

Regular Meeting
March 28, 2023
(Budget Work Session)

A regular meeting/budget work session of the Nash County Board of Commissioners was held at 9:00 AM, March 28, 2023 at Smith's Pavilion (3713 N. Halifax Road, Rocky Mount, NC).

Present were Chairman Robbie B. Davis and Commissioners Marvin C. Arrington, Fred Belfield, Jr., Dan Cone, Sue Leggett, J. Wayne Outlaw, and Gwen Wilkins.

Others present were Stacie Shatzer, Scott Rogers, Donna Wood, Melanie Eason, Janice Evans, Vince Durham, Battle, Winslow, Scott & Wiley, and other staff members and members of the public.

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order and briefly explained prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance in Nash County. He stated it is customary that Nash County starts each meeting with a prayer by a Commissioner and Pledge of Allegiance and that anyone wishing to participate in the prayer, moment of silence, or a prayer of their own choice was welcomed.

Chairman Davis called on Mr. Fred Belfield, Jr. for the invocation and Mr. J. Wayne Outlaw to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Ted Cole, Senior Vice President of Davenport & Company made a presentation to the Board on Debt Capacity Analysis for Nash County.

Chairman Davis called for a brief recess.

Upon reconvening, Chairman Davis called on Donna Wood, Finance Director.

Ms. Wood and Mr. Cole presented for the Board's consideration Reserve Policy Amendment. No action was taken.

Ms. Patsy McGhee, Assistant to the County Manager and Mr. Jonathan Boone, Public Utilities & Facilities Director provided an update to the Board on the following major capital projects:

- Highspeed Internet/Broadband
- Miracle Park – Phase II
- Middlesex Phase 2 – Sewer, Electric, Road
- Hwy. 97 Shell Building
- Detention Center
- Middlesex Shell II
- Pet Connection Center

- Water/Sewer Projects

Ms. Wood presented for the Board's consideration a recommendation for approval of an audit contract with Thompson, Price, Scott and Adams & Co. for a term of three years.

On motion of Gwen Wilkins seconded by Dan Cone and duly passed that the Nash County Board of Commissioners approved the audit contract with Thompson, Price, Scott and Adams & Co. for a term of three years.

Ms. Wood presented the FY24 Requested Budget/FY23 Budget Projections.

Chairman Davis called for a recess for lunch.

Upon reconvening, Chairman Davis called on Ms. Stacie Shatzer, County Manager.

The following Department Heads made presentations to the Board on position and capital requests for the FY2024 budget consideration.

- Anita Moore, Sheriff's Office
- Tony Cameron, Emergency Communications, Emergency Services/Fire Marshall, and EMS
- Chris Cary, Building Security
- Andy Hagy, Economic Development
- Sandi Vick, MIS

Chairman Davis called for a brief recess.

Upon reconvening, the Department Heads continued with presentations to the Board on position and capital requests for the FY2024 budget consideration.

- Doris Sumner, Tax
- Sandy Hall, Cooperative Extension
- Adam Tyson, Planning
- Thomas Gillespie, Parks & Recreation/Park Facilities
- Ashley Winstead, Senior Center
- Anthony Rogers, Veteran Services
- Bill Hill, Animal Control, Health, and Solid Waste

On motion of Sue Leggett seconded by Dan Cone and duly passed that the meeting recess until March 29, 2023 at 9:00 AM at Smith's Pavilion (3713 N. Halifax Road, Rocky Mount, NC).

Janice Evans, Clerk
Nash County Board of Commissioners