BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 19, 2026 5:00 PM

Bryant H. Womack Justice & Administration Building 40 Courthouse Street Columbus, NC 28722

1. Public Hearing

   A. Call to Order the Public Hearing - The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments on the FY 2028 Polk County Transportation Authority (PCTA) 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307, and applicable State Funding, or a combination thereof, Community Transportation Grants. The public hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin. - Calan Halford, Transportation and Human Services Program Manager, (A complete copy of the grant application is available for review upon request.)

   B. Citizen Comments

   C. Adjourn Public Hearing

2. Call to Order the Regular Meeting - Chairman Yoder

3. Invocation - Vice-Chairman Moore

4. Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Beiler

5. Approval of Agenda

   A. Items may be added or removed at this time.

6. Consent Agenda

   A. Approval of the September 21, 2026 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes.

   B. Schedule a Public Hearing for proposed new road names to be considered on Monday, November 16, 2026, at 5:00 pm in the R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice, Womack Building.

   C. Reschedule the public hearing for consideration of amendments to the Subdivision Ordinance to Monday, November 16, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., in the Bryant H. Womack Justice & Administration Building due to an advertising error, pursuant to NCGS § 160D-601(a).

   D. Declare one Health and Human Services Vehicle as surplus to be sold via GovDeals auction. (Asset details attached).

E. Declare miscellaneous Jail kitchen equipment as surplus to be sold via GovDeals auction. (Asset details attached).

F. Project Budget Ordinance Amendment to Reflect Additional Sales Tax Refund-Capital Project.

G. Approval of the 2026 State CashFlow Loan for Debris and Project Ordinance Amendment.

H. 2026 SBI Local Law Enforcement Bonus Program Budget Addition.

I. September tax refund requests in the amount of $525.52.

7. Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

8. Regular Agenda Items

A. FY 2028 Polk County Transportation Authority Grants & Resolution - To consider approval of 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307, and applicable State Funding Community Transit Grants subsequent to the public hearing.

B. NC 911 Grant – E-911 Communications Center Roof Replacement: Bid Award Recommendation, Purchase Order Request, and Budget Amendment - Jeremy Gregg, E-911 Communications Director.

C. Consideration of a Late Tax Exemption Request for Saluda Pop-Up Pantry and Historic Saluda, Inc. - Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator.

D. Part-Time Regular Finance Position Budget Amendment - Sonya Ayers, Finance Director.

9. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

10. Volunteer Board Applications

A. Animal Cruelty Investigators - There are five vacancies and five applicants; Jeanne Peters, Paula Spinale, Sarah McDonald, Shyla Foster, and Ted Owen, DVM. (All applicants have completed the required training).

B. Health and Human Services Agency - There are seven vacancies and one applicant; Ellen Thomas.

11. Commissioner Comments

12. Closed Session

A. Motion to go into closed session for the purpose of Attorney-Client Privilege.

B. Motion to return to open session.

13. Adjournment