

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**Regular Meeting
September 20, 2010
2:00 p.m.
Room 700, Wake County Courthouse**

Members present were: Tony Gurley, Chairman, Betty Lou Ward, Vice Chair, Lindy Brown, Joe Bryan, Paul Coble and Stan Norwalk.

Others attending were: David C. Cooke, County Manager, Susan J. Banks, Clerk to the Board, Scott Warren, County Attorney, Denise Hogan, Deputy Clerk, and Deputy Managers Joe Durham and Johnna Rogers.

Meeting Called to Order: Chairman Tony Gurley

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Commissioner Joe Bryan

Items of Business

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Bryan asked to move item #17 from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to approve the agenda with the amendment of moving item 17 from consent agenda to the regular agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes of the Commissioners' September 7, 2010 Regular Meeting and September 13, 2010 Work Session

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Paul Coble, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on September 7, 2010 and work session on September 13, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

Accept Letter of Resignation from Commissioner Harold H. Webb

Chairman Tony Gurley said that he has received the letter of resignation from Commissioner Harold H. Webb. He said that nobody that has served on the board in the past has brought the level of experience like Commissioner Webb. Vice Chair Ward said that Commissioner Webb has had a variety of opportunities and experiences he brought to the board and he will be greatly

missed. Commissioner Brown said that she could not fill his shoes. She appreciated all the advice he shared with her and asked that he continue to come to the Board meetings. She spoke of Commissioner Webb's commitment to Wake County.

Commissioner Norwalk said that stability is the word used to describe Commissioner Webb. He said Commissioner Webb was courteous and always put Wake County first. He said that he will be missed. He commended Commissioner Webb's wife Lucille for her support of Commissioner Webb. Commissioner Norwalk noted that when serving as a county commissioner it is a package deal because the spouse is involved and affected.

Commissioner Bryan said that he considers Commissioner Webb his friend. He spoke of how he appreciated Commissioner Webb's sense of humor and the creative class of people he has represented. He said that his recovery has been a miracle. He teased Commissioner Webb noting some good and fun times shared together as county commissioners.

Commissioner Coble said that he could not think of a better name than "hero" for Commissioner Harold Webb. He spoke of Commissioner Webb's service to his country as a Tuskegee airman, as well as his continued service to the county. Wake County has been blessed by Harold Webb having served as a county commissioner.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to accept with much regret, the letter of resignation from Commissioner Harold H. Webb, effective September 8, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointment and Oath of Office of District 5 County Commissioner

Chairman Gurley said he would like the board to consider Mr. James West's appointment before presenting Mr. Webb's recognitions because he wanted the representative of County Commissioner District 5 to have the opportunity to vote on items and have full representation.

Chairman Gurley said the letter from the Wake County Democratic Party nominating James West to for appointment to District 5 county commissioner seat left vacant by Commissioner Webb was in the agenda package.

Lindy Brown motioned, seconded by Betty Lou Ward, to accept the nomination from the Wake County Democratic Party to appoint Dr. James West to fill the District 5 County Commissioner seat vacated by Mr. Harold H. Webb. The motion passed unanimously.

The Oath of Office for Dr. James West was then administered by Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Susan J. Banks.

Proclamation Honoring Harold H. Webb for His Service as Wake County Commissioner

Vice Chair Ward read aloud the proclamation honoring Mr. Harold H. Webb.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to adopt the Proclamation Honoring Harold H. Webb for His Service as Wake County Commissioner from 2003 through 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

Wake County Board of Commissioners Honors

Harold H. Webb

WHEREAS, in 2003, Harold H. Webb was appointed to the Wake County Board of Commissioners, representing the 5th county commissioner district consisting of eastern Raleigh and northern Garner; and,

WHEREAS, Harold Webb was formally elected to the Wake County Board of Commissioners in 2004, reelected in 2008, served as Vice Chair in 2006 and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners in 2009; and,

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, Harold Webb has been a proponent for education and worked diligently to further the goals of the Wake County Public School System; protect county provided services to our veterans; and bring civil discourse to the workings of the Wake County Commission; and

WHEREAS, Harold Webb demonstrated keen leadership in 2009 as the County faced its toughest budget year in decades, and championed Wake County's Complete Count Committee for the 2010 Census; and

WHEREAS, Harold. Webb has served the public as a school teacher, a Deputy State Superintendent for the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction as well as serving in other areas of government, including director of the N.C. Office of State Personnel, and lobbyist for the N.C. General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Harold Webb has proudly served in the United States Army during World War II as a founding member of the famed Tuskegee Airmen; and

WHEREAS, Harold Webb has succeeded in making outstanding and lasting contributions to the County, through his dedication and accomplishments as a Wake County Commissioner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Wake County Board of Commissioners proclaims that Harold H. Webb, our esteemed colleague, be honored and applauded for his outstanding contributions,

accomplishments and dedication over the past seven years as a county commissioner, thereby improving the quality of life of all citizens in Wake County, North Carolina.

ADOPTED this 20th day of September, 2010.

**Recognition of Commissioner Harold Webb by the U.S. Census Bureau
Charlotte Region Staff**

Ms. Laura Strickland McLettie, U. S. Census Bureau Charlotte Office, said that former Commissioner Harold Webb helped their staff make connections and opened doors for them which helped further the count. Mr. Webb provided them with support and entry into some state offices as well as churches and media resources. They spoke of different opportunities made available because of Mr. Webb's commitment to a successful census in Wake County. Other Census Bureau staff members were present and made comments recognizing Mr. Webb were Patricia Fletcher, Angeles Ortega Moore, and Anthony Jones. The Census staff presented Mr. Webb with a beautiful gift basket.

Retiree Recognition

Mr. David Cooke recognized Mr. Joseph W. Crook, Child Support Enforcement Supervisor, for 33 years of service with a commemorative plaque.

Caring, Serving, Respecting Customer Award

Mr. David Cooke recognized Mr. Ben Currie, EMS, who received the Caring, Serving, and Respecting Customer Award. He told a story of Mr. Currie's help in giving CPR to a 9 month old child, while off duty.

**Recognition of Geoffrey M. Pearson as the North Carolina Association of
Zoning Officials' Outstanding Member of the Year Award**

Mr. Kevin Medeiros, President of the NCAZO, said that Mr. Geoffrey M. Pearson was named the North Carolina Association of Zoning Officials (NCAZO) outstanding member of the year on July 27, 2010. He spoke of Mr. Pearson's accomplishments and presented Mr. Pearson with a plaque.

Commissioner Brown said that Mr. Pearson takes his job very seriously and believes in bridging the gap between the municipalities and Wake County. She thanked him for his work.

**Proclaim September 27, 2010 as "Family Day - A Day to Eat Dinner with
Your Children" in Wake County**

Ms. Catherine Williams asked the Board of Commissioners to accept September 27, 2010 as "A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children." She stated the day is usually the fourth Monday of the month. With the busy lives of most families, it is difficult for them to have the time to sit down to dinner and eat together. She asked for support of the proclamation.

Lindy Brown motioned, seconded by Betty Lou Ward, to Proclaim September 27, 2010 as "Family Day - A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children" in Wake County. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Gurley presented the adopted proclamation to Ms. Williams who then read the proclamation for the audience.

Wake County Board of Commissioners

Proclaims September 27, 2010 as

Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children

WHEREAS the use of illegal and prescription drugs and the abuse of alcohol and nicotine constitute the greatest threats to the well-being of America's children;

WHEREAS 15 years of surveys conducted by the national Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University have consistently found that the more often children and teenagers eat dinner with their families the less likely they are to smoke, drink and use illegal drugs;

WHEREAS frequent family dining is associated with lower rates of teen smoking, drinking, illegal drug use and prescription drug abuse;

WHEREAS the correlation between frequent family dinners and reduced risk for teen substance abuse is well-documented;

WHEREAS parents who are engaged in their children's lives- through such activities as frequent family dinners – are less likely to have children who abuse substances;

WHEREAS family dinners have long constituted a substantial pillar of family life in America:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the 27th day of September, 2010 as

“Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children”

And encourage all citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010.

Proclamation to Recognize Wake County's Participation in Project Homeless Connect and to Proclaim September 23, 2010 as Project Homeless Connect Day and Update on Raleigh/Wake 10-Year Action Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness

Mr. Mike Mescall, Wake County Human Services Housing Program Manager, asked the Board of Commissioners to support the Project Homeless Connect Day on September 23, 2010 in Moores Square, downtown Raleigh. There will be a wide range of services and service providers will be available for the homeless on that day. He thanked Commissioner Brown for her help with the event. Mr. Mescall read the Proclamation for the audience.

PROCLAMATION

**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAIMS SEPTEMBER 23, 2010 AS
“PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT DAY”**

WHEREAS, ending Homelessness: is a National, Statewide and a Triangle-wide initiative, with more than 300 communities across the United States, more than 20 cities and counties across North Carolina and in the Research Triangle: Raleigh / Wake County; Durham / Durham County; and, Chapel Hill / Orange County each adopting and implementing 10-Year Plans to End Homelessness; and,

WHEREAS, each night across the Triangle, on average, approximately 2,000 persons are homeless including more than 300 homeless children and approximately 400 veterans; and,

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2010, Wake County, the City of Raleigh, the Town of Cary are holding an event, which has become a nationally recognized best practice, held in more than 220 cities across the U.S., called “Project Homeless Connect.” On this day, a wide range of services and service providers are brought together in Moore Square Park in Downtown Raleigh to connect persons who are homeless with the services they need to help regain stability in their lives; and,

WHEREAS, on October 8, 2009, the City of Raleigh, Wake County and the Triangle United Way sponsored the third Project Homeless Connect at Moore Square Park and hosted 733 homeless participants who received over 2,500

services from 50 different homeless service providers with help from approximately 120 volunteers.

WHEREAS, in support of “Project Homeless Connect” and the 800 homeless individuals expected to receive assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Wake County, North Carolina, join leaders of the City of Raleigh to hereby proclaim September 23, 2010 as PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT DAY and join these leaders to challenge citizens, businesses, civic and faith organizations across the triangle to support this and other efforts to End and Prevent Homelessness in each of our communities.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010.

Ms. Ruth Peebles, Executive Director for Project Homeless Connect, said this event is conducted annually. Housing models are in place for expanding housing for the homeless. The need is still great. There was a retreat recently and the three areas of focus are: Board Development, Fund Development Plan, and Affordable Housing Focus. Increasing affordable housing is the goal along with developing partnerships. She thanked the Board of Commissioners for their continued support.

Chairman Gurley presented the proclamation.

Lindy Brown motioned, seconded by James West, to adopt the Proclamation Recognizing Wake County’s Participation in Project Homeless Connect and Proclaims September 23, 2010 as Project Homeless Connect Day and Update on Raleigh/Wake 10-Year Action Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness. The motion passed unanimously.

Proclaim September 30, 2010 as First Responders Appreciation Day

Dr. Brent Myers said that the First Responders Breakfast has been held for several years to express appreciation to the First Responders including EMS, Fire, and Law Enforcement workers. The breakfast will be at the Angus Barn on September 30, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. Dr. Myers read the proclamation.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Paul Coble, to proclaim September 30, 2010 as First Responders Day and adopt the associated proclamation. The motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PROCLAIMS SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 AS

FIRST RESPONDERS DAY

WHEREAS, first responders provide a vital public service throughout Wake County; and

WHEREAS, the first responders in Wake County are ready to provide lifesaving services to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, the first responders in Wake County include all Fire, Police, EMS, Sheriff's deputies, and E-911 call takers who provide such a service; and

WHEREAS, first responders in Wake County dramatically improves the safety, survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden danger, illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, Wake County residents, workers and visitors benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners does hereby join with other governing bodies across the County and in partnership with the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce in naming September 30, 2010 as

WAKE COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS DAY 2010

and encourages the community to observe this day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010.

Proclaim October 2, 2010 as Wake County Big Sweep Day

Ms. Dale Threatt-Taylor said that Wake County is a supporter of environmental stewardship. She said the Wake County Board of Commissioners has supported and sanctioned Wake County's active participation in North Carolina Big Sweep for 23 years. She brought a tool used for picking up trash for the public to see what could be used if they volunteer to help with Big Sweep. She invited the commissioners and everyone to volunteer for the cleanup on October 2, 2010.

Ms. Threatt-Taylor circulated a copy of "Ensign" magazine for the board's viewing which had a picture of Vice Chair Ward participating in an environmental event. Ms. Threatt-Taylor read aloud the Proclamation.

Lindy Brown motioned, seconded by Paul Coble, to proclaim October 2, 2010 as Wake County Big Sweep Day and adopt associated proclamation. The motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PROCLAIMS OCTOBER 2, 2010 AS

WAKE COUNTY BIG SWEEP DAY

WHEREAS, Wake County is rich in natural resources and beauty; and

WHEREAS, water is a basic and essential need for all life; and,

WHEREAS, trash fouls our waterways as well as our landscapes; and,

WHEREAS, every citizen should contribute to keeping our environment clean and healthy by working together to preserve clean water and the natural beauty of our surroundings; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina Big Sweep is a statewide and global community effort to retrieve trash from North Carolina's waterways and landscapes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Wake County, North Carolina, meeting on September 20, 2010, does hereby declare October 2, 2010 as WAKE COUNTY BIG SWEEP DAY in Wake County, and does further hereby urge every citizen to do his or her part to restore the beauty and function of the lakes, streams and landscapes by volunteering to participate in the North Carolina Big Sweep event.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010.

[Consent Agenda](#)

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Stan Norwalk, to approve the consent agenda, with item 17 removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of a Waiver for the Tipping Fee at the South Wake Landfill and East Wake Transfer Station for Partners Participating in the Wake County Big Sweep on September 25, October 2, October 3, October 9 and October 23, 2010

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Stan Norwalk, to approve waiving the tipping fee to "zero charge" at the South Wake Landfill and East Wake Transfer Station for waste collected by Wake County Big Sweep and all participating partners during Fall 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Proposed Use of the Fuller and Herndon Open Space Properties for a Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Site Following Major Storm Events

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Stan Norwalk, to approve the use of the Fuller-Herndon tracts for a temporary debris storage and reduction site and direct staff to pursue the appropriate permits from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Wake ABC Board Compensation

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Stan Norwalk, to approve the compensation rate for the Wake County Board of Alcoholic Control Chair at \$250 per meeting and members at \$200 per meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

Mr. Kent Goddard said that he has lived in Raleigh since 1953. He said that his green band on his wrist was in recognition of the mentally ill. He served on the Human Services Board for 11 years. He spoke of supportive housing residents received assistance for Psycho-social Rehab, help the mentally ill get GED and college educations, medical assistance, and other help. The Spectrum House and Club Horizon help with services for the mentally ill.

Regular Agenda

Consider Request from WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. for Modification of Landfill Franchise (Second Reading)

Mr. Matt Roylance, Environmental Services Deputy Director, said that WCA Waste Corporation, L. P. asked to modify their construction and demolition debris landfill operation in Wake County. The request was to expand the franchise coverage area to include Harnett, Wayne, Wilson, Nash, Warren, Vance, Granville, Person, Caswell, Alamance and Lee counties to the existing six county area.

Commissioner Bryan said that he had stated concerns in the last meeting asking for financial information which would substantiate the applicant's claim of needing to add additional counties debris to the landfill in order to stay economically viable. He read from the agenda item the following: "The applicant further states that the economic downturn has significantly slowed the construction market that WCA needs to be able to draw traffic (i.e. customers) from the proposed larger franchise area in order to keep the reclamation and construction and demolition operations economically viable." He said he had not seen the documentation that backs up that claim and would not vote in support of the franchise amendment.

Vice Chair Ward said that a certain tonnage was allowed by the franchise agreement and they were not asking for an increase in the tonnage. Chairman Gurley said that the maximum tonnage for the landfill was not going to change. There will be more debris going into the landfill with this expansion but the maximum allowed will not change.

Commissioner Norwalk said that private companies do not normally open their financial information to the public sector and it is not customary. The county should not set this as a precedent.

Commissioner Bryan said the applicant set the basis for the request so he wanted to see the documentation that supports their request. He said the change in service area would mean Wake County taking on more waste and filling up the landfill, which is a county resource, with waste from other counties. Commissioner Brown spoke in support of Commissioner Bryan's request to see the data behind the request as part of due diligence for this decision. She said anyone doing business with the county should be willing to open their books.

Chairman Gurley said that the maximum capacity for the landfill would not change. The franchise service area would change from six counties to 17 counties. He said trucks would be on the road for longer distances and the county would be taking on more counties' waste. He said if Commissioner Bryan's request for information was not provided, it would set a bad precedent for the board to approve the request.

Commissioner Coble asked what Wake County would be giving up if this expansion into other areas was not approved. He asked if this was not

approved would the county lose this landfill because it was not economically viable. He asked if there was information that could be shared on the tonnage rates from the past few years compare to the more recent amounts for the last year. He suggested this as an alternative to opening the company's financial books. He suggested the item be held for further information.

Mr. Roylance said that the applicant was present and may be able to answer some of these questions. He said staff had not requested the financial background information since there was no provision in the ordinance for it. Commissioner Ward agreed with Mr. Roylance. Commissioner Bryan said he was not asking them to open their books for the public but that by the board approving this request it may encourage other landfills to make the same request.

The applicant, Mr. Robert Hornik, Attorney from Brough Law Firm for WCA, read to the board a portion of their application to clarify the request. He said their request was not made in order for the landfill to be economically viable but to help their customers. He stated the haulers that bring debris to the landfill had suffered a decrease in their loads locally due to the slowdown in the building and construction industry. He stated he had made the request to help his customers which are Wake County citizens and businesses. He spoke of letters sent to the Chairman.

Chairman Gurley asked if the applicant read the agenda item. Mr. Hornik said that he glanced over it before the meeting but had not looked at it in detail.

Commissioner Norwalk said that sometimes with mergers and acquisitions problems arise. He said that opening the financial books may not be the answer. Commissioner Norwalk asked the opinion of the County Attorney.

Mr. Scott Warren, County Attorney, said there is not a motion on the table at this time.

Commissioner Brown asked the applicant to get the information to Commissioner Bryan. Commissioner West asked if this action was necessary for Wake County to be economically viable.

Mr. Dennis Gehle, WCA General Manager, said that the primary reason for the request was because local companies are having to travel outside of Wake County for construction work and they need to dispose of the debris. He noted these are his customers that are located in Wake County having to do construction projects outside of Wake County in order for them to stay economically viable. People may lose jobs if this is not approved.

Commissioner Bryan said that the summary from staff did not accurately reflect the request from WCA which was different. Mr. Gehle said that their

landfill franchise was also a recycling facility so only what could not be recycled was disposed in the landfill.

Commissioner Norwalk said that this would allow local companies to bring their waste and keep jobs.

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Stan Norwalk, to adopt, on the second reading, the Ordinance Modifying Franchise Agreement to allow WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. to modify their construction and demolition debris landfill operation in Wake County.

The motion to adopt, on the second reading, the Ordinance Modifying Franchise Agreement to allow WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. to modify their construction and demolition debris landfill operation in Wake County. The motion passed unanimously.

**ORDINANCE MODIFYING FRANCHISE ISSUED TO
WCA WASTE CORPORATION, L.P. FOR
OPERATION OF CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION
DEBRIS LANDFILL**

WHEREAS, WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. has applied to modify the existing franchise for the operation of a construction and demolition debris landfill located on Brown Field Road in Wake County; and

WHEREAS, WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. is the current holder of a franchise to operate a construction debris (C&D) landfill at the Site; and

WHEREAS, there remains in effect the existing special use permit from Wake County for operation of a C&D landfill on the site identified in the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT,

Section 1. WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. is hereby granted a franchise to operate a construction and demolition debris landfill serving the following counties: Wake, Durham, Orange, Johnston, Franklin, Chatham, Alamance, Caswell, Person, Granville, Vance, Warren, Nash, Wilson, Wayne, Harnett and Lee. This franchise amendment shall expire coterminous with the expiration of the existing franchise.

Section 2. WCA Waste Corporation, L.P. shall provide documentation reasonably required by the County to ascertain compliance with the terms of the franchise as amended.

Section 3. This ordinance is effective upon its second reading by this Board.

Adopted this the 20th day of September, 2010.

**Public Hearing Renaming a Portion of Falls of Neuse Road (SR 2000) as
Keith Store Road**

Mr. David Hunt, Wake County GIS Analyst and 911 Database Coordinator, said that during the August 16, 2010 public hearing on this matter, the Wake County Board of Commissioners deferred action on renaming the 13000 block of Falls of Neuse Road and directed county staff to consider another road name suggested at the hearing: Wakefield Church Road. He said the NC General State requires the renaming of this road since it is not in the city limits. He shared a vicinity map of the area. The new 98 bypass was completed two weeks ago. There were realignments of the bypass, Falls of Neuse Road and Business HWY 98 Road. Department of Transportation has enclosed portions of roads.

Staff is requesting the renaming of the 13000 block of road based on Keith's Grocery and Gas Station.

He said there was question of "Keith" and "Wakefield" names in roads at the last meeting. Staff findings show there are two roads with the name "Keith" and five roads with the name "Wakefield" in it, within a three-mile radius of the affected properties. He shared a map of the named properties.

After the last public hearing, the Wakefield Church endorsed the name as Keith Store Road. After consideration of this endorsement, Wake County's road naming policies, and effects on public safety responders and confusion for motorists, staff is recommending the name "Keith Store Road". A week later, staff updated all the property owners.

Mr. Hunt indicated that a portion of the road has been realigned to the relocated section of Falls of the Neuse Road. The City of Raleigh Planning Department agreed to use the "Keith Store Road" name for the connecting right of way.

Mr. Hunt shared maps of the area. He said that the general statutes have been followed and the public hearing was advertised in the local newspaper.

Mr. Hunt said that staff asks that the recommendation be approved and made effective on October 20, 2010.

Mr. Hunt indicated that only one property owner had contacted staff since the last hearing and they indicated their preference was Keith Store Road.

Chairman Gurley opened the public hearing
No one came forward to speak.

Chairman Gurley closed the public hearing

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Betty Lou Ward, that following the public hearing, the board adopt the ordinance to permanently rename a portion of Falls of Neuse Road (SR 2000) as Keith Store Road, effective October 20, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice Chair Ward said that she had spoken to the owner of Keith's Store and they are pleased with the new road name.

**ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REQUEST TO RENAME
A PORTION OF FALLS OF NEUSE ROAD
AS KEITH STORE ROAD**

WHEREAS, Falls of Neuse Road was relocated by the North Carolina Department of Transportation to coincide with the realignment of NC 98 Business Highway; and

WHEREAS, the realignment resulted in a separately named section of Falls of Neuse Road; and

WHEREAS, renaming the separated portion of Falls of Neuse Road will resolve the duplicating road names created by the realignment; and

WHEREAS, a unique road name for the separated portion of Falls of Neuse Road would help minimize confusion for motorists and emergency response personnel, thereby avoiding potential delays in providing emergency services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Raleigh Planning Department has authorized the use of the Keith Store Road name for the adjoining section of right-of-way within their corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina (G.S. 153A-239.1) delegates authority to name and rename roads to the Wake County Board of Commissioners and prescribe procedures to be followed in the process; and

WHEREAS, this request was duly advertised and was the subject of a public hearing by the Wake County Board of Commissioners on September 20, 2010 and was duly considered; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WAKE, NORTH CAROLINA, AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the section of Falls of Neuse Road (SR 2000), beginning at its intersection with Old NC 98 Hwy and extending south approximately 1,000 feet to the City of Raleigh corporate limits, shall be renamed Keith Store Road. Effective October 20, 2010.

Commissioner Joe Bryan made a motion that the above ordinance be adopted. Commissioner Betty Lou Ward seconded that motion, and upon majority vote, the motion carried this 20th day of September 2010.

A 10 minute break was taken.

Public Hearing to Consider Approval of up to \$5,000,000 in Revenue Bonds to be issued by The Wake County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority for InterAct

Ms. Mary Nash Rusher, Attorney with Hunton and Williams LLP, said their firm serves as bond counsel to the Wake County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority (IFPCFA). She said that the IFPCFA proposed to issue Special Purpose Project Revenue Bonds (Interact Project), Series 2010 in the principal amount of up to \$5,000,000. The proceeds of the bonds will be loaned to The Family Violence Prevention Center, Inc d/b/a InterAct, a North Carolina non-profit corporation ("Interact") to be used to provide tax exempt financing for InterAct's 61,500 square foot facility located at 1012 Oberlin Road in Raleigh.

Ms. Rusher said the approval by the Board of Commissioners is a requirement of the federal tax code and the North Carolina State Statutes. Neither the Authority, county, or state will be liable for the payment of principal or interest on the bonds.

Ms. Leigh Duque, Executive Director of Interact, said that InterAct is a private, non-profit, United Way agency that provides safety, support, and awareness to victims and survivors of domestic violence and rape/sexual assault. InterAct also promotes violence-free relationships and communities through collaboration, public information, education, and advocacy. InterAct is the only confidential domestic violence prevention program serving Wake County's twelve municipalities. At its new headquarters, the Family Safety & Empowerment Center in Raleigh, InterAct brings together nine other community agencies to provide wraparound services for victims and survivors

of violence and abuse. The nine collaborative partners and the services they provide in InterAct's center are: Easter Seals UCP (coordinates the provision of mental health services to women and children suffering from trauma exposure); Inter-Faith Food Shuttle (operates InterAct's commercial kitchen and provides culinary skills training); KIRAN (promotes self-reliance and empowerment of South Asians in crisis through outreach, peer support, and referrals); Legal Aid of North Carolina (offers InterAct's clients legal assistance and regular legal clinics); Raleigh Police Department (houses its entire family violence intervention unit on-site); SouthLight (offers family substance abuse counseling service on site); Wake Health Services (provides primary medical care using InterAct's medical clinic); YMCA of the Triangle (maintains InterAct's pool and operates after-school and summer youth programs); and YWCA of the Greater Triangle (offers its Women In Transition Program to InterAct's clients). In addition, commencing Fall, 2010, InterAct will be the home of the area's Sexual Assault Forensic Examination Center (previously housed at Wake Med).

Ms. Duque said that Interact now serves more than 6,000 victims in Wake County each year. In the past year and a half, the number of shelter beds has more than doubled. InterAct provides emergency shelter assistant 24 hours/7 days a week. On average, more than 20 families access the shelter each day compared to 7 families a year ago. In July of 2009, the occupancy rate of the shelter was 93%. In July of 2010, the occupancy rate was 110%. More than 12,000 crisis calls were received in 2009. For the time period of January to August in 2010, there have already been more than 15,000 calls.

She thanked the Board of Commissioners for the opportunity to present the information today. She invited the board to tour the facility.

Commissioner Norwalk said the request was articulate and moving. He thanked Ms. Duque for her presentation.

Commissioner West asked if there was a maximum time limit people could stay in the shelter and receive services. Ms. Duque said that the shelter is an 8 week program and the goal is to help families achieve self-sufficiency. Vice Chair Ward asked about use of the pool which pre-existed their moving into the facility. Ms. Duque said the pool is mostly utilized by the YWCA but it is available to their clients.

Chairman Gurley opened the public hearing
No one came forward to speak
Chairman Gurley closed the public hearing

Commissioner West seconded the motion.

Lindy Brown motioned, seconded by James West, to approve in principle the issuance of up to \$5,000,000 in Revenue Bonds by the Wake County Industrial

Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority for InterAct. The motion passed unanimously.

**Wake County Library System Book Donation to Shaw University and
Acceptance of NC Department of Cultural Resources Grant**

Mr. Mike Wasilick, Wake County Library Director, said that he was excited about the partnership with Shaw University. He explained that Ms. Mollie Huston Lee opened the first public library for the African American residents of Raleigh in 1935. The library system inventoried the special collection of books in August 2009 and determined a total of 6,500 non-circulating books. Some books were in disrepair and removed from the library. The library wishes to transfer approximately 2,500 items of an academic nature to be a compliment to the Fleming Collection of African American materials at the James E. Cheek Learning Resources Center campus at Shaw University. Two libraries will be stronger due to the partnership.

He introduced Ms. Virginia Talley and Ms. Octavia Rainey, Wanda Cox-Bailey and Gail Cousins who were present and had worked on this partnership.

Ms. Musette McKelvey, Shaw University Library Services, thanked the Board of Commissioners for the donation of the collection of books. She said that Ms. Mollie Huston Lee served the libraries in the 1930s. She thanked the Board of Commissioners for their work. She read aloud the resolution.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to adopt the resolution approving the donation of 2,500 special collection books to Shaw University; and accept and appropriate the Library System Technology Act (LSTA) grant award from the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources in the amount of \$17,775 to be used to purchase children's books by African American authors and illustrators. The motion passed unanimously.

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

LIBRARY BOOK DONATION TO SHAW UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mollie Huston Lee opened the first public library for the African American residents of Raleigh in 1935; and

WHEREAS, Wake County Public Libraries honors the work of Mollie Huston Lee by maintaining a representative book collection of the African American experience at the Richard B. Harrison Library; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mollie Huston Lee was a librarian at the James E. Cheek Learning Resources Center at Shaw University before becoming the Library Director of the Richard B. Harrison Library; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mollie Huston Lee kept close contact with Shaw University throughout the years; and

WHEREAS, Shaw University is a private, non-profit University that allows public access to book collections; and

WHEREAS, Community leaders have served as advisors in the evaluation of the collection at Richard B. Harrison and volunteered to evaluate the books by their condition and the public library mission; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 2,500 books were identified as academic in nature and do not fit the mission of the public library; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statutes 160A-280 allows governmental units to donate materials to another governmental unit within the United States, a sister city, or a nonprofit organization incorporated by (i) the United States; and

WHEREAS, The John Wilson Fleming African – American Collection is located in the James E. Cheek Learning Resources Center; and

WHEREAS, The librarians at the James E. Cheek Learning Resources Center have worked closely with public library staff to identify and research the titles being recommended for transfer.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Wake County Board of Commissioners wishes to transfer the 2,500 items of an academic nature to be a complement to the Fleming Collection of African American materials at the James E. Cheek Learning Resources Center on campus at Shaw University.

Dated this 20th day of September, 2010.

Mr. Wasilick invited the commissioners to attend a reception on October 1, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate the donation of the Mollie Huston Lee book collection to Shaw University.

Community Partnership Funding Recommendations

Ms. Johanna Foster, Community Partnership Coordinator of Wake County Community Services, presented the recommendation from the ten member

panel for funding 23 non-profit organizations. Ms. Foster stated there were 36 proposals for a total of \$1,078,555 in funding requests, thereby exceeding the Community Partnership allocation of \$502,200 by \$576,355. Last year, \$540,000 was distributed to 21 of the 34 eligible applicants.

Vice Chair Ward asked about Animal Kind - Spay and Neuter Program. Ms. Foster said they are a non-profit to help the shelter with spay and neuter programs for low income families.

Commissioner Brown complimented the staff panel for their work on this difficult chore. She asked why some organizations were not funded. Ms. Foster said they considered if there was duplication in services, reviewed service descriptions, considered if measurable outcomes were weak, or if the organization could not carry out function at the end of this funding cycle.

Commissioner Coble stated that he contributes to or has a relationship to some of the agencies on this list but he would benefit in no way from voting in this decision.

Commissioner West asked if the county collaborates with the City of Raleigh Grants Program. Ms. Foster said that the grants program for the City of Raleigh was considered and they partnered together on some programs. Commissioner West said there are always more needs than available funds.

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by James West, to approve the Community Partnership Funding recommendations that will award 23 nonprofit organizations one-year grants to carry out programs in alignment with County funding priorities as listed:

FY 2010-2011 Community Partnerships Funding

Organization Recommended for Funding	Request	Recommendation
Alliance of AIDS Services - Carolina - Client Services	15,000	12,000
Animal Kind - Spay and Neuter Program	28,000	20,000
Center for Volunteer Caregiving - Transportation Program	25,000	15,000
Community of Hope - Afterschool Program	16,500	8,000
Dress for Success	20,700	5,000
Food Bank of CENC	50,000	40,000
Haven House - Exercise-Based Outreach Gang Prevention	40,306	22,000

Interact - Shelter and Crisis Service	45,000	35,000
Inter-Faith Food Shuttle - Building Food Security in Wake	88,000	70,000
Legal Aid - Domestic Violence/ Housing Benefits Project	20,000	15,000
Literacy Council - Connections One-on-One Tutoring	30,000	25,000
Neighbor to Neighbor - Math, Lang Arts, ELD Program	15,000	5,000
Raleigh-Wake County Dental Society	24,000	15,000
RLCB, Inc - Tech Training and Services	20,000	10,000
SAFEChild - Advocacy Program	38,628	12,000
StepUP Ministries - Self-Sufficiency Program	40,000	35,000
Triangle Family Services – DOSE Program	65,000	50,000
Urban Ministries - Diabetes Care Program	50,000	35,000
Wake Health Services, Inc - Healthcare for the Homeless	36,000	30,000
Wake Teen - Primary Healthcare for Uninsured Teens	30,000	23,000
Women's Center - Basic Needs Program	8,500	5,000
YMCA - Dillard Dr. Elem Afterschool Program	10,000	5,000
YWCA - Golden Oaks Program	45,000	10,200
TOTAL \$	\$760,634	\$502,200

The motion passed unanimously.

Vice Chair Ward noted that in the past the Board of Commissioners sorted through these requests and complimented the staff on the job they performed.

Consider Request from the Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau to Expand the Business Development Fund

Mr. David Cooke, County Manager, presented a request from the Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau to expand the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund. He explained the three part request as follows:

To increase funding for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund by \$150,000 for Fiscal Years 2011 and 2012;

To extend the current term of the Business Development Fund through Fiscal Year 2018 at the level of \$150,000 for fiscal years 2016, 2017 and 2018; and

To approve a one-time funding request of \$316,000 for the Business Development fund to support the NHL All Star Weekend Experience in FY 2011.

Mr. Cooke stated the Board members received a review of the hotel/motel occupancy tax revenue at the work session in August. The approach is to use the occupancy tax revenue to fund grants to secure major convention and meeting groups utilizing the Raleigh Convention Center for the benefit of the Wake County. He gave an overview of the Business Development Fund's current budget and commitments. He said that there are commitments from other groups through 2015.

Mr. Cooke referred to the financing of the Convention Center. He said that the money would move from column "O" to column "L". Fund Balance and the interest income are affected with the movement of these funds. The City of Raleigh and Wake County must both approve the funding request in order for it to be implemented. What was proposed by the county staff was different from what was approved by the Raleigh City Council. He stated both board have to approve the financing plan. Mr. Cooke shared a table and detailed charts illustrating the effect on the balance over the term as well as information from the Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau as follows:

Year	Current Budget	Commitments	Pending	Expected 2015-2018	Balance/Deficit
FY2011	\$389,000*	\$389,000	\$316,000	\$0	(\$316,000)
FY2012	\$350,000	\$345,150	\$77,000	\$0	(\$72,150)
FY2013	\$350,000	\$280,690	\$0	\$0	\$69,310
FY2014	\$350,000	\$102,990	\$0	\$0	\$247,010
FY2015	\$350,000	\$276,480	\$41,000	\$90,000-\$100,000	(\$60,000-\$70,000)
FY2016	\$0	\$0	\$24,580	\$100,000-	(\$125,000-

				\$120,000	\$145,000)
FY2017	\$0	\$0	\$24,580	\$100,000- \$120,000	(\$125,000- \$145,000)
FY2018	\$0	\$0	\$24,580	\$80,000-\$95,000	(\$105,000- \$120,000)

Mr. Cooke said the Raleigh City Council approved increased funding for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund by \$150,000 for Fiscal Year 2011; extension of the current term of the Business Development Fund through Fiscal Year 2018 at the level of \$150,000 for Fiscal Years 2016, 2017 and 2018; and the one-time funding request of \$316,000 for the Business Development fund to support the NHL All Star Weekend Experience in FY 2011. Mr. Cooke said the City of Raleigh has this item back on its agenda for tomorrow night's meeting since their action differed from the county's recommendation. The City Council only approved the increase in funding the \$150,000 for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund for Fiscal Year 2011, where the county staff recommended the fund be increased for Fiscal Years 2011 and 2012.

Commissioner Coble asked about the additional draw down for the City of Raleigh. Mr. Cooke said they are keeping up with the draw downs and there are no funds existing on the 15% side of the deal for the county to draw down. Commissioner Coble said that Wake County is not getting the two for one deal.

Commissioner Norwalk said that he was not sure about making a funding commitment good through 2018. This needs more discussion. He said that the motivation for the funding should be discussed in December. Vice Chair Ward said that Mr. Denny Edwards and the Convention and Visitors Bureau may be held up on making decisions and did not support delaying the funding commitment until December. She said that the market is forcing them into needing access to these funds and if they do not have it, they may not be successful.

Mr. Denny Edwards said that a presentation was given to the board at a work session and they have since revised their request. They are aware the review is coming up in December. They are comfortable with the county staff recommendation. They have used all of their allocation for FY 2011 and 2012. The allocation for the three year extension is needed in order to offer incentives for groups to come to the convention center.

Commissioner West asked whether reconsideration could be given if staff determined more resources were needed. Commissioner Norwalk asked if the Convention Center staff would come back before the Board of Commissioners if

more funding was needed. Mr. Edwards said that staff would approach the boards if funds were needed but that was the purpose of setting up the Business Development Fund.

Commissioner Coble was hesitant to release the funds without having a holistic approach to setting priorities. He asked for a report on the proposed increase on sales tax revenue because sales tax has been down for two years despite people coming here for conferences. He suggested committing the funds for the NHL All Star Weekend experience, possibly fund an extension of the \$150,000 for one year, and discuss the remainder of the funding request in December with the additional information provided to the board.

Commissioner Norwalk asked if commitments beyond 2011 have been made without funding available. Mr. Edwards said commitments have been made for FY 2011 and 2012. No commitments have been made without having an allocation. He said that the economy has impacted the room tax. Occupancy tax generated \$293,000 directly related to bookings through the Business Development Fund. There are 36 groups that want to use the Convention Center beyond 2015 who are waiting for future funding commitments.

Vice Chair Ward said that the Convention Center was a selling point for the community and supported moving forward with the NHL All-Star funding request. She also supported moving forward with the \$150,000 requested. Commissioner Norwalk said that the future years should be discussed in December, which is not that far away.

Commissioner Bryan asked who would be responsible for the review of the funding in December so policymakers can then have a discussion and make a decision. Mr. Cooke said that the City Manager and County Manager would need to review the 85% funds and set up a process and plan for the discussion. He said some judgments on how to proceed with use of the funds would need to take place. Community involvement would be necessary.

Commissioner Bryan asked if staff began the process now, could there be a meeting in January to discuss these funding appropriations with all the partners. Commissioner Bryan questioned the use of the business development money. He had reviewed the staff recommendation and supported the lesser amount. He said that he had looked at the Business Development Fund Policy and the amounts given to different conferences or groups. He said the board needs to understand the technical basis for the funding decisions.

Vice Chair Ward noted the Board of Commissioners only has one meeting in December and suggested a faster process. Mr. Cooke said that there would be technical analysis done by the City and County Managers prior to bringing it to the boards and a process for public involvement in order to accomplish the task during December and January. Vice Chair Ward asked if the board did

not make a decision at this time would constrain the Convention Center operations.

Commissioner Coble asked if other facilities have a Business Development Fund because other facilities such as the RBC Center bring groups to Wake County. The board has not evaluated how much it is costing to bring more people to the convention center. He questioned where the most value could be gained with these funds and how much was enough to spend.

Commissioner Norwalk spoke about the need for new facilities which could be built with a different distribution of these funds. There needs to be a comprehensive picture for the future and an evaluation of the quality of other requests.

Mr. Thomas McCormick, Chairman of the Centennial Authority, said that the Raleigh City Manager had indicated the review could not be done in December. He asked for a definitive date on the review and would support a business development fund for the RBC arena.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Paul Coble, to approve an increase in funding for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund by \$150,000 for FY 2011 and to approve a one-time funding request of \$316,000 for the Business Development Fund to support the NHL All Star Weekend Experience in FY 2011.

Commissioner West asked how the future would be dealt with in FY 2015 and if the review would address those questions. Mr. Cooke said there are existing commitments and pending commitments which require funding in 2016, 2017 and 2018. He said they set the recommendation for what needed to be accomplished today knowing that the important issue is the review and decisions in December or January. Commissioner Norwalk asked for additional clarification on the motion.

Commissioner Norwalk suggested a friendly amendment to accept the staff recommendation extending funding the \$150,000 for FY 2011 to include FY 2012. Commissioner Ward was willing to add that part of the amendment to her motion. With the motion amended, Commissioner Coble withdrew his second to the motion, so Commissioner Ward offered another motion.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to approve an increase in funding for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund by \$150,000 for FY 2011 and to approve a one-time funding request of \$316,000 for the Business Development Fund to support the NHL All Star Weekend Experience in FY 2011.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to increase funding for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund by \$150,000 for FY 2011 and FY 2012; and, to approve a one-time funding request of \$316,000 for the Business Development Fund to support the NHL All Star Weekend Experience in FY 2011.

Commissioner Bryan stated he would vote against the revised motion. The staff recommendation is reasonable, prudent and measurable. The staff recommendation would allow the Convention Center to continue successful bookings for the center and lead to a more holistic approach while including the partners and the public in the process.

Vice Chair Ward asked Commissioner Bryan asking if he would support the motion with the addition of the extension of the current term of the Business Development Fund through FY 2018 at the \$150,000 level for Fiscal Years 2016, 2017 and 2018 as recommended by staff. Commissioner Bryan said he would support that as well as having a commitment to having the meeting at a time certain prior to March 31, 2011 where all the public is involved in this process.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to increase funding for the Raleigh Convention Center Business Development Fund by \$150,000 for FY 2011 and FY 2012; extend the current term of the Business Development Fund through 2018 at the level of \$150,000 for Fiscal years 2016, 2017 and 2018; approve a one-time funding request of \$316,000 for the Business Development Fund to support the NHL All Star Weekend Experience in FY 2011; and further, to accept a friendly amendment by Commissioner Bryan, to have a complete review done, involving a public process with all partners, with a meeting held prior to March 31, 2011.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 to 2.

AYES: Joe Bryan, James West, Lindy Brown, Stan Norwalk, Betty Lou Ward

NOES: Paul Coble, Tony Gurley

Accept and Appropriate \$60,000 for the Creation of 1.0 FTE for the HIV/STD Counseling Testing Program

Mr. Bob Sorrels, Deputy Director of Human Services, presented receipt of a grant for \$60,000 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, which will be used to create 1.0 fulltime position in the HIV/STD Counseling Testing Program. Mr. Sorrels stated this additional funding will allow the program to be expanded into two additional non clinic sites, Southlite and Family Legacy, Inc. Wake County is second in the state for HIV following

behind Mecklenburg County. The State recognizes Wake has an outstanding outreach and cutting edge processes in this area and may provide additional funding. This grant will enable services to be provided to an additional 300 people.

Lindy Brown motioned, seconded by Paul Coble, to accept and appropriate \$60,000 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, to establish and support 1.0 FTE for the HIV/STD Counseling Testing Program. Wake County will receive three years of funding beginning October 1, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

Selection of Third-Party Administrators to Manage the County's Health, Dental, and Flexible Spending Account Plans and Approval of the 2011 Premium Structure Based on Recommended Plan Design Changes

Ms. Elaine Johnson presented the employee health benefits, including Flexible Spending, Dental, and Medical Benefits. for the coming calendar year. Ms. Johnson noted that the commissioners received a detailed presentation on each item during the work session on September 13th. Ms. Johnson stated the county's contracts for dental and flexible spending as well as the third party administration of the medical insurance, expire December 31, 2010. She provided the information on each contract area as follows:

Based on the economic climate, contract expiration dates, and the desire to control increasing costs the Human Resources chose to competitively bid out the Third Party Administration of medical, dental, and Flexible Spending Account plans. Vendors were asked to submit bids on each plan individually and to highlight in their documentation if any bundled rates were being proposed.

Third Party Administrator (TPA)

While Wake County is self-insured, we still require the services of a TPA to manage our medical, dental, and Flexible Spending plans. The County released RFPs for administration and management of 1) Flexible Spending Account (FSA), 2) Employee dental benefits and 3) Employee and retiree medical benefits. Each plan will have a January 1, 2011 effective date. The County received 4 medical proposals, 7 dental proposals, and 15 FSA proposals

The Benefit Committee, comprised of employees from IS, Revenue, HR, Libraries, Environmental Services and the Sheriff's office, evaluated and each vendor response according to the following criteria:

- Network/Financials

- Account Management
- Administration / Service

Based on these criteria, the following vendors emerged as the strongest candidates and were asked to present their proposals and answer committee questions:

Medical: BCBS, CIGNA, and Wellpath

Dental: IMS, Delta Dental, United Concordia Dental

FSA: IMS, BCBS, SHDR, FBMC, and Flexible Benefits Administrator

Flexible Spending Account Overview:

The Benefit Committee determined that the key criteria in selecting a vendor to administer the flexible benefit plan were:

- Claim Administration and processing
- Plan Administration Fees

IMS, our current TPA, provided the most competitive pricing on administrative fees at \$3.50 per member per month. They have also provided a performance guarantee equaling 5% of our monthly administrative fees, as well as a 3 year rate guarantee. To enhance claim administration they are offering a Direct Deposit option.

Flexible Spending Vendor Recommendation

Staff recommends that Interactive Management Services (IMS) be the third party administrator for the County’s Flexible Spending Account benefit for the next three years.

Dental Overview:

The Dental RFP requested that bidders submit quotes for our current dental plan as well as an enhanced dental plan as outlined below.

Current Benefit Payment Schedule	Enhanced Benefit Payment
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	Schedule
100% - Preventive	100% - Preventive
50% - Basic	80% - Basic
50% - Major	50% - Major
Calendar year limit of \$1000.00 and Ortho Lifetime limit of \$1000.00	Calendar year limit of \$1250.00 and Ortho Lifetime limit of \$1250.00

Delta Dental offered the most competitive pricing, provided an established nationwide network, and offered a three year rate guarantee on administrative fees. The dental disruption analysis also showed that 99% of the County’s employees will have access to 5 participating general dentists in a 20 mile radius. This will provide employees a greater opportunity to see a dentist within the network (if they so choose).

Dental Vendor Recommendation:

Staff recommends that Delta Dental of NC be the third party administrator of the County’s dental plan for the next three years.

Medical Overview

Based on the Medical Financial Analysis, and presentations from the vendors, it was determined that BCBS of NC offered the most competitive cost proposal. Their discounted percentage was the highest, ranging from 49-55%, which exceeds the current discounts being achieved by CIGNA. The increased discounted price percentage will benefit both the employee and the County by provide cost savings on medical procedures. BCBS has agreed to provide a dedicated toll free customer service line for employees and the County’s benefit staff, whereas the other vendors could not. This allows individuals to speak with customer service representatives that are trained solely on Wake County’s medical plans, eliminating confusion, and at times inaccurate information.

A disruption analysis was also completed to ascertain the difference, if any, in network coverage between the current TPA and a potential TPA. This analysis revealed very few differences between BCBS and CIGNA.

Medical Vendor Recommendation

Staff recommends BCBS of NC to be the third party administrator for the County's health plan for the next three years.

Recommended Plan Design Changes:

Medical

Effective January 2011 the Health Care Reform Act will necessitate that the County begin providing the following insurance coverage:

- dependents up to age 26 must be provided insurance coverage
- No lifetime or annual dollar limits can be imposed on essential benefits. *(waiting official regulations defining the meaning of essential benefits)*

In order to continue providing coverage that is considered standard within the insurance industry, the Committee is recommending the following changes be made to our medical plans:

- Remove the limit placed on durable medical equipment. This recommendation is based on BCBS plan management and their ability to work directly with the physician when filling such requests. The partnership between the carrier and the physician eliminates the need for plan limits.
- Increase therapeutic visits from 20 to 30 visits annually. This recommendation is based on plan history, our wellness initiative, and industry norms. If an individual is unable to complete the necessary therapy based on plan limitations they run the risk of relapsing and incurring more costs to the plan.
- Change our HRA plan from a non-collective to a collective deductible plan.

Benefit Option	County Cost (Savings)
Remove Durable Medical Equipment Limit	\$29,000
Increase Short-term Therapy from 20 to 30 visits	\$14,500
Dependent Coverage to Age 26	\$217,200
No lifetime or annual dollar limits on <i>“essential</i>	\$144,800

<i>benefits”</i>	
Change to Collective Deductible on HRA only	(\$463,000)
Total Savings	(\$57,500)

Medical Plan Rates

The Committee is recommending that the County does not increase the employee medical premium contribution for employees in 2011. An increase in employee dental contributions would only occur if an employee chose to participate in the enhanced dental plan. See Attachment for Rates.

Dental Plan Rates

The Committee is recommending that the County provides both a basic dental plan (current) and an enhanced dental plan. The enhanced plan will be option and the employee will pay the additional cost for enhanced plan in order to received enhanced benefits. See Attachment for Rates.

Commissioner Norwalk asked about an essential condition. Ms. Johnson said that Wake County has the pre-existing condition clause.

Ms. Johnson provided the comparison of the HRA benefits. The medical cost will remain the same as plan year 2010 for employees.

Ms. Johnson summarized the staff recommendation and asked if the board had any questions.

Chairman Gurley said that this information has been previously covered with with the Board of Commissioners in a work session.

Vice Chair Ward said that employees have complained about the coinsurance with pharmacy benefits. Ms. Johnson said that she would like to hear the complaints because it may be formulary and non-formulary drugs but the county's prescription drug plan was not part of this action today.

Commissioner Coble asked about the termination run-out. Ms. Johnson said that the Administration Fees with BCBS included the run-out fees.

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Betty Lou Ward, to:

1. Authorize the County Manager to enter into a three-year contract with Interactive Management Services (IMS) for the continued administration of the County's Flexible Spending Account;
2. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate a three-year contract with Delta Dental to administer the County's dental plan subject to approval by the County Attorney;
3. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate a three-year contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) to administer the County's health care plan subject to approval by the County Attorney; and
4. Approve the recommended rate structure and plan design changes for the benefit year starting January 1, 2011.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Norwalk complimented staff for their work. Commissioner Bryan complimented staff on receiving responses to the commissioners' questions following the work session within 24 hours.

Wake Technical Community College 2007 Building Program Appropriation Request.

Mr. Wendell Goodwin, Facility Engineering Officer for Wake Technical Community College, presented an appropriation request to fund a new parking deck at the North Campus. The request was to reallocate \$1,500,000 from the Wake Tech Reserve for Future Projects and appropriate the funds to the North Campus Parking Deck project in order to fund preliminary design work. The funds will cover design, a topographical survey, a Geo Tech report including soil borings and possibly a traffic impact study to determine if any additional intersection improvements would be required.

Chairman Gurley said that the ground breaking was held this past week at the North Campus for the Health Sciences building. Commissioner Norwalk said that long-term there is a huge effect for education at the technical college level and promoting jobs.

Mr. Goodwin introduced Wake Technical Community College Chief Financial Officer Arthur Andrews.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to adopt the resolution to reallocate and appropriate \$1,500,000 from the Wake Technical Community College Reserve for Future Projects to fund planning and design for a new parking deck at North Campus. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution
2007 Building Program Appropriation, Reallocation and Budget Adjustment

WHEREAS, Wake Technical Community College is engaged in the 2007 Building Program approved by voters in October 2007; and

WHEREAS, Wake Technical Community College has requested a reallocation and appropriation of 2007 Building Program funds from the Reserve for Future Projects to the North Campus Parking Deck;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby appropriates, reallocates, and makes budget adjustments to Wake Technical Community College 2007 building program projects as follows:

REALLOCATE

<i>From</i>		<i>To</i>	
Wake Tech Reserve for Future Projects	\$1,500,000	North Campus Parking Deck	\$1,500,000

Adopted this the 20th day of September 2010.

CIP 2006 Reallocation Request for Design Start-Up (Second Reading)

Mr. Don Haydon, Chief Financial Officer for WCPSS, said that this was the second reading of the request to reallocate \$2,400,000 of prior CIP 2006 appropriations from Wake Forest-Rolesville High, Holly Grove Middle, Enloe High, Hertiage High, Alston Ridge Elementary, and Lynn Road Elementary in order to appropriate \$2,400,000 of start-up design for E-20 Elementary (North Raleigh), E-32 (Apex), and M-8 (Northwest Raleigh).

Vice Chair Ward asked where Alston Ridge Elementary. Mr. Haydon said it was near the Chatham County line within Wake County.

Commissioner Brown asked what the allocation is from. Mr. Haydon said that the funding is from savings. Commissioner Norwalk said that a consistent pattern of overruns is reason to be concerned.

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Betty Lou Ward, to adopt the resolution to reallocate \$2,400,000 of prior CIP 2006 appropriations from Wake Forest-Rolesville High, Holly Grove Middle, Enloe High, Hertiage High, Alston Ridge Elementary, and Lynn Road Elementary in order to appropriate \$2,400,000 of start-up design for E-20 Elementary (North Raleigh), E-32 (Apex), and M-8 (Northwest Raleigh). The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution
CIP 2006 Reallocation and Appropriation

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education is engaged in a Long Range Building Program; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education has duly requested that the Board of Commissioners Reallocate \$2,400,000 of prior CIP 2006 appropriations from Wake Forest-Rolesville High, Holly Grove Middle, Enloe High, Heritage High, Alston Ridge Elementary, and Lynn Road Elementary in order to appropriate \$2,400,000 of start-up design for E-20 Elementary (North Raleigh), E-32 (Apex), and M-8 (Northwest Raleigh).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby reallocates and appropriates project funds as follows:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO	AMOUNT
CIP 2006		CIP 2006	
Wake Forest-Rolesville High	\$ 1,423,573	E-20 Elementary (north Raleigh)	\$ 700,000
Holly Grove Middle (M-9)	\$ 462,500	E-32 Scotts Ridge Elementary (Apex)	\$ 700,000
Enloe High	\$ 74,030	M-8 Middle (northwest Raleigh)	\$ 1,000,000
Heritage High	\$ 200,000		
Alston Ridge Elementary	\$ 200,000		
Lynn Road Elementary	\$ 39,897		
CIP 2006 Total	\$ 2,400,000	CIP 2006 Total	\$ 2,400,000

Adopted this the 20th day of September 2010.

CIP 2006 Reallocation Request for Forestville Road (First Reading)

Mr Haydon said this was the first reading of a request to set up a fund to show the expenditures used for purchase of the original H-6 site as follows:

- 1) Authorize a new CIP 2006 project titled Forestville Road.
- 2) Reallocate and appropriate \$1,247,658 from H-6 to Forestville Road
- 3) Authorize the posting of \$1,247,658 in expenditures originally posted to H-6 to Forestville Road

Another site was chosen for the H-6 school so funds for the originally purchased site expenditures could be separated. The separate accounting is made for the purpose of transparency and accountability. There was discussion about the site that was not chosen and the transfer of ownership. Mr. Haydon said that the Board of Education will discuss the plans for the property.

Commissioner Norwalk asked who makes the decision to sale or hold property for surplus. Mr. Warren said that would require the approval of both boards. The county has first right of refusal on the property.

If there are no outstanding questions, this item will be placed on the October 4, 2010 agenda.

Other Items

Committee Reports

Commissioner Brown noted the meetings she attended since the last board meeting.

- Holly Springs' Chamber's Breakfast
- Wake County Housing Authority Board meeting
- Wake County Growth Issues Task Force
- Cary Chamber Educational Meeting
- Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness
- African American Cultural Festival Board meeting
- Wake County Environmental Services Board meeting
- Wake Forest Town Hall Grand Opening
- WSHA Radio Interview
- Wake County Human Services Executive Board Meeting
- Communities in Schools 2010 Fundraising Breakfast
- Northern Wake Tech Building E Groundbreaking
- Holly Springs Planning Conference
- Walk Now – Stamp Out Childhood Obesity

Commissioner Bryan said that on September 11, 2010 the County Manager and County Attorney competed in a 5K run. He said Mr. Cooke completed his run in 8.5 minutes and Mr. Warren completed his run in 8.7 minutes. Commissioner Bryan completed his run in 8.13 minutes. He said that Dr. Ramon Rojano, Human Services Director, and other staff were present at this wellness event.

Other Business

Commissioner Coble welcomed Commissioner James West to the Board of County Commissioners. He stated he knew Commissioner West from having worked with him on the Raleigh City Council. Vice Chair Ward joined in the welcome for Commissioner West.

Commissioner West thanked the board for their welcome and stated he looked forward to working with them.

Adjourn

Paul Coble motioned, seconded by Lindy Brown, to adjourn the meeting.
The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Banks, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board
Wake County Board of Commissioners