

PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 20, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Kyle W. Puryear

Heidi York, County Manager

David Newell, Sr.

C. Ronald Aycock, County Attorney

B. Ray Jeffers

Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

Jimmy B. Clayton

Tracey L. Kendrick

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Person, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 9:00 am in the Commissioners' meeting room in the Person County Office Building.

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

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

RECOGNITION:

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR RETIREE:

Chairman Puryear read and presented a Resolution of Appreciation to Person County retiree, Wes Lail. Board members thanked Mr. Lail for his service to Person County.

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RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Wes Lail has served the people of Person County during his tenure working for Person County as the Emergency Services Director; and

WHEREAS, Wes Lail has served the citizens of Person County with honor, integrity, sincerity and dedication, providing accurate, concise services for three years, March, 2012 – July, 2015 with a career spanning over 25 years in emergency services; and

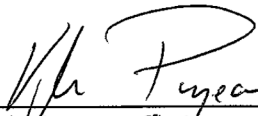
WHEREAS, Wes Lail has earned the respect and admiration of all who have known him and worked with him throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, the County of Person recognizes the many contributions Wes Lail has made to the County and offers him sincere best wishes for his retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kyle Purgear, Chairman of the Person County Board of Commissioners, do hereby extend this Resolution of Appreciation to Wes Lail for continually striving to make Roxboro and Person County a better place to live and work.

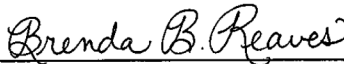
Adopted this 20th day of July, 2015.





Kyle Purgear, Chairman
Person County Board of Commissioners

Attest:



Brenda B. Reaves
Clerk to the Board

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INFORMAL COMMENTS:

There were no comments from the public.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- A. Approval of Minutes of June 1, 2015, June 3, 2015 and June 15, 2015,
- B. Budget Amendment #1,
- C. Resolution – Stepping Up Initiative to Reduce the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jails,
- D. DSS Attorney Contracts, and
- E. Tax Adjustments for the month of July 2015
 - a. Tax Releases,
 - b. NC Vehicle Tax System pending refunds

CANCER DEATH RATE STUDY – WITHIN A 2-MILE RADIUS OF THE UPPER PIEDMONT LANDFILL:

Health Director, Janet Clayton stated as a follow-up to the initial cancer death rate study of Person County dated April 1, 2015, a cancer death rate study was requested to more specifically investigate a 2-mile radius surrounding 9550 Oxford Road, also known as the Upper Piedmont Landfill. Ms. Clayton introduced Dr. Rick Langley of the Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch of the North Carolina Division of Public Health to present to the Board the state's results.

Dr. Langley stated the following types of metals: barium, cobalt, copper and zinc show elevated levels around the landfill.

Dr. Langley noted Dr. Ken Rudo, State Toxicologist, will meet with the Person County Health Director, Janet Clayton on July 21, 2015 to review sampling of well water located within a 2-mile radius of the landfill.

The correspondence dated May 28, 2015 describing the results of the study follows:

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North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Public Health

Pat McCrory
Governor

Aldona Z. Wos, M.D.
Ambassador (Ret.)
Secretary DHHS
Daniel Stanley
Acting Division Director

May 28, 2015

Dear Director Clayton,

Thank you for your inquiry to the Central Cancer Registry regarding cancer cases in Person County. We receive many requests such as yours for information about cancers in local areas throughout the state. The Central Cancer Registry compiles information on cancers across North Carolina and we monitor cancer rates for many types of cancer for each county annually to see if there appear to be areas of the state that need special attention.

Although much has been learned about cancer over the past couple of decades, there is still much that is not known about the causes of cancer. What we do know is that cancer is not one disease, but a group of diseases that behave similarly. We know that different types of cancers are caused by different things. For example, cigarette smoking has been implicated in causing lung cancer, some chemical exposures are associated with leukemia, and prolonged exposure to sunlight causes some types of skin cancer. Genetic research has shown that defects in certain genes result in a much higher likelihood that a person will get cancer. What is not known is how genetic factors and exposures to cancer causing agents interact.

Many people do not realize how common cancers are. It is estimated that one out of every two men and one out of every three women will develop a cancer of some type during his or her lifetime. As a result, it is common to find what appear to be cancer cases clustering in neighborhoods over a period of years. This will occur in any neighborhood. As people age, their chance of getting cancer increases, and so as we look at a community, it is common to see increasing numbers of cancer cases as the people in the community age.

Cancers are diseases that develop over many years. As a result, it is difficult to know when any specific cancer began to develop, and consequently, what the specific factor was which caused the cancer. Because people in our society move several times during their lives, the evaluation of clusters of cancer cases is quite challenging. One can never be certain that a specific cancer was caused by something in the community in which the person currently resides.

When clusters of cancer cases are investigated, we look for several things that are clues to likely associations with exposures in the community. These are:

1. Groups of cases of all the same type of cancer (such as brain cancer or leukemia). Because different things cause different types of cancer, cases of many different types of cancer do not constitute a cluster of cases.
2. Groups of cases among children, or ones with an unusual age distribution.
3. Cases diagnosed during a relatively short time interval. Cases diagnosed over a span of years do not constitute a cluster of cases unless there is consistency in the type of cancer.
4. Clusters of rare cancers. Because lung, breast, colon, and prostate cancers are so common, it is very difficult to find any association between them and exposures in a community.

This report is updated based on cases reported to the North Carolina Central Cancer Registry (CCR) as of April 2015, diagnosed during 1990 - 2014, address at the time of diagnosis in North Carolina and diagnosis codes as reflected in the pathology and medical reports reported from the hospitals and facilities. Further, cases diagnosed out of the state and country but may be receiving treatment in facilities in North Carolina are not included as they are not required to be reported. The CCR does not have real time data because it takes hospitals at least six months after the diagnosis of a malignancy to submit cancer diagnosis reports. The reason for this is that, per General Statute 130A-209, CCR requires facilities to report complete first course of treatment data and many cases have an extended period of first course treatment. The patient may have surgery, followed by multiple courses of chemotherapy, followed by

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radiation therapy. In order to obtain complete and accurate data from the facilities there is a lag time of at least six months. For some cases, CCR receives multiple reports from different facilities, which are reviewed and consolidated on an ongoing basis. CCR continues to receive reports from the hospitals for cases diagnosed in 2013, 2014 and prior years. Therefore, all cases diagnosed in 2013 and 2014 may not be included in this report.

In order to evaluate the cancer risk in the county requested, all of the cases of cancer in our database diagnosed from 1990 to 2014 were identified. During this time a total of 4,583 cancer cases were diagnosed in Person County. Across the county, the four major cancers - female breast, colon/rectum, prostate, and lung - comprised 57 percent of the cases. Pediatric cancers comprised less than 1 percent of the total number of cases and 86 percent of the cases were age 50 or older, when cancer diagnoses are quite common. These cases were spread out over the 25 years, not concentrated in a short time period.

Further, we examined the age-adjusted cancer incidence rates in Person County for the 2008-2012 diagnosis years and found that the rates for colorectal, lung/bronchus, female breast and prostate cancers were similar to the state rates. Overall there were 1,205 cases reported in Person County for this five year period.

In addition, we looked at cancers that have been shown to be associated with environmental risk factors (liver, pancreas, leukemia, brain, bladder, kidney, multiple myeloma and non-Hodgkin lymphoma) and identified a total of 870 cases for Person County between 1990 and 2014. These cases were spread out over the 25 years and not concentrated in any time period.

Concern was also expressed over the incidence of lung/bronchus and brain/other CNS cancers in Person County. Between 1990 and 2014, there were 763 cases (or about 17 percent of all cancer cases) of lung/bronchus cancer and 66 cases (about 1 percent of all cases) of brain/other CNS cancer in Person County while there were 151,909 cases (or about 15 percent of all cancer cases) of lung/bronchus cancer and 13,484 cases (or about 1 percent of all cases) of brain/other CNS cancer statewide. Further analysis of the age-adjusted cancer incidence rates in Person County for the 2008-2012 diagnosis years showed that the rates for lung/bronchus and brain/other CNS cancers were similar to the state rates.

Additionally, the area surrounding the landfill located at 9550 Oxford Road, Rougemont, NC was of particular interest. From 1990 to 2014, there were 473 cases reported in the 2-mile radius area around the site. The top four cancers comprised 55 percent of the cases. About 81 percent of the cases were diagnosed in people age 50 and older while 1 percent of the cases were pediatric cancers. Between 2010 and 2014, there were 127 cases reported in this area. Further analysis showed that there were 21 cases of lung/bronchus (17 percent of total) and no cases of brain/other CNS cancers reported in the area.

Overall, no consistent pattern of cases was observed other than those previously stated. It is possible that there is an environmental risk for cancer in the area; however, we do not see a higher occurrence of cancers in the populations usually associated with environmental factors at this time or any evidence of a clustering of cancer cases in any of these areas.

On the CCR website (www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/data/cancer.cfm), there is additional North Carolina cancer information, including the NC Cancer Profile and the Cancer Profile for Person County. There are also fact sheets regarding the leading cancers in the state. If you have questions regarding any of this information or you want additional resources about cancer, please do not hesitate to contact me at Gary.YH.Leung@dhhs.nc.gov or (919) 715-4559.

Copies of neighborhood cancer evaluations are sent to local health department and the Office of Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch.

Sincerely,



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CC:

Janet Clayton, Person County Health Department
Dr. Rick Langley, MD, MPH, Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch

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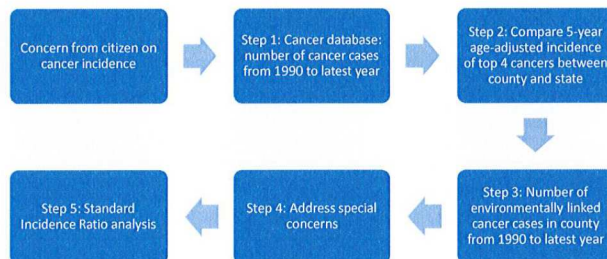
Dr. Langley reported the following Person County Cluster Analysis to the Board:

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Person County Cluster Analysis

North Carolina Central Cancer
Registry

Steps in Cluster Investigation



Person County Analysis

- 4,583 cancer cases diagnosed 1990-2014
- Top 4 cancer sites comprised 57%
- 763 Lung cancers
- 66 Brain/other CNS
- <1% Pediatric cancers
- 86% cancer diagnosis among age >50
- Spread out over 25 years
- 5 Year lung cancer & brain/Other CNS rates were consistent with state rates

Person County – 2-Mile Analysis

- 473 cancer cases diagnosed 1990-2014
- Top 4 cancer sites comprised 55%
- 21 Lung cancers
- 66 Brain/other CNS
- 1% Pediatric cancers
- 81% cancer diagnosis among age >50
- 127 cases diagnosed between 2010-14
- 21 lung cancer
- No brain/Other CNS

NEW BUSINESS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

Mr. Kenneth Perry, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission addressed the Board for input related to the expectations and/or improvements for the Economic Development Commission (EDC).

Commissioner Kendrick stated without the interstate system to help Person County, he felt smaller projects to grow into larger projects would be his expectation for EDC.

Commissioner Jeffers noted the EDC should continue its transparency, working with regional partners in collaboration as well as small business partnerships.

Commissioner Clayton stated having the EDC to continue to meet regularly, continue to support the director, and state level partnerships was important and he prefers expending economic incentives based on performance measures.

Vice Chairman Newell stated the current EDC has politics that should be put aside and to go forward as one body with each member taking on the role as a recruiter.

Chairman Puryear noted transparency, communication with the Board of Commissioners, management of funds related to consultants and legal fees as well as to seek community leaders' input as his expectations for EDC.

Mr. Perry told the Board that Representative Larry Yarborough has been appointed to the state's budget committee noting the Senate's provision in the budget to allocate additional state sales tax to rural counties could benefit Person County in a great way should it be adopted. Commissioner Jeffers commented that the NC Association of County Commissioners' Board of Directors recently met with the Senior Finance Chair with the House noting there is a divide of urban versus rural on the state sales tax and the opinion is that there may not be a state budget adopted until after the first of the year (2016) with a continuance resolution in place so there is more time to further review the details of the state sales tax.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN PERSON COUNTY AND THE ROXBORO BUILDING COMPANY, INC. WHICH INVOLVES A COUNTY COMMISSIONER AS SHAREHOLDER:

County Attorney, Ron Aycock noted Person County recently contracted for the renovations of the Kirby Theatre. The parking lot located behind the Kirby Theatre, accessed by Reams Avenue, is owned by the Roxboro Building Company, Inc. This parking lot has been used by patrons of the Kirby for many years. During the renovation, this parking lot was damaged. The County and Roxboro Building Company, Inc. wish to partner on the repaving of the parking lot. The total cost of the full repaving is \$22,340 with both the County and the Roxboro Building Company, Inc. paying \$11,170. Mr. Aycock presented a Resolution authorizing a contract between Person County and the Roxboro Building Company, Inc. which involves a county commissioner as a shareholder noting the agreement for this cost sharing was contingent upon the approval by the Board of the Resolution.

Mr. Aycock stated Vice Chairman David Newell, Sr. is a shareholder of Roxboro Building Company, Inc. owning in excess of a 10% interest. North Carolina General Statute 14-234 titled Public officers or employees benefiting from public contracts; exceptions- provides for an exemption of the prohibition of contracting on behalf of a public agency when they will derive a direct benefit from a contract. The exemption is allowed for counties with no city population over 15,000. The following requirements must be met in order to allow the exemption:

- a) The contract may not exceed \$40,000 in value,
- b) The affected commissioner must abstain from voting,
- c) The County must post on the County Bulletin Board, notice showing the name of the county commissioner, the amount of the contract, and a brief explanation, and
- d) The contract must be noted in the independent auditor's next fiscal audit.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Kendrick and **carried 4-0** to recuse Vice Chairman Newell from Board action related to a Resolution authorizing a contract between Person County and the Roxboro Building Company, Inc., which involves a county commissioner as shareholder. Vice Chairman Newell did not participate in the vote.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton and **carried 4-0** to adopt a Resolution authorizing a contract involving a County Commissioner pursuant to NC General Statute 14-234 as presented. Vice Chairman Newell did not participate in the vote.

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT INVOLVING A COUNTY
COMMISSIONER PURSUANT TO NCGS 14-234**

WHEREAS Person County recently contracted to have major renovations done to the Kirby Theatre; and

WHEREAS equipment and supplies used in the renovation was staged in the parking lot owned by the Roxboro Building Company, Inc. (RBC) which such Parking lot (Parking Lot) is located behind a building owned RBC on Main Street in Roxboro NC and is accessed via Reams Avenue; and

WHEREAS during the renovation damage was done to the Parking Lot; and

WHEREAS for many years RBC has allowed patrons of the Kirby Center to use Parking Lot free of charge; and

WHEREAS in lieu of repairing the damaged Parking Lot and in compensation for future use of the Parking Lot for Kirby patrons RBC and The County have agreed, subject to the approval of the Person County Board of County Commissioners herein, to jointly repave the Parking Lot for a total cost of \$22,340 (\$11,170 to be paid by the County); and

WHEREAS County Commissioner David B. Newell, Sr. owns in excess of a 10% interest in RBC; and

WHEREAS NCGS 14-234 authorizes an exemption from its provisions for Counties with no city over 15,000 population; and

WHEREAS the population of Roxboro does not exceed 15,000; and

WHEREAS NCGS 14-234 the following requirements must be met in order to take advantage of the small county exemption:

- a) The contract may not exceed \$40,000 in value;
- b) The affected commissioner does not vote on the item;
- c) The County must post on the County Bulletin Board a notice showing the name of the county commissioner involved, the amount of the contract and a brief explanation of the subject matter;
- d) The contract must be noted in the independent auditor's next fiscal audit; and

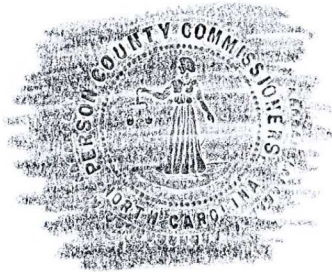
WHEREAS the Person County Board of County Commissioners desires to enter into the contract attached hereto and to authorize the exception to NCGS 14-234.

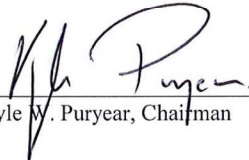
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Person County Board of County Commissioners that:

- 1- Commissioner David B. Newell, Sr. be permitted not to vote on this matter,
- 2- A posting on the County Bulletin Board be ordered as indicated above,
- 3- The independent auditor provide the notation in the next annual financial audit as indicated above, and
- 4- The attached contract between the County and RBC is hereby approved and authorized to be executed by the County Manager.


Adopted this the 20th day of July, 2015.





Kyle W. Puryear, Chairman

Attest:



Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

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TAX COLLECTOR SETTLEMENT:

Tax Administrator, Russell Jones stated as required by General Statute 105-373(a)(3), an annual settlement for taxes for the current fiscal year and all previous years must be made with the governing body of the taxing unit. Mr. Jones presented to the Board the following:

2014 Tax Collector Settlement

2014 Tax Base

- Budget tax base for 2014-\$ 3.960 billion
- Actual tax base for 2014- \$ 4.047 billion
- Tax base was higher than budget by 2.2 %
- Actual base for 2014 was over by \$87 million
- These numbers do not include NCVTS

2014 tax year collections

- Budgeted collection rate for 2014– 97.25%
- Actual collection rate for 2014– 98.60%
- Collection rate was over by 1.35%
- Collections was \$ 984,460 more than anticipated on current year collections
- Average collection rate for Person County for last 10 years is 97.73%

2014 Tax Year Uncollected Balances

- County 2014 uncollected taxes-all
– \$ 398,859
- County 2014 uncollected real only-
– \$ 371,445
- County 2014 uncollected vehicle only-
– \$ 106
- County 2014 uncollected other-
– \$ 27,308

Collection activities

- Total payments for all years, including City of Roxboro-
– \$33,728,380
- Total payments for all years, Person County-
– \$ 28,734,854
- Processed payments- 39,188
- 2015 Prepayments were \$ 93,180

Prior year tax collections

- This includes 2004-2011 tax years
- County Unpaid balances on July 1, 2014-
– \$ 1,074,816
- County Unpaid balances on June 30, 2015-
– \$ 581,316
- County Collections on Prior Years-
– \$ 493,500

Forced Collections

- Attachments- 501 payments
 - \$ 137,132 County
 - \$ 33,255 City
 - \$ 170,387 Total
- Garnishments- 2,285 payments
 - \$ 177,955 County
 - \$ 22,697 City
 - \$ 200,652 Total

Forced Collections County and City

- Escheats- Also known as NC Cash
 - Approximately \$ 16,000
- Debt Setoff- 386 accounts collected
 - \$ 31,402 for Tax Office
 - \$ 31,387 for EMS
 - \$ 3,671 for Health Department
 - \$ 1,889 for Library
 - \$ 68,349 Total Collected

Uncollected County Balances

- All years uncollected- \$ 965,378
- Total bills left uncollected- 8,580
- Uncollected vehicle bills- 4,447
 - \$ 107,176
- Uncollected real estate bills- 2,951
 - \$ 792,437
- Uncollected other tax bills-
 - \$65,765

2004-11th Year Taxes

- 2004 Original Levy- \$21,556,443
- Total bills uncollected- 322- \$10,539
- Uncollected Real Estate bills-41- \$ 4,407
- Uncollected Vehicle bills- 257- \$ 4,909
- Uncollected Other bills- 24- \$ 1,223
- .049% Uncollected after 10 years
- or 5/100 of 1%

2014-NCVTS (MOTOR VEHICLES)

- 2014 TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE- \$ 323,870,318
- 2014 Billed- \$ 2,288,422
- Collected- \$ 2,286,812
- 2014-Uncollected-\$ 1,610
- 2014 Collection Rate on Vehicles= 99.93%

2014-Stormwater

- 2014 Billed- \$ 273,054
- Collected- \$ 264,575
- 2014-Uncollected- \$ 8,479
- 2014 Collection Rate on Storm water= 96.96%

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Newell and **carried 5-0** to accept the Tax Collector Settlement as presented.

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ORDER TO COLLECT TAXES:

Tax Administrator, Russell Jones stated as required by General Statute 105-321, the governing board of the taxing unit must issue an order of collection to tax collectors. The Order gives the tax collector legal authority to collect taxes.

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Newell and **carried 5-0** to direct Person County's Tax Collector to collect taxes for 2015 and all delinquent taxes from prior years.



PERSON COUNTY

OFFICE OF THE TAX ADMINISTRATOR

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ATTACHMENT II

County of Person

To the Tax Collector of the County of Person:

You are hereby authorized, empowered, and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records filed in the office of Person County Tax Office and in the tax receipts herewith delivered to you, in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth. Such taxes are hereby declared to be a first lien upon all real property of the respective taxpayers in the County of Person, and this order shall be a full and sufficient authority to direct, require, and enable you to levy on and sell any real or personal property of such taxpayers, for and on account thereof, in accordance with law.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 20th day of July, 2015.



Kyle Puryear, Chairman
Board of Commissioners of Person County

Attest:



Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board



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RE-APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ASSESSOR:

Tax Administrator, Russell Jones stated as required by General Statute 105-294(a), the Person County Board of Commissioners must appoint a Tax Assessor. The Board of Commissioners appointed the current tax assessor, Russell Jones, on July 5, 2011 for a four year term, which will expire this month. The current tax assessor is certified by the North Carolina Department of Revenue as an Assessor, and therefore eligible for a four year appointment. It is customary for counties to appoint an Assessor for the full four year term.

§ 105-294. County assessor.

- (a) Appointment. – Persons occupying the position of county assessor on July 1, 1983, shall continue in office until the first Monday in July, 1983. At its first regular meeting in July, 1983, and every two years or four years thereafter, as appropriate, the board of county commissioners of each county shall appoint a county assessor to serve a term of not less than two nor more than four years; provided, however, that no person shall be eligible for initial appointment to a term of more than two years unless such person is deemed to be qualified as provided in subsection (b) of this section or has been certified by the Department of Revenue as provided in subsection (c) of this section. The board of commissioners may remove the assessor from office during his term for good cause after giving him notice in writing and an opportunity to appear and be heard at a public session of the board. Whenever a vacancy occurs in this office, the board of county commissioners shall appoint a qualified person to serve as county assessor for the period of the unexpired term.

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Newell to appoint Russell Jones as Person County's Tax Assessor for a designated term of two years.

A **substitute motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **failed 2-3** to appoint Russell Jones as Person County's Tax Assessor for a designated term of four years. Commissioners Jeffers and Clayton voted in favor of the substitute motion. Chairman Puryear, Vice Chairman Newell and Commissioner Kendrick voted in opposition to the substitute motion.

The **original motion carried 3-2**. Vice Chairman Newell, Chairman Puryear and Commissioner Kendrick voted in favor of the original motion. Commissioners Jeffers and Clayton voted in opposition to the original motion.

Chairman Puryear administered the County Tax Assessor oath to Mr. Russell Jones.



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Person County

Oath for County Tax Assessor

I, **Russell Jones**, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as Tax Assessor, and that I will not allow my actions as assessor to be influenced by personal or political friendship or obligations, so help me God."

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Russell Jones".

Russell Jones
County Tax Assessor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kyle Puryear".

Kyle Puryear
Chairman, Board of Commissioners of Person County

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brenda B. Reaves".

Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

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DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE TO NC ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

Chairman Puryear asked Board consideration to designate Person County's voting delegate for the NC Association of County Commissioners annual conference scheduled for August 20-23, 2015 in Pitt County.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to designate Commissioner Clayton as Person County's voting delegate for the NC Association of County Commissioners annual conference in Pitt County on August 20-23, 2015.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Puryear reminded the Board members that on August 3, 2015 at 6:00pm, the Board would hold the informal interview process with candidates for certain boards and committees.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

County Manager, Heidi York stated copies of the final document containing the adopted Fiscal Year 2015-2016 budget was placed at the Board member's seats. Ms. York updated the Board on the solid waste study Request For Proposals noting the bids was coming in under the \$100,000 budgeted amount. Ms. York noted the Request for Qualifications have been evaluated by a committee to select an architect for the Senior Center project.

COMMISSIONER REPORT/COMMENTS:

Vice Chairman Newell publicly apologized to Commissioner Jeffers for a comment he directed to him in the last Board meeting as well as apologized to the Board for his conduct.

Commissioner Kendrick reported resources at the Person County Library for continuing education classes, foreign language programs and he encouraged citizens to take advantage of such.

Commissioner Clayton congratulated Commissioner Jeffers for being elected to the National Association of Counties' board. Commissioner Clayton asked the County Manager to confirm if a meeting was being scheduled for the Chairman and Vice Chairman for each the Museum of History, Tourism Development Authority and the Commissioners to which Ms. York replied affirmatively.

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Commissioner Jeffers commented that he and Commissioner Tracey Johnson of Washington County were elected by the NC Association of County Commissioners' voting delegates for all 100 counties to be state representatives on the national board for a three year term. Commissioner Jeffers reported the Fire Chiefs were pleased with the county's funding programs. Commissioner Jeffers recognized the Director of Social Services, Carlton Paylor, Assistant County Manager, Sybil Tate and the Summer Intern, Caley Trujillo for their efforts to make the human services event a success.

RECESS:

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Newell and **carried 5-0** to recess the meeting at 9:59am until 6:00pm on August 3, 2015.

Brenda B. Reaves
Clerk to the Board

Kyle W. Puryear
Chairman

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