The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on this date, at the hour of 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Cleveland County Administrative Offices.

**PRESENT:**
- Eddie Holbrook, Chairman
- Susan Allen, Vice-Chair
- Jason Falls, Commissioner
- Johnny Hutchins, Commissioner
- Ronnie Whetstine, Commissioner
- Jeff Richardson, County Manager
- Tim Moore, County Attorney
- Phyllis Nowlen, Clerk to the Board
- Kerri Melton, Community Services Director
- Brian Epley, Finance Director
- Chris Green, Tax Administrator
- Allison Mauney, Human Resources Director
- Andrea Leslie-Fite, Assistant County Attorney
- Betsy Harnage – Register of Deeds

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Eddie Holbrook called the meeting to order and Chris Green, Tax Administrator, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the invocation for the meeting.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Falls made the motion seconded by Commissioner Allen and unanimously approved by the Board to, approve the agenda with the following amendment:

Remove item six, Resolution Authorizing Sale of Property by Sealed Bid, to a later date.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE 1164:** Chairman Holbrook recognized Bob Cabaniss, Director of Foothills Marine Corps League 1164. Mr. Cabaniss and members of Marine Corps League 1164 presented a memorial in honor of Commissioner Ronnie Hawkins.

**CLEVELAND COUNTY FOREST RANGER'S REPORT:** Chairman Holbrook recognized Travis Shidal, Cleveland County Forest Ranger. Mr. Shidal talked about the activity of the Forest Service in Cleveland County from July 2016-June 2017, including fighting forest fires, recovery efforts from Hurricane Matthew damage, assisting North Carolina counties and other states with forest fires, issuing burn permits, insect surveillance, creating forest management plans, growing trees and educating elementary school children. Commissioners thanked him for the continued good work of the Forestry service.

**CITIZEN RECOGNITION**

No citizens registered to speak.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
The Clerk to the Board included the Minutes of the June 6, 2017 regular meeting, in Board Members packets.

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

**MINUTES**

Amended minutes from the July 19, 2016 and May 2, 2017 meeting.

*(copy found on Page ____ of Minute Book____)*.

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

**TAX COLLECTOR’S MONTHLY REPORT**

The Tax Collector provided Commissioners with the following detailed written report regarding taxes collected during May 2017 *(copy found on Page ____ of Minute Book____)*.

**TAX ABATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS**

The Tax Assessor provided Commissioners with a detailed written report regarding tax abatements and supplements during May 2017. The monthly grand total of tax abatements was listed as ($7,129.92) monthly grand total for tax supplements was listed as $10,567.46.

**DSS/TACC: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #056)**

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

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*Explanation of Revisions:* Budget Amendment necessary to budget FY17 State Transportation Dollars.

**SHERIFF’S OFFICE: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #057)**

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

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*Explanation of Revisions:* Budget Amendment necessary to request to budget revenues received from Dare Dance admissions to be used to support the Dare Program.

**SHERIFF’S OFFICE: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #058)**

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

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Sheriff’s Office/Donations-K9’s $1,675.00

Explanation of Revisions: Budget Amendment necessary to request budget donations received for Sheriff’s Office and the K-9 division to be used to support the K-9 program and to cover expenses and needs of the department.

**SHERIFF’S OFFICE: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #059)**

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

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Explanation of Revisions: Budget Amendment necessary to request to budget $7,664 in State Forfeited funds to cover expenses for drug enforcement in the Sheriff’s Office.

**SOIL CONSERVATION: BUDGET AMENDMENT (BNA #060)**

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

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Explanation of Revisions: Budget Amendment necessary to budget funds rec’d for SWCD Farm Tour to be used to offset Farm Tour expenses.

**RESOLUTION CHANGING SCHEDULED REAPPRAISAL**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hutchins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Whetstine, and unanimously adopted by the Board to **approve the Resolution Changing Scheduled Appraisal.**

(copies of resolution found on Pages ___________ of Minute Book ________).

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH**

In honor of Bethlehem Baptist Church celebrating its 175th Anniversary, Commissioners adopted a proclamation which will be presented at their anniversary celebration.

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**PROCLAMATION HONORING BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH’S 175TH ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS,** Bethlehem Baptist Church in Kings Mountain, North Carolina is celebrating its 175th Anniversary on Sunday, July 16th, 2017; and,

**WHEREAS,** Bethlehem Baptist Church began humbly in 1842 from a group of citizens gathering together to worship the Lord; and,

**WHEREAS,** throughout the 175 years of its existence, Bethlehem Baptist has been witness to a flurry of incredible events, from two World Wars to the Great Depression, from the Civil Rights Movement to seeing a man walk on the moon; and,

**WHEREAS,** Bethlehem Baptist Church has weathered those events, being a pillar of faith in the community, enduring as many other churches came and went during this time; and

**WHEREAS,** Bethlehem Baptist Church has, and will continue to, showcase what can be accomplished when people of God come together in His name;

**NOW THEREFORE,** the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners proclaim July 16th, 2017 to be Bethlehem Baptist Church Day in Cleveland County in honor of its 175th Anniversary. The Commissioners wish nothing but
great things for the people of Bethlehem Baptist Church and look forward to seeing many more celebrated anniversaries.


ACTION: Commissioner Hutchins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Whetstine, and passed unanimously by the Board to, adopt the proclamation as written.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ACTION: Commissioner Falls made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Allen, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to appoint Michael Cheng to serve as a member of this board, for a period of four-years, scheduled to conclude June 30, 2021.

CLEVELAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD

ACTION: Commissioner Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Whetstine, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to re-appoint Mark Hudson and Tucker Hopper to serve as members of this board, for a period of three-years, scheduled to conclude June 30, 2020.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

ACTION: Commissioner Allen made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to appoint Lendra Philips to serve as a member of this board, for a period of three-years, scheduled to conclude June 30, 2020.

JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

ACTION: Commissioner Allen made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to appoint Cathy Robertson and Strickland Maddox to serve as members of this board, for a period of two-years, scheduled to conclude June 30, 2019.

SHELBY PLANNING/ZONING BOARD (ETJ)

ACTION: Commissioner Whetstine made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Falls, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to appoint Jeff Aderholt to serve as a member of this board, for a period of three-years, scheduled to conclude June 30, 2020.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Hutchins advised the Council of Aging has asked him to serve on their Board again.

Commissioner Hutchins agreed to serve. The North Carolina State Association of County Commissioners has opiate addiction programs available. The opium abuse in the State and through the Country is at an epidemic level. The goal of the program is to spread awareness and offer avenues of help and treatment to the community.

Commissioner Hutchins and members of the staff will be collaborating on launching the program in Cleveland County.
*Commissioner Allen* attended the Ronald McDonald House presentation at the Kiwanis Club. She advised it was very informative regarding how much the Ronald McDonald House supports the communities in Cleveland County. Commissioner Allen and Kerri Melton, Director of Community Services, recently met with community leaders in the Graham School area to discuss summer programs available to the children living in those neighborhoods. The purpose of these programs, such as the Boys and Girls Club, is to offer continual support and resources needed through the summer for the local youth. She also thanked the staff for all that they do and the Community for their continued support.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Falls made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Chamber.**

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Eddie Holbrook, Chairman  
Cleveland County Board of Commissioners

Phyllis Nowlen, Clerk to the Board  
Cleveland County Board of Commissioners