

**BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 17, 2025
5:00 PM**



**Bryant H. Womack
Justice & Administration
Building
40 Courthouse Street
Columbus, NC 28722**

1. Public Hearing

- A. Call to Order the Public Hearing -The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed resolution to be adopted by the Board of Commissioners signifying the organization of the Polk County Regional Water Authority. The Public Hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin.
- B. Citizen Comments
- C. Adjourn Public Hearing

2. Public Hearing II.

- A. Call to Order the Public Hearing - The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comments on the proposed text amendments to the Polk County Voluntary Agricultural District & Enhanced Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance to comply with amendments made in the North Carolina General Statutes.(A copy of the current and proposed draft of the Voluntary Agricultural District & Enhanced Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance is available for review online at <https://www.polknc.gov/ordinances.php> or in the County Manager's office).
- B. Citizen Comments
- C. Adjourn Public Hearing

3. Public Hearing III.

- A. Call to Order the Public Hearing - The purpose of the Public Hearing is to take public comment on the proposed new road names; Evergreen Drive - Private Road - Off of Big Level Road - SR 1311, and Westlyn Way - Private Road - Off of Peniel Road - SR 1521. The Public Hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin.
- B. Citizen Comments

C. Adjourn Public Hearing

4. Call to Order the Regular Meeting - Chair Yoder.

5. Invocation - Commissioner Beiler

6. Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Hargett

7. Approval of Agenda

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

8. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of February 17, 2025 Public Hearings & Regular Meeting Minutes

B. Budget Amendment 4331 - LIDAR, Access Road & Generator.

C. Sheriff's Department Surplus Vehicle Donation to the Isothermal Community College Foundation. (The notice was available for review at https://www.polknc.gov/public_hearing_notices.php and in the County Manager's Office).

D. Budget Amendment for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Phase Three.

E. Interlocal Agreements Pertaining to Debris Removal.

F. Declare one Sheriff vehicle to be sold electronically by public auction. Asset details are attached.

G. Schedule a Public Hearing for the proposed new road names to be considered on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 5:00 pm in the R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice, Womack Building.

9. Citizen Comments on Agenda Items.

10. Regular Agenda Items

A. Recognition of the Polk County High School Volleyball Team State Champions - Aaron Greene, Polk County Schools Superintendent.

B. Sheriff's Department Annual Report for 2024 - Sheriff Tim Wright.

C. State Cashflow Loans for Disaster Response Activities to Local Governments - Manager Pittman, and Sandra Hughes, Finance Director.

D. 2024 Uncollected (Delinquent) Tax Report - Melissa O'Laughlin, Tax Administrator.

E. Consideration to adopt the Resolution to form the Regional Water Authority subsequent to the Public Hearing. Attorney, Belton Zeigler.

- F. Consideration and Approval of the proposed Voluntary Agricultural District & Enhanced Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance subsequent to the Public Hearing - Kelly Gay, Director of Soil and Water Conservation District, and Dawn Jordan, Director of Agricultural Economic Development.
- G. Consideration and Approval of the proposed new road names subsequent to the Public Hearing - Attorney, Jana Berg.
- H. Resolution Designation of Applicants Agent - Bobby Arledge, Emergency Management Director and Fire Marshall.

- I. Emergency Management Update

11. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items.

12. Volunteer Board Applications

- A. Equalization and Review Board - There is one vacancy and one applicant; Erika Bradley.
- B. Discussion and Approval of Chairperson for the Equalization and Review Board. Members include: Ray Gasperson, Jeff Miller, Tonya Walls, Wendy Wipperman, and Erika Bradley (if appointed).

13. Commissioner Comments.

14. Adjournment