

**PERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**JULY 2, 2018**  
**OTHERS PRESENT**

Tracey L. Kendrick  
Gordon Powell  
Jimmy B. Clayton  
Kyle W. Puryear  
B. Ray Jeffers

Heidi York, County Manager  
C. Ronald Aycock, County Attorney  
Brenda B. Reaves, Clerk to the Board

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Person, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Commissioners' meeting room in the Person County Office Building.

Chairman Kendrick called the meeting to order. Commissioner Jeffers gave an invocation and Vice Chairman Powell led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Puryear, who was out-of-town, attended the board meeting via telephone conference.

**DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to approve the agenda.

**INFORMAL COMMENTS:**

The following individuals appeared before the Board to make informal comments:

Ms. April Short of 495 Lester Burch Road, Roxboro stated she was representing parents and people in the community to bring attention to the commissioners that youth would like to have a recreational center for amenities that are not available in Person County, i.e., a splash pad, and a public pool. She added a rec center could offer needed programs for after school or tutoring.

Mr. Antonio Glass of 65 Graves Road, Roxboro echoed Ms. Short's comments noting kids have nothing to do in the summertime. Mr. Glass stated he works with a community non-profit, Terry's Kids Outreach and he sees the effect of crime and drugs in the County and felt a community rec center, which has been discussed for many years, would be a major asset for the youth in the community.

**DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT/APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to approve the Consent Agenda with the following items:

- A. Approval of Minutes of June 18, 2018,
- B. Budget Amendment #1,
- C. Budget Amendment New CIP,
- D. Resolution – Rural Ready Sites Grant in the amount of \$1,604,125, and
- E. Tax Adjustments for July 2018
  - a. Tax Releases
  - b. NC Vehicle Tax System pending refunds

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:**


Assistant County Manager, Sybil Tate introduced North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' (NCACC) Director of Government Relations, Johanna Reese to provide an update on broadband legislation as previously requested by Commissioner Jeffers.

Ms. Reese shared the following presentation with the group:

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**2018 Legislative  
Broadband Activity**

- Budget Act
  - GREAT Act – \$10M grant program for private industry
  - “Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, any lease by a city of any duration for components of a wired or wireless network shall be entered into on a competitively neutral and nondiscriminatory basis and made available to similarly situated providers on comparable terms and conditions and shall not be used to subsidize the provision of competitive service.”
- H390/S208 Counties/Internet Infrastructure
- H1036 local bill

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## Other NCACC Broadband Efforts

- Lunch and Learn June 6
- Conversations with stakeholders
  - Dept. of Information Technology/State CIO
  - Dept. of Commerce
  - Lt. Governor's office
  - Golden Leaf
  - Industry
- County Quarterly articles

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## CountyQuarterly Winter 2018

### Expanding Broadband Access in North Carolina: Opportunities and Challenges

**As more and more companies** looking about the "broadband gap" of North Carolina. The issue is not just the lack of internet access, but the lack of broadband access. Broadband is the key to economic growth and job creation. The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) is committed to expanding broadband access in North Carolina. In the past year, NCACC has held several forums and events to discuss the challenges and opportunities of broadband access. This article provides an overview of the current state of broadband access in North Carolina and offers some suggestions for how to expand access.

**Challenges:** The biggest challenge is the lack of infrastructure. Many areas in North Carolina do not have the necessary fiber optic cables or other infrastructure to support broadband access. This is particularly true in rural areas, where the cost of laying fiber optic cables is much higher than in urban areas. Another challenge is the lack of funding. Many counties do not have the resources to invest in broadband infrastructure. Finally, there is a lack of awareness. Many people in North Carolina do not know what broadband is or how to use it.

**Opportunities:** There are several opportunities to expand broadband access in North Carolina. One is to invest in infrastructure. This could be done through public-private partnerships or through state and federal funding. Another opportunity is to provide training and support to help people use broadband. Finally, there is a need for more awareness campaigns to let people know about the benefits of broadband access.




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The problem was highlighted and tackled in the North Carolina Broadband Plan, which was released in December 2016. The plan focuses on the areas that need the most attention: rural, underserved, and low-income areas.

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## County Quarterly Spring 2018

**FEATURES**


### State Resources and Options for Counties to Expand Broadband Access

By Jay McVicker, State Services Manager




**In 2011, the Broadband Infrastructure Office (BIO) was established to support the expansion of broadband services to the public good. For 2018, which is part of the North Carolina Department of Information & Technology's (DIT) implementation of the North Carolina State Broadband Plan, the statewide broadband plan will continue the strategic communication and action with the assistance of digital literacy.**

**After this is completed, the North Carolina Department of Information & Technology (DIT) will conduct a study to assess the current state of broadband services in the state. The study will identify areas where broadband services are not available, and will provide recommendations for how to improve broadband services in those areas. The study will also identify areas where broadband services are available, but not at a high enough speed to support high-speed applications, and will provide recommendations for how to improve broadband services in those areas.**



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## County Quarterly Spring 2018


**FEATURES**

### Chatham County's Quest for Internet Connectivity

By Jay McVicker, State Services Manager



**Long before Debbie York II became the Director of Management and Information Services for Chatham County, she was a pioneer in broadband access in rural areas. Having lived in areas where there were no cell towers and no broadband services, she knows how difficult it was to find a provider that would adequately serve her rural area. She also knows how difficult it was to find a provider that would adequately serve her rural area. She also knows how difficult it was to find a provider that would adequately serve her rural area.**



*In rural areas of North Carolina, it may be very difficult to find a reliable and affordable high-speed internet service.*

**The state has been working to improve broadband services in rural areas. The state has been working to improve broadband services in rural areas. The state has been working to improve broadband services in rural areas.**

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## County Quarterly Spring 2018

**Looking Forward**

How does North Carolina maintain those existing plans while migration demands and increases the number of counties that benefit from these migration, especially those in areas 11 and 12? The following recommendations are made for the state and counties to consider in the next two years:

First, the state must continue to market and advertise. Areas to market that health care is a critical factor in the relocation decisions of business and other stakeholders.

Second, state and local leaders must assess the current decisions in the health care industry, including the various types of organizations, such as hospitals, ambulatory care centers, long-term care facilities, and others, to identify the community level development of assets, including workforce and training, quality, safety, and other factors, such as research, innovation, and infrastructure facilities to accommodate an aging population.

Third, the state and local leaders must work to increase training and design new programs and models for training, such as well as a mix of public and private sector leadership to coordinate long-term strategies and larger-scale efforts. Meeting this challenge is an opportunity for both business development and job creation.

Fourth, the state's transportation investment plan is critical to create products and services that align with various economic needs. The investment should be prioritized and included in state and metropolitan areas that are likely to experience rapid growth. Investment in road and transit infrastructure is a key to economic growth.



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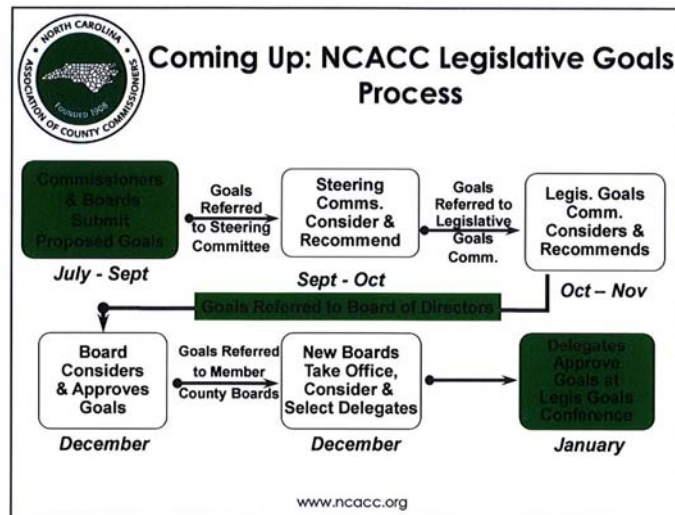
### Broadband Opportunities are Growing at the Federal Level

A Low Bridge to High Growth

Broadband access enables a number of broadband applications for education, healthcare, and government. Education, telemedicine, smart services from the public sector, and other important applications of high-speed internet access. For users in rural areas, broadband access is particularly important for the economic development of rural areas to other individuals and businesses to participate in the online economy. Broadband access is a critical component of economic growth.

The next broadband industry report is expected in 2018, which will provide a comprehensive overview of the industry's performance and the challenges it faces. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will release a report on broadband access in rural areas, which will include a list of broadband serviceable areas and a map of the United States showing broadband access in 2018. The FCC will also release a report on broadband access in rural areas, which will include a list of broadband serviceable areas and a map of the United States showing broadband access in 2018.

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Ms. Reese confirmed the legislative proposed goals process. She encouraged the commissioners to submit Board approved goals by September 2018. The voting delegate for each county approves the goals at the Legislative Goals Conference in January 2019.

Board members shared sentiments of displeasure that the state would limit local governments in leasing infrastructure noting Person County did not want to be in the competition with private service providers but only wanted to provide broadband access to its unserved citizens.

County Manager, Heidi York asked Ms. Reese if Person County should pursue a local bill (as was done in H1036 with 14-counties) with other interested counties. Ms. Reese encouraged the Board and staff to pursue every option and to contact state and federal representatives with examples how the insufficient broadband has affected the County's advancement without broadband access with impacts on education, health, business and safety.

**SUB-01-18 A REQUEST BY TOM AND DIANE BARNETTE FOR A CLUSTER SUBDIVISION CONCEPT PLAN CONSISTING OF 8 LOTS ON 10.73 ACRES LOCATED ON OLD HWY 57 ON TAX MAP & PARCEL A15-8 AND A15-148 IN THE RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT:**

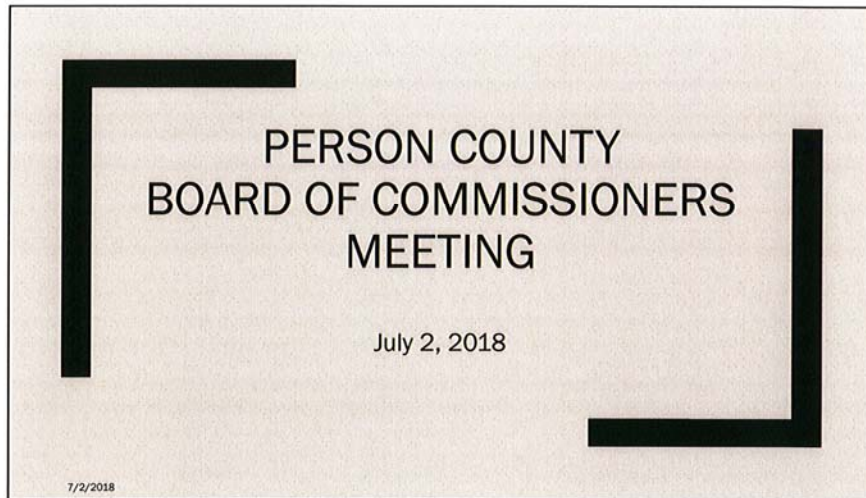
Planning Director, Lori Oakley summarized with the following presentation for a request by Tom and Diane Barnette for a Cluster Subdivision Concept Plan consisting of 8 lots on 10.73 acres located on Old Highway 57, Tax Map and Parcel A15-8 and A15-148 in the Residential (R) Zoning District.

Ms. Oakley stated the subject property contains woodlands and farmland and abuts Hyco Lake noting a single-family cluster subdivision is proposed for the site in accordance with Section 77 of the Person County Planning Ordinance. The minimum lot size will be 6,000 square feet and the minimum lot width will be 60 feet. Setbacks are reduced in cluster subdivision and are as follows: Front on main road – 25 feet, front on cul-de-sac – 10 feet, rear – 15 feet and side - 8 feet. The 420' contour line at the lake has a zero setback requirement.

Ms. Oakley noted Section 77-6 of the Planning Ordinance allows for a variety of street designs for cluster subdivisions and the applicant proposed a private street with 50' of right-of-way and 18' of pavement width. The maintenance of the private road will be handled by a road maintenance agreement and administered by the home owner's association. Lot 7 is considered a flag lot and it meets the 35' minimum lot width for the 'flagstaff.'

Ms. Oakley added the lots will be served by individual septic systems and wells. The plan depicts possible off-site septic drain fields within the common open space. The property is located within the Roanoke Watershed and the property does not lie within the 100-year special flood hazard area according to the FEMA map.

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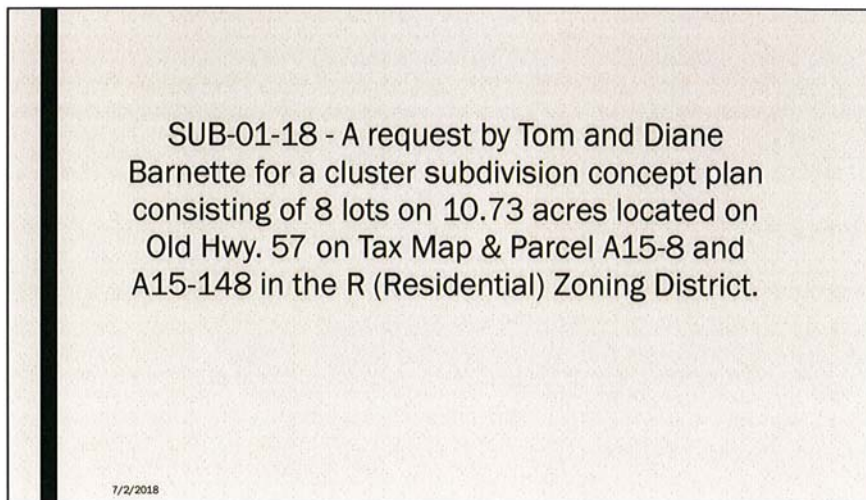


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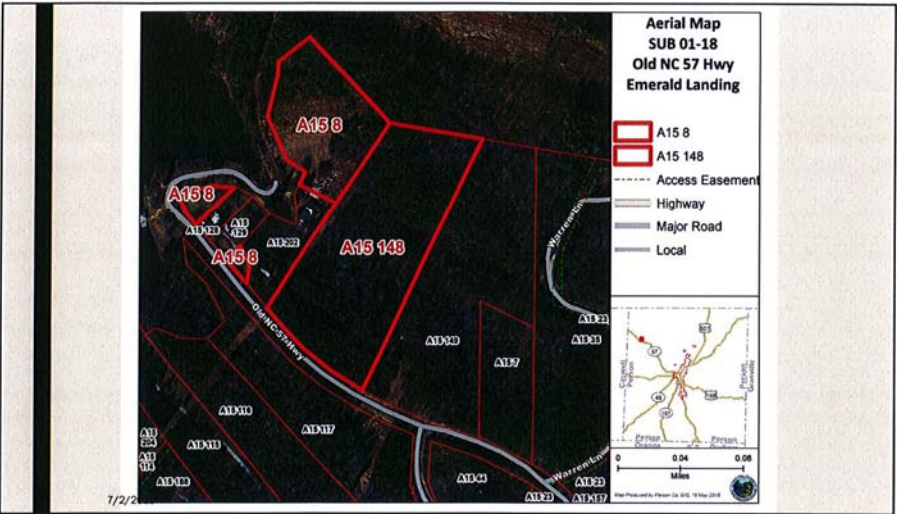


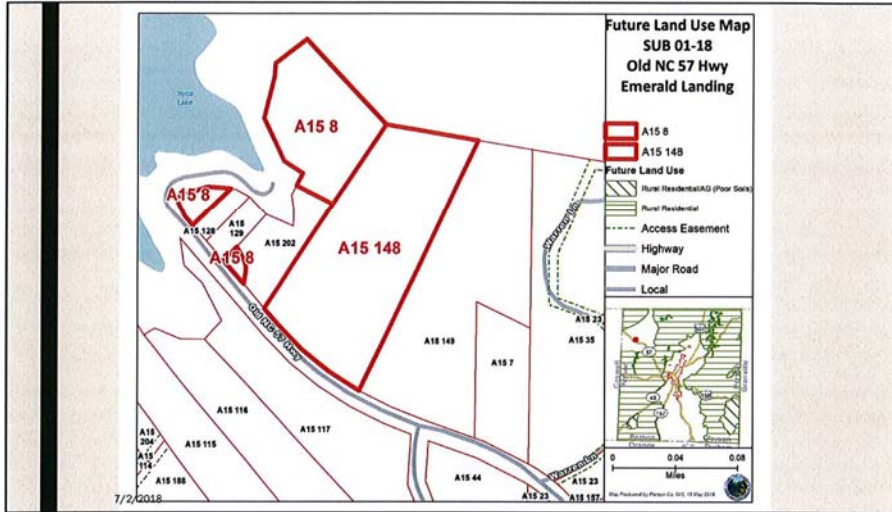
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### PLANNING STAFF ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

- The property is zoned R (Residential) and the applicant is proposing to develop an 8-lot cluster subdivision on 10.73 acres. The subdivision will contain 4.14 acres of common open space, which will include a conservation easement in accordance with Section 77-7 of the Person County Planning Ordinance.
- The applicant is proposing a private street in the subdivision with 50' of right-of-way and 18' of pavement width. The maintenance of the private roads will be handled by a road maintenance agreement and administered by the home owner's association.
- The proposed subdivision meets the requirements outlined in Section 77 *Cluster Development* of the Person County Planning Ordinance and planning staff recommends approval of the concept plan for the cluster subdivision SUB-01-18.

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## PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDATION

- At the Planning Board meeting on June 14, 2018, the Planning Board voted unanimously (6-0) to send a favorable recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for the cluster subdivision SUB-01-18.

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Ms. Oakley said the Person County Land Use Plan does not identify the property as a specific land use category; however the properties nearby are identified as Rural Residential / Agricultural and the proposed subdivision aligns with the residential designation. Appendix O of the Land Use Plan lists goals and objectives for the county including the following: 1.5 – Provide for a variety of housing types, densities and price ranges.

Ms. Oakley recognized the project realtor, Mr. Larry Carroll of Hillsborough and surveyor, Mr. Jay Jennings of Roxboro, both present in the audience, should the Board have questions.

Commissioner Jeffers asked if the applicant had contacted the Lake Authority for its rules and regulations. Mr. Carroll confirmed the cluster subdivision concept plan met all requirements of the Lake Authority noting leases are expected for all lots, with the exception of #8 which is not located on the lake.

Chairman Kendrick felt the subject property fell within the Duke Energy radius for legislative mandated water systems and asked if the applicant had addressed with Duke Energy or the local planning and zoning. Mr. Carroll said he was not aware of this legislation.

Commissioner Clayton asked Mr. Carroll about the drain field and septic systems to which Mr. Carroll noted the health department have approved the two sub-surface drip systems they plan to use.

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Powell and **carried 5-0** to approve the cluster subdivision concept plan as presented.

**APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:**

Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves presented interested citizen applications for consideration for current vacancies on the following:

**Recreation Advisory Board**

1 position for an unexpired term to 6/30/19  
1) Tabitha George requested appointment

A **motion** was made by Chairman Kendrick and **carried 5-0** to appoint Tabitha George to the Recreation Advisory Board to fulfill an unexpired term to June 30, 2019.

**Voluntary Agriculture District**

3-Year Term  
1 position for the Holloway Township – Cal Berryhill requested reappointment  
1 position for the Cunningham Township – Johnny Rogers requested reappointment

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Clayton and **carried 5-0** to reappoint Cal Berryhill (Holloway Township representative) and Johnny Rogers (Cunningham Township representative) to the Voluntary Agriculture District Board, each for a 3-year term.

**Person Area Transportation System Board**

3-Year Term; 4 positions available for one citizen each to represent, or who are affiliated with:

private industry:

school system: Gregg Foushee has requested appointment

economic development:

parks and recreation

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to appoint Gregg Foushee (affiliation with the school system) to the Person Area Transportation System Board of Directors for a 3-year term.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:**

Chairman Kendrick commended Commissioner Puryear for calling into the meeting while out-of-town. Chairman Kendrick offered Commissioners Clayton and Jeffers good wishes and safe travel to the National Association of Counties meeting extending support to Commissioner Jeffers in his run for NACo Second Vice President.

**MANAGER’S REPORT:**

County Manager, Heidi York polled the Board for a July 20, 2018 ribbon cutting at the tower located at Bushy Fork to begin a 10:00am. It was the consensus of the Board for July 20<sup>th</sup> to fit into their schedules.

**COMMISSIONER REPORT/COMMENTS:**

Vice Chairman Powell had no report.

Commissioner Clayton suggested consideration by the Board of Education for year-round school.

Commissioner Jeffers reported he attended an extension board meeting noting Piedmont Community College was considering an Ag curriculum. He invited the community members that addressed the Board during informal comments to the next Recreation Advisory Board meeting scheduled for July 11, 2018 starting at 5:30pm at the Parks and Recreation offices at Huck Sansbury.

Commissioner Puryear thanked the Manager for accommodating his request so that he could attend the meeting via conference call. He said he was attending the Elks National Convention in San Antonio. Commissioner Puryear reported that one of Person County's students was awarded \$50,000 in scholarship as the top recipient nationwide.

**CLOSED SESSION #1**

A **motion** was made by Vice Chairman Powell and **carried 5-0** to enter into Closed Session per General Statute 143-318.11(a)(5) at 7:42pm to consider the acquisition or lease of real property and to establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract with the following individuals permitted to attend: County Manager, Heidi York, Clerk to the Board, Brenda Reaves, County Attorney, Ron Aycock and General Services Director, Ray Foushee.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to return to open session at 7:55pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Jeffers and **carried 5-0** to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm.

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Brenda B. Reaves  
Clerk to the Board

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Tracey L. Kendrick  
Chairman

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