

PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEMBERS PRESENT

Tracey L. Kendrick
Gordon Powell
Jimmy B. Clayton
Kyle W. Puryear
B. Ray Jeffers

MAY 21, 2018
OTHERS PRESENT

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, May 21, 2018 at 9:00am in the Commissioners' meeting room in the Person County Office Building.

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 Vice Chairman Powell and **carried 5-0** to approve the agenda.

INFORMAL COMMENTS:

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

Ms. Susan Naylor of 481 Valhalla Drive, Timberlake stated her appreciation of the County's Senior Center facility noting how participation has increased. She advocated for the Board to consider the continued funding in the upcoming budget.

Ms. Frances Blalock of 1504 Surl Mt. Tirzah Road, Timberlake asked the Board what happened to the option to close the landfill and utilize transfer stations to haul to Granville County's landfill. She added that with the new state legislation the Board should consider a year-to-year option to have some reign of control.

Ms. Betty Blalock of 144 Tirzah Ridge, Rougemont addressed the Board of her community being called collateral damage noting the many deaths by cancer occurring in the one and one-half mile radius of the landfill. She said the dynamite blasts shakes and cracks her home. Ms. Blalock stated she would be contacting the Neuse River Association as well.

Mr. Roy Brooks of 383 Parsonage Drive, Timberlake requested Board consideration to allow county staff to perform the necessary monitoring of commercial stormwater plans noting this would be a tremendous service to small businesses.

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Mr. David Fyke of 171 Robert Whitfield Road, Hurdle Mills, and a full-time staff at the County's Hospice program told the group of the services offered by Hospice to its patients.

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 23, 2018,
- B. Budget Amendment # 16, and
- C. Memorandum of Agreement for Person County Sheriff Office and United Way Grant funding in the amount of \$4,000 for the GREAT Camp

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO AUTHORIZE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF A SALE OF THE PERSON COUNTY HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE AGENCY:

At the Board's January 22, 2018 meeting, the Board of Commissioners authorized a contract with CliftonLarsonAllen to assist the County with the process of preparing a request for non-binding proposals to consider divesting the home health and hospice services. At the Board's April 9th meeting a public hearing was conducted. A majority of Board members wanted the opportunity to talk with health department staff to gain a better understanding of the situation in home health and hospice before the adoption of the Resolution, so it was tabled.

As required by General Statute 131E-13, the County must adopt a Resolution of Intent and conduct a public hearing before it can request proposals for purchase. Once proposals are received the Board must conduct another public hearing. The Board will have the opportunity to consider all proposals and negotiate with any potential buyers. During the negotiations process, terms such as employee transitions, and purchase price, etc. can be discussed. By state regulations, the office of the buyer must remain within the geographic limits of Person County. A decision to sell is not made until the negotiations are finalized and both parties mutually agree to an Asset Purchase Agreement. The consultants estimate that the process of selling the two services takes about six months.

Counties across the State are facing the same struggles as Person County as it is becoming increasingly difficult to compete with private sector providers of these services. New federal Home Health Conditions of Participation are very onerous and costly, and, payment rates continue decline and not keep pace with providers' inflationary expenses inflation. The CliftonLarsonAllen firm has brokered the sale of 23 county/regional health departments; only 11 county-owned home health and hospice (HHH) services exist today.

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The average sale price for both services is about \$2M. Both home health and hospice have private sector providers serving patients in Person County.

There are currently 7 filled full-time positions in Home Health and Hospice. Most other counties have negotiated a transition plan for their employees with the private sector buyers.

The Board of Health met and discussed the options on Nov. 27 and again on Jan. 11. Their recommendation was to sell Home Health, but retain Hospice. They expressed concern over serving indigent patients, although the data shows that in FY16 the county served 3 indigent patients in home health; 0 in hospice. In FY17 the county served 1 patient in home health; 0 in hospice. The Board of Health and staff believe that with additional investments in Hospice to provide for better marketing and enhanced technology, they might be able to increase revenues and make the program more viable.

Chairman Kendrick requested the Board to adopt a Resolution of Intent to Authorize a Request for Proposals to explore the feasibility of a Sale of the Person County Home Health and Hospice.

Commissioner Clayton recommended hospice be taken out. County Manager, Heidi York stated unanimous action by the Board for the County's consultant to market the bundled services of home health and hospice for interest via a Request for Proposals. She added that the consultant told the group the hospice program made the bundle more attractive for the best offer; once proposals are in hand, the Board would conduct another public hearing and would be able to negotiate terms for approval or the Board has the ability to reject any proposals. Ms. York posed the question to amend the contract with the consultant to exclude the hospice program should the Board desire to do so. County Attorney, Ron Aycock reiterated the Board had instructed the consultant to solicit for proposal noting they could be submitted either separately or bundled which gave the Board alternative approaches.

A **motion** was made by Chairman Kendrick and **carried 3-2** to adopt a Resolution of Intent to Authorize a Request for Proposals to explore the feasibility of a Sale of the Person County Home Health and Hospice. Chairman Kendrick, Vice Chairman Powell and Commissioner Puryear voted in favor of the motion. Commissioners Clayton and Jeffers cast the dissenting votes.

**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO AUTHORIZE A REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF A SALE OF
THE PERSON COUNTY HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE AGENCY
PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S §131E-13**

WHEREAS, Person County, provides home health and hospice care through its Medicare certified home health and hospice agency operated by the Person County Health Department herein after referred to as "Agency", and;

WHEREAS, the Person County Board of County Commissioners hereinafter referred to as "BCC" has performed a review of the current home health and hospice operational environment in its region, and;

WHEREAS, the BCC has examined the economic and fiscal feasibility of continuing to operate its home health and hospice agency as a county operation, and;

WHEREAS, the BCC has examined the potential benefits of conveying the Agency to another operator, and believes it is in the best interest of the County and the community to further investigate the opportunities for a sale of the Agency at this time, and;

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-13(d) sets forth the procedural requirements by which the County may sell or otherwise convey the Agency to a third party, and;

WHEREAS, such procedural requirements require that all interested parties, including, the members of the general public, have the opportunity to comment about a potential sale or conveyance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.C. General Statute § 131E-13(d)(1), the BCC hereby declares its intent to sell the Agency, contingent upon the County's receipt of a proposal for such sale which complies with the requirements of North Carolina law and is satisfactory to the Board of County Commissioners; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BCC hereby authorizes CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, on behalf of the County, to issue a Request for Proposal ("RFP") to at least five (5) prospective buyers which shall include a copy of N.C. General Statute § 131E-13, to any party that has expressed interest in receiving the RFP, and

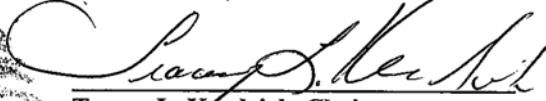
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCC has complied with the requirement to conduct a public hearing on this Resolution of Intent on April 9, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the said public hearing was published at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within Person County, on March 21, 2018.

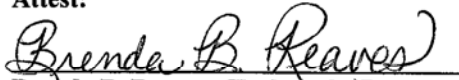
Adopted, this the 21st day of May, 2018.



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Tracey L. Kendrick, Chairman

Attest:


Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

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NEW BUSINESS:

PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS:

County Manager, Heidi York reminded the group that the County contracts with each Volunteer Fire Department and the Rescue Squad to provide fire protection services in addition to other stated responsibilities. The contracts for the current FY17-18 were for a one year term. In previous years, the contracts spanned two fiscal years. Ms. York proposed the new contract would be valid for a two year period from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020. Vice Chairman Powell and Commissioner Jeffers recommended the new contract to be ongoing with an out-clause notice similar to the City of Roxboro's fire services contract. It was also the consensus of the Board to increase the funding to the VFDs and Rescue Squad by 2% or greater with a cap at the current inflationary rate, every other year opposite of the City of Roxboro's increase.

Ms. York stated that due to the proposed increase in funding for the VFDs with the creation of the fire tax, Commissioners have requested some revisions to the current contract. Ms. York highlighted a proposed contract with the following major changes:

- Deletion of reference to capital funding program
- Document progress towards improving the ISO rating, with a written plan submitted by 12/31/18 to the Emergency Services Director as to how and when, setting a target date, the department will achieve a reduction in their ISO rating.
- VFDs and Rescue Squad are recommended to hold a minimum of two community-based fundraisers per fiscal year.
- Agree to be a Point of Distribution site for the county during emergencies/disasters
- Changes the responsibility for paying for the audit to the individual VFDs and Rescue Squad; staff to provide basic financial audit parameters for minimum standards of reporting to be submitted per the deadline; the intent was to have the audits for review by the County prior to the next appropriation of funding.
- Funds to be disbursed in the same amount as the current FY17-18 per district amount (operating and capital) and made available once the returned copy of the contract with signatures and all requirements of Section III are satisfied. In addition, each VFD and Rescue Squad must have passed its state inspection to receive the County disbursement. The remaining amount of funds will be disbursed monthly beginning in March up to the total aggregate amount to all departments of \$1M overall. This plan of disbursement of funds was recommended by the Fire Chiefs. Ms. York stated the final appropriations to the VFDs and Rescue Squad is determined upon the budget being adopted.

ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF SOLID WASTE CONTRACT WITH REPUBLIC:

County Attorney, Ron Aycock explained the following scenarios related to the future option for Republic and Person County, if:

1-The County takes no action at all:

Republic would secure an extension of its state permit to a life of site or 60 years from the original 1997 first receipt of waste which would be 2057. This would enable Republic to continue to receive waste and operate the facility without paying anything to the County. The permit would contain the same conditions as the existing permit (daily tonnage, area, etc.) The County would receive no compensation.

2-Republic secures the extension of its permit to a life of site permit and the county enacts a new franchise and enters into a new contract to match the new permit:

The county would be entitled to receive the same compensation as in the existing contract. The county's new franchise would not be subject to the procedural requirements of a public hearing, etc. It is possible that the County could negotiate some changes in the franchise fee and contract provisions. Additionally, it would be possible to increase the allowed daily tonnage amount not to exceed 110% of the original amount.

3-Republic and the County negotiate a new agreement:

Republic and the County could negotiate a new agreement allowing a larger amount of daily tonnage, different rates and franchise fees. This would require a new state permit for Republic with the consequent procedural requirements of studies of environmental impact, etc. as well as public hearings. The County would have to enact a new franchise. This approach would likely require at least a one year extension as in 2 above in order to allow the necessary time to comply with the more extensive procedural requirements.

Mr. Aycock provided the following Facts and Analysis:

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FACTS AND ANALYSIS

Person County has an existing contract with Republic Services for operation of a landfill in Person County and a franchise issued to Republic for such operation which expired on June 30, 2017. The contract provides that after scheduled expiration the contract may be extended for 10 additional years at the option of the County. The County has elected to extend the contract for the first of those 10 years (expiration June 30, 2018) and has issued a franchise for that one year period plus one additional year (franchise expires on June 30, 2019). Among other provisions the contract provides for a fee to be paid to Person County based upon usage which yields Person County in excess of \$500,000 per year. It also provides that Person County will use its “best efforts” to assure that waste from Person County will be disposed of in the Republic facility. It further provides that waste will not be accepted from certain jurisdictions (Raleigh and Durham) and will not be accepted from areas 60 miles or more from the landfill.

Republic has made application to the state for an extension of its existing permit to a “life of site” permit. The application is not for a new permit. That application has not yet been acted upon.

The 2015 General assembly has enacted two provisions which impact the county options. For convenience in identification, Mr. Aycock designated those provisions as “flow control” and “life of site” provisions.

FLOW CONTROL PROVISION

The new law prohibits a county from requiring that all waste in a county go to a specific site (flow control) except in very limited circumstances. For Person County that limited circumstance means for the period of its existing franchise (until June 30, 2019). It is likely then that if the County grants additional franchises to effectuate the remaining years (8) of the original contract extension that it may not be able to direct that all waste go to the Republic site.

An additional likely effect of the new law is to limit the ability of the County to restrict the receipt of waste from areas 60+ miles away, since to do so would limit the flow of waste. This effect is not as clear as the prohibition on the direction of waste from within the County, but is likely to be the effect of the law.

The pertinent legislation is set out below:

(Please note that the legislation still establishes a policy that a solid waste facility should serve a specific geographic area, but prohibits a county from requiring that service.)

“130A-294(b) In furtherance of this purpose and intent, it is hereby determined and declared that it is necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the State that solid waste management facilities permitted hereunder and serving a specified geographic area shall be used by public or private owners or occupants of all lands, buildings, and premises within the geographic area, and a unit of local government may, by ordinance, require that all solid waste generated within the geographic area and placed in the waste stream for disposal, shall be delivered to the permitted solid waste management facility or facilities serving the geographic area. Actions taken pursuant to this Article shall be deemed to be acts of the sovereign power of the State of North Carolina, and to the extent reasonably necessary to achieve the purposes of this section, a unit of local government may displace competition with public service for solid waste management and disposal. It is further determined and declared that no person, firm, corporation, association or entity within the geographic area shall engage in any activities which would be competitive with this purpose or with ordinances, rules adopted pursuant to the authority granted herein.

(c) Except as provided in subsections (d) {REGIONAL SOLID WASTE FACILITIES} and (e)[CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION MATERIALS MAY NOT BE DIRECTED] of this section, a unit of local government may, by ordinance, franchise, business license, contract, or otherwise, require that all solid waste generated within the geographic area and placed in the waste stream for disposal be delivered to the permitted solid waste management facility or facilities serving the geographic area only under one of the following conditions:

(1) If the unit of local government has debt associated with solid waste management facilities and equipment outstanding on September 1, 2017, the unit of local government may adopt and enforce such an ordinance until the date that such debt has matured.

(2) If the unit of local government is a party to an exclusive franchise agreement with a private entity governing the management or disposal of waste within the jurisdiction in effect on September 1, 2017, the unit of local government may adopt and enforce such an ordinance until the date that such franchise has expired.”

LIFE OF SITE PROVISION

The new law provides that all new permits for solid waste facilities be issued by the state for life of the site not to exceed 60 years. Life of site is defined to be from inception of the permit until the facility reaches its permitted height. The legislation explicitly provides that a life of site permit survives the expiration of its underlying franchise. But a county may extend the old franchise under the same terms and conditions until the expiration of the life of site permit. A franchise extended to match the life of site permit period is not required to be enacted with a public hearing, deposit of materials, at the public library, etc.

The applicable law is set out below:

"§ 130A-294. Solid waste management program.

...

(a2) Permits for sanitary landfills and transfer stations shall be issued for the life-of-site of the facility unless revoked as otherwise provided under this Article or upon the expiration of any local government franchise required for the facility pursuant to subsection (b1) of this section, revoked. For purposes of this section, "life-of- site" means the period from the initial receipt of solid waste at the facility until the Department approves final closure of the facility. The facility reaches its final permitted elevations, which period shall not exceed 60 years. Permits issued pursuant to this subsection shall take into account the duration of any permits previously issued for the facility and the remaining capacity at the facility.

(a3) In order to preserve long - term disposal capacity, a life - of - site permit issued for a sanitary landfill shall survive the expiration of a local government approval or franchise. In order to preserve any economic benefits included in the franchise, the County may extend the franchise under the same terms and conditions for the term of the life - of - site permit. The extension of the franchise hereby shall not trigger the requirements for a new permit, a major permit modification, or a substantial amendment to the permit."

Commissioner Jeffers requested for the data for the remaining years of life under the current contract terms. County Manager, Heidi York stated she could obtain that information from Republic and the State of NC. Current landfill Manager, Chris Gustin stated the existing life of landfill varied dependent upon the density factor of the material taken in.

A **motion** was made by Chairman Kendrick and **carried 5-0** to extend the contract period for one-year to match the current franchise agreement for the Solid Waste Contract with Republic.

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**SECOND AMENDMENT TO
AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT
FOR CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT, USE AND
OPERATION OF UPPER PIEDMONT
REGIONAL LANDFILL**

THIS SECOND AMENDMENT ("Second Amendment") is made effective this 21st day of May, 2018, to that certain Amended and Restated Agreement for Continued Development, Use and Operation of Upper Piedmont Regional Landfill ("New Landfill" as defined in the Agreement), by and between Person County, North Carolina, a political subdivision, organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as the "County"), and Republic Services of North Carolina, LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, d.b.a. Upper Piedmont Regional Landfill (hereinafter referred to as "Republic").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, in August of 1994, the parties entered into an Agreement for Development, Use and Operation of New Landfill; and

WHEREAS, in August of 1995, the parties entered into the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the New Landfill first began operation on July 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, in June of 2017, the parties entered into the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Agreement for Continued Development, Use and Operation of Upper Piedmont Regional Landfill ("First Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the Termination Date set forth in the Agreement, as amended by the First Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein by reference. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings given them in the Agreement and First Amendment.

2. Section 12.1 of the Agreement, as amended by the First Amendment, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with new Section 12.1 that reads as follows:

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“12.1 Term. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence on the date set forth in the preamble and shall continue for at least twenty-two (22) years from the Effective Date (through and including July 1, 2019) provided, however, after twenty-two (22) years the County may continue to use the New Landfill on a year-to-year basis under the same terms and conditions until such time as the New Landfill is, in Upper Piedmont’s discretion, completely filled or otherwise rendered unusable or unfeasible for use as a sanitary landfill. The term of this Agreement shall in no case exceed thirty (30) years from the Effective Date.”

3. Except as set forth herein, the Agreement and First Amendment shall remain in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Second Amendment and those contained in the Agreement or First Amendment, the terms of this Second Amendment shall prevail and control.

4. This Second Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and Republic have caused their respective duly authorized officers to execute this Second Amendment as of the day and year first above written.

[SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON FOLLOWING PAGES]

ATTEST:

By: Brenda B. Reaves
Brenda B. Reaves
Clerk to the Board

[County Seal]

PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

By: Tracey L. Kendrick
Tracey L. Kendrick
Chairman

Date: 5/21/2018

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: Ronald B. Aycock
Ronald B. Aycock
County Attorney

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

By: Amy Wehrenberg
Amy Wehrenberg
County Finance Officer

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ATTEST:

**REPUBLIC SERVICES OF NORTH
CAROLINA, LLC D.B.A. UPPER
PIEDMONT REGIONAL LANDFILL**

By: _____

[Corporate Seal]

By: _____

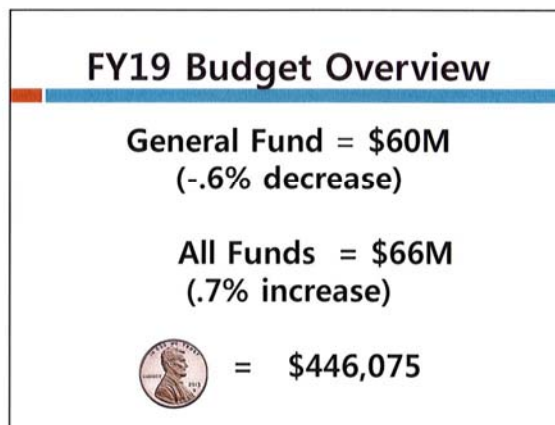
Drew Isenhour
Vice President

Date: _____

PRESENTATION OF THE COUNTY MANAGER'S FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 RECOMMENDED BUDGET:

North Carolina General Statute 159 specifies that a recommended budget for the upcoming fiscal year be given to the Board of County Commissioners by June 1st. The Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act requires that the recommended budget be balanced. County Manager, Heidi York provided the following overview of the recommended budget:

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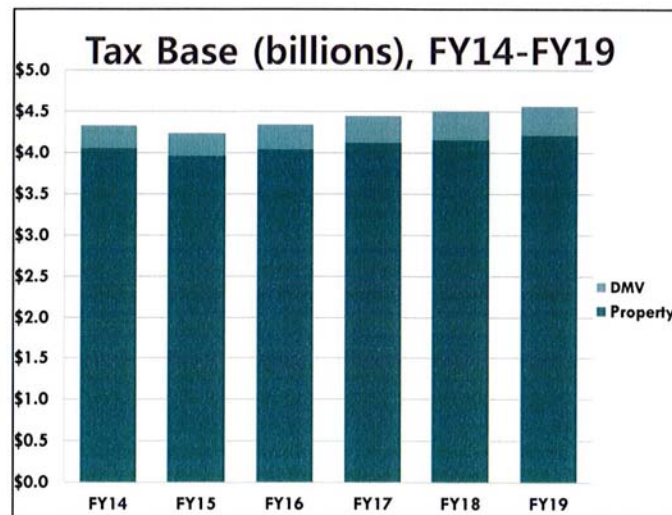


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Ms. York stated one penny was up from \$438K in current year noting very little growth in the county budget with the costs of goods & services trending at a 2.3% growth rate.

FY19 Budget Overview

- **Adjustment of Collection Rate**
 - 97.25% to 97.50%
 - Generates an additional \$71K
- **Tax rate decrease**
 - .70 to .6818
 - Loss of \$812K



Ms. York said the above Tax Base chart reflects extremely modest growth; only \$62M combined in growth.

The Board identified the following priorities for the FY18-19 Budget:

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Priorities

- 1. Public Safety**
- 2. Education**
- 3. Economic Development**

Priority-Based Spending

- **Creation of a Fire Tax: .0182**
- **Increase funding for VFD's to \$1M**
- **6 new public safety positions**
- **Increased current expense funding for education**
- **Funded all capital for PCS & PCC**
- **2nd year of fiber in CIP (\$3M)**

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Ms. York stated her recommended budget reflects an 8.2% increase in public safety for FY19 with increased funding for VFDs and four EMT paramedic positions to complete a full shift as well as two sheriff deputies.

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Revenues

-\$349K decrease in General Fund

Largest Decreases:

- DSS Childcare -\$1.5M
- Health Dept -\$644K
- Property Taxes -\$390K

Largest Increases:

- EMS loan proceeds +\$776K
- Sales Tax +\$565K
- EMS fees +\$260K

Expenditures

-\$349K decrease in General Fund

Largest Decreases:

- DSS Childcare -\$1.5M
- Health Dept -\$644K
- VFDs -\$389K

Largest Increases:

- Debt Service +\$526K (financings)
- CIP +\$425K (fiber)
- EMS +\$340K
- Sheriff +\$184K

Ms. York stated she cut \$4.3M from budget requests for a balanced budget.

Fund Balance

- Amount budgeted: \$2.59M
-\$141K less than FY18
- In addition, reduced DSS & Health allocations due to changes in those budgets & the need to spend down accumulated fund balances
- Reducing reliance on Fund Balance, last two consecutive years

Volunteer Fire Departments

- \$669K generated from Fire Tax (.0182 rate)
 - \$230K from General Fund
 - \$100K from State
- = \$1M, a 49% increase

****Public Hearing is June 4th, 7pm****

County Workforce Funding

- Merit pay included: \$188,660
- Implementation of Pay & Classification Study: \$103,254
- Health insurance: \$643.54 per emp.
3.5% increase
Total cost is \$3.3M

Person County Schools

- Current Expense:
 - Requested: \$10,017,615, 7% increase
 - Recommended: \$9,546,984, 2% increase
- All capital funded: \$352K
- All technology funded: \$301K

Current Expense	Capital	Tech Capital	CIP	Debt Service	Total
\$9,563,984	\$351,950	\$300,893	\$1,330,105	\$852,204	\$12,399,136

Ms. York stated to fully fund the Person County Schools current expense request, an additional \$470,631 was needed.

Ms. York stated to fully fund the Piedmont Community College current expense request, an additional \$35,687 was needed.

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Piedmont Community College

- **Current Expense:**
 - **Requested:** \$1,216,587, 7% inc.
 - **Recommended:** \$1,180,900, 4% inc.
- **All capital funded: \$25K**

Current Expense	Capital	CIP	Debt Service	Total
\$1,190,900	\$24,500	\$422,479	\$72,871	\$1,710,750

Work Sessions & Public Hearings

Work sessions

June 6th 9:30am

June 11th 3:00pm

Budget & Fire Tax Public Hearings

June 4, 7:00pm

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Vice Chairman Powell requested to change the June 11th budget work session to another time or another day.

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For More Information

**Recommended Budget Document,
Manager's Message & Presentation can
be found at www.personcounty.net**

**Copies for viewing are located in the
Clerk to the Board's Office and at the
Library.**

County Manager's Office: 597-1720

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Kendrick thanked County Manager, Heidi York and Assistant County Manager, Sybil Tate for leading the budget efforts. He also reported that Animal Services has seen an increase in its adoption rates noting the social media efforts have proven to be effective.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

County Manager, Heidi York reported an Economic Development Commission followed by a Person County Business Industrial Center meeting will be held on May 22, 2018 starting at 4:00pm at Piedmont Community College in room D120.

COMMISSIONER REPORT/COMMENTS:

Commissioner Jeffers reported the following:

- Attended an Environmental Issues Committee meeting in which most of the discussion was focused on the litter on the sides of roads,
- Attended St. James Baptist Church located in Leasburg to celebrate its 150 years anniversary,
- He, along with fourteen other commissioners, will be attending an upcoming NACo Community Summit focusing on health issues.

Commissioner Clayton commented on the Home Health program being costly and could be closed immediately but he would like to retain Hospice. He reported he would be attending a NC Association of County Commissioners' Environmental Committee meeting on May 22, 2018.

Commissioner Puryear thanked Assistant County Manager, Sybil Tate for her assistance with a potential safety issue that was quickly corrected with the contractor installing the fiber.

Vice Chairman Powell reported the Raleigh Durham Airport would be undergoing an expansion which would mean more opportunities for the County's Airport. He added the County's Airport runway extension was approved last week and would take approximately three years to complete.

CLOSED SESSION #1

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Puryear and **carried 5-0** to enter into Closed Session per General Statute 143-318.11(a)(4) at 10:27am for the purpose of discussion of matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the county (economic development) with the following individuals permitted to attend: County Manager, Heidi York, Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves, County Attorney, Ron Aycock and Economic Development Director, Stuart Gilbert.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to return to open session at 10:52am.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton and **carried 5-0** to call for a Public Hearing for a financial grant incentives for Project RE to be scheduled on June 4, 2018 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Brenda B. Reaves
Clerk to the Board

Tracey L. Kendrick
Chairman

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