POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Public Hearings and Regular Meeting
October 7, 2024 - 5:00 PM
Bryant H. Womack Justice & Administration Building
4O Courthouse Street
Columbus, NC 28722
MINUTES

Present: Chairman Yoder, Vice-Chairman Melton, Commissioner Moore, and Commissioner Overholt. Also in attendance were County Attorney Berg, Clerk to the Board Tipton, media, and citizens.
Absent: Commissioner Beiler and County Manager Pittman.

1. Public Hearing

   A. Call to Order the Public Hearing - Chairman Yoder. Purpose of the Public Hearing: To receive public comment on the submission of the proposed uniform schedule of values, standards, and rules to be used in appraising real property in Polk County at its true value and at its present-use value. The public hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin. Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator.

   B. Citizen Comments

   There were none.

   C. Adjoun Public Hearing

   Commissioner Moore moved to Adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Overholt and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Hearing

   A. Call to Order the Public Hearing - Chairman Yoder. Purpose of the Public Hearing: To receive public comment on the proposed road name change, Firefly Lane to Mountain Brook Lane within Bright's Creek Development. The public hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin

   B. Citizen Comments.

   There were none.

   C. Adjourn Public Hearing.

   Commissioner Overholt moved to Adjourn, seconded by Vice-Chairman Melton and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Call to Order the Regular Meeting - Chairman Yoder.

4. Invocation - Commissioner Beiler.

   Commissioner Overholt gave the invocation due to the absence of Commissioner Beiler.

5. Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Overholt.

   Commissioner Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. Approval of Agenda

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

   Chairman Yoder requested that Bobby Arledge, Emergency Management Director, be added to the agenda as Item 9. B. to give an update on the aftermath of Hurricane Helene.
   Commissioner Overholt moved to approve the amended agenda as requested, seconded by Vice-Chairman Melton and the motion carried unanimously.

7. Consent Agenda

   A. Approval of the September 16, 2024 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes.

   B. Sheriffs Department Activity Report for August 2024.

   C. Domestic Violence Awareness Proclamation.

   D. Increase the YMCA Project Budget Ordinance for a grant received from the Polk County Community Foundation in the amount of $16,904.

   E. Approve Budget Amendment in the amount of $25,000 for Regional Water Board shared legal invoices.

   Vice-Chairman Melton moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Moore and the motion carried unanimously.

8. Citizen Comments on Agenda Items.

   There were none.

9. Regular Agenda Items

   A. Approval of the proposed new road name, Mountain Brook Lane, in the Brights Creek Development - Attorney Berg.

   Commissioner Overholt moved to approve the road name change as presented, seconded by Vice-Chairman Melton and the motion carried unanimously.

   B. Hurricane Helene Response Update - Bobby Arledge, Emergency Management Director.
   Mr. Arledge gave a presentation, a copy of which is hereby incorporated by reference into these minutes. He said the Lake Adger Dam, despite rumors, did not fail. It was inspected by Odom Engineering and found to be sound. He then

presented a Budget Amendment to appropriate $1,000,000 from fund balance for the County to move forward with a State Contract vendor for debris removal. He said the funds are 100% reimbursable by the state.
Commissioner Moore moved to approve the budget amendment/contract with the state-approved contractor, up to $1,000,000, seconded by Vice-Chairman Melton, and the motion carried unanimously.

10. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items.

    There was one citizen comment on non-agenda items.

11. Adjournment

    Commissioner Moore moved to adjourn, seconded by Vice-Chairman Melton and the motion carried unanimously.

Attest:

Kristy A Tipton
Clerk to the Board

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Myron Yoder
Chairman