

PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEMBERS PRESENT

APRIL 18, 2022
OTHERS PRESENT

Gordon Powell
C. Derrick Sims
Kyle W. Puryear
Charlie Palmer
Patricia Gentry

Heidi York, County Manager
Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board
S. Ellis Hankins, County Attorney

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Person, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, April 18, 2022 at 9:00am in the Person County Office Building Auditorium.

Chairman Powell called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Sims offered 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.

INFORMAL COMMENTS:

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

Mr. Andy Perrigo of 500 Moss Creek Drive, Roxboro made informal comments about the Emergency Management Ordinance procedures that allowed a local declaration of emergency with an amendment that stretched two years providing bridge loans. Mr. Perrigo advocated for a review to be in place when under an emergency declaration every 30-days or have a sunset date to further increase government transparency and trust.

Mr. John Seepe of 277 Barefoot Landing Lane, Semora prefaced his comments that he would submit a public records request by the end of the day if he did not get answers to his questions. Mr. Seepe questioned the Board on the scope to which Ms. Peg Carlson, a facilitator, with the UNC School of Government, who was commissioned to meet individually or in small groups with commissioners in January. He asked if there was a contract with Ms. Carlson and if so, how much was it.

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DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- A. Approval of Minutes of April 4, 2022,
- B. Budget Amendment #17,
- C. Review and Adoption of Person Area Transportation System (PATs) Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy and Title VI Program Plan,
- D. Tax Adjustments for April 2022, and
 - a. Tax Releases
 - b. NC Vehicle Tax System pending refunds
- E. Request to Authorize County Manager to Enter into Contract with the Timmons Group for Geotechnical Services for \$12,000

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COMPREHENSIVE BACKUP SOLUTION AND SECURITY APPLIANCE:

IT Director, Chris Puryear stated Person County has completed the public notice requirements of General Statute 143-129(g) to utilize the piggyback procurement method to purchase a comprehensive backup solution and security appliance, Rubrik, from Tego Data under General Services Administration (GSA) Contract # GS-35F-303DA. Mr. Puryear said information regarding this purchase was presented to the Board at its April 4, 2022 meeting.

Mr. Puryear asked the Board to authorize the County Manager to sign and execute any documents required for the purchase of the comprehensive backup solution and security appliance.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Palmer and **carried 5-0** for approval and to authorize the County Manager to sign and execute any documents required for the purchase of the comprehensive backup solution and security appliance.



Quote # 11230336

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Date: March 25, 2022
Valid to: April 24, 2022
Payment Term: NET30 from order
FOB Point: Origin
Ship Via: Ground

Rubrik r6408s Go Enterprise Edition Solution						
Part Number	Description	GSA Contract #	Qty	Ext. List Price	Ext. Net Price	
Hardware						
RBK-R6408S-HW-01	Rubrik r6408s Appliance, 4-node, 96TB raw HDD, 1.6TB SSD, SFP+ NIC	GS-35F-303DA	1	\$ 23,409.00	\$	21,280.91
TD-DAC-SFP-05	10G SFP+ DAC Twinax, Rubrik/Cisco Compatible, 5M		8	\$ 479.92	\$	200.00
				Subtotal	\$	21,480.91
Software Subscriptions						
RBK-GO-EE-R6408	36 Months, Rubrik Go Enterprise Edition for r6408, includes RCDM, Polaris GPS, CloudOn, Ransomware Investigation (Polaris Radar) including Incident Containment, Orchestrated Application Recovery (AppFlows), Sensitive Data Discovery (Sonar), 60 Front End TB of Universal Cloud License, and Premium Support	GS-35F-303DA	1	\$ 358,344.00	\$	154,585.58
RBK-M365H-5G	36 Months, Rubrik Hosted Polaris for Microsoft 365, 10 users, 5GB per user, includes Premium Support	GS-35F-303DA	63	\$ 34,020.00	\$	21,262.50
RBK-CVB-PE-PP	36 Months, Rubrik Cloud Vault Backup Tier, per Back End TB, includes Premium Support; promotional pricing	GS-35F-303DA	10	\$ 5,040.00	\$	-
RBK-CVA-PE-PP	36 Months, Rubrik Cloud Vault Archive Tier, per Back End TB, includes Premium Support	GS-35F-303DA	102	\$ 11,750.40	\$	10,930.60
				Subtotal	\$	186,778.68
Support						
RBK-SVC-PREM-HW	36 Months, Premium Support for r6408s Hardware	GS-35F-303DA	1	\$ 9,126.70	\$	8,297.00
				Subtotal	\$	8,297.00
Professional Services						
TD-PS-RBK	Tego Turnkey Implementation Services includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full turnkey install with attention to fit and finish• Remote support services for Enterprise Edition, configuration assistance for one Brk• Deep knowledge transfer of industry standard data protection best practices• Work to gain a detailed understanding of the customer's environment - applications, networking, and data protection needs to inform creation of an ideal design• Implement tailored data protection SLA's made for the customer's specific requirements, no setting overlooked or left at default status without review		1	\$ 2,600.00	\$	2,600.00
				Subtotal	\$	2,600.00

Tego Data Systems, LLC is an authorized participating dealer/agent under Promark on the GSA GS-35F-303DA contract

Grand Total \$ 219,156.59

Plus applicable sales tax

ORDER CONFIRMATION ACCEPTANCE

Company: Person County

Accepted by: Heidi York

Name: Heidi York

Title: County Manager

Date: 4/18/22

Tego Data Systems

Accepted by: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

"This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act."

By: Amy Wolfenberger 4/18/22
Amy Wolfenberger
Finance Officer, Person County

Invoice will include all applicable local taxes and shipping costs not included in the amount quoted. Applicable sales tax (tax rate is based on ship-to location) will be charged to shipments in the United States if exemption certification is not received. Submit a completed certificate of tax exemption for each state where purchases are tax-exempt. Execution of this Order Confirmation by Company "Customer" followed by acceptance of this Order Confirmation by Tego Data Systems, LLC, shall constitute a binding contract between Tego Data Systems, LLC, and Customer. Execution of this Order Confirmation by Customer is also an acknowledgement and acceptance of Tego Data Systems terms and conditions of sale at www.tegodata.com/terms-and-conditions/

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**RECOMMENDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS
2023-2027:**

County Manager, Heidi York presented the Recommended Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2023-2027 that was introduced to the Board at its April 4, 2022 meeting for further discussion, adjustments and adoption. Ms. York noted the adoption of this CIP would allocate funding for the priority projects for the County, Person County Schools, and Piedmont Community College for FY 2022-2023. The document also sets the priorities of projects for future fiscal years, although funding is only appropriated on an annual basis and the plan is reviewed annually. Ms. York said the total amount proposed for funding in Fiscal Year 2023 is \$6,078,133, and of this amount, \$3.3M was recommended from the County's General Fund.

Ms. York brought to the Board's attention \$120,000 that was appropriated in the upcoming fiscal year to up-fit the Person County Office Building auditorium for use as the Board's dedicated meeting room noting the funds were to invest in improving the acoustics by lowering the ceiling, installing a quiet air conditioning/heat pump system, install cameras, hard-wired microphones, sound equipment, build a bench and add new, more comfortable chairs, with all to be managed in-house. Ms. York stated the Board could leave in and review making changes at any time. It was the consensus of the Board to leave the item in the CIP.

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Sims and **carried 5-0** to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-2027, as presented, allocating \$6,078,133 funding in Fiscal Year 2023 budget.

By reference, the adopted Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-2027 has hereby incorporated into the minutes by reference.

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NEW BUSINESS:

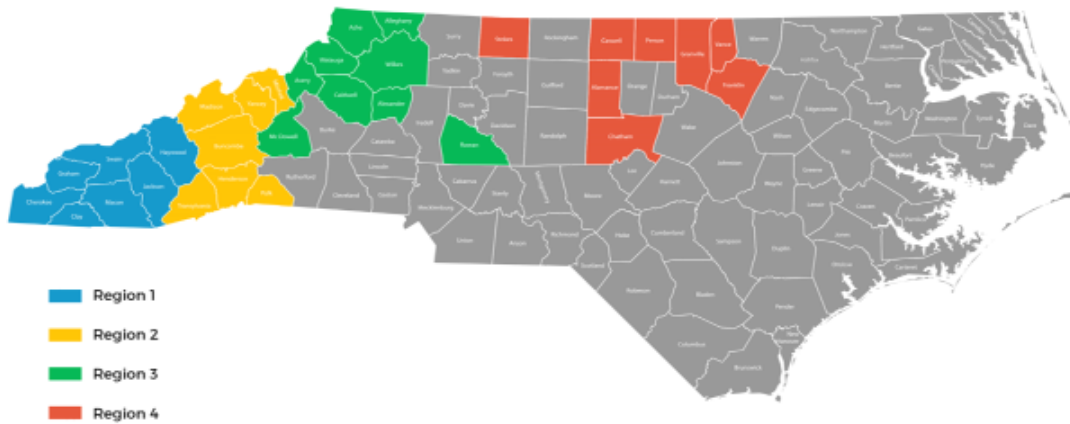
VAYA HEALTH OVERVIEW AND PRESENTATION:

Mr. Elliot Clark, Regional Community Relations Director with Vaya Health stated he wanted to review the governing structure of Vaya Health with the Board, provide county specific data and progress, and outline current concerns around NC DHHS Child and Family Specialty Plan.

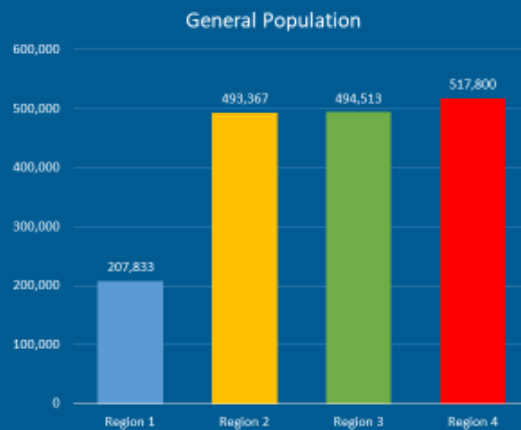
Mr. Clark said Person County had transitioned to Vaya Health, a local management care organization (MCO) since January. Mr. Clark noted he would like to come before the Board each quarter with a report noting this was the first of such reports to be shared through the following presentation. He added that Vaya Health had concerns regarding the state's Child & Family Specialty Plan to which he would be asking the Board to entertain endorsement of a Letter of Support to DHHS to delay issuance of an RFP and to consider a model that aligns with regional plan for each region LME/MCO.

Mr. Clark said his region included Person, Franklin, Granville and Vance counties. In addition he recognized Chairman Powell and Ms. Janet Clayton, Person County Health Director as members of the Region 4 board as well as Ms. Benita Purcell, present in the audience, as a member of the Child and Family Advisory Council (CFAC).

Vaya's Regional Assignments



Regional Boards

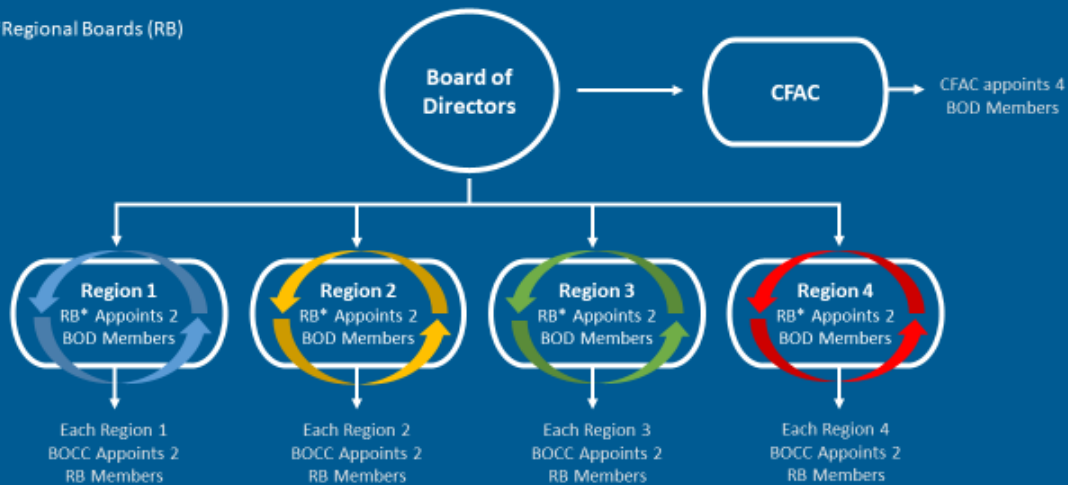


Region 1	Region 2
1. Cherokee	1. Buncombe
2. Clay	2. Henderson
3. Graham	3. Madison
4. Haywood	4. Mitchell
5. Jackson	5. Polk
6. Macon	6. Transylvania
7. Swain	7. Yancey
Region 3	Region 4
1. Alexander	1. Stokes
2. Alleghany	2. Alamance
3. Ashe	3. Caswell
4. Avery	4. Chatham
5. Caldwell	5. Person
6. McDowell	6. Franklin
7. Watauga	7. Granville
8. Wilkes	8. Vance
9. Rowan	

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Alternative Board Structure

*Regional Boards (RB)



Composition for Consolidated Board of Directors

- 2 representatives appointed by each Regional Board
- 4 representatives appointed by Consumer & Family Advisory Committee- One per region
- 1 representative appointed by the DHHS Secretary
- Up to 8 At-Large members appointed by current Vaya Board in consultation with Cardinal Board, CCABs, counties
- The Provider Advisory Council President serves as non-voting member
- Up to 3 non-voting advisory members

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Regional Board: Region 4 Membership

	County	Position	Name
1	Alamance	Commissioner	John Paisley
2	Alamance	Commissioner	Pamela Thompson
3	Caswell	Family Services Director	Aisha Gwynn
4	Caswell	Commissioner	Jeremiah Jefferies
5	Chatham	Commissioner	Karen Howard
6	Chatham	DSS Director	Jennie Kristiansen
7	Franklin	County Manager	Kim Denton
8	Franklin	Commissioner	Cedric Jones, Vice Chair
9	Granville	PH Director	Lisa Harrison
10	Granville	Commissioner	Russ May
11	Person	HD Director	Janet Clayton
12	Person	Commissioner	Gordon Powell
13	Stokes	Commissioner	Sonya Cox
14	Stokes	DSS Director	Stacey Elmes
15	Vance	Commissioner	Dan Brummitt, Chair
16	Vance	DSS Director	Denita Devega

Vaya Board of Directors Membership

	Seat	Region	County	Position	Name
1	RB1 – Chair	1	Macon	Commissioner	Ronnie Beale
2	RB1 – Vice Chair	1	Haywood	HHSA Director	Ira Dove
3	RB2 – Chair	2	Henderson	Commissioner	Bill Lapsley
4	RB2 – Vice Chair	2	Mitchell	Commissioner	Brandon Pittman
5	RB3 – Chair	3	Watauga	Commissioner	Billy Kennedy
6	RB3 – Vice Chair	3	Rowan	Commissioner	Judy Klusman
7	RB4 – Chair	4	Vance	Commissioner	Dan Brummitt
8	RB4 – Vice Chair	4	Franklin	Commissioner	Cedric Jones
9	CFAC Region 1	1	N/A	N/A	Mary Ann Widenhouse
10	CFAC Region 2	2	N/A	N/A	Nancy Baker
11	CFAC Region 3	3	N/A	N/A	Pat McGinnis
12	CFAC Region 4	4	N/A	N/A	Benita Purcell
13	At-Large 1	3	Alexander	County Manager	Rick French
14	At-Large 2		N/A	Insurance Expertise	Mike Norris
15	At-Large 3		N/A	Health Care Expertise	Tim Fitzsimons
16	At-Large 4	4	Alamance	Commissioner	John Paisley
17	At-Large 5	2	Buncombe	Assistant County Manager	Dakisha "DK" Wesley
18	At-Large 6	3	McDowell	County Manager	Ashley Wooten
19	PAC President		N/A	PAC President	Carson Ojamaa
20	DHHS Secretary Appointment	2	Transylvania	N/A	Page Lemel *DHHS Approval Pending*
21	Specialized Expertise		N/A	DSS Director	Patrick Betancourt

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Vaya Health in Person County

- Care Management Data and Overview
 - [One Pager Reference](#)
- Promises Made, Promises kept update
 - Commitments to Person County and current progress.
 - [EMPK Document Reference](#)

Mr. Clark said since January, in Person County, Vaya Health has entered 70 adults into its complex care management program; those 70 adults are primarily individuals living with severe and persistent mental illness with the frequency of contact totaling 189 within the first 90 days was substantial. In addition, Vaya Health, in Person County, has 14 children receiving complex care management with 56 contacts, which is the population that requires the most attention.

Mr. Clark stated at-risk youth are engaged with the school system, DSS, law enforcement, juvenile justice for organized services. He stated the next quarter update could be summarized by service i.e., emergency department, in-patient psychiatric hospitalization or basic outpatient. Mr. Clark noted a 70% increase in emergency department utilization at Person Memorial from last year and a 50% reduction in some of the crisis services through Vaya Health's network development plan for diversion services. Mr. Clark further noted staffing issues have affected services as well.

Mr. Clark informed the group that the Vaya team has identified a provider, Freedom House, to expand access for comprehensive care (walk-in) center to improve service delivery. He said Vaya committed to hiring a full-time embedded care manager at the DSS office. Mr. Clark stated a single point assessment is completed and operational in Person County primarily for youth.

Commissioner Gentry asked how successful are the mobile crisis management centers to which Mr. Clark noted a reduction by 20-30% of implementation and directing such to be embed with the comprehensive care center for an array of services. He provided a card for access to Care Line 24/7 for treatment information, crisis assistance and mobile crisis team connection for a risk assessment. Mr. Clark said Vaya Health would like to roll out in Person County, a co-responder model that puts somebody with law enforcement very quickly.

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Child & Family Specialty Plan

NCDHHS Plan to Create Specialty Medicaid Waiver for Children in Foster Care and Children & Youth involved with DSS

Mr. Clark said the proposed statewide tailored plan would be effective December 2022 and highlighted the following points of concern:

- The CFSP will be a **single, statewide plan** available to children, youth and families served by the child welfare system regardless of their location in the state.
- This design creates a **central accountable entity** for providing integrated physical and behavioral health services, I/DD services and resources to address unmet health-related needs under a System of Care framework in **close coordination with County DSS and EBCI Family Safety Program.**
- Only a **Standard Plan or a Tailored Plan** may bid to operate the CFSP.
- Recent stakeholder engagement **informed needed changes to initial CFSP Plan design** and a **shift in the Plan launch timeline.**

**In 2022, DHHS intends to identify a new name for the CFSP to better represent the objective of the managed care plan and its target populations.*

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CFSP-Eligible Populations

Initial CFSP Design Eligible Populations

- Children and youth in foster care
- Children receiving adoption assistance
- Former foster youth (FFY) under age 26
- Minor children of individuals eligible for CFSP enrollment**

*With the exception of Tribal members and other limited groups, these eligibility groups will be **auto-enrolled** at CFSP launch.**

Additional CFSP Eligible Populations^

Medicaid- and NC Health Choice-enrolled:

- Parents, guardians, and custodians of children/youth in foster care
- Siblings of children/youth in foster care
- Family members receiving CPS In-Home Services:
 - All adults included as caregivers in the CPS In-Home Services Agreement
 - All children included in the CPS In-Home Services Agreement

*These eligibility groups **may opt in** to the CFSP.*

*Unless they are in a group that is otherwise exempt or excluded from mandatory managed care enrollment, these eligibility groups will be automatically enrolled into the CFSP, with the following exceptions: Tribal members and other individuals eligible to receive Indian Health Services, including North Carolina's federally recognized tribe (the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) and state-recognized tribes, Innovations or TBI waiver enrollees, beneficiaries residing in Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICFs/IID), and those eligible for the Transitions to Community Living (TCL).

**Limited to minor children of children and youth in foster care, children receiving adoption assistance, and FFY.

^Pending legislative approval and needed information technology IT system changes. Individuals must be NC Health Choice and Medicaid-enrolled to be eligible for the CFSP. Eligible populations include parents who will retain Medicaid eligibility when a child is being served temporarily by the foster care system and the parent is making reasonable efforts to comply with a court-ordered plan of reunification, in accordance with Session Law 2021-180.

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Benefits

The CFSP will provide comprehensive benefits to meet the needs of children, youth and families involved in the child welfare system.

CFSP Benefits/Services:

- The CFSP will include nearly all the Medicaid State Plan benefits covered by Standard Plans and Tailored Plans including:
 - Physical health
 - Behavioral health
 - Long-term services and supports
 - Pharmacy benefits
- Examples of Medicaid State Plan benefits covered in the CFSP include (see Appendix for full list):
 - Inpatient/outpatient behavioral health services
 - Residential treatment services
 - Mobile crisis management
 - Early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment (EPSDT) services

Services Provided only by Tailored Plans*

- A small subset of behavioral health services will only be available through Tailored Plans:
 - Intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF-IID)
 - Innovations and TBI Waiver Services
 - State-funded Services
 - Respite services through TRACK at Murdoch
 - Transitions to Community Living

Including Tribal Integrated Classroom, Family Safety, Tribal Therapeutic Foster Care, and Tribal Peer Support services

*Tribal members will not need to enroll in a Tailored Plan to receive Tailored Plan-only services.

Mr. Clark said there were strengths in the proposed plan as well.

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State-Wide LME/MCO Concerns with CFSP

- Formerly called the Foster Care Waiver
 - Policy Paper released February 18, 2022
 - Proposed to be a single statewide plan, not regional plans
 - Would potentially expand the proposed population served by this plan to include both kids in DSS custody, as well as those in pre-custody, and their families
 - Vaya collaborated with other five LME/MCOs to submit two responses to the Policy Paper.
- General concerns include:
- Plan is being rushed out without sufficient analysis of impact on system as a whole, including impact on provider network stability
 - Based on premise that a statewide plan is the only way to create a statewide network and standardization
 - Could potentially undo the work that Vaya and other LME/MCOs have done to create innovative, local solutions to meet DSS needs and divert youth away from institutionalization
 - Rural and smaller counties won't receive the same level of support in a statewide plan

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How Can You Help?

The CFSP Waiver would require the NC General Assembly to pass enabling legislation, as it cannot be implemented with existing statutes:

- Write a letter, as commissioner, to the Vaya Health Legislative Delegation expressing your concerns.
- Write a letter as a Board of Commission to the Vaya Health Legislative Delegation expressing your concerns.
- Share "Talking Points" and concerns with your sister counties.
- Discuss concerns with your Council of Government Board.
- Reach out to your Regional Community Relations Director with questions or input.

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Mr. Clark asked the Board to consider its position to send along a letter of support to NC DHHS for a delay of the issuance of the RFP as described in the February 18, 2022 policy paper and to consider a model that allows regional plans to align with the LME/MCO regions.

Chairman Powell stated the great need in Person County for immediate response time and urgent care centers. He stated he was not in favor of a statewide plan and was in favor of a letter of support from the Person County Board to the NC DHHS Secretary to delay the process to implement a statewide plan. Fellow commissioners agreed with Chairman Powell.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear and **carried 5-0** to endorse a Letter of Support to NC DHHS Secretary requesting to delay issuance of the RFP as described in the February 18, 2022 policy paper and to consider a model that allows regional plans to align with the LME/MCO regions.

INTERIM COUNTY MANAGER PLACEMENT THROUGH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE NC ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Chairman Powell introduced Mr. Kevin Leonard, Executive Director of the NC Association of County Commissioners. The NC Association of County Commissioners is available to assist boards of commissioners through the transition of hiring a county manager. Chairman Powell asked Mr. Leonard to speak to the Board about the process of appointing an interim manager and answer any questions that the Board may have.

Mr. Leonard introduced Mr. Neil Emory who is a retired county manager with 30 years of service that has been with the Association for 16 years as an Outreach Associate. Mr. Emory said they are in contact with former county managers and can assist with collecting resumes and contacting individuals for interest and availability to send along as potential candidates.

Mr. Emory asked the Board to be flexible with a retired manager for his/her schedule as they are limited to 1,000 hours; he asked the Board to evaluate how much time would an interim be needed. County Manager, Heidi York recommended the Board to schedule the needed start date at her departure date.

Mr. Leonard said they would send recommended names with resumes to Chairman Powell.

County Attorney, Ellis Hankins stated the Board could interview any such candidates for their qualifications in closed session.

Mr. Leonard thanked the commissioners for their public service.

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REQUEST TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR GRANT FUNDING AND TO AUTHORIZE COUNTY STAFF TO SUPPORT THE WESTERN SEWER PROJECT:

Mr. Brooks Lockhart, City of Roxboro City Manager stated the leadership with Person County and the City of Roxboro, through each governing body was uniquely positioned to both apply for grants funding to support the Western Sewer Project.

Both the County and the Economic Development Commission have expressed understanding for the need to see the City of Roxboro's Western Sewer Project completed for future growth in the City as well as western and southern Person County. As the costs for the project are greater than funding sources that have been identified by the City, a request is being made to have Person County apply for infrastructure funds available through NCDEQ – Division of Water Infrastructure grants for up to \$15M per unit of local government. The City will likewise apply, as eligible. Funding options may include 100% grant funds, combination of grant and loan, or loan. County Manager, Heidi York sated the County would apply for the grant funds, and if awarded, the City would manage the project. In addition, Ms. York said there was \$1M appropriated in the adopted Capital Improvement Plan for the Western Sewer Project as an additional funding source.

Mr. Lockhart requested the Board of Commissioners to adopt a Resolution to comply with actions necessary for grant award through NCDEQ, Division of Water Infrastructure, and to authorize county staff to work with the City of Roxboro to support the Western Sewer Expansion Project.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Gentry and **carried 5-0** to adopt a Resolution for Grant Funding through NCDEQ, Division of Water Infrastructure, and to authorize County Staff to work with the City of Roxboro to support the Western Sewer Expansion Project.

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

- WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina the Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction and studies of (state whether a wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection system, stream restoration, stormwater treatment, other "green" project, drinking water treatment works, and/or drinking water distribution system; and
- WHEREAS, Person County and The City of Roxboro have needs for and intend to construct a sanitary sewer collection system project described as the construction of approximately 20,500 LF of 18-inch diameter through 24-inch diameter ductile iron and PVC gravity sewer, 23,500 LF of 16-inch diameter ductile iron and PVC forcemain, and the rehabilitation of an existing pump station; and,
- WHEREAS, The completion of the project will induce economic benefits also for Person County; and,
- WHEREAS, The cost of the project exceeds the grant eligibility of the City of Roxboro alone; and,
- WHEREAS, Person County intends to request State grant assistance for the project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

That Heidi York, County Manager, the **Authorized Official**, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the **Applicant** with the State of North Carolina for a grant to aid in the study of or construction of the project described above.

That the **Authorized Official**, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the **Applicant** has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 18th day of April, 2022 at Roxboro, North Carolina.



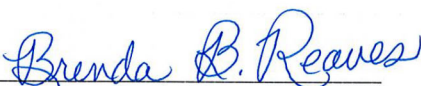
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Gordon Powell, Chairman
Person County Board of Commissioners

CERTIFICATION BY RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned duly qualified and Clerk to the Person County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify: That the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of North Carolina, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Person County Board of Commissioners duly held on the 18th day of April, 2022; and, further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of April, 2022.




Brenda B. Reaves, NCMCC, MMC
Clerk to the Person County Board of Commissioners

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NC BEAVER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:

Ms. Nancy McCormick, Soil & Water Manager on behalf of the Person Soil & Water Conservation District and the Person County Soil & Water Department stated the North Carolina Beaver Management Assistance Program (BMAP) is designed to help manage problems caused by beaver on private and public lands. Due to practical and ecological considerations, the program's goal is to address specific beaver damage problems rather than to eliminate beaver from North Carolina. BMAP-related beaver removals account for about 17% of total known annual beaver harvest (including regulated trapping and damage-related removals), and about 0.5% of the total beaver population annually. BMAP service providers use an integrated approach, in which a combination of methods (some lethal, some non-lethal) may be used or recommended to reduce beaver damage. The program places first priority on issues that threaten public health and safety, and secondly on assistance to landholders experiencing beaver damage.

Ms. McCormick said the BMAP will be implemented by USDA Wildlife Services (Wildlife Services) through cooperative service agreements with the NC Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC), the NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) and Person County. Landholders gain access to assistance at a reduced cost-share rate or may receive free training on beaver management techniques if they are willing to perform the work themselves.

Ms. McCormick stated the cost for Person County to participate in the BMAP is \$6,000; she requested the Board to approve funds of \$6,000 and designate the Person Soil & Water Conservation District office to act as liaison.

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Sims and **carried 5-0** to appropriate \$6,000 in the Soil & Water departmental budget for the Beaver Management Assistance Program in the upcoming fiscal year as well as to designate the Person Soil & Water Conservation District office to act as liaison, as presented.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Powell asked the County Manager if any of the opioid settlement funding that will come to Person County could be used for a diversion center to which Ms. York stated the opioid settlement funding would have restricted uses and a committee would be established to recommend uses noting the county would have seven years to expend the funding, after receipt.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

County Manager, Heidi York reminded the Board that they would convene their May board meetings in its boardroom 215 upstairs.

Ms. York followed up to the questions of Mr. John Seepe during public comments to note that Ms. Peg Carlson was engaged via phone call to possibly present at the Board's retreat noting there was no contract, no formal proposal and no charge for her time. Ms. York added there was no report following her meetings saying she did not deem a good fit for the Board's retreat.

COMMISSIONER REPORT/COMMENTS:

Vice Chairman Sims commented that Mr. John Seepe's comments were a campaign speech for two candidates and he disagreed with the term bullying when there was questions to a commissioner; he opined that threatening the Board with a public records request unless he got answers to his questions was in his opinion bullying. Vice Chairman Sims appreciates the public making comments before the Board.

Commissioner Palmer commended county employees for their work and in particular noticed the grounds maintenance staff working at the Sansbury Park.

There were no reports or comments from Commissioner Gentry or Puryear

ADJOURNMENT:

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Sims and **carried 5-0** to adjourn the meeting at 10:52am.

Brenda B. Reaves
Clerk to the Board

Gordon Powell
Chairman