The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met on this date, at the hour of 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of the Cleveland County Administrative Offices.

**PRESENT:**
- Kevin Gordon, Chairman
- Ronnie Whetstine, Vice-Chair
- Johnny Hutchins, Commissioner
- Doug Bridges, Commissioner
- Deb Hardin Commissioner
- Tim Moore, County Attorney
- Todd Carpenter, Interim County Manager
- April Crotts, Deputy Clerk to the Board
- Martha Thompson, Deputy County Attorney
- Kerri Melton, Assistant County Manager
- Sheriff Alan Norman

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order and Commissioner Hutchins led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the invocation.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hardin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Bridges and unanimously adopted by the Board to, approve the agenda as presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Clerk to the Board included the Minutes from the April 4, 2023 regular Commissioners’ meeting in Board members’ packets.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hardin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board to, approve the minutes as written.

**TAX COLLECTOR’S MONTHLY REPORT**

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute §105-350.7, The Tax Collector shall submit to the governing body at each of its regular meetings a report to include the amount collected on each year's taxes with which she is charged, the amount remaining uncollected, and the steps being taken to encourage payment of uncollected taxes. The Tax Collector provided Commissioners with a detailed written report regarding taxes collected during January 2023.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hardin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board to, approve the March 2023 monthly tax report submitted by the Tax Collector.
TAX ABATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS

The Tax Assessor provided Commissioners with a detailed written report regarding tax abatements and supplements during March 2023. The monthly grand total of tax abatements was listed as ($3,431.57) and the monthly grand total for tax supplements was listed as $20,359.53.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hardin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board to, approve the March 2023 tax abatements and supplements submitted by the Tax Assessor.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #056)**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hardin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and unanimously adopted by the Board to, approve the following budget amendment:

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**SOCIAL SERVICES: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #057)**

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Explanation of Revisions: Budget allocation for $4,744 in additional grant funds received for the FY23 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) from the State to be paid to Transportation Administration of Cleveland County (TACC).

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #058)

ACTION: Commissioner Hardin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and unanimously adopted by the Board to, approve the following budget amendment:

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Explanation of Revisions: Budget allocation for $100,000 in draw-down funds for the Cleveland County Fair improvements – Year 1 of 2. Funds will be used to update and upgrade the fair property and assets to provide a safer and more enjoyable experience for fair patrons. Projects will be decided in partnership between the county and Fair Association. The Board of Commissioners will have final approval for proposed projects (Commissioners first approved the improvement funds at their March 21, 2023 regular meeting).

CLOSED SESSION

ACTION: Commissioner Whetstine made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to go into closed session per North Carolina General Statute § 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. (Copy of closed session Minutes are sealed and found in the Closed Session Minute Book).

ACTION: Commissioner Whetstine made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardin, and unanimously adopted by the Board to, amend the Commissioners’ 2023 meeting schedule to include a special called meeting scheduled for Monday, May 1, 2023 at 9:00am in the Commissioner’s Chambers.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Hutchins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bridges and unanimously adopted by the Board, to adjourn. The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Monday, May 1, 2023 at 9:00am in the Commissioners’ Chambers.

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Kevin Gordon, Chairman April Crotts, Deputy Clerk to the Board
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