

**BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING AND
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2023
5:00 PM**



**R. Jay Foster Hall of
Justice - Womack
Building**

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1. Public Hearings
 - A. Call the Public Hearing to Order - Chairman Melton. The purpose of the public hearing is to take public comment on proposed new road name, Twin Oaks Drive. The public hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin.
 - B. Citizen Comments.
 - C. Commissioner Comments.
 - D. Adjourn Public Hearing.
 - E. Call the Public Hearing to Order - Chairman Melton. The purpose of the public hearing to take public comments on address changes as a result of City of Saluda readdressing project. The Public Hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin.
 - F. Citizen Comments.
 - G. Commissioner Comments.
 - H. Adjourn Public Hearing.
 2. Call to Order - Chairman Melton.
 3. Invocation - Commissioner Beiler.
 4. Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Overholt.
 5. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Items may be added or removed at this time.
Motion to approve or amend the agenda as presented.
 6. Consent Agenda - Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
 - A. Approval of September 18, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.
 - B. Tax Refund Request in the amount of \$823.70.
Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
 7. Citizen Comments on Agenda Items.
 8. Turner Shoals Dam Update - David Odom, Odom Engineering, PLLC

9. New Polk County Road Name - Twin Oaks Drive (Private Road off SR1514) in Columbus Township - Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator.

Motion to approve the new road name as presented.

10. Address Changes as a result of the City of Saluda Readdressing Project - Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator.

Motion to approve the address changes as presented.

11. Approval to schedule a Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposed Skateboard Ordinance - Attorney Berg.

Motion to approve the request to hold a public hearing on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 5:00 PM in the R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice, Womack Building.

12. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items.

13. Chairman and Commissioners Comments.

14. Adjournment



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that at 5:00 p.m., on Monday, October 2, 2023, in the R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice, Womack Building, 40 Courthouse Street, Columbus, NC 28722, the Polk County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to receive citizen input on the following list of proposed road names to be adopted in Polk County:

Twin Oaks Drive (Private Road off SR 1514)

Township: Columbus

For additional information about this Public Hearing, contact the County Manager's office, at (828) 894-3301.

Kristy A. Tipton
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

October 2, 2023 Regular Meeting

Agenda Item#: E.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Type

Upload Date

Public Hearing Notice

Cover Memo

9/27/2023



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Kristy A. Tipton
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

October 2, 2023 Regular Meeting

Agenda Item#: A.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type	Upload Date
Draft Minutes	Cover Memo	9/27/2023

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
September 18, 2023 - 5:00 PM
R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice - Womack Building
Columbus, NC
MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Melton, Vice-Chairman Yoder, Commissioner Beiler, and Commissioner Moore. Commissioner Overholt participated remotely. Also in attendance were Attorney Berg, Temporary Acting Clerk to the Board Ange' High, media, and citizens. Manager Pittman was absent.

1. Public Hearing

A. Call Public Hearing to Order - Chairman Melton. The purpose of the public hearing was to take comments on the FY 2025 Polk County Transportation Authority (PCTA) 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307, and applicable State Funding, or combination thereof, Community Transportation Grants. The public hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin. Bill Crisp PCTA Manager was present. A complete copy of the grant application was available for review upon request.

B. Citizen Comments.

There were none.

C. Commissioner Comments.

There were none.

D. Adjourn Public Hearing.

Commissioner Moore moved to adjourn the public hearing, seconded by Vice-Chairman Yoder and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Call to Order - Chairman Melton.

A. Appoint Ange' High as Temporary Acting Clerk in the absence of Clerk Tipton.

Commissioner Beiler moved to appoint Ange' High as the Temporary Acting Clerk due to Clerk Tiptons absence, seconded by Vice-Chairman Yoder and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Invocation - Vice-Chairman Yoder.

4. Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Belier.

5. Approval of Agenda

A. Items may be added or removed at this time.

Attorney Berg requested amending the agenda to temporarily suspend the Board's meeting rules of procedure to allow remote participation for this meeting only.

Commissioner Moore moved to approve to amend the agenda by adding a temporary suspension of the meeting rules of procedure to allow remote participation for this meeting, seconded by Commissioner Beiler and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Beiler moved to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Vice-Chairman Yoder and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Consent Agenda - Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Approval of September 5, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes.

B. Re-appoint Scott Woodworth to the Jury Commission as required in § 9-1.

C. Sheriffs Department Monthly Activity Report for August 2023.

Commissioner Beiler moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Moore and the motion carried unanimously.

7. Citizen Comments on Agenda Items.

There were none.

8. Polk County Schools - Brandon Schweitzer, Ed. D., Director of Operations.

Brandon Schweitzer, Director of Operations for Polk County Schools, provided an update on the project's progress, affirming that it remains on schedule. He noted that there has been only one change order initiated by the School with the purpose of enhancing the building's access road.

Mr. Schweitzer then formally requested approval of the third distribution payment.

Vice-Chairman Yoder moved to approve the distribution payment request, seconded by Commissioner Beiler and the motion carried unanimously.

9. FY 2025 PCTA Grants & Resolution - To consider approval of 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307 and applicable State Funding Community Transit Grants subsequent to the public hearing.

Bill Crisp, PCTA Manager, presented the FY 2025 grant information. He said is included administration costs and the replacement of three vehicles.

Commissioner Moore moved to adopt the resolution and submit the FY 2025 grant application, seconded by Vice-Chairman Yoder and the motion carried

unanimously.

10. Travel and Tourism Update - Melinda Massey, Travel and Tourism Director.

Melinda Massey, Travel and Tourism Director, presented the revised Visitor Guide and Map. Ms. Massey provided a comprehensive overview of the brochure, highlighting its content and detailing the various services offered by her department to both residents and visitors alike. She also extended an invitation to all attendees to explore their department's website at www.firstpeaknc.com for further information and resources.

11. Property Tax Revaluation Update - Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator.

Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator, provided a detailed overview of the 2025 property revaluation timeline from October 2023 to September 2024. She began by outlining the initial step, which involves data collection conducted by appraisers. She explained that the data collection phase will commence in October and involve a method known as "curb reviews." The appraisers will capture photographic documentation of properties within Polk County from their vehicles rather than conducting a comprehensive on-foot inspection of each assessed structure.

Mrs. O'Loughlin said she would present the recommended schedule of values compiled from the appraiser's information to the Board of Commissioners for their review and noted that a public hearing would be scheduled prior to the adoption of these values to ensure transparency and community involvement in the process. She encouraged anyone with questions about the revaluation to contact the Tax Office.

Chairman Melton requested articles from the media to ensure the public is aware of the process.

12. Radio Tower Update - Jeremy Gregg, Director Polk County E-911 Communications.

Jeremy Gregg, Communications Director, reported that the collaborative radio tower project with Henderson County successfully went live in June of this year. He highlighted that implementing these towers has led to substantial enhancements in public safety services across most of our county.

Mr. Gregg also noted that a specific area that may require further attention is within the City of Saluda. He said the stakeholders have initiated discussions to explore potential solutions and options to address the communication needs in this region.

13. NCDOT Prioritization 7 Resolution (The information was presented at the July 24, 2023 Regular Meeting).

Attorney Berg read the resolution. Commissioner Moore moved to approve the NCDOT Prioritization 7 Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Beiler and the

motion carried unanimously.

14. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items.

There were none.

15. Volunteer Board Application(s)

A. Applications for consideration: Nigel Stroud - Town of Tryon Planning Board, Alternate ETJ Applicant.

Commissioner Beiler moved to approve the Volunteer Board applicant as presented, seconded by Vice-Chairman Yoder and the motion carried unanimously.

16. Chairman and Commissioner Comments.

The Commissioners thanked all in attendance.

17. Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Yoder moved to to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Moore and the motion carried unanimously.

Attest:

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

Kristy A Tipton
Clerk to the Board

Tommy W. Melton
Chairman

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

October 2, 2023 Regular Meeting

Agenda Item#: B.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type	Upload Date
Tax Refund Request	Cover Memo	9/26/2023

Suggested Motion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Memorandum

To: Polk County Board of Commissioners

From: Melissa O'Loughlin, Polk County Tax Administrator

Date: 9/30/2023

Re: Refund Request

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Levi Robert Paul	Vehicle	\$ 357.49	Tag Turned In- Moved out of State
Sprouse Michael Lanz	Vehicle	\$ 189.16	Tag Turned In-Vehicle Sold
McNeely David Andrew	Vehicle	\$ 169.23	Tag Turned In-Vehicle Sold
Maness Kennedy Paige	Vehicle	\$ 107.82	Tag Turned In-Vehicle Sold

TOTAL: \$ 823.70

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

October 2, 2023 Regular Meeting

Agenda Item#: 9.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type	Upload Date
Twin Oaks Drive	Cover Memo	9/27/2023

Suggested Motion:

Motion to approve the new road name as presented.

Memorandum

To: Polk County Board of Commissioners

From: Joanna Martinez E911 Property Addressing Coordinator

Date: August 30, 2023

Re: New Road Name

Grady Lane is the first choice of three names from the citizen. Grady Lane is too similar to Grady Ave already in the county. Twin Oaks Drive is citizen's second choice. County recommends the citizens 2nd choice, Twin Oaks Drive.

County selected Twin Oaks Drive for new road name, citizens agreed. Three addresses on driveway.

August 30, 2023

Proposed road name to be adopted:

Twin Oaks Drive (Private Road-off SR 1514)

Township: Columbus

MSAG Query/Update

MSAG Query

NO RESULTS WERE FOUND, PLEASE TRY A DIFFERENT QUERY AND CHECK YOUR REGION.

X

Include TN Count in Query Results

MSAG Type: All MSAG Types

Low House #:

High House #:

O/E: All

Dir:

Street:

TWIN OAKS DR

Community:

County: 149

* State: NC

SR Tandem:

Exchange:

ESN:

Agency ID:

Comments:

Modified By:

Last Modified Date

From:

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To:

yyyy-mm-dd

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Reset

Search

P47-16
(828)722-1188

New Road/Driveway Request

List 3 desired choices with reason for each name: (Example: Family name, Favorite Destination)

Note: All 3 choices must be different names, NOT separate suffixes such as Cove, Trail, Way, Lane

1. Grady Lane (In honor of Grady Ross, the original deed holder of the land)___

2. Twin Oaks Drive

3. Spring Hill Road

All neighbors MUST sign in agreeance with the choices listed above.

Name

Address

Date

1. Graham Caparulo - 1604 Old Highway 19, Columbus,
NC 8/13/23

2. Chris Ross - 1598 Old Highway 19, Columbus, NC
8/13/23

3. Chris Ross - 1594 Old Highway 19, Columbus, NC
8/13/23

Note: Road names are NOT guaranteed until approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Ordinance Regulating Addressing and Road naming or Re-naming in Polk County, North Carolina upon request.

The below signature does hereby attest that the information in this document is true and correct to the best of their knowledge.

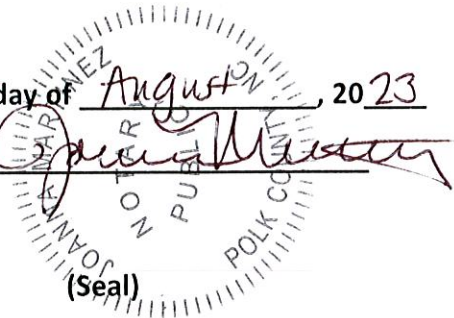
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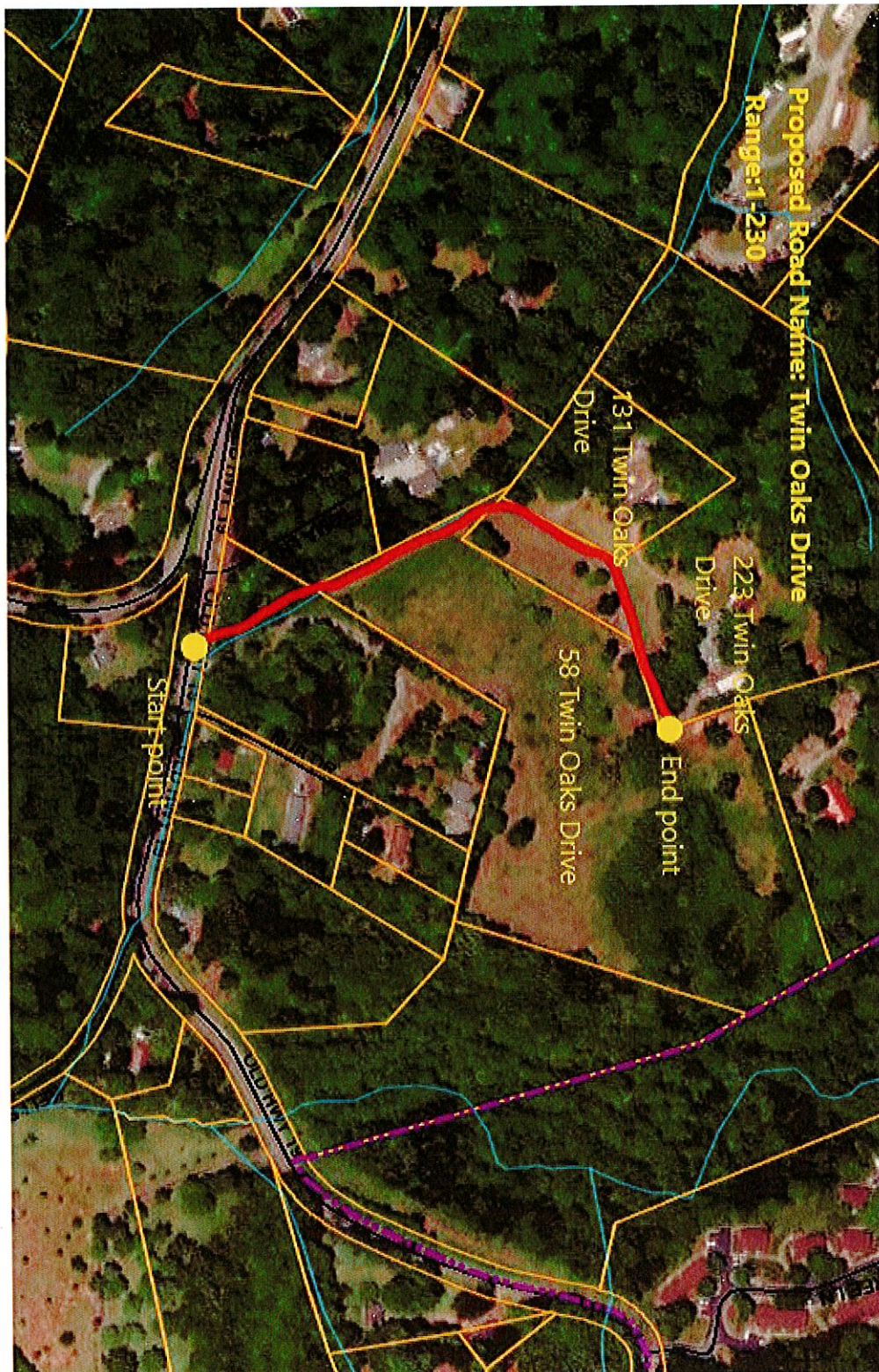
State of NC County of Polk

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24th day of August, 2023

Notary printed name Joanna Martinez Notary Signature _____

My Commission Expires: 06/21/2027





POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

October 2, 2023 Regular Meeting

Agenda Item#: 10.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type	Upload Date
Address Changes	Cover Memo	9/27/2023

Suggested Motion:

Motion to approve the address changes as presented.

Memorandum

To: Polk County Board of Commissioners

From: Joanna Martinez E911 Property Addressing Coordinator

Date: August 30, 2023

Re: 24 county address changes due to Saluda Readdressing project

Proposed changes:

Crescent Street

553 to be changed to 257

551 to be changed to 255

Louisiana Avenue

913 to be changed to 466

915 to be changed to 468

955 to be changed to 520

991 to be changed to 534

1037 to be changed to 592

1081 to be changed to 634

Burrell-Pace/ Pearson Falls

300 Burrell Pace to be changed to 551 Pearson Falls

New address to be added: 553 Pearson Falls

Ransom Road

612 to be changed to 131

Esseola Street

641 to be changed to 321

Esseola cont.:

701 to be changed to 383

900 to be changed to 560

925 to be changed to 607

1011 to be changed to 675

Laurel Drive

635 to be changed to 355

672 to be changed to 368

712 should be changed to 400

719 to be changed to 415

845 to be changed to 535

Hayes Drive

548 to be changed to 182

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

October 2, 2023 Regular Meeting

Agenda Item#: 11.

Suggested Motion:

Motion to approve the request to hold a public hearing on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 5:00 PM in the R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice, Womack Building.