

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Board of County Commissioners  
Hyde County**

**Monday, February 6, 2017**

After opening prayer by Commissioner Simmons and Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. called the Regular Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order on Monday, February 6, 2017, in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke Community Center using electronic conferencing equipment.

The following members were present on the mainland: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr., Vice-chairman Barry Swindell, Commissioners Tom Pahl, Dick Tunnell and Ben Simmons; County Manager Bill Rich; Assistant County Manager Kris Cahoon-Noble; Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; and, members of the public.

Public Information Officer Teresa Adams, IT Director Donnie Shumate and members of the public were present on Ocracoke.

Attorney Fred Holscher was absent.

**Agenda:**

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the February 6, 2017 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk with addition of Items of Consideration No. 14. Beaufort County Community College Lease and No. 15 – Ocracoke Occupancy Tax – Passenger Ferry; and, Budget Transfers Christmas Cheer-FY15-16 and FY16-17. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

**Consideration of Minutes:**

Commissioner Pahl moved to approve the January 3, 2017 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

**Presentations:**

**National Park Service Update**

Dave Hallac, Superintendent, Cape Hatteras National Seashore, presented update on the activities of the National Park Service. Topics discussed include increased visitation, driving on the beach, ORV permits, prices and routes, reduced wildlife buffers, Ramp 59, Devil Shoal Road and South Bitter Swash Creek foot path and parking. Superintendent Hallac concluded changes in 2016 made a big difference to Cape Hatteras Seashore. Twenty-five miles of the 28 mile beach is now open for driving.

**Trillium Health Resources – Annual Report**

Dave Peterson, Central Regional Director, Trillium, presented annual report on Trillium Health Resources and requested County Commissioners support for providing Trillium with adequate state funding to continue serving those with disabilities throughout its 24 county LME.

Commissioner Simmons moved to adopt Resolution of Support for Adequate Funding to Meet the Mental Health, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Disorder Service Needs for Citizens of Hyde County. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

*Clerk's Note: A copy of "Resolution of Support for Adequate Funding to Meet the Mental Health, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Disorder Service Needs for Citizens of Hyde County" is attached herewith as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.*

**Resolution Opposing the Proposed Expansion of the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge**

Daren Hubers, Hyde Soil & Water Conservation Board of Supervisors reported the Board has reviewed the proposed expansion report of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge (dated 09-19-2016) and is opposed to the acquisition of 11,932.8 acres of land belonging to Mattamuskeet Ventures and Coastal Land Holdings, LLC.

After further discussion with western Hyde County land owners/farmers Wade Hubers, Rodney Glass and Reid Gelderman Manager Rich reported Pam Wingrove, Natural Resource Planner, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, will present report on the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program at the next regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting on March 6, 2017. The PILT program provides payments to counties and other local governments to offset losses in tax revenues due to the presence of tax-exempt federal land in their jurisdictions.

Betty Jo Shephard, Field Representative, Office of Senator Richard Burr, attended the meeting.

No action taken.

**Insurance District Boundaries**

Justin Gibbs, Director, Emergency Services, reported pursuant to NCGS 58-2-40 and 59-36-10 – Initial Certification/Re-Inspection of Fire Departments in North Carolina, the NC Insurance Commissioner authorized the standard known as Administrative Procedures Code Section .0500. The result of this action was the development of requirements by which all fire departments will be certified with a 9S rating (effective 1987) for insurance grading purposes. A hand drawn map and written description or a GIS computer generated map of its initial or revised fire district should be on file in the Office of State Fire Marshal.

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the Swan Quarter and Ocracoke Resolution for Approval of Insurance District Boundaries and 9S rated district maps as presented by ES Director Justin Gibbs. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

*Clerk's Note: A copy of "Resolution for Approval of Insurance District Boundaries – Swan Quarter" is attached herewith as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.*

*Clerk's Note: A copy of "Resolution for Approval of Insurance District Boundaries – Ocracoke" is attached herewith as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference.*

**Employee Recognition:**

**Laurie Potter**

Bill Rich, County Manager, commended Laurie Potter, DSS Director, for dedicated service to the citizens of Hyde County. Ms. Potter spun the "Wheel of Thanks" and won a \$25.00 Gift Certificate for Spoon River Restaurant in Belhaven, NC.

**Public Comments:**

**Edith Deltgen, Columbia** – requested permission to do "Living Trees for Hope, Love and Peace" art project in Swan Quarter and Ocracoke.

**Reid Gielderman, New Lake farmer** – stated the expansion of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge will affect not just land owners and the seller, it affects the whole county.

**Rodney Glass, New Lake farmer** – questioned expansion of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge in reference to the red wolf program.

**Wade Hubers, New Lake farmer** – questioned effects of expansion of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge on the red wolf program, Wildlife Resources drainage control methods and Soil & Water Board's responsibility to monitor this event.

Commissioner Simmons left the meeting room.

**Seldon Taylor, Swan Quarter** – continues to be bothered by free range chickens in his yard.

Manager Rich recommended he go through the Hyde County Magistrate and Sheriff to handle the nuisance.

There being no further comment from the public, Chairman Pugh continued the meeting.

**Items of Consideration:**

**Proclamation – Designation of April 2017 As Senior Games Participation Month**

Kris Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported the Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging will be holding the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Albemarle Senior Games in spring 2017. Participants and volunteers would be honored if the Hyde County Board of Commissioners would sponsor an official proclamation to recognize April as Senior Games Participation Month.

Ashley Lamb, Albemarle Senior Games Coordinator, (letter) suggested this would provide an excellent opportunity for Hyde County to demonstrate its support in the fun, fitness and fellowship of older adults. Moreover, it is a wonderful opportunity to educate the public on the availability of senior services throughout the region.

Commissioner Swindell moved to approve Proclamation – Designation of April 2017 As Senior Games Participation Month. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

*Clerk's Note: A copy of "Proclamation – Designation of April 2017 As Senior Games Participation Month" is attached herewith as Exhibit D and incorporated herein by reference.*

#### **Resolution In Support of Mattamuskeet Association's Appeal For Public Assistance**

Kris Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported the Mattamuskeet Association is a private non-profit association that provides drainage, maintained access, flood control and utility conveyance for public good including the protection of critical local government facilities and private homes and businesses. Hyde County supports the Mattamuskeet Association's application for public assistance to FEMA and promotes the Mattamuskeet Association as providing critical public assistance through its drainage and flood control activities for landowners, business owners, public infrastructure and residents both inside and outside of their boundaries.

Commissioner Pahl moved to adopt "Resolution In Support of Mattamuskeet Association's Appeal for Public Assistance" and agree that on behalf of the citizens of Hyde County, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners strongly urge FEMA to accept the Mattamuskeet Association's application for public assistance. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

*Clerk's Note: A copy of "Resolution In Support of Mattamuskeet Association's Appeal for Public Assistance" is attached herewith as Exhibit E and incorporated herein by reference.*

#### **Appointments:**

##### **Appointment of Regular and Alternate Board Members To The Ocracoke Board of Adjustments**

Tom Pahl, Commissioner, recommended the appointment of five regular and two alternate board members for the Ocracoke Board of Adjustments.

Commissioner Pahl moved to appoint Ann Warner and Daniel Wroblewski to serve as alternate members on the Ocracoke Board of Adjustments. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

##### **Re-appointment To The Ocracoke Board of Adjustments**

Commissioner Pahl moved to re-appoint Finley Austin to serve a three year term on the Ocracoke Board of Adjustments. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

#### **2017-18 Legislative Goals Update**

Commissioner Earl Pugh, Jr. attended the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' 2017 Legislative Goals Conference in Raleigh on January 12-13, 2017. The Legislative Goals Conference represents the culmination of a thorough, deliberate and inclusive process to set the Association's legislative agenda for the 2017-18 Legislative Biennium. The complete set of Association legislative goals is available at <http://www.ncacc.org/620/2017-18-Legislative-Goals>. Commissioner Pugh participated in the process by serving as Hyde County voting delegate.

No action required.

#### **Joint Use Study – Seymour Johnson**

Bill Rich, County Manager, presented update on the Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) recently conducted by Seymour Johnson Air Force Base (AFB). The goal of the JLUS is to protect the viability of current and future missions at Seymour Johnson AFB and Dare County Range, while accommodating community growth, sustaining the economic health of the northeast North Carolina region and protecting public health, welfare and safety.

The NC Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division is hosting the third Public Workshop for the Seymour Johnson AFB and Dare County Range JLUS on March 13-16, 2017. The public workshop will be provided in four locations. Details are available at [www.northeastncregionaljlus.com](http://www.northeastncregionaljlus.com).

No action required.

Commissioner Simmons returned.

#### **OSFM Fire Grants Match Proposal**

Bill Rich, County Manager, reported on January 3, 2017, he and Chairman Pugh met with Engelhard VFD Chief Tony Spencer and Swan Quarter VFD Chief Jeffrey Stotesberry to discuss county-wide fire departments' need for increased funding to purchase equipment for operations. Chief Spencer is planning to apply for an OSFM Fire Rescue grant from the Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) and has asked the county to consider approving a 25%

match. Funds will be awarded in May and a certification that matching funds are available will be required as a part of the grant process. Funds from the County will be budgeted in the FY2017-18 Budget and if approved awarded in July. The combined grant match requests from the VFD's is \$224,565.22 and the County match will total \$56,141.31.

<u>Volunteer Fire Department</u>	<u>Grant Funds</u>	<u>25% Match Funds</u>	<u>Grant Total</u>
Scranton	\$ 29,817.75	\$ 9,939.25	\$ 39,757.00
Ocracoke	\$ 19,398.09	\$ 6,466.03	\$ 25,864.12
Fairfield	\$ 29,313.65	\$ 9,771.22	\$ 39,084.87
Engelhard	\$ 29,999.62	\$ 9,999.88	\$ 39,999.50
Ponzer	\$ 29,718.37	\$ 9,906.13	\$ 39,624.50
Swan Quarter	<u>\$ 30,176.42</u>	<u>\$10,058.81</u>	<u>\$ 40,235.23</u>
	\$168,423.90	\$56,141.32	\$224,565.22

Commissioner Tunnell moved to allow County Manager Bill Rich to find the \$56,141.31 match request in the FY2017-2018 Hyde County Budget. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

**Tideland EMC Loan Request From West Quarter Drainage District**

Bill Rich, County Manager, reported West Quarter Drainage District is considering applying for a \$150,000.00 - 10 year - 0% interest loan through Tideland EMC's loan program. Their board will meet next week to discuss. The loan proceeds will be used to purchase and replace 15 tide gates. If the drainage district decides to proceed with the request, Hyde County will be the borrower of the funds from Tideland EMC and serve as an intermediary for the distribution of funds to West Quarter Drainage District.

No action taken.

**Fairfield Drainage District**

Benjamin Simmons, Commissioner, reported Fairfield Drainage District is considering applying for a 0% interest loan through Tideland EMC's loan program. The District needs \$150 to \$200 thousand to pay bills until reimbursed by FEMA. If FEMA denies the request they would like to pay the loan on a ten-year note.

Manager Rich will research this request.

**Ocracoke Convenience Site**

Bill Rich, County Manager, presented update on improvements being made to the Ocracoke Convenience Site including paving and fence art work. Mr. Rich recommends paving the driveway to the highway and adding murals in the fence to reference recycling.

**County Closure Policy**

Barry Swindell, Vice-chairman, recommended developing a protocol for county employees to follow during periods of inclement weather.

Kris Noble, Assistant County Manager, presented pictures of the January 9<sup>th</sup> snow event.

**FMA-PJ-04-NC-2015-004 Grant Agreement**

Kris Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported Hyde County has received final approval to execute the Grant Agreement for Project FMA-PJ-04-NC-2015-004 to elevate residential structures at 255 Lazy Lane and 275 Lazy Lane, Engelhard, NC. Estimated Federal share (90%) is \$204, 243.30 and estimated local share (10%) is \$22,693.70 to be paid by the home owners for a project total of \$226,937.00.

Commissioner Simmons moved to authorize execution of the grant agreement for Project FMA-PJ-04-NC-2015-004. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

**Mattamuskeet Watershed Study**

Bill Rich, County Manager, presented update on the Mattamuskeet Watershed Study.

On October 3, 2016, Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge Manager Pete Campbell accompanied by Michelle Moorman presented the Lake Mattamuskeet Watershed Restoration Plan and submitted a draft list of stakeholder groups that will be important to engage in the project moving forward including a plan of work that includes estimated costs from the Coastal Federation.

On November 7, 2016, the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the Lake Mattamuskeet Restoration Program; to put \$15,000.00 (Hyde County's obligation) in the FY17-18 County Budget; and, to apply for grant funding from DCM in April, 2017.

No action required.

**FY2017-2018 Budget Calendar**

Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the FY2017-2018 Hyde County Budget Calendar as presented by County Manager Bill Rich. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

**BCCC Lease Renewal**

Commissioner Simmons moved to renew Beaufort County Community College Lease for rooms occupied at Davis Building. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

**Ocracoke Occupancy Tax and Passenger Ferry Project**

Bill Rich, County Manager, reported he will attend the Ocracoke Occupancy Tax Board meeting, at 7:00p.m., on Thursday, February 9, 2017, at the Ocracoke Community Center, to present proposal for the Ocracoke Tram System and Passenger Ferry Project.

**Budget Transfers:**

Bill Rich, County Manager, presented the following budget transfers for Board of Commissioner approval:

**Airport**

a. Aviation Drainage ..... \$ 9,195.18

**Social Services**

a. Day Care Revenue ..... \$24,453.00  
b. Day Care Supplies ..... \$23,804.40  
c. Christmas Cheer FY15-16 ..... \$ 2,740.00  
d. Christmas Cheer FY16-17 ..... \$ 2,740.00

**Health Department**

a. 26-17 – Child Health ..... \$ 5,000.00  
b. 27-17 – Communicable Disease..... \$ 400.00  
c. 28-17 – General – Telephones ..... \$ 2,081.10  
d. 29-17 – Environmental Health ..... \$ 1,200.00  
e. 30-17 – WIC ..... \$ 264.00  
f. 31-17 – General – Cell Phones ..... \$ 2,000.00  
g. 32-17 – Environmental Health ..... \$ 400.00  
h. 33-17 – Genral – Contract Dental ..... \$ 2,400.00  
i. 34-17 – Adult Health – PC Contract Provider ..... \$ 6,350.40  
j. 35-17 – Maternal Health – Contract Provider ..... \$ 1,940.40  
k. 36-17 – Child Health – Contract Provider ..... \$ 4,410.00  
l. 37-17 – Family Planning – Contract Provider ..... \$ 4,939.20  
m. 38-17 – Interpreter Outreach Work ..... \$65,800.00

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

**Management Reports:**

**Commissioner Tom Pahl** – attended meetings regarding the passenger ferry/tram project with the planning group and OCBA; planning meetings and the organizational meeting of the Variance Board. Mr. Pahl discussed citizen's concerns about solar farms moratorium; and, followed up on National Park Service projects. He also interviewed with Peter Vankevich of WOVV.

**Commissioner Ben Simmons** – attended a drainage meeting and Pamlico Sound shrimp meeting. Mr. Simmons requested he be replaced on the Trillium Board.

**Commissioner Barry Swindell** – attended the Health Board re-accreditation with Randy Clayton and Luana Gibbs. Mr. Swindell thanked Bryant Morrison and Shawn Zehmaker and reported the Hyde County Athletic League has 50 players. He continues to listen to citizen concerns.

**Commissioner Dick Tunnell** – attended the Mattamuskeet Restoration Study and Engelhard Sewer Board meetings; met with Lyn Alligood of Albemarle Commission; and, thanked staff for maintenance done on the Health Department parking lot.

**Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.** – attended the Legislative Goals Conference in Raleigh, and the recycling, shrimp, ferry and Lake Mattamuskeet meetings.

**County Manager Bill Rich** – Mr. Rich’s February 2017 calendar was provided.

**Assistant County Manager Kris Noble** – Ms. Noble reported on projects, meetings and events attended. She also reported on a class she attends in Chapel Hill 4 days a month.

**Public Comments:**

There being no comment from the public, Chairman Pugh continued the meeting.

**Closed Session (none)**

**Adjourn**

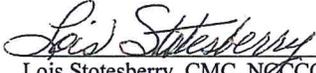
Commissioner Simmons moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – none.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20p.m.

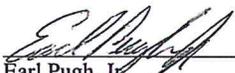
Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

Attest:

  
Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC  
Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners



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

**Attachments:**

- Exhibit A: “Resolution of Support for Adequate Funding to Meet the Mental Health, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Disorder Service Needs for Citizens of Hyde County”**
- Exhibit B: “Resolution for Approval of Insurance District Boundaries – Swan Quarter”**
- Exhibit C: “Resolution for Approval of Insurance District Boundaries – Ocracoke”**
- Exhibit D: “Proclamation – Designation of April 2017 As Senior Games Participation Month”**
- Exhibit E: “Resolution In Support of Mattamuskeet Association’s Appeal for Public Assistance”**

**Resolution of Support for Adequate Funding to meet the Mental Health, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Disorder service needs for Citizens of Hyde County**

**WHEREAS**, Hyde County knows that citizens dealing with mental illness and substance use disorders can achieve recovery with the appropriate services and supports and that citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities can live productive lives in our communities with similar services and supports; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding needed for such services and supports is increasing due to North Carolina's increasing population and the opioid epidemic in our State; and

**WHEREAS**, Hyde County is a member of Trillium Health Resources, a twenty-four county LME/MCO serving eastern North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the intent of the NC General Assembly and the NC Department of Health and Human Services, the Board of Trillium Health Resources has developed and is implementing a robust reinvestment plan to use savings that is benefiting the citizens of Hyde County with such enhancements as accessible playgrounds, Access Point Kiosks, and new evidenced-based services; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly has made significant budget reductions in State funding for the past two years; and

**WHEREAS**, the formula used to allocate the reduction statewide in the current fiscal year was based on 2015 information which has resulted in a disproportionate reduction to Trillium Health Resources; and

**WHEREAS**, these budget reductions can no longer be absorbed by Trillium Health Resources without jeopardizing services to Hyde County citizens, negatively impacting the lives of people in need of service as well as potentially impacting the local economy through job loss;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners do hereby request that the North Carolina General Assembly:

- Maintain full State funding for mental health, developmental disabilities and substance abuse services without further reductions; and
- Allow Trillium Health Resources to continue to use its savings to reinvest in enhanced services in our communities rather than having to use that funding to replace State budget reductions; and
- Modify the formula by which any future reductions in funding are allocated, if such reductions must be made, to ensure the reduction is fairly distributed statewide.

ADOPTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

Lois Stotesberry, Clerk

Earl Pugh County Chair



# RESOLUTION

## For Approval of Insurance District Boundaries

NORTH CAROLINA

Hyde COUNTY

Upon motion by Commissioner Benjamin Simmons, III,  
seconded by Commissioner Barry Swindell, RESOLVED that the  
Board of Commissioners of the County of Hyde approve the boundary lines of the  
Swaz Quarter Fire Insurance District in accordance with the maps and description  
filed this date with the Board of County Commissioners and recorded in the minutes of the  
meeting. Said Swaz Quarter Fire Insurance District being described as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA

Hyde COUNTY

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of excerpt from the  
Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners of Hyde County, adopted  
this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 20 17.



Earl R. [Signature]  
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC  
Clerk to the Board

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Carl Ruffolo  
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Lois Stasberry, CMC, NCCCC  
Clerk to the Board



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF HYDE,  
NORTH CAROLINA**

**PROCLAMATION  
DESIGNATION OF APRIL 2017 AS  
SENIOR GAMES PARTICIPATION MONTH**

**Whereas**, mature adults and the entire community look forward to the Albemarle Senior Games, an Olympic style event designed to create year-round health promotion and competition for participants that are 50 years of age and better; and,

**Whereas**, the Albemarle Senior Games, held March 27 – May 23 of this year, is sanctioned by North Carolina Senior Games, Inc.; and,

**Whereas**, the Albemarle Senior Games takes a holistic approach by involving the body, mind and spirit of its athletes and promoting the importance of aging in a healthy manner; and,

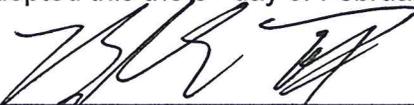
**Whereas**, the regional event, engaging the counties of Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hyde, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington with the goal to enhance growth, development and connection to opportunity for all participants and volunteers, was founded 33 years ago, in 1984; and,

**Whereas**, participants will compete in a total of 48 athletic events and 34 artistic categories; and,

**Whereas**, our well wishes are extended to all of the competitors.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims that April be recognized as Senior Games Participation Month in the County of Hyde, and promotes participation as well as volunteerism within the Albemarle Senior Games program.

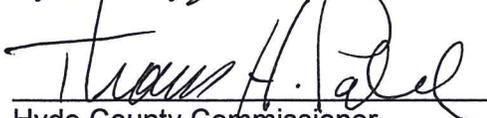
Adopted this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017 in Hyde County, North Carolina.

  
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## **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MATTAMUSKEET ASSOCIATION'S APPEAL FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

**WHEREAS**, The Mattamuskeet Association is a private non-profit drainage association that provides drainage, maintained access, flood control and utility conveyance for public good including the protection of critical local government facilities and private homes and businesses.

**WHEREAS**, The Mattamuskeet Association's drainage and flood control services are the first line of defense for homes located on North Lake Road, which lie outside the official boundary of the Association. The protection provided by Mattamuskeet Association ensured unprecedented flood waters from the Alligator River did not reach the densely populated area of North Lake Road and the many homes located therein.

**WHEREAS**, The Mattamuskeet Association's drainage and flood control services protected the Hyde County Airport during the Hurricane Matthew event ensuring the airport remained operational for flight including flight related to emergency response during the event. No flood damage was incurred at the airport which was a direct benefit from the Mattamuskeet Association's activities.

**WHEREAS**, The Mattamuskeet Association's drainage and flood control services protected the Engelhard Sanitary District's wastewater treatment facility during the Hurricane Matthew event ensuring the wastewater treatment plant remained operational to its business and residential customers in the village of Engelhard during the event. No flood damage was incurred at the wastewater plant which was a direct benefit from the Mattamuskeet Association's flood control activities.

**WHEREAS**, The Mattamuskeet Association's drainage and flood control services reduced flooding effects felt in the Fairfield Drainage District by holding back a portion of the Alligator River flood water. While Fairfield Drainage District also experienced substantial damage from Hurricane Matthew the cooperation of the Mattamuskeet Association lessened these effects and paired cooperatively with the Fairfield Drainage District protecting the homes and businesses located within the township of Fairfield.

**WHEREAS**, Hyde County supports the Mattamuskeet Association's application for public assistance to FEMA and promotes the Mattamuskeet Association as providing critical public assistance through its drainage and flood control activities for landowners, business owners, public infrastructure, and residents both inside and outside of their boundaries.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that on behalf of the citizens of Hyde County, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners strongly urge FEMA to accept the Mattamuskeet Association's application for public assistance.

Adopted this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017, in Hyde County, North Carolina.



SIGNATURE OF BOARD CHAIR

ATTEST: Lois Starks, GMC, NCCCC  
CLERK TO THE BOARD

