

THE RANDOLPH RECAP

August 5, 2024

Commissioner Meeting Agenda/Summary



The Randolph County Board of Commissioners holds regular public meetings on the first Monday of each month, beginning at 6:00 pm. Traditionally the meetings are held in the Historic Courthouse located at 145 Worth Street in Asheboro, however currently are being held in the lower meeting room in the Randolph County Office Building, 725 McDowell Road, Asheboro, NC. At each meeting, issues impacting our county and citizens are presented and evaluated by the County Commissioners.

Randolph County government is committed to providing citizens with the opportunity to access information and obtain the latest news and public updates regarding the county and its government. The Randolph Recap provides monthly highlights and summaries from the County Commissioners meetings. It also highlights information on current issues facing the County Commissioners and the departments and agencies of Randolph County government. The Randolph Recap serves as one of the various communication outlets, including Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn that will update and communicate with our Randolph County citizens.

We hope the Randolph Recap is helpful to you and would appreciate your input and comments as we move forward.



Zeb Holden
County Manager



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Special Recognitions:

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners recognized Kevin Loggains on his retirement from Randolph County Emergency Services with 30 Years of Service and presented him with a desk clock. Mr. Loggains spent most of his service as a tactical medic alongside the Randolph County Sheriff's Office Emergency Response Team.

Update on Invictus Project

Capt. Justin Trogdon with Randolph County Sheriff's Office & The Invictus Project gave an update that they are fully staffed with 16 members to combat the trafficking and exploitation of children. This is a partnership with the following agencies: Randolph, Forsyth, Alamance, and Davidson Sheriff's Offices, the District Attorney, State Bureau of Investigation, and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The investigations being conducted by the Task Force have produced tangible results, in both suspect arrests and victim identification in almost every state to date. Sheriff Greg Seabolt thanked the Commissioners for the financial support to get this program off the ground, which has made the current successes possible.

Consider Additional Deputy Sheriff Positions for the City of Trinity

Chief Deputy Aundrea Azelton with Randolph County Sheriff's Office stated that the City of Trinity is requesting approval of two additional positions due to the estimated increase in population and demand. The total estimated cost for the two new Deputy positions in the 2024-2025 fiscal year is \$157,630, with an additional \$31,382 required for uniforms and equipment, making the overall total cost \$189,012. These expenses will be fully reimbursed by the City of Trinity. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the request.

Consider Purchase of Law Enforcement Vehicles

Chief Deputy Aundrea Azelton with Randolph County Sheriff's Office requested 2024 Chevrolet Silverado Crew Cab Vehicles to be used by ERT/DART officers. They intend to acquire through the NC Statewide Vehicle Contract and under the contract, Modern Chevrolet has been awarded the bid with the total cost being \$362,733. She stated that these funds were included in the approved 2024-2025 budget. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the request.

Local Reentry Council Update

Tanya Smith with BrightView Addiction Treatment Center and Rodney Trogdon with Project Safe Neighborhoods presented the status of the Local Reentry Council (LRC) for Randolph County, which was encouraged by the NC Department of Adult Correction (DAC) to decrease recidivism by providing resources for justice-involved persons so that when they are released, they can have a good-paying job, obtain mental health services, find housing, and any other resources needed as they reenter into society.

Strategic Planning Funding

Randolph County Manager Zeb Holden reported that the Health and Well-Being Fund accumulates income from the landfill contract with Waste Management. He stated that moving forward, there will continue to be a process of applying for Strategic Planning Funds, and Leia Stiegmann will continue to work with agencies as the Strategic Program Coordinator to provide instruction and accountability. The following requests were presented:

RhinoLeap -Executive Director Jeremy Skidmore, stated that they are a non-profit organization that does live plays/shows, filming/video, radio, Summer Camp: Impact, and Afterschool Camp. Their next production plan is for "A Few Good Men" and they would like to perform this piece at the County's Historic Courthouse. Currently, the amount needed for the show would be \$65,000, which the City of Asheboro has pledged \$20,000 and they are asking Randolph County for \$20,000 and will have corporate sponsors make up the remaining funds needed. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the request.

Habitat for Humanity -Executive Director Wanda Pegg, stated that they are a non-profit organization that provides affordable housing and just built their 50th house. They hold the mortgages on the houses and the houses are sold to the families at cost. Volunteers and family members work on the houses. Habitat for Humanity of Randolph County is requesting \$100,000 from the County, and they will match the money received to pay for materials. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the request.



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Lydia's Place -Executive Director Nicki Hawks stated that they are the first and only shelter for women and families, with currently 13 people at the shelter and a waitlist of 45 women and 59 families. They are expanding and because of the increase in clients, they are requesting funding for a transportation van, vehicle maintenance, and a new position (driver/supervisor) for a total of \$153,255. The Board of Commissioners voted 4-1, to provide \$100,000 to be used for the purchase of a van and maintenance.

Randolph County Family Crisis Center - The Board of Commissioners approved the requested \$200,000 by a vote of 4-0. (Commissioner Kidd recused himself from the vote as he is a Family Crisis Board Member.)

OE Enterprises - The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved \$10,000, as requested.

Randolph Senior Adults Association - Using General Fund resources, the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved an additional \$50,000, as requested.

Adopt Resolution Supporting the Legislative Goals for NCACC

Leia Stiegmann, Strategic Program Coordinator, shared the legislative goals that the NCACC is asking the Randolph County Board of Commissioners to support. The Board of Commissioners unanimously adopted the resolution as presented. The goals will be submitted individually to the committees at the Legislative Assembly in November.

Consider Public Health Emergency Trailer Bid

Randolph County Public Health Director Tara Aker presented a request to purchase a trailer equipped with rapid-deployment inflatable shelters and additional accessories to house a temporary command center. Temporary COVID-19-related funding will be used to cover the costs (ends May of 2025). The lowest bid received was from ProPac, Inc. with a proposed total project cost of \$107,411.41. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the request.

Consider Construction Contract for Public Health Conditioned Storage Building

Randolph County Engineer Paxton Arthurs reported the need for Randolph County Public Health to have heat/cooled (conditioned) storage to replace current prefab units. Smith Sinnett Architecture created a design and provided the documents for the bid process for the construction of the storage building which could possibly be completed in three months. He received three bids, which came in much higher than expected. He reported that he contacted Garanco, Inc. (the lowest bidder) and asked for cost savings to negotiate the price. The total for construction is estimated at \$215,050. Mr. Arthurs stated that there are funds in the renovation capital project budget to cover the cost. The Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the request.

Consider Deep River Trail Connections Grant Applications and Resolutions of Support for Local Municipal Trail Applications

Randolph County Trail Coordinator Mary Joan Pugh gave an update on trails in Randolph County. Currently, the Sandy Creek Bridge/Trail is being worked on and the Ribbon Cutting is planned for October 19th. The following projects she brought forth to the commissioners for approval:

Randleman Dam (2-mile blueway/paddleway) \$25,000 match from the County (\$100,000 grant from Recreation Trail Program)

Harlan Creek Bridge (design and reconstruction) \$87,500 match from the County (\$175,000 grant from the Great Trails State Program)

City of Archdale - Creekside Park (greenway extension) requested a Resolution from the County

City of Asheboro - North Asheboro Greenway - requested a Resolution from the County

Each of the requested projects was approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Update on America 250 NC Committee

The Commissioners approved the following members to the Randolph County America 250 NC Committee: Mac Whatley, Dan Warren, Warren Dixon, Hal Pugh, Ryan Beeson, Ross Holt, Kathie Thompson, Lisa Brown, Kendra Lyons, Amy Rudisill, and Cam Mills (ex officio)



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