

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF GREENE

The Greene County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Greene County Operations Center. Present for the meeting: Chairman Bennie Heath, Vice Chairman James T. Shackleford Jr, Commissioners Jerry Jones, Susan Blizzard and Derek Burrell, County Manager Kyle DeHaven, County Attorney Gay Stanley and Deputy Clerk Kathy Mooring.

A. Call to Order

Chairman Bennie Heath called the meeting to order, and asked Commissioner Jones 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. Seeing as there were none, he asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

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 noted that the March 21st minutes had been corrected.

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

- March 21, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Releases/Refunds
- Budget Amendment; Health

Refunds: NCVTS Tax & Tag

Fairley Bernell Hailey	\$7.45	Amy Michelle Boyette-Hudson	\$105.98	Danny Ray Hamm	\$19.94
Estate of Bobby Gene Jones	\$58.61	Virgil Nelson Hart	\$126.12		

Chairman Heath recessed the Board of Commissioners meeting to go into the Board of Equalization and Review.

D. Board of Equalization and Review

Stephanie Wiggins, Tax Administrator administered the Oath of Office to the Board. Ms. Wiggins stated that as of March 29, 2022 there have been no formal requests received to appeal real property to the Board of Equalization and Review. She asked if there were no other appeals present that the Board of Equalization and Review recess until Monday April 18, 2022 at 7 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Blizzard and seconded by Commissioner Jones the Board voted unanimously to recess the Board of Equalization and Review.

Chairman Heath reconvened the Board of Commissioners.

E. Public Comments

1. Salvador Tinoco, 209 SE Second St, Snow Hill, NC. Mr. Tinoco came to speak about county personnel leaving to work in other counties due to pay.

F. Presentation

1. Joy Brock, Greene County Department of Public Health

a. Greene County Child Fatality Prevention Team and the Community Child Protection Team. Ms. Brock went over these Team's and the importance of them and asked that the Board appoint the Local Law Enforcement Officer and the EMS provider or firefighter positions. They have staff willing to take these positions and they are Brad Conwell for the Law Enforcement Officer and Brock Kearney for the EMS position.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Blizzard the Board voted unanimously to appoint Brad Conwell and Brock Kearney to the Greene County Child Fatality Prevention Team and Community Child Protection Team.

b. Upcoming Vacancies on the Board of Health. Ms. Brock stated that this is to notify the Board that the Board of Health will have two vacancies effective June 30, 2022. The positions that will be open are the Pharmacist and Registered Nurse. One of these positions has reached his limit of three consecutive three year terms and the other position is eligible for another term. The Board of Health will post on County media, inform the Board of Commissioners at next meeting as well and will accept applications until May 9th at 5 p.m. and will make their recommendation to the Board of Commissioners at their May 16th meeting.

c. Public Health Week. Ms. Brock stated that Public Health Week is April 4th – 10th, 2022 and asked the Board to declare Public Health Week in Greene County by signing the Proclamation attached.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackleford the Board voted unanimously to approve the Proclamation for National Public Health Week.

Chairman Heath asked Ms. Brock if the recommended 2nd COVID booster was available. Ms. Brock said it was and people just need to call to schedule an appointment.

2. Tammy Childers and George Kramer; East Carolina Workforce Development Board. Ms. Childers gave a presentation and update on workforce activities. She noted that Greene County needs to reappoint three county board members by June 30th, 2022 and they are Jerry Jones, Bennie Heath and Ms. Darden. She also recognized Greene County for their Work Ready Communities Recertification.

George Kramer spoke high schoolers obtaining their Career Readiness Certification.

3. Brock Kearney, Emergency Management Director.

Mr. Kearney came and gave an update on the Paramedic Transition. He thanked the Board for their support in this process and also thanked the staff for stepping up to get the training needed. He stated since going live with paramedics on February 1st good things have happened and he again thanked everyone involved in this process. Commissioner Blizzard asked if it is possible to get data showing the percentage of paramedic calls since February 1st. Mr. Kearney said he would get that information for her.

4. Judge Heath, 8th Judicial District.

Judge Heath presented a Resolution to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to explore a partnership to create an 8th Judicial District Recovery Center to serve Greene, Lenoir and Wayne Counties. Judge Heath went over this program in detail and how things are currently going and what to expect in the future. She explained that she has learned a lot about applying for a grant for this endeavor and they have been working on transportation issues, drug/alcohol testing and getting people to participate in the program. She asked for the Boards' support by them approving the MOU for a Regional Recovery Center.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Blizzard the Board voted unanimously to approve the MOU.

G. County Manager Report

1. Mr. DeHaven asked that the Proposal for Audit Services for the 21/22 Fiscal Year be removed from the table and Commissioner Jones made a motion to remove from this from the table and Commissioner Blizzard seconded the motion, the Board voted unanimously to remove from table.

Mr. DeHaven then presented the proposal and noted that only one proposal was received and two other firms declined to propose. The proposing firm was Mauldin & Jenkins. Their proposal is attached and he went over their pricing.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackleford the Board voted unanimously to accept the proposal from Mauldin & Jenkins.

2. Mr. DeHaven next presented a Proclamation declaring May 2022 as Drug Court Month. This proclamation has been sent by Judge Heath and her staff and is supported by the Governor. The proclamation tells the story of contributions that drug court has brought to our community.

On motion by Commissioner Blizzard and seconded by Commissioner Jones the Board voted unanimously to approve the Proclamation.

3. Mr. DeHaven next presented a request to appoint Landon Price as the Interim Finance Officer in the absence of a full-time finance officer, and per direction of the LGC. This individual will be responsible for the functions of the department during this time.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackleford the Board voted unanimously to approve this appointment.

4. Mr. DeHaven presented a proposal from Piedmont Service Group for Phase 1 of proposed HVAC replacements/repair. The proposal includes replacing the County Complex controls, air handlers, and installation of Internal Air Quality products for all buildings.

On motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shackleford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Piedmont Service Group proposal.

H. County Attorney Report

No comment.

I. Commissioner's Report and Recommendations

Commissioner Burress stated that the Eastern Carolina Council Area Agency on Aging is providing assistance to address the nutritional needs of people aged 60 and older by providing a \$500.00 per household food reimbursement (groceries). If you are a Greene County citizen aged 60 or older, be sure to contact the Senior Center for more information. There is no income limit to be eligible. He also noted that the Department of Social Services also has some upcoming events. On Friday, April 8th, there will be a flag raising ceremony at the county office complex at 9 a.m. On Wednesday, April 20th they will host a balloon release at the courthouse at 5 p.m. Both events will be in honor of child abuse prevention month. The child welfare department is also raising money by selling purple awareness key chains. The key chains consist of a purple ribbon with the word "awareness" at the bottom and can be purchased through the department for \$5.00. He noted that he had explored the trails behind the Recreation Complex over the weekend. He stated that our trails are far better than some of the state-maintained trails he has explored. He feels that if we fill-in some of the washed out areas and add a couple more benches, trash receptacles, and some signs along the trails we would have one of the best walking trails in the state. He is also noted that fire marshal would like to help mark them in case of an emergency. He asked that the county administration look into request for public information process. He stated he received several concerns from individuals who told him that they had made requests for public information and had never received a response.

Commissioner Jones noted that Pitt County Extension is having a chemical disposal event this Wednesday, April 6th at 9 a.m. and he also noted that the Shine FD held their Reverse Drawing this past Saturday and they served the best steaks and all had a great time.

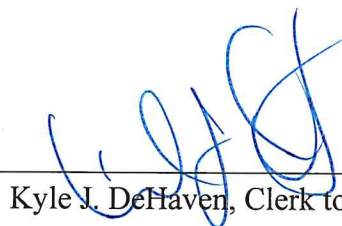
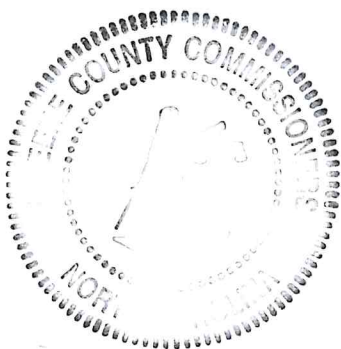
J. ADJOURN

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



Bennie Heath, Chairman

Attest:



Kyle J. DeHaven, Clerk to the Board

Date: April 4, 2022
Dept. Name: Health Department

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Dept. # 11

BUDGET REVISIONS

<u>Revenues</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
<u>Account #</u>		<u>Account #</u>	
11-172-4385-04	Food & Lodging State - 260.00	11-562-5275-00	F&L Contracted Srvc - 260.00
TOTAL	- 260.00	TOTAL	- 260.00

Food & Lodging -\$260: The Greene County Department of Public Health did not receive the exact amount that was anticipated for the completion of 100% of food, lodging, and institution inspections and maintaining an internal Quality Assurance Plan which was reviewed by an Environmental Health Regional Specialist.

Requested by: Jay Brock Approved by: [Signature]

Greene County Child Fatality Prevention Team (CFPT) & Community Child Protection Team (CCPT)

Position	Name
DSS Director	Amanda Smith
Member of DSS Director's Staff	Shatara Stanback
Local Law Enforcement Officer	Brad Conwell
Attorney from the DA's office	
ED, or designee – Local Community Action Agency (JCPC)	Antonio Blow
School Superintendent, or designee	Kathy Dail
DSS Board Member	Trey Cash
Local Mental Health professional	Cotina Thorne
Local Guardian ad litem Coordinator, or designee	Sabastian M. Ratliff, Jr.
Public Health Director	Joy Brock
Local health care provider	Suzanne Henning, RN
EMS provider or firefighter	Brock Kearney
District Court Judge (ILO)	Allyson Smith
County Medical Examiner	Craig Garner
Local child care facility or Head Start program	Saraphinea Sheppard
Parent of a child who died before reaching the child's 18 th birthday	
Team Coordinator	Betty Shingleton

§ 7B-1406. Community Child Protection Teams; Child Fatality Prevention Teams; creation and duties.

(a) Community Child Protection Teams are established in every county of the State. Each Community Child Protection Team shall:

- (1) Review, in accordance with the procedures established by the director of the county department of social services under G.S. 7B-1409:
 - a. Selected active cases in which children are being served by child protective services; and
 - b. Cases in which a child died as a result of suspected abuse or neglect, and
 1. A report of abuse or neglect has been made about the child or the child's family to the county department of social services within the previous 12 months, or
 2. The child or the child's family was a recipient of child protective services within the previous 12 months.
- (2) Submit annually to the board of county commissioners' recommendations, if any, and advocate for system improvements and needed resources where gaps and deficiencies may exist.

In addition, each Community Child Protection Team may review the records of all additional child fatalities and report findings in connection with these reviews to the Team Coordinator.

(b) Any Community Child Protection Team that determines it will not review additional child fatalities shall notify the Team Coordinator. In accordance with the plan established under G.S. 7B-1408(1), a separate Child Fatality Prevention Team shall be established in that county to conduct these reviews. Each Child Fatality Prevention Team shall:

- (1) Review the records of all cases of additional child fatalities.
 - (2) Submit annually to the board of county commissioners' recommendations, if any, and advocate for system improvements and needed resources where gaps and deficiencies may exist.
 - (3) Report findings in connection with these reviews to the Team Coordinator.
- (c) All reports to the Team Coordinator under this section shall include:
- (1) A listing of the system problems identified through the review process and recommendations for preventive actions;
 - (2) Any changes that resulted from the recommendations made by the Local Team;
 - (3) Information about each death reviewed; and
 - (4) Any additional information requested by the Team Coordinator. (1993, c. 321, s. 285(a); 1998-202, s. 6.)

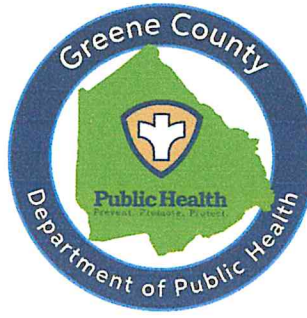
§ 7B-1407. Local Teams; composition.

(a) Each Local Team shall consist of representatives of public and nonpublic agencies in the community that provide services to children and their families and other individuals who represent the community. No single team shall encompass a geographic or governmental area larger than one county.

(b) Each Local Team shall consist of the following persons:

- (1) The director of the county department of social services and a member of the director's staff;

- (2) A local law enforcement officer, appointed by the board of county commissioners;
 - (3) An attorney from the district attorney's office, appointed by the district attorney;
 - (4) The executive director of the local community action agency, as defined by the Department of Health and Human Services, or the executive director's designee;
 - (5) The superintendent of each local school administrative unit located in the county, or the superintendent's designee;
 - (6) A member of the county board of social services, appointed by the chair of that board;
 - (7) A local mental health professional, appointed by the director of the area authority established under Chapter 122C of the General Statutes;
 - (8) The local guardian ad litem coordinator, or the coordinator's designee;
 - (9) The director of the local department of public health; and
 - (10) A local health care provider, appointed by the local board of health.
- (c) In addition, a Local Team that reviews the records of additional child fatalities shall include the following five additional members:
- (1) An emergency medical services provider or firefighter, appointed by the board of county commissioners;
 - (2) A district court judge, appointed by the chief district court judge in that district;
 - (3) A county medical examiner, appointed by the Chief Medical Examiner;
 - (4) A representative of a local child care facility or Head Start program, appointed by the director of the county department of social services; and
 - (5) A parent of a child who died before reaching the child's eighteenth birthday, to be appointed by the board of county commissioners.
- (d) The Team Coordinator shall serve as an ex officio member of each Local Team that reviews the records of additional child fatalities. The board of county commissioners may appoint a maximum of five additional members to represent county agencies or the community at large to serve on any Local Team. Vacancies on a Local Team shall be filled by the original appointing authority.
- (e) Each Local Team shall elect a member to serve as chair at the Team's pleasure.
 - (f) Each Local Team shall meet at least four times each year.
 - (g) The director of the local department of social services shall call the first meeting of the Community Child Protection Team. The director of the local department of health, upon consultation with the Team Coordinator, shall call the first meeting of the Child Fatality Prevention Team. Thereafter, the chair of each Local Team shall schedule the time and place of meetings, in consultation with these directors, and shall prepare the agenda. The chair shall schedule Team meetings no less often than once per quarter and often enough to allow adequate review of the cases selected for review. Within three months of election, the chair shall participate in the appropriate training developed under this Article. (1993, c. 321, s. 285(a); 1997-443, s. 11A.100; 1997-456, s. 27; 1997-506, s. 52; 1998-202, s. 6.)



To: Kyle DeHaven, County Manager
Greene County Board of Commissioners
Glenn Bunch, Board of Health Chairman

From: Joy Brock, Health Director
Greene County Department of Public Health

Date: March 28, 2022

Re: Board of Health vacant positions

The purpose of this memo is to inform you that as of June 30, 2022, the Greene County Board of Health will have 2 board vacancies. One of the individuals currently serving will no longer be eligible to serve (he has reached the end of his three consecutive three-year terms). The other individual currently serving is eligible for another term.

Our plan of action:

- Post on the Greene County Website
- Post on the Health Department Website
- Post on the Health Department Facebook page
- Post on the Greene County Facebook page
- Inform the Board of Commissioners – April 4th meeting and April 18th meeting
- Accept applications through May 9th at 5 p.m.
- Discuss applications at the Board of Health meeting on May 10th at 7 p.m.
- Make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners at their May 16th meeting

Advertisement:

The Greene County Board of Health is currently seeking two individuals to serve on the board. We are recruiting for the following vacancies: Pharmacist and Registered Nurse. You must be a Greene County resident and attend 75% of the meetings. Board of Health members are appointed to three-year terms and may serve a maximum of three consecutive three-year terms. The Greene County Board of Health meets the 2nd Tuesday of every other month (January, March, May, July, September, and November) at 7 p.m. If you're interested in applying, please visit [Board Openings – Greene County, North Carolina \(greenecountync.gov\)](https://www.greenecountync.gov/Board-Openings-Greene-County-North-Carolina) for a Board Appointment Application. Applications will be accepted through Monday, May 9, 2022 at 5 p.m.

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PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK 2022
PROCLAMATION
GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Greene County public health workforce is a critical component of our emergency response to natural and man-made disasters and widespread disease outbreaks in our county, including COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, our county and state public health workers have been courageous, inventive and tireless in their work to protect our residents from the threats of the COVID-19 pandemic, while continuing to perform their other essential public health functions, often times at the risk of their own safety and health; and

WHEREAS, public health measures to control and eliminate infectious diseases, improve environmental sanitation, and promote healthy lifestyle practices have been the greatest cause of improved health status and increased life expectancy for the residents of our County and all North Carolina's residents; and

WHEREAS, public health plays a critical role advancing health equity and preventing chronic diseases and injuries, resulting in improved productivity and decreased health care costs for all North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Department of Public Health and their partners are committed to a continued emphasis on prevention in public health, and to helping our county reach a better state of health through actions outlined in the Healthy North Carolina 2030 objectives; and

WHEREAS, communities, local health departments, employers, hospitals and health care providers, individuals and families, insurers, county leaders and policy makers, faith-based communities, and schools and child care facilities must work together to identify and develop innovative solutions to health problems facing the people of Greene County; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Board of Commissioners encourages all residents to recognize that public health is working to ensure that all residents are protected from threats such as COVID-19, influenza, foodborne disease, injury, and chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, and asthma;

WHEREAS, April 4 - 10, 2022, has been designated as NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS in regular session, do hereby UNANIMOUSLY PROCLAIM that April 4 - 10, 2022, shall be designated as "PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK" in Greene County, and commend its observance to all county residents and convey our deepest gratitude to those public health professionals who serve our county every day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Greene in the State of North Carolina this 4th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.



BENNIE HEATH, CHAIR
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**A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF GREENE
TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTAND (MOU) TO EXPLORE A
PARTNERSHIP TO CREATE A 8TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT RECOVERY CENTER
TO SERVE GREENE, LENOIR & WAYNE COUNTIES**

WHEREAS, From 2000-2020, the opioid epidemic has taken more than 28,000 lives, torn families apart and ravaged communities across North Carolina. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention estimates the total “economic burden” of prescription opioid use alone in the United States to be \$78.5 billion a year, including the costs of healthcare, lost productivity, addiction treatment, and criminal justice involvement; and

WHEREAS, in January 2021, all 100 North Carolina counties and forty-five municipalities signed on to a \$26 billion dollar Nation Settlement Agreement with pharmaceutical distributors to settle the State’s claims against the pharmaceutical distribution companies for misconduct and irresponsibility in marketing and monitoring opioids. North Carolina will receive nearly \$75 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina developed a Memorandum of Agreement which provides that all settlement funds be used to address the opioid epidemic, with an emphasis on high-impact strategies and collaborative strategic planning. Eighty percent of funds received will be proportionately distributed directly to each county with requirements on the use of those funds; and

WHEREAS, regional collaboration is strongly encouraged un the North Carolina Memorandum of Agreement. Regional collaboration will enable resources and services to be directed by local leaders who understand the unique needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS, the 8th Judicial District is already engaged in an inter-county collaborative structure, with strong working relationships, which provide a forum for district wide planning in the use of opioid settlement funds; and

WHEREAS, the counties agree to create an exploratory committee, representative of all three (3) counties, to initiate collaboration to propose a strategic plan to develop a district wide Recovery Center to abate substance use harm. The Recovery Center could include Accountability and Recovery Courts, Treatment and Social Services, housing, transportation, education, employment, family services and community support; and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Greene County Board of Commissioners hereby approve this resolution authorizing the Chairman to execute an MOU that will establish an exploratory committee between Greene, Lenoir and Wayne counties to develop a proposed partnership to create a Recovery Center within the 8th Judicial District to administer funds directed to each county from the opioid litigation settlement.

Adopted this the 4th day of April, 2022.

Bennie Heath, Chairman
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**DRUG COURT MONTH PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, drug treatment court (DTC) uses a team of court and community professionals to help ensure that offenders who are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol receive the intensive treatment they need to become healthy, law abiding, and productive family and community members, and

WHEREAS, drug treatment courts have been restoring lives and families for more than three decades; there are more than 4,000 treatment courts nationwide that have served an estimated 1.5 million individuals; and

WHEREAS, drug treatment courts can significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes, substantially reduce addiction and related crimes, and do so at less expense than other criminal justice strategies; and

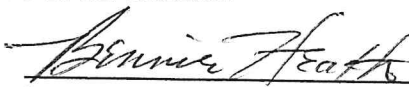
WHEREAS, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health professionals; and

WHEREAS, there are currently 26 counties across North Carolina where there are operational Adult Drug Treatment Courts; and

WHEREAS, the County of Greene in North Carolina recognizes the vital contributions and reforms that drug treatment courts have brought to our justice system;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bennie Heath, Chairman of the Greene County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May, 2022, as "**DRUG COURT MONTH**" in the County of Greene, and commend its observance to all citizens.




Bennie Heath, Chairman
Greene County Board of Commissioners

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