

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF GREENE

The Greene County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 10:00 AM in the Greene County Operations Center. Present for the meeting: Chairman Bennie Heath, Vice-Chairman Jerry Jones, Commissioner Derek Burress, Commissioner Ray Johnson, Commissioner Robert Taylor, Jr., County Manager Kyle DeHaven, County Attorney Kevin MacQueen, and Deputy Clerk Kathy Mooring.

A. Call to Order

Chairman Bennie Heath called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM, and asked Commissioner Burress to give the Invocation and lead the Pledge to the Flag.

There were five Greene County staff and one person from the public in attendance.

B. Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Jones and seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to approve.

C. Public Information

1. Presentation of Resolution Honoring the Life and Legacy of Edward Raymond Morgan

Chairman Heath read the Resolution honoring the extraordinary life and legacy of Edward Raymond Morgan, a beloved music teacher, mentor, and friend to generations of students and families in Greene County.

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Jones and seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution.

Chairman Heath then noted the Monthly Collection and Monthly Financial Reports that are in the Public Information Section.

2. Monthly Collection Report

3. Monthly Financial Report

D. Consent Agenda

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Jones and seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to approve.

1. 05-05-25 Regular Meeting Minutes

2. Releases/Refunds

E. Public Comments

No comments.

F. County Manager

1. Recognition of Fire Chief Todd Whaley as NCACC Heroic Hands Spotlight Honoree
Mr. DeHaven presented to the Board the NCACC Heroic Hands Spotlight Honoree to be acknowledged at the NCACC District Meeting on June 4, 2025. The Board of Commissioners will acknowledge that Fire Chief Todd Whaley of the Snow Hill Volunteer Fire Department has been selected to be recognized at the upcoming North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) District Meeting on June 4, 2025, at the Greene County Operations Center. The Heroic Hands Spotlight initiative honors local public service workers across North Carolina who exemplify dedication and service to their communities. Chief Whaley's longstanding commitment to public safety and the citizens of Greene County will be celebrated during the event.
2. Submission of Proposed FY25-26 Budget
Mr. DeHaven next presented the proposed FY25/26 Budget to the Board, along with the accompanying Budget Memo. He then asked the Board to set dates for the budget workshops to review the proposed budget and to schedule a public hearing for the proposed budget at the June 2, 2025, regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

The first Budget Workshop is scheduled for Friday, May 23rd at 8:30 in the Longleaf Pine Conference Room at 229 Kingold Blvd, Snow Hill, NC 28580. The second workshop will be Wednesday, May 28th at the same time and location if needed.

The Public Hearing for the proposed FY 25/26 Budget is set for Monday, June 2, 2025 at 10 a.m. during the next Board of Commissioners regular meeting.

G. County Attorney's Comments

No comments.

H. Commissioners' Report and Recommendation

Commissioner Burress stated Thank You to Trey Cash and the staff that worked so hard on the Ram Fest. The festival was a great time and seemed to be well attended. Chairman Heath seconded these sentiments as well.

Commissioner Taylor stated he has received many calls in the last couple of weeks about trash being dumped along our County roads.

I. Adjourn

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Jones and seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.


Bennie Heath, Chairman

Attest:




Kyle J. DeHaven, Clerk to the Board

Board of Commissioners
Bennie Heath – Chairman
Jerry Jones – Vice-Chair
Derek Burress
Ray Johnson
Robert (Bobby) Taylor, Jr.



County Manager
Kyle J. DeHaven
County Attorney
Kevin MacQueen
Finance Officer
Sandy Shirtz

RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF EDWARD RAYMOND MORGAN

WHEREAS, Greene County pauses to honor Edward Raymond Morgan of Walstonburg, who passed on April 23, 2025, at the age of 90, leaving behind a legacy of kindness, wisdom, and dedication to the children of this community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morgan came to Greene County in 1967 to teach music and went on to shape young lives at Greene County Training School, Snow Hill Junior High, West Greene, and Greene County Middle School; and

WHEREAS, students and neighbors remember Mr. Morgan as a teacher, guide, and believer in their worth, greeting children with the sound of his saxophone and inspiring them to believe in their greatness; and

WHEREAS, he is described as “a teacher of all teachers,” “a pioneer for Greene County Schools,” and “a mentor who turned chaos into harmony, both in music and in life”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morgan’s steady presence touched generations as he carried instruments home for students, guided young bands in all conditions, and taught perseverance, respect, and heart;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greene County Board of Commissioners honors Edward Raymond Morgan for a life of service and compassion. The music he inspired and the lives he shaped will forever be part of Greene County’s soul;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we offer deepest condolences to Dorothy Moye, his devoted caregiver and lifetime partner, his daughter Patria Eleathia Williams, and all whose lives were made richer by knowing Mr. Morgan. May his melody continue in the hearts of all he taught and loved.

Adopted this 19th day of May 2025.



ATTEST:

Kyle J. DeHaven, Clerk to the Board

Bennie Heath, Chairman of the Greene County Board of Commissioners