



# Chatham County, NC

## Meeting Minutes

### Board of Commissioners

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Monday, November 21, 2016

6:00 PM

Historic Courthouse Courtroom

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#### Work Session - 1:30 PM - Historic Courthouse Courtroom

**Present:** 5 - Chairman Jim Crawford, Vice Chair Diana Hales, Commissioner Mike Cross, Commissioner Karen Howard and Commissioner Walter Petty

#### PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

*Peter Harkins submitted the following comments:*

*I am a member of the Chatham County Western Chapter of the NAACP. During Board discussions at last Monday evening's Regular Session, Commissioner Hales inadvertently misstated that the Chapter's choice for 2016 Chatham County Person of the Year was Dennis Streets. Mr. Streets, as its Executive Director, spoke most eloquently in accepting the Chapter's selection of the Chatham County Council on Aging as its 2016 Organization of the Year. However, the Western Chapter voted Chatham County's Superintendent of Public Instruction, Dr. Derrick Jordan its 2016 Person of the Year. I request this correction be included in the yet-to-be published minutes of the November 14th meeting.*

#### BOARD PRIORITIES

##### 16-1950

Present the Special Team Effort Award to the Parks & Recreation Department

*The Chairman asked the Parks and Recreation Department to come forward to receive their certificate and gift.*

*Tracy Burnett, Parks and Recreation Director, introduced her team. She stated the department was honored to have the opportunity to fill in and be a part of voting. It was a lot of collaboration and teamwork and they are glad it was successful.*

*The Chairman presented the team with their certificate and the County Manager presented them with a gift.*

*Vice Chair Hales expressed her personal appreciation for how the Parks and Recreation department handled the crowds and traffic.*

##### 16-1766

Presentation from AQUA North Carolina Inc.

**Attachments:** [Chatham County BOC .pptx](#)

*Ruffin Poole, Manager of Corporate Development and Shannon Becker, President, for Aqua North Carolina gave a presentation to the Board. (Presentation attached)*

*Mr. Becker stated Aqua North Carolina is the second largest utility in the nation traded on the stock exchange and they are the third largest sewer provider in Chatham County.*

*Mr. Poole reviewed public/private partnership.*

*Commissioner Petty asked if they had public/private partnerships in other states. Mr. Poole stated they could provide testimonials from other jurisdictions in other states.*

*Vice Chair Hales asked how they address maintenance of their systems. Mr. Becker stated they are prioritized based on their need. They electronically track what needs to be done and when.*

*Chairman Crawford stated a citizen came to the Board earlier in the year about discoloration in their water. He asked who they should call. Mr. Poole stated they need to call customer service first. Chairman Crawford asked who they should call if the problem is not resolved after speaking with customer service. Mr. Poole stated they could file something with the Utility Commission. Mr. Becker stated they could call him as well. They need to follow the correct process so that it is documented properly.*

*Commissioner Petty stated there was concern about the water quality, discoloration and also a rate issue. He stated they may have determined it is a pipe issue and wanted to know who would be responsible for fixing it. Vice Chair Hales asked where their offices are.*

*Mr. Poole stated they do purchase from the county. The pipe Commissioner Petty referenced was on Wisteria Road and they believe that was the cause of the discoloration. Their main office is in Cary off of Highway 64.*

## [16-1932](#)

### Presentation on new GIS application

**Attachments:**    [ELA\\_BOCMeeting](#)  
[Video](#)

*Nick Haffele gave a presentation to the Board. (Presentation attached)*

*Mr. Haffele also presented a demonstration video. (Video attached)*

*Vice Chair Hales asked if there is an interactive map. Mr. Haffele stated most people will use the tax and land records application.*

*Vice Chair Hales asked about the natural resource data. Mr. Haffele stated it will be added.*

*Commissioner Petty asked what the base maps are built on such as Garmin or Google because some citizens have told him road names can be incorrect. Mr. Haffele stated the County built its own base maps and they are built off of the internal GIS data. The road data and address data comes from the Emergency Operations Center. The base maps are cached on a monthly basis but the actual GIS data is updated the next day.*

## [16-1933](#)

### Presentation on Chatham Park Charette

**Attachments:**     [Presentation on Chatham Park Charrette](#)

*Kirk Bradley with the Lee-Moore Capital Company gave a presentation to the Board on the Chatham Park charette. (Presentation attached)*

*A charette is an interactive planning session and one was held over a week in October of 2016. There were cultural groups, educators, the Board of Education and the Administration from the schools, and elected officials. They also talked to potential tenants. They mostly focused on forty-four acres adjacent to Bojangles. They see the forty-four acres as a lifestyle, mixed-use project.*

*Chairman Crawford asked when they anticipated the construction of this phase to be complete. Mr. Bradley stated they hope it will be complete in 2018 and occupied in 2019.*

*Chairman Crawford asked how many people attended the charette. Mr. Bradley stated they met with about two hundred people and about seventy-five people attended the presentation on Friday.*

*Vice Chair Hales asked how many apartments will be age restricted. Mr. Bradley stated the company has moved away from the age restricted concept. There will be 325 market rate multi-family units.*

*Commissioner Howard asked about parking. Mr. Bradley stated they may have to add parking decks.*

*Chairman Crawford asked if there will be bus stops. Mr. Bradley stated they are planning for a couple of transportation stops.*

*Vice Chair Hales asked if they would look at affordable housing for this area. Mr. Bradley stated they would take a look at it.*

*Chairman Crawford asked when the second entrance to Northwood would be open. Mr. Bradley stated they will be meeting with the school system's transportation people in December to go over those details.*

*Vice Chair Hales asked if they have any commitment to solar. Mr. Bradley stated they haven't really gotten to those details yet.*

[16-1936](#)**Receive Report and Provide Direction on Possible New Human Relations Commission****Attachments:**     [Human Relations Report for BOC in Nov..pdf](#)  
                                  [CCHRC Bylaws Revision August 2010.pdf](#)

*Debra Henzey, Director of Community Relations, gave a presentation to the Board. (Presentation attached)*

*Vice Chair Hales suggested the county staff on the committee be non-voting members. She asked if the community could be invited to an afternoon workshop to discuss the issues. She likes the idea of creating a resource.*

*Commissioner Howard thinks creating the resource could be happening simultaneously with getting feedback from people who have the experience. She believes getting input from some other local groups would be helpful. Vice Chair Hales thinks the judicial system is an important component. Commissioner Howard*

*is not sure conducting a survey simultaneously is a good idea.*

*Commissioner Cross thinks the community meetings are a good place to start. Ms. Henzey suggested having two to three meetings. Holding community meetings would probably put the by-laws on hold until the feedback has been received.*

*Chairman Crawford asked if the Board could vote to approve the suggested make-up of the commission. Commissioner Petty stated non voting members probably won't participate if they don't feel like they have a stake in it. Commissioner Cross agreed that all the members should be voting members. Ms. Henzey stated she feels strongly that the towns and the schools have voting members and at least one County staff person should be a voting member. The majority of the Board agreed they did not need to vote on the composition of the commission today.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Hales, seconded by Commissioner Howard, to direct staff to to organize at least two community meetings to discuss the focus of the Human Relations Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross, Commissioner Howard and Commissioner Petty

**No:** 1 - Chairman Crawford

#### [16-1942](#)

Vote on a request to approve by Nicolas Robinson, on behalf of NNP-Briar Chapel, LLC, to approve adequate financial guarantee assurance as to maintenance of engineered stormwater controls pursuant to requirements in the Compact Communities Ordinance.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

*Jason Sullivan, Planning Director, reviewed the specifics of the request*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Hales, seconded by Commissioner Howard, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross, Commissioner Howard and Commissioner Petty

#### [16-1943](#)

Vote on a request by Nicolas Robinson, on behalf of NNP-Briar Chapel, LLC, for a Compact Community Ordinance (CCO) Waiver to Allow PSNC Regulator Station in 15-501 Perimeter Buffer.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

*Jason Sullivan, Planning Director, reviewed the specifics of the request.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cross, seconded by Commissioner Petty, to approve an Order Approving Waiver to Allow PSNC Regulator Station in Viewshed Buffer Briar Chapel, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross, Commissioner Howard and Commissioner Petty

#### [16-1944](#)

Continuation of a discussion to initiate the rezoning process for three industries identified by the Commissioners after adoption of zoning on

August 15, 2016.

**Attachments:** [Industrial Properties](#)

*Jason Sullivan, Planning Director, reviewed the specifics of the request.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Petty, seconded by Commissioner Howard, to set the public hearings for 6:00 PM on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross, Commissioner Howard and Commissioner Petty

## **CLOSED SESSION**

[16-1935](#)

Closed Session to discuss matters relating to property acquisition and attorney/client privilege.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, to approve going out of the Work Session and convening in Closed Session to discuss matters relating to property acquisition and attorney-client privilege. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross, Commissioner Howard and Commissioner Petty

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Meeting went into Recess*

*Meeting Reconvened*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Hales, seconded by Commissioner Howard, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross, Commissioner Howard and Commissioner Petty

## **End of Work Session**

### **Regular Session - 6:00 PM - Historic Courthouse Courtroom**

**Present:** 4 - Chairman Jim Crawford, Vice Chair Diana Hales, Commissioner Mike Cross and Commissioner Karen Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Walter Petty

## **INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Commissioner Cross delivered the invocation after which the Chairman invited everyone present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.*

## **CALL TO ORDER**

*Chairman Crawford called the meeting to order and made a special presentation to*

Commissioner Mike Cross.

Chairman Crawford stated he wanted to thank Commissioner Cross for his many years of service to the county. Commissioner Cross is a man who stands for service and is a veteran of the Vietnam War. He served in the Navy in Key West, Norfolk, and the nation's capital. Chairman Crawford has seen Commissioner Cross's dedication to the Moncure area, working on water service, school improvements, the youth center and expanding job opportunities. He has done local and statewide affordable housing work with his wife Nancy. He has taken leadership positions on all of this region's inter-governmental boards including the TJCOG, the MPO, the Cape Fear Assembly and the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. Chairman Crawford stated he would like to personally thank Commissioner Cross for the help he gave him when he joined the Board. The people of Chatham are in his debt.

Chairman Crawford presented Commissioner Cross with a plaque commemorating his service.

Commissioner Cross stated it has been a big honor to serve the county and he appreciates the opportunity.

Chairman Crawford stated Commissioner Petty was absent.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA and CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Crawford stated Item #16-1945 will be pulled from the agenda at the request of the applicant.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that the Agenda and Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

### **16-1923**

Vote on a request to approve the October 17, 2016 Work and Regular Session Minutes.

**Attachments:** [Draft Minutes 10.17.2016](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

### **16-1934**

Vote to Approve the Social Services Software Project Ordinance

**Attachments:** [Project Ordinance Social Services Software](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Ordinance, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1729](#)

Vote on a request to approve the reappointment of Mr. Brian Sykes to the Firefighter's Relief Fund Board of Trustees for the Moncure Volunteer Fire Department.

**Attachments:** [Firemans Relief Fund Requeset-Moncure VFD.pdf](#)  
[Attachment 2-NC Firefighter's Relief Fund Description.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Appointment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1914](#)

Vote on a request to approve Chatham County's 2017 Schedule of Values

**Attachments:** [2017 Schedule 1](#)  
[2017 Schedule 2](#)  
[2017 Schedule 3](#)  
[2017 Schedule 4](#)  
[2017 Schedule 5](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1930](#)

Vote on a request to approve the Tax Releases and Refunds.

**Attachments:** [October 2016 Corrected Receipts Report](#)  
[October 2016 NCVTS Pending Refund Report](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that the Tax Releases and Refunds, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1900](#)

Vote on a request to accept \$54,779.03 Debt Write-Off for the Health Department.

**Attachments:** [\\$54,779.03 Debt Set-Off](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1896](#)

Vote on a request to accept \$983.19 Food and Lodging Funds from the Department of Public Instruction

**Attachments:** [\\$983.19 Food and Lodging Funds Check](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1899](#)

Vote on a request to accept \$3,248 CCHC Smart Start Funds.

**Attachments:** [\\$3,248 Child Care Health Consultant Smart Start Funds](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1898](#)

Vote on a request to accept \$2853.69 Focus on Fathers Smart Start Funds.

**Attachments:** [2,853.69 Focus on Fathers Smart Start Funds](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1922](#)

Vote on a request to adopt a resolution approving lease for mobile classroom units.

**Attachments:** [Chatham, Modular Lease, County Comm'r Resolution \(R1401821@x7AD04\)](#)  
[Addendum B Modular Unit](#)  
[Chatham, MTI Modular Lease \(R1455864@x7AD04\) \(signed by CCS BOE\)](#)  
[Rate Schedule for Six Classroom Modular Lease](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Resolution #2016-46 Approving Lease for Mobile Classrooms, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

### 16-1952

**Attachments:** [Resolution FEMA Designation of Applicant's Agent](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Resolution #2016-47 for FEMA Authorization, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

### 16-1941

Vote on a request to Adopt Revisions to the Chatham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP).

**Attachments:** [Attachment 1\\_02](#)  
[DraftRec HWY Overview2Donut 6-27-16REVISED](#)  
[CTP Adoption by Chatham - Draft Resolution](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Resolution #2016-48 Adopting the Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Chatham County, North Carolina to Include Revisions, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

### 16-1913

Vote on a request to accept adding a fee on the Environmental Health fee schedule for engineer option permitting. (Fee proposed is 30% of the cost of obtaining an Improvement Permit and Construction Authorization).

**Attachments:** [EOP Fee Increase](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1928](#)

Vote on a request to approve adopting a resolution supporting the request for Department of Transportation Contingency Funds for the design and engineering of an interchange on Highway 421 and an access road to the Chatham-Siler City Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) Site

**Attachments:** [Contingency Resolution \(CAM\)](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Support Resolution #2016-49 for Statewide Contingency Funds from the North Carolina Department of Transportation, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1946](#)

Vote to approve the bid from Bio-Nomics in the amount of \$218,200.00 for the Lagoon Dredging Project and approve Renee Paschal, Chatham County Manager, to sign the contract on behalf of the County, after legal review.

**Attachments:** [Lagoon Quotes Compare 2016](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1924](#)

Vote on a request to approve a contract between Chatham County Government and Chatham County Council on Aging

**Attachments:** [COA AGREEMENT](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Contract, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1931](#)

Vote on a request to approve Sanford Officials Association for booking

agency services for athletic programs for 18 months with option to renew and authorize the County Manager to execute the contract.

**Attachments:** [FINAL-Womack Booking Agency dba Sanford Officials Association 2016-2018](#)  
[SPORT OFFICIALS SCOPE OF WORK 2016-2018](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Contract, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1937](#)

Vote on a request to approve the Valve and Fire Hydrant Asset Management Program Contract and authorize the County Manager to execute the Contract.

**Attachments:** [Utility Service - Valve and Hydrant Program - final 110216](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Contract, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1835](#)

Vote on a request by George Farrell for a rezoning on approximately .13 acres on Parcel No. 70347 from R1, Residential, to CD-CB, Conditional District Community Business, to add a 5,500 sq. ft. self-storage building to the property located at 354 McGhee Rd.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Resolution #2016-50 Adopting a Consistency Statement for the Approval of a Rezoning Request for George Farrell, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Ordinance, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried**

[16-1888](#)

Vote on a request by NNP Briar Chapel LLC for a Conditional Use Permit for a recreation club with a minimum lot area of five acres to be located on Parcel No. 2177 (US Steele Subdivision), located off Half Dollar Road, Baldwin Township.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Resolution #2016-51 Approving a Conditional Use Permit Request by NNP Briar Chapel, LLC, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1938](#)

Vote on a request to approve NNP Briar Chapel, LLC for subdivision Final Plat review of "Final Subdivision, Easement and Right-of-Way Dedication Plat of Briar Chapel Development, Phase 15 North, consisting of 50 lots on 38.75 acres, located off Andrews Store Road, S. R. 1528, parcel #82828.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1939](#)

Vote on a request to approve NNP Briar Chapel for subdivision Preliminary Plat review of Right of Way Dedication Plat, Property of NNP-Briar Chapel located off Hwy 15-501 N, parcel #2837 and #18911. There are no lots associated with this request.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

[16-1940](#)

Vote on a request to approve Sears Design Group, P. A. on behalf of Fitch Creations for subdivision Sketch Plan revision for **Fearrington - Section X, Area "C"**, consisting of a new public roadway, Tyrrell, and six (6) relocated lots, located off Millcroft, S. R. 1817, parcel #'s 1817, 1813, and 1807.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

## End of Consent Agenda

### PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

*Mike Fox submitted the following comments:*

*I'm here tonight to thank my friend and commissioner Mike Cross for his 12 years of distinguished service to Chatham County. Because I can't possibly sum it all up in a 3 minute chat, I'm going to concentrate on just one underappreciated aspect of Mike's service as a commissioner. And that is Mike's willingness to take on the tasks that no other commissioner wanted to bother with, and apply significant effort to it. There are tons of boards and commissions and regional bodies that commissioners get involved with. It's often hard to get county commissioners to agree to serve on these boards. Mike Cross not only agreed to serve on these, but he did it with distinction. I'm going to talk about just one, because it's one where hardly anyone knows of the work Mike did and it's illustrative of his work ethic as a commissioner, and the sincerity of his principles. Mike first joined the Board in 2004 and he was appointed the Chatham commissioner representative to the Orange Person Chatham (OPC) Mental Health Authority shortly after joining the Chatham Board of commissioners. This was a time when the state was cutting funding to mental health services and trying to push off its mental health responsibilities onto local entities. Being on one of these boards was a terrible job. All challenges, few resources, even less appreciation. Most commissioners avoid these types of assignments, or if given them, do the minimum to check the boxes and say that they participated. Not Mike Cross. He dug into this assignment and his work was noticed by his OPC peers, who made him the Vice Chairman in short order. Then as the state dissolved more of its responsibilities, the OPC evolved into a Local Management Entity, a large task that required structuring a new service and hiring staff. Mike Cross continued to serve with distinction on the Executive Committee and as Vice Chair, and he helped lead this transition. One of the things I did for Mike Cross is run his website and blog. So I saw a lot of details of what he did. I personally know that this took a ton of his time and energy, this one board, this one appointment. There were a lot of hours of meetings, there were a lot of tough decisions and a lot of traveling to participate. It was truly service. It was also completely unrecognized by anyone, except for the other people working on the board or the people who needed the services. I asked Mike, "Why are you doing this? Why do you put so much effort into it for so little reward?" There is no political grandstanding involved, there is no real recognition. He told me "these are vulnerable people who need our help and I can't let this work go undone." This is just one of literally dozens of boards and regional committees where Mike Cross did unrecognized and unappreciated work to serve the citizens of Chatham County and indeed the entire state of North Carolina. The thing that amazed me is Mike was never bitter or angry about the effort he put into all these committees because he was there to serve. He saw work needed to be done and he did it. This is the hard slog of behind the scenes work required to govern and serve, and Mike Cross has never bent from that burden, never halfassed anything, and never passed it off on some other poor sucker even when there was no political reward to be had. Mike Cross, you just got things done for the citizens under all kinds of conditions and I thank you for your service to all of us.*

*Larry Hicks submitted the following comments:*

*I am here to thank you Mike. In my entire history within Chatham County, there has*

*never been a Board of Commissioner who has worked harder than you on behalf of the county. I would suggest as people have said already, all that involvement, you can check the record, you were always there to win it. You were always there on behalf of the citizens and you always represented the entire county. You started out fighting a regional waste dump in your area in southeast Chatham. You teamed up with Patrick Barnes to basically anchor progress moving this county forward. Strategic planning, economic development, all of that is a result of your support and push for the betterment of this county. I thank you for that. Your approach to county management was actually listening to everybody. And as you and everybody else know, the difference between the east and west of this county is pretty blatant. It is because of different cultures, different economic drivers, etc. You took the time to listen to everybody to balance those requests and basically see things on behalf of the entire county. That put you in the moderate middle. For different sets of elections, you basically were in the minority. Whether it was republican control or democratic control. You were in the minority because you were looking after everybody versus one side or another. You knew this was not a political game. This was the life and the love of your county that mattered the most. I think the amount of effort you put into this, the amount of love that you have for this county, and the amount of time that you spent just listening to people, you visited people all the time. You would sit and have breakfast with them and you would have lunches with them. You meet them where they live. I would hope that your example is repeated by everybody else on this board and by anybody else serving this community. That is how it gets done. You were never a political animal. You were somebody looking to do things right. I think Chatham County doesn't recognize how much they are going to miss you but I know that we will. Thank you very much for the time you spent on our behalf.*

*Dave Legrys submitted the following comments:*

*I am also here to thank Mike Cross for his service and to take a moment to mention to him how much of a privilege it has been to be your campaign manager these past twelve years. I have had the privilege of working for a number of folks that have sat on this board. Mike, you have been my favorite because you always work so very hard. Being your campaign manager was easy because you were the best candidate anybody could ask for. The part that I remember the most is you and I insisted on having without fear or favor in our literature. That is how you have approached your time on this board, without fear or favor and doing whatever the people needed. No matter who it was you were working with on this board you always found a way to talk and work with those members to the betterment of our county. Chatham County is a better place because you served, Mike. I want to thank you very much for your service.*

*Laura Petersen submitted the following comments:*

*Mike, thank you for your service, it is much appreciated but I am here to address a different issue. I had hoped Aqua would be here and it was my misunderstanding with communications with the County Clerk who sent me information about when Aqua would be doing a presentation and I thought it would be this evening instead of the afternoon. I am here with some neighbors of mine. We live in a community up in Williams Township of Chatham County. The Cole Park Plaza area. I have been here before complaining about the fact that Aqua's water is undrinkable. They have terrible customer service and are a predatory company. Their rates have gone up again. In May when our water turned murky and pink I pulled it out of our toilet and out of our sink to test it. It had lead in it. They gave us a boil water notice in August*

*and we have yet to get a notice that it has been lifted. It is November. I have two small children, two cats and a husband who is disabled. I am the sole caregiver and I don't have a lot of time. I certainly don't have a lot of money to spend two or three times paying for water because I have to make sure my kids aren't consuming it out of the faucet. We want to get back on Chatham water, the entire community. We know that the substructure is there. We want to know how we do that, what steps needs to be taken, what money is needed to be raised, how it happens so that we can get it going and get off of Aqua water. It is subpar. It is horrific in service. The rates are three times what everyone else pays. If you could please inform me as to how that can happen I would really appreciate it. It is now I think the third or fourth time I've come to the commissioner's board and complained. Aside from one phone call from Aqua asking me how much they could financially help me and I refused because I am fighting for the rights of our entire community, I have not heard anything except for the Clerk letting me know that Aqua would be here.*

*Commissioner Hales asked the Clerk to send Assistant County Manager Dan LaMontagne Ms. Petersen's contact info so that he could follow up with her directly.*

*Elaine Keyes stated the Cole Park Plaza HOA met and agreed something needs to be done about Aqua and they want to get on County water. There are a lot of complaints against Aqua in North Carolina.*

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

[16-1949](#)

Public Hearing on the Recommended 2018-2024 Capital Improvements Plan

**Attachments:** [CIP Online](#)  
[InitialPresentationToBOC- 2018-2024 \[Compatibility Mode\]](#)

*Lisa West, Budget Analyst, gave a presentation on the CIP. (Presentation attached)*

*The Chairman opened the hearing.*

*Randy Voller submitted the following comments:*

*I am here to speak on a few items that relate to the staff recommended Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2024 Capital Improvements Program (CIP). Before I begin, I want to compliment County Manager, Renee Paschal, and her staff for the work they have done on the County Budget and CIP programming. I have been looking at these documents as an elected official and a member of the public for many years and they continue to improve and provide a wealth of data and information to the elected officials and general public. So again, thank you Chatham County for continuing to raise the bar.*

*As for my comments regarding the 2018-2024 CIP I am focused on three areas: buildings, potable water infrastructure and cooperation between governmental units. Specifically on page one and page two the plan recommends adding the renovation of the the county's old Agricultural building to the annex renovation project in downtown Pittsboro. I respectfully request that the county reconsider its plans with both buildings and the general area around the buildings.*

*A conceptual master plan with a variety of suggested alternatives has been completed by Kimley-Horn and approved by the Town of Pittsboro in June of 2014. This plan has been presented over the past few years to the NCDOT, the County, the stakeholders of the Main Street program, various groups of citizens and the Pittsboro Business Association. If the plan was implemented in the area that the County owns south of the traffic circle an open vista between the Justice Center and the Historic Courthouse would be created with an aesthetically pleasing panoramic view that will be helpful to visitors seeking a positive downtown experience as well as an economic driver that will provide a major stimulus to the downtown and Chatham County.*

*For these reasons I advise the county leadership to delay and/or eliminate these budget requests and instead request that the Economic Development Corporation and the County Commissioners work with these groups to finalize a Downtown Vision Plan that can be endorsed and enacted by Chatham County and the Town of Pittsboro. As for potable water infrastructure the CIP cites a few projects beginning on page 80.*

*I am recommending that the County prepare to add projects that could mutually benefit Chatham County, Cary, Goldston, Pittsboro and Siler City. Specifically as it relates to the Town of Pittsboro if the County will invest in creating connections to the Town's water system on the South and West side of Pittsboro some of the pressure and flow issues will be eliminated and the County and private developers will no longer be required to invest funds in onsite water tanks for fire protection and pressure.*

*Finally, I respectfully advise that the County and its municipalities explore a CIP process that is mutual and allows for joint cooperation between the different government units. The county has the ability and financial strength to lead in this regard and the citizens and businesses of the county will benefit if we can implement a collaborative process that guides the county to invest in its municipal units of government. If we are able to achieve such an ideal imagine how high we will raise the bar for good public policy and good government in Chatham County.*

*Jan Nichols submitted the following comments:*

*I want to commend the members of the Board of Commissioners for their leadership and county Manager Renee Paschal and her staff for their work on behalf of the citizens of Chatham County. Thank you for this opportunity to provide input regarding the 2018-2024 CIP. This evening I speak to the items on page one and two regarding the renovation of the old Agricultural building and the renovation of the existing annex located on the circle in downtown Pittsboro.*

*For many years citizens have discussed removing the annex on the circle and at this time there is a conceptual master plan with various alternatives that has been approved by the Town of Pittsboro. The plan is of great interest to the Pittsboro Business Association and other stakeholders in the community. This plan would open the area south of the circle, restore the Town and County to its previous vista and provide for a much improved downtown environment.*

*I request that the county not move forward with expenditures and plans for renovations and improvements on the Annex and old Agricultural building, and eliminate these budget items. Instead I suggest that the County Commissioners and CCEDC collaborate with the Town of Pittsboro, the Pittsboro Business Association and other stakeholders in the community to finalize and implement a Downtown*

*Vision Plan that builds on the conceptual master plan approved by the Town of Pittsboro in 2014. Thank you for your time and consideration.*

*Pam Cash Roper submitted the following comments:*

*Unlike a lot of folks in Chatham County, I grew up here and I am a native. My family has lived in Chatham County for generations and some of our fine farm land is at the bottom of Jordan Lake, which today supplies water to the region. I can remember when Pittsboro was a sleepy town with one police officer, a few restaurants and no night life. And I can remember waiting tables at the old Scoreboard that my brother owned, which is now a busy place known as Virlies. Today, there is a buzz around town and places are actually open past 9 pm. I can also remember a time before the Annex existed and the area south of the old courthouse was a beautiful meadow.*

*I am with you tonight to request that Chatham County consider restoring the area south of the circle by tearing down the Annex, eliminating the old Ag building and re-imagining the area with Pittsboro and other community stakeholders. The current vision plan can be amended and the Town and County can work together to build new buildings, improve the underground infrastructure and develop a parking deck. We have an opportunity to press the reset button and create some amazing spaces in our downtown that will become memorable places in the community and provide economic opportunity for our residents and businesses by attracting more customers to Chatham County and Pittsboro. So in closing, let's work together and redevelop the space south of the circle and create something great for the future of our community.*

*Virginia Penley submitted the following comments:*

*I have lived in the area for over forty-five years and at my current address in North Chatham for over thirty years. During this timeframe my husband and I owned a portion of Cat's Cradle and a store that I ran on Franklin Street in Chapel Hill for ten years. For most of this time my focus and the focus of my friends has been Chapel Hill and Carrboro; however, during the past ten years I have witnessed a lot of positive change in and around Pittsboro and like many others we have shifted our consumer patterns and daily routines to focus on Chatham County and especially Pittsboro.*

*I attribute these changes to the new opportunities and businesses in Pittsboro as well as the improvements to the downtown. Given my experiences I strongly recommend that the County's Capital Improvement Plans need to incorporate a strong level of planning and cooperation with Pittsboro and the other municipalities. For example, the County and the Town could positively impact the downtown by eliminating its old buildings such as the annex and the old Ag Building.*

*Imagine a gorgeous open area between the old courthouse and the new judicial center. Think about the economic impact that more public parking will have on Chatham County and Pittsboro. Consider the statement that well designed new buildings will make for the Town and County. As a former retailer and small business owner I urge the County to work on a plan with the Town for this area and tear down the annex and the old Ag building. Investing in such a vision will be a boon for the town and county and provide a healthy return to the community for years to come.*

*Jeffrey Starkweather submitted the following comments:*

*I am a forty-four year resident of Pittsboro. The key to economic development and improving standards of living of a rural community, particularly in a suburbanizing county like Chatham on the outskirts of a growing metropolitan area, is quality of life. Chatham County is perfectly situated to utilize this high end place based economic development strategy. We have many natural amenities such as Jordan Lake, rivers, small town atmosphere and rural character. We certainly have a highly educated population. One of the key advantages a rural community can build on is an authentic and historic county seat in downtown. Pittsboro's downtown has the potential to be such a strong economic development asset for our community but it clearly needs revitalization if it is to meet the threats such as Chatham Park. An initial effort in developing a vision plan was done in 2009. While I had some questions about citizen input and county input into that plan it certainly provides a conceptual downtown vision plan that can be used as a starting point in developing a long term strategic downtown plan with collaborative input from merchants, citizens, the Town of Pittsboro and Chatham County. While there are aspects of this plan which I believe could be enhanced, there is one aspect that I and many others for years now have strongly agreed with. Tearing down the courthouse annex and putting a park in its place and eventually building an architecturally compatible, attractive and sustainable county building complex where the old agricultural and Dunlap buildings are located. There may be other alternatives as well. Government buildings, particularly located in downtown county seats, can and should provide more than functional spaces. They should not only be visually attractive but provide a friendly and welcoming feel to residents, tourists and those doing business with the County. While the County did an excellent job of the interior of the courthouse annex, the outside courtyard, staircase base, the look of the building feels more like a prison than a county office building. Essentially the courthouse annex is a downtown eye sore and it needs to go. You have before you in the CIP recommendation further renovation of the annex and the old agriculture building. I would ask you hold off on those expenditures for at least a year to allow the County and Town of Pittsboro, Pittsboro Merchants, citizens and possibly School Board and County Commissioners to develop a long term downtown vision plan that would include looking at alternative plans for County and Town office space locations, parks, parking and possibly developing a long term Pittsboro office space plan for the County, Town, Community College and School Board. In the meantime I would strongly urge you to put back into the CIP another critical economic development quality of life asset, bike lanes. Thank you.*

*Lesley Landis submitted the following comments:*

*My earliest memory of Pittsboro is from 1987 when I was exploring the area on day trips from my new home in Raleigh. There were several places along the original Highway 64 -- which was then only 2 lanes -- where trees from either side of the road grew together above our heads making a lush green tunnel. I recall that as we got closer to Pittsboro, the green tunnel framed a towered building and it eventually opened up to the reveal Historic Chatham County courthouse that we're in tonight.*

*Now, I live here and I've grown to deeply love the town that I was immediately enchanted with. I'm a member of the Pittsboro Merchants Association and a member of the Small Town Main Street Committee. I'm also an arts advocate, an impatient gardener, and a graphic designer. Design by definition is planning, and planning is essential to conveying a sense of place and enriching the experience of discovery and the story that unfolds from that discovery.*

*The stories being told about Pittsboro and Chatham County through our downtown planning don't convey the place I know. But in this conversation about the C.I.P., we*

*have a chance to recapture some things about Pittsboro and Chatham that have been lost. We can right some wrongs. The Annex building and the Agricultural Auditorium don't fit here. I'm here to ask that they and their adjacent buildings be removed.*

*In meetings hosted by the Pittsboro Business Association and the Main Street group, we've presented to citizens, merchants, and other engaged parties a version of the Downtown Vision Plan by Kimley Horn that shows a public park and/or parking in the area where the current Annex is. This solution provides an open vista between the Justice Center and the Historic Courthouse and it's been received with enthusiasm. This change would be aesthetically pleasing, helpful to visitors seeking a positive downtown experience, and would provide major economic stimulus to the downtown and Chatham County.*

*I hope you'll reconsider your further investment in a building that is frankly poorly conceived and aspire to something more pleasing for staff, visitors, and residents. The drive into Pittsboro can be beautiful and kind of magical again with collaboration between the Town of Pittsboro and the County.*

*By the way, neither Kitty Meachem nor Greg Lewis, both leaders of the Pittsboro Business Association, were able to attend tonight but I believe they have sent you e-mails about this matter. Similarly my colleagues, Maria Lewis and Jon Spoon of the Small Town Main Street Committee, were unable to attend but have written to you with their thoughts on this. Pittsboro Commissioner Michael Fiocco, who serves as a liaison to both the Pittsboro Business Association and the Small Town Main Street Group, has also been in touch with you about this.*

*Laura Petersen submitted the following comments:*

*The Perry Harrison traffic, I have a six year old there so I am quite familiar. I was actually the parent that called the NCDOT every day until they put the four-way stop sign in because there were three accidents last year all involving small children. All at that one intersection. So when you are considering an alternative to the four-way stop it still needs control. Everyone went to the emergency room from those accidents. Chairman Crawford explained that the four-way stop would remain in place. There would be some kind of loop on the property to get the cars off the road. Ms. Petersen stated there is a gravel road behind the school that if paved would improve the traffic in that area.*

*Doug Emmons submitted the following comments:*

*I serve on the main street committee and I also serve on the board for the EDC. I commend the folks that spoke earlier. I think the recommendations to defer the funding of that and actually have discussions in collaboration with the Town and the EDC makes a lot of sense. There is a tremendous amount of momentum already underway to look at alternatives for what downtown can be. We are trying to work with Chatham Park as well to make sure downtown Pittsboro remains a viable center and hopefully more viable than it is today. I think the options to explore in looking at what is the county complex today, would be well undertaken and defer with this CIP expenditure. I hope you will consider it.*

*The Chairman closed the hearing.*

[16-1927](#)

Hold a public hearing to receive public comment on a proposed

one-time incentive for a planned hotel in the Russet Run development of Pittsboro.

**Attachments:**     [Chatham County Incentive Policy](#)  
[Hotel Incentive Presentation Draft - Nov. 21, 2016](#)

*Kyle Touchstone, President of the Chatham County Economic Development Corporation, gave a presentation to the Board. (Presentation attached)*

*Vice Chair Hales asked if there would be a shuttle service at the hotel. Mr. Touchstone stated shuttle service would be provided for individual events as part of a group package but it would not be available on a regular basis.*

*Kirk Bradley stated hotels are the most complex form of real estate investment. They are the last thing banks will lend to and they are the first they stop lending to. Being the first hotel would make it hard to get financing and the incentive would help get financing.*

*The Chairman opened the hearing.*

*Jeffrey Starkweather submitted the following comments:*

*I am a seven year member on the EDC. I helped draft the economic development incentive package that we have now. I am here to speak against providing economic incentives to the Echo Group. This is part of the largest mixed use development ever posed in North Carolina and one of the largest in the United States with 22,000 residents and twenty-two million square feet. When Chatham Park Investors socked the rezoning for this massive plan they did so without providing any fiscal impact assessment or marketing feasibility study, arguing there was no fiscal or marketing worry for Chatham Park because their primary backer was the richest man in North Carolina. Now, the first major project being proposed for this fiscally sound development is seeking financial incentives. Subsidy from the tax payers. If the project needs more financial support then I would say let Chatham Park Investors provide it. Chatham Park Investors has already been granted many unique privileges despite opposition of citizens and the Lauris Group planning consultant. The Town of Pittsboro allowed them to develop 5% of the residential, 15% of the non-residential before they have additional elements, the master plan, the small area plan, development agreement approved by the Town and before the Town's unified development ordinance was completed. The forty-four acre commercial development is one of those exceptional places. Moreover, Chatham Park assured us that they had ample demand for their high end commercial and residential development in part because of Pittsboro and Chatham's unique location, natural and cultural assets and quality of life. If this is all true, they should not need incentives to attract businesses. Moreover, this is what I call bait and switch developer tactic. To pass upfront costs of a development on to the citizens of Chatham County. Moreover, research in North Carolina and elsewhere provides little support that economic incentives are effective in attracting new businesses or that they provide net local economic benefit. In fact a recent study in North Carolina concluded tax incentives go to firms without significantly influencing their decisions on investment or employment. Incentives are way down the list of selection factors. Moreover, recruiting a national hotel chain, much of the money will be spent outside of the community. Also how is this fair to our other local tourist accommodations like our bed and breakfasts who have to compete with outside corporate hotels without getting taxpayer funds. I think it is time to rethink our incentive policy. We just provided incentives to Mountaire Farms that had already decided to locate here. We provided economic incentives when I was on the board for Performance Fibers. A few years later they left and took 235 jobs with*

*them. I do not know of a single business that is located here due to our providing them incentives. I think we need to rethink this policy, provide them only in unique beneficial circumstances such as a business that is providing living wages to its employees or location of a an extraordinary environmentally sustainable business. Thank you.*

*The Chairman closed the hearing.*

*Vice Chair Hales stated she supports this one time incentive.*

*Commissioner Cross stated he is in favor as well. He does not believe the Agriculture and Conference Center will have a shot to succeed without a hotel.*

*Commissioner Howard and Chairman Crawford also support the incentive.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Hales, seconded by Commissioner Cross, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

#### [16-1945](#)

Legislative public hearing on a request by Raleigh Industrial Partners, LLC dba Space Station, located at 13144 and 13146 US 64 E, Apex, approved for 3-story self-storage/mini-warehouse storage facility with related retail and services (i.e. moving truck rental); boat, trailer, and other utility vehicle sales and service; boat and RV storage facility on Parcel Numbers 17890 and 17891, for a modification of Condition No. 4 of the approval for an extension of one year to allow for a Certificate of Occupancy to be issued for the first phase of the project.

**Attachments:** [More Information from Planning Department Website](#)

*This item was removed from the agenda.*

## **BOARD PRIORITIES**

#### [16-1951](#)

Vote on A Resolution Calling for Civility and Respect for the Rights of All Americans

**Attachments:** [civility resolution nov 2016.pdf](#)

*Chairman Crawford read the resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Howard stated she is very proud of the Board for taking this action.*

*Chairman Crawford stated he is very disappointed in the kind of rhetoric that is becoming commonplace in our country. He wants to speak on behalf of his family. His daughter's name is Elise Ahmad Crawford. Her mother's family name is her middle name and is not sandwiched in, it is embraced. His wife's father's family culture is their family culture. Since 911 we have become habituated to hear broad stereotypes about muslims and people from the middle east in general. His hope was it would fade over time but he has found now it has been given sanction. He fears the country will see more, not less of it. All Americans are important. Every*

*time we pledge allegiance to the flag we aren't just talking about the flag. We are talking about the values that hold the republic together. If we don't believe and insist that everyone act in a way that every American's dignity, self-respect and sense of community worth is valued, then there is no point in pledging allegiance to the flag at all. He feels it is a worthy thing for the Board to make a statement as County leaders that these are the values that they stand for.*

*Vice Chair Hales stated hate speech, the ratcheting up of dialogue and the ratcheting up of graffiti, she has seen some in the area she is concerned about along the Deep River, is not what this county is or should be. She is in support of the resolution.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that Resolution #2016-52 Calling for Civility and Respect for the Rights of All Americans, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

#### 16-1921

Vote on a request to approve Jeanette Ragland's appointment to the Environmental Review Advisory Committee.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that this Appointment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty

### MANAGER' S REPORTS

*There were no reports from the Manager.*

### COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

*Chairman Crawford stated he met with Captain Stroud of the North Chatham Fire Department and he has some concerns about the DOT's plan for the interchange at Big Wood Road and Seaforth on Highway 64. He will discuss this at length with the Board on another occasion before sending a message on to DOT.*

*Commissioner Cross stated he really appreciated the honor and opportunity to serve the citizens of Chatham County. He thanked his wife for her help in that endeavor.*

### ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Vice Chair Hales, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chairman Crawford, Vice Chair Hales, Commissioner Cross and Commissioner Howard

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Petty