



Gaston County

Board of Commissioners

COURTHOUSE
Harley B. Gaston Jr., Public Forum
325 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Gastonia, NC

Chairman Chad Brown
Vice-Chairman Bob Hovis
Cathy Cloninger
Allen R. Fraley
Kim Johnson
Tom Keigher
Ronnie Worley

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Meeting Agenda

Regular Meeting & FY 2025 Gaston County Budget Public Hearing

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. ZONING PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Cloninger - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: REZ-24-03-04-00174, Richard C. Coleman (Applicant); Property Parcels: 169948 / 169949 / 169950 / 169951 part of, Located at 820 & 812 Dallas Stanley Hwy., Dallas, NC, Rezone from the (I-2) General Industrial Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay to the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay
 - 1. Receive Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion
- B. Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Fraley - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: REZ-24-03-19-00175, Lauren Eaves (Applicant); Property Parcel: 311772, Located on McAbee Lane, Bessemer City, NC, Rezone 1.15 Acres from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District to the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District
 - 1. Receive Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion
- C. Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Fraley - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: REZ-24-03-25-00176, Rhonda Leatherman Bess (Applicant); Property Parcel: 216353, Located at 244 Neal Rd., Bessemer City, NC, Rezone from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District to the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District
 - 1. Receive Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
 - 3. Accept Motion

II. FY2024-2025 GASTON COUNTY BUDGET

- A.** Public Hearing - FY2024-2025 Gaston County Proposed Budget
 - 1. Accept Citizen Comment
 - 2. Close Public Hearing
- B.** Commissioner Brown - To Adopt the FY2024-2025 Gaston County Budget Ordinance
- C.** Commissioner Hovis - To Adopt a Resolution to Approve the FY24-25 Order to Levy and Collect Ad Valorem Tax for the Gaston County Fire Protection Service District; Approve the FY24-25 Budget Allocations for Contracted Fire Departments; and Set the FY24-25 Rates for the Long Shoals and South Gastonia Fire Protection Districts to Zero

III. BUSINESS AGENDA**A. AGENDA REVISION/APPROVAL****B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1. To Approve the Minutes of:
 - Regular Meeting of March 26, 2024

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

- A.** Commissioner Brown - BOC - To Revise the Gaston County Board of Commissioners' Regular Meeting Schedule for June 2024 to Reschedule the June 11th Work Session to Precede the June 25th Regular Meeting - 6:00 P.M.
- B.** Commissioner Brown - BOC - Memorial Day Proclamation - To Recognize and Honor the Sacrifice of Our Military Service Members Who, in the Line of Duty, gave Their All to Our Country
- C.** Commissioner Brown - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2024 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month
- D.** Commissioner Brown - BOC - Proclamation - To Proclaim May 5-11, 2024 as Clerks to the Boards of County Commissioners Week
- E.** Commissioner Hovis - Communications - Proclamation - To Recognize June 19th as "Juneteenth" in Gaston County
- F.** Commissioner Hovis - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information

- G. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Community Support Services (Survivor Services) - Approval to Eliminate Two Part-Time Vacant Shelter Relief Operator Positions and Create One Full-Time Shelter Support Services Liaison Position
- H. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate State Grant Funds (Year 2) Received from the NC Division of Public Health - Women, Infant, and Community Wellness Section (100% Grant Funds - \$130,000)
- I. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Appropriate Fund Balance for Social Security Beneficiary Funds for FY2024 in the Amount of \$175,000 (Special Revenue Fund, No County Funds)
- J. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Award a Contract to Medscreen, Inc. for Drug Screenings for the Child Welfare Program in the Amount of \$100,000
- K. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2024 as Foster Care Awareness Month
- L. Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2024 as Older Americans Month
- M. Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Approve a Deed for Permanent Sanitary Sewer and General Utility Easement in the Apple Creek Corporate Park to the City of Gastonia
- N. Commissioner Fraley - Emergency Management and Fire Services - To Accept and Appropriate a NC Tier II Noncompetitive Grant FY2024 for LEPC Support in the Amount of \$10,000
- O. Commissioner Hovis - Emergency Management and Fire Services - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Duke Energy Funds (\$48,000.00)
- P. Commissioner Hovis - Emergency Management and Fire Services - To Approve an Interlocal Agreement to Provide Inspection/Enforcement Services for the Town of Stanley
- Q. Commissioner Hovis - Finance - To Amend 2023-417 to Correct Funding Account Line Items for the ARPA Grant Project Ordinance-Homeless Projects Allocation approved 12/12/2023
- R. Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Accept as Information the Attached Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes. (Total NCVTS Refunds - \$1,863.69)
- S. Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Appropriate Accumulated Investment Earnings from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 (\$83,946.46)
- T. Commissioner Fraley - GEMS - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of May 19-25, 2024 as Emergency Medical Services Week in Gaston County
- U. Commissioner Johnson - Human Resources - To Appropriate Funds Received from United Way Campaign Fundraisers (\$895), Gaston County Job Fair Sponsorships (\$3,918), and Reimburse the Employee Recognition Fund for a Total of \$4,813

- V. Commissioner Hovis - Natural Resources - Resolution to Approve an Interlocal Agreement for Enforcement Services of the Gaston County Stormwater Ordinance for the City of Lowell
- W. Commissioner Hovis - Natural Resources - Resolution to Approve an Interlocal Agreement for Enforcement Services of the Gaston County Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Ordinance for the City of Lowell
- X. Commissioner Hovis - Natural Resources - To Approve the 2024 Farmland Protection Plan for Gaston County
- Y. Commissioner Cloninger - Parks and Recreation - To Amend the Gaston County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12 - Parks and Recreation, Article I, Section 12-2 - Definitions; Section 12-6 - Water Activities; and Section 12-8 - Smoking
- Z. Commissioners Worley & Cloninger - Parks and Recreation - To Approve a Conservation Easement and Assignment of Rights and Obligations for the Catawba Cove Property and Authorize the County Manager or her Designee to Finalize, Execute and Record all Documents Necessary to Complete the Transaction
- AA. Commissioner Cloninger - Parks and Recreation - To Accept and Appropriate Funds from Senior Games Entry Fees (\$411)
- AB. Commissioners Cloninger & Johnson - Parks and Recreation - To Authorize the County Manager or her Designee to Finalize Easement Documents Between Gaston County and Lennar Carolinas, LLC for the Purpose of Providing a Water Line to Serve a Proposed Development and Poston Park, and Execute any Necessary Documents for Recording Purposes
- AC. Commissioner Keigher - Police Department - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of May 2024 as Treatment Court Month in Gaston County
- AD. Commissioners Johnson & Worley - Police Department/Sheriff's Office - Proclamation - To Recognize Law Enforcement Week and Peace Officer's Memorial Day in Gaston County During the Week of May 12-18, 2024
- AE. Commissioner Johnson - Public Works - To Authorize the Purchase of Property Located at 4101 Dallas High Shoals Highway, Dallas PID 220601 (0.235 acres)
- AF. Commissioner Worley - Public Works - Approve an Interlocal Agreement Between Gaston County and the City of Lowell for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Lowell Elementary Waterline Infrastructure Project
- AG. Commissioner Brown - Tax - To Accept and Appropriate Funds that were Collected from Mecklenburg, Cleveland, and Union Counties for their Employees who Attended the IAAO 102 Course Hosted by Gaston County Tax Department (\$5,775.00)
- AH. Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the April Tax Refunds be Made. (Releases and Refunds - \$14,635.09; Overpayments - \$14,616.74; VTS Refunds - \$5,603.48; Grand Total - \$34,855.31)

- AI. [Commissioner Brown - Tourism Development - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of May 19-25, 2024 as Travel & Tourism Week in Gaston County](#)

VI. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VII. ITEMS ADDED BY MAJORITY VOTE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

VIII. APPOINTMENTS

- A. [Appointment List - Current Expiring Terms/Vacant Positions](#)

IX. REPORTS

- A. **Commissioners Committee Reports**

- B. **County Manager's Report**

- C. **County Attorney's Report**

X. OTHER MATTERS

XI. ADJOURNMENT