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The Gaston County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met in Regular Session on January 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm in The Harley B. Gaston, Jr. Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse.

Chairman Tom Keigher presided with Commissioners Jason Williams, Vice-Chairman; Chad Brown, Joe D. Carpenter, Allen R. Fraley, Tracy L. Philbeck and Mickey Price 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 Keigher, Reverend Dickie Spargo, Bethlehem Church, Gastonia, NC, led those assembled in the Invocation and Commissioner Brown led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Keigher read and presented a Commendation for Mary Jo's Cloth Store - 65th Anniversary. Sheriff Alan Cloninger accepted on behalf of his mother, Mary Jo Cloninger and his brother, Thomas Cloninger, CEO and CFO of Mary Jo's Cloth Store.

Public Hearing - Zoning Text Amendment: ZTA 16-01 - Applicant: Gaston County Planning Board - To Consider Proposed Text Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), Chapter 9: Sections, 9.18.1A (Sidewalks), 9.18.2A (Greenstrips), 9.18.3C (Curb/Gutter), Chapter 11: Sections, 11.4D1a (Location of trees), Figure 11.4-1, Chapter 13: Sections, 13.11F, added, (Submittal Requirements for Preliminary and Final Plat), 13.16.8, 13.19.1 (Subdivisions Inside the Urban Standards Overlay District), 13.19.2 (Subdivisions Outside Urban Standards Overlay District, Utilities Available), 13.20.4 (Construction Requirement), 13.20.6C (New Drainage Ways), 13.22 (Cul-de-Sacs), 13.27 (Public Utilities and Services)

Chairman Keigher 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 Price and seconded by Commissioner Philbeck, the BOC unanimously entered into Public Hearings.

With a quorum of the Planning Board in attendance, Chairman Keigher recognized Mr. David Williams, Planning and Development Services Director, for comments.

Mr. Williams advised a citizen's request was brought to Planning staff to consider modifying the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); staff and County management met with citizen to discuss the purpose and need for the changes; as a result of the meetings, a reasonable solution was devised through minor adjustments to the UDO that will preserve the intent and harmony of the residential subdivision regulations; it was determined that the Planning Board should act as Applicant since the matter was a collaborative effort; several sections proposed for amendments are minor in nature:

Section 13.11 - Major subdivisions - changes will require certain development standards to apply
only when residential subdivision developments are within 500' of public municipal water/sewer
utilities, i.e., curb and cutter, sidewalks, greenstrips, crosswalks, street trees, etc.; these

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standards are personally and generally required within the Urban Standards Overlay (USO) district

- Provided following definition of USO: Areas of County located outside corporate limits and/or municipal extraterritorial jurisdiction but where the provision of public water and sewer services can reasonably be expected to occur over the next 10 to 15 years; accordingly standards for development are more akin to those traditionally found in urban areas as opposed to rural areas; standards address, but are not limited to, building design, off street parking, road lot and subdivision standards
- Developments within 500' will be required to connect to both utilities
- Section 13.19.1 Reduce requirement to connect to public water and sewer if the proposed residential subdivision is within 500' as opposed to ½ mile or 1 mile as it is currently; proposed major subdivisions with six or more lots within 500' will be required to provide urban standards such as sidewalks, curb and gutter, etc.; if a development is not within the 500' requirement, the urban development standards mentioned previously would not apply; developer would be permitted to develop a more rural style development which are on septic tanks or wells and the lots are much larger; a rural type residential development would be required to provide engineer designed ditches along the streets in lieu of curb and gutter
- Delete Section 13.2 Cul-de-sac requirement this limits the length of the street in a residential subdivision to 600' or 1,000' in length with the goal to provide connectivity to more street connections. Many counties or rural areas are without water and sewer and the lots and/or parcels come in many shapes and sizes, this requirement can be difficult to achieve. This standard relates more to urban style development where connectivity with streets may be more prevalent because of smaller lot sizes, especially where public water and sewer are available to the development
- The other sections proposed changes are minor and are to help improve the section and provide clarity.

He further advised it is staff's opinion that the proposed changes/adjustments are in keeping within the original premise behind the UDO and the residential subdivisions within the USO as well as the availability of water and sewer

- Planning Board met on December 10 to review proposed amendments; voted unanimously to
 forward the proposed changes to the public hearing format with the BOC with one suggested
 change to show the utilities in figure 11.4-1 in the street right-of-way as an easement, instead of
 on private property
- Proposed changes were sent to Municipalities that adopted the UDO; staff received no comments regarding the proposals.

Chairman Keigher called for citizen comments.

Mr. Johnny Denton, 2016 Cherokee Court, Gastonia, thanked staff and Commissioner Philbeck for their help. Mr. Denton, civil engineer in Gaston County, submitted a subdivision in 2009 (first submitted under the UDO), and had issues with NCDOT and with other problems that came up in the review process; that particular subdivision lost its funding and we pulled back from consideration; we submitted a second subdivision under the UDO this past summer; part of the problem with

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development in the County, in one sense, slowed to a crawl because of UDO; some regulations were very strict for subdivisions with water and sewer in rural areas of County; have two subdivisions in the pipeline that will be submitted under these revisions.

Chairman Keigher called for questions from the Planning Board; hearing none, called for questions from the BOC.

Commissioner Philbeck advised when elected in 2009 that he was asked by developers to change some areas of the UDO; since its implementation, development throughout the County stopped; he thanked staff, Mr. Denton and Mr. Johnny Lineberger, Lineberger Surveying, for their efforts; the changes will finally open up areas of development and help spur our economy.

Chairman Keigher recognized the late Mr. L. E. Alford, former Planning Board member, for his many years of service on the Board and his work on the UDO.

Public Hearing Zoning Map Change: Z15-10 Flat Creek, LLC, (Lynn (Tripp) McLean III - Manager) (Applicant); Property Parcel: 221532 and 221533 (portion), Located at 1322 South Point Road, Belmont, NC, Zoned (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning Districts w/US Overlay & (CU/C-2) Conditional Use Highway Commercial Zoning Districts w/CH (portion) and US Overlay to the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District w/CH (portion) and US Overlay

Chairman Keigher recognized Mrs. Sarah Penley, Planning GIS Specialist III, for comments.

Mrs. Penley restated the item as outlined above, advised the Applicant, Black Creek LLC (Mr. Tripp McLean), is represented by Mr. Doug Arthurs; property owners are Marty and Deena Murphy; all are present to answer any questions; request is for general rezoning of parcel 221532 for 5.86 acres from CU/C-2 to C-3 and portion of parcel 221533 for 4.42 acres of a total 8.10 acres from R-1 with US overlay to C-3 with US overlay; involves rezoning 10.28 of 13.96 acres to the C-3 General Zoning District; property is currently vacant and undeveloped; prior to 2012 was site of Ken's Manufactured Home Park; was rezoned in October 2012 to current CU/C-2 to allow for a lawn and garden center; outlined and described area via aerial maps; 4.42 acres of noted parcel will be split out for rezoning; area general zoning is mostly R-1 with CH and US overlays; the property adjoins City of Belmont ETJ; is located in southeast small area; is consistent with Comprehensive Plan; staff notified City of Belmont and received no comments or concerns; staff received a few phone calls for general information.

Chairman Keigher called for citizen comments.

Mr. Doug Arthurs, 420 E. Long Ave., Gastonia, representing Flat Creek Properties, advised the request is consistent with Comp Plan; portion of one of the parcels is under a conditional use C-2 zoning for a lawn and garden business that was never opened and operated; storage facility to north of property is what client proposes to do with property to the south of storage facility; Applicant must have a C-3 to have a storage facility; only about 4.42 acres will be updated to commercial; Mr. McLean and property owners are present to answer any questions.

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Chairman Keigher called for questions from the Planning Board; hearing none, called for questions from the BOC.

Commissioner Carpenter stated that this was approximately the fourth time the County has held a hearing on this property.

Chairman Keigher excused the Planning Board to Room 2029 for deliberations.

In response to Commissioner Williams, Chairman Keigher noted the Audit Presentation will be moved during Agenda Revision/Approval to a later segment in the meeting.

Public Hearing City of Kings Mountain Kings Mountain Planning & Zoning Board ETJ

Chairman Keigher reported that one position was available on subject board; application was received from Mr. Max S. Clark, Jr. as recommended by the Kings Mountain City Council, to serve as an extraterritorial jurisdiction representative. The Chairman called for any additional applications or comments.

Commissioner Philbeck explained his opposition to ETJs and noted his reason for voting against ETJ appointments.

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Keigher called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Fraley, the BOC reappointed Mr. Max S. Clark, Jr. to the *Kings Mountain Planning & Zoning Board* to a term ending December, 2018.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Fraley, Brown, Price, Williams, Keigher, Carpenter

NAY: Commissioner Philbeck

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

On motion introduced by Commissioner Brown and seconded Commissioner Price, the BOC unanimously closed the Public Hearings.

Requesting a point of privilege, Commissioner Brown asked that BOC recognize the elected officials in attendance.

Chairman Keigher advised they would be recognized during Citizen Recognition.

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FY14 - 15 Gaston County Audit Presentation

This presentation was moved after item XII (Appointments).

Agenda Revision/Approval

- Revised/ Commissioner Keigher BOC Commendation To Commend Mary Jo's Cloth Store on Its 65th Anniversary I., A.
- Added/ Commissioner Keigher BOC To Amend Resolution 2015-292 to Revise the Township Grant Allotment to \$3M to be Divided Among the Six Townships IX., A.
- Moved/ FY 14-15 Gaston County Audit Presentation to XII., B.

Commissioner Price introduced a motion to combine the Township Grants (Items B-G) under Non-Consent, for one vote. Commissioner Fraley provided the second, and the vote carried unanimously.

Chairman Keigher called for a motion to approve the Agenda as revised.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously approved the Agenda of January 26, 2016 with changes as noted above.

Approval of Minutes

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 11/10/2015, Closed Session of 11/10/2015 Pursuant to N.C.Gen.Stat. 143 318.11(a)(3), Special Teleconference Meeting of 11/23/2015, Regular Meeting of 12/8/2015 and the Organizational Meeting of 12/8/2015.

Citizen Recognition

The BOC recognized the following elected officials: Mayor Steve Alexander and Commissioners Ronnie Laws, Doug Moore and Wade Morton - Town of Ranlo; Mr. Danny Sparrow - Town of Stanley; Mayor Rick Coleman - Town of Dallas; Mayor H. L. Beam - City of Cherryville; Councilwoman Kathy Rhyne - City of High Shoals; Mayor Ronnie Worley and Commissioners Donald Rice and Susan Neeley - Town of Cramerton; Mr. Chris Howell and Ms. Dorothy (Dot) Guthrie - Gaston County Board of Education; Councilmen David Humphrey, Robert Kellogg and Jim Gallagher - City of Gastonia; Alderman Jerry Cearley, Allen Huggins and Alderwoman Darlene Morrow - Town of Dallas.

The following citizens spoke in support of the township grant projects on the Non-Consent Agenda: Councilman Jim Gallagher (Gastonia), Mr. Charles Graham (Ranlo Town Administrator), Dr. Ancil Overby (Crisis Pregnancy Center), Councilman David Humphries (Gastonia), Ms. Dorothy Guthrie (BOE), Councilman Robert Kellogg (Gastonia), Mr. Kamal Sharpe (Hunter Huss student), Ms. Che'z Adams (Kamal's mother), Mayor H. L. Beam (Cherryville), Mr. Ben Blackburn, Cherryville City

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Manager, Ms. Mary Smith, Ms. Pamela Myers (Lucile Tatum Center/Extension & Community Association), Mr. Chris Howell (BOE), Mrs. Jennie Stultz, (Dream Center Board of Directors), Mayor Ronnie Worley (Cramerton), Sheriff Alan Cloninger, Revered Dickie Spargo (Dream Center Academy), Mr. Wavey Williams (Dream Center Academy Executive Director), Ms. Karen Bernard (Lucile Tatum Center) and Mr. Donnie Loftis (CaroMont Health Board member).

Consent Agenda

Chairman Keigher called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Philbeck introduced the motion to approve and Commissioner Brown provided the second.

Chairman Keigher called for discussion.

Commissioner Price cited item "AE" and requested clarification on whether the \$30k appropriation was coming out of fund balance or DHHS's budget since ACCESS had been placed under DHHS.

The County Manager advised the \$30k was coming out of the fund balance and this was unanticipated because of a dramatic increase in the requirements for transporting veterans to new facilities; anticipate that this cost increase will continue into the next fiscal year.

Hearing no further discussion, Chairman Keigher called for the vote, and the BOC unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 2016-001 Commissioner Williams BOC Proclamation Proclaimed the Week of January 24-30, 2016 as School Choice Week in Gaston County.
- 2016-002 Commissioner Keigher BOC Proclamation Proclaimed the Month of February 2016 as Black History Month in Gaston County.
- 2016-003 Commissioner Keigher BOC Commendation Commended Mary Jo's Cloth Store on its 65th Anniversary date of January 16, 2016.
- 2016-004 Commissioner Carpenter Budget/Purchasing Accepted and Appropriated a Two Year Governor's Crime Commission Grant Awarded to the Sheriff's Office in the Amount of \$200.000 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
2015 Governor's Crime Commission Grant-DV Unit	10-4315-4315-221-521		(\$200,000)
Fund Balance Replaced	10-9900-991-500		\$200,000

2016-005 Commissioner Keigher - Budget/Purchasing - Approved Bid Award for the Purchase of Vehicles and Ambulances, as Well as the Purchase of a Bulldozer

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from State Contract, Totaling \$3,319,761.60 Which Includes Vehicle Equipment, Decals, Tag/tax and Title Fees as follows:

Bid Results - Vehicles & Ambulances Cost Only (see separate chart for costs including equipment)	2016 Vehicles Formal Bids opened 12/1/15	11/15			12/22/2015
Spec #1 3/4 Ton 4x2 Extended Cab & Chassis - Animal Control	Unit Price Bid Amount	Make/Model	Ωtγ	Extended	Recommended Award
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet Wade Ford Biodmont Truck Conter	No bid \$25,321.00	Ford F250		\$25,321.00	
Fredindit Index Center Abenethy Chevy Jeep Dodge Tindol Ford - Alternate price expires 12/31/15; insufficient time Tindol Ford	\$23,141.00 No bid \$24,261.77 \$24,661.77	Ford F250 Ford F250		\$24,261.77 \$24,661.77	\$24,661.77
Spec #2 Full Size 1/2 Ton 4x4 Pick Up Truck w/ Bed Cover - Building Inso			8		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet Wade Ford Diedmont Truck Center	\$25,412.84 \$26,175.00 No bid	Chevy Silverado 1500 Ford F150		\$50,825.68 \$52,350.00	\$50,825.68
Tredition, floor Center Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge Tindol Ford - Alternate price expires 12/18/15; insufficient time Tindol Ford	\$28,506.60 \$23,540.87 \$25,870.87	Dodge Ram 1500 Ford F150 Ford F150		\$57,013.20 \$47,081.74 \$51,741.74	
Spec #3 Hybrid Sedan - Combact - Environmental Health			-		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet Wade Ford Piedmont Truck Center	No bid \$22,631.00 No bid	Ford C-Max Hybrid		\$22,631.00	
Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge Tindol Ford	No bid \$22,435.74	Ford C-Max Hybrid		\$22,435.74	\$22,435.74
Bid Results - Vehicles & Ambulances Cost Only (see separate chart for costs including equipment) Recommended awards are in "bold" - Page 2 of 4 Spec #4 Spec #4	Unit Price Bid Amount	Make/Model	, Qt	Extended	Recommended Award
Full Size 1/2 1011 424 Files Op Track W. Bed COVEL - Elly Treater. Ben Mynatt Chevrolet	\$25,412.84	Chevy Silverado 1500	7	\$50,825.68	\$50,825.68

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Wade Ford Piedmont Truck Center Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge Tindol Ford - Alternate price expires 12/18/15: insufficient time	\$26,175.00 No bid \$28,506.60 \$23,540.87	Ford F150 Dodge Ram 1500 Ford F150	\$52,350.00 \$57,013.20 \$47.081.74	
Tindol Ford	\$25,870.87	Ford F150	\$51,741.74	
Spec #5 Mid-Size Hybrid Sedan - Social Services		24		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet Wade Ford	No bid \$23 524 00	Ford Fusion Hybrid	\$47 048 00	
Piedmont Truck Center	No bid		2	
Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge Tindol Ford	No bid \$23,328.74	Ford Fusion Hybrid	\$46,657.48	\$46,657.48
Spec #6 Full Size SUV (AWD or 4WD as long as pursuit rated) Police Pkg -	Police Pkg - County Police	1		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet	No bid	2 - 5 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -	00 003	00 000
wade rord Piedmont Truck Center	No bid	rord Dully Interceptor	920,333.00	920,553.00
Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge	No bid			
Tindol Ford	\$28,675.30	Ford Explorer PI	\$28,675.30	
Bid Results - Vehicles & Ambulances Cost Only (see separate chart for costs including equipment) Recommended awards are in "bold" - Page 3 of 4				
Spec #7	Unit Price Bid Amount	AHO Oto	Extended	Recommended Award
Marked Full Size RWD 2WD SUV Police Pkg - County Police & Anima	9	2		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet	No bid			
Wade Ford - Doesn't meet Spec; bid with exception Piedmont Truck Center	\$31,326.00 No bid	Ford Utility Interceptor	\$62,652.00	
Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge	No bid			
Tindol Ford	No bid			
Sir Walter per NC Sheriff's Association Contract	\$35,013.00	Chevy Tahoe police package	\$70,026.00	\$70,026.00
Spec #8 Marked Full Size Sedan RWD Police Pkg - County Police		12		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet Wade Ford - Doesn't meet Spec; bid with exception Piedmont Truck Center	No bid \$27,825.00 No bid	Ford Interceptor	\$333,900.00	

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Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge Tindol Ford Ilderton per NC Sheriff's Association Contract	No bid No bid \$25,231.00	Dodge Charger		\$302,772.00	\$302,772.00
Spec #9 - OP HON 1 Marked Full Size Sedan RWD Police Pkg - Sheriff's Office			е		
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet Wade Ford - Doesn't meet Spec: hid with exception	No bid	Ford Interceptor		\$83 475 00	
Piedmont Truck Center	No bid				
Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge	No bid				
Iliderton per NC Sheriff's Association Contract	\$25,231.00	Dodge Charger		\$75,693.00	
Spec 9 Option 2 SUV is requested instead of this Option 1 Sedan					
Bid Results - Vehicles & Ambulances Cost Only (see separate chart for costs including equipment) Recommended awards are in "bold" - Page 4 of 4					
	Unit Price				Recommended
Spec #9 - OPTION 2 Marked Full Size AWD SUV (AWD or 4WD as long as pursuit rated) Police Pkg - Sheriff's Office	Bid Amount olice Pka - Sheriff's Office		Oty 3	Extended	Award
Ben Mynatt Chevrolet	No bid				
Wade Ford	\$29,477.00	Ford Utility Interceptor		\$88,431.00	
Piedmont Truck Center	No bid				
Abernethy Chevy Jeep Dodge	No bid				
Tindol Ford	\$29,345.30	Ford Utility Interceptor		\$88,035.90	\$88,035.90
TOTAL - Vehicle Costs Recommended for Award					\$684,779.25
AMBULANCES Ambulance - Type 1, Class 1, 4x2, Config A - GEMS			9		
Northwestern - extending FY 14-15 contract as allowed by contract using \$267,732.00 FY 15-16 bid price	g \$267,732.00	Type 1		\$1,606,392.00	\$1,606,392.00
Ambulances - Sprinter Type II, Class 1 4x2 Config A - SQUADS			1		
Northwestern - extending FY 14-15 contract as allowed by contract using FY 15-16 bid price	g \$132,707.00	Sprinter		\$132,707.00	\$132,707.00
TOTAL of Vehicles and Ambulances for Award					\$2,423,878.25

See separate chart showing recommended vehicle costs, equipment, decals and tag/tax/title for total cost related to vehicles.

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2016-006 Commissioner Carpenter - Budget/Purchasing - Accepted and Appropriated Program Income from the 2011 CDBG Scattered Site Grant Rehabilitation Program

per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
CDBG Program Income	40-4932-4932-260-518	08315-0001	(\$34,938)
CDBG Program Income	40-4932-4932-590-000		\$34,938

2016-007 Commissioner Keigher - Finance - Accepted the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 Gaston County Audit as Information.

2016-008 Commissioner Philbeck - Building Inspections - Authorized the Purchase of Blue Beam Plan Review Software and Monitors to be Used for Electronic Plan Review for Building Inspections, Zoning, Health Department, Erosion Control and Fire Marshal's Office and Added Electronic Plan Review Fee (Tech Fee) to Gaston County Fee Schedule of \$100.00 Per Submittal per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
electronic plan review (revenue)	10-4350-410-541		(22000)
Software license fees	10-4350-422-000		3000
capital equipment over \$5000	10-4350-510-000		19000

2016-009 Commissioner Carpenter - Cooperative Extension - Approved and Allocated PFCLG Grant Funding for the Cooperative Extension Parent Education Program per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Smart Start: FY16	10-4950-4950-298-000	16219-0001	14,694
Smart Start Program - State	10-4950-4950-322-510		[14,694]

2016-010 Commissioner Keigher - County Manager - Accepted Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information as follows:

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Account Number	Project #	Amount
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10-4140-393-000		(100)
10-4140-211-000		100
10-4210-121-000		(24,951)
10-4210-199-000		24.951
10 4265 4260 202 000		(F 000)
		(5,000)
10-4265-4260-499-000		5,000
10-4265-4260-351-000	16190-0001	(10,850)
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10-4265-4260-351-000	16191-0001	10,850
10-4315-4315-121-000		(20,000)
10-4315-4315-122-000		20,000
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#4350 Building Inspections Books Mileage Reimbursement	10-4350-293-000 10-4350-311-000		(900) 900
#4520 ACCESS Repairs & Maintenance: Bldgs Software Rental & License Fee	10-4520-4521-351-000 10-4520-4520-422-000		(1,200) 1,200
#4921 Travel & Tourism Marketing Janitorial Supplies	22-4921-371-000 22-4921-211-000		(100) 100
#4921 Travel & Tourism Marketing - Paid Ads Temporary Help	22-4921-371-000 22-4921-393-000		(5,000) 5,000
#4960 Natural Resources Special Programs Expenditure Special Programs Expenditure Employee Development/Training Equip/Furn: \$250-\$4,999 Equip/Furn: \$5,000 or >	10-4960-298-000 10-4960-298-000 10-4960-395-000 10-4960-530-000 10-4960-510-000	16039-0001 16040-0001	(2,000) (4,100) (2,770) (900) 9,770
#5300 DHHS - Social Services Food & Provisions Special Programs Employee Recognition & Awards	20-5300-5310-220-000 20-5300-5310-298-000	16061-0001	(110) 110
#5600 DHHS - Social Services EGADC Bldgs, Structures, & Improvements	20-5600-298-000 20-5600-5650-580-000	15260-0001 15260-0001	(300) 300
#6110 Library Special Programs Food & Provisions	10-6110-6110-298-000 10-6110-6110-220-000	15046-0001	(650) 650
#6141 Museum Repairs & Maintenance: Bldgs Miscellaneous	10-6141-351-000 10-6141-299-000		(300) 300

2016-011 Commissioner Price - DHHS (Health Division) - Accepted and Appropriated Grant Funds from the Community Foundation of Gaston County for the Public Health Teen Action Council Program per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Other Grants	11-5100-5112-5131-890-512	16251-0001	(\$400)
Special Programs	11-5100-5112-5131-298-000		\$400

2016-012 Commissioner Price - DHHS (Health Division) - Accepted and Appropriated Additional State Grant Funds from the NC Division of Public Heath for the Maternity Clinic per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Health - State Grant	11-5100-5150-5151-320-505	16252-0001	(\$20,000)
Special Programs	11-5100-5150-5151-298-000		\$20,000

2016-013 Commissioner Price - DHHS (Health Division) - Accepted and Appropriated Grant Funds from UNC Chapel Hill for the Public Health Corner Store Initiative per Budget

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Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Other Grants	11-5100-5112-5119-890-512	16253-0001	(\$500)
Special Programs	11-5100-5112-5119-298-000		\$500

2016-014 Commissioner Price - DHHS (Health Division) - Accepted and Appropriated Additional State Grant Funds from the NC Division of Public Health for the Public Health Family Planning Clinic per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Health - State Grant	11-5100-5130-320-505		(\$5,635)
Drugs	11-5100-5130-238-000		\$5,635

2016-015 Commissioner Keigher - Finance - Awarded Bid for Financing up to \$3,319,761.60 for Rolling Stock and Equipment to Bank of America and Approved the Attached Budget Change Request (to Appropriate Funds) and Resolution Approving Financing Terms per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Installment Purchase	10-8300-912-500		(2,610,238)
Animal Control Motor Vehicles	10-4380-540-000		44,898
Building Inspection Motor Vehicles	10-4350-540-000		53,163
GEMS Motor Vehicles	10-4370-540-000		1,654,620
Rescue Squads Motor Vehicles	10-4372-540-000		136,695
Sheriff Department Motor Vehicles	10-4315-4315-540-000		105,995
Police Department Motor Vehicles	10-4310-4310-540-000		491,069
Proceeds: Inst. Purchase Agreement	60-8300-912-500		\$(709,529)
Motor Vehicles	60-4720-540-000		\$709,529
Transfer to Health Fund	10-9800-980-011		\$75,628
Transfer from Gen Fund	11-9800-980-510		\$(75,628)
Environ. Health Motor Vehicles	11-5100-5114-5128-540-000		75,628
Transfer to Pub Asst Fund	10-9800-980-020		\$48,170
Transfer from Gen Fund	20-9800-980-510		\$(48,170)
Social Services Motor Vehicles	20-5300-5310-540-000		48.170

and as follows:

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNING BODY

At a duly called meeting of the governing body of County of Gaston, North Carolina, as Purchaser held in accordance with all applicable legal requirements, including open meeting laws, on the 26th day of January, 2016, the following resolution was introduced and adopted:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A SCHEDULE TO ITS EXISTING MASTER EQUIPMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT, AND RELATED INSTRUMENTS, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the governing body of County of Gaston, North Carolina ("Purchaser") desires to finance certain equipment (the "Equipment") described in the Schedule of Property No. 3 to the Master Equipment Financing Agreement dated as of February 14, 2013 (collectively, the "Agreement") in an amount not to exceed \$3,320,000 with Banc of America Public Capital Corp ("Lender"), the form of which has been available for review by the governing body of Purchaser prior to this meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Equipment is essential for the Purchaser to perform its governmental functions; and

WHEREAS, Purchaser has taken the necessary steps, including those relating to any applicable legal bidding requirements, to arrange for the acquisition of the Equipment; and

WHEREAS, Purchaser proposes to enter into the Agreement with Lessor substantially in the forms presented to this meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF PURCHASER AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 1. It is hereby found and determined that the terms of the Agreement in the forms presented to this meeting and incorporated in this resolution are in the best interests of Purchaser for the acquisition of the Equipment.

Section 2. The Agreement and the acquisition and financing of the Equipment under the terms and conditions as described in the Agreement are hereby approved. The County Manager of Purchaser and any other officer of Purchaser who shall have power to execute contracts on behalf of Purchaser be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Agreement with any changes, insertions and omissions therein as may be approved by the officers who execute the Agreement, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such execution and delivery of the Agreement. The Clerk to the Board of the Purchaser and any other officer of Purchaser who shall have power to do so be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to affix the official seal of Purchaser to the Agreement and attest the same.

Section 3. The proper officers of Purchaser be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, opinions, certificates, affidavits and other documents and to do or cause to be done any and all other acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this resolution and the Agreement.

Section 4. The Purchaser's obligation under the Agreement will not be designated as a qualified tax exempt obligation under Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and therefore such obligation is "non-bank qualified" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(ii) of the Code.

The undersigned further certifies that the above resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect and further certifies that the Agreement executed on behalf of Purchaser is the same as presented at such meeting of the governing body of Purchaser, excepting only such changes, insertions and omissions as shall have been approved by the officers who executed the same.

Date: January 26th, 2016

County of Gaston, North Carolina

Purchaser

By:

(Signature of Secretary, Board Chairman or other member of the Governing Body)

Name: Tom Keigher

Title: Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Attested By:

(Signature of one additional person who can witness the passage of this Resolution)

Name: Donna Buff

Title: Clerk to the Board

2016-016 Commissioner Brown - Finance - Tax Refunds Less than \$100 accepted as Information as follows:

GASTON COUNTY, NC - LISTING OF PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS LESS THAN \$100.00 FOR REAL PROPERTY TO BE REPORTED AT THE JANUARY 26, 2016 BOARD MEETING

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
ADCOCK, GLORIA	1.49	JOSHUA PROPERTIES	96.01
AGAN, JUANITA	9.99	JOSHUA PROPERTIES	96.01
ALDAPE, JONATHAN	59.86	JOSHUA PROPERTIES	96.01
ALEXANDER, RICKY	21.35	JOSHUA PROPERTIES	60.01
ALEXANDER, SCOTT	8.51	JOSHUA PROPERTIES	73.34
ALLEN, JEAN	30.19	KIRKLEY, PHYLLIS	5.41
ALLEN, JEAN	23.83	LANE, MELODY	9.62
ALTMAN, FRED JR.	8.59	LANIER, JOHN	10.00
BALATSIAS LLC	31.00	LANKFORD, ROXANN	2.35
BARR, DORIS	39.54	LINEERGER, GAYNELL	9.08
BLACK, BOBBY	3.00	LITTLEJOHN, VANIA D	60.79
BROCK & SCOTT, PLLC	8.00	LONG, PATSY	2.98
BROOME, REBECCA W	67.00	MADDOX, LARRY	4.16
BROWN, NORMAN	26.72	MARR, RONALD BRENT	15.70
BUNCH, PHILLIP	4.00	MCCONNELL, JIM	2.00
CARPENTER, CHARLES	40.33	MELTON, SOHANNE	69.12

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CARR, BRADLEY COMMUNICATION SOLUTIONS NETWORK COMMUNICATION SOLUTIONS NETWORK CRAIN, CLAUDE (LIFE ESTATE) CRANE, EDITH (LIFE ESTATE) CRAWFORD, LINDA B DAILEY, DOYLE DAVIS, FRED DAVIS, LARRY DENNIS, ARTHUR DIGGS, EDWARD DILLS, BRUCE ECHOLS, P;URSER, & GLENN EDLEN, DAMIEN ENLOE, DALE (LIFE ESTATE) FMC CORPORATION FOGLE, DAVID GABRIEL, JO F GASTON, RUBY GHANTT, BOBBY GILLIAN, MARY GRAHAM, HOWARD GREEN, JENNIFER	23.39 22.66 5.65 77.00 42.00 50.97 16.97 94.13 6.53 61.01 79.01 11.34 78.32 26.22 30.00 37.05 37.05 35.42 35.42 47.35 12.94 31.00 36.60 14.46 37.21 54.00	MESSER, BILLY MILLER, BEVERLY MITCHEM, LISA MORTGAGE CONNECT, LP MYERS, BEVERLY NICKSON, JAMON NORRIS, JAMES PEPSICO INC PETY, BLANCHE POTTS, DANIEL PUFFSTETLER, PALMER JR RESENDIZ-ARREGUIN, MARIA RHYNE, ROBYN ROBINSON, GORDON ROGERS, WANDA RUSSELL, BEATRICE SKIDMORE, MICHAEL SMITH, DAVID JR SONOCO RECYCLING INC STILES, MARY STILLWELL, MYRA SWANSON, BRIAN TADLOCK, WARREN TAYLOR, DEBORAH THOMAS, VERNELL THOMPSON, GLENDA	13.07 13.94 23.40 20.00 13.41 22.76 40.47 29.07 7.00 10.81 10.69 5.70 3.92 17.65 36.90 16.79 33.61 17.00 41.36 21.18 3.19 66.99 43.20 6.94 5.72
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GASTON, RUBY	31.00	SWANSON, BRIAN	21.18
GHANTT, BOBBY	36.60	TADLOCK, WARREN	3.19
GILLIAN, MARY			
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GREENWALD, WALTER	22.66	TURNER, TONY SR	5.12
GRINDLE, LEROY	9.71	USBANCORP SERVICE PROVIDERS, LLC	44.51
HARRISON, DELISA HARRISON, EDITH	29.21 24.78	VANDERBILT MORTGAGE VARNER, WILLIAM	10.00 50.82
HELMS, WILLIAM JR.	10.84	VILLA PIZZA ENTERPRISES INC	9.00
HOWARD, SHAWN	2.00	WALKER, SHIRLEY	5.26
HOWE, ELAINE	32.24	WILSON, LORETTA	35.75
HUFFSTETLER, PALMER JR	10.11	WILSON, SHIRLEY	47.00
IORDANOV, PLAMEN	55.00	WOODY, RICHARD	30.44
JENKINS, JOSEPH	5.00	WOOTEN, BETTY	25.60
JENKINS, KENNETH	12.78	WRIGHT, RICHARD	36.19
JOSHUA PROPERTIES	96.01	WYATT, DAVID	89.44
JOSHUA PROPERTIES	96.01	TOTAL REAL PROPERTY REFUNDS	\$3,429.83

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TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
ADAIR, THOMAS	13.66	HAMILTON, ROSETTA	5.59
BABB, JAMES	83.92	HANCE, JULIE	77.00
BABB, JAMES	23.65	HEAVNER, EVELYN	1.45
BABB, JAMES	21.05	HEILIG, HELEN	0.78
BABB, JAMES	59.07	HENDERSON, FLOYCILLE	98.18
BABB, JAMES	80.52	HERNANDEZ, INGRID	81.78
BAKER, SHANNON EUGENE	12.00	HINTON, BEN	64.84
BLANKENSHIP, MISTY	53.29	HOYLE, SHAKERA	50.58
BLANKENSHIP, MISTY	4.56	HUX, WILLIAM	8.40
BOWEN, JOHN	40.54	IRVINE, JOSEPH	54.34
BOWEN, JOHN	46.86	KESTER, REVECCA	53.65
BRATTON, ERIKA	6.18	KING, CHRIS	12.48
BRICE, CHANTRELLE	63.18	LAPLANT, ROBERT	21.03
GAYLORD, MAKAYLA	3.38	LAYEL, SHEROLYN	85.45
GLADDEN, SYLVIA	97.27	LEFTWICH, JONAS	60.95
GLEATON, LA SHANDA REGINA	21.05	LEONHARDT, TIMOTHY	28.68

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OLEATON DECINA	40.70	LL VANO VINO	7.54
GLEATON, REGINA	12.79	LI, YANG XING	7.54
HANNON, CHRISTOPHER	1.06	LOFTIN, RONALD	45.59
HARMON, MELISSA	44.41 44.03	LONG, ROGER	2.52
JENKINS, ANDEE		LOWE CHRIS	18.54 24.83
LEONHARDT, TIMOTHY	88.01 12.39	LOWE, CHRIS	68.02
LITTLE, THOMAS	8.76	LOWE, CHRIS	11.76
SMITH, MELANIE		MANEY, TARA	
TADLOCK, WARREN	33.40	MARKLEY, STEPHEN	28.24
TADLOCK, WARREN	56.77	MARTIN, CHARLES	12.01
TATE, STEVEN	2.97	MARTIN, KELLY	77.63
VENEZIANO VEHICLE TAX REFUNDS	959.69	MARTINEZ, FAUSTINO	71.04 22.05
VEHICLE TAX REFUNDS	959.69	MCCLUBE, CERALD	22.05
) (TO DEFLINIDO		MCCLURE, GERALD	
VTS REFUNDS	45.00	MCNAIR, TRAVIS	73.02
ADAMS, GLADYS	15.23	MICHAEL, TIMOTHY	14.00
ADVANTAGE INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC	89.54	MOLINA, CARLOS	38.56
ALEXANDER, ANGELA	87.68	MORREN, NICOLE	77.13
BALL, MELINDA	25.22	MULL, GREGORY	91.91
BARE, BETTY	49.47	NULL, KEVIN	27.60
BEARD, MELINDA	67.78 20.80	O'BRIEN, CAROLINE	40.67
BERRYHILL, AUTUMN	24.28	OSORIO, GABRIEL	23.23 19.73
BIGGERM MICHAEL	28.53	OWENSBY, KATHERINE	21.89
BOUKATHER, BROOKE	31.24	OWENSBY, KATHERINE	59.78
BRADLEY MEMORIAL UNITED	31.24	PEARSON, CHERESE	
BRADLEY MEMORIAL UNITED BRATTON, DINA	33.34	PRUITT, DAVID PURSER, WEYLAN	39.76 49.24
BURNHAM, KELLY	27.12	QUAILE, MIRANDA	18.11
COOK, CALVIN	53.38	RHYNE, LOIS	4.33
COSTNER, JASON	73.92	RICKARD, RETHA	14.90
COTTINGHAM, WILLIAM	49.79	ROBERTS, ROBERT	78.67
CRAWFORD, JAN	20.94	ROSS, ANDREA	29.77
CRAWFORD, ROY	41.85	ROWE, STEPHEN	66.04
CURRENCE, JUSTIN	21.54	RYBAK, LEAH	61.21
DAVIS, BENJAMIN	22.05	SCHRADER, DEBORAH	27.22
DAVIS, CHRISTOPHER	22.82	SHEIKH, MUHAMMAD	4.99
DAY, MICHAEL	3.17	SMALLS, CARLTON	47.98
DE LA CRUZ, IVETTA	48.44	SMITH, CECIL	86.69
DEASE, TABATHA	31.38	SMITH, NICOLE	25.39
DESHA, GEREMIE	94.40	SOUTHERN SWITCHGEAR SERVICES	74.23
- , -		INC	
DEY, RICHARD	22.46	STACEY, ASHLEY	80.64
DRUM, RICKY	52.06	STRINI, JENNIFER	13.52
EDWARDS, KENNETH	53.07	SWANSON, CAROL	24.16
ELLIOTT, CHERYL	60.77	TAYLOR, CHRISTOPHER	23.10
EWALD, RANDY	87.07	TAYLOR, VERNON	9.38
FERGUSON, MICHAEL	19.93	TAYLOR, VERNON	32.26
FIRST ASSOC REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	29.00	THROCKMORTON, CHRISTIAN	65.33
FIRST WESLEYAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL	29.00	WATFORD, LEWIS	67.07
FLEMING, DARRIS	55.69	WATKINS, JENNIFER	12.73
GARCIA, GUSTAVO	27.65	WELLNER, DIANA	82.63
GATTIS, BILLY	22.41	WHALEN, DAVID	84.83
GERMAN, LINDA	76.27	WHITE, DEE	45.60
GETTYS, FRANK	63.00	WHITE, GLENDA	13.15
GIBBONS, JAMES	7.50	WHITE, MARIA	71.02
GIBBONS, NANCY	9.99	WHITE, NATHANIEL	84.00
GOODWIN, RUSSELL	22.24	WILSON, TIMOTHY	60.18

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GOODWIN, RUSSELL	40.26	WRIGHT, MARSHA	5.62
GRAVES, KEIGH	81.64	YAGER, VICTOR	85.17
GRAYSON, PATRICIA	44.98	VTS TOTAL	\$5,010.81
GRIFFIN, RUBY	55.43		
HAGER, RANDY	42.75	GRAND TOTAL VEHICLE TAX REFUNDS	\$5,970.50

2016-017 Commissioner Brown - Fire Marshal - Approved the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to New Hope Fire Department per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated *Additional Subsidies (A/S)	28-9900-991-500		(57,206)
New Hope: A/S	28-4411-699-036		57,206

2016-018 Commissioner Brown - Fire Marshal - Approved the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to South Point Fire Department per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	28-9900-991-500		(329,250)
*Additional Subsidies (A/S) South Point: A/S	28-4416-699-036		329,250

- 2016-019 Commissioner Brown Fire Marshal Approved the Finance Arrangements and a Certificate of Need for Alexis Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. to Obtain Financing (\$181,217) to Purchase Twenty-six (26) Scott Airpacks to Replace their Current Non-Serviceable Units as Approved by the Fire Advisory Board on November 30, 2015.
- 2016-020 Commissioner Williams Information Technology Appropriated \$10,000 from Fund Balance for Fiber Optic Cable Relocation on New Hope Road per Budget

 Change Request:

 Account Description
 Account Number
 Project Subproject
 Amount

 Fund Balance Appropriated Professional Services
 10-9900-991-500
 \$(10,000)

 Professional Services
 10-4210-199-000
 \$10,000

2016-021 Commissioner Keigher - Parks and Recreation - Accepted and Appropriated a Senior Center General Purpose Grant from Centralina Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount	
General Purpose Grant	10-6130-322-527		(11,400)	
Senior Center Programming	10-6130-298-000	16092-0001	(3,800)	
General Purpose Grant	10-6130-298-000	16250-0001	15 200	

- 2016-022 Commissioner Philbeck Police Commendation Awarded the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Police Chief James Buie after 29 years of dedicated service.
- 2016-023 Commissioner Carpenter Police Commendation Recognized the Retirement of Police Records Specialist Darlene O. Whitaker.

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- 2016-024 Commissioner Keigher Police Commendation Recognized the Retirement of Police Records Specialist Janet M. Russ.
- 2016-025 Commissioner Brown Police Commendation Awarded the Service Side Arm and Badge to Police Sergeant Talmadge N. McInnis, Retired for 28 years of dedicated service.
- 2016-026 Commissioner Carpenter Public Works Accepted an Offer to Purchase Two County Owned Surplus Parcels (PIDs 106052 and 101789) and Authorized Staff to Initiate the Upset Bid Process.
- 2016-027 Commissioner Carpenter Public Works Accepted a Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant, Authorized Staff to Request Additional Funding for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017, and Appropriated the Necessary Funds for Expenditure Purposes per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	10-9900-991-500		\$(132,980)
Transfer to Cap Imp Fund	10-9800-980-040		\$132,980
Transfer from General Fund	40-9800-980-510		\$(132,980)
CMAQ Grant	40-4265-4260-220-538		\$(513,300)
Bldg, Structure & Improvements:	40-4265-4260-580-000	16254-0001	\$646,280
Dallas Park CMAQ Trail			

2016-028 Commissioner Brown - Sheriff's Office - Appropriated \$18,365 for the Gaston County Sheriff's Office from the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) Funds for FY 2015 2016 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
ST CRIMINAL ALIEN ASST PG	10-4315-321-529		{18,365}
2015 SCAAP GRANT	10-4315-4315-620-000	16233-0001	18,365

2016-029 Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G. S. 105 381 (b), the Tax Collector Requests that the November Listed Tax Refunds be Made to said persons and/or firms in the amounts stated with such funds coming from Account 10- - - 2301- 01 as follows:

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TAXPAYER NAME	OWNER NAME	AMOUNT
NOVEMBER 2015 REAL ESTATE		
Affiliated Mortgage Service		\$6,329.45
Belmont Reserve		\$430.40
Carpenter, Jeremy		\$173.67
Carrington Mortgage Service		\$1,160.36
Corelogic		\$5,134.44
Crawford, Mary		\$100.00
Dudley, Samuel		\$176.32
Erickson, Joanne		\$428.13
Heffner, Tommy		\$246.30
Jones, Charles		\$1,507.56
King, Charles		\$683.16
Lake Point Development		\$5,518.37
Lereta		\$10,893.15
McCombs, Ashley		\$150.00
McKinley, Matthew		\$4,067.09
Rodriguez, Venancia		\$162.34

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Scott, Michael Servi Solutions Summer, Michael Taylor Law PLLC The Shoaf Law Firm Warren L Tadlock, Chap 13 TOTAL	\$529.79 \$2,733.99 \$546.94 \$208.26 \$506.77 \$369.65 \$42,056.14
NOVEMBER 2015 VEHICLES & ETC Bank of North Carolina Dell Equipment Funding Dennis, Eric Gastonia Chrysler, Dodge Phillips, Veronica Stiles, Kathleen Tas Drug Inc Warren L Tadlock Chap 13 TOTAL	\$637.02 \$184.45 \$203.83 \$982.61 \$322.24 \$115.26 \$165.31 \$225.21 \$2,835.93
NOVEMBER VTS REFUNDS Barett, Jon Broome, Mel Caldwell, Debra Clanton, David Conrad, Barbara Davis, Benjamin Davis, Benjamin Ezeway Auto Sales Farris, Karen Fowler, Jody Friday, Cameron Graham, Tyler Hough, James Johnson, Billy Lee, Daniel Lincoln County Tax Collector Neill, Sarah Osteen, William Oyster, Jeffery Schuls, Erik Schuls, Erik Whipple, David Willish, Joyce Worman, Mark TOTAL GRAND TOTAL	\$282.98 \$107.40 \$114.91 \$104.75 \$151.94 \$163.33 \$108.04 \$172.76 \$299.57 \$601.50 \$389.23 \$195.02 \$280.97 \$108.34 \$111.94 \$440.04 \$259.64 \$136.66 \$196.45 \$286.02 \$553.51 \$248.38 \$143.50 \$177.03 \$223.43 \$5,857.34

2016-030 Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105 381 (b), the Tax Collector Requests that the December Listed Tax Refunds be Made to said persons and/or firms in the amounts stated with such funds coming from Account 10- - -

 2301- 01 as follows:

 TAXPAYER NAME OWNER NAME OWNER NAME
 AMOUNT DECEMBER 2015 REAL ESTATE

 Advantage Investment
 \$208.18

 Alliance Real Estate
 \$17,703.16

 Anderson, James
 \$326.32

 Anthony Farms
 \$440.31

 Barker, Thomas
 \$850.93

Belmont Land And Investment \$960.46 Carpenter, J Dean \$582.92

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Cope, Richard	\$1,010.33
Corelogic	\$822.60
Corelogic Commercial	\$28,508.44
Crescent Communities	\$912.31
Davis, Larry	\$531.71
Déjà vu Consignments	\$150.00
Donatelli, Catherine	\$846.34
Fletcher, Cynthia	\$3,766.37
Gordon Building	\$349.20
Greene, Juanita	\$151.20
Hester, Chad	\$208.94
Hibberts, Gertrude	\$186.71
Holcombe, Larry	\$810.00
Hord, Douglas	\$137.37
Howell, Janice	\$161.93
Hoyle, Ruby	\$276.43
Huffstetler, Nola	\$500.00
Ingles Market	\$1,257.77
Jackson, Harold	\$191.14
Jan, Fawad	\$207.54
Jones, Ronald	\$129.65
Ken Wilkinson Enterprises	\$698.54
Kimsey, Ann	\$200.00
Kiser, Cheryl	\$132.13
Kiser, Peggy	\$564.40
Lennar Carolinas LLC	\$18,399.38
Martinbach Properties	\$1,426.55
McCorkle, Florence	\$100.16
McKinney, George	\$535.59
McLawhorn, C Wesley	\$105.83
Miller, Janet	\$550.25
New Destiny Worship	\$376.88
Ocwen Loan Servicing	\$1,839.93
Owens, Steve	\$500.00
Payne, Bobby	\$700.00 \$700.00
Price Metal Spinning	\$700.00 \$789.24
Roche, Ryan	\$535.59
Rodriguez, Venancia	
	\$228.67
Schrimp, Carol	\$481.92
State Employees Credit Union	\$4,326.32
Terres, Edwin	\$687.94
Trinh And Nguyen Properties	\$1,045.39
True Homes	\$563.26
Turnstone Holding	\$15,773.87
W Marshall Lafar Atty	\$646.37
Wachs Technical Services	\$17,310.17
Wells Fargo Real Estate	\$861.62
TOTAL	\$131,568.26
DECEMBER 2045 VEHICLES & ETO	
DECEMBER 2015 VEHICLES & ETC	4405.04
Austin, Randy	\$185.24
Ball, Steve	\$246.48
Banks, Clemon	\$149.29
Bansal LLC	\$147.45
Barker, Thomas	\$100.95
Bit of Hope Ranch	\$132.02
Kirkpatrick, Milinda	\$165.09
Waste Management	\$104,321.60
TOTAL	\$105,448.12
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DECEMBER VTS REFUNDS	** • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Beheler, Timothy	\$114.09
Black, Wade	\$297.61
Briley LLC	\$130.54

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Utilities and Services)

Chapman, Richard	\$170.21
Dreamweavers Unlimited	\$215.72
Drum, Christopher	\$135.40
El-Asmar, Essam	\$353.23
Field, Carl	\$559.65
Florez, Ramos	\$134.08
Gannon, Matthew	\$129.92
Goodson, Evelyn	\$158.81
Hoyle, Benson	\$227.72
Isle, Friedhelm	\$163.38
L G Machine Repair	\$171.57
Lapreze, Clinton	\$221.09
Mathis, Shawn	\$183.82
Oumarou, Nassiou	\$117.23
Phillips, Jennifer	\$168.14
Ruppel, Jason	\$296.83
Taylor, Herbert	\$109.90
Twin Tops Fish & Steak House	\$164.94
Zukus, Lauren	\$102.80
TOTAL	\$4,326.68
GRAND TOTAL	\$241,343.06

2016-031 Commissioner Philbeck - Veterans Services - Increased Department of Veterans Services Budget by \$30,000 to Fund ACCESS Transportation Program Through June 30, 2016 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Project Subproject	Amount
Transportation of clients	10-5820-315-000		\$30,000.00
Fund Balance Appropriated	10-9900-991-500		\$(30,000)

2016-032 Commissioner Philbeck - Planning - Zoning Text Amendment: ZTA 16-01 - Applicant: Gaston County Planning Board - To Consider Proposed Text Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), Chapter 9: Sections, 9.18.1A (Sidewalks), 9.18.2A (Greenstrips), 9.18.3C (Curb/Gutter), Chapter 11: Sections, 11.4D1a (Location of trees), Figure 11.4-1, Chapter 13: Sections, 13.11F, added, (Submittal Requirements for Preliminary and Final Plat), 13.16.8, 13.19.1 (Subdivisions Inside the Urban Standards Overlay District), 13.19.2 (Subdivisions Outside Urban Standards Overlay District, Utilities Available), 13.20.4 (Construction Requirement), 13.20.6C (New Drainage Ways), 13.22 (Cul-de-Sacs), 13.27 (Public

The County Attorney advised that the Planning Board recommended approval by a unanimous vote.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Carpenter, the BOC unanimously adopted Resolution **2016-032** after consideration of the proposed text amendments, public hearing comment and Planning Board recommendation, approved the amendments to amend UDO Chapter 9: Sections, 9.18.1A (Sidewalks), 9.18.2A (Greenstrips), 9.18.3C (Curb/Gutter), Chapter 11: Sections, 11.4D1a (Location of trees), Figure 11.4-1, Chapter 13: Sections, 13.11F, added, (Submittal Requirements for Preliminary and Final Plat), 13.16.8, 13.19.1 (Subdivisions Inside the Urban Standards Overlay District), 13.19.2 (Subdivisions Outside Urban

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Standards Overlay District, Utilities Available), 13.20.4 (Construction Requirement), 13.20.6C (New Drainage Ways), 13.22 (Cul-de-Sacs), 13.27 (Public Utilities and Services) as filed with the Clerk to the Board to be set forth in the Gaston County Code of Ordinances.

2016-033 Commissioner Price - Planning - Zoning Map Change: Z15-10 Flat Creek, LLC, (Lynn (Tripp) McLean III - Manager) (Applicant); Property Parcel: 221532 and 221533 (portion), Located at 1322 South Point Road, Belmont, NC, Zoned (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning Districts w/US Overlay & (CU/C-2) Conditional Use Highway Commercial Zoning Districts w/CH (portion) and US Overlay to the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District w/CH (portion) and US Overlay

The County Attorney advised that the Planning Board recommended approval by a unanimous vote.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Carpenter and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously adopted Resolution **2016-033** after consideration of the map change application, public hearing comment and Planning Board recommendation:

- 1) The map change request is consistent with the County's approved Comprehensive Plan and the Commission considers this action to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on: Planning Board recommendation and compatibility with existing land uses in the immediate area. 221532 and 221533 (portion), be approved, effective with the passage of this Resolution.
- 2) The County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications in this matter to appropriate parties.

0000-000 Commissioner Keigher - To Amend Resolution 2015-292 to Revise the Township Grant Allotment to \$3M to be Divided Among the Six Townships

Commissioner Keigher introduced a motion to approve. Hearing no second, the motion died due to lack of a second.

Commissioner Keigher recalled that the Township Grants were combined during Agenda Revision/Approval to receive a collective vote.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Price, the BOC approved the Crowders Mountain, Dallas, Gastonia, South Point, Riverbend and Cherryville Township Grant recommendations and authorized the County Attorney to draft the necessary contracts, the County Manager to execute said contracts on behalf of Gaston County, and authorized the County Manager to prepare the necessary budget changes to commit funds for these projects. These budget changes will be submitted to the BOC at the 2/9/2016 Regular Meeting for informational purposes only.

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Commissioners Carpenter, Williams, Fraley, Brown, Price, Philbeck commented on the grants and the value to the citizens of County.

Commissioner Keigher, noting that all the projects were worthy, explained his opposition to the grants.

Commissioner Keigher called for the vote and the motion to approve the following Township Grant projects carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Fraley, Brown, Price, Williams, Philbeck, Carpenter

NAY: Commissioner Keigher

2016-034 Commissioner Carpenter - BOC - To Approve the Crowders Mountain Township Grant Recommendation:

Bessemer City North Park Land Acquisition and Construction - \$500k

2016-035 Commissioner Philbeck - BOC - To Approve the Dallas Township Grant Recommendation

- Sewer Inter-connect Line Dallas/Two Rivers \$300k;
- High Shoals City Hall \$125k;
- The Dream Center Academy (Jason Williams Co-Sponsor) \$75k

2016-036 Commissioner Williams - BOC - To Approve the Gastonia Township Grant Recommendation

- Project INVEST in our Youth \$10k
- Hunter Huss High School Track & Security (BOE) \$110k
- Lucile Tatum Center \$55k
- Ranlo Park and Community Building Expansion/Improvement Project \$144k
- Smyre Water System Conversion \$227k
- Spray-ground/Splash pad addition at Erwin Park \$180k
- Playground addition for Smyre Millennium Park \$45k
- Playground addition for I.C. Falls Park \$45k
- Gaston Farmers Market Expansion \$33k
- The Dream Center Academy (Tracy Philbeck Co-Sponsor) \$75k
- Poston Park Sidewalk Connector (Mickey Price Co-Sponsor) \$76k

2016-037 Commissioner Price - BOC - To Approve the South Point Township Grant Recommendation

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- South Point High School (BOE) \$90k
- Belmont Rail Trail \$125k
- Poston Park Sidewalk Connector (Jason Williams Co-Sponsor) \$76k
- South Point GEMS Substation \$66.5k
- · Belmont Library \$55k
- Cramer Mountain Road Sidewalk \$87.5k

2016-038 Commissioner Brown - BOC - To Approve the Riverbend Township Grant Recommendation

- Gravity Sewer Line Extension to Lucia Riverbend Hwy \$156k
- North Fire Station Construction Assistance \$14k
- Catawba Riverfront Greenway \$80k
- Harper Park Gymnasium Project \$250k

2016-039 Commissioner Fraley - BOC - To Approve the Cherryville Township Grant Recommendation

- Cherryville High/Nixon Gym Floor (BOE) \$88,500
- Cherryville Crisis Pregnancy Center \$20,000
- American Legion Post 100 Renovations \$25,000
- City of Cherryville Projects * Proposal B \$366,500
 Water line Upgrade (after match) \$73k
 Police Dept. Water Problem \$75k
 Park Upgrades \$46.5k
 Water Plant Upgrades \$160k

Old Bank Cleanup (façade improvements) - \$12k

Appointments

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the **Housing Appeal Advisory Board**:

Motion IntroducedSecondedAppointeeTerm EndingCommissioner FraleyCommissioner KeigherMr. Robert PopeFebruary 2019Commissioner PriceCommissioner KeigherMs. Pamela GoodeFebruary 2019

On motion introduced by Commissioner Fraley and seconded by Commissioner Keigher, the BOC unanimously appointed Ms. Pamela Goode to the *Transportation Advisory Board (TAB)* to a unexpired term ending November 2017.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Philbeck, the BOC unanimously appointed Ms. Melanie Lowrance to the *Family Advisory Board* to serve until the task of making recommendations to the BOC has been completed.

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

 Motion Introduced
 Seconded
 Appointee
 Term Ending

 Commissioner Brown
 Commissioner Philbeck
 Ms. Pamela Goode
 August 2018 (Unexpired Term)

 Commissioner Williams
 Commissioner Price
 Mr. Alex Mullineaux
 February 2019

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the *Gaston County Board of Adjustments*:

 Motion Introduced
 Seconded
 Appointee
 Term Ending

 Commissioner Price
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. Chuck Ballard
 February 2019

 Commissioner Philbeck
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. Lyman Summerlin
 February 2019

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

 Motion Introduced
 Seconded
 Appointee
 Term Ending

 Commissioner Price
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. Earl Withers, III
 December 2016

 Commissioner Philbeck
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. Eric Hendrix
 December 2016

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the **Planning Board**:

 Motion Introduced
 Seconded
 Appointee
 Term Ending

 Commissioner Williams
 Commissioner Price
 Mr. Scott Attaway
 February 2019

 Commissioner Philbeck
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. Mike Delaney
 February 2019

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously appointed to the *Council on Aging & Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee*:

 Motion Introduced
 Seconded
 Appointee
 Term Ending

 Commissioner Philbeck
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. Brian Bookout
 December 2018 (Unexpired Term)

 Commissioner Philbeck
 Commissioner Keigher
 Mr. David Kneen
 August 2016 (Unexpired Term)

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Price, the BOC unanimously appointed Mr. Joseph B. Davis to the *CaroMont Health/Gaston Memorial Hospital Board of Directors* to a term ending January 2020.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Price, the BOC unanimously appointed Mr. John Lowery to the *Economic Development Commission* to a term ending January 2019.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously appointed Mrs. Patricia Lineberger to the *Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee* to a term ending February 2017.

*FY14-15 Gaston County Audit Presentation

Ms. Erica Brown, Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, PA, presented:

- The County was issued an unmodified audit opinion (clean opinion)
- The General Fund and Public Assistance Fund were combined for reporting purposes which were over budget by 2.3%; expenditures were under budget by 11%

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- The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB68) implemented a revenue accounting standard regarding pension liability which affected all NC governmental units that participate in the state retirement plan
- The state provided governmental units with amounts to be recorded for their portion of the state plan; these changes are effected on the financial statement
- The General Fund and Public Assistance Fund summary shows revenues, expenditures and transfers; final budget compared to actual
- Combined revenues were over budget roughly \$5.4M; combined expenditures were under budget roughly \$24.7M
- Available fund balance is calculated by taking total fund balance less non spendable, less stabilization by state statute; it is basically receivables that are not available to be spent
- The County's total fund balance for 6/30/15 was \$86M; the available fund balance, after removing the non-spendable and stabilization by state statute is \$65M; if you compare this to the prior year of \$46M, there was an increase of over \$19M (42%) majority of this was related to the \$20M received from the Hospital
- The County has a available fund balance of 33.69% which increased over the prior year of over 13% (also due to the \$20M received from the Hospital)
- The County's minimum general fund balance policy instructs management to conduct business with an available fund balance in the range of 10%-20%
- Top revenues for the general fund and public assistance fund are property tax, restricted and intergovernmental revenues (federal/state grants), taxes and licenses; these comprise 82% of total revenues for the general fund
- Property tax in 2014 and 2015 makes up 56% of total revenues; revenues exceeded budget by \$2.9M (2%); decrease from prior year of 1.6%; tax collection rate over prior year increased .83%
- Restricted and intergovernmental revenues (14% of revenues); budget exceeded revenues by \$3.3M; current year increase from prior year is roughly \$2.1M (6.7%)
- Other taxes and licenses indicates the current year exceeded prior year by 14% or \$3.9M;
 exceeded budget almost \$4.2M or 15%
- Sales tax continues to improve; revenues are up across the state; the economy is improving
- The top three expenditures are Human Services, Public Safety and Education; they comprise
 of 82% of total expenditures
- Human Services is 30% of total expenditures; budget exceeded actual by \$11.2M or 16%; current year increase from prior year is about \$163k or less than 1%
- Public Safety is 27% of total expenditures; budget exceeded actual by 12.4%; current year exceeded prior year by 1.6%
- Education is 25% of total expenditures; current year exceeded prior year by 3%; budget exceeded actual by less than 1%

Commissioner Williams asked if that included bonds and everything for education.

Ms. Brown responded these were just the education expenditures; current expenditures does not include bonds.

Commissioner Williams asked if the education expenditures excluded the bonds, Commissioners

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School of Excellence (CSE), School Resource Officers (SRO); stated it does not look like an accurate number.

Mr. Bryant Morehead, Interim Assistant County Manager, advised it includes the schools and the college funding; it but does not have debt; just has the operating funds for the schools and the college.

Commissioner Keigher asked if the debt would be included in the other 18%.

Mr. Morehead advised it is in the transfers; County transfers money from the general fund to a debt service fund.

Commissioner Keigher asked if the County's debt payment was not included in that.

Ms. Brown responded "correct"; Mr. Morehead can explain in more detail with the financial statement where that appears; this is that general fund and a snapshot of those expenditures, but debt is reported separately.

Commissioner Williams asked if vehicles for public safety (Police, Sheriff,) was in the debt or public safety.

Ms. Brown advised if purchased with cash it would be in the current year expenditure; debt would be separate.

Mr. Morehead explained the County has separate debt service funds for education and non-education; staff handles debt instruments for financing vehicles in each department's operating; it is in the financial statement as an expenditure and not in a transfer.

Commissioner Williams asked if public safety is the vehicles financed, and to include that for a more accurate number.

Mr. Morehead responded "yes"; County has always set up its financing to count for the debt service payments - we have that in separate funds; funds flow into there then we make payments out; staff can change that, it is the 20-20 rule, we have always done it that way and will continue; if the BOC would like staff to move out of the debt service fund it can be done.

Commissioner Philbeck stated that is something the BOC should look at since the numbers are not accurate in showing all of the County's debt; would prefer to look at one area showing a breakdown of all of the debt.

Mr. Morehead advised that it is combined in the budget document for presentation purposes to give a truer reflection of the County's expenditure for education (college and schools); the financial statements are designed for BOC information and for the rating agencies. GASB and GAP have tried to make those more uniform so Moody's and S&P can look at them comparatively with Counties across the nation.

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Commissioner Philbeck asked if it would help the County with its rating; stated that it would be more clear as a real number for debt.

Mr. Morehead interjected it would not help.

Chairman Keigher stated the BOC should have that information regularly with these type reports.

Ms. Brown advised that information is included in the book, but was not in the presentation in that format.

The County Manager asked if the BOC wanted to see the annual debt service aggregated with the overall school expenditures.

The BOC concurred.

Commissioners Philbeck and Williams concurred that it would provide a clearer picture of debt for the public.

Ms. Brown clarified that her comments on education involved current year expenditures; advised that the Enterprise Fund (Solid Waste Fund) revenues increased about 14% or \$1M compared to prior year; cited the beginning of the audit report is lengthy document with management discussion and analysis, and is a great area to look for a summary of what has happened in the current year; it will also provide a better picture of the total debt.

Chairman Keigher asked for the other categories that accounting firms use as far as reports.

Ms. Brown responded the term "clean opinion" is a layman's term and is a unmodified opinion; you can have a modified or qualified opinion which the County does not have.

Commissioners Committee Reports

Commissioner Price reported meeting attendance to **DHHS** - Health Division has 25 vacancies (12% vacancy rate); \$433,103 in lapsed salaries; Social Services Division has 32 vacancies (7% vacancy rate); \$414,615 in lapsed salaries; DHHS has a total of \$847,718 in lapsed salaries; **Gaston Family Health Services (GFHS)** - federal government has allotted \$5B more than previous year for public health entities to improve and expand services; not sure how much GFHS will receive; must have a program meeting needs of a community in need; **Senior Total Living Night** - facility currently has 121 participants and a waiting list; state government allows taking in six participants/month; they are expanding the facility for a memory loss unit; BOC can tour facility by contacting Cathy Kenzig, Director.

Commissioner Williams reported meeting attendance to CaroMont Health Board of Directors -

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progress is ongoing on new emergency department entrance; he reminded citizens of the new Mount Holly facility; elected new officers: Mr. Chris Peak, Chairman; Mr. Donnie Loftis, Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Philbeck advised due to death in family that he would be in Delaware for the remainder of the week and would be unable to attend the joint LEG/BOC meeting and Annual Planning Session (APS).

Commissioner Carpenter reported meeting attendance to **EDC**.

Commissioner Keigher reported meeting attendance to *EDC* - elected Mr. Fred Jackson as Chairman; Mr. Dick Cromlish as Vice-Chairman; heard various reports and development location issues; *Travel & Tourism Board* - met new Director, Mr. Applegate; they are looking for statistics to compare the County to counties with similar demographics; EDC did that in the past; need to do something to get those two departments to interact more; *Martin Luther King, Jr. Ceremony* - represented BOC at morning ceremony at DHHS and at the afternoon ceremony at Erwin Center.

County Manager's Report

The County Manager presented:

- Have spent a lot of time these past months with township grants and new Travel & Tourism
 Director; have received a great deal of positive feedback from various tourist venues in the
 County and from EDC Director in terms of reinvigorating that relationship
- Have spent good deal of time on radio communication issues
- Starting full force in the budget season, and will report on some of those preliminary activities on Saturday.

County Attorney's Report

The County Attorney advised staff is pushing the township grants contracts out as quickly as possible.

Chairman Keigher asked if BOC could get a time estimation of when pay outs will be completed.

The County Attorney advised it would vary; some of the larger projects (municipal utility projects) will take a period of time; particularly on capital grants that County will reimburse as project goes along; it may be a year or 18 months on those; some will be grants where staff will forward the money and request reports to BOC; some may be asked to break the payments down over a period of time so County can see the progress that is being made.

Chairman Keigher asked if County needed to put some type of process in position to guard the County's money.

Commissioner Fraley stated that would be in the contract.

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Commissioner Philbeck stated unless it is a straight-out grant (sewer line), once there is a certain portion or max reached, there will be stipulations in place.

Chairman Keigher asked if non-government related grants would be paid soon as possible; how will County follow up on if they are using the money as stated in their request.

The County Attorney advised that some will be requested to provide periodic reporting to the BOC; will do a grant contract to require funds be expended for the purpose of their grant request.

Other Matters

Commissioner Philbeck asked if the BOC would discuss 1) Giving the County permission to hold a referendum to allow citizens to vote on "Pennies for Progress" for the County, and 2) Putting \$500k of the lease proceeds towards a public/private partnership with the community to advocate looking at a new bridge (not the parkway) across the Catawba River; bring that matter to the joint LEG-BOC Annual Meeting and APS. He advised he had spoken to members of Homeland Security and the County would have a security issue if a major threat occurred by not having another access; will be calling the Delegation personally to discuss these ideas.

Commissioner Brown stated that they should be able to use the study for that portion instead of putting money towards the development of a new study.

Commissioner Philbeck stated that most people can agree we need a bridge for that area for safety, transportation, economic development; need to form a committee of all parties to get the ball rolling; it would be great if we could use the study.

Commissioner Carpenter confirmed they can use the study.

Chairman Keigher advised the items will be discussed; it needs to get done; it would be incumbent for Gaston's Delegation to sit down with Mecklenburg's Delegation since they want it as bad as we do.

Commissioner Carpenter advised that as Chairman of the MPO he requested the State to look at that; there were two river crossings then for consideration in the next round; there will be a few public hearings on the prioritization; it will compete with other projects statewide; two river crossings would take over 12,000 cars off the road daily.

In response to Commissioner Price, the County Manager confirmed there would be a more detailed discussion on the fund balance.

Commissioner Fraley thanked staff for the work they did on the township grants.

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Adjournment

Chairman Keigher called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2016.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the BOC unanimously adjourned the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2016 at 8:35 pm.

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

Tom Keigher, Chairman Gaston County Board of Commissioners	Donna S. Buff Clerk to the Board

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