

Regular Meeting Minutes

**Board of County Commissioners
Hyde County**

Monday, March 6, 2017

After opening prayer by Commissioner Swindell and Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. called the Regular Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order on Monday, March 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, Commissioner Ben Simmons; County Manager Bill Rich; Assistant County Manager Kris Cahoon-Noble; Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesberry; and, members of the public.

Commissioner Tom Pahl, 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 Swindell moved to approve the March 6, 2017 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk with addition of Items of Consideration No. 7. Appointment – Hyde Transit Board. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Consideration of Minutes:

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the February 6, 2017 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Tunnell.

Commissioner Dick Tunnell arrived at 6:05PM.

Presentations:

Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Minor Expansion & Pilt Update

Pam Wingrove, Area III Field Planner, USFWS accompanied by Scott Lanier, Deputy Project Leader/Refuge Manager, Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge, presented update on Alligator River Minor Expansion & PILT (Payment In Lieu of Taxes).

Pam Wingrove reported, *“The USFWS, Southeast Region, proposes to expand the acquisition boundary of Alligator River NWR in North Carolina by approximately 11,932.8 acres. The property in question is located adjacent to the south western boundary of the refuge in Hyde County. There are two property owners, Mattamuskeet Ventures, a private lands consortium owned by 5 partners and Coastal Land Holdings, LLC. Both property owners have been contacted and are agreeable to the inclusion of their land within the acquisition boundary. Mattamuskeet Ventures principals have approached the Service with an interest in selling.”*

Ms. Wingrove also reported, *“The expansion area is bounded to the north by the Refuge, to the south by Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) and to the west by North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) lands which in turn connect to Pocosin Lakes NWR and Emily and Richardson Preyer Buckridge Coastal Reserve lands. Due to the location, the land will be a transitional habitat as sea-level rises within the next 40 years (SALCC Conservation Blueprint). Conserving the property now will add to the corridor between conservation areas that will aid wildlife during the transition.”*

No action taken.

Trees of Hope, Love and Peace

Edith Deltgen, local artist, accompanied by Celia Hook (Pocosin Arts), presented her Trees of Hope, Love and Peace project and requested Board approval to conduct the project in Hyde County at different locations. Ms. Deltgen reported the community will be invited to join together to spread the message of hope, love and peace to each other and all those we hold dear by signing fabric strips or writing a message for someone special that will be tied to the trees and bushes.

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the Trees of Hope, Love and Peace project in Hyde County beginning in April in Swan Quarter. 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.

Proclamations: Week of the Young Child & Child Abuse Prevention

Lisa Woolard, Director, Beaufort/Hyde Partnership for Children accompanied by Sharon Spencer and Laurie Potter, reported they in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children are celebrating “The Week of the Young Child” and are working to improve early learning opportunities, including early literacy programs, that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Hyde County, NC. Ms. Woolard also requested the Board of Commissioners proclaim “April as Child Abuse Prevention Month” and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, other elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in Hyde County.

Commissioner Swindell moved to adopt Proclamation – Week of the Young Child April 2017 and to encourage all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood. 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.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Proclamation – Week of the Young Child – April 23rd – 29th 2017” is attached herewith as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Commissioner Tunnell moved to adopt Proclamation – “April – Child Abuse Prevention Month” and to call upon all citizens to participate in prevention of child abuse. 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.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month – April 2017” is attached herewith as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.

Hyde County Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Programs Policies

Chris Hilbert, Project Manager, Holland Consulting Planners, presented resolutions and policies pertaining to Hyde County Flood Mitigation Assistance Programs (including the FY2015 FMA program) to be utilized during the administration of Hyde County FMA Programs. Designated applicant agents are Kris Noble (primary) and Corrinne Gibbs (secondary).

Commissioner Pahl moved to adopt Resolution Approving Administrative Guidelines and Policies, Financial Management Resolution, Elevation Contract Award Policy, Equal Employment and Procurement Policy and Designation of Applicant’s Agent Resolution; and, to adopt Hyde County FY2015 FMA Program Project Budget Ordinance. 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.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Resolution Approving Administrative Guidelines and Policies – Hyde County FMA Programs” is attached herewith as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Resolution Designation of Applicant’s Agent – Hyde County FMA Programs” is attached herewith as Exhibit D and incorporated herein by reference.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Financial Management Resolution – Hyde County FMA Programs” is attached herewith as Exhibit E and incorporated herein by reference.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Equal Employment and Procurement Policy – Hyde County FMA Programs” is attached herewith as Exhibit F and incorporated herein by reference.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Elevation Contract Award Policy – Hyde County FMA Programs” is attached herewith as Exhibit G and incorporated herein by reference.

Clerk's Note: A copy of “Hyde County FY2015 FMA Program Project Ordinance” is attached herewith as Exhibit H and incorporated herein by reference.

FY2015-2016 Audit Report

Stewart Hill of Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Company, P.A. presented the Hyde County FY15-16 Audit Report. The audit includes narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Hyde County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016.

Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Hyde County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$38,616,776. (Net Position)

- The government's total net position decreased by \$252,254, due to decreases in net position in both the governmental and the business-type activities.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, Hyde County's governmental funds reported combined ending balances of \$9,070,589, a decrease of \$69,620 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 40.16 percent of this total amount, or \$3,642,828, is available for spending at the government's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$3,697,663 or 30.09 percent of total general fund expenditures for the fiscal year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to Hyde County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The basic financial statements present two different views of the County through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of Hyde County.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Net position may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The County's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$38,616,776 as of June 30, 2016. The County's net position decreased by \$252,254 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. One of the largest portions, 84.80%, reflects the County's net investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery and equipment). Hyde County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although Hyde County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. An additional portion of Hyde County's net position, \$2,569,037 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$3,301,618 is unrestricted.

The County's property taxes collection percentage of 95.86% is lower than the State-wide average of 97.47%, but is higher than the prior year rate of 94.83%.

Changes in Net Position

Governmental activities decreased the County's net position by \$136,192. Key elements of this decrease are decreases in operating grant contributions and investment earnings.

Business-type activities decreased the County's net position by \$116,062. A key element of this was expenditures exceeding water revenues.

Governmental Funds

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of Hyde County. At the end of the current fiscal year, Hyde County's fund balance available in the General Fund was \$3,697,663 while total fund balance reached \$6,420,667. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both available fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Available fund balance represents 30.09 percent of total General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 52.25 percent of the same amount.

At June 30, 2016, the governmental funds of Hyde County reported a combined fund balance of \$9,070,589, a 0.76 percent decrease under last year. The primary reason for the decrease was expenses exceeding revenues in the governmental activities.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the fiscal year, the County revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as Federal and State grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services. Total amendments to the General Fund were made to increase revenues because the County did not expect to receive certain funds that later became available. Expenditures were held in check to comply with the County's budgetary requirements.

Proprietary Funds

Hyde County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. Unrestricted net position for the Water and Sewer Fund at the end of the fiscal year amounted to \$1,156,806. The total change in net position for the Water and Sewer Fund was (\$116,062).

Long-Term Debt

Hyde County's total debt decreased by \$56,343 (0.6 percent) during the past fiscal year, primarily due to the scheduled principal repayments on existing general obligation bonds of \$140,697 and \$110,063, in the governmental activities and business-type activities, respectively. Additionally, there were repayments on qualified school construction bonds in the amount of \$200,179. Various other repayments were made to revenue bond debt and compensated absences.

The State of North Carolina limits the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8 percent of the total assessed value of taxable property located within the government's boundaries. The legal debt margin for Hyde County is \$88,670,815.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The following key economic indicators reflect the growth and prosperity of the County:

- Tourism is a major economic contributor to Hyde County especially on Ocracoke Island, which was named America's #1 beach in 2007.
- Ecotourism, including hunting, fishing and other more massive wildlife activities, are major economic factors for Hyde County.
- Agriculture, governmental, hospitality (tourism) and seafood are the largest employers in Hyde County.

Requests for Information

The Hyde County FY2015-2016 Audit Report is designed to provide an overview of the County's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Corrinne Gibbs, Finance Officer, Hyde County, Swan Quarter, North Carolina 27885.

Employee Recognition:

Donnie Shumate

Bill Rich, County Manager, commended IT Director Donnie Shumate for making it possible to use the Ocracoke Community Center for county meetings using electronic conferencing equipment. Justin Gibbs, ES Director, spun the Wheel of Thanks for Mr. Shumate and won a \$25.00 Gift Certificate for Martelle's Restaurant in Engelhard.

Public Comments:

Lynn Alligood, Executive Director, Mid-East Regional Housing Authority – presented overview of the Housing Authority. Ms. Alligood thanked Commissioner Tunnell for dedication to Mid-East where he serves as Vice-chair.

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

Items of Consideration:

Proclamation – Termination of the State of Emergency for Hyde County – Hurricane Matthew

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve Proclamation – Termination of The State of Emergency for Hyde County – Hurricane Matthew. 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 "Proclamation – Termination of The State of Emergency for Hyde County – Hurricane Matthew" is attached herewith as Exhibit I and incorporated herein by reference.

Resolution Supporting SB76 Permit Nighttime Hunting of Coyotes

Bill Rich, County Manager, reported Senator Bill Cook (primary sponsor) filed Senate Bill 76 entitled A Bill To Be Entitled An Act To Direct The Wildlife Resources Commission To Repeal Its Regulation Banning Night Hunting Of Coyotes In Certain Coastal Counties with the North Carolina Senate on February 14, 2017. Passing of Senate Bill 76 will allow Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties to join in adoption of a similar resolution in support of SB76.

Commissioner Tunnell moved to adopt A Resolution Supporting Senate Bill 76 Permit Nighttime Hunting of Coyotes. 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 "A Resolution Supporting SB76 Permit Nighttime Hunting of Coyotes" is attached herewith as Exhibit J and incorporated herein by reference.

Resolution On Vote Of No Confidence In The North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission

Kris Noble, Assistant Manager/Planner reported the Hyde County Board of Commissioners submitted a letter and corresponding resolution to the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission in January of 2017 recommending that they deny the Petition for Rulemaking submitted by the North Carolina Wildlife Federation that proposes to designate the internal coastal and near oceanic waters of North Carolina special secondary nursery areas.

Chairman Pugh, Manager Rich and Assistant Manager Noble spoke at the January 15, 2017 public hearing in New Bern. At that meeting, five advisory boards were in attendance. Those five boards were comprised of 40 members and 32 of those members recommended to the Commission that they not enforce this new trawling ban and that the petition be denied.

On February 16, 2017, the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission met in Wilmington and against the advice of their advisory groups, granted this petition which has significant economic implications for Hyde County.

This Resolution states the Hyde County Board of Commissioners stand steadfast in their resolve outlined in their January 3, 2017 Resolution, and stand behind and in support of our fishing industry within Hyde County. It also states that the Hyde County Board of Commissioners shows a Vote of No Confidence in the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission because they clearly demonstrated that they do not have the objectivity to make sound decisions on this issue.

Commissioner Pahl moved to adopt Hyde County Board of Commissioners Resolution On Vote Of No Confidence In The North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission. 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 "Hyde County Board of Commissioners Resolution On Vote Of No Confidence In The North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission" is attached herewith as Exhibit K and incorporated herein by reference.

2017 Volunteer Fire Fund Application-Revision for Ocracoke Fire Protection Association, Inc.

Bill Rich, County Manager, reported the Ocracoke Volunteer Fire Department has submitted a revision on their request for equipment for the 2017 Volunteer Fire Fund application. The previous request totaled \$25,864.12 for equipment. Total grant funding totaled \$19,398.09, with a county match of \$6,466.03. The new request totals \$28,531.57 for equipment, with grant funding totaling \$21,398.68 and county match of \$7,132.89. This is an increase of \$666.86 in the county's matching funds.

Commissioner Pahl moved to approve the Ocracoke Fire Protection Association, Inc. new grant request totaling \$28,531.57 for equipment, with grant funding totaling \$21,398.68 and county match of \$7,132.89. 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.

Approval of North Carolina Rural Fire District 2016 Board of Trustees Report – Fairfield VFD

Justin Gibbs, ES Director, reported Volunteer Fire Department Grants and Relief Funds are managed by NCGS 58-87-1/55. The Firefighter's Relief Fund program is designed to financially assist firefighters in the event of In-Line of Duty injury or death. It may also be used for supplemental retirements, educational benefits and to purchase other insurance/pension plans.

Commissioner Pahl moved to appoint Fairfield Volunteer Fire Department members Cleve Gibbs and Lindsey Mooney to serve as Firefighter's Relief Fund Trustees appointed by County Commissioners; and to approve members Eddie Basnight and Sam Eburn appointed by the Volunteer Fire Department and Glenn Mooney appointed by the North Carolina Insurance Commissioner to serve on the Fairfield Volunteer Fire Department Local Firefighter's Relief Fund Board. 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.

Replacement Tidegates – Tideland EMC Loan

Daniel Brinn, Tar-Pamlico River Basin & NCACSP Tech, reported the Swan Quarter Steering Committee met on Friday, February 17, 2017 to discuss the need for replacement of tidegates throughout West Quarter Dike. J. W. Spencer made a motion to move forward with securing the loan from Tideland EMC to purchase ten (10) fabricated aluminum gates to be installed as follows: five (5) floodgates at West Canal, one (1) floodgate at Quarter Canal, three (3) floodgates at Double Canal and one (1) floodgate at Juniper. The motion was seconded by C. W. Cahoon and the motion carried. The loan with Tideland EMC has 0% interest with a maximum 10-year term. The loan funds will be disbursed through four (4) smaller increments for a total of \$110,000.00. There would need to be a representative from the County on the Steering Committee to secure the loan. It was the consensus of the committee that Daniel Brinn would present the recommendation of the Steering Committee to the commissioners at the March 6th Board meeting.

Commissioner Tunnell moved to approve moving forward in securing a loan from Tideland EMC in the amount of \$110,000.00 for the purpose of replacing leaking and not functioning properly tidegates which involves replacing ten (10) gates throughout West Quarter. 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.

Revolving Loan Request for Devil Shoal Oyster & Clam Company

Kris Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported Devil Shoal Oyster and Clam Company are requesting a \$15,000.00 loan from the Hyde County Golden Leaf Revolving Loan Fund for the purpose of expanding their existing oyster farming operation. They plan to hire one Hyde County resident as a result of the expansion. The company has done very well in its first year of operation. They have survived several storms over the past year. They are supplying fresh oysters to a few of the best restaurants on Ocracoke and the native seafood retail market. They invested in a refrigerated truck to make deliveries to several mainland counties in eastern North Carolina.

The loan will be unsecured. The loan will be amortized over a 7-year period with interest payable for 24 months. Payments of \$269.53 will be made monthly for the remaining 5-year term. The loan interest rate is 3%. The revolving loan committee reviewed and has approved unanimously.

Commissioner Pahl moved to approve a \$15,000.00 Hyde County Golden Leaf Revolving Loan Fund loan to Devil Shoal Oyster & Clam Company. 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.

Resignation and Appointment To Hyde County Transit Board

Barry Swindell, Commissioner, resigned from the Hyde County Transit Board and has recommended the appointment of Commissioner Tom Pahl to serve in his position.

Commissioner Swindell moved to appoint Tom Pahl to serve on the Hyde County Transit Board. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Pahl (abstained).

Budget Transfers:

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

Health Department

- a. 39-17 – Family Planning Contract Physician & Pharmacist \$ 1,126.00
- b. 40-17 – Family Planning Telelanguage \$ 150.00
- c. 41-17 – Adult Health-PC Contract Physician & Vacancies \$ 1,576.00
- d. 42-17 – Private Wells Dept. Supplies & Postage \$ 250.00
- e. 43-17 – MAP Contract Pharmacy \$ 1,630.00
- f. 44-17 – Home Health Offsite Storage \$ 750.00
- g. 45-17 – Child Health Travel \$ 75.00
- h. 47-17 – WIC - Postage \$ 100.00

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the Health Department budget transfers as presented. 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.

Management Reports:

Commissioner Ben Simmons – reported on a need for grant funding to rebuild Mattamuskeet Early College High School ball field.

Commissioner Barry Swindell – will attend the Health Board meeting this month. Mr. Swindell continues attending the new recreation program every Saturday.

Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. – attended the two Occupancy Tax Board meetings and an Albemarle Commission Board meeting.

Commissioner Dick Tunnell – attended the North Carolina Farm Bureau meeting.

Commissioner Tom Pahl – attended two Occupancy Tax Board meetings regarding the tram project. Mr. Pahl will continue participating in Planning Board and Variance Board meetings.

County Manager Bill Rich – continues work on the tram project. Mr. Rich’s March 2017 calendar was provided.

Assistant County Manager Kris Noble – reported on projects, meetings and events attended. Ms. Noble reported she has received applications for the Hyde County Flood Control Coordinator position.

Public Comments:

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

Closed Session:

Commissioner Swindell moved to enter into closed session at 7:40p.m. 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.

Commissioner Swindell moved to exit closed session at 8:07p.m. 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.

Commissioner Swindell moved to excuse Commissioner Simmons from voting due to conflict of interest. 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.

Commissioner Swindell moved to direct County Attorney Fred Holscher to send a letter to Hyde-A-Way Shores property owners. 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.

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.

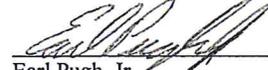
The meeting adjourned at 8:10p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 3rd day of April, 2017.

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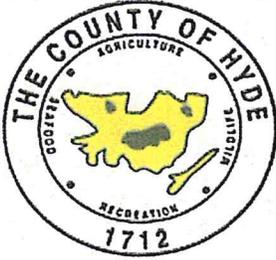

Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners


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



Attachments:

- Exhibit A: "Proclamation – Week of the Young Child – April 23rd – 29th, 2017"
- Exhibit B: "Proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month – April 2017"
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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF HYDE,
NORTH CAROLINA**

**PROCLAMATION
WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD
APRIL 2017**

Whereas, the Beaufort/Hyde Partnership for Children and other local organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the Week of the Young Child, April 23rd – 29th, 2017; and

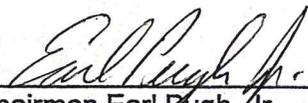
Whereas, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities, including early literacy programs, that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Hyde County, NC; and

Whereas, child care providers, teachers, parents, and others who make a difference in the lives of young children in Hyde County, NC deserve thanks and recognition; and

Whereas, public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to young children's futures;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hyde County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim April 23rd – 29th as the Week of the Young Child in Hyde County, NC and encourage all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood.

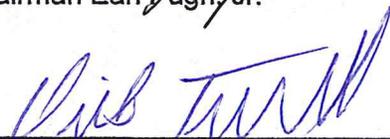
Adopted this the 6th day of March, 2017 in Hyde County, North Carolina.



Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.



Vice Chairman Barry Swindell



Commissioner Dick Tunnell



Commissioner Benjamin Simmons, III

Commissioner Tom Pahl





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

**PROCLAMATION
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
APRIL 2017**

Whereas, children are vital to our state's future success, prosperity and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable assets;

Whereas, all children deserve to have the safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities they need to foster their healthy growth and development;

Whereas, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life to a community;

Whereas, communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development and concrete resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children ensure all children grow to their full potential;

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hyde County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim April as "CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH," and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, other elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in Hyde County.

Adopted this the 6th day of March, 2017 in Hyde County, North Carolina.



Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.



Vice Chairman Barry Swindell



Commissioner Dick Tunnell



Commissioner Benjamin Simmons, III

Commissioner Tom Pahl



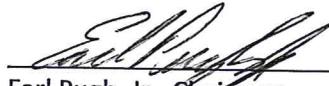
**HYDE COUNTY FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAMS
Resolution Approving Administrative Guidelines and Policies**

WHEREAS, Hyde County wishes to carry out its Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Programs in accordance with established state and federal administrative guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners hereby collectively adopts the following resolutions and policies, and resolves that they be utilized during the administration of the Hyde County Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Programs:

1. Financial Management Resolution
2. Elevation Contract Award Policy
3. Equal Employment and Procurement Policy
4. Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution

Adopted this 6th day of March, 2017.



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

ATTEST:


Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board



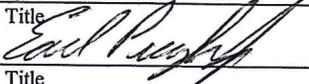
**RESOLUTION
DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT
North Carolina Division of Emergency Management**

Organization Name (hereafter named Organization): Hyde County	Disaster Number: Hyde County Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Programs
Applicant's State Cognizant Agency for Single Audit purposes (If Cognizant Agency is not assigned, please indicate): North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety	
Applicant's Fiscal Year (FY) Start	Month: July Day: 1
Applicant's Federal Employer's Identification Number: 56-6000308	
Applicant's Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) Number:	

PRIMARY AGENT	SECONDARY AGENT
Agent's Name Kris Noble	Agent's Name Corrinne Gibbs
Organization Hyde County Government	Organization Hyde County Government
Official Position Assistant County Manager	Official Position Finance Officer
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BE IT RESOLVED BY the governing body of the Organization (a public entity duly organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina) that the above-named Primary and Secondary Agents are hereby authorized to execute and file applications for federal and/or state assistance on behalf of the Organization for the purpose of obtaining certain state and federal financial assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief & Emergency Assistance Act, (Public Law 93-288 as amended) or as otherwise available. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-named agents are authorized to represent and act for the Organization in all dealings with the State of North Carolina and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for all matters pertaining to such disaster assistance required by the grant agreements and the assurances printed on the reverse side hereof. BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the above-named agents are authorized to act severally.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of March, 2017.

GOVERNING BODY	CERTIFYING OFFICIAL
Name and Title Hyde County Board of Commissioners	Name Lois Stotesberry
Name and Title 	Official Position Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
Name and Title Chairman, Hyde County Board of Commissioners	Daytime Telephone (252) 926-4187

CERTIFICATION

I, Lois Stotesberry (Name) duly appointed and Clerk (Title) of the Governing Body, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the Governing Body of Hyde County (Organization) on the 6th day of March, 2017

Date: March 6, 2017 Signature: Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC

HYDE COUNTY FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAM
Designation of Applicant's Agent

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HYDE COUNTY
(Governing Body) *(Public Entity)*

THAT Hyde County, a public entity established under the laws of the State of North Carolina, hereby authorizes its agent to provide to the State and to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for all matters pertaining to such Federal disaster assistance the assurance and agreements printed on the attached Designation of Applicant's Agent form.

Passed and approved this 6th day of March, 2017.

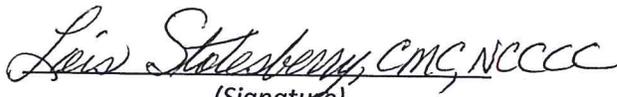


Earl Pugh, Jr., Chairman
Hyde County Board of Commissioners

CERTIFICATION

I, Lois Stotesberry, duly appointed Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Hyde County, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the Board of Commissioners of Hyde County, on the 6th day of March, 2017.

Clerk to the Board
(Official Position)



(Signature)

March 6, 2017
(Date)



HYDE COUNTY FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAMS
Financial Management Resolution

WHEREAS, Hyde County expects to receive Flood Mitigation Assistance Program grants for the elevation of flood-prone residential structures; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Administrative Code regulations require that the county designate a Grant Finance Officer and a depository for grant funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, Hyde County hereby resolves the following:

- (1) Corrinne Gibbs, Finance Director, will serve as Grant Finance Officer, and will be responsible for financial management of the FMA Programs according to the requirements of the North Carolina Administrative Code and North Carolina General Statute requirements.
- (2) Yadkin Bank of Swan Quarter, NC, is hereby designated as the official depository for revenues budgeted for the FMA Programs.

Adopted this 6th day of March, 2017.



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

ATTEST:


Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board



HYDE COUNTY FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAMS
Equal Employment and Procurement Policy

A. GENERAL EQUAL EMPLOYMENT AND PROCUREMENT POLICY

Hyde County maintains the policy of providing equal employment opportunities for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, age, political affiliation, or any other non-merit factor, except where religion, sex, national origin, or age are bona fide occupation qualifications for employment.

In furtherance of this policy, the county prohibits any retaliatory action of any kind taken by any employee of the county against any other employee or applicant for employment because that person made a charge, testified, assisted or participated in any manner in a hearing, proceeding or investigation of employment discrimination.

The county shall strive for greater utilization of all persons by identifying previously underutilized groups in the work force, such as minorities, women, and the handicapped, and by making special efforts toward their recruitment, selection, development, upward mobility, and any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.

Responsibility for implementing equal opportunities and affirmative action measures is hereby assigned to the County Manager and/or other persons designated by the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to assist in the implementation of this policy statement.

The county shall develop a self-evaluation mechanism to provide for periodic examination and evaluation. Periodic reports as requested on the progress of equal employment opportunity and affirmative action will be presented to the Hyde County Board of Commissioners by the County Manager.

The county is committed to this policy and is aware that with its implementation the county will receive positive benefits through the greater utilization and development of all its human resources.

B. PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS

All procurement of goods and services by Hyde County with FMA funds shall be accomplished in accordance with the regulations of either Section 13.36 of 44CFR13, "Emergency Management & Assistance," or the North Carolina General Statutes applying to procurement in general by North Carolina municipalities/counties.

When the federal and state regulations are different, the more restrictive regulations shall apply to the procurement in question. Additionally, the county will adhere to the following guidelines during procurement of goods and services with federal funds:

1. In all cases where goods or services are procured on the basis of one bid or proposal received, the county will follow established principles included in OMB Circular A-87 to verify the reasonable cost of the procurement, and shall contact the state agency supervising the grant program before making any contract award on the basis of non-competitive negotiation.

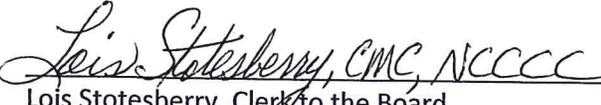
2. Historically underutilized businesses, including women-owned, and minority-owned enterprises shall be included on bidders' or professional services' lists maintained by the county, and such firm(s) shall be solicited for all competitive negotiations, small purchases, and informal and formal bids when such firms are potential competitive sources for goods and services.
3. The county shall develop a written statement of work for each service to be awarded on the basis of competitive negotiation, which shall include descriptions of tasks to be completed, project timetables, and an outline of fee proposal requirements. The statement of work shall also include a written selection procedure. All competitive negotiations shall be awarded strictly on the basis of written selection procedures, and cost shall not be the sole or more important factor in selection of services through the use of competitive negotiation.
4. Prior to any contract award, the county shall verify the contractor's eligibility to participate in a federally-assisted program.
5. No consultant or bidder shall assist in evaluation of proposals or bid packages for contracts in which that consultant or bidder has an indirect or direct interest. The county shall adhere to all applicable federal and state conflict of interest regulations in making contract awards.
6. The county shall request references, or check references, of contractors or firms who are awarded contracts with federal grant funds, and will request a written warranty for all goods and services provided through small purchase requests.
7. The county shall not award any contracts for federally-assisted projects on a contingency or cost plus percentage of cost basis.

Adopted this 6th day of March, 2017.



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

ATTEST:


Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board



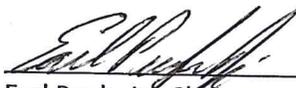
HYDE COUNTY FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAMS Elevation Contract Award Policy

During the performance of housing elevation activities included in Hyde County Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Programs, the county will utilize the following guidelines in the award of contracts to contractors who bid on the elevation of specific dwelling units:

- 1) The county shall reserve the right to reject bids and rescind contract awards if one of the following conditions has not been met:
 - a. The contractor must have submitted all required forms, credit report, references, etc., with his bid;
 - b. The contractor must have references and a past working record acceptable to the FMA Administrator prior to the FMA Administrator's recommendation of award to the Hyde County Board of Commissioners;
 - c. The contractor must have demonstrated the ability to meet the performance criteria established in the Instructions to Bidders and the elevation contract.
 - d. The contractor must have demonstrated the ability to meet standards of workmanship outlined in the Instructions to Bidders as witnessed by the FMA Administrator.
- 2) Assessment of conditions 1(c) and 1(d) above shall be based on the FMA Administrator's review of contractor references and work performed in other locations, if the contractor has not performed recent elevation work for Hyde County.
- 3) If construction estimates are prepared, no contract award shall be made if the contract price is less than 85% or more than 115% of the FMA Administrator's final estimate. The FMA Administrator will document negotiation of bids and/or estimates before contract awards are made.
- 4) In a case where an individual contractor is performing adequately, but he is the low bidder on more houses than he can complete within 180 days following the bid opening, (based on past performance), the county shall reserve the right to reject bids for those surplus houses, and award those houses to the next lowest bidders meeting the guidelines outlined herein, in the interest of efficient completion of elevation activities. The county also reserves the right to reject bids and award contracts to alternate bidders in the interest of maintaining an efficient work schedule consistent with performance standards mandated by the funding agency.
- 5) The county reserves the right to rescind contract awards made prior to contract execution if circumstances beyond the control of the county, including directives by the funding agency or homeowner's non-participation, prohibit the county's participation in the contract as Owner's Representative.
- 6) Any action, either restrictive or affirmative, taken under these guidelines, shall be in the interest of an efficiently managed FMA program, and will be without self-interest on the part of any member of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners or county staff; and furthermore, shall be without regard to race, creed, sex, color, or national origin.

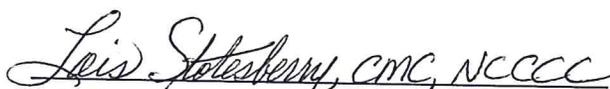
- 7) The Hyde County Board of Commissioners also realizes the importance of prompt action in the interest of maintaining satisfactory work progress. Therefore, the Hyde County Manager is hereby authorized to approve and execute all elevation change orders less than 20% of current contract value.

Adopted this 6th day of March, 2017.



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

ATTEST:



Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board



**HYDE COUNTY FY2015 FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAM
PROJECT ORDINANCE**

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Hyde County, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project authorized is the FY2015 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program described in the work statement contained in the grant agreement (#FMA-PJ-04-NC-2015-004) between Hyde County and the North Carolina Department of Emergency Management.

Section 2. The Hyde County staff is hereby directed to proceed with the grant project within the terms of the grant document(s), the rules and regulations of the Department of Emergency Management, and the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following revenues and resources are anticipated to be available to complete the project activities:

FY15 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program

Federal Share (90%)	\$ 204,243.30
Owner Contributions (10%)	\$ <u>22,693.70</u>
Total	\$ 226,937.00

Section 4. The following amounts are appropriated for the project activities:

FY15 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program

Project Budget	\$226,937.00
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Section 5. The Grant Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Grant Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to provide the accounting to the North Carolina Department of Emergency Management required by the grant agreement(s) and federal and state regulations.

Section 6. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due. Reimbursement requests should be made to the North Carolina Department of Emergency Management in an orderly and timely manner.

Section 7. The Grant Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly on the financial status of each project element in Section 4 and on the total grant revenues received or claimed.

Section 8. The Grant Finance Officer is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this grant project in every budget submission made to this board.

Section 9. Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be made available to the Grant Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

Adopted this 6th day of March, 2017.



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

ATTEST:


Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board





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

**PROCLAMATION
TERMINATION OF THE
STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR HYDE COUNTY**

HURRICANE MATTHEW

March 6, 2017

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2016, at 7:00PM, I proclaimed the existence of a State of Emergency, effective immediately, for Hyde County with Mandatory Evacuation of Ocracoke Island property owners, to include non-residents and residents, effective as of 5:00AM on October 6, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2016, at 7:00PM, I ordered mandatory evacuation of individuals visiting Ocracoke Island, effective as of 5:00AM on October 5, 2016; and,

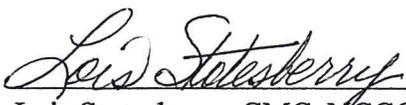
WHEREAS, on October 5, 2016, I proclaimed that a state of emergency and mandatory evacuation for Ocracoke Island visitors will remain in effect; and, mandatory evacuation of Ocracoke Island property owners, both Resident and Non-resident, be suspended as of at 5:30PM on October 5, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2016, at 4:20PM, I issued termination of the mandatory visitor evacuation order issued for Ocracoke Island, effective as of 5:00AM on October 17, 2016 and determined a State of Emergency still exists; and,

WHEREAS, I hereby issue termination of the State of Emergency for Hyde County, North Carolina, effective as of 6:15PM, on March 6, 2017; and,

NOW THEREFORE, This proclamation is signed on this date, March 6, 2017 at 6:15PM, and becomes effective immediately.

ATTEST:

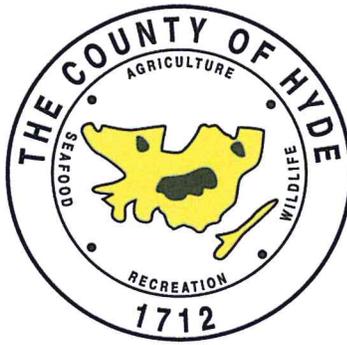


Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners



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





**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB76
PERMIT NIGHTTIME HUNTING OF COYOTES**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 76 is a local bill introduced to permit nighttime hunting of coyotes for Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties; and,

WHEREAS, Coyotes are non-native and very invasive, very destructive to the native wildlife and currently there is no closed season for hunting coyotes in North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Electronic calls may be used and coyotes may be hunted at night, except on private lands in Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties; and,

WHEREAS, Passing of Senate Bill 76 will allow Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties to be coequal with the other 95 counties in the state of North Carolina in regards to the rules of hunting coyote; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Hyde County Board of Commissioners calls on Beaufort, Dare, Tyrrell and Washington counties to join them in adoption of a similar resolution in support of Senate Bill 76 and;

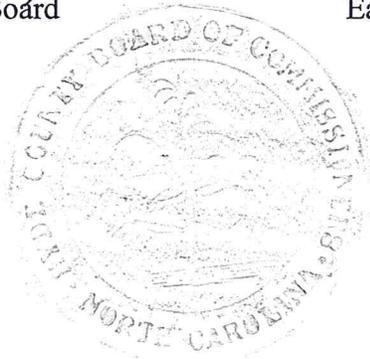
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution is transmitted to Senator Bill Cook of Beaufort County and to Governor Roy Cooper to let them know of our support for this issue.

This the 6th day of March, 2017.

Attest:


Lois Stotesberry, Clerk to the Board


Earl Pugh, Jr., Chairman



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HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION ON VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN THE NORTH CAROLINA MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION

WHEREAS, this Vote of No Confidence by the Hyde County Board of Commissioners in the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission is an alternative method to bring forth serious concerns relative to their support of the Petition for Rulemaking submitted by the North Carolina Wildlife Federation; and

WHEREAS, the shrimp fishery is North Carolina's most important fishery economically; and

WHEREAS, the rules proposed in the Petition would close the internal coastal waters and near-shore oceanic waters of North Carolina to trawling unless opened by the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries ("DMF"), and restrict the taking of shrimp to daylight hours and three days per week; and

WHEREAS, the proposals will have a substantial economic impact on many small businesses, have significant negative effects on coastal communities and negatively impact the availability of North Carolina shrimp to consumers; and

WHEREAS, the petition should have been denied because the cost factors described in the petition are clearly inadequately described. This omission is significant because the shrimp fishery is North Carolina's most important fishery economically; and

WHEREAS, the petition will designate all coastal fishing waters not already designated as nursery areas as special secondary nursery areas, including the ocean out to three miles; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly, through the Fisheries Reform Act, clearly desired that such comprehensive changes in management measures for important recreational and commercial species in North Carolina be developed through Fisheries Management Plans (“FMP’s”) and these issues were recently discussed and addressed by the 2015 Shrimp FMP after two years of development; and

WHEREAS, the Petition for Rulemaking has a component for potential regulation on property owners abutting these newly formed secondary nursery areas. Hyde County boasts some of the most beautiful waterfront properties in the state. The potential for regulations on these properties not only negatively affect one of Hyde County’s greatest assets, but also has a negative impact on all citizens because of the potential loss of tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Petition for Rulemaking could also prove to be a hindrance to any needed and necessary dredging along our shoreline; and

WHEREAS, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners represent the people of Hyde County with a collective history of approximately 300 years of fishing experience, submitted a letter and corresponding resolution to the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission in January of 2017 recommending that they deny the Petition for Rulemaking submitted by the North Carolina Wildlife Federation that proposes to designate the internal coastal and near oceanic waters of North Carolina special secondary nursery areas; and

WHEREAS, at the January 15, 2017 hearing meeting in New Bern, there were five advisory boards in attendance; those five boards were comprised of 40 members; 32 of those members recommended to the Commission that they not enforce this new trawling ban and that the petition be denied; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2017, the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission met in Wilmington and against the advice of their advisory groups, granted this petition which has significant economic implications for Hyde County; and

WHEREAS, while the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission did not violate the law and it is within their parameters to make such decisions, their decision was not within the spirit of the Fisheries Reform Act which calls for science to make decisions and not political science; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is no reflection on the dedicated people that work in that Division; no criticism of the biologists; and no criticism of the Fisheries Reform Act; and

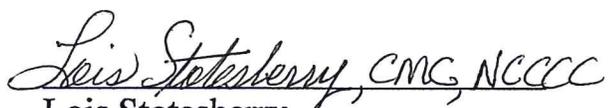
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hyde County Board of Commissioners stand steadfast in their resolve outlined in their January 3, 2017 Resolution, and stand behind and in support of our fishing industry within Hyde County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by a unanimous vote of those Commissioners present, that this action by the Hyde County Board of Commissioners shows a Vote of No Confidence in the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission because they clearly demonstrated that they do not have the objectivity to make sound decisions on this issue.

Adopted this the 6th day of March, 2017.



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


Lois Stotesberry,
Clerk to the Board

