

Macon County



**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 14, 2023 REGULAR MEETING
6 P.M.
AGENDA**

1. Call to order and welcome by Chairman Higdon
2. Announcements
3. Moment of Silence
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Public Hearing(s) – **None**

NOTE: Public hearing on proposed change to the Watershed Protection Ordinance will be held on April 11, 2023 at 6 p.m.

6. Public Comment Period
7. Additions to agenda
8. Adjustments to and approval of the agenda
9. Reports/Presentations
 - (A) Update on Macon County Cooperative Extension activities – Christine Bredenkamp, Director
 - (B) Progress report on Georgia Road/Scaly Mountain area fiber infrastructure build – Matt Saenger, Director of Sales and Marketing, BalsamWest
10. Old Business
 - (A) Skate Park project update – Amie Owens, Town Manager, Town of Franklin
11. New Business
 - (A) Discussion/consideration of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) – Jennifer Turner-Lynn, Assistant Director, REACH of Macon County

- (B) Resolution in Recognition of Macon County Crawford Senior Center Volunteers – Patrick Betancourt, Department of Social Services Director
- (C) Consideration of bid award for Macon County Transit facility expansion, Darlene Asher, Transit Director
- (D) Consideration of Resolution adopting a Code of Ethics for the Board of Commissioners – County Attorney Eric Ridenour
- (E) Consideration of Budget Amendment regarding boiler/chiller unit at the Human Services Building – County Manager Derek Roland and Finance Director Lori Carpenter

12. Consent Agenda – Attachment #12

All items below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will be held except on request of a member of the Board of Commissioners.

- (A) Minutes of the February 9, 2023 continued session, the February 14, 2023 regular meeting and the February 21, 2023 continued session
- (B) Budget Amendments #189-195
- (C) Tax releases for the month of February in the amount of \$685.65
- (D) Monthly ad valorem tax collection report – no action necessary

13. Appointments

- (A) Economic Development Commission (2 seats)

14. Closed session as allowed under NCGS (if needed)

15. Adjourn/Recess

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

MEETING DATE: MARCH 14, 2023

9A. Macon County Extension Director Christine Bredenkamp has requested time on the agenda to provide the board with an overview of the work that the local North Carolina Cooperative Extension office performs and to “share a few impacts that has been accomplished for Macon County.” Her staff members will also attend and be introduced and will share brief comments as well, and Ms. Bredenkamp indicated she is planning for this to take about 10 minutes. She will also provide the board members with a brochure.

No action will be necessary.

9B. Matt Saenger, the Director of Sales and Marketing for BalsamWest, will provide the board members with an update on the progress of the firm’s efforts to build fiber infrastructure down the Georgia Road and into the Scaly Mountain area. Mr. Saenger has also estimated that his presentation will take approximately 10 minutes.

No action will be necessary.

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AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – OLD BUSINESS

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2023

10(A). Franklin Town Manager Amie Owens will provide the board with an update on the proposed Skate Park project planned for the town's Whitmire Property. Please see the enclosed document from the town for more information, which calls for \$50,000 in funding from the county in the upcoming budget year to assist in completing the project as quoted.



SKATE PARK AT WHITMIRE PROPERTY

The initial amount of the project was quoted as \$294,750; however, town crews will do the site grading which will defer costs bringing it to a total of **\$262,250**.

All of the donations have been forwarded to the Region A Foundation and all will be used toward the project. The total raised as of February 6 is: \$101,674.74. This includes donations from Macon County at \$35,000; JE Dunn at \$25,000 and all other donations.

The Town has committed a \$50,000 grant reimbursement under SCIF to construction for a total of \$151,674.74 raised toward the project.

This leaves \$110,575.26 to complete the project as quoted.

The proposed funding to complete the project would be for the Town to budget \$50,000 in the FY 2023-2024 and request \$50,000 from Macon County in FY 2023/2024. The remaining \$10,575.26 would continue to be donation driven by Sk828 and the skate community.

Construction is slated to begin in June 2023 and be completed within 120 days.

Fixed costs absorbed by the Town not included in the total for the skate park:

The Town paid for the skate park design at \$15,000.

The Town donated the land valued at \$12,500 for the skate park specific area

The Town will complete the grading valued at \$32,500

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – NEW BUSINESS

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2023

11(A). Jennifer Turner-Lynn, the Assistant Director for REACH of Macon County, will be at the meeting to present a proposed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the county and REACH with regard to human trafficking. The MOA notes that its purpose is to articulate the working relationship and partnership “in providing resources, comprehensive outreach, direct client services and systematic advocacy to human trafficking victims and their children.” A copy of the MOA will be included in the packet, and Ms. Turner-Lynn can provide additional details at the meeting.

11(B). Department of Social Services (DSS) Director Patrick Betancourt is requesting the board’s consideration of a resolution recognizing the volunteers who serve at the Macon County Crawford Senior Center. A copy of that resolution, which proclaims April 16-22, 2023 as Macon County Volunteer Week, is included in the packet, and Mr. Betancourt can share additional details at the meeting.

11(C). Macon County Transit Director Darlene Asher is seeking the board’s approval of a bid to expand the Transit Department facility at 36 Pannell Lane. Ms. Asher is requesting approval to enter into a contract with Owle Construction in the amount of \$715,000. In the packet you will find copies of (1) the Sole Source Justification Form (please note Ms. Asher’s comments at the bottom of the form); (2) the Standard Bid Form and (3) a bid tabulation from Novus Architects. She can provide additional details or answer questions on Tuesday evening.

11(D). Enclosed in the packet please see the “Resolution adopting the Code of Ethics for the Macon County Board of County Commissioners,” which has been prepared by County Attorney Eric Ridenour. Section 160A-86 of

the North Carolina General Statutes requires local governing boards to adopt a code of ethics, and Mr. Ridenour can provide additional insight on this topic at the meeting.

11(E). With regard to the boiler/chiller unit at the Human Services Building on Lakeside Drive, please see the enclosed Budget Amendment asking the board to appropriate \$110,000 from the fund balance of the general fund to purchase a 90-ton chiller unit for the Social Services/Health Department building. In addition, the board would need to adopt a motion as follows: "For the purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment, the Macon County Board of Commissioners delegates to the County Manager the authority to award contracts, reject bids, or readvertise to receive bids on behalf of Macon County in accordance with NCGS 143-129 (a)." County Manager Derek Roland and Finance Director Lori Carpenter can provide additional information at the meeting.



Memorandum of Agreement

The following agreement between Macon County Commissioners and REACH of Macon County is drafted for the purpose of articulating their working relationship and partnership in providing resources, comprehensive outreach, direct client services, and systematic advocacy to human trafficking victims and their children.

Data indicates that it is estimated that there are more than 700,000 trafficked victims globally each year, and as such, local government plays a pivotal role in the fight against human trafficking. Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery that trades and exploits children, women, and men each year, violating their basic rights to life, liberty, and security (unitar.org).

By working together, both parties will:

- Support the overall mission of REACH of Macon County
- Identify and assist victims of human trafficking and sextortion
- Ensure contact to a victim service provider when victims present within local government agencies
- Collaborate to provide outreach for victims of human trafficking and sextortion when appropriate
- Collaborate to assist with development and provision of training to county employees as appropriate
- Support outreach and awareness efforts as they relate to human trafficking and sextortion

REACH of Macon County

Date

Macon County Manager

Date

**Resolution in Recognition of
Macon County Crawford Senior Center Volunteers**

WHEREAS, Macon County is a community rich in volunteers that dedicate their valuable time and resources to the Dorothy R. and John L. Crawford Senior Center, making significant and positive outcomes, great and small; and

WHEREAS, volunteers have donated 3,564 hours at the Crawford Senior Center during calendar year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of volunteerism provides even more evidence that Macon County's greatest resource is its people; and

WHEREAS, volunteering one's time has been a significant part of our County heritage; and it is critical that we continue such a tradition to preserve and improve the quality of life for our citizens of our community; and

WHEREAS, experience teaches us that government alone cannot meet all the needs of our county; and

WHEREAS, we continue to rely on the efforts of volunteers to enrich our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Macon County Board of County Commissioners do, hereby thank and honor the volunteers at the Crawford Senior Center by proclaiming April 16-22, 2023 as Macon County Volunteer Week.

Adopted this 14th day of March, 2023

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Chairman

Attest

Sole Source Justification Form

Procurement by noncompetitive proposals may be used only when the award of a contract is infeasible under small purchase procedures, sealed bids, or competitive proposals and at least one of the following circumstances applies:

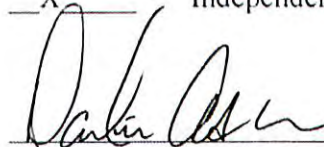
Check one:

- The item is available only from a single source (sole source justification letter is attached).
- The public exigency or emergency for the requirement will not permit a delay resulting from competitive solicitation (documented emergency condition is attached).
- FTA authorizes noncompetitive negotiations (letter of authorization is attached).
- After solicitation of a number of sources, competition is determined to be inadequate (record of source contracts is attached).
- The item is an associated capital maintenance item as defined in 49 U.S.C. §5307(a)(1) that is procured directly from the original manufacturer or supplier of the time to be replaced (price certification attached).

Comments:

Macon County Transit put this part of the project for bid Three (3) times. On the 3rd bid we received one bid. (Owle Constructions) We had one bid from Wind River show up after the 4pm dead line, and Kearey Construction sent an email stating they were not going to bid due to the time frame to get their numbers together, Side note we extended the bid date by 10 days to allow more time for the bid process.

Independent Cost Estimate and/or Cost Analysis is attached



Macon County Transit Director

Agency Designee Signature and Title

2-16-23

Date

STANDARD BID FORM

BID OF: Owle Construction, LLC
(Contractor)

BID TO: MACON COUNTY
Attn: Lindsay Leopard
5 W Main St
Franklin, NC 28734

PROJECT NAME: Macon County Transit Services
PROJECT NUMBER: 20-92358

BASE BID AGREEMENT:

The undersigned, as bidder, hereby declares that the only person or persons interested in this proposal as principal or principals is or are named herein and that no other person than herein mentioned has any interest in this proposal or in the contract to be entered into; that this proposal is made without connection with any other person, company, or parties making a bid or proposal, and that it is in all respects fair and in good faith without collusion or fraud. The bidder further declares that he has examined the site of the work and informed himself fully in regard to all conditions pertaining to the place where the work is to be done; that he has examined the specifications for the work and the contract documents relative thereto, and has read all special provisions furnished prior to the opening of bids; and that he has satisfied himself relative to the work to be performed.

The bidder proposes and agrees if this proposal is accepted to contract with Macon County Government hereinafter called the Owner, in the form of contract specified, to furnish all necessary material, equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, means of transportation, and labor necessary to complete the construction and installation of: Macon County Transit Services work as described in the construction documents dated March 30, 2021 on the drawings Cover Sheet issued through Macon County Government.

Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following addenda used in computing bids:

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| Addendum No. | <u>1</u> | Dated | <u>1/24/2023</u> | Received | <u>1/24/2023</u> |
| Addendum No. | <u>2</u> | Dated | <u>2/2/2023</u> | Received | <u>2/3/2023</u> |
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The work shall be conducted in full and completed accordance with the plans, specifications, and contract documents, to the full and entire satisfaction of Macon County, with a definite understanding that no money will be allowed for extra work, except as agreed to by Macon County, for the lump sum of:

BASE BID Seven Hundred and Fifteen Thousand DOLLARS (\$ 715,000.00)

(Bidder's Signature) J. Dec. W. J.

(Firm) Owle Construction, LLC

CONTRACT AWARD

This solicitation will be awarded as the total base bid and any alternates or combinations that may be in the best interest of Macon County to one responsive and responsible bidder whose bid is determined to be most advantageous to Macon County, taking into consideration price, delivery and adherence to the bid specifications. The award will not be divided between multiple bidders.

All bidders should include with their bid response a signed letter, on corporate letterhead, detailing their ability to perform the work as described in the bid documents.

The Macon County Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to take this information into consideration in the process of bid evaluation and award. Should a bidder be unable, in the opinion of the County Commissioners, to perform projects in this solicitation, the County Commissioners may award to the next lowest responsive bidder.

DATE OF COMMENCEMENT AND SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION:

The DATE OF COMMENCEMENT shall be established in the "Notice to Proceed" (NTP). The Contractor shall not incur any expense chargeable to this Project until both the County and Contractor have executed the Contract, and a Notice to Proceed is issued. All work shall be substantially completed (as evidenced by the date on the Certificate of Substantial Completion) no later than:

One Hundred Eighty-Six (186) (6 months)

CALENDAR DAYS from the DATE OF COMMENCEMENT SET FORTH IN THE "Notice to Proceed", subject to adjustments as provided in the Contract Documents. The undersigned further agrees that from the compensation to be paid, the Agency shall retain as Liquidated Damages the sum of: NONE for each calendar day the actual construction time to achieve SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION exceeds the specified or adjusted Contract time for SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION as provided in the Contract Documents.

BID SECURITY:

The undersigned shall enclose a BID BOND/DEPOSIT in the amount of Five Percent (5%) of the bid amount.

PERFORMANCE & PAYMENT BONDS:

Performance and Payment Bonds, each in the amount equal to 100% of the Contract Amount, shall be required of the successful Bidder if the Contract is awarded.

(Bidder's Signature) J. Lee West, I

(Firm) Owle Construction, LLC

MINORITY PARTICIPATION:

The successful bidder shall perform this project in compliance with the Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment of all employees and applicants. Bidders shall promote the employment of the disabled and disadvantaged and shall employ without regard or discrimination due to the reason of race, age, color, religion, gender, national origin or physical disability.

It is the intent of The Board of County Commissioners to have a verifiable ten percent (10%) goal for participation by minority businesses (as defined by NCGS 143-128.2) in total value of work for each building project. Provide an explanation in your bid of how you intend to help achieve this goal. This goal can be achieved by joint ventures, sub-contractors, for construction related work and professional services, supplier/vendors of materials.

Bidders are required to submit the following forms executed and signed with their bid documents:

- Identification of Minority Business Participation
- Affidavit A - Listing of Good Faith Efforts **OR** Affidavit B - Intent to Perform Contract with Own Workforce
- Minority Subcontractor Unavailability Certificate

LISTING OF SUBCONTRACTORS FOR BASE BID: (LIST FOR ANY BASE BID USED) Any Bidder in response to an invitation for bids shall list in his bid the name of only those **SUBCONTRACTOR (S)** that will perform the work so identified "Invitation For Construction Bids". If the Bidder determines to use his own employees to perform portions of the work for which he would otherwise be required to list a **SUBCONTRACTOR** and if the Bidder is qualified to perform such work, the Bidder shall list his company name in the appropriate place in his bid and not subcontract any of that work except with the approval of Macon County for good cause shown.

A **SUBCONTRACTOR** is an entity that will perform work or render service to the prime contractor to or about the construction site. Material suppliers, manufacturers and fabricators are not **SUBCONTRACTORS** and are not to be listed below:

FAILURE BY THE BIDDER TO LIST THE NAME (S) OF SUBCONTRACTORS REQUESTED SHALL RENDER THEIR BID NONRESPONSIVE.

ANSWER WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

1) **SUBCONTRACTORS NAME**

2) **PRIME BIDDERS NAME**

Project Name: Macon County Transit Services

| <u>Description of Work</u> | <u>Subcontractor's Name</u> | <u>License Number</u> |
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| Concrete Foundations | <u>Owle Construction, LLC</u> | <u>54287</u> |
| Wood Trusses | <u>Owle Construction, LLC</u> | <u>54287</u> |
| Mechanical | <u>Balton Construction</u> | <u>01042 - PH, 2, b3</u> |

(Bidder's Signature) J Dec V. S. J.

(Firm) Owle Construction, LLC

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| Plumbing | <u>Mountain Plumbing</u> | <u>L. 10457</u> |
| Electrical | <u>Cherokee Electrical</u> | <u>U. 05509</u> |
| General | <u>Owle Construction, LLC</u> | <u>54287</u> |

The Bidder shall list only SUBCONTRACTORS qualified to perform items of work specified or substitutions approved at the time of bidding. The Bidder may list more than one SUBCONTRACTOR for a particular type of work, but must include with the Bid a precise description of the division of work between the named SUBCONTRACTORS.

No Prime Contractor whose Bid is accepted shall substitute any person as SUBCONTRACTOR in place of the SUBCONTRACTOR listed in the original Bid, except as provided for in N.C.G.S. 143-128(d).

BID HOLDING TIME AND ACCEPTANCE:

This Bid shall remain open for acceptance for a period of sixty (60) calendar days from the Bid due date unless otherwise indicated. The undersigned agrees that this Bid may only be withdrawn within 72 hours of the bid opening and in accordance with the requirements set forth in N.C.G.S. 143-129.1.

FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS and SPECIAL CONDITIONS for CONSTRUCTION:

The undersigned certifies that the Contractor listed below will comply with the Federal and State Requirements and Special Conditions for Construction.

Bidders are required to submit the following forms executed and signed with their bid documents:

- DBE Participation Schedule
- Attachment A: Certification Regarding Lobbying
- Attachment B OR Attachment C: **Only one certification form to be submitted.**
 - B: Certificate of Compliance with Buy America Requirements
 - C: Certificate of Non-Compliance with Buy America Requirements
- Attachment D: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions
- Attachment E: Affidavit of Compliance with N.C. E-Verify Statutes
- Attachment F: Certification of Compliance with Davis-Bacon Provisions

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:

The undersigned certifies that the Contractor listed below will provide a "Drug-Free Workplace".

FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 47-0379464
(Type or Print)

(Bidder's Signature) J. Owen Wolf, Jr.

(Firm) Owle Construction, LLC

CONTRACTOR'S CLASSIFICATIONS/SUBCLASSIFICATIONS W/ LIMITATIONS:

Unclassified N/A Unlimited
(Classification) (Sub-classification) (Limitations)

54287
(NC Contractor's License Number)

AUTHORIZATION:

Owle Construction, LLC
(Type or Print Name of Contractor)

120 Hoot Owl Road
(Type or Print Address)

Whittier, North Carolina 28789
(Type or Print City and State)

(828)497-8900
(Type or Print Phone Number)

J. Sean Wolf
(Signature)

2-2-23
(Date)

(Bidder's Signature) _____

(Firm) Owle Construction, LLC

Identification of Minority Business Participation

I, Owle Construction, LLC
 (Name of Bidder)

do hereby certify that on this project, we will use the following minority business enterprises as construction subcontractors, vendors, suppliers or providers of professional services.

Firm Name, Address and Phone # Work Type *Minority Category **HUB Certified (Y/N)

| Firm Name, Address and Phone # | Work Type | *Minority Category | **HUB Certified (Y/N) |
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| Owle Construction, LLC - 120 Hoot Owl Road Whittier, NC 28789 (828) 497-8900 | • Concrete • Wood Framing • Openings | I | Y |
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*Minority categories: Black, African American (B), Hispanic (H), Asian American (A) American Indian (I), Female (F) Socially and Economically Disadvantaged (D)

** HUB Certification with the state HUB Office required to be counted toward state participation goals.

The total value of minority business contracting will be \$ 250,000.00, equaling _____% of the total contract price.

BID BOND

Date of Execution of this Bond February 2, 2023

Name and Address of Principal (Bidder) Owle Construction, LLC.
120 Hoot Owl Road
Whittier, NC 28789

Name and Address of Surety The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
175 Berkeley Street
Boston, MA 02116

Name and Address of Contracting Body Macon County Government
5 West Main Street
Franklin, NC 28734

Amount of Bond Five Percent (5%) of Bid Amount

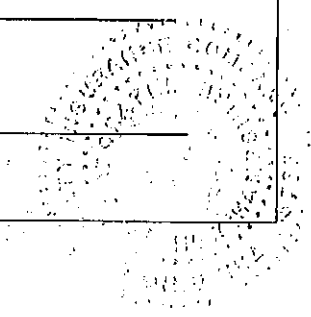
Bid and Proposal Dated: February 2, 2023

Project Name: Macon Transit Services Renovation

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the PRINCIPAL above named and SURETY above named who is duly licensed to act as SURETY in the State of North Carolina, are held and firmly bound unto Macon County Government, a body corporate of the State of North Carolina, as Obligee, in the penal sum of five percent (5%) of the amount bid in the bid and proposal described above, in lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such, that if the PRINCIPAL shall be awarded the contract for which the bid and proposal above described is submitted and shall execute the contract, give bond for the faithful performance of the contract, and give bond for the payment of all persons supplying labor and materials in the prosecution of the work provided for in said contract, within ten (10) days after the award of the same to the PRINCIPAL above named, then this obligation shall be null and void; BUT if the PRINCIPAL above named fails to so execute such contract and give performance bond and payment bond as required by Section 129 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, and Article 3 of Chapter 44-A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, the Surety shall upon demand, forthwith pay the Obligee the amount of this bond set forth above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal above named and the Surety above named have executed this instrument under their several seals on the date set forth above.

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| <p>WITNESS:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(Proprietorship or Partnership)</p> <p>ATTEST: (Corporation)</p> <p>By: _____ (SEAL)</p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>(Corporation Secretary or Assistant Secretary Only)</p> | <p>Owle Construction, LLC</p> <p>Principal (Name of Individual, individual and trade name, partnership, corporation, or joint venture)</p> <p>By: <u>Joe Welch</u> (SEAL)</p> <p>Title: <u>VP/Member</u></p> <p>(Owner, partner, office held in corporation, joint venture)</p> <p>(Corporate Seal of Principal)</p> |
| <p>WITNESS:</p> <p><u>Leanne Hammons</u></p> <p>COUNTERSIGNED:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>_____</p> <p>N.C. Licensed Resident Agent</p> | <p>The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company</p> <p>Surety (Name of Surety Company)</p> <p>By: <u>Lavonne Sherrod</u></p> <p>Lavonne Sherrod</p> <p>Title: <u>Attorney in Fact</u></p> <p>(Corporate Seal of Surety)</p> <p>1900 N. Winston Road</p> <p>Knoxville, TN 37919</p> <p>(Address of Attorney in Fact)</p>  |



This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

Certificate No: 820882A.AAA3AF

The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company

West American Insurance Company

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, Charles C. Martin, James F. Oakes, Laxonne Sherrod, Leanne Hammons, Linda M. Howard

all of the city of Knoxville state of TN each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 22nd day of August, 2022.



Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
West American Insurance Company

By: David M. Carey
David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary

State of PENNSYLVANIA ss

County of MONTGOMERY
On this 22nd day of August, 2022, before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public
Montgomery County
My commission expires March 28, 2025
Commission number 1126044
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS: Section 12. Power of Attorney.

Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this Article shall be void and of no effect unless the Board of Directors, the Chairman, the President, or the Secretary, the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president or the chairman of the Company.

Certification of By-laws and Authorizations of the Corporation: acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-in-fact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

Authorization-- By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 2 day of February, 2023



By: Renee C. Llewellyn
Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees.

For bond and/or Power of Attorney (POA) verification inquiries, please call 610-832-8240 or email

ATTACHMENT A

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING
(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned Owle Construction, certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
(Contractor)

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any persons for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding to any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.)]
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transactions imposed by 31, U.S.C. 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]

The Contractor, Owle Construction LLC, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Section A 3801 et seq. apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

2/2/2023
Date

J. Dean Weber, Jr.
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

J. Dean Weber, Jr. VP/Member
Name and Title of Contractors Authorized Official

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb, 2023, in the State of NC,
County of Swain.

Michelle K Cochran
Notary Public

My Appointment Expires 9/13/2027



ATTACHMENT B

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
WITH BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS**

(To be submitted with all bids exceeding \$150,000. A bid, which does not include this certification or the certification under Attachment C, will not be eligible for award.)

The bidder or offeror hereby certifies that it will meet the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(1) and the applicable regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 661.

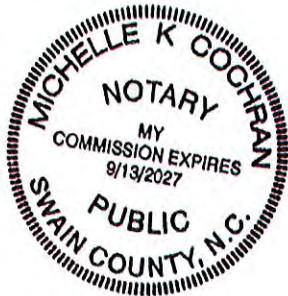
DATE 2-2-23
SIGNATURE J. Dean Weber, Jr.
COMPANY DW1e Construction LLC
NAME J. Dean Weber, Jr.
TITLE VP / Member

State of NC

County of Swain

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb, 2023

Notary Public Michelle K Cochran



My Appointment Expires 9/13/2027

ATTACHMENT C

CERTIFICATE OF NON-COMPLIANCE
WITH BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

(To be submitted with all bids exceeding \$150,000. A bid, which does not include this certification or the certification under Attachment B, will not be eligible for award.)

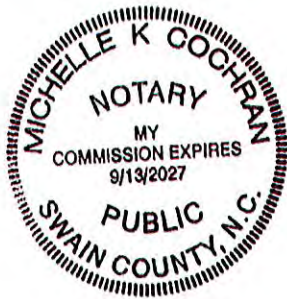
The bidder hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(j), but it may qualify for an exception pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2), as amended, and the applicable regulation in 49 CFR Part 661.7.

DATE 2-2-23
SIGNATURE J. Dean Weber, Jr.
COMPANY DWise Construction, LLC
NAME J. Dean Weber, Jr.
TITLE VP/Member

State of NC

County of Swain

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb, 2023



Notary Public Michelle K Cochran

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ATTACHMENT D

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
INELIGIBILITY and VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION
LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTION

(To be submitted with all bids exceeding \$25,000.)

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant (Bidder/Contractor) certifies, by submission of this bid or proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) The prospective Bidder/Contractor also certifies by submission of this bid or proposal that all subcontractors and suppliers (this requirement flows down to all subcontracts at all levels) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (3) Where the prospective lower tier participant (Bidder/Contractor) is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this bid or proposal.

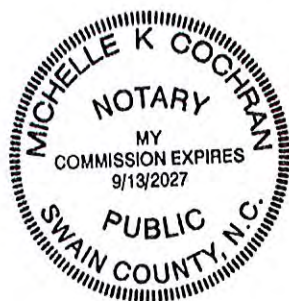
The lower tier participant (Bidder/Contractor), Owle Construction LLC, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of this statement of its certification and disclosure, if any.

DATE 2-2-23
 SIGNATURE J. Dean Weber, Jr.
 COMPANY Owle Construction, LLC
 NAME J. Dean Weber, Jr.
 TITLE VP/Member

State of NC

County of Swain

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb, 2023.



Notary Public Michelle K Cochran

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ATTACHMENT E

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF Swain

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH N.C. E-VERIFY STATUTES

(To be submitted with all quotes/bids)

I, J. Dean Weber, Jr. (hereinafter the "Affiant"), duly authorized by and on behalf of DWIC Construction LLC (hereinafter the "Employer") after being first duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

1. I am the VP/Member (President, Manager, CEO, etc.) of the Employer and possess the full authority to speak for and on behalf of the Employer identified above.
2. Employer understands that "E-Verify" means the federal E-Verify program operated by the United States Dept. of Homeland Security and other federal agencies, or any successor or equivalent program used to verify the work authorization of newly hired employees pursuant to federal law.
3. Employer employs 25 or more employees, and is in compliance with the provisions of N.C. General Statute §64-26. Employer has verified the work authorization of its employees through E-Verify and shall retain the records of verification for a period of at least one year.

 Employer employs fewer than 25 Employees and is therefore not subject to the provisions of N.C. General Statute §64-26.
4. All subcontractors engaged by or to be engaged by Employer have or will have likewise complied with the provisions of N.C. General Statute §64-26.
5. Employer shall keep the State of North Carolina informed of any change in its status pursuant to Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the North Carolina Statutes.

This 2nd day of February, 2023.

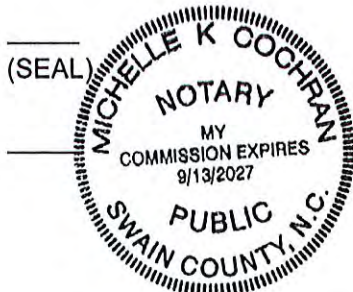
J. Dean Weber, Jr.
Signature of Affiant
J. Dean Weber, Jr. VP/Member
Printed Name and Title

State of NC

County of Swain

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb, 2023

Notary Public Michelle K Cochran



My Appointment Expires 9/13/2027

ATTACHMENT F

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH
DAVIS-BACON PROVISIONS**

PROJECT: Macon County Transit Renovation
Owle Construction, LLC (owner)
(List name of construction project/repair)

LOCATION: Bryson City NC COUNTY: Swain
(City)

CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR: Owle Construction, LLC

In accordance with the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government are being paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code.

In addition, the owner/representative must conduct adequate oversight for compliance with Davis-Bacon and related Acts through (a) the review of payrolls and associated certifications, (b) conducting of employee interviews if necessary, and (c) the posting of the Davis-Bacon Poster, all wage determinations, and additional classifications (as appropriate) on the work site.

The Contractor/Subcontractor, Owle Construction LLC, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the above statement and that the referenced project will be in compliance with the Davis-Bacon requirements.

2/2/2023
Date

J. Dean Weber, Jr.
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official
J. Dean Weber, Jr. VP/Member
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb, 2023, in the State of NC; and the County of Swain.



Notary Public Michelle K Cochran
My Appointment Expires 9/13/2027



BID DATE: February 14, 2023

4:00PM

CONTACT: Jas Stafford

PROJECT: Macon County Transit

OWNER: NC Dept. of Public Instruction

Commissioner's Board Room

Macon County Courthouse

5 West Main Street

LOCATION: Franklin, NC 28734

| General Contractor | AJ Builders | Wind River | Owle Construction | Kearey Construction |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| License // | No Bid | Arrived Late - No Bid | Yes | No Bid |
| Bid Bond | | | Signed & Notarized | |
| Addendum #1 | | | Yes | |
| Addendum #2 | | | Yes | |
| MBE Affidavit A | | | N/A | |
| MBE Affidavit B | | | N/A | |
| MBE Participation | | | Yes | |
| Base Bid | | | \$715,000.00 | |
| Attachment A | | | Signed | |
| Attachment B | | | Signed | |
| Attachment C | | | Signed | |
| Attachment D | | | Signed | |
| Attachment E | | | Signed | |
| Attachment F | | | Signed | |
| TOTAL | | | \$715,000.00 | |

Digitally signed by James Edgar Stafford
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 o=Novus Architects, OU=Construction
 Contract Administrator, CN=James Edgar
 Stafford, Asheville, NC
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James Edgar Stafford

James Edgar Stafford, NCARB, CDT
 Construction Contract Administrator, Novus Architects



Resolution adopting the Code of Ethics for the Macon County Board of County Commissioners

WHEREAS, Section 160A-86 of the North Carolina General Statutes requires local governing boards to adopt a code of ethics, and

NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of our blessings and obligations as citizens of the State of North Carolina and as public officials representing the citizens of the County of Macon, and acting pursuant to the requirements of Section 160A-86 of the North Carolina General Statutes, we, the Macon County Board of Commissioners, do hereby adopt the following General Principles and Code of Ethics to guide the Board of Commissioners in its lawful decision- making.

The Macon County Board of Commissioners shall:

- 1) Obey all applicable laws regarding official actions taken as a board member and comply with the ethics education program required under Section 160A-87 of the North Carolina General Statutes;
- 2) Uphold the integrity and independence of the board member's office;
- 3) Avoid impropriety in the exercise of the board member's official duties, to include:
 - a. A board member shall not use his/her position or County's facilities or resources for private gain, nor shall he/she appear before or represent any private person, group or interest before any department, agency, commissioner or board of the County except in matters of purely civic or public concerns.
 - b. A board member shall not directly or indirectly solicit, accept or receive any gift having a value of \$50 or more, whether in the form of money, services, loan, travel, entertainment, hospitality, ting or promise, or any other from, under circumstances in which it could reasonably be inferred that the gift was intended to influence him/her, or could reasonably be expected to influence him/her, in the performance of their duties, or was intended as a reward for any official taken by the board. Legitimate political contributions shall not be considered as gifts under this subsection.
 - c. A board member who has, or whose immediate family member has, an interest in any official act or action before the board shall publicly disclose on the record in open meeting the nature and extent of such interest and shall withdraw from any

consideration in the matter if excused by the council.

- d. When any private interest of a board member or member's immediate family may potentially conflict with their responsibility as a board member, the board member may present his/her interpretation of the facts at issue to the County Attorney for an advisory opinion.

4) Faithfully perform the duties of the office;

5) Conduct the affairs of the governing board in an open and public manner, including complying with all applicable laws governing open meetings and public records.

Nothing in this policy shall be considered a substitute for the law or for a board member's best judgment.

Adopted this 14th day of March, 2023.

Derek Roland, Manager
Macon County

Paul Higdon, Chairman
Macon County Board of Commissioners

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – CONSENT AGENDA

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2023

Item 13A. Draft minutes from the February 9, 2023 continued session, the February 14, 2023 regular meeting and the February 21, 2023 continued session are attached for the board's review and approval. (Mike Decker/Tammy Keezer)

Item 13B. Budget Amendments #189-195 are attached for your review and approval. (Lori Carpenter)

Item 13C. Tax releases for the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$685.65, per the attached memorandum from Tax Collections Supervisor Delena Raby.

Item 13D. A copy of the ad valorem tax collection report as of February 28, 2023, which shows a collection rate of 95.34 percent. Report only. No action is necessary. (Delena Raby)



**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING – BUDGET WORK SESSION
FEBRUARY 9, 2023
MINUTES**

Chairman Higdon called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All Board Members, County Manager Derek Roland, Tammy Keezer filling in for Deputy Clerk Mike Decker, Finance Director Lori Carpenter and County Attorney Eric Ridenour were present, as were a number of county employees, media and citizens.

Chairman Higdon announced that the primary purpose of the meeting was for a budget work session that would include review of the current fiscal year and preparation for the upcoming fiscal year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

(A) MID-YEAR FINANCIAL REVIEW - Finance Director Lori Carpenter provided an update on revenues, including sales tax, tax collection and the general fund. She stated that revenues have increased over the last fiscal year (FY) to this point in the year. Mrs. Carpenter informed the board that the general fund expenses are also on target and that we are financially ahead and doing well. A copy of her presentation is attached (Attachment 1) and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

(B) CIP UPDATE - Mitch Brigulio with Davenport and Associates provided a review of Macon County's financial position, including credit ratings, general fund balance, revenue growth, debt ratios, etc. His report indicated that Macon County is in an excellent financial position. Mr. Brigulio provided four suggestions for policy considerations: (1) fund balance policy providing guidance that allows spending while preserving and maintaining a healthy fund balance; (2) debt payoff policy to guide the percentage of debt outstanding that is to be paid off during a specified time range; (3) debt to assessed value policy; and, (4) debt service versus

expenditures. Mr. Brigulio stated that county departments have submitted their Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) requests and he provided some suggestions for funding those projects, one of which was a new Franklin High School with summary projections for funding the first five years of that project. In conclusion, Mr. Brigulio stated that Macon County cannot maintain a revenue neutral tax position and fund a new high school. A copy of Mr. Brigulio's report is on file in the Deputy Clerk's office.

FY '24 BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

(A) FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT ARCHITECTURAL UPDATE - Paul Boney and Emily Kite with LS3P provided an update on the project, including the liaison committee meeting held last week, a revised project timeline and other efforts they are considering to reduce the cost of the project. Mr. Boney said the drawings could be completed as early as fall and ready to go out for bids, so they have cost estimates to go to the Local Government Commission (LGC) for funding consideration. He indicated that the scope has been reduced from \$118,420,233 to \$100,239,509 with the contingency amount totally up to the county, and with the understanding that cost escalation is variable. Brief comments from the board members included feedback about getting accurate information and updates in a timely manner as well as ADA issues that have existed for 30 years, which could have been fixed prior to the current board members being in office. Mr. Boney said he is willing to do whatever he needs to do in regard to communication and involvement of the board. Mr. Roland said \$335,000 remains in the Franklin High School fund with estimates at \$336,000 for the new stadium and \$714,242 for the main campus for a total cost of \$1,050,252. He indicated that \$715,120 would need to be appropriated from fund balance to move forward with design development. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to authorize LS3P to proceed with design development for Franklin High School and construction documentation and procurement for the stadium and the accompanying budget amendment. Some discussion and clarification followed regarding this action giving the board the ability to see what the main campus is going to look like, construction documents being ready for bid, and allowance for documentation to be submitted to the state. The vote was unanimous.

(B) FY '24 EDUCATION BUDGET - Dr. Chris Baldwin, Superintendent of Macon County Schools, gave an overview of this fiscal year and plans for next fiscal year including the use of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) to build four classrooms at East Franklin Elementary and renovate one classroom. He stated that the geothermal issues at Iotla Elementary have been partially resolved with no cost incurred and some leaks have been identified related to the Macon Middle School sewer gas issue. Mr. Baldwin answered questions regarding projects that the school system has prioritized for FY '24 (Franklin High School, Highlands Middle School, Macon Middle School Track, Nantahala Sewer, and Macon Middle School Vent Pipes).

(C) FY 24' County Budget

(i) FIRE SERVICE IN MACON COUNTY - Warren Cabe, Emergency Management Director, provided a handout and reviewed the current structure of fire departments in Macon County, service fees and budgets. He said there are 11 fire departments (9 volunteer and two municipal), a mix of volunteers (329), 21 full-time employees and 24 part-time employees, adding that service fees vary by area. After a brief discussion, Mr. Cabe said he hopes to have a revised contract for the fire departments by July to bring back for board approval.

(ii) FY 24' BUDGET OVERVIEW AND DISTRIBUTION OF BUDGET CALENDAR - Mr. Roland stated we are in the strongest financial position that we have ever been in due to our conservative budget decision-making. He said that economic uncertainty is going to continue into FY '24 and shared his thoughts about challenges for the upcoming fiscal year. Mr. Roland reviewed the budget process and the proposed budget calendar. Discussion included clarification about zero-based budgeting and board members being more involved in the budget process. Mr. Roland encouraged the board to observe the budget process this year, as there have been no changes from previous years. Commissioner Shearl made a motion that, for this budget process, all the board members sit in with all department heads, the county manager, county attorney, and the general public to build the budget. The motion died for lack of a second.

(iii) BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FY '24 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES - Chairman Higdon requested to keep the budget flat

with two caveats, evaluate the purpose and mission statement of each department and clearly define objectives, and consider a policy on how extended position vacancies are handled. Commissioner Young requested regular maintenance be performed, including pressure washing, light gravel, etc., to county properties and if the property has reached or is reaching its lifespan, that it be brought to the board for replacement versus repair.

CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURN: With no other business, at 6:20 p.m. upon a motion from Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Derek Roland
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

Paul Higdon
Board Chair

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 14, 2023
MINUTES

Chairman Higdon called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. All board members (with the exception of Commissioner Shearl), County Manager Derek Roland, Deputy Clerk Mike Decker and County Attorney Eric Ridenour were present. Finance Director Lori Carpenter did not attend. Members of the media and a small group of citizens were also present.

Chairman Higdon thanked those in the audience for attending, but noted that the board's plan was to recess this meeting until Tuesday, February 21st. However, he noted that "if you came here to speak, the floor is yours." **Jerry Denney** addressed the board with regard to the new property assessments that landowners are now receiving in the mail, and said he is trusting that county officials will give a "thorough explanation" with regard to what the new tax rate will be and told the board, "Don't leave us hanging." He said he wanted to make sure that citizens are treated fairly, and was hopeful that more details would be provided. Mr. Roland responded that, on average, property values across the county are going up between 54 and 58 percent, and gave a brief history of past property revaluation outcomes. He pointed out that the county must publish what the "revenue neutral" tax rate would be, adding, "That's the equalizer." Chairman Higdon noted that the board members have been anticipating this scenario for some time. **Nancy Scott** told the board members that she hoped they would support the Macon County Public Library and the county's school system. She also pointed out that it is "so important how we use our words" in addressing groups such as the county's LGBTQ community so as not to discriminate. Commissioner Young expressed his thanks to those who attended and added, "Thanks for caring."

With no other business, at 6:15 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Antoine, the board voted 4-0 to recess until 6 p.m. on Tuesday, February, 21, 2023 in the commission boardroom on the third floor of the Macon County Courthouse at 5 West Main Street in Franklin, NC, at which time the board will consider a full agenda.

Derek Roland
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

Paul Higdon
Board Chair



**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 21, 2023
CONTINUED SESSION
MINUTES**

Chairman Higdon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All Board Members, County Manager Derek Roland, Deputy Clerk Mike Decker, Finance Director Lori Carpenter and County Attorney Eric Ridenour were present, as were a number of county employees, media and citizens.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(A) Commissioner Young highlighted recent accomplishments of athletes from Franklin High School for both regional and state awards.

(B) Chairman Higdon shared that an update on the property revaluation process is going to be provided at each meeting. Tax Administrator Abby Braswell reviewed the appeal process and indicated that the appeals application deadline is March 13, 2023.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman Higdon requested that all in attendance rise and a moment of silence was observed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Shields, the pledge to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC HEARING(S): None

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: **Dylan Castle** spoke about the library decisions regarding sexually explicit material and referred to the decision as “immoral and illegal.” He shared his opposition to materials in the library. **John deVille** spoke in support of the library and said they have a very in-depth vetting system for materials. He indicated the library is a “safe, supportive and loving space.” **Tim Shaw** provided an update on the skate park and requested the county allocate

the \$50,000 in additional funds that the previous board had offered as part of the Fiscal year 2023-24 budget. **Kim Leistier** shared concerns about the disrepair of Wesley's Park Playground and requested the repairs be completed. **Narelle Kirkland** stated she hoped the board would reconsider the quarter-cent sales tax referendum on the next possible ballot as she felt the residents were "ill informed" on the issue. **Claudia Aguilar** spoke in favor of the library materials and staff, and shared about her personal experiences. **Angela Faye Martin** spoke in favor of the library indicating that the library is not a church, that parents are responsible for filtering their children's reading material, and that the government does not have the ability to deny a public library the right to provide certain materials. **Nancy Scott** spoke against censorship and in support of the library, library staff and library board. **Lynn Hart** shared that she and a number of members of the Democratic Women attended to be up-to-date on issues in the community as they were concerned about growth, housing, and young children. **Rebecca Tipton** spoke about the library board meeting that was held recently and shared her support for a genre label on book spines of LGBTQ materials.

ADDITIONS, ADJUSTMENTS TO AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to approve the agenda, as adjusted, as follows:

- To remove Item 9A, Macon Middle School Air Quality Update, per Commissioner Shields
- To add Item 11G, Regulation of Crypto Currency, per Commissioner Young.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Acknowledgment of Capital Priorities for Macon County Schools as recommended by the Liaison Committee on February 9, 2023 – Mr. Roland reviewed the priorities set by the liaison committee as discussed at the February 9, 2023 meeting, which include: repairing the vent pipes at Macon Middle School, repairing or replacing the Nantahala wastewater system, building a new Franklin High School, renovating the Highlands Middle School, and repairing the track at Macon Middle School. He requested the board acknowledge those priorities and authorize him to terminate the contract with LS3P for the Highlands Pre-K project. Commissioner Young stated the Highlands project is worthy and needed, but will have to be picked-up as the Capital Improvement Plan allows in the future. Macon County Board of Education Chairman Jim

Breedlove stated the board of education had prepared a list of capital outlay requests and prioritized those. He said the Highlands Pre-K project has not been removed and they will continue to pursue that project as allowable. Macon County Board of Education member Hilary Wilkes shared that removing funding for the Highlands Pre-K project would be taking resources away from the Highlands community and showing a lack of support. She requested the board “do right by the children and invest in them.” Mr. Breedlove indicated the Macon County Board of Education is still looking for bids for the Highlands soccer field and they are currently working with an engineer to see what is the best approach to repairing that field. Chairman Higdon suggested a report from the liaison committee be provided at each board meeting. Commissioner Young suggested minutes from the liaison committee meetings be distributed to the board following each meeting. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to authorize the county manager to terminate the contract with LS3P as requested. The vote was unanimous. By consensus, the board acknowledged the priorities established by the liaison committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

2022 Outstanding Conservation Farm Family – Doug Johnson, Soil and Water Conservation District Director, shared the news of H&H Farms being named the “2022 Outstanding N.C. Conservation Farm Family” and provided handouts of the announcement. He said this is the first time Macon County has had a winner and recognized Soil Conservationist Sarah Clancy for nominating H&H Farms and planning the recognition even. Ms. Carpenter requested approval of a budget amendment to appropriate \$9,000 to the North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts and donations from the public to fund an event recognizing H&H Farms that is scheduled for May 9, 2023 at Moss Valley Venue. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Antoine, to approve the budget amendment as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Consideration of contract(s) with McGill Associates and Bunnell Lammons Engineering for vertical expansion of Macon County Landfill, Phase II, Cell I and Phase III, Cell I. Solid Waste Director stated that the board authorized Mr. Roland and designees to negotiate a contract with McGill Associates and Bunnell Lammons Engineering (BLE) at the board’s December 2022 regular meeting. He indicated that the contracts totaled \$113,450 to expand the existing life of the constructed landfill up to four (4) years [Attachment 1]. Mr. Stahl stated this action will delay the need for closure, allows the department to repay the existing debt service on Phase III, Cell I, and construct Phase III, Cell II. Commissioner Shields made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Young, to authorize the county manager to enter into contracts with McGill Associates and

Bunnell Lammons Engineering in the amount of \$113,450 as requested. The vote was unanimous.

Consideration of award for two walking-floor unloader transfer trailers to Pinnacle Trailer Sales, Inc. Mr. Stahl indicated that a request for bids to purchase two walking-floor transfer trailers was issued on January 25, 2023 with two bids received and opened on February 1, 2023. Mr. Stahl recommended the board approve the purchase of the trailers from Pinnacle Trailer Sales, Inc. in the amount of \$193,200. Commissioner Shields made a motion, seconded by Chairman Higdon, to approve the purchase of the trailers as requested. The vote was unanimous.

Consideration of lease renewals at the Business Development Center

(1) AGI, LLC – Tommy Jenkins, Director of the Macon County Economic Development Commission, requested renewal of the lease with AGI, LLC for Unit A in the Business Development Center as shown in Exhibit A of the lease agreement, which has a one-year term of February 14, 2023 to February 13, 2024 with a monthly rent of \$1,840. He requested approval of both a resolution [Attachment 2] and lease agreement [Attachment 3] in connection with this item.

(2) Macon County Board of Education – Mr. Jenkins requested renewal of the lease with the Macon County Board of Education for Units D and E in the Business Development Center. He indicated the lease is for one year beginning February 14, 2023 and ending on February 13, 2024 with the stipulation that the space is to be used for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) educational purposes. Mr. Jenkins also requested the board declare the space as surplus [Attachment 4].

(3) TECO SSL, Inc – Mr. Jenkins requested renewal of the lease with TECO SSL, Inc. for Unit B in the Business Development Center. He indicated the lease is for one year beginning February 14, 2023 and ending on February 13, 2024 with a monthly rent of \$1,218. He requested approval of both a resolution [Attachment 5] and lease agreement [Attachment 6] in connection with this item.

(4) Waterwheel Manufacturing, Inc. - Mr. Jenkins requested renewal of the lease with Waterwheel Manufacturing, Inc. for Unit C in the Business Development Center. He indicated the lease is for one year beginning February 14, 2023 and ending on February 13, 2024 with a monthly rent of \$212. He requested approval of both a resolution declaring the property as surplus [Attachment 7] and the lease agreement [Attachment 8] in connection with this item.

Commissioner Shields made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Young, to approve the resolutions and leases as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Schedule public hearing for 6 p.m. on March 14, 2023 regarding amendment(s) to the Watershed Protection Ordinance – Planning Director

Joe Allen stated he was proposing a minor change to Section 156.32 (A) and 156.32(C) Special Nonresidential Intensity Allocations (SNIA) of the ordinance. He indicated the change would allow SNIAs to be approved by the Watershed Administrator instead of the Planning Board. He requested that a public hearing be scheduled on March 14, 2023 at the regular meeting in order to receive public comment on the proposed revision. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to schedule a public hearing as requested for March 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Resolution authorizing Execution of Opioid Settlements – Mr. Roland

reminded board members that Macon County is slated to receive \$3,009,000 from the opioid settlement with Johnson & Johnson manufacturers and pharmaceutical distributors Amerisource Bergen, Cardinal Health and McKesson in what is now referred to as Wave 1 funds covering the period of 2021 to 2038. He said a new settlement has recently been negotiated with CVS, Walgreens, Walmart, Allergan and Teva with an anticipated \$600 million coming to North Carolina in what is referred to as Wave 2 funding with Macon County projected to receive \$2.4 million from 2023-2036. Mr. Roland requested the board approve a resolution to accept Wave 2 funding [Attachment 9]. Mr. Ridenour clarified that Wave 1 and Wave 2 funds can only be spent on opioid issues. Mr. Roland said we have received \$389,719 to date of Wave 1 funding with an anticipated total of \$5.4 million. He shared that we are working with the Southwest Commission on innovative ways to maximize use of those funds. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Antoine, to approve the resolution to join the Wave 2 settlement and authorize county staff to sign the settlement paperwork. The vote was unanimous.

Sale of surplus property (Lot #307 Wildflower) to Anakeesta – Mr. Ridenour

stated that Anakeesta Properties, LLC of Sylva, NC has offered \$5,000 for the 1.07-acre parcel and had paid a bid deposit of \$250 as well as the remainder of the funds they would need to complete the purchase. He indicated the sale had been published in the newspaper and no upset bids were received; therefore, the board would need to sign the settlement statement and the deed if they approved the sale, and Anakeesta will owe the county \$4,776 (which includes a \$26 recording fee) and is contingent upon Anakeesta paying any HOA fees that are due. Commissioner Shearl made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to approve the sale as presented. The vote was unanimous.

REGULATION OF CRYPTO CURRENCY: Commissioner Young said he believed it would be wise for the commissioners to charge the county planning board with checking into the matter of bitcoin mining, as there are current operations in Cherokee County. Commissioner Young said he could envision Macon County being targeted for this type of activity. Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to assign this task to the Macon County Planning Board as presented by Commissioner Young.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda as presented which includes: (A) Minutes of the January 10, 2023 regular meeting, (B) Budget amendments #153-157, (C) Tax releases for the month of January in the amount of \$65.10, (D) Audit contract for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and (E) Monthly ad valorem tax collection report for which no action is necessary.

APPOINTMENTS:

(A) Planning Board (2 seats) - Mr. Allen reported that he has received five applications for the two vacant seats (Larry Lackey, Jr., Lee Walters, Matthew Moyer, Renee Cooney and Ronald Brown) and provided copies of the applications and other documentation. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to appoint Mr. Lackey and Mr. Waters to the Macon County Planning Board. The vote was unanimous.

(B) Economic Development Commission (2 seats) – Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to table appointments until the March regular meeting. The vote was unanimous.

(C) Southwestern Commission Area Agency on Aging Regional Advisory Board (3 seats and 3 alternates) – Department of Social Services Director Patrick Betancourt recommended the following:

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|-------------------------|---|
| Appointment 1 Primary | Jennifer Hollifield, Senior Services |
| Appointment 1 Alternate | Patrick Betancourt, Social Services |
| Appointment 2 Primary | Felicia Roberts, Macon Program for Progress (MPP) |
| Appointment 2 Alternate | Charam Miller, MPP |
| Appointment 3 Primary | Joe Gibson, Community Paramedicine |
| Appointment 3 Alternate | Kim Terrell, NC Cooperative Extension |

Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to approve the appointments as recommended. The vote was unanimous.

(D) 2023 Board of Equalization and Review (5 seats) – Tax Administrator Abby Braswell recommended that the board reappoint Dwight Vinson, Gary Drake, Kristine Flaig, Donald Holland and Richard Lightner to the 2023 Board of Equalization and Review. Commissioner Young made a motion, seconded by Chairman Higdon, to approve the appointments as recommended. The vote was unanimous.

(E) ETJ representative on the Town of Franklin Planning Board (1 seat) – Town of Franklin Land Use Administrator Justin Setser recommended the reappointment of Dave Jones as the ExtraTerritorial Jurisdiction representative on the town’s planning board with a term of appointment for three years. Commissioner Shearl made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Antoine, to approve the reappointment as recommended. The vote was unanimous.

CLOSED SESSION: At 8:30 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to go into closed session as allowed under NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) in order to preserve the attorney client privilege and NCGS 143-381.11(a)(5) as to the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract. At 10:16 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Antoine, the board voted unanimously to come out of closed session and return to open session.

ADJOURN: With no other business, at 10:17 p.m., upon a motion from Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Antoine, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Derek Roland
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

Paul Higdon
Board Chair

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT # 189

DEPARTMENT _____ 114260

EXPLANATION MOVE MONEY FOR INSURANCE

| ACCOUNT | | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | INCREASE |
|---------|--------|------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 113839 | 485000 | INSURANCE | 31,022 | |
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| 114260 | 556006 | CONSTRUCTION / REPAIR AND SUPPLIES | 31,022.00 | |
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REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD Michael B. Cox
RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER [Signature]
APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____
ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 3/14/2023
APPROVED & ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____
CLERK _____

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT
AMENDMENT # 190

FROM: Lindsay Leopard

DEPARTMENT: Register of Deeds

EXPLANATION: Appropriate funds for deed book repairs not invoiced in FY21.

| ACCOUNT | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------|----------|
| 113840 - 417900 | Fund Balance Appropriated | \$8,177.00 | |
| 114180 - 556010 | Deed Book Repairs | \$8,177.00 | |
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REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD *Jodd Raley*

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER *Adam Cay*

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS *3/14/2023*

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CLERK _____

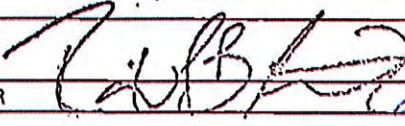

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT # 191

DEPARTMENT Senior Services

EXPLANATION Appropriate additional \$5,145 received in the Home and Community Block Grant for Older Adults.

| ACCOUNT | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE |
|---------|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| 113584 | 439401 CONGREGATE MEALS | 5,145 | |
| 115837 | 568300 MEALS | 5,145 | |
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MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT
AMENDMENT # 192

FROM: Brent Holbrooks

DEPARTMENT: Sheriff
EXPLANATION: Insurance Settlement

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION INCREASE DECREASE

| ACCOUNT | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------|----------|
| 11-3839-4850-00 | Insurance Settlement | \$4,521.00 | |
| 11-4310-5565-03 | Vehicle Repairs | \$4,521.00 | |
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REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD Sheriff Brent Holbrooks

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER Adam Carpenter

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 3/14/2023

APPROVED AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____

CLERK _____

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT
AMENDMENT # 193

FROM: Brent Holbrooks

DEPARTMENT: Sheriff Office

EXPLANATION: Insurance Settlement

| ACCOUNT | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------|----------|
| 11-3839-4850-00 | Insurance Settlement | \$4,555.00 | |
| 11-4310-5565-03 | Vehicle Repairs | \$4,555.00 | |
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REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD *Sheriff Brent Holbrooks*

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER *Adam Carpenter*

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 3/14/2023

APPROVED AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____

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MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT #

194

DEPARTMENT Senior Services

EXPLANATION Appropriate \$50,217 grant received from National Council on Aging (NCOA)

| ACCOUNT | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE |
|---------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 115842 550001 | SALARY | 12,193 | |
| 115842 550005 | LONGEVITY | 274 | |
| 115842 550201 | MEDICARE/FICA | 933 | |
| 115842 550203 | HOSPITALIZATION | 2,362 | |
| 115842 550206 | LIFE INSURANCE | 263 | |
| 115842 550207 | RETIREMENT-GENERAL | 1,483 | |
| 115842 550701 | COUNTY 401K | 244 | |
| 115842 555106 | CONTRACTED SERVICES | 15,600 | |
| 115842 556001 | OFFICE SUPPLIES | 1,255 | |
| 115842 556800 | PRINTING | 2,000 | |
| 115842 556803 | ADVERTISING | 6,000 | |
| 115842 556810 | INCENTIVES | 2,600 | |
| 115842 558901 | TRAVEL | 1,310 | |
| 115842 559700 | NON-CAPITAL EQUIPMENT | 3,700 | |
| 113584 439605 | NCOA VACCINE UPTAKE GR 93.048 | 50,217 | |
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 3/14/2023

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT # 195

DEPARTMENT School Capital Projects

EXPLANATION Reverse portion of previous budget amendment for Highlands School Pre-K architect fees

| ACCOUNT | | DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE |
|---------|--------|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| 119000 | 980046 | TRANSFER TO FUND 46 | | 293,992 |
| 113840 | 417900 | FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED | | 293,992 |
| 463034 | 980011 | TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND | | 293,992 |
| 466034 | 519902 | ARCHITECT FEES | | 293,992 |
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RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER [Signature]

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 3/14/2023

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CLERK _____

Macon County Tax Office
5 West Main Street
Franklin, NC 28734



Phone: (828) 349-2149
draby@maconnc.org

TO: MACON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FROM: Macon County Tax Collector's Office
Delena Raby, Tax Collections Supervisor

DATE: March 08, 2023

RE: Releases for February, 2023

Attached please find the report of property tax releases for real estate and personal property that require your approval in order to continue with the process of releasing these amounts from the tax accounts. Please feel free to contact me if you should have any questions. The report of releases in alphabetical order is attached.

AMOUNT OF RELEASES FOR FEBRUARY 2023: \$ 685.65

RELEASES REPORT
Macon County

| NAME | BILL NUMBER | OPER | DATE/TIME | DISTRICT | VALUE | AMOUNT |
|----------------------------|--|------|------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------|
| AHRENS, RANDALL T | 2022-57708 | DLR | 12/31/9999 2:37:10 PM | | | |
| | DY:0RP:6505351071 | | | | | |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | F09 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 5.50 |
| | REVERSE INTEREST PAYMENT RECEIVED THRU PAY 2.0 UNDER NEW OWNERS ACCOUNT WHICH DID NOT INCLUDE INTEREST | | | TOTAL RELEASES: | | 6.47 |
| BAGLIEN, STEVEN T | 2022-103287 | LAS | 12/31/9999 12:39:06 PM | | | |
| | DY: PERSONAL PROPERTY | | | | | |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | F09 ADVL TAX | 1,911.00 | 1.35 |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 1,911.00 | 7.64 |
| | SOLD BOAT IN 2021 | | | TOTAL RELEASES: | | 8.99 |
| BILLINGSLEY, RONNIE EUGENE | 2022-102842 | ZAD | 12/31/9999 12:15:36 PM | | | |
| | DY: PERSONAL PROPERTY | | | | | |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | F06 ADVL TAX | 1,546.00 | 0.91 |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 1,546.00 | 6.18 |
| | Sold Boat 2021 | | | TOTAL RELEASES: | | 7.09 |
| CHAPA, PAULA CANTU | 2022-57569 | DLR | 12/31/9999 2:40:22 PM | | | |
| | DY:0RP:6505174154 | | | | | |
| | REVERSE INTEREST PAY RECEIVED THRU PAY 2.0 TO THE NEW OWNER ACCOUNT THAT DID NOT INCLUDE INTEREST | | | | | |
| | DY:0RP:6564784420 | | | | | |
| FRANK, DAVID THOMAS JR | 2022-63561 | DLR | 12/31/9999 2:39:18 PM | | | |
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| | | | | F09 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 1.50 |
| | | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 8.50 |
| | | | | L01 FFEFEE | 0.00 | 2.97 |
| | | | | TOTAL RELEASES: | | 12.97 |
| PRO VISION DESIGN, LLC | 2022-84994 | DLR | 12/31/9999 2:41:48 PM | | | |
| | DY:0RP:7419220685 | | | | | |
| | REVERSE INTEREST PAY RECEIVED THRU PAY 2.0 TO THE NEW OWNER ACCOUNT THAT DID NOT INCLUDE INTEREST | | | | | |
| | DY:0RP:7419220685 | | | | | |
| | | | | F05 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 1.84 |
| | | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 10.15 |
| | | | | L01 FFEFEE | 0.00 | 2.97 |
| | | | | TOTAL RELEASES: | | 14.96 |
| PRUETT, MARILYN RENEE | 2022-81751 | DLR | 12/31/9999 11:12:16 AM | | | |
| | DY:0RP:6596114293 | | | | | |
| | REVERSE INTEREST PAY RECEIVED THRU PAY 2.0 TO THE NEW OWNER ACCOUNT THAT DID NOT INCLUDE INTEREST | | | | | |
| | DY:0RP:6596114293 | | | | | |
| | | | | F06 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 2.18 |
| | | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 0.00 | 14.89 |
| | | | | L01 FFEFEE | 0.00 | 2.97 |
| | | | | TOTAL RELEASES: | | 20.04 |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | | | |
| | CLERICAL ERROR | | | | | |
| | | | | F01 ADVL TAX | 107,900.00 | 75.53 |
| | | | | G01 ADVL TAX | 107,900.00 | 431.60 |

RUN DATE: 3/8/2023 3:33 PM

RELEASES REPORT
Macon County

| NAME | BILL NUMBER | OPER | DATE/TIME | DISTRICT | VALUE | AMOUNT |
|--|-------------|------|-----------|------------|------------|--------|
| | | | | L01 FFEFEE | 107,900.00 | 108.00 |
| CLERICAL ERROR | | | | | | |
| Corrections To Property Record Card | | | | | | |
| 15 Countryside Dr is PP 112820 | | | | | | |
| 43 Countryside Dr is a MH Use code was | | | | | | |
| Dwelling | | | | | | |
| NET RELEASES PRINTED: | | | | | | 685.65 |
| TOTAL TAXES RELEASED | | | | | | 685.65 |

TOTAL RELEASES:

Macon County
Advalorem Tax Collections Report
Year To Date February 2023 Tax Year 2022

| TAX YEAR 2022 Month To Date February 2023 Tax Year 2022 | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Month to Date | Beginning Balance | Levy Added | Less Releases | Less Administrative Refunds | Less Write Offs | Equals Adjusted Levy | Less Payments | Outstanding Balance | |
| General Tax | 1,695,422.77 | 5,896.88 | -53.12 | 0.00 | -56.53 | 1,701,210.00 | -291,174.59 | 1,410,035.41 | |
| Fire Districts | 267,732.30 | 983.96 | -5.23 | 0.00 | -11.24 | 268,699.79 | -44,997.77 | 223,702.02 | |
| Landfill User Fee | 260,136.90 | 0.00 | -6.75 | 0.00 | -4.27 | 260,125.88 | -42,272.63 | 217,853.25 | |
| TOTAL: | 2,223,291.97 | 6,880.84 | -65.10 | 0.00 | -72.04 | 2,230,035.67 | -378,444.99 | 1,851,590.68 | |

| TAX YEAR 2022 Year To Date February 2023 Tax Year 2022 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Year to Date | Beginning Balance | Levy Added | Less Releases | Less Administrative Refunds | Less Write Offs | Equals Adjusted Levy | Less Payments | Outstanding Balance | This Year Collection Percentage Tax Year 2021 As of 2/28/2023 | Last Year Collection Percentage Tax Year 2020 As of 2/28/2022 |
| General Tax | 37.74 | 32,201,927.38 | -29,112.26 | 0.00 | -1230.77 | 32,171,622.09 | -30,761,548.94 | 1,410,035.41 | 95.62% | 96.94 |
| Fire Districts | 7.57 | 4,648,491.55 | -4,161.05 | 0.00 | -199.87 | 4,644,138.20 | -4,420,428.61 | 223,702.02 | 95.18% | 96.64 |
| Landfill User Fee | 216.00 | 2,953,584.00 | -2,363.93 | 0.00 | -14.83 | 2,951,421.24 | -2,733,351.99 | 217,853.25 | 92.62% | 94.57 |
| TOTAL: | 261.31 | 39,804,002.93 | -35,637.24 | 0.00 | -1445.47 | 39,767,181.53 | -37,915,329.54 | 1,851,590.68 | 95.34% | 96.73 |

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – APPOINTMENTS

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2023

14A. **Economic Development Commission (2 seats)** – This item was tabled at the February 21, 2023 continued session. In addition to the application for reappointment received from Brett Rogers last month, we have received an application from Johnathan Hamlin, a copy of which is included in the packet.

Application for Appointment to Macon County Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees

The Macon County Board of Commissioners believes all citizens should have the opportunity to Participate in governmental decisions. The Board wants to appoint qualified, knowledgeable and dedicated people to serve on authorities, boards and committees. If you have an interest in being considered for an appointment to any advertised vacancy, please thoroughly complete the form below before the advertised deadline and choose from the following options.

Mail to: County Manager's Office
5 West Main Street
Franklin, North Carolina 28734

or FAX to: 828-349-2400

Any Questions, please call the County Manager's Office at (828) 349-2025

Name of Authority, Board or Committee applying for: Economic Development Commission

Name: Johnathan Hamlin

Address: 50 Brookwood Cv

City: Franklin

NC Zip: 28734

Telephone: Home: 828-712-6859

Work: 828-369-9696

Occupation: Insurance Agent with State Farm

Business Address: 109 W Palmer Street, Franklin NC 28734

Email Address: jhamlin0906@gmail.com or John@JohnHamlinInsurance.com

Briefly explain any anticipated conflict of interest you may have if appointed:

None

Educational Background

Some College

Business and Civic Experiences/Skills:

Rotary, Lions Club Past President, Franklin Chamber of Commerce President 2023, Member of Junaluskee Masonic Lodge

Areas of Expertise and Interest/Skills:

Economic growth in Macon County NC. Partnering with multiple organizations to work for one common goal.

List any Authorities, Boards, Commissions or Committees presently serving on:

President of Franklin Chamber of Commerce, Represent the chamber on the TDC board(requesting committee)

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