PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEMBERS PRESENT

NOVEMBER 19, 2018 OTHERS PRESENT

Tracey L. Kendrick Gordon Powell Jimmy B. Clayton Kyle W. Puryear B. Ray Jeffers Heidi York, County Manager C. Ronald Aycock, County Attorney Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Person, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, November 19, 2018 at 9:00am in the Person County Office Building Auditorium.

Chairman Kendrick called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Powell gave an invocation and Commissioner Puryear led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Puryear and carried 5-0 to approve the agenda.

RECOGNITION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY:

Chairman Kendrick welcomed the Person High School students enrolled in civics and economics participating in Local Government Day to observe the Board of County Commissioners in session. Chairman Kendrick, Vice Chairman Powell and Commissioners Clayton, Jeffers and Puryear proceeded to introduce themselves and shared general information about the office of a commissioner and general government. County Manager, Heidi York, Assistant County Manager, Sybil Tate, Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves, Tax Administrator, Russell Jones, Finance Director, Amy Wehrenberg, IT Director, Chris Puryear, Emergency Management Director, Doug Young and Planning Director, Lori Oakley also introduced themselves.

INFORMAL COMMENTS:

The following individual appeared before the Board to make informal comments:

Mr. David Forsythe, Executive Director of Person County Group Homes, Inc., a non-profit provider for those in the county with disabilities located at 202 North Main Street, Roxboro, requested the Board to consider a one-time contribution of \$100,000 to assist with the cost of their employees' insurance costs. He stated as a result of the Affordable Health Care for America, the insurance costs for their employees has increased approximately \$200,000.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

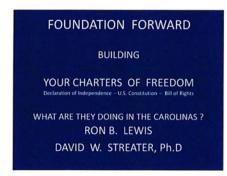
A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Powell and **carried 5-0** to approve the Consent Agenda with the following items:

- A. Approval of Minutes of October 22, 2018,
- B. Budget Amendment #10,
- C. Resolution Designation of Applicant's Agent to file applications for federal and/or state disaster assistance,
- D. Person County Airport Renewal of Safety/Maintenance Agreement and Resolution of Sponsor for 100% state funding,
- E. Capital Project Budget Ordinance relating to Person County's Community Development Block Grant for the Polywood Building Reuse Project
- F. Transitioning Person County's Domain from .net to .gov, and
- G. Tax Adjustments for November 2018
 - a. Tax Releases
 - b. NC Vehicle Tax System pending refunds

NEW BUSINESS:

FOUNDATION FORWARD, INC. PRESENTATION:

Commissioner Jeffers introduced Dr. David Streater, Director of Education of the Charters of Freedom, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization called Foundation Forward to share the following information with the Board related to displaying the country's founding documents at a prominent location in Person County. His presentation follows:



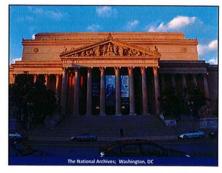
--FOUNDATION FORWARD-501 (c)(3) NON-PROFIT

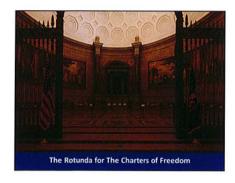
WORKS OVER WORDS
What is happening in the Carolinas?

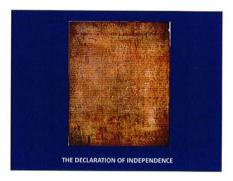
AN EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION

-ACCESS-EDUCATION-COMMUNITY-

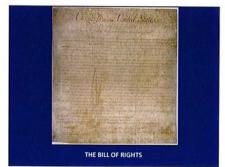


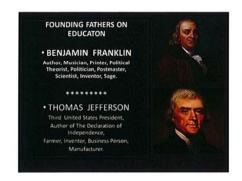


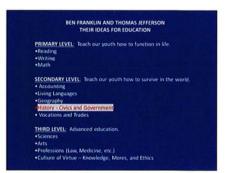




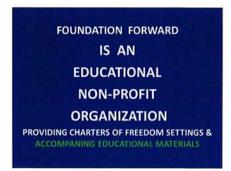








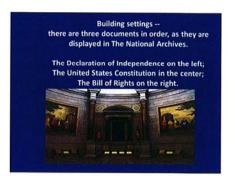


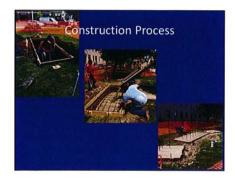


SCOPE OF PROJECT

Design and build replicas of the Charters of Freedom display as exhibited in the National Archives Rotunda, Washington, D.C.

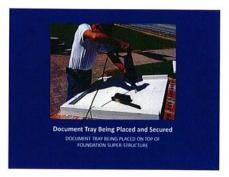
The display must be central and open to the community, with high visibility, voluminous foot traffic, and easy access for school children and all others.



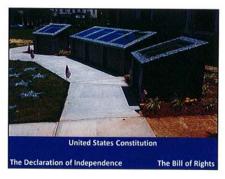




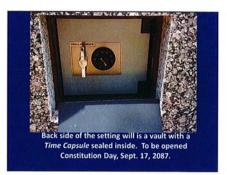


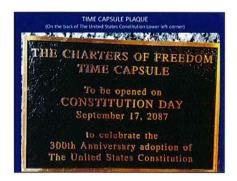


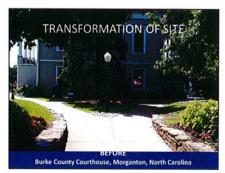




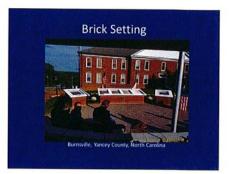


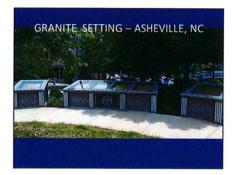




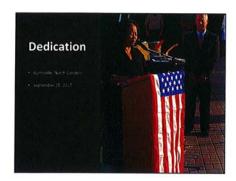












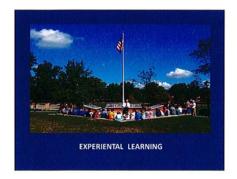














FOUNDATION FORWARD IS ABOUT

EDUCATION

ACCESS

COMMUNITY

Uses: Field Trips for students, Contitution Day events, Guard and Reserves Deployments, Holiday events such as 4th of July, Veterans' Day, Labor Day, family and individual pictures, awards ceremonies for public and private entities, weddings, public announcements, news announcement events, military promotions, Gui and Bay Scouting events, service awards such as American Legion, Marine Corps League,

Use you imagination:

~FUNDING IS IN PLACE~ PICK A SITE LOCATION

EDUCATION MINDED
OPEN & COMMUNITY ORIENTENTED 24/7
EASY TO ACCESS
AVAILABLE PARKING FOR FIELD TRIPS

THANK YOU! WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP? HELP ME TO SPREAD THE NEWS!

NETWORKING TO PRESENT THIS PROGRAM TO OTHER SCHOOL, CIVIC, MILITARY, CHURCH, GROUPS, ETC.

FOUNDATION FORWARD

AN EDUCATIONAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION -

--Mr. Ron Lewis

--Dr. David W. Streater

Dr. Streater stated their non-profit provided the construction of a brick display for the country's founding documents, however, for the difference in additional costs, the county may upgrade the brick veneer to a limestone (\$45,000) or a granite (\$70,000). Dr. Streater asked for the Board to consider gaining community support through civic organizations and community partners to provide donations, discounted materials, and inkind contributions. He said the county may consider allowing its maintenance staff or asking for volunteers in the construction efforts.

Also with each display construction, a time-capsule vault was included and he would ask county officials and the community to write documents to be placed inside the vault with instructions to be opened on Constitution Day, September 17, 2087.

Mr. Streater noted the construction site for the display would include three separate displays; two would be six feet wide and the one in the middle would be approximately 30 ft. wide.

Commissioner Jeffers advocated for the Board to solicit support by the community and said the three sites he had thought of were the Person County Veterans Park, the Person County Courthouse and the Person County Museum of History.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to direct the County Manager to start the process for a site selection for the displaying of the country's founding documents in Person County.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING MAINTENANCE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF SECONDARY ROAD 1370 GLENNIE IRVINE ROAD:

Planning Director, Lori Oakley presented a Resolution Requesting Maintenance Abandonment of a Portion of Secondary Road 1370 Glennie Irvine Road on behalf of the applicants, Michael and Tanya Lunsford. Ms. Oakley stated the applicants are requesting that NCDOT abandon the maintenance of approximately the last 400 feet of Glennie Irvine Road. Ms. Oakley confirmed the applicants own the property on both sides of the road for the last 400 feet and have stated that if the request was approved, they will install a gravel area to allow vehicles to turn around and a gate with a break-away feature for emergency vehicles. Mr. Lunsford provided the following statement for the reason why he made the request:

I am requesting this change in order to install a gate on Glennie Irvin Road to control access to the property. This property has basically been abandoned for the past 4 years and folks have come and gone as they please and fished the existing pond completely out. I have placed No Trespassing signs and they have had little if any effect on the folks coming onto the land. I have made a large investment on the structures and pond in order to enjoy the property with my family and I would like to protect that investment.

NCDOT has informed the applicant that he must include a resolution from the county indicating the desire to abandon the maintenance of the right-of-way along with his application. The resolution will be included along with the application and NCDOT's recommendation on the maintenance abandonment to the state Board of Transportation. The NC Board of Transportation will render the final decision on the maintenance abandonment of the last 400 feet of Glennie Irvine Road.

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Powell and **carried 5-0** to approve by resolution to request Maintenance Abandonment of a portion of Secondary Road 1370 Glennie Irvine Road, as presented.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING MAINTENANCE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF SECONDARY ROAD 1370 GLENNIE IRVINE ROAD

WHEREAS, Michael S. and Tanya B. Lunsford do hereby own land on both sides of the road of SR 1370 Glennie Irvine Road for the last four hundred linear feet (400') of roadway;

AND WHEREAS, Michael S. and Tanya B. Lunsford, the property owners on both sides of the road have requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation maintenance to be shortened by approximately 400 feet of linear roadway to a location as determined by the North Carolina Department of Transportation;

AND WHEREAS, the abandonment of state maintenance of that portion of SR 1370 is exclusively adjacent to Michael S. and Tanya B. Lunsford's property;

AND WHEREAS, Michael S. and Tanya B. Lunsford shall provide a gravel area to the same minimum dimensions as is currently provided at the existing end of state maintenance to allow vehicles to turn around;

AND WHEREAS, as shown on the scale drawing attached as Exhibit 1, the portion of the road for which abandonment of state maintenance is sought serves no public purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the best interests of the people of Person County will be served by the abandonment of state maintenance of a portion of SR 1370 by approximately 400 feet of linear roadway that is described in the exhibits attached hereto;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Transportation is hereby requested, pursuant to G.S. 136-63, to abandon the maintenance of a portion of SR 1370 that is described in the exhibits.

Adopted this the 19th day of November, 2018.

PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tracey Kendrick Chairman

Attest:

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Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF LATE EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS:

Tax Administrator, Russell Jones stated every year, the tax office receives applications for the Senior, Disabled, Veteran, and Circuit Breaker exemptions that fail to meet the June 1st deadline. Mr. Jones said in an effort to help inform the public of these exemptions, the tax office mailed information along with our listing forms to 6,033 citizens along with updated brochures for the three exemption programs, which made these programs easier to understand, and passed out over 500 copies. The Tax Office also included information about these exemptions on the county web site that also included access to an on-line application form. Application information was published in the local newspaper. A final effort included mailing 10,635 postcards to all property owners that did not receive a listing form that reminded all citizens of the upcoming tax deadlines.

Mr. Jones said the Tax Office efforts resulted in 120 new applications, with 80 approved applications, 28 denied applications (14 were over the income limit, 11 did not complete application, and 3 were not their primary residence) and 8 late applications.

Mr. Jones presented the 8 late applications that are submitted to the Board for review noting they would have been approved had they been received by the tax office by June 1st. These applications met all requirements, however since these were late, they could not be approved by the tax office.

The Board of Commissioners may approve late applications if they are received by December 31st. Since these applications met all guidelines (other than the application deadline), Mr. Jones recommended approval.

The following spreadsheet outlined the tax impact and the reasons for the late applications. Overall the County has 776 (increased by 51 properties since 2017) properties that are receiving benefit from these exemptions, which does not include the 8 applications that are submitted for approval by the Board.

						Before Ex	emption				After Exer	nption			
Taxpayer	Application	Application Date	Reason for Late Application	Мар	Tax Value	County Bill	Fire Bill	City Bill	Total Bill	Tax Value	County Bill	Fire Bill	City Bill	New Bill	Savings
Eily, Frederick & Mia	Veteran	11/1/2018	Waiting on VA	128 73	267,360	1,871.52	26.74		1,898.26	222,360	1,556.52	22.24		1,578.76	319.50
Renfrow, Paul	Elderly	10/27/2018	Illness	A43 38	99,996	699.97	10.00		709.97	53,199	372.39	5.32		377.71	332.26
Smith, Robert & Haslitt, Terri	Disabled	10/13/2018	Unaware of program	A5 54	77,977	545.84	7.80		553.64	40,599	284.19	4.06		288.25	265.38
Jackson, Ophelia	Elderly	9/17/2018	Did not know deadline	79 21	68,084	476.59	6.81		483.40	34,042	238.29	3.40		241.70	241.70
Roques, Rolando & Martha	Elderly	7/31/2018	Out of country	68 90	167,319	1,171.23	16.73		1,187.96	84,345	590.42	8.43		598.85	589.12
Tillman, Edythe	Veteran	7/17/2018	Waiting on VA	A40 328	102,489	717.42	10.25		727.67	57,489	402.42	5.75		408.17	319.50
Oakley, Richard	Disabled	11/7/2018	Unaware of program	88 1 1	22,079	154.55	2.21		156.76	0	0.00	0.00		0.00	156.76
West, Timothy Wayne	Disabled	8/31/2017	Did not know deadline	A64 524	88,391	618.74	8.84		627.58	49,238	344.67	4.92		349.59	277.99
						6,255.87	89.37	0.00	6,345.23		3,788.90	54.13	0.00	3,843.03	2,502.20
Total County Tax Saving to Tax	payer	2,466.96													
Total Fire Tax Saving to Taxpa	yer	35.24													
Total City Tax Saving to Taxpa	yer	0.00													
Total Saving To Taxpayer		2,502,20													

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to approve the late exemption applications, as presented.

LAND ACQUISITION FOR STORMWATER REGULATION COMPLIANCE:

County Manager, Heidi York noted the Board met in closed session on July 2, 2018 to discuss a possible solution for exceeding the impervious surface limits of the Stormwater Regulations in the Stories Creek Watershed. After a paving project for the General Services Grounds Maintenance Building and Animal Services, the county exceeded the 24% impervious limit. The current property did not have sufficient room for a stormwater management system so the engineering consultant recommended purchasing an additional two acres of land adjacent to the county's current property.

Ms. York said the county reached an agreement with private landowners to purchase 2.07 acres at a purchase price of \$10,000 per acre, adjacent to Animal Services. Survey work and legal services have been completed for a total price of \$24,846.24. Once the purchase agreement is executed, the county will be in compliance with the impervious surface requirements.

Ms. York requested the Board to authorize the County Manager to execute the purchase agreement for an additional 2.07 acres from the current landowners and appropriate contingency funds in the amount of \$24,846.24 to the General Services budget.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to authorize the County Manager to execute the purchase agreement for an additional 2.07 acres from the current landowners and appropriate contingency funds in the amount of \$24,846.24 to the General Services budget.

APPOINTMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves presented an interested citizen application for consideration for appointment to the Environmental Issues Advisory Committee. Mr. James Bradsher Wilkins has submitted an application of interest to serve as the Woodsdale Township representative.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to appoint Mr. James Bradsher Wilkins to the Environmental Issues Advisory Committee as the Woodsdale Township representative for a 3-year term.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Kendrick reported the County would host an employee service award banquet on November 28, 2018 noting his regrets that he could not attend. He asked Vice Chairman Powell to attend in his stead.

Chairman Kendrick said that the NC State Auditor, Beth Wood would be attending the Kiwanis Club meeting set for later this same date.

COMMISSIONER REPORT/COMMENTS:

Commissioner Clayton reported his attendance at the recent Rural Assembly Day in Raleigh.

Commissioner Jeffers asked the County Manager to assist in the road maintenance of Jessie Hicks Road where school buses turnaround and deteriorate the condition of the road. He noted the county had previously put some gravel on this section of the road before.

Commissioner Puryear thanked the students for their attendance at the Board meeting and thanked the voters of the county that re-elected him to another four years. He said Board meetings were not the place to bring up election issues.

Vice Chairman Powell reported he was serving on the Executive Committee of the Research Triangle Regional Partnership that includes ten counties.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

County Manager, Heidi York announced a new Director has been hired for the Person Area Transportation System (PATS); Glen LaBar, Jr. will begin on November 26, 2018.

Ms. York reminded the group of the joint meeting at 1:00pm with the Board of Education to receive the Schools' Facilities Needs Audit.

RECESS:

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Powell and **carried 5-0** to recess the meeting at 10:02am. until 1:00pm in the County Auditorium for the purpose of joint session with the Board of Education.

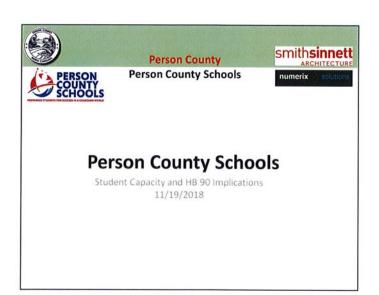
Chairman Kendrick called the recessed meeting to order at 1:00pm.

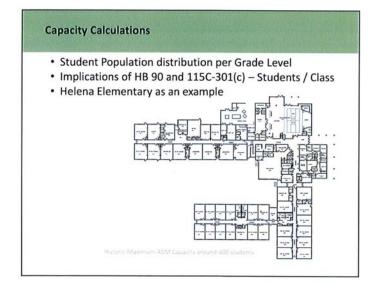
The following individuals were present for the joint session meeting to discuss the Person County Schools' Long Range Facility Needs Assessment 2018:

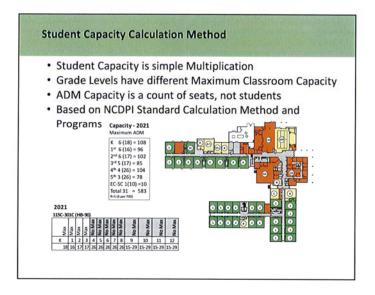
In attendance representing Person County was Chairman Kendrick, Vice Chairman Powell and Commissioners Clayton and Jeffers. Commissioner Puryear was absent. Also present were County Manager, Heidi York, Assistant County Manager, Sybil Tate, Finance Director, Amy Wehrenberg and Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves.

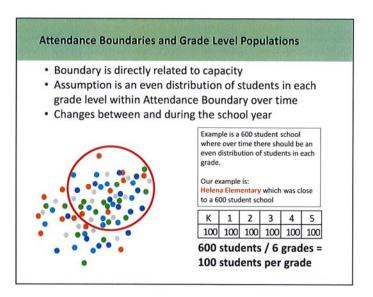
In attendance representing the Board of Education was School Board Chairman, Dr. Kay Allen, Vice-Chair Margaret Bradsher and members Harriett Tillett, Phillip Gillis and Freda Tillman. Superintendent, Dr. Rodney Peterson, Chief Operations Officer, Larry King, and Communications Director, Lily Hayes were also present.

Mr. Larry King introduced Mr. Ed Gordon, Vice President of Smith Sinnett Architecture, P.A. of Raleigh to the group. Mr. Gordon shared a brief overview of the Person County Schools Long Range Facility Needs Assessment through the two following presentations.









Grade Level Capacity Issues

• An even distribution of students rarely occurs =16.67%

Helena	К	1	2	3	4	5	Total
2/20/2018	91	85	91	103	113	93	576
	15.80%	14.76%	15.80%	17.88%	19.62%	16.15%	100.00%

 The maximum number of students allowed per classroom is different depending on grade level

2021			5-1			
	K	1	2	3	4	5
Per Grade	18	16	17	17	26	26

 Planning requires a reasonable and responsible long range approach to capacity

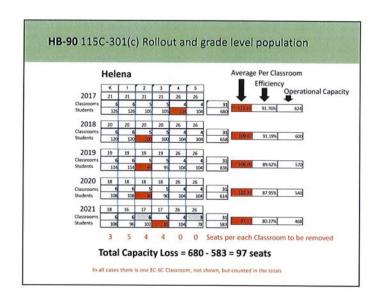
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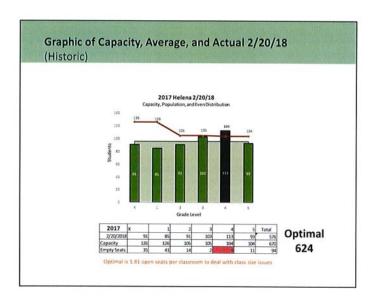
- Legislative reductions in Student Teacher Ratios
- · Related to LEA Average Ratios
- · Option to have multiple teachers in a single classroom

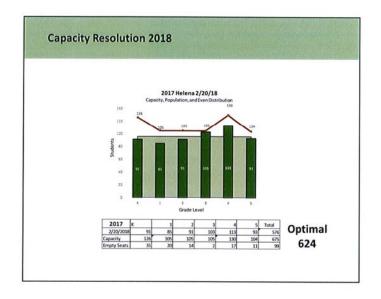
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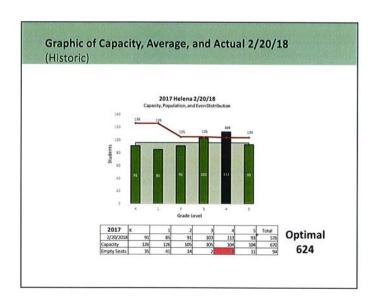
	2017			10				Total
		K	1	2	3	4	5	
	Distribution	96	96	96	96	96	96	
	Per Grade	21	21	21	21	26	26	
	CR Required	5	5	5	5	4	4	28

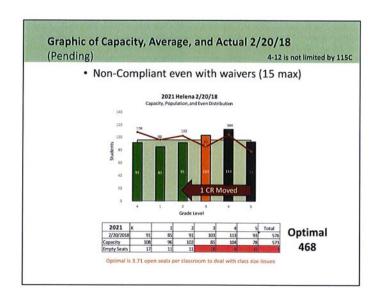
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		K	1	2	3	4	5	
	Distribution	96	96	96	96	96	96	
	Per Grade	18	16	17	17	26	26	
	CR Required	6	6	6	6	4	4	32

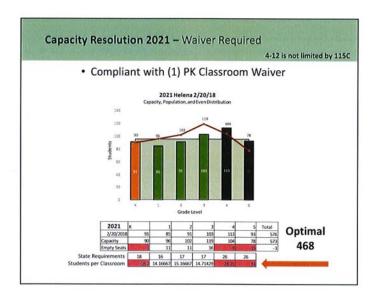


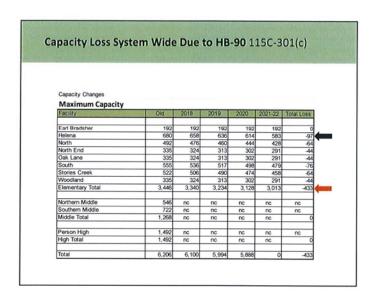


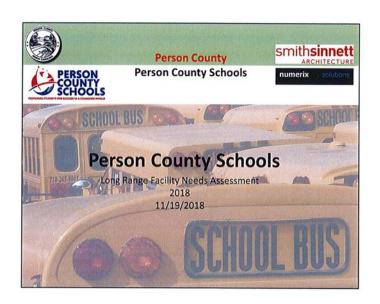


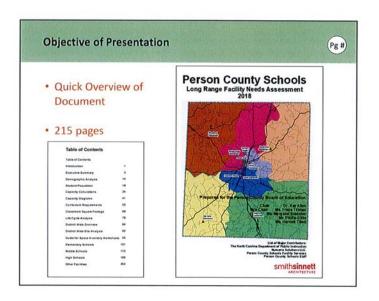


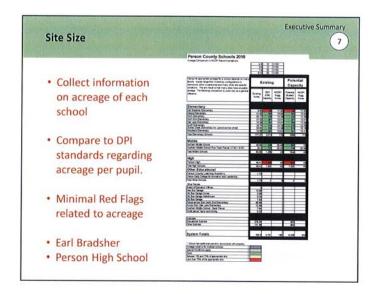


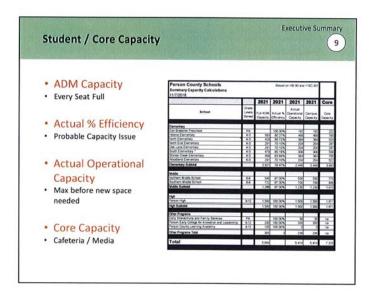


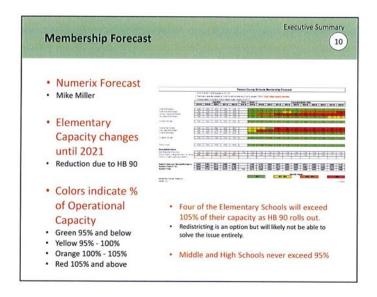


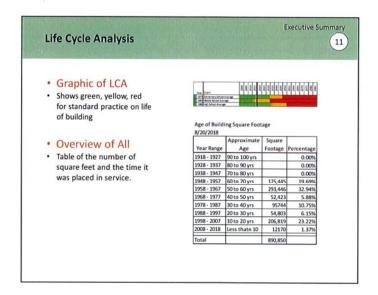


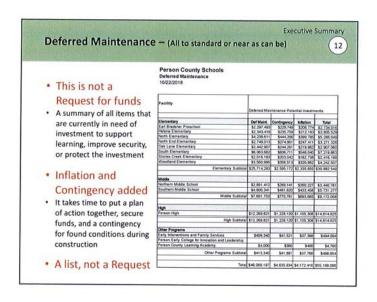


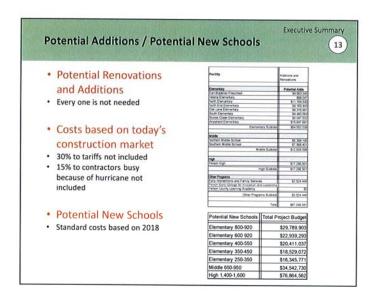


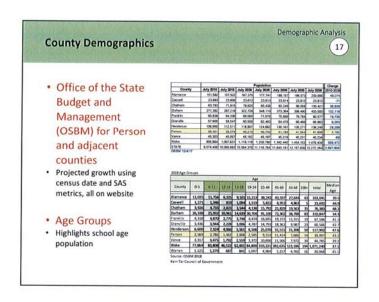


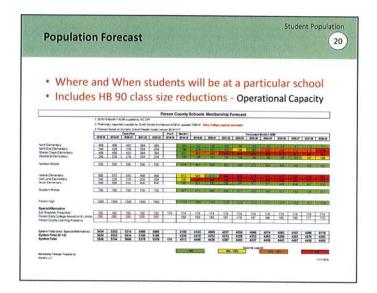


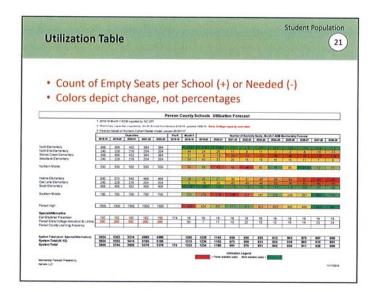


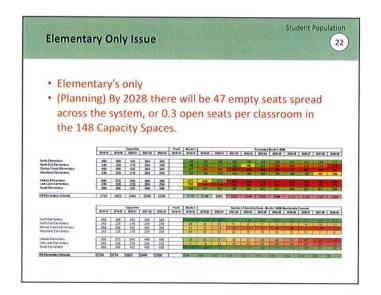


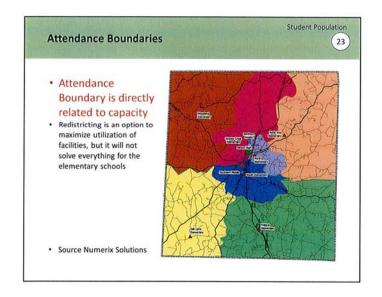


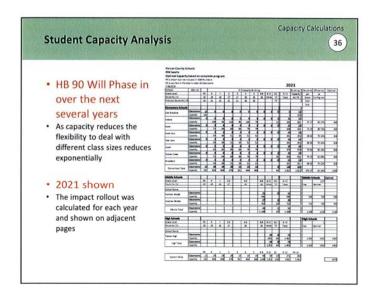


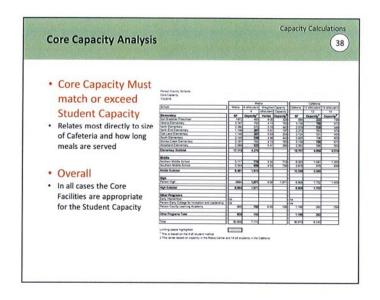


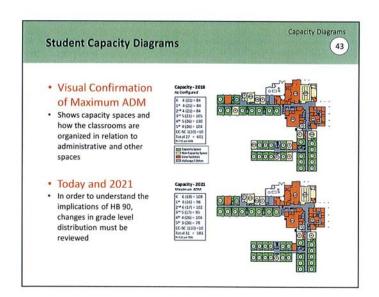


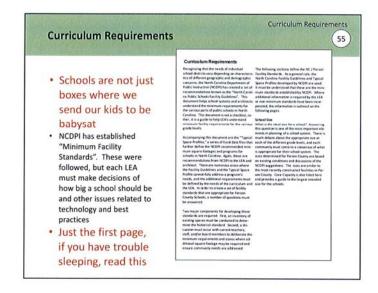


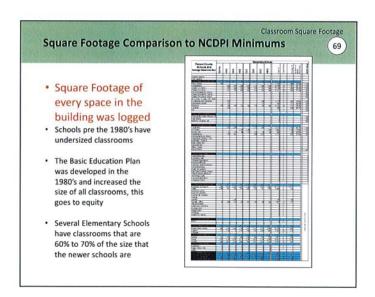


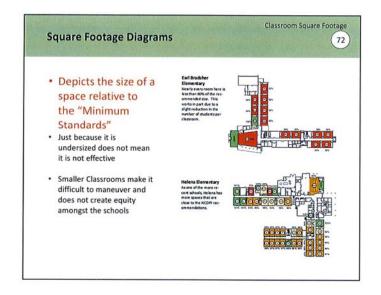


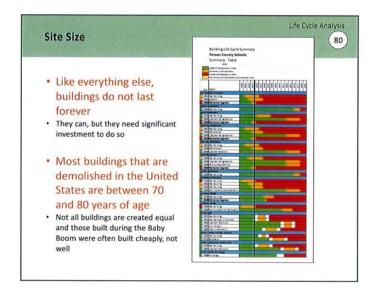


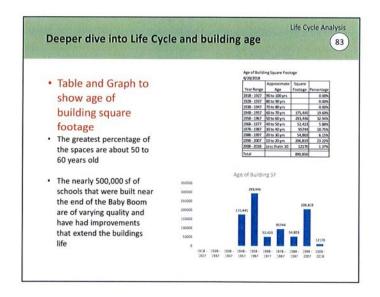


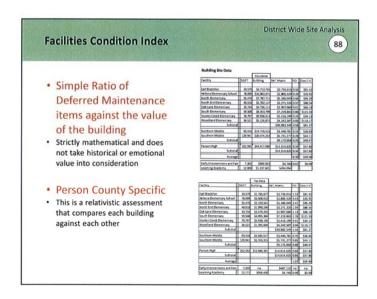


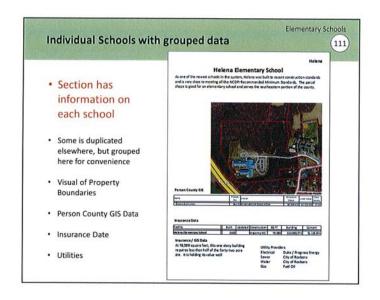


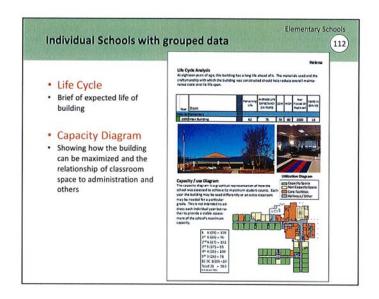


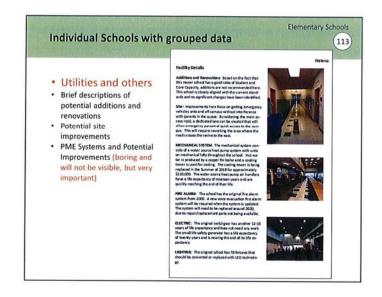


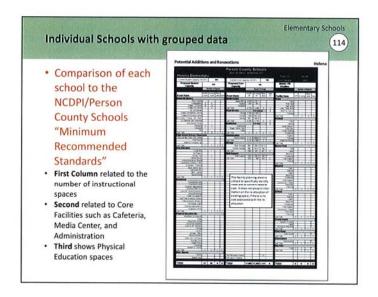


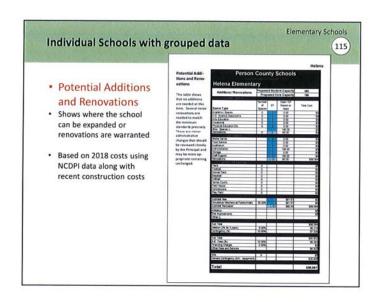


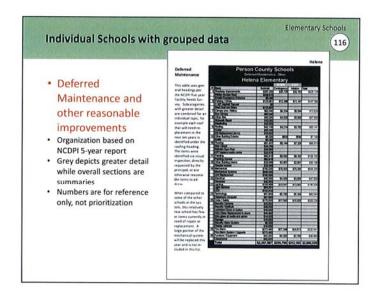


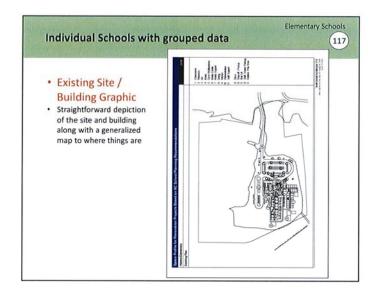


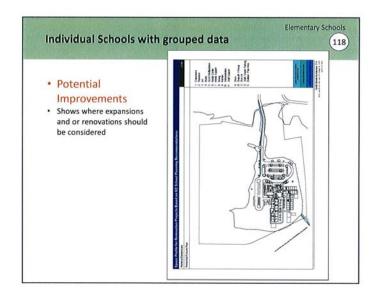












Dr. Allen requested the Board's consideration to establishing a committee of individuals representing both the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education along with key staff for further discussions related to safety, handicap accessibility as well as the need for extra classrooms. Chairman Kendrick requested that the Board of Commissioners have the opportunity to be organized at its December meeting prior to forming a committee.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by meeting at 1:41pm.	Vice Chairman	Powell and	carried 5-0	to adjourn the
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Clerk to the Board

Chairman