

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: OPENING

SUMMARY: Call to Order
Opening Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance

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Presenter: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

SUMMARY: Attached is the proposed Agenda for the August 6, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMEND: Review, Amend and Approve.

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Vote: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
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AGENDA

HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2018 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

July 2, 2018

- Regular Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC HEARINGS (none)

INTRODUCTIONS

- Pat Bertke, Director, MATTIE

PRESENTATIONS

- 1) MATTIE Arts Center – Seafood Festival Pat Bertke
- 2) Naloxone & Syringe Exchange Programs Anna Stein, DHHS
- 3) Mental Health & Substance Abuse & Drug Task Force Anna Schafer, Luana Gibbs, Jenna Brinn
- 4) 2017 Hyde County SOTCH Anna Schafer
- 5) CDBG-DR Engineering Service Award Kris Noble
- 6) Ocracoke Waterways Tom Pahl

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments are a time for the public to make comments to the County Commissioners. Comments should be kept to three (3) minutes or less and comments should be directed to the entire Board and not to individual members, the staff or to other members of the public. Comments requesting assistance will typically be referred to the County Manager for follow-up or for Board action at a future meeting.

ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- 1) Report & 2017 Tax Settlement Linda Basnight
- 2) Request for New Position to Salary Plan Luana Gibbs
- 3) Bradford & Mary Swain – Refund Bill Rich
- 4) Contract for Tram Service Operation Kris Noble
- 5) Building Inspection Level 2 Service Contract Kris Noble
- 6) Revolving Loan Fund – Mattamuskeet Seafood Loan Modification Bill Rich
- 7) Revolving Loan Fund – Graceful Bakery, LLC Loan Bill Rich
- 8) Right of Way Easement – Wysocking LLC Kris Noble
- 9) Amendment Number One To Trust Agreement Kris Noble
- 10)Ocracoke Tram Project Budget Ordinance Kris Noble
- 11)Ocracoke EMS Building Project Budget Ordinance Kris Noble

BUDGET MATTERS

Health Department

- Telemedicine – Grant Funding \$150,000.00
- Mental Health – Telemedicine \$100,040.75

MANAGEMENT REPORTS

The Commissioners and County Manager will share with the public their various activities and ideas for continuous improvement of government services to the citizens.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public is invited to use this time to make comments to the County Commissioners on items discussed during this meeting and/or matters not discussed earlier in the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION (discussion and possible action if required)

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Department Reports

- 1) Tax Department (requires signature)**
- 2) Inspections**
- 3) Human Resources**
- 4) IT Department**
- 5) Health Department**
- 6) Department of Social Services**
- 7) Senior Center**
- 8) Soil & Water**
- 9) Cooperative Extension**
- 10) Airport**

Informational Items

- 1) Letter – Greetings from Atlantic Intracoastal Organization**
- 2) Hyde County Courthouse Bell Project Update**
- 3) National Night Out – August 7th**
- 4) 48th Annual Blackland Farm Managers Tour – August 1st**
- 5) Video Game Tournament & Workshop – July 27th**

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
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Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Lois Stotesberry, Clerk
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

SUMMARY: Attached are the July 2, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMEND: Review, Amend and Approve.

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
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Motion Seconded By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Vote: Earl Pugh, Jr.
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1 **Regular Meeting Minutes**

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3 **Board of County Commissioners**
4 **Hyde County**

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6 **Monday, July 2, 2018**

7 Following opening prayer by Commissioner Tunnell and Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. called the
8 Regular Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00p.m., on Monday, July 2, 2018, in the
9 Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke Community Center using electronic
10 conferencing equipment.

11 The following members were present on the mainland: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.; Vice-chairman Barry Swindell;
12 Commissioner Dick Tunnell; County Manager Kris Noble; Attorney Franz Holscher; Clerk to the Board Lois
13 Stotesberry; and, members of the public.

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15 Consultant Bill Rich and IT Director Donnie Shumate were present on Ocracoke.

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17 Commissioner Tom Pahl joined the meeting on Ocracoke at 6:15p.m. and Commissioner Ben Simmons joined the
18 meeting on the Mainland at 6:30p.m.

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20 **Consideration of Agenda:**

21 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the Monday, July 2, 2018 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Agenda
22 as presented by the Clerk with Appointment to Swan Quarter Watershed Steering Committee tabled to the August 6,
23 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:
24 Ayes – Pugh, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Pahl and Simmons.

25 **Consideration of Minutes:**

26 **June 5, 2018 – Regular Meeting**

27 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the June 5, 2018 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
28 Minutes as presented by the Clerk with correction on **page 4 – line 36** – Commissioner Pahl reported Hyde County is
29 losing revenue ~~as a result of tax increase which is partially responsible for low collections~~ because of a low collection
30 rate; and on **page 8 – line 21** – shellfish company to purchase lease 300 acres; **line 25** – the State gifted the Engelhard
31 Perquimans Marine Park property to Perquimans County; and **line 28** – send a letter to ~~Perquimans County~~ NC Marine
32 Industrial Seafood Park. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh,
33 Pahl, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

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35 **June 27, 2018 – Budget Workshop Meeting**

36 Commissioner Tunnell moved to approve the June 27, 2018 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Special Meeting
37 Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes
38 – Pugh, Pahl, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

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40 **Introduction:**

41 Pat Bertke, Director of MATTIE Arts Center will be introduced at the August 6, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting.

42 **Presentations:**

43 **Resolution In Honor of The Memory of Tony Spencer**

44 Commissioner Swindell moved to adopt “Resolution In Honor of The Memory of Tony Spencer”. Mr. Tunnell
45 seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays –
46 None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

1 Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr., stated the Hyde County Board of Commissioners expresses their deepest sympathy for the
2 family of Tony Spencer. Chairman Pugh presented the resolution in honor of the memory of Tony Spencer to his wife
3 Jo Ann Spencer and his father R. S. Spencer.

4 *Clerk's Note: A copy of "Resolution In Honor of The Memory of Tony Spencer" is attached herewith as Exhibit A and
5 incorporated herein by reference.*

6 Commissioner Simmons arrived and apologized to the Spencer's for missing the presentation. Mr. Simmons
7 commended Tony Spencer's dedication and support of the Volunteer Fire Departments in Hyde County.

8 **Senior Tar Heel Legislature**

9 Jan Moore, NC Senior Tar Heel Legislative (STHL) Delegate for Hyde County presented report on the June 12-13, 2018
10 STHL meeting held in Chapel Hill, NC. High points of the meeting included increase Home and Community Care
11 Block Grant (HCCBG) funding and increase funding for Senior Centers. Recurring increase in federal funding totaled
12 \$3,934,394 and recurring increase in the state budget totaled \$1,000,000 for a grand total increase of \$4,934,394.

13 **Early Voting Changes by the NC General Assembly**

14 Viola Williams, Director of Elections, reported changes to early voting schedules cleared the General Assembly with the
15 passing of Senate Bill 325 week before last. This bill affects Hyde County and has a negative impact specifically to
16 voters on Ocracoke if that site were closed.

17 House Bill 335 was introduced last week. It brings back the last Saturday of the month voting and includes a clause that
18 will allow Hyde County to still offer early voting on Ocracoke for two (2) days, but mandates the polls be open from
19 7:00a.m. – 7:00p.m., on both days. Providing the extra hours will increase the Elections budget by approximately
20 \$1,200.00. The Board of Elections will determine what days the polls will be open.

21 **Employee Recognition**

22 Kris Noble, County Manager, and the Commissioners recognized Bill Rich for his five years of service to the citizens of
23 Hyde County. Mr. Rich was awarded a \$25 gift card to Jason's on Ocracoke.

24 **Public Comments:**

25 **Peter Vankevich, Ocracoke**, asked if the \$1,200.00 increase in voting cost for 17 days is an extra cost or an added cost.

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27 **Viola Williams, Elections Director**, reported the \$1,200.00 is an additional cost for staff to keep the polls open.

28 Hearing no further comments from the public, Chairman Pugh continued the meeting.

29 **Swan Quarter Watershed Committee Vacancies** (tabled)

31 **Engelhard Sanitary District Board**

32 Commissioner Swindell moved to appoint Jo Ann Spencer to replace Tony Spencer on the Engelhard Sanitary District
33 Board. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons,
34 Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

35 **Board of Health**

36 Luana Gibbs, Health Director, reported the Hyde County Board of Health at its June 19, 2018 meeting approved the re-
37 appointment of Tynia Harris to serve a third three year term and appointment of John Mullen to his first three year term
38 on the Hyde County Board of Health. Each term is a three year term and no more than three consecutive terms may be
39 served at one time.

1 Commissioner Swindell moved to re-appoint Tynia Harris to serve a third term and to appoint John Mullen to serve a
2 first term on the Hyde County Board of Health. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
3 following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

4 **Designation of Voting Delegate To NCACC Annual Conference**

5 Commissioner Tunnell moved to designate Earl Pugh, Jr. to represent Hyde County at the 111th NCACC Annual
6 Conference in Catawba County on August 23-25, 2018. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
7 following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

8 Commissioner Tunnell will serve as alternate voting delegate.

9 **NC DOT Construction Agreement**

10 Kris Noble, County Manager, presented **Traffic – DOT Construction Agreement (ID # 7895)** for Board of
11 Commissioners discussion and approval. Upon execution of the agreement, the County agrees to own, operate and
12 maintain the tram system for a minimum of four (4) years.

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14 Franz Holscher, County Attorney, will review and present revision to the Agreement at the next Board of County
15 Commissioners meeting on August 6, 2018.

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17 **Commercial Lease – Ocracoke Tram Project**

18 Kris Noble, County Manager, reported as a part of the Ocracoke Passenger Ferry project, Hyde County has partnered
19 with the NC DOT Ferry Division and NC DOT Public Transportation Division to offer tram service in Ocracoke Village.
20 Hyde County has secured a private operator for the tram service. Trams are being provided by the NC DOT and will be
21 housed by Hyde County in a building (approximately 900 square feet) owned by Ferry View Partners, LLC located on
22 Lot 5, as shown on a plat map recorded at Plat Cabinet C, Slide 136L, Hyde County Registry. The property is located
23 adjacent to Water Plant Road, Ocracoke, NC.

24 Ms. Noble reported reimbursement to Hyde County for the lease payments is provided within the overall tram budget.

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26 Franz Holscher, County Attorney, will review and present a re-draft of the Commercial Lease at the next Board of
27 County Commissioners meeting on August 6, 2018.

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29 **Colocation of Telecommunications Equipment on Existing Tower**

30 Donnie Shumate, IT Director, reported T-Mobile has submitted a permit application to install a three (3) foot microwave
31 dish on an existing tower located on Bishop Road in Scranton. The microwave dish was listed as “future install” in the
32 original design plan submitted by T-Mobile and approved by the Board of Commissioners on November 6, 2017. Mr.
33 Shumate reported Hightower Communications will be the contractor handling the installation. All parties involved have
34 submitted the necessary paperwork and the application meets the requirements of the Hyde County Wireless
35 Telecommunications Facility Ordinance.

36 Mr. Shumate also reported a 600mgh chip will be installed in all new T-Mobile cell phones.

37 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve colocation of telecommunications equipment on an existing tower on Bishop
38 Road in Scranton as submitted by T-Mobile. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following
39 vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

40 **DHHS/DSS Signing Statement**

41 Laurie Potter, Director, DSS, reported at the June commissioners meeting she had presented an annual agreement

1 between the Department of Health and Human Services and the Hyde County Department of Social Services for all
2 social services programs excluding Medicaid. Law requires the agreement to contain certain performance requirements
3 and administrative responsibilities related to the social services program. North Carolina counties were required to
4 submit executed agreements to the state prior to a June 29, 2018 deadline. However, Ms. Potter had reservations in
5 regard to the requirements within the agreement. She reported the agreement was submitted and has been signed.

6 Franz Holscher, County Attorney, condensed and streamlined the “Signing Statement” regarding the Memorandum of
7 Understanding (MOU) for FY2018-19 to better represent Hyde County DSS.

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9 Ms. Potter endorsed Mr. Holscher’s rewrite of the Signing Statement.

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11 Commissioner Simmons moved to send the revised “Signing Statement” as prepared by Attorney Holscher. Mr. Pahl
12 seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons, Swindell and Tunnell;
13 Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

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15 **Tunnell Subdivision**

16 Kris Noble, County Manager, reported the Douglas Tunnell Heirs have submitted a subdivision plat for consideration.
17 The subdivision is considered a minor subdivision under the Hyde County Subdivision Ordinance, meeting the
18 requirements that it involves no more than ten lots and includes contiguous land single ownership. In addition this
19 subdivision does not involve any new streets, requires no existing drainage easements, does not create new or residual
20 parcels that do not conform, and does not constitute an enlargement of a previously approved minor plat. All lot square
21 footages and accesses meet requirements and water and sewer is available to the lots being created.

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23 Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the Douglas Tunnell Heirs Subdivision as presented. Mr. Swindell seconded
24 the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays –
25 None; Absent or not voting – None.

26 **Dark Woods Farms Subdivision**

27 Kris Noble, County Manager, reported Dark Woods Farms, LLC has submitted a subdivision plat for consideration. The
28 subdivision is considered a minor subdivision under the Hyde County Subdivision Ordinance, meeting the requirements
29 that it involves no more than ten lots and includes contiguous land single ownership. In addition this subdivision does
30 not involve any new streets, requires no existing drainage easements, does not create new or residual parcels that do not
31 conform, and does not constitute an enlargement of a previously approved minor plat. All lot square footages and
32 accesses meet requirements.

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34 Commissioner Pahl moved to approve the preliminary plat and authorize the planner to verify code compliance and
35 execute the final plat. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh,
36 Pahl, Simmons, Swindell and Tunnell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

37 **Fee Schedule FY2018-19**

38 Luana Gibbs, Director reported the FY2018-19 Hyde County Health Department Fee Schedule was reviewed and
39 approved by the Hyde County Board of Health on June 19, 2018.

40 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the Health Department FY2018-19 Fee Schedule as presented. Mr. Tunnell
41 seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Simmons, Tunnell and Swindell;
42 Nays – None; Absent or not voting – none.

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1 **Budget Transfers:**

2 Earl Pugh, Jr., Chairman, presented the following budget transfer for Board of Commissioners approval.

- 3 • **Health Department** – Mental Health & Substance Abuse \$91,350.00

4 Luana Gibbs, Health Director reported this revision creates a budget for Hyde County’s Mental Health/Substance
5 Abuse program. Grant funding from Kate B. Reynolds Foundation covers salary and fringe benefits for a Licensed
6 Counselor, supplies, travel and education. Total grant funding for fiscal year 2018-2019 totals \$151,927.00. A
7 formal presentation of this program will be provided at the August 6, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting.

8 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the Health Department budget transfer as presented. Mr. Simmons
9 seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Simmons, Tunnell and
10 Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – none.

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12 **Management Reports:**

13 **Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.** – attended an Albemarle Commission meeting in Hertford.

14 **Vice-chair Barry Swindell** – thanked Manager Noble and staff for Bill Rich’s retirement party. Mr. Swindell attended
15 a Health Board meeting and continues working with Brandon Marshal and Kris Noble on the recreation complex
16 project.

17 **Commissioner Dick Tunnell** – will attend a Mid-East Housing meeting this week.

18 **Commissioner Ben Simmons** – discussed lottery tickets on Ocracoke and the poultry and hog industry in North
19 Carolina.

20 **Commissioner Tom Pahl** – reported nothing is prohibiting the sale of lottery tickets on Ocracoke. Mr. Pahl attended
21 Ocracoke Township Tourism Development Authority, Island Inn, Waterways Commission and Hyde Transit Board
22 meetings and met with Bill Rich and Kris Noble. Mr. Pahl discussed safety concerns for motorized skateboards and
23 improved communications and signage on the Island.

24 **Bill Rich, Former County Manager** – thanked everyone for the surprise retirement celebration. He will revisit the
25 tram project at a later meeting.

26 **County Manager Kris Noble** – attended NC Economic Development, Ocracoke Township Tourism Development
27 Authority, NC DOT Airport and Hycienda Heights meetings. She reported six home elevations have started; an
28 engineer for the Davis Building roof repair project will be selected; youth athletics is progressing well; and Hyde
29 County will have an alligator hunt season in September with a permit. She plans to attend the 4th of July dignitary
30 breakfast in Belhaven. She is moving into the manager’s office and plans to meet with department heads to discuss
31 ways to increase revenues in each department.

32 **Public Comments:**

33 Hearing no comments from the public, Chairman Pugh continued the meeting.

34 **Closed Session** (none)

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36 **Adjourn**

37 Commissioner Simmons moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
38 following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Swindell and Simmons; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

1 The meeting adjourned at 7:15p.m.

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3 Respectfully submitted:

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5 Minutes approved on the 6th day of August, 2018.

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7 Attest:

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10 _____
11 Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
12 Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

Earl Pugh, Jr.
Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

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13 **Attachments:**

14 **Exhibit A: “Resolution In Honor of The Memory of Tony Spencer”**

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**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
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Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Patrice Berke
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: INTRODUCTION

SUMMARY: Patrice Berke, new Director of the MATTIE Arts Center will introduce herself and very briefly report on activities at MATTIE Arts Center and what they hope to accomplish in the future as a community outreach program.

RECOMMEND: INFORMATION ONLY

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Patrice Berke
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: MATTIE ARTS CENTER ARTS & SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

SUMMARY: Patrice Berke, Director of the MATTIE Arts Center will talk about the upcoming MATTIE Arts & Seafood Festival on September 22 in Swan Quarter.

RECOMMEND: INFORMATION ONLY

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Anna Stein
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: Naloxone and Syringe Exchange Programs

SUMMARY: This presentation is designed to provide information about Naloxone and Syringe Exchange Programs and their impact toward harm reduction in North Carolina, and more specifically, Hyde County.

Both programs are currently being provided through the Health Department with the Drug Task Force support, as well as the Board of Health support.

No action is necessary. This is form information purposes only.

RECOMMEND: N/A

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
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**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
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Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Luana Gibbs, Anna Schafer, Jenna Brinn
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Drug Task Force

SUMMARY: This presentation is an update for the Drug Task Force, as well as the newly implemented Mental Health and Substance Abuse program that is being provided by the Health Department.

No action is necessary. This is informational only.

RECOMMEND: N/A

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Meeting Date: August 6, 2018
Presenter: Anna Schafer
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: 2017 State of the County Health (SOTCH) Report

SUMMARY: Brief overview of the 2017 SOTCH Report

RECOMMEND: APPROVAL OF 2017 SOTCH REPORT

Motion Made By: Barry Swindell
 Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Vote: Barry Swindell
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2017
STATE OF THE COUNTY
HEALTH REPORT

Hyde County, NC



*Matthew Molt
Photography*

From the Lodge to the Lighthouse
We're striving for a healthier Hyde

About the Report

The State of the County Health (SOTCH) Report is created during the years between Community Health Assessments as a way to track and present annual changes and progress in the health of the county. The SOTCH is a document which provides an overview of leading health priorities, emerging issues, and new health initiatives in the county.



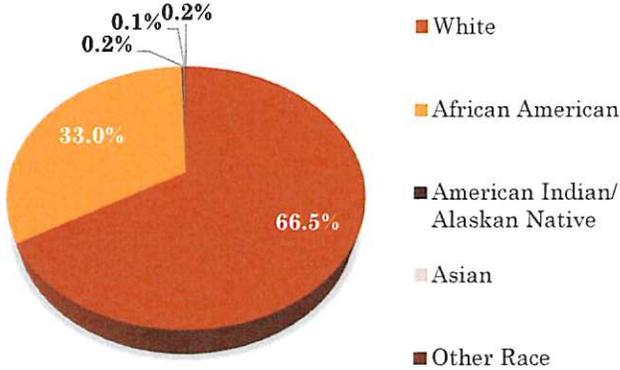
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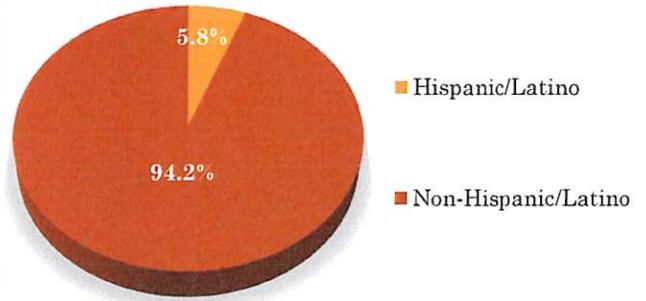
Hyde County at a Glance

2016 Race/Ethnicity Estimates



The population of all minority groups has decreased since 2014.

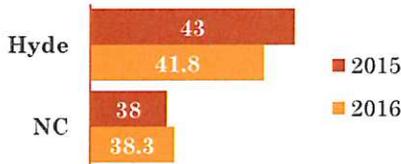
2016 Estimates of Hispanic/Latino Population



Although the estimated Hispanic population decreased by 1.8% in 2015, there was a slight increase in 2016.

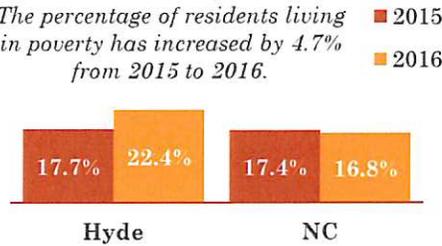
Median Age*

The median age for Hyde was 3.5 years older than that of the state.



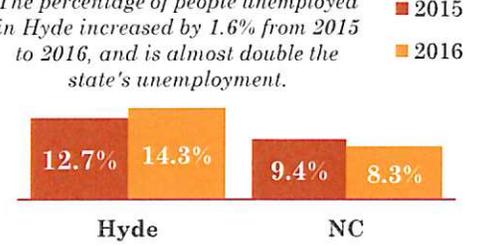
Poverty*

The percentage of residents living in poverty has increased by 4.7% from 2015 to 2016.



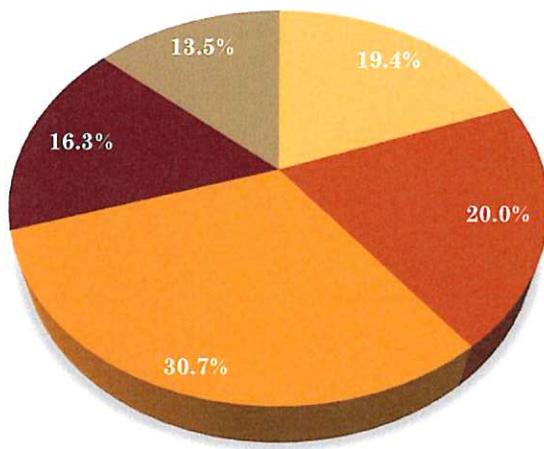
Unemployment*

The percentage of people unemployed in Hyde increased by 1.6% from 2015 to 2016, and is almost double the state's unemployment.

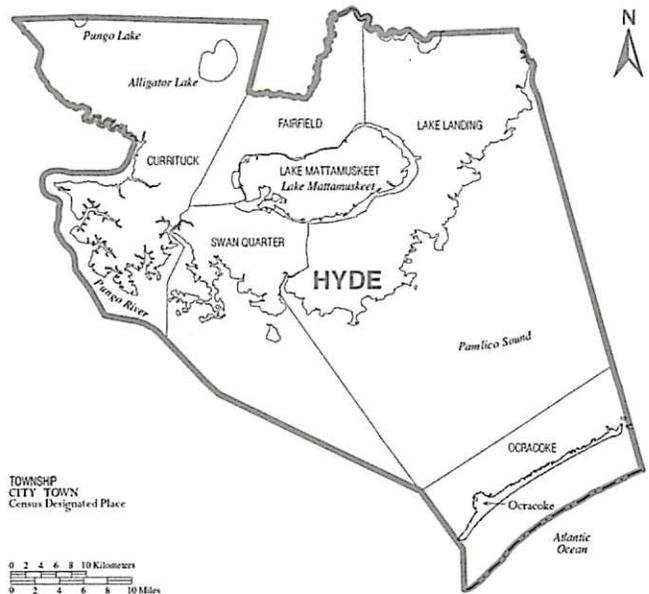


*Figures are estimates for 2016

Township Population Percentages (2010 US Census)



- Currituck
- Fairfield
- Lake Landing
- Ocracoke
- Swan Quarter



2016 Population Estimate:

5629

Leading Health Priorities

In Hyde County, a Community Health Assessment (CHA) is performed every three years in collaboration with our local hospitals and community & regional agencies. The CHA process involves a review of county health data, as well as the collection and review of community input on the topic of health. Once all data is reviewed, leading health priorities are selected prior to action planning. These are the top health priorities identified in the 2014 CHA:

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION
(Chronic Disease Prevention)

ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Substance Abuse

PROGRESS MADE IN 2017

Substance Awareness Taskforce

In July 2017, leaders from Hyde County government convened and developed a Substance Awareness Taskforce in response to the opioid epidemic and at the urging of the NC Association of County Commissioners. The Substance Awareness Taskforce is a collection of community leaders and citizens working towards a healthy, productive, drug-free community through increased 1) prevention education, 2) awareness of & access to counseling & treatment resources, and 3) enforcement of relevant laws. One of the first steps taken by the Taskforce was hosting Community Forums in five townships in Hyde County in order to receive feedback from our residents and to assess the needs and gaps in local services. Each township expressed different concerns and needs; however, each township expressed interest in each of the 3 focus areas of the Taskforce. Additionally, the Taskforce has created a Strategic Plan to guide their work in the coming years and has begun seeking grant funds to support this work.

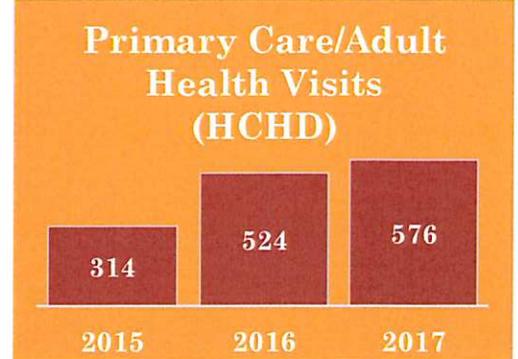
Education/Prevention	Resources/Recovery	Enforcement	Other
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence-based school education & prevention program Educational media campaign Parent education programming Regular prevention/education activities with middle/high school students Improvements to existing county grounds to support positive social/physical activity programming Community education events Medication take-back events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Syringe exchange program Treatment and recovery resource list Peer supports for those in recovery Naloxone distribution Substance abuse counseling Substance abuse treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community tipline Community watch Increased law enforcement presence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County website for Substance Awareness Taskforce Grant funding to support work of Taskforce Engage community across all focus areas of Taskforce

Access to Primary Care

Progress Made in 2017

Health Department Primary Care Services

The Hyde County Health Department (HCHD) began offering Primary Care Services in 2015. The number of primary care visits has increased by over 83% since the first year of service provision. This vast increase in primary care visits indicates that fewer residents are traveling outside of the county to access their primary care provider.



Translator Services

- ★ With funding from the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, a Spanish Interpreter/Outreach Worker was hired in May 2017 by the HCHD. From May to December 2017, 121 patients received care at the HCHD clinic, compared to 80 patients for the same time period the previous year – more than a 50% increase.

Medical Access Program

- ★ Thanks to funding from the Division of Public Health's Office of Rural Health, all self-pay patients receive \$100 deduction from their bills. From September to December 2017, 27% of all patients seen in the HCHD clinic for any reason benefitted from these funds, totaling \$4,300 of assistance to self-pay patients over a 4-month span of time.

Physical Activity & Nutrition (Chronic Disease Prevention)

Progress Made in 2017

School-Based Programming

- KidShape2.0 is an evidence-based 6-week weight-management program that empowers families to adopt healthier eating and physical activity habits while promoting positive self-esteem. Families on Ocracoke Island had the opportunity to participate in KidShape2.0 classes from January to March 2017. An average of 9 families participated per class, and at the conclusion of the course, students were extremely knowledgeable about healthy living and performed increased healthy behaviors as a result of the intervention.
- Youth Fit for Life is an evidence-based 24-week program which aims to improve self-efficacy with respect to exercise and physical activity, self-regulation of these behaviors, and behavioral performance. The program is incorporated into the existing afterschool programming at Hyde County Schools.



Healthy Food Access

The “food dessert” of Hyde County presents barriers to residents who aim to maintain a healthy diet. Therefore, in collaboration with regional agencies and Partnerships Improving Community Health grant funding from the Centers for Disease Control, the Hyde County Health Department facilitated the increase in access to fresh, local produce by supporting local farm stands and produce outlets, and offering a Farmers Market once a month during the summer months. The produce outlets received materials and supplies to enhance their ability to get their healthy food products in the hands of local families.

★ Denotes new partnership, initiative, and/or funding opportunity!

New & Emerging Issues:

911 System

In a move to be the first three-county consolidated 911 center in North Carolina, the Hyde County Commissioners voted to join Dare and Tyrrell counties in the creation of a regional emergency communications center (RECC) in December 2017.

In the past, each of the three counties operated their own public safety answering point (PSAP) with financial assistance from the North Carolina 911 Board. Traditional funding structures, however, are shifting to encourage increased efficiency and service through regional partnerships. The RECC is largely financed with grant funding through the new NC E-911 Consolidation Program.

Dare County donated the land for the RECC, with the total value of the project estimated at \$11 million. The state-of-the-art facility is located in Manteo adjacent to the Dare County regional airport.

The project is expected to diminish redundancies through an integrated management structure that utilizes data sharing, intercommunications, and standardized training and operating procedures. The RECC will be particularly helpful during large-scale emergencies such as hurricanes. Hyde County anticipates a savings of roughly \$130,000 a year by participating in the unified RECC.

Additionally, with the initiation of the RECC, Hyde County began providing Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD). This service is a systematic way of handing medical calls and is an essential component of an effective EMS system. Callers requesting EMS are asked to remain on the line with the dispatcher until emergency personnel arrive and they will be asked questions regarding the patient's medical condition. All information is provided to EMS and the dispatcher will provide pre-arrival instructions to the caller. The County of Hyde feels that this service will increase the annual save percentage dramatically.

County Health Rankings

Each year, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation releases the County Health Rankings. The rankings allow you to see how the health of your county compares to other counties in your state. To the right, you can see how Hyde County ranked in 2015 and 2016 (out of 100 counties, where "1" is the best rank).

	2016	2017	Trend
Health Outcomes Ranking	50	7	
Length of Life	60	5	
Quality of Life	43	31	
Health Factors Ranking	60	56	
Health Behaviors	49	47	
Clinical Care	65	33	
Social & Economic Factors	78	83	
Physical Environment	1	1	

 Improvement
  Decline
  No Change

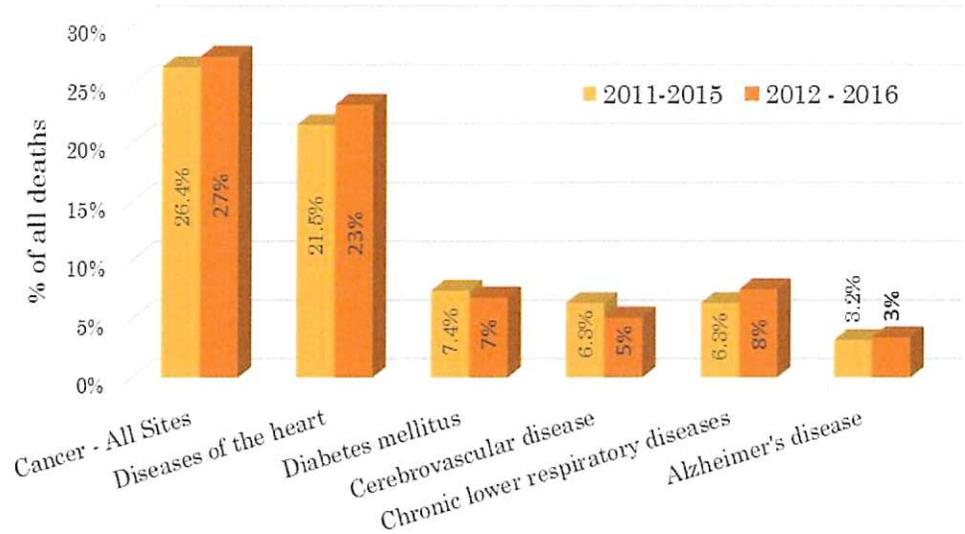
Leading Causes of Death

LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH (2012 - 2016)

1. Cancer
2. Heart Disease
3. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease
4. Diabetes Mellitus
5. Cerebrovascular Disease
6. Alzheimer's Disease
7. Hypertension
8. Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome, & Nephrosis
- Other Unintentional Injuries
10. Parkinson's Disease

Leading Causes of Death

2011-2015 and 2012-2016



Age	Rank	Cause of Death	# of Deaths	Death Rate
Total Deaths - All Ages			293	1041.1
00-19	Total Deaths - All Causes		2	36.8
	1	Conditions originating in the perinatal period	1	18.4
20-39	Total Deaths - All Causes		7	95.3
	1	Cancer - All Sites	2	27.2
		Motor vehicle injuries	1	13.6
	2	Diabetes mellitus	1	13.6
		Homicide	1	13.6
		Other unintentional injuries	1	13.6
40-64	Total Deaths - All Causes		61	589.2
	1	Cancer - All Sites	26	251.1
	2	Diseases from the heart	10	96.6
65-84	Total Deaths - All Causes		138	3120.1
	1	Cancer - All Sites	37	836.5
	2	Diseases from the heart	34	768.7
85+	Total Deaths - All Causes		85	14333.9
	1	Diseases from the heart	24	4047.2
	2	Cancer - All Sites	15	2529.5

Birth Outcomes & Statistics

Resident Live Birth Rates per 1,000 Population (2012-2016)

Total		Non-Hispanic								Hispanic	
		Total		White		Black		Other			
Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate
232	8.2	200	7.7	159	9.2	41	4.9	0	0	32	14.3

There were 245 live births between 2011 and 2015, 87.8% of which were non-Hispanic.

Resident Birth Risk Factors & Characteristics (2016)

		Births	% of Births
Trimester Care Began	1st	32	82.1%
	2nd	5	12.8%
	3rd	2	5.1%
Infants Breastfed at Discharge	Yes	29	74.4%
	No	10	25.6%
Maternal Pre-Pregnancy BMI	Underweight (<18.5)	1	2.6%
	Normal (18.5-24.9)	14	35.9%
	Overweight (25.0-29.9)	14	35.9%
	Obese (30.0)	10	25.6%

In 2016, 82.1% of mothers began prenatal care during the first trimester; 74.4% of infants were breastfed at discharge; and 35.9% of mothers had a pre-pregnancy BMI that was considered "normal".

Resident Birth Weights (2012-2016)

	Births	% of Births
Low Birth Weight	16	6.9%
Very Low Birth Weight	6	2.6%

From 2012 to 2016, 9.5% of babies were born with a "low" or "very low" birth weight.

Life Expectancy at Birth

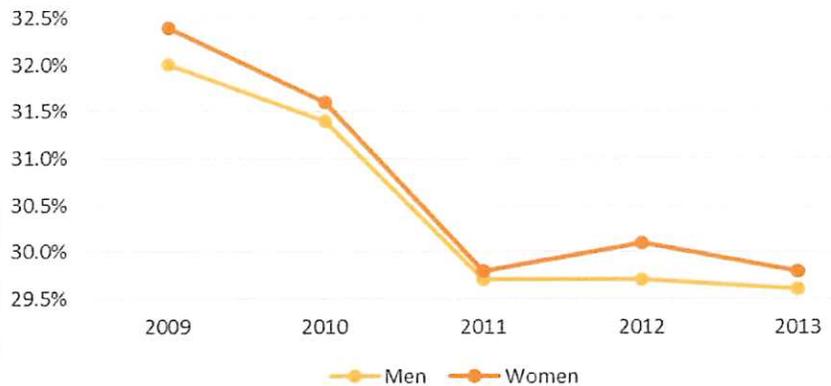
	2013-2015	2014-2016
TOTAL	78.9	77.6
<i>Male</i>	78.3	76.5
<i>Female</i>	79.2	78.9
<i>White</i>	80	78.6
<i>African American</i>	76.3	74.2

The life expectancy has decreased from 78.9 years in 2013-2015 to 77.6 years in 2014-2016.

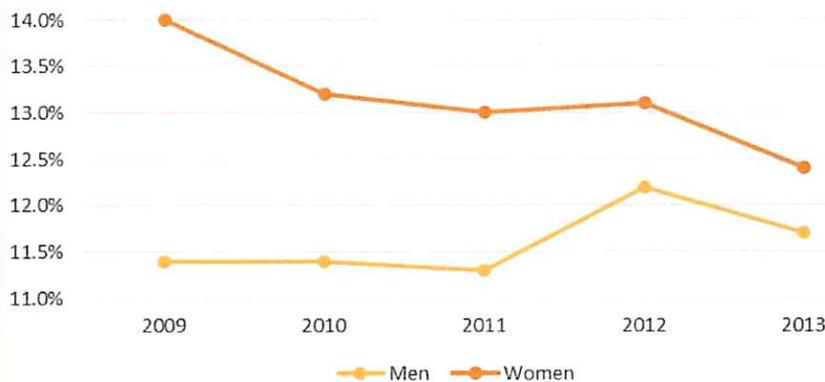
Other Data

The prevalence of women diagnosed with obesity in Hyde County from 2009-2013 was consistently higher than the prevalence of men diagnosed with obesity.

Obesity Prevalance for Hyde County by sex, 2009-2013



Diabetes Prevalance for Hyde County by sex, 2009-2013



The prevalence of women diagnosed with diabetes in Hyde County from 2009-2013 was consistently higher than the prevalence of men diagnosed with diabetes.

Substance Abuse

- According to Hyde County Department of Social Services, in 2016, 11 out of 33 of their cases were related to substance abuse. Additionally, a total of 35 children involved in their cases were affected by substance abuse.
- From 1999 until 2015, 5 out of 6 poisoning deaths were related to medication/drugs, with no more than 1 overdose per year. In 2016, however, there were 2 overdose deaths – both of which were related to medication/drugs.
- From 1999 to 2015, no data was reported regarding hospitalizations resultant of poisonings due to the fact that cases are suppressed when there have been overdose(s) but the number of overdoses is fewer than 10.
- In 2016, however, 10 cases of poisoning hospitalizations were reported.
- In 2016, Hyde County EMS reported 27 drug related clinical impressions.
- In 2017, there were 15 warrants/arrests for marijuana (plus 20 citations), 16 warrants/arrests for paraphernalia, 20 warrants/arrests for schedule II/IV drugs, and 15 involuntary commitments to treatment by law enforcement.

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