



# Durham County

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## Meeting Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners

*Michael D. Page, Chair*  
*Brenda A. Howerton, Vice Chair*  
*Fred Foster, Jr., Commissioner*  
*Wendy Jacobs, Commissioner*  
*Ellen W. Reckhow, Commissioner*

Monday, June 13, 2016

7:00 PM

Commissioners' Chambers

#### Opening of Regular Session – Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Page gave a brief comment about the tragedy that occurred in Orlando, FL and asked for a moment of silence.

#### Agenda Adjustments

Chairman Page announced there were no agenda adjustments.

#### Announcements

- 1)The Museum of Durham History and Durham Center for Senior Life invite you to attend a “History Grove” dedication ceremony on the plaza in front of the Durham Center of Senior Life, 406 Rigsbee Avenue, Friday, June 17, at 5:00 pm. One of our own, the late Becky Heron, will be honored.
- 2)The Center for Senior Life will also celebrate its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Friday, June 17th at 6:00 pm. Tickets are available for \$35 each or \$65 per couple. You may call 919-688-8247 ext. 124 for more information or visit the website at [www.dcsln.org](http://www.dcsln.org) to purchase a ticket.
- 3)Want to keep up with more Durham County news? Sign up for the County newsletter, press releases and the Public Health newsletter on the home page of the County Government webpage.
- 4)Please contact the Clerk’s Office at 919-560-0025 or [clerk@dconc.gov](mailto:clerk@dconc.gov) to find out about opportunities to serve on one of our volunteer boards or commissions.
- 5)It’s not too late to comment on our budget process. You may submit your comments to the following link: <http://dconc.gov/government/departments-a-e/budget-portal>. Copies of this form

are also available out front with the agenda material. Feel free to complete a form and leave it with the Clerk.

- 6) These announcements may also be found on the County's website or you may call the Clerk's Office at 919-560-0025.
- 7) Commissioner Jacobs provided additional comments about The Center for Senior Life 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. She stated if a citizen could not attend and would like to sponsor a ticket for another individual, they could do so.
- 8) Commissioner Jacobs announced a Community Vigil would be held at The Bar located at 711 Rigsbee Ave to show support for the LGBT community. Chairman Page added that a number of vigils would be held throughout the community and asked that Durham citizens follow-up with their local newspaper for all events.
- 9) Vice Chair Howerton provided an update from the North Carolina Associations of Counties meeting where a task force that was created with the Governor around Mental Health. She added all counties were asked to sign a letter for the appropriations of \$30 million dollar. Vice Chair Howerton stated the letter would be sent out to all County Commissioners.

## **Minutes**

Vice Chair Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to approve the May 23, 2016 Regular Session minutes and the May 31, 2016 Special Session – Budget Public Hearing minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

## **Ceremonial Items**

### **Resolution - Honoring Councilman Howard Clement, III**

Chairman Page shared memories of Councilman Clement and read the following resolution:

#### **A. J. HOWARD CLEMENT III**

**WHEREAS**, Arthur John Howard Clement, III was born in Cleveland, North Carolina on March 12, 1934 and grew up in Charleston, South Carolina;

**WHEREAS**, upon high school graduation he matriculated to Howard University in Washington, DC where he received a B.A. Degree in Political Science and History and his LL.B Degree from Howard University's School of Law; and

**WHEREAS**, Clement accepted employment in 1961 at North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company where he worked in progressively higher leadership positions through December 1991; and

**WHEREAS**, he was appointed as a member of the Durham City Council in May 1983 and served nearly 30 years, including a stint as mayor pro tem from 1997-2001; and

**WHEREAS**, Clement was a highly respected activist in his community, particularly in the areas of civil and equal rights for all; and

**WHEREAS**, this longtime Durham City Councilman was affiliated with numerous civic and professional organizations including: Durham Rotary Club, Downtown Durham, Inc., American Bar Association, National Bar

Association, South Carolina State Bar Association, North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers; and Beta Theta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha to name a few; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure, he helped establish the Durham Crime Cabinet, supported the development of the Streets of Southpoint and was a tireless advocate for public transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, following an extended illness, Howard Clement made his transition on May 25, 2016 and will forever be remembered for his statesmanship, keen wit, compassion and his extraordinary love of the Durham community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the members of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby resolve to honor the memory and legacy of

**ARTHUR JOHN HOWARD CLEMENT, III**

For his lifelong work as a public servant who worked to provide equal justice and civil rights for all. We call upon all citizens to remember the numerous and selfless contributions he made during his extraordinary life and career.

This the 13th day of June 2016.

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Michael D. Page, Chairman

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Brenda A. Howerton, Vice-Chairman

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Wendy Jacobs

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Fred Foster, Jr.

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Ellen W. Reckhow

Del Mattioli, family friend spoke on behalf of Mrs. Clement. She highlighted many of Mr. Clement's accomplishments and on behalf of the family, thanked the Board for the resolution.

The Board each shared memories of Mr. Clement and thanked the family for allowing them to give thanks.

**Recognition of the Winner of the Canine Waste Student Artwork Contest**

Chairman Page recognized Siri Oehler as the winner of the Canine Waste Student Artwork Contest held for first (1<sup>st</sup>) – eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) graders from May 9 – May 27, 2016. He presented Miss Oehler with a sculptured award and thanked her for her artwork which helped set the forefront of the campaign.

Miss Oehler stated she was a fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) grader at Durham Academy and thanked the Board for the award.

**Proclamation - Reuben O'Neal's 100th Birthday**

Chairman Page shared the following proclamation that was presented to Mr. O'Neal and his family on June 12, 2016.

**REUBEN O'NEAL**

**WHEREAS**, Reuben M. O'Neal was born into a large family of 10 on June 9, 1916 to Lawyer and Cora O'Neal in Johnston County, NC. This year, he celebrated 100 years of life and is the oldest living relative in his extended family; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1936, he moved to Durham, NC, where he became a life-long resident, completed most of his career, and raised his family; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. O’Neal enlisted in the United States Navy and served with distinction and honor during World War II until he returned back to civilian life and did great things for his nation and community that are evident today, and

**WHEREAS**, he married Nekoda “Polly” Mack O’Neal in 1948 and had five children, including Lolethia Eileen, Elton, Ellis, Eunice and Elaine; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to him being a husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, his loyalty has been given to his church family as well. He is a longtime member of Morehead Avenue Baptist Church where he serves as trustee, male choir member and treasurer; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. O’Neal retired from Liggett-Myers after 39 years of service. He never missed a day of work and still found time to be the neighborhood handy man and mechanic for the widows and single mothers in the community, and dedicated countless hours of services to the West End Community; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. O’Neal is a living history book. He enjoys sharing information about his family’s history, past events, military and politics; and

**WHEREAS**, among his achievements and successes, he completed his GED at Durham Technical Community College in his 50’s; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. O’Neal is known as a man of honor. Durham County Government is inspired by his long life and offers him best wishes for good health, happiness, love and more.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Michael D. Page, Chairman of the Durham Board of County Commissioners do hereby to pay tribute to

**REUBEN M. O’NEAL**

as he celebrates 100 years of life. I call upon all citizens of Durham County to applaud his extraordinary history fatherhood, service and commitment to community.

This the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

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Michael D. Page, Chairman  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

**Consent Agenda (15 min)**

Chairman Page asked the Board if they desired to pull any items from the Consent Agenda. After hearing none, he announced that he would like to pull item #16-1072.

Commissioner Jacobs stated that she would like to comment on item #16-1121.

Vice Chair Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to approve all items on the Consent Agenda excluding #16-1072.

\*16-1024 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 16BCC000061 - Durham County Library Grant: “Let’s Talk About It”

\*16-1067 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 16BCC000062\_to Recognize \$3,000 from Wilkes County Health Department for support of the Durham County Department of Public Health’s Diabetes Self-Management Education Program

\*16-1073 Capital Project Amendment No. 16CPA000018 - Reducing and Closing Two Collection System Rehab Projects (SE046 & SE050) and Transferring Those Funds to Collection System Rehab Project, SE051. Total Transfer \$33,457.38, and Appropriation of \$500,000 of Collection System Rehabilitation Fund Balance to Project SE051.

16-1091 Contract Amendment for the Demolition and Removal of the Obsolete Wastewater Treatment Plant Influent Pump Station at 5926 NC Highway 55 East

16-1092 Contract Amendment for SAP/SuccessFactors Inc.

16-1093 Contract Amendment with Westaff (USA), Incorporation for the Provision of Providing Staff/Resources for Temporary Assignments

16-1094 Contract Amendment with Phoenix Business Systems (PBC), Inc. for the provision of on-demand SAP support services

16-1096 Everbridge Alert and Notification System

\*16-1121 Capital Project Amendment No. 16CPA000019 Appropriating \$1,315,000 and Creating a New Junction Road Industrial Site Capital Project (4730DC140), and authorize the purchase of 1035 Junction Road (partial) from Joven Group Four

16-1122 2016 General Obligation Bond Referendum

Consent Agenda Item 16-1024

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2015-2016 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 16BCC000061**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2015-2016 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$59,060,723	\$1,000	\$59,061,723

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Cultural and Recreation	\$12,338,403	\$1,000	\$12,339,403

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016.

Consent Agenda Item 16-1067

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2015-2016 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 16BCC000062**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2015-2016 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$59,061,723	\$3,000	\$59,064,723

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$92,927,845	\$3,000	\$92,930,845

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016.

Consent Agenda Item 16-1073

**DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
2015-16 Capital Project Ordinance  
Amendment Number 16CPA000018**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:

That the 2015-16 capital project ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments for the following projects.

<b>Capital Project</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Inc./Dec.</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>
Collections System Rehabilitation Project (SE046)	\$3,400,000	(\$8,440.13)	\$3,391,559.87
Collections System Rehabilitation Project FY 14 (SE050)	\$1,250,000	(\$25,017.25)	\$1,224,982.75
Collections System Rehabilitation Project FY 15 (SE051)	\$500,000	\$533,457.39	\$533,457.39

Adopted this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Item #16-1121**

Commissioner Jacobs thanked all staff involved in the project. She expressed her excitement with the Board moving forward on creating an Industrial Park in East Durham. Commissioner Jacobs added this project would bring manufacturing jobs to East Durham and provide great partnerships with the City.

**Items Pulled From Consent Agenda**

16-1072 National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference Voting Delegate

Chairman Page stated he was not aware of Commissioner Fosters' interest in being a voting delegate for

the NACO Conference being held in Los Angeles County, California from July 22 – 25, 2016. He continued to say during an Agenda Meeting, Vice Chair Howerton was asked to be the voting delegate and Commissioner Reckhow was named as the alternate. Chairman Page stated that Commissioner Foster brought to his attention that he served on several NACo Boards and that this would be his last opportunity to be a voting delegate.

Chairman Page asked if a friendly amendment could be made to entertain the opportunity for Commissioner Foster to be a voting delegate. Vice Chair Howerton responded that she would be willing to step down as the voting delegate. Chairman Page thanked Vice Chair Howerton for graciously stepping down.

Chairman Page asked for a motion to approve item 16-1072.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Foster that Commissioner Fred Foster, Jr. become the voting delegate and Commissioner Ellen Reckhow remain the alternate for the NACo Conference.

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Closed Session**

Chairman Page stated the Board was requested to adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of a business or industry.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to adjourn to Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Reconvene to Open Session**

Chairman Page announced the Board met in Closed Session and provided direction to staff.

### **Adjournment**

Vice Chair Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Foster to adjourn the Regular Session meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Monica W. Toomer  
Deputy Clerk to the Board