

**BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC HEARING AND  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2024  
5:00 PM**



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

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1. Public Hearing

- A. Call to Order the Public Hearing - Chairman Yoder.

Motion to appoint Ange' High as temporary acting clerk until Clerk Tipton returns.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments on the FY 2026 Polk County Transportation Authority (PCTA) 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307, and applicable State Funding, or a combination thereof, Community Transportation Grants. The public hearing was properly advertised in the Tryon Daily Bulletin. Bill Crisp PCTA Manager will be present. (A complete copy of the grant application is available for review upon request.)

- B. Citizen Comments

- C. Adjourn Public Hearing.

2. Call to Order the Regular Meeting - Chairman Yoder.

3. Invocation - Chairman Yoder.

4. Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Beiler.

5. Approval of Agenda

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

6. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the September 3, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes.

- B. Growing Rural Economies with Access to Technology (GREAT) Program Update.

7. Citizen Comments on Agenda Items.

8. Regular Agenda Items

- A. Thermal Belt Outreach Update - Margot Carter, Executive Director.

- B. Annual Green River Sand and Gravel Dredge Project Update - Warren Eadus, Director of Environmental Services, West Region WithersRavenel (formerly Quible & Associates).
- C. Schedule a public hearing for the submission of the proposed uniform schedule of values, standards, and rules for the 2025 county-wide revaluation - Melissa O'Loughlin, Tax Administrator. (A copy of the Schedule of Values will be available for public review beginning 9/17/24 in the Tax office and on the Tax page of the County website [www.polknc.org](http://www.polknc.org)).
- D. FY 2026 Polk County Transportation Authority Grants & Resolution - To consider approval of 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307, and applicable State Funding Community Transit Grants after the public hearing - Bill Crisp PCTA Manager.
- E. Polk County Schools - Dr. Brandon Schweitzer, Ed. D. Director of Operations Needs-Based Public School Capital Fund Grant Application for \$7,000,000 to fund an addition of 12,800 square feet to Polk County High School to be used for career and technical education classes. The grant deadline was September 13, 2024.
- F. Polk County Schools - Dr. Brandon Schweitzer, Ed. D. Director of Operations Needs-Based Public School Capital Fund (Lottery Distribution) disbursement approval for the Tryon Elementary Pre-K Expansion.
- G. Polk County Schools - Dr. Brandon Schweitzer, Ed. D. Director of Operations Local Government Request for Capital Reserve Transfer in the amount of \$93,822. Requesting approval of the budget amendment to appropriate Capital Reserve fund balance reserved in prior years from the sales tax set aside to the General Fund School Capital account for reimbursement of capital spending on the Tryon Elementary Pre-K addition.
- H. Polk County Schools - Dr. Brandon Schweitzer, Ed. D. Director of Operations Public School Building Capital Fund (Lottery Distribution) requested release and project approval for the Saluda Elementary School Awning Project in the amount of \$49,200.

9. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items.

10. Volunteer Board Applications

- A. Applications for Consideration: Mental Health Advisory Board - Kelly LeCompte.

11. Adjournment