

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF GREENE

The Greene County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center. Present for the meeting: Chairman Bennie Heath, Vice Chairman James T. Shackleford Jr, Commissioners Jerry Jones, Susan Blizzard, and Derek Burress, County Manager Kyle DeHaven, Deputy Clerk Kathy Mooring and County Attorney Gay Stanley.

A. Call to Order

Chairman Bennie Heath called the meeting to order, and asked Commissioner Shackleford to give the Invocation and lead the Pledge to the Flag.

B. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Heath asked if there were any changes to the agenda as presented. Seeing as there were none he called for a motion to approve.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackleford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda as presented.

C. Consent Agenda

Chairman Heath asked if there were any changes to the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Blizzard noted that corrections had been made to the Regular Meeting Minutes to the June 21, 2021 minutes and the May 25th and June 1st Budget Workshop Minutes had been redone and there were new copies on the tables for each of the Commissioners.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Shackleford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

- June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- June 28, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- May 25, 2021 and June 1, 2021 Budget Workshop Minutes
- Refunds
- Consideration of Late Elderly and Present Use Applications
- Budget Amendment; DSS
- Budget Amendment; Register of Deeds
- Budget Amendment; Health

Refunds: NCVTS Tax & Tag

Kincey Harvey Worthington, Jr.	\$68.73	Cephas Ray Simmons	\$1.81	Charles Lindburg Barnes	\$73.07
Charles Lindburg Barnes	\$92.78	Anna Barnes Haddock	\$149.77	Donald Christopher Holland	\$28.04
Levy Edward Suggs, Jr.	\$536.32	Robert William Dail	\$6.36	Jamie Brooks Tingen	\$19.13
James Delano Tyndall, II	\$110.23	James Royce Moore, Jr.	\$14.97		

D. Public Comments

None

E. Presentation

1. Becky Sutton; Tax Administrator – Ms. Sutton presented the Monthly Collection Report to fill the requirements of GS 105370 (7) and the Annual Settlement to the Board of Commissioners to fulfill the requirements of GS 105-373 (a)(3) and GS 105-373 (c) the requirement for the collector to settle before going out of office, and the Collection Order for 2021/2022 to fulfill the requirements of GS 105-321 (b). See presentation attached. She asked for a motion to approve all requirements.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackleford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Monthly Collection Report, the Annual Settlement to the Board of Commissioners and the Collection Order.

As this was Ms. Sutton's last meeting as the Tax Administrator she thanked the Commissioners past and present, her staff and co-workers for the opportunity to work with them for the past 23 years. She spoke of her love of Greene County and will greatly miss everyone but believes she is leaving the Tax Department in good hands. She stated that she is very proud of her staff and grateful for their continued hard work.

Chairman Heath and the other Commissioners thanked Ms. Sutton for her dedication and hard work and stated she will be greatly missed.

F. County Manager Report

1. Mr. DeHaven first presented a Budget Amendment to appropriate funds for the Aid to Rescue Squads as directed as directed at the June 21st meeting.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Blizzard, the Board voted unanimously to approve this Budget Amendment.

2. Mr. DeHaven next presented a text amendment for the FY 21/22 Budget Ordinance in the water and sewer rates section (34). In the (R1) next 3,000 gallons, Adopted Water Rate, the language of per 1,000 gallons is requested to be inserted after the \$4.95 rate.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackelford the Board voted unanimously to approve the text amendment for the FY 21/22 Budget Ordinance.

G. County Attorney Report

Nothing to report.

H. Commissioner's Report and Recommendations

Chairman Heath went over the county COVID number's for the past couple of weeks.

Commissioner Jones encourages all to get their vaccines. Commissioner Blizzard asked people to call our County Health Department at 252-747-8181 to schedule an appointment. Chairman Heath reminded all of the ceremony at GTP tomorrow at 1 p.m. Commissioner Burress started by thanking the 9 year old Babe Ruth All-Stars and their coaches for representing Greene County well this past week at the Southeast Regional. He also thanked the parents and fans that came out, as well as the staff and volunteers of the Greene County Parks and Recreation Department that made this event possible. He went on to say that Greene County may not have achieved the desired results, but these kids represented the county well and accomplished what many kids their age never get to do – compete for a chance to play in the World Series. He stated he is impressed with the staff and volunteers of the Recreation Department that went above and beyond for this tournament and noted that many people may not realize that there was also an all-night softball tournament that took place Friday night. He noted how impressed he is with Director Anderson and his staff for their efforts in hosting two different tournaments at one time. He also wanted to recognize a young softball player named Isabella Ford. Miss Ford is a Greene County resident that plays for the Pitt County Girls Softball League and her team competed in the championship game at Lake Norman and were named state-runner up. He thanked Mrs. Becky Sutton for her many years of service to Greene County as the Tax Administrator. She is retiring at the end of the month on July 31st. Commissioner Burress noted that a couple of months ago he informed the board about some issues at the convenience sites. One of those sites issues involve the septic tank. He noted he spoke to the site worker this week and septic issue has gotten worse. Every time it rains, the septic tank backs into the drains and toilet.

Commissioner Burress stated that he asked the County Manager to check into this issue and report back to us as soon as possible what action needs to be taken to resolve this issue. He said 10 hours a day without the attendant being able to use the restroom is a long time and there were several times we had multiple days of rain, and he feels this is something that needs to get

corrected as soon as possible. He also stated that he was informed that two of sites opened on the 4th of July holiday. The convenience sites holiday schedule needs to be posted on website and at their locations. Commissioner Burress stated that a couple of meeting ago Commissioner Blizzard suggested that the board rename the transportation advisory committee. He said it is confusing to the public to have two boards with the same name with different functions. He asked that Harold Thomas and Misty Chase get together and think of alternate names and make suggestions to the Board. Commissioner Blizzard gave accolades the Parks and Recreation Staff for running tournaments the past three weekends. She asked the county manager for an update on the bodycams for the Sheriffs Department. Mr. DeHaven stated he just met with Matt Sasser on this subject and that there are no grants available for this. They are looking at prices to buy directly and he stated that he just found out that they can possible use ARP funds for this.

I. Closed Session – Personnel

Motion/Second into Closed Session were made by Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Blizzard. Board voted unanimously to go into closed session.

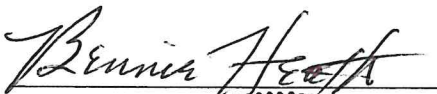
Motion/Second out of Closed Session were made by Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Shackleford. Board voted unanimously to come out of closed session.

Meeting called back to order by Chairman Heath.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to appoint Stephanie Wiggins as the Tax Administrator effective August 2, 2021 at the current Tax Administrator pay, seconded by Commissioner Shackleford, the Board voted unanimously to approve this appointment.

J. ADJOURN

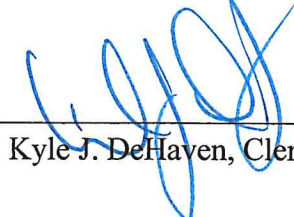
On motion by Commissioner Blizzard and second by Commissioner Jones to adjourn the meeting, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.



Bennie Heath, Chairman

Attest:





Kyle J. DeHaven, Clerk to the Board

Becky R. Sutton
Tax Administrator



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July 19, 2021

To: Mr. Kyle DeHaven, Greene County Manager
Greene County Board of Commissioners

From: Becky R. Sutton
Greene County Tax Administrator

Tax Office Issues:

- 1) Monthly Collection Report – GS 105-370(7) Please note that the collection amounts on this report are "adjusted payments" (net amount after releases, refunds, and adjustments) plus interest – Exhibit A
- 2) Annual Settlement to the Greene County Board of Commissioners
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 – GS 105-373(a)(3)

The Annual Settlement is composed of two parts: Exhibit B is Current year collections (2020) and Exhibit C is Prior Year Collections (2010-2019).

This report includes all levies and fees charged to the collector including fire districts, solid waste fees, county levy and levy for the Town of Walstonburg (real and personal property). Please remember that these reports do not include any tax collected through the North Carolina Vehicle Tag System (NCVTS) for motor vehicles. The collection rate analysis performed by the auditors in the annual audit is for the county levy only and includes the tax levy for funds collected through NCVTS for motor vehicles, which is a component of the general fund.

The total received (Exhibit B and Exhibit C) during fiscal year 2020-2021 (payments plus interest) was \$9,498,603.72 (includes all tax years 2010 through 2020).

Included in this total amount is the amount received for the current fiscal year 2020-2021 (Exhibit B): \$9,368,871.79 (payments plus interest). The overall collection rate indicated by this report (real and personal tax levy only) for the tax year 2020-2021 is 98.93%. This rate does not factor in the collection rate for levy from motor vehicles billed through the NCVTS system. The auditor's collection rate includes that levy. Factoring in those collections, the overall collection rate for the tax year 2020-2021 is estimated to be 99.17%.

Final Settlement for prior years (Exhibit C) is also attached (2010 – 2019). The total amount collected including all charges, interest and penalties for prior years was \$129,731.93.

Collection of all taxes in a timely manner still remains our priority. Please note that as the collection rate moves upward for the current year; prior year collections will go down accordingly. Since the billing of motor vehicles is no longer a part of Ad Valorem Tax and has always been a major portion of prior year collections, we will need to be prudent in the amount budgeted for prior year collections.

3) Collection Order for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Per GS 105-321(b), the collection order must be entered to constitute the collector's authority to enter upon the collection of taxes and to exercise the various powers incident to the collection process. A copy of the order is attached.

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Date: July 2, 2021

To: Greene County Board of Commissioners

From: Becky R. Sutton - Tax Administrator

Subject: GS 105-350 (7)

Monthly

All levy

Report of amount collected on each year's taxes and amount remaining
uncollected - Collections posted as of June 30, 2021

Year		Current		FY 2020-2021	Amount Remaining	%
		Month		Collections YTD	Uncollected	Collected
		Adj. Payments+interest		Adj. Payments+interest		
2010		\$ 603.13		\$ 4,838.38	\$ 11,165.42	99.87%
2011		\$ 267.64		\$ 1,961.48	\$ 11,707.71	99.87%
2012		\$ 207.15		\$ 1,851.98	\$ 12,279.82	99.86%
2013		\$ 228.22		\$ 2,315.97	\$ 20,168.77	99.78%
2014		\$ 436.52		\$ 3,481.44	\$ 6,862.08	99.92%
2015		\$ 179.64		\$ 4,140.84	\$ 8,023.32	99.91%
2016		\$ 341.11		\$ 7,723.14	\$ 14,077.65	99.84%
2017		\$ 318.93		\$ 9,625.57	\$ 16,326.79	99.82%
2018		\$ 919.60		\$ 18,933.07	\$ 24,839.27	99.73%
2019		\$ 1,903.74		\$ 72,587.05	\$ 42,622.30	99.54%
2020		\$ 72,902.53		\$ 9,326,726.30	\$ 100,609.49	98.93%
Total		\$ 78,308.21		\$ 9,454,185.22	\$ 268,682.62	

MTD Levy added for 2020				
\$	127.23			
Beginning Receivable		ytd add'l levy	payments (principal only)	ytd interest(+)
\$	15,635.00	\$ 9,411,678.39	\$ 9,331,097.18	\$ 37,774.61
YTD:	releases	adjustments	refunds	write offs
	\$ 40,241.06	\$ 2,488.85	\$ (45,069.33)	\$ 2,923.84

Exhibit "A"

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Annual Settlement per GS 105-373 (a) (3)

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

	Total Levy	Real	Personal	Motor Vehicles
Charges:				(taxed NCVTS)
Total Amount Taxes	\$ 9,427,313.39	\$ 8,082,524.23	\$ 1,344,789.16	
including penalties, fees				
into collector's hands				
Interest	\$ 37,774.61	\$ 31,507.79	\$ 6,266.82	
Adjustments	\$ 2,488.85	\$ 2,698.85	\$ (210.00)	
Total Charges	\$ 9,467,576.85	\$ 8,116,730.87	\$ 1,350,845.98	\$ -
Tax Base Percentage		85.74%	14.26%	0.00%

Credits:				
All sums deposited to				
the credit of collector	\$ 9,368,871.79	\$ 8,051,533.49	\$ 1,317,338.30	
(includes Interest)				
Releases	\$ 40,241.06	\$ 31,523.33	\$ 8,717.73	
Refunds	\$ (45,069.33)	\$ (40,102.09)	\$ (4,967.24)	
Discounts/writeoffs	\$ 2,923.84	\$ 1,229.84	\$ 1,694.00	
Principal amount of Taxes				
Real Property (uncollected levy)		\$ 72,546.30		
Principal amount of Taxes				
Personal (uncollected levy)			\$ 28,063.19	
Principal amount of Taxes				
Motor Vehicles (uncollected levy)				\$ -
Total Uncollected Levy	\$ 100,609.49			
Total credits:	\$ 9,467,576.85	\$ 8,116,730.87	\$ 1,350,845.98	\$ -
% Ratio real/personal/motor vehicle to uncollected levy:		72.11%	27.89%	0.00%

	ALL LEVY	REAL PROPERTY	PERSONAL	MOTOR VEHICLES
Collection rate:	98.93%	99.10%	97.90%	

Exhibit "B"

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Subject: Settlement of Prior Years' Taxes - Fiscal Year 2010-2019

Year:	2010	%	2011	%	2012	%
Charges:						
Beginning Balance	\$ 14,219.05		\$ 12,668.05		\$ 13,433.49	
Interest, Adjustments	\$ 1,784.75		\$ 1,001.14		\$ 698.31	
Total Charges	\$ 16,003.80		\$ 13,669.19		\$ 14,131.80	
Credits:						
Amount Collected	\$ 4,813.11		\$ 1,997.97		\$ 1,888.66	
Releases/refunds/discounts/writeoffs	\$ 25.27		\$ (36.49)		\$ (36.68)	
Uncollected Real	\$ 1,990.23	17.82%	\$ 2,157.12	18.42%	\$ 2,161.44	17.60%
Uncollected Personal	\$ 4,442.81	39.79%	\$ 4,466.85	38.15%	\$ 5,284.40	43.03%
Uncollected Motor Vehicles	\$ 4,732.38	42.38%	\$ 5,083.74	43.42%	\$ 4,833.98	39.37%
Total Uncollected Levy	\$ 11,165.42	100.00%	\$ 11,707.71	100.00%	\$ 12,279.82	100.00%
Total Credits	\$ 16,003.80		\$ 13,669.19		\$ 14,131.80	

Year:	2013	%	2014	%	2015	%
Charges:						
Beginning Balance	\$ 21,864.14		\$ 9,158.82		\$ 10,988.59	
Interest, Adjustments	\$ 620.60		\$ 1,184.70		\$ 1,175.57	
Total Charges	\$ 22,484.74		\$ 10,343.52		\$ 12,164.16	
Credits:						
Amount Collected	\$ 2,371.32		\$ 3,719.94		\$ 4,140.84	
Releases/refunds/discounts/writeoffs	\$ (55.35)		\$ (238.50)		\$ -	
Uncollected Real	\$ 2,516.51	12.48%	\$ 3,116.95	45.42%	\$ 3,532.83	44.03%
Uncollected Personal	\$ 14,719.48	72.98%	\$ 3,745.13	54.58%	\$ 4,490.49	55.97%
Uncollected Motor Vehicles	\$ 2,932.78	14.54%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%
Total Uncollected Levy	\$ 20,168.77	100.00%	\$ 6,862.08	100.00%	\$ 8,023.32	100.00%
Total Credits	\$ 22,484.74		\$ 10,343.52		\$ 12,164.16	

Year:	2016	%	2017	%	2018	%
Charges:						
Beginning Balance	\$ 19,963.10		\$ 24,016.12		\$ 41,135.33	
Interest, Adjustments	\$ 1,838.56		\$ 1,937.11		\$ 2,637.88	
Total Charges	\$ 21,801.66		\$ 25,953.23		\$ 43,773.21	
Credits:						
Amount Collected	\$ 7,724.01		\$ 9,626.44		\$ 19,389.62	
Releases/refunds/discounts/writeoffs	\$ -		\$ -		\$ (455.68)	
Uncollected Real	\$ 7,563.87	53.73%	\$ 10,967.12	67.17%	\$ 15,738.96	63.36%
Uncollected Personal	\$ 6,513.78	46.27%	\$ 5,359.67	32.83%	\$ 9,100.31	36.64%
Uncollected Motor Vehicles	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%
Total Uncollected Levy	\$ 14,077.65	100.00%	\$ 16,326.79	100%	\$ 24,839.27	100.00%
Total Credits	\$ 21,801.66		\$ 25,953.23		\$ 43,773.21	

Year:	2019	%
Charges:		
Beginning Balance+add'l levy	\$ 109,971.10	
Interest, Adjustments	\$ 5,262.91	
Total Charges	\$ 115,234.01	
Credits:		
Amount Collected	\$ 74,060.02	
Releases/refunds/discounts/writeoffs	\$ (1,448.31)	
Uncollected Real	\$ 31,813.28	74.64%
Uncollected Personal	\$ 10,809.02	25.36%
Uncollected Motor Vehicles	\$ -	0.00%
Total Uncollected Levy	\$ 42,622.30	100.00%
Total Credits	\$ 115,234.01	

Total collected for prior year taxes (includes interest):

\$ 129,731.93

Principal Remaining Uncollected for Prior Years:

\$ 168,073.13

Exhibit "C"

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**Order of Collection for 2021-2022
GS 105-321**

State of North Carolina
County of Greene

To the Tax Collector of the County of Greene:

You are hereby authorized, empowered, and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records filed in the office of tax collector and in the tax receipts herewith delivered to you, in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth and solid waste fees. Such taxes and solid waste fees are hereby declared to be a first lien upon all real property of the respective taxpayers in the County of Greene, and this order shall be a full and sufficient authority to direct, require, and enable you to levy on and sell any real or personal property of such taxpayers, and attach wages and/or other funds, of such taxpayers, for and on account thereof, in accordance with law.

Witness my hand and official seal this 19th day of July, 2021.

Chairman, Greene County Board of Commissioners



Attest:

Clerk to the Greene County Board of Commissioners

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The Greene County Board of Commissioners met for a Budget Workshop on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Wellness Center. Present for the meeting: Chairman Bennie Heath, Vice Chairman James T. Shackleford, Jr. was late, Commissioners Jerry Jones, Susan Blizzard and Derek Burress, County Manager Kyle DeHaven, Deputy Clerk Kathy Mooring, and County Attorney Gay Stanley.

Chairman Heath turned the meeting over to the County Manager. Mr. DeHaven started by thanking everyone for meeting with them and he stated he feels this is a good solid budget and he went over a few things in the FY 21/22 Budget Message. He noted that the budget was balanced using a tax rate of \$.786 per \$100 valuation. A revenue neutral rate and its calculation are attached in the 2021/2022 Budget Message. He called on Becky Sutton the Tax Administrator to further comment on this process. Ms. Sutton explained that we have not raised the tax rate for the past eight years. Commissioner Blizzard stated the neutral tax rate is based on what they paid the past year and Ms. Sutton said not necessarily depends on if the citizens rate went up or down based on that persons personal property. Commissioner Burress asked why is he explaining using the Revenue Neutral Rate and Mr. DeHaven explained that it is the law per statute that he disclose this information. He proceeded to go over the General Fund budget department and line item by department and line item.

Mr. DeHaven noted that Elections Department only has 6 months rent to pay and will then be moved into Transportation Building and will be having a building built for storage of the voting equipment that has to be temp controlled and security cameras installed.

Moved onto Registered of Deeds Department Commissioner Blizzard questions about the budget amounts for Employee Insurance and Equipment Rental. Mr. DeHaven said he will look at the Employee Insurance amount and the Equipment Rental was explained by Ms. Murphy.

Mr. DeHaven explained the joining of Planning/Zoning with Building Inspections and the cost of some of the programs being added into the Planning/Zoning side.

Commissioner Blizzard asked if the Medical/Drugs line under Animal Services needs to be increased as it seems to go over budget every year. Mr. DeHaven stated that the overages are covered by other lines if needed.

Sheriff Department asking for three new vehicles to keep the fleet up and working properly. Sheriff asked about body camera's and Mr. DeHaven stated that will be looked into.

Commissioner Blizzard spoke in favor of this and the need to have them. Commissioner Jones said he is in favor of this as well. Mr. DeHaven spoke about Grants and all in favor of getting these ordered the sooner the better. The Sheriff asked about the line item for vehicle maintenance and repair. Mr. DeHaven noted that he did the budget according to what was requested at the time and the cost of the maintenance and repairs had increased a lot since February/March time

frame. He also stated that they would make sure if more funds needed they would increase that line as needed.

Mr. DeHaven noted that the jail is not getting inmates like before due to COVID.

At this time a short break was taken.

EMS Staff is completing schooling for Paramedic Level and the budget reflects these increase's as needed. A Ford F150 QRV is budgeted for the quick response purposes for the Paramedic Level as well. The budget reflects a push for more participation from local fire departments for the first responder program, with \$7,500 budgeted to three departments, as well as the removal of the EMS volunteer incentive being removed. The less than 10% response rate does not justify appropriation of County funds for services not provided. The volunteer squads are not participating like they used to. The county has reached out to them and they do not respond. They have not attended meetings either. The commissioners do not want to lose these services as well and the county does not want to lose their services either. It was agreed that we need to try to come to an agreement.

Mr. DeHaven introduced the new department of Communications. This service is being relocated to the Armory when complete and will fall under Emergency Management. Utilities for Armory will come out of E911.

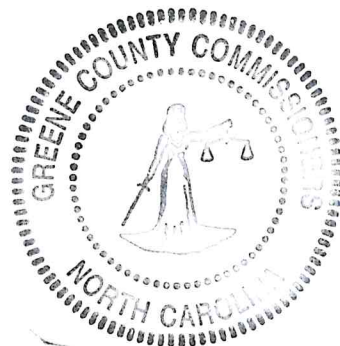
Public Buildings budget includes Capital Outlay for VOIP phones for Health Services Building and touchless bathrooms for Justice Center/Courthouse and Wellness Center. Signage in buildings directing people to the correct office is needed per Commissioner Blizzard.

Economic Development budget basically stays the same with Mr. Thomas not staying past end of this year. The GTP will hire the new Economic Development Director and this person will be a state employee but working for us per the contract of being a part of the GTP.

No changes to Senior Center, Social Services and Health Departments requests. Commissioner Blizzard asked the Department Heads for Health and Social Services if they had any questions, they responded – no.

This meeting was not adjourned or recessed until the next scheduled Budget Workshop on June 1st, 2021 at the Wellness Center at 6 p.m.

Bennie Heath



Commissioners
Bennie Heath
James T. Shackelford
Jerry Jones
Susan Blizzard
Derek Burrese



County Manager
Kyle J. DeHaven

Finance Officer
Beverly T. Stroud

County Attorney
Gay Stanley

Memo To: Greene County Board of Commissioners

From: Kyle J. DeHaven, County Manager

Re: 2021/2022 Budget Message

Date: May 17, 2021

Today we are providing you a copy of the proposed 2022 budget for your review and consideration. The highlights of the budget are as follows:

1. The budget was balanced using a tax rate of \$.786 per \$100 valuation. A Revenue Neutral Rate and its Calculation are presented in Exhibit A and attached hereto.
2. The estimated valuation for real and personal property is estimated at \$1,064,547,956.00.
3. The collection rate is estimated at 98% which generates an estimated net tax revenue of \$9,550,000.00 which includes current years' Ad Valorem and NCVTS Ad Valorem.
4. A 5% increase in Residential and DOC sewer is Proposed.
5. A \$6.00 per household County Solid Waste Fee increase, and \$3.00 per household Non-County Solid Waste Fee increase is proposed. The increased fees are needed to purchase additional compactors at convenience sites to meet increased demand.
6. The budget contains a 3% COLA equivalent for employees.
7. Funding for Lenoir Community College & Greene County Schools will remain the same as the FY 20/21 budget year.
8. Three Sheriffs vehicles are included in the budget.
9. Emergency Medical Services staff is completing schooling necessary to deliver services to citizens at the paramedic level. The budget reflects the costs associated with this increase in services provided.
10. A Ford F150 QRV is budgeted for quick response purposes as the County pursues Paramedic Level Service.
11. The budget reflects a push for more participation from local fire departments for the first responder program, with \$7,500 budgeted (3 departments), as well as the removal of the EMS volunteer incentive being removed (\$7,500/dept.). The less than 10% response rate does not justify appropriation of County funds for services not provided.

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12. The proposed budget contains significant investment in online resources for citizens. These include the Munis Financial Software, and OpenGov Permitting Software, and more records from the R.O.D. being available online.
13. A storage building for the elections department is budgeted for safekeeping of elections equipment when the move to their new location (104 Hines St., Snow Hill NC) is made.
14. A Communications Budget is proposed as the Communications department will relocate to the Armory Complex.
15. VOIP phones are budgeted for installation at the Health Services Building. Touchless bathrooms are budgeted for the Justice Center/Courthouse & Wellness Center.
16. The proposed budget contains dues to be part of the GTP economic development region.
17. A new building in Public Works is proposed for the water department.

The proposed Budget continues a path of modernization and progression for Greene County Government. The County continues to see the Return on its Investments, both Tangible and Intangible. Greene County Commissioners should be recognized for their progressive thinking and leadership. Department Heads should be equally recognized for putting the vision of the County Commissioners into managed outputs.

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Calculating Revenue Neutral
Last reappraisal was in 2013

First you figure what rate it would take to get the same revenue as last year.

Divide 2020 Levy by 2021 value = .739 9,235,014.00 1,249,924,561.00 0.0073885

Take the new rate (.739) and multiply it by the annual % increase (1.0166)
 .739*1.0166
 .751 revenue neutral tax rate
 \$0.7513

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF GREENE

The Greene County Board of Commissioners met for a Budget Workshop on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Wellness Center. Present for the meeting: Chairman Bennie Heath, Vice Chairman James T. Shackelford, Jr., Commissioners Jerry Jones, Susan Blizzard and Derek Burress, County Manager Kyle DeHaven, Deputy Clerk Kathy Mooring, and County Attorney Gay Stanley.

Chairman Heath called on Mr. DeHaven to proceed.

Mr. DeHaven picked up where we stopped at. Mr. DeHaven started with the Public Works Department. Mr. David Jones was asked by Commissioner Blizzard to explain the new building that has been budgeted for. Mr. Jones explained why this is needed and what it will be used for. They then discussed where these funds would be coming from and it was explained by Mr. DeHaven they will come from retained earnings. Funds were also requested by the Landfill for a new compactor for the convenience site on Browntown Road. Mr. Jones explained that we own all but one compactors and that one is rented. The compactors are all old according to Mr. Jones and are in need of replacement or will be needed soon. Commissioner Blizzard asked about the County Solid Waste Fee increase. Mr. DeHaven stated that the increase is used to purchase additional compactors for at the convenience sites to meet increased demand. The increase is \$6.00 per household county and \$3.00 per household non-county. Mr. DeHaven noted that he has looked at other area counties and with this increase we are still lower on these fees.

Mr. DeHaven moved on to transportation and noted there is a lot of uncertainty with changes coming down from state level every day. Commissioner Jones asked about the Maury Fire Station #2. Mr. Trey Cash said they are planning to break ground in the fall.

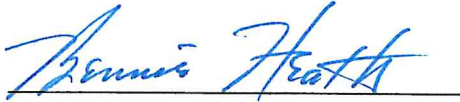
Sheriff Smith was present and he asked for his administrative staff to explain why they are requesting an additional staff member. Debbie May explained that they do gun permits, sex offender registers which take a lot of time, conceal and carry permits, answer phones, window traffic, criminal histories, SBI audits, all fingerprinting, etc. The department does a lot more than just taking 911 calls. There is a lot that they don't get done because they do not have the man power. The person hired if approved will need to be trained in all of this as well.

Commissioner's Jones and Blizzard recommended getting them another person, Mr. DeHaven asked for a third and Chairman Heath said he agrees this position is needed. Mr. DeHaven said it will be done. Commissioner Blizzard asked with E911 going to the Armory if someone with an emergency comes to the building after normal working hours what will happen. Mr. DeHaven explained what they were looking at doing is have a 24 hour magistrate on duty and dealing with this type of emergency where the magistrate will get the needed help as quickly as possible. Commissioner Blizzard asked to go back to the water department where tap fees were requested to be increased, she asked were they not increased last year. Mr. Jones said they were not

increased last year and with the cost increases this year they have to have them increased this year.

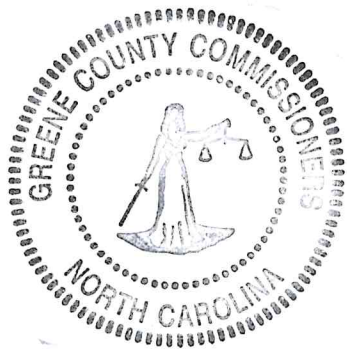
Mr. DeHaven recommended a 3% COLA increase for all staff.

Commissioner Blizzard made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the Budget Workshops.



Bennie Heath, Chairman

Attest:


Kyle DeHaven, Clerk to the Board