	788	Community Foundation
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	17232-0001	LMR - FY17 CF Sims Fund	¢ ¢	5,000	Community Foundation
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000	17241-0001	YES Grant - TAC	¢	944	Youth Empowered Solutions
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5131-298-000	15010-0001	FY 15 Top Teens - GYC Grant	¢	2.899	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - CHE	11-5100-5112-5131-298-000	16241-0001	SHIFT NC Funds	\$	4,000	SHIFT Grant
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Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	11241-0001	Quality Improvement Course	\$	7,599	Quality Improvement Grant
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	11273-0001	APPCNC Initiative	\$	1,125	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	12255-0001	Guttmacher - Training	\$	142	Guttmacher Company

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Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	12292-0001	Teen Wellness Clinic Services	\$	839	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	13065-0001	Teen Wellness Clinic - Year 3	\$	5,049	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	14016-0001	APPCNC Grant - Year 4	\$	60,719	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	15017-0001	APPCNC Grant - Year 5	\$	66,292	APPCNC - CDC Grant
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	15203-0001	HPV Project	\$	666	University of Kentucky
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	15214-0001	Duke Preceptor	\$	2,737	Duke University
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	15233-0001	GlaxoSmithKline Recognition	\$	224	Glaxo Smith Kline
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	15239-0001	CHS Preceptor Program	\$	1,540	Carolinas Healthcare System
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	16202-0001	Duke Nursing Preceptor Project	\$	8,389	Duke University
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	16266-0001	FY16 CHS Preceptor Program	\$	3,285	Carolinas Healthcare System
Health - Personal Health Services	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	17248-0001	Stericycle Lawsuit - Hudson	\$	35,968	NC Dept. of Justice
Health - STD	11-5100-5113-5121-298-000	14236-0001	FY13 Excess Fees - STD/TB/CD	\$	542	Fees
Health - STD	11-5100-5113-5121-298-000	16272-0001	FY15 Excess ICS Fee Revenue	\$ \$	36,736	Fees
Health - STD	11-5100-5113-5121-298-000	17253-0001	FY 16 Excess ICS Fee Revenue	\$ \$	17,737	Fees
Health - TB	11-5100-5113-5122-298-000	15254-0001	FY14 Excess Fees - TB	Ψ \$	7,779	Fees
Health - Environmental Health	11-5100-5114-5126-298-000	17231-0001	NACCHO Retail Prog. Standards	φ \$	1,040	NACCHO Grant
Health - Environmental Health	11-5100-5114-5128-298-000	16223-0001	CDC Healthy Wells Grant	ф \$	2,785	CDC Grant
		17030-0001	CDC Healthy Wells Grant - Year 2	э \$		CDC Grant
Health - Environmental Health	11-5100-5114-5128-298-000		FY14 Excess Fees - Highland	Դ Տ	20,568	Fees
Health - Highland	11-5100-5117-298-000	15255-0001			4,835	
Health - Highland	11-5100-5117-298-000	16273-0001	FY15 Excess Highland Fee Rev.	\$	96,496	Fees
Health - Highland	11-5100-5117-298-000	17249-0001	Stericycle Lawsuit - Highland	\$	3,623	NC Dept. of Justice
Health - Highland	11-5100-5117-298-000	17254-0001	FY16 Excess Highland Fee Rev.	\$	13,792	Fees
Health - Family Planning	11-5100-5130-298-000	10199-0001	FY 08 Excess Fee Revenue	\$	455	Fees
Health - Family Planning	11-5100-5130-298-000	15256-0001	FY14 Excess Fee Revenue	\$	22,749	Fees
Health - Family Planning	11-5100-5130-298-000	16274-0001	FY15 Excess FP Revenue	\$	23,072	Fees
Health - Family Planning	11-5100-5130-298-000	17255-0001	FY16 Excess GY/FP Fee Rev.	\$	1,852	Fees
Health - Maternity	11-5100-5150-5151-298-000	14237-0001	FY13 WCH Program Excess Fees	\$	93,970	Fees
Health - Maternity	11-5100-5150-5151-298-000	15257-0001	FY14 Excess Maternity Fees	\$	102,022	Fees
Health - Maternity	11-5100-5150-5151-298-000	16275-0001	FY 15 Excess Mat. Fee Revenue	\$	5,922	Fees
Health - Maternity	11-5100-5150-5151-298-000	17250-0001	Stericycle Lawsuit - Summit	\$	13,132	NC Dept. of Justice
Health - Child Health	11-5100-5150-5153-298-000	14227-0001	Reach Out and Read	\$	750	Wal-Mart Foundation
Animal Care & Enforcement	10-4380-540-000		Vehicle Equipment/decals/TTT	\$	10,169	County
County Police	10-4310-4310-540-000		Vehicle Equipment/decals/TTT	\$	74,743	County
Sheriff	10-4315-4315-540-000		Vehicle Equipment/decals/TTT	\$	16,016	County
GEMS	10-4370-540-000		Vehicle Equipment/decals/TTT	\$	59,898	County
Social Services	20-5300-5310-540-000		Decals/TTT	\$	756	County
Building Inspections	61-4350-540-000		Vehicle Equipment/decals/TTT	\$	1,105	County
Parks & Rec	10-6120-540-000		Decals/TTT	\$	1,328	County
REC - Power Plant	60-4721-540-000		Decals/TTT	ф \$	3,446	County
Solid Waste	60-4720-540-000		Decals/TTT	φ \$	2,472	County
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11	10-4210-540-000		Decals/TTT	Φ	759	County
Parks & Recreation	10-6120-298-000	17052-0001	Recreation Programming	\$	500	Sponsorship
Senior Center	10-6130-298-000	13270-0001	Senior Games	\$	3,500	Sponsorship

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Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	11042-0001	FY 11 civil process funds	\$	10,468	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	11042-0002	2013 GCC/VAWA grant match	\$	-	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	11042-0003	2013 GCC supplies	\$	-	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	11042-0004	2013 GCC travel	\$	-	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	12109-0001	FY 12 civil process funds	\$	124,517	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	12109-0002	Net motion project	\$	-	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	13075-0001	DV deputies	\$	105,408	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	15088-0001	DV deputies	\$	380,000	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	15088-0002	Half court advocate	\$	33,000	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	15088-0003	Court advocate	\$	63,117	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-298-000	17192-0001	DV deputies	\$	190,000	Civil process revenues
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	09289-0001	SCAAP\$:Disaster prepardness	\$	-	2008 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	12303-0001	2011 SCAAP grant	\$	-	2011 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	14216-0001	2013/14 JAG grant	\$	29	2013-2014 JAG grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	14228-0001	2012 SCAAP grant	\$	385	2012 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	14229-0001	2013 SCAAP grant	\$	2,695	2013 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	15222-0001	JAG 2014:Sheriff's Office	Ś	-	2014 JAG grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	15227-0001	2014 SCAAP	\$	9,837	2014 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	16231-0001	2015 JAG grant	\$	4,479	2015 JAG grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	16233-0001	2015 SCAAP grant	\$	18,365	2015 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	17226-0001	2016 JAG	\$	2,605	2016 JAG grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	17230-0001	2016 SCAAP: Offender training	\$	6,486	2016 SCAĂP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	17230-0002	2016 SCAAP: Officer training	\$	3.000	2016 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	17230-0003	2016 SCAAP: Disaster prepardness	\$	7,981	2016 SCAAP grant
Sheriff's Office	10-4315-4315-620-000	17235-0001	2016 GCC: Enhanced safety grant	\$	3,620	GCC grant
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Economic Development	10-4920-4920-321-000		Shoretel Phone System	\$	4,596	County
Economic Development	10-4920-4920-199-000		Seamon Whiteside Southridge	\$	7,205	County
Library	10-6110-6110-621-000	09255-0001	James Ferguson Memorial Fund	\$	290	Special Gifts
Library	10-6110-6110-621-000	50339-0001	David Rhyne Trst Donation	Ś	3,471	Special Gifts
Library	10-6110-6110-298-000	12275-0001	Gaston-Lincoln Regional Library Fund Bal	\$	11,876	Special Programs
Library	10-6110-6110-298-000	16099-0001	State aid to public libraries	\$	579	Special Programs
Library	10-6110-6110-298-000	17056-0001	State aid to public libraries	\$	190,529	Special Programs
Library	10-6110-6110-298-000	17223-0001	Community Foundation Grant	\$	15,000	Special Programs
			TOTAL	\$	4,271,128	
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			County Funds Outside Funds	\$ \$	365,941 3,905,187	
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2017-104 Commissioner Brown - Cooperative Extension - To Accept and Appropriate \$4,000 in PFCLG Grant for the Cooperative Extension Parent Education Program per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Smart Start Grant FY17	10-4950-4950-298-000	17221-0001	4,000
Smart Start Program - State	10-4950-4950-322-510		[4,000]

- 2017-105 Commissioner Fraley County Manager Commendation To Commend Outstanding Departments and Recognize Their Coordinators and Advocates from the 2016 United Way Campaign to Support the United Way of Gaston County
- 2017-106 Commissioner Brown County Manager To Amend Resolution 2003-321 to Change the County Manager's Level of Authority to transfer Funds for Approved Budgeted Line Items Within a Department by Removing the Current Threshold of \$25,000
- 2017-107 Commissioner Brown DHHS (ACCESS) To Accept and Appropriate Received Revenue Over the Amount Budgeted for the ACCESS Community Transportation Department (\$175,000) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Transportation of Clients	10-4520-4521-315-000		175,000
Departmental Chargebacks	10-4520-4521-497-000		(175,000)

2017-108 Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Health Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Funds Received from Duke University for the Women's Health Program (\$1,111) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Preceptorship Funds	11-5100-5113-5120-890-530		(\$1,111)
Special Programs	11-5100-5113-5120-298-000	16202-0001	\$1,111

2017-109 Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Health Division) - To Appropriate Excess Fee Revenue Earned During Fiscal Year 2016 from Health Fund Balance for the Public Health Clinics (\$33,572) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Fund Balance	11-9900-991-500		(\$33,572)
Special Programs	11-5100-5112-5118-298-000	17252-0001	\$191
Special Programs	11-5100-5113-5121-298-000	17253-0001	\$17,737
Special Programs	11-5100-5117-298-000	17254-0001	\$13,792
Special Programs	11-5100-5130-298-000	17255-0001	\$1,852

- 2017-110 Commissioner Brown DHHS (Health Division) Proclamation To Proclaim April 2017 as Public Health Month in Gaston County
- 2017-111 Commissioner Brown DHHS (Social Services Division) To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal and State Revenues in the Amount of \$85,000 for Medicaid Transportation per Budget Change Request:

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Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Medicaid Transportation-Fed	20-5400-5451-220-508		(57,000)
Medicaid Transportation-State	20-5400-5451-320-508		(28,000)
Medicaid Transportation	20-5400-5451-315-010		85,000

2017-112 Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Third Quarter Donations for the Domestic Violence Shelter, Adult Services Program and Nutrition Program (\$38,994) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Donations: Shelter	20-5582-840-501		(4,380)
Shelter Private Grants	20-5582-891-518		(32,704)
Special Programs: Donations	20-5582-298-000	08162-0001	37,084

2017-113 Commissioner Grant - Finance - To Accept as Information the Attached Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes. (Real Property Tax Refunds - \$1,880.23; Total HB20 Refunds - \$202.23; Total NCVTS Refunds - \$3,374.19; Total Vehicle Refunds - \$3,576.42) as follows:

> Gaston County, North Carolina Listing of Property Tax Refunds Less Than \$100.00 For Real Property To Be Reported At The April 25, 2017 Board Meeting

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
Angela McGuire	1.98	Kevin Shifflet	2.59
Annie Green	9.68	Lancaster, Trotter & Poe, PLLC	38.00
Barbara Hager	4.85	Larry Albright	4.06
Bobby Beach Jr	2.34	Laura Hunt	4.21
Brenda Manning	28.12	Lori Archibald	5.12
Bruce Lindsey	13.36	Lucinda Lynch	10.37
Bruen Neill III	14.34	Mandi Raines	6.60
Calvin Thomas	18.40	Manuel Brito	35.70
Carol Stowe-Rakin	4.00	Margie Miller	46.97
Carolyn Gleason	3.76	Mark King	78.79
Celelia Kaylor	7.59	Marsha Jordan	51.67
Charles McCarter	1.50	Maurice Floyd	1.13
Continental Cabinet Shop Inc	18.56	Michael Maynard	20.40
David Cline	60.00	Nancy Brooks	99.94
David Conner	2.51	Norma Howell	1.55
Debra Gibson	5.40	Norman Songao	5.59
Del-Tech Systems	20.75	Olia Hooks	18.00
Diamondback Properties LLC	57.71	Paul Smith Jr	4.56
Donlad McDonald	3.45	Price's Arena	6.08
Donna Schroeder	3.14	Randy Pritchett	35.00
Elaine Walker	6.92	Ray Lambert Sr	2.58
G&L Storage	27.13	Robert Dodge	1.77
Gaston County Tax	39.68	Robinson & Lauterbach	47.79
Grandma Hoyt Enterprises LLC	9.77	Roger Hoyle	19.70
Green Apple LLC	4.69	SingleSource Property Solutions, LLC	19.64
Hall Earl Jr	98.85	Susan Erwin	15.57
Heritage Communications	1.24	Terry Weaver	75.00
Hinson Faulk PA	5.03	The Mariposa Group	6.92
James Brook	2.15	Theresa McLendon	2.49
James Murphy III	44.47	Thomas Falls	92.62

Jason Sisk	67.43	Thomas Feahterston	6.76
Jeffery Treadaway	2.52	Tony Eller	5.05
Jenny Grant	27.63	Tony McGee Photography	1.15
John Dobbs	13.99	Two Rose Tires	12.58
Johnny Bollinger	5.86	Van Jones	60.00
Johnny Haney	40.00	Velvin Floyd	60.00
Johnny Thompson	1.80	Victoria Breedlove Properties LLC	8.08
Johnny Thompson	8.01	Villa Roma of Gastonia	87.41
Kathy Hooper	81.06	Wayne Johnson	50.00
Keith Russell	55.12	William Lindley	4.00
		Total Real Property Refunds	\$ 1,880.23

Gaston County, North Carolina Listing of Property Tax Refunds Less Than \$100.00 for Vehicles
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TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUN
Alejandro Ramirez	92.34	Tiane Grier	6.9
Jeremy Straing	10.57	Alejandro Ramirez	92.3
		TOTAL HB20 REFUNDS	\$ 202.2
VTS Refunds			
Abernathy, James Roy	6.82	Isle, Friedhelm	71.03
Abernathy, Milton Jerome	6.60	Jacobs, Janice Marie	11.92
Addis, Joseph Lyle	33.66	Justice, Jessie William	12.07
Addis, Joseph Lyle	49.56	Kiser, Jenny Lynn	9.01
Allison, Nanette Smith	42.78	Laris, Juan Laris	8.46
Anderson, Allen Keith	9.55	Laughlin, Megan Alexander	88.77
Anthony, Latashia Walls	18.86	Lilja, Caryn Lyne	19.58
Barker, Christopher Devon	54.51	Lingafelt, Anita Burchfield	22.26
Barnett, Ronald	21.69	Lynch, John Edward	11.30
Benton, Natosha Cheree	13.98	Maldonado, Laura Wilson	73.87
Biernat, David Leo	9.80	Markley, Stephen George	32.61
Blalock, Christopher Ray	78.06	Mata, Christian Antonio Linares	21.35
Brown, Timothy David	26.93	Mauney, Matthew Everette	26.29
Bryson, Jeffrey Don	23.24	McAbee, William Keith	70.76
Bryson, Jeffrey Don	36.64	McDaniel, Wanda Thomas	53.41
Calles, Esau Rivera	99.21	McDougal, Deborah Lynn	4.09
Carroll, Billy Ray	20.10	Meeks, William James	5.92
Casar Aldrete, Miguel Eduardo	25.02	Nupp, Henry Arthur	14.28
Castro, Yvonne Michelle	1.79	Okoduwa, Benedict Abamensele	15.96
Castro, Yvonne Michelle	6.82	Pardo, Edward Paul Jr	14.83
Cline, Georgia Campbel	1.42	Parlier, Barbara Jean	88.17
CLT Express Livery LLC	95.73	Payseur, Kenneth Eugene	7.78
CLT Express Livery LLC	68.58	Parez, Fernando	3.96
Cody, Kevin Mack	25.52	Philbeck, Angel Michelle	2.18
Conner, Alan Dale	80.42	Poplin, James David	12.47
Daughtridge, Nancy Jones	39.15	Porter, Edward William	9.72
Davis, Brenda Jeanette	86.15	Reale, Kathy Jean	60.26
Dean, Louie Maurice	93.45	Rosenbeck, Sharon Elizabeth	23.62
Decarlo, Anthony	33.66	Sanders, Heawatha	21.21
Detrick, Brian Michael	98.18	Settlemyre, Russell Eugene III	59.48
Earle, Austin Lake	48.15	Sherrill, David Clements	6.78
Earle, Austin Lake	51.89	Sides, Frederick Jennings	40.01
Earle, Austin Lake	53.30	Simmons, Gent Ewart	31.84
Fincannon, Katlyn Suzanne	11.39	Stewart, Stephen Dwight	15.11
Foster, Gregory Scott	88.21	Stowe, George William	7.68
Friendly's of Stanley LLC	27.17	Underdown, Dustin Alan	48.56
Frost, Douglas Frederic	43.40	Venegas, Ivan Enrique Silva	17.64
Furr, Rodney	12.72	Ward, Betty Upton	68.41
Gasrrison, Peggy Shelton	99.34	Weathers, Michael Keith II	33.66
Gash, Gwendolyn Ealy	43.75	Whitley, Jesse Alan	1.48
Gaston, Tia Shanice	53.95	Williams, Renae Frances	25.98

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Goins, Harold Leon, Sr	39.50	Willis, David Allen	33.62
Haggist, David Richard	23.54	Womack, Mary Abernathy	7.00
Hall, Samuel Nathan	74.85	Worthy, Teresa Benge	3.16
Hamilton, Jimmy Bain	23.51	Wyont, George Kenneth	35.11
Hamilton, Jimmy Bain	91.53	TOTAL VTS REFUNDS	\$ 3,374.19
Huffsticlker, Scott Douglas	66.22		
Humphreys, Mary Frances	61.23	GRAND TOTAL VEHICLE TAX REFUNDS	\$ 3,576.42

2017-114 Commissioner Grant - Fire Marshal - To Approve the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to Alexis Fire Department (\$51,793) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	28-9900-991-500		(51,793)
*Additional Subsidies (A/S)			
Alexis: A/S	28-4402-699-036		51,793

2017-115 Commissioner Grant - Fire Marshal - To Approve the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to New Hope Fire Department (\$16,706) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	28-9900-991-500		(16,706)
*Additional Subsidies (A/S)			
New Hope: A/S	28-4411-699-036		16,706

2017-116 Commissioner Grant - Fire Marshal - To Approve the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to Tryonota Fire Department (\$63,240) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	28-9900-991-500		(63,240)
*Additional Subsidies (A/S)			
Chestnut Ridge: A/S	28-4403-699-036		21,568
Tryonota: A/S	28-4417-699-036		41,672

2017-117 Commissioner Grant - Fire Marshal - To Approve the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to Community Volunteer Fire Department (\$15,000) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	28-9900-991-500		(15,000)
*Additional Subsidies (A/S)			
Community: A/S	28-4405-699-036		15,000

2017-118 Commissioner Keigher - Parks and Recreation - To Accept and Appropriate \$9,789 in the Sponsorships and Participant Event Fees for the Gaston County Senior Games per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Donations - Senior Center	10-6130-840-501		(\$5100)
Senior Center Event Fees	10-6130-412-506		(\$4689)
Special Programs	10-6130-298-000	13270-0001	\$9789

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2017-119 Commissioner Keigher - Parks and Recreation - To Accept and Appropriate \$1,205 in Sponsorships and Donations for the Just Plain Dog Show and Cotton Ginning Days Festival per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Donations	10-6120-840-507		(\$1,205)
Recreation Programming	10-6120-298-000	17052-0001	\$1,205

- 2017-120 Commissioner Grant Police Proclamation To Proclaim April 9 15, 2017 as Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Gaston County
- 2017-121 Commissioner Brown Police To Appropriate Discretionary Funds Received from the Juvenile Community Programs Section for the JCPC Family Centered Treatment Program (\$13,840) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project	Amount
Family Centered Treatment	10-5830-699-028	17179-0001	\$13,840
JCPC Revenue Account	10-5830-330-502		(\$13,840)

- 2017-122 Commissioner Worley Police/Sheriff's Office Proclamation To Proclaim April 30 - May 6, 2017 as Law Enforcement Week and May 4, 2017 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day in Gaston County
- 2017-123 Commissioners Fraley & Worley Public Works To Approve the Sale of Surplus County Vehicles to the Gaston County Board of Education for the Benefit of Cherryville and Stuart W. Cramer High Schools
- 2017-124 Commissioner Fraley Tax Collections Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the March Listed Tax Refunds Be Made.(Real Estate -\$23,571.33; Vehicles & ETC - \$7,550.29; VTS Refunds - \$5,920.06; Grand Total -\$37.041.68) as follows:

TAXPAYER NAME	OWNER NAME	AMOUNT
MARCH 2017 REAL ESTATE		
Abernathy, Ronda		\$102.96
Adams, John		\$143.75
Alton, Matthew		\$110.33
Biggerstaff, Erik		\$279.20
Bowman Construction Company		\$229.40
Bryant, Michael		\$218.48
Bryant, Michael		\$109.24
Bryant, Michael		\$109.24
Caliber Home Loans		\$200.00
Clark, Timothy		\$232.84
Clark, Timothy		\$105.24
Congleton, Mark		\$124.12
Conrad, Winston		\$274.63
Copeland, Michael		\$936.96
Crawford, Charlene		\$156.16
Creighton, Jamie		\$103.71
Daian, Florin		\$1,200.96
Davis, Jennifer		\$534.31
Davis, Mary		\$173.08
Derr, Jacklene		\$110.00

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Carter, Jermekia Continental Cabinet Shop

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Dickens Law Group	\$187.71
Dostie, Joseph	\$994.92
Falls, Thomas	\$107.25
Ferguson, Laura	\$590.37
Fletcher, Joel	\$632.50
Gamble, Charlene	\$152.96
Gamble, Charlene	\$157.04
Gaston County Tax	\$144.66
Glance, Molly	\$269.13
Gonzalez, Adrian	\$460.00
Green, Alfred	\$188.48
Green, Alfred	\$121.56
Harmon, Rickyt	\$163.25
Hinson, Eric	\$114.15
Holder, Virgil	\$150.00
Holland, Ralph	\$877.91
Huffstetler, William	\$500.00
Hughes, Jerry	\$245.98
Jeffries, Larry	\$252.79
Johnson, Lucius	\$240.00
Lawter, Mary	\$360.00
Leonhardt, Ted	\$105.24
Lewis, Rodney	\$470.00
Mauney, Tracy	\$181.72
McDowell, Ricky	\$105.24
Miller, Diane	\$206.44
Nationstar Mortgage	\$287.34
Nguyen, Gio	\$264.09
Nguyen, Toa	\$4,333.90
Owens, David	\$336.80
Parker, Ralph	\$217.62
Petty, Thomas	\$105.24
Petty, Thomas	\$105.24
Ralph, Parker	\$222.74
Reese, Tammye	\$208.00
Reese, Tammye	\$197.77
Richard, Anthony	\$360.00
Richard, Anthony	\$360.00
Rickle, Layne	\$413.14
Rogers, Beverly	\$201.29
Select Portfolio Servicing	\$368.26
Select Portfolio Servicing	\$283.10
Sherrill, Leroy	\$1,052.95
Thomas, Linda	\$297.64
Tillman, Cora	\$150.00
White, Frederick	\$372.30
TOTAL	\$23,571.33
MARCH 2017 VEHICLES & ETC	
Adams, Robert	\$126.41
Albertson, Myra	\$115.29
Burris, Shankia	\$167.04
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Harrison, Martha	\$279.19
Hunt, Keith	\$636.26
Huss, William Jr	\$205.76
M & W Industries	\$1,875.42
Ottinger, Kenneth	\$705.65
Vortex Thread	\$203.41
Whitesides, Dana	\$120.11
TOTAL	\$7,550.29
MARCH VTS REFUNDS	
Belmont Abbey College	\$218.58
Belmont Abbey College	\$217.12
Belton, Joann Godfrey	\$185.85
Beverley, Jeffrey Brian	\$377.74
Breedlove, Michael Lynn	\$118.91
Bruchon, Paul Ernest Jr	\$291.36
Cashwell, Lodema Dean	\$103.05
Cook, Robert Andrew JR	\$178.15
Costner, Ann Norman	\$162.59
Curnow, Kenneth Scott	\$160.94
Dean, Louie Maurice	\$127.24
Garrett, Michael Eugene	\$396.06
Garrett, Michael Eugene	\$135.98
Gilliard, Sam Rene	\$152.83
Hoffman, Taylor Blair	\$157.43
Huffstickler, Scott Douglas	\$104.53
Johnson, Barbara James	\$106.57
Leach, Lekeshia Michelle	\$248.36
Mata, Christian Antonio Linares	\$142.57
Maruey, Matthew Everette	\$120.89
Mittelmaier, John Stroud	\$109.24
Quick, Charles Scott	\$114.21
Redmond, Christina Renee	\$133.88
Rhom, Michael Dennis	\$124.21
Richardson, Jeremy Paul	\$122.69
Rosado, Milka Ivette Perez	\$146.51
Scippo, Andrea Louise	\$409.30
Sherrill, David Clements	\$759.83
Shortt, Wendell Edward II	\$138.83
Thomas, Kayla Marie	\$154.61
TOTAL	\$5,920.06
GRAND TOTAL	\$37 041 68

GRAND TOTAL

\$37,041.68

2017-125 Commissioner Brown – Budget/Purchasing – To Adopt a Fee Schedule Effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

Commissioner Philbeck introduced the motion for purposes of discussion. Commissioner Keigher provided the second.

Chairman Brown called for discussion.

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Commissioner Philbeck asked Mr. Ray Maxwell, Public Works Director, to explain the Landfill: Uncovered/Unsecured Load Fee.

Mr. Maxwell advised that commercial garbage hauling and open-bed type trucks bringing material to the landfill are required by law to cover or secure their load with some type of tarping system; the "Uncovered/Unsecured Load Fee" is assessed to those that have received multiple warnings.

Commissioner Philbeck advised of getting many complaints from citizens about litter from these trucks (landfill is in his township); noted the County Manager also deals with numerous emails and calls; stated his support for increasing the fee to \$200-250.

The County Manager concurred that it is a costly and unsightly problem and requires a considerable amount of time to address complaints; County spends approximately \$150k/year on roadside cleanup.

Responding to Commissioner Grant, Mr. Maxwell advised it is often businesses that repeatedly violate the requirement – usually smaller mom-and-pop type users such as small remodeling companies or shingle roofing type contractors and the fee is designed to address that issue; there is also another issue with general litter in the County; a portion of the \$150k goes towards cleaning roads countywide. In addition to what the County spends for roadside cleanup, there are other agencies spending a considerable amount of money and resources to address this problem.

Following extensive discussion, various Commissioners expressed support for increasing the subject fee and suggested amending the fee schedule. Commissioner Keigher recommended forming a committee to review the fee schedule format and address inconsistencies.

Commissioner Philbeck inquired about the *Engineer Option Permit Review* - \$99 under Health Department (Environmental Health) – Septic Fees.

Mr. Matt Rhoten, Budget Administrator, advised the state passed a law allowing engineers to issue septic permits and the County is allowed to charge 30% of the regular fee (\$330) for holding the applications and keeping the documents.

Commissioner Philbeck asked for clarification on the fee for Commercial Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical, Fire Alarm and Sprinkler permits that are not part of a building permit (Permit fee will be based on project cost when applied to Gaston County's Valuation Table) under Building Inspections.

Regarding commercial single trade, Mr. Rhoten advised that the County currently charges a \$60 inspection fee for electrical, mechanical and plumbing for jobs that require multiple inspections. The proposed fee will allow the permit fee to be based off the total job costs because bigger jobs require more inspections and it will improve cost recovery for Building Inspections since it is more like an enterprise fund now (more fee-based than tax-based).

Regarding the fee for *Water Heater/HVAC Change Out* – under Building Inspections, Chairman Brown advised a general contractor can pull and hold the permit and a subcontractor is allowed to perform under that permit.

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Commissioner Philbeck asked if the \$60 fee was applicable each time you changed out your water heater.

Mr. Rhoten advised this is not an increase, but a new permit passed by Legislators that requires a permit to cover the change-out of equipment. Responding to Commissioner Grant, he stated he wasn't sure the fee could be struck since it was required by the State and that questions regarding this fee would need to be addressed to Mr. Brian Sciba, Building Inspections Chief Building/Plumbing Inspector.

Commissioner Brown referenced Parks & Recreation Practice Fees – Adult in County/Ballfied with Picnic Shelter and Practice fees – Youth (effective 1/1/2017; advised that fees had both increased and decreased; asked how much revenues was received from practice fees.

Mrs. Cathy Hart, Parks and Recreation Director, advised the practice fees went into effect January 1; revenue for youth practices that are scheduled from January to July 2017 is \$21,540; practice fees have been reduced from \$10/hour to \$5/hour this year.

Commissioner Brown stated he would prefer to have one fee schedule for practice fees instead of an hourly fee and also suggested that municipalities should be exempt.

Mrs. Hart responded that the practice fees have been helpful; Parks & Recreation has about 358 practices on one soccer field in the fall; users only schedule what they need; County has more youth sports (soccer, lacrosse, and football) now than in the past; the proposed fee is \$5/hour for lights and \$5/hour for youth practices; total of \$10/hour if using lights.

Commissioner Brown proposed having a \$10 across-the-board practice fee.

With discussion coming to end, Chairman Brown directed the County Manager to schedule meetings sometime after the budgetary process with departments and a least one Commissioner to address modifications to the fee schedule.

Commissioner Philbeck introduced a motion to amend the FY18 Fee Schedule to increase the Landfill "Uncovered/Unsecured Load Fee" from \$75 to \$200 (per occurrence) and to exclude municipalities from the Parks & Recreation "Practice Fees". Commissioner Keigher provided the second and the amendment carried unanimously.

Chairman Brown called for the vote on the main motion and the BOC unanimously approved 2017-125, **To Adopt a Fee Schedule Effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018**, as amended.

Appointments

On motion introduced by Commissioner Fraley and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously reappointed Mr. Jeff Howe, Jr. to the *Environmental Review Advisory Board* to a term ending January 31, 2020.

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On motion introduced by Commissioner Grant and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously reappointed Ms. Debbie Windley to the *Travel and Tourism Advisory Board* to a term ending April 30, 2020.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Philbeck, the BOC unanimously reappointed Ms. Cynthia Isenhour to the *Travel and Tourism Advisory Board* to a term ending April 30, 2020.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Fraley, the BOC unanimously appointed Ms. La Verne Partlow to the *Transportation Advisory Board* to an unexpired term ending October 31, 2017.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously appointed Ms. Kelly Stafford to the *Child Fatality Prevention Team (CFPT)* to an unexpired term ending January 31, 2018.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Philbeck, the BOC unanimously changed the vacant At-Large seat on the Health and Human Services Board to a Full Board Partners Behavioral Health Management seat and unanimously appointed Mr. Andrew Schrag to the *Health and Human Services Board* a term ending June 30, 2019.

Commissioners Committee Reports

Commissioner Grant reported meeting attendance to the **Gaston County Extension and Community Association (ECA) Achievement Day Awards** with Commissioner Keigher and the County Manager; reported attendance to the *Fire Advisory Board* budget meetings.

Commissioner Worley reported visiting the Register of Deeds tonight and being asked to remind veterans and any businesses willing to participate in the *Thank You for our Veterans of Gaston County Discount Program* to contact their office to get a Veterans ID Card made to qualify for many discounts throughout the County.

Commissioner Keigher reported meeting attendance to *CaroMont Health Board of Directors* – having Planning Retreat this weekend; *North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) District Director Meeting* – reported on NCACC President's directive for the year is to put together a forum on opioid abuse. Recalling Mr. Neumann's earlier comments on Belmont Middle School, he stated his desire that the BOC and BOE work something out and take action as soon as possible.

Commissioner Brown reported the County was awarded the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting** for fiscal year 2016 ("the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management"). He thanked and congratulated staff on their excellent work.

Commissioner Grant - *Re: Surplus Ambulance for Hunter Huss High School*: Asked about the status of his request for a surplus ambulance for Hunter Huss High School.

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The County Manager advised that although he could not detail all of the protocols and required steps, the process is underway; staff did provide one for the special event; County will be delivering the three ambulances to the schools (Hunter Huss, Stuart Cramer and Cherryville) in the near future; by law the County must follow a defined set of procedures to accomplish this; staff is moving through this process as quickly as possible; have been communicating regularly with GEMS and Public Works Directors to make sure this is accomplished.

The County Attorney explained the County is waiting on the new ambulances to come online to take the old ones offline; staff will verify if the ambulances have gone into service yet.

The Public Works Director clarified that the ambulance for Hunter Huss had been stripped of its equipment/decals and is waiting to be transferred pending the signing of the agreement which was approved tonight; the other two ambulances (also included in the agreement) are for Stuart Cramer and Cherryville; County has received the new units which are not yet fully equipped and once the old vehicles have are taken off the road, staff will strip the equipment and decals and complete the transfer of the vehicles; delivery will depend on how quickly the schools and the County can execute the agreement.

Chairman Brown - Re: Gaston County Golf Tournament: Congratulated Commissioner Fraley on winning the tournament this year.

County Manager's Report

The County Manager presented:

- Thanked BOC for the GFOA commendation; stated that staff is proud of the work it has done
- The Building Inspections Chief Building/Plumbing Inspector (Mr. Sciba) mentioned that March was the busiest month and the fees collected were the largest total of any month during [his] tenure; it is very indicative of the County's robust economy and is a very encouraging sign.

County Attorney's Report

No report.

Other Matters

None.

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Adjournment

Chairman Brown called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Grant and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously adjourned the Regular Meeting of April 25, 2017 at 7:59 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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