



# Gaston County

## Board of Commissioners

COURTHOUSE  
325 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Gastonia, NC

*Chairman Tom Keigher*  
*Vice-Chairman Allen Fraley*  
*Chad Brown*  
*Bob Hovis*  
*Kim Johnson*  
*Tracy L. Philbeck*  
*Ronnie Worley*

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Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Agenda with Votes

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### Work Session (Non-Voting) 6:00 P.M.

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

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### Roll Call

**Present: 6** - Commissioner Tom Keigher, Commissioner Allen R. Fraley, Commissioner Chad Brown  
Commissioner Bob Hovis, Commissioner Kim Johnson, Commissioner Ronnie Worley

**Absent: 1** - Commissioner Tracy L. Philbeck

#### I. PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, AWARDS, CERTIFICATES

- A. Presented** Commissioner Hovis - Proclamation - To Proclaim April 11-17, 2021 as Animal Care and Enforcement Appreciation Week in Gaston County
- B. Presented** Commissioner Keigher - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of April 18-24, 2021 as Volunteer Week in Gaston County
- C. Presented** Commissioner Keigher - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2021 as Fair Housing Month in Gaston County
- D. Presented** Commissioner Keigher - Retirement Commendation - To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Police Sergeant Christopher B. Lowrance
- E. Mailed** Commissioner Johnson - Retirement Commendation - To Recognize the Recent Retirement of Police Records Specialist Debra Lynn Preston **Could not attend**
- F. Presented** Commissioner Brown - Retirement Commendation - To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Master Police Officer Jeffrey L. Kaylor

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- G. **Presented** Commissioner Brown - Proclamation - To Proclaim April 11-17, 2021 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in Gaston County
- H. **Presented** Commissioner Brown - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Gaston County
- I. **Presented** Commissioner Brown - Proclamation - To Proclaim April 2021 as Public Health Month in Gaston County

*\* Above To Be Adopted 4/27/2021*

II. **CITIZEN RECOGNITION**

Ms. Lydia McCaskill, Gastonia, NC - Racist Statue

Mr. Darryl (King Rick) Farmer, Milwaukee, NN - Racism in Gaston County

Ms. Sierra Hall, Gastonia, NC - Relocating the Confederate Heroes Monument from in front of the Courthouse

Mr. Paul Bonham, Gastonia, NC - Utility Fraud

III. **PRESENTATIONS (Limited to 15 Minutes)**

- A. **Presented** [PRESENTATION - GASTON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION UPDATE:](#)
  - [Mr. Patrick Mumford, President & CEO, Gaston Business Association \(See Slides\)](#)
- B. **Presented** [PRESENTATION - COUNTY PRIORITIES \(FOCUS AREAS\) UPDATE:](#)
  - [Dr. Kim Eagle, County Manager \(See Handout\)](#)

IV. **OTHER MATTERS**

V. **ADJOURNMENT - 7:17 PM**