



MINUTES
Board of County Commissioners Meeting
Tuesday, January 19, 2021 4:00 PM
Pender County Hampstead Annex

MEMBERS PRESENT:

George Brown
Fred McCoy
Jacqueline A. Newton
David Piepmeyer
David Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chad McEwen, County Manager
Trey Thurman, County Attorney
Melissa Long, Clerk to the Board
Doug Shipley, Assistant County Manager
Allen Vann, Assistant County Manager
Other Staff and Members of the Press and Public.

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1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and thanked and welcomed all to the meeting.

2 INVOCATION

Commissioner Piepmeyer offered the invocation.

3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner McCoy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Brown recognized veterans and thanked them for their service.

4 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by David Piepmeyer, seconded by David Williams

Motion to remove item 8.3 and adopt the rest of the agenda as presented.

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
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George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			
Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer	x			
David Williams	x			
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CARRIED.

5 PUBLIC INFORMATION

5.1 Update on Pender County Courthouse Remediation and Repairs

Mr. Vann explained that there was not much to report today with regard to the Courthouse project as no bids for the roof have been received. Bids were put out for a shingle and membrane roof and the bids are expected back this week. The information on the bids should be ready to be presented to the Board by next Wednesday and will be placed on the February 1 agenda for the Board's consideration. Chairman Brown asked if it would be possible to install more security cameras at the Courthouse noting that it may be a good time to do so. Mr. Vann explained that the plan was to put the Courthouse back to the condition it was before Hurricane Florence. Installation of more security cameras would require a change order and would slow the process down at this point. Mr. Vann stated that this is something that could be looked at at a later date. Commissioner Piepmeyer asked if there would be an option for a metal roof. Mr. Vann stated that if the county were to go through with a metal roof, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) would have to review the plans which would further slow down the project. Commissioner Piepmeyer stated that he would never endorse going through SHPO in the future as they have only slowed this project down with very little monetary assistance to the tax payers of Pender County. Brief discussion ensued regarding historic preservation and its importance. The Board thanked Mr. Vann for the update.

5.2 Update on the Beaver Trapping and Dam Removal Program through Pender Soil and Water.

Chairman Don Rawls of the Pender Soil and Water Conservation Board was present to update the Board on the Beaver Trapping and Dam Removal Program through Pender Soil and Water. Also present was Jason Turner of the Pender Soil and Water Conservation Office. Mr. Rawls explained how this program works. He explained that this is in correlation to the creek and stream cleanout programs from Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Florence. Of the first grant, there was \$41,000

remaining and their office had contacted Raleigh to see if the leftover funds would be allowed to be used for beaver and dam removal. The office in Raleigh stated that this use would be okay and their office submitted a contract for approval to Raleigh to trap and remove beaver dams in the creeks and streams that have already been cleaned out in order to keep them flowing. This program is not open to citizens and is only for the creeks and streams that have been cleaned out through the program. Mr. Rawls explained how the process works. The trapper is paid by the hour and has his own liability insurance and is bonded. In order for the trapper to go onto a property both the property owner and the adjacent property owner must sign off on it. The trapper also meets face to face with property owners. Discussion ensued regarding this program. Mr. Rawls stated that he hoped that between this and the program that the county is working on that Pender County can get ahead of the game when it comes to beavers. The Board thanked Mr. Rawls for the update.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no signups for public comment.

7 CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by David Williams, seconded by Fred McCoy

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			
Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer	x			
David Williams	x			
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CARRIED.

7.1 Approval of Minutes: January 4, 2021.

7.2 Approval for a Purchase Order to LabCorp of America Holdings in the amount of \$85,000 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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8 APPROVALS AND RESOLUTIONS

8.1 Approval of Contract for Demolition Services - HMGP Hurricane Matthew and HMGP Hurricane Florence Expedited Acquisition.

Planning Director Travis Henley explained that as part of the multiple iterations of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Pender County is currently administering, the County has acquired twelve residential properties to mitigate future flood losses, one as part of the Hurricane Matthew HMGP effort, and eleven as part of the Hurricane Florence HMGP Expedited Acquisition Project, with an additional ten to be acquired in the near future. Following closing of these properties, it is the County's responsibility to restore the respective sites to their natural state to assist with floodplain function and capacity, a state in which they will remain in perpetuity. The Pender County Board of Commissioners previously approved an award for a portion of the demolition services for twelve of the twenty-two properties on November 2, 2020. Additional questions raised by Staff following the award led to a desire to rebid the project, and to advertise the entire scope of the project instead of piecemeal. As such, Staff and the Consultant (Insight Planning and Development, formerly known as Holland Consulting Planners, Inc.) advertised for demolition services through local newspaper (Pender-Topsail Post and Voice) as well as placed the advertisement on the County website and mailed the advertisement to regional contractors. The project was advertised as two separate groups (Group A and Group B). In total, there were four responses to the first group, and three responses to the second group, all submitted through a sealed-bid process, and 4 Seasons Demolition was selected as the lowest responsible bidder for both groups. Therefore, Staff is recommending that the Board consider the proposal and award a contract in the amount of \$120,700.00 (Group A) and \$169,500.00 (Group B) for demolition services. Funding to complete this project is provided through the various previously approved HMGP grant agreements on a reimbursement basis and is covered through federal and state funds, through funds 60-407441-6463 (Hurricane Matthew HMGP) and 60-407441-6467 (Hurricane Florence HMGP). Commissioner Newton asked if it would be possible for citizens in the community to be able to purchase the homes on these properties and have them moved. Mr. Henley explained that the program does not allow for it and that all structures on these properties that are accepted into the program must be demolished. Brief discussion ensued regarding the liability issues if this were to be allowed.

Moved by Fred McCoy, seconded by David Williams

Motion to award contracts in the amount of \$120,700.00 (Group A) and \$169,500.00 (Group B) to 4 Seasons Demolition for demolition services as part of the Hurricanes Matthew and Florence HMGP projects.

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
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George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			
Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer	x			
David Williams	x			
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CARRIED.

- 8.2 Resolution to Amend the Operating Agreement and Lease Agreements related to Pender Memorial Hospital to address their transition/assignment from New Hanover Regional Medical Center to its successor, Novant Health New Hanover Regional Medical Center, and to extend these for two years.

Mr. Thurman explained that this will extend the current agreement for both the lease and the operation of Pender Memorial Hospital and allows the agreement to be transferred to Novant Health. This agreement is effective from July 2021 through July 2023 and keeps things as they are. Commissioner Piepmeyer stated his concerns and that he believes that the status quo is just kicking the can. Commissioner Newton stated her concern for healthcare for residents on the western side of the county and the focus seems to be on the east side of the county. Commissioner Williams stated that this allows Pender County not to rush into a decision citing the Hospital sale and COVID over the most recent extension. He added that one of the most important factors of this agreement is to continue the strategic plan for New Hanover Regional Medical Center which includes replacement for Pender Memorial Hospital. Discussion ensued regarding the Certificate of Need which belongs to Pender County. Ruth Glaser, President of Pender Memorial Hospital spoke to the Certificate of Need. Discussion then ensued regarding the lease and ownership of the hospital. Commissioner Piepmeyer stated that this is a great time to see what opportunities are out there for this hospital. The Board thanked Ms. Glaser.

Moved by David Williams, seconded by Jacqueline A. Newton

Motion to approve the contract extension with Novant Health New Hanover Regional Medical Center as discussed for a period of two years, July 2021 through July 2023.

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			

Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer		x		
David Williams	x			
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CARRIED.

8.3 Reconsideration of the Cost Per Copy Management Program with Systel.

This item was removed from the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

9 DISCUSSION

9.1 Discussion of FY 2021-22 Budget Process.

Mr. McEwen asked that Finance Director Meg Blue give an update on the upcoming budget process. Ms. Blue explained that this new process defines fixed costs versus variable costs and will be focused on cost savings based on metrics. Commissioner Newton asked that when the budget is provided to the Board that it include three years of historical data. She also requested a paper copy of the budget. Commissioner Piepmeyer stated that he believes that the heavy lifting should be done at the manager level. He stated that he would like to see the highlights and comparisons. Commissioner Newton thanked Ms. Blue for a job well done and further explained her request. The Board thanked Ms. Blue for the update.

10 PENDER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board convened as the Pender County Board of Health at 5:03 p.m.

10.1 COVID-19 Update for Pender County.

Health and Human Services Director Carolyn Moser provided a COVID-19 update to the Board. Ms. Moser explained that Pender County has close to 3,600 cases with 91% of those cases being recovered. Health Department staff is conducting 75-90 tests daily. She explained that the school system has done a great job. Brief discussion ensued regarding vaccinating school staff. As of today, about 10% of tests are returning positive at the state level and 16.3% of tests are returning positive in Pender County. Ms. Moser explained the outbreaks that have taken place recently in nursing homes and how those have affected the metrics for Pender County. As of today, Pender County has administered 1,530 vaccines. Staff is scheduling 500 vaccines per week, 250 for Burgaw and 250 for Hampstead. North Carolina is ranked 41st

out of 50 states for getting vaccines in arms which has effected the supply of vaccines locally. Discussion ensued regarding the vaccine rollout. Commissioner Piepmeyer suggested formulating a plan to utilize providers in the county to assist with administering vaccines. Commissioner Newton explained that her mother had a wonderful experience at her vaccine appointment and thanked Ms. Moser. Chairman Brown read a letter from Everette Durham thanking the county as well as the Health Department for the job they are doing getting the vaccine out. Discussion then ensued regarding the call center and the volume of people calling to obtain a vaccine. Discussion further ensued regarding obtaining doses of the vaccine. Ruth Glaser of Pender Memorial Hospital stated that the hospital did not receive it's expected doses of vaccine. Ms. Moser stated that she would prefer to stay with the Moderna vaccine due to the ultra cold storage requirements for the Pfizer vaccine. Mr. Thurman stated that the public can get the vaccine anywhere that they are able to get an appointment. The Board thanked Ms. Moser and her staff.

11 ITEMS FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, COUNTY MANAGER, ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGERS, & COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners at 5:41 p.m.

11.1 Items from the County Attorney.

- Mr. Thurman stated that there was an item for closed session, item 3.

11.2 Items from the County Commissioners.

Commissioner Newton:

- Commissioner Newton stated that she attended the NCACC Legislative Goals Conference last week which was held virtually. She updated the Board on the associations decisions regarding Electronic Notices and the revocation of tax incentives for solar farms as these items were both pulled from the slate of goals.

Commissioner Piepmeyer:

- Commissioner Piepmeyer stated that the Jamestown Pender case was settled before the holidays and land acquisition for the Hampstead Bypass resumed as of January 1.
- Commissioner Piepmeyer stated that he met with Senator Michael Lee regarding his request to re-establish the indemnification of all the members of the WMPO back into state law as he was the original author of that wording which was in the MAP Act and was removed when the Map Act was removed from State Law. Senator Lee stated that Commissioner Piepmeyer

was not the first to make this request.

12 CLOSED SESSION (IF APPLICABLE).

Moved by David Williams, seconded by Fred McCoy

5:47 p.m.

Motion to enter into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11: 3) To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. General policy matters may not be discussed in a closed session and nothing herein shall be construed to permit a public body to close a meeting that otherwise would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the public body is a participant. The public body may consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim, judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. If the public body has approved or considered a settlement, other than a malpractice settlement by or on behalf of a hospital, in closed session, the terms of that settlement shall be reported to the public body and entered into its minutes as soon as possible within a reasonable time after the settlement is concluded. The Board exited closed session at approximately 6:25 p.m. No announcement was made upon exiting closed session.

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			
Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer	x			
David Williams	x			
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CARRIED.

13 7PM PUBLIC HEARINGS: SPECIAL USE PERMITS/ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS/ RESOLUTIONS

13.1 Resolution Requesting Approval of a Conditional Zoning Map Amendment.

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Chairman Brown opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Planning Director Travis Henley introduced Sam Shore, Long Range Planner, to present the case. Mr. Shore explained that Stroud Engineering, applicant, on behalf of Rocky Point Properties LLC and Farm and Garden LLC, owners, is requesting the approval of a Conditional Zoning Map Amendment for three tracts totaling

approximately ± 301.09 acres from RP, Residential Performance and RA, Rural Agricultural zoning districts to PD-CD1, Planned Development Conditional zoning district 1. This request is to allow for 750 single family detached residential units, associated sewage treatment facility (NAICS 221320), and a farmers' market (NAICS 445230). The proposed development is south of NC HWY 210, approximately ± 0.03 miles east of the intersection of NC HWY 210 and Balcombe Rd (SR 1425), and west of US HWY 117 in the Rocky Point Township and may be further identified by Pender County PINs 3234- 29-6506-0000, 3234-38-5366-0000, and 3234-24-6900-0000. At their November 5, 2020 meeting, the Pender County Planning Board recommended conditional approval of this application based on its consistency with the Pender County Unified Development Ordinance and Pender 2.0 Comprehensive Land Use Plan, with Staff also recommending approval. The proposed development is consistent with three goals, two objectives, and six policies and the Future Land Use Map in the Pender 2.0 Comprehensive Land Use Plan, and conflicts with none. The proposed development is compliant with the Pender County Unified Development Ordinance. Mr. Shore stated that this presentation will focus on Transportation concerns, Environmental concerns, and conditions for this project. Commissioner Piepmeyer asked how many homes would be able to be built by-right. Mr. Shore stated that about 550 homes would be able to be built by-right. Chairman Brown asked if duplexes were allowed in both the Residential Performance and Rural Agricultural zoning districts. Mr. Shore stated that they were. Chairman Brown asked if the Water System would be able to handle both a development with 550 homes as well as a development with 750 homes. Utilities Director Kenny Keel explained that the location of this development is great for the water system and that it would be able to accommodate either size development. Chairman Brown asked about Fall Brook Lane and how it would be maintained until it becomes a state road. Mr. Shore explained that the applicant has agreed that they would maintain the road based on their percentage of usage until it can be turned over and accepted as a state road by the NCDOT. Commissioner Newton asked about the wetlands and making sure that the runoff does not go into Turkey Creek. Mr. Shore explained that the applicant has provided a stormwater and wetlands map, but it has not yet been approved by the Army Corps of Engineers. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding maintenance of Fall Brook Lane. Additional conditions were added after staff met with Chairman Brown last week with regard to construction traffic and reducing the speed limit and posting it at 25mph on Fall Brook Lane. Brief discussion ensued regarding collector streets. Mr. Shore reviewed the conditions of the request. Conditions of Approval include:

1. The project shall be designed so that the post development runoff from the project be no more than ten percent more than the pre-development runoff for the 10, 25, and 50 year return period

- events and be analyzed for the 100-year event.
2. All wetlands which will not be disturbed via an Army Corps of Engineers wetlands fill permit as part of the proposed development shall be placed under a conservation easement.
 3. Informational signs to be installed at 500 ft intervals along all delineated wetland boundaries within platted open space, and to be maintained by the HOA and replaced as necessary. The applicant shall include this provision in the recorded covenants and restrictions for the development in perpetuity.
 4. Sidewalks will be installed along all streets, and crosswalks will be marked at all intersections with a Collector Street.
 5. Fall Brook Ln will be accepted for NCDOT maintenance prior to preliminary plat approval of the 601st lot of this development, preliminary plat approval of any portion of the development within the boundary of Tract 2 as shown on Pender County Map Book 42 P 116, or use of Fall Brook Ln for construction traffic, whichever shall come first.
 6. A siren-activated gate meeting the standards of the Pender County Fire Marshal will be required at the border of the development and the existing A.R. Black Av., to be installed prior to final plat approval of the appropriate section, and be required to remain in place until such time as A.R. Black Av. is brought up to the street design standards of the Pender County Unified Development Ordinance.
 7. The wastewater treatment plant shall utilize membrane filtration technology, or other technology certified by the project engineer to render no greater negative impact to local water quality than membrane filtration.
 8. Evidence that the Army Corps of Engineers has received any Certificate of Completion forms for wetland disturbance permits relating to the project shall be provided to staff prior to approval of the last Final Plat associated with this development.
 9. Prior to completing the roadway connection between Fall Brook and the proposed development, A measure similar to a chicane that is acceptable to the NCDOT and Pender County Emergency Services shall be installed within the proposed development near the interconnection with Fall Brook, as well as at least one additional traffic calming measure along Fall Brook that is acceptable to NCDOT. The applicant shall also make a written request to the North Carolina Department of Transportation that a speed limit of 25 MPH should be posted on Fall Brook Ln.
 10. The service area for the wastewater treatment plant shall be Tract #2-R as depicted on Map Book 52, Page 101; the remnant tract depicted on Map Book 56, Page 22; and the 34.34 acre tract depicted on Map Book 29, Page 148 as recorded with the Pender County Register of Deeds. Any expansion of this service area

shall require the approval of the Pender County Board of County Commissioners.

11. From the time that the road network of this development connects to Fall Brook Ln to the time that the 700th home receives its Certificate of Occupancy, a gate shall be placed on the roadway between the two developments to allow only residents of this proposed development, Fall Brook, and emergency vehicle traffic (siren activated) to utilize the connection. Means of access for construction vehicles shall not be granted. Following the Certificate of Occupancy for the 700th home, the gate shall be removed.

Samuel Potter, Attorney for the applicant spoke to the Board regarding the project. Discussion ensued regarding when the connection from Falls Mist Gardens to Fall Brook would take place. Per the plan, that connection would take place after the 601st lot is platted, but the applicant has agreed that the connection could take place after the 601st Certificate of Occupancy is received. Discussion ensued regarding enforcement of this conditional rezoning, especially as it relates to the proposed private wastewater facility. Mr. Henley stated that there is a mechanism to inspect and enforce violations. Chairman Brown stated that this process is good for all involved. Mr. Potter stated that Don Bennett, Traffic Engineer, was present to discuss the Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA). Discussion briefly ensued regarding traffic concerns. The Board stated that they would like to hear from those who were present to speak on the project.

There were signups for public comment:

- Stuart Peterson of 203 Fall Brook Lane spoke against this proposed project. He addressed concerns regarding traffic and the proposed private wastewater facility and how discharge will be handled. He stated that Falls Mist Gardens will destroy the quality of life for Fall Brook. Mr. Peterson passed out a list of his concerns to the Board which are attached as part of these minutes.
- Bob Dummermuth of 237 W. Tumbling Waters Lane referenced an email that was sent to the neighborhood from Scott Sherman regarding the proposed gate access. Mr. Dummermuth thanked the Board for addressing their concerns.
- Aubrey Harvey of 30 Owl Creek Court stated that she would appreciate another access for traffic citing her concerns about the increase of traffic should this case get approved. Ms. Hardee also stated her concerns about stormwater, noting the water stands in ditches and in yards with a regular rain storm. Ms. Harvey noted that she sees progress and concessions being made through this project but she does not feel that it is enough.

- Johnathan Vaughn of 160 Fall Brook Lane stated that he believes that growth is good, but it is not good for Fall Brook. He stated that Collector Streets need to be 34 feet wide and the streets in Fall Brook are only 19 feet wide. Mr. Vaughn also stated his concerns about the proposed Waste Water Treatment Plant for Falls Mist Gardens.

After public comment, discussion continued about roads and the potential of another access for this development. Mr. Potter stated that staff has looked at every alternative for this project. Discussion also ensued regarding the potential for by-right development and what that would mean. Per staff, 667 units could potentially be built by right with a likelihood of building 550 units if this proceeds by-right. Roads were discussed at length. Mr. Potter gave an overview of the presentation that he had brought with him. Mr. Potter introduced Mr. Bennet to discuss the TIA. Mr. Bennett reviewed the TIA and addressed traffic concerns. He explained that to address concerns regarding traffic safety in the existing Fall Brook development, the applicant has agreed to installing two traffic calming devices – one inside the platted development, one just within the proposed new development – upon agreement with NCDOT regarding the specific strategies that are appropriate with those locations. Additionally, the applicant and NCDOT staff have agreed that a speed limit of 25 MPH should be posted upon state acceptance of maintenance. Mr. Bennett explained that it could take approximately 4-8 weeks to re-evaluate the TIA. Commissioner Piepmeyer suggested tabling this item until another TIA can be completed to address the concerns that have been discussed tonight. Mr. Potter asked for a few minutes to discuss with his client which the Board granted. During this time, Jimmy Fentress addressed the concerns regarding the wastewater discharge. Mr. Fentress stated that no raw sewage can be or will be pumped into Turkey Creek. Discussion has taken place regarding how to handle the treated wastewater but no decision has been made to date. An infiltration basin is being considered. Mr. Thurman added that strait-piping raw sewage is a federal offense. The Board thanked Mr. Fentress. Mr. Potter returned and stated that the applicant was okay with readdressing the TIA and verified the Board's requests:

- The difference in traffic from 600 to 700 lots and the way the property is accessed.
- Are the properties on Highway 117 commercial and what impact if any would that place on the existing neighborhood.
- The distance from the bridge to the entrance of Fall Brook and how the additional traffic would effect that intersection.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Brown closed the public hearing at 9:16 p.m.

Moved by David Piepmeyer, seconded by David Williams

Motion to table REZONE 2020-16 until such a time that a second Traffic Impact Analysis can be completed to address concerns discussed at this hearing.

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			
Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer	x			
David Williams	x			
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CARRIED.

[Peterson Concerns 01192021](#)

14 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.



Pender County Budget Ordinance Amendment

Friday, January 8, 2021

Date Friday, January 8, 2021
Board Meeting Date (If Applicable) Monday, January 18, 2021

Fiscal Year FY 2020-2021 Fund 11 - HEALTH
Division, Program, Project, etc. Laboratory Department 900077 - LABORATORY

Purpose of Request
Transfer funds to cover COVID Testing in Laboratory to Lab Corp.

REVENUES

	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
1	11-370012	Fees / Child Health	20000.00
2	11-370008	Fees/Women's Health	-5000.00
3	11-376003	STD/Communicable Disease	-5000.00
4	11-375043	Fees/Immunization	-5000.00
5	11-370023	Fees/Maternal Health	-5000.00

Proposed Amendment:

EXPENDITURES

	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
1	900077-404500	Contracted Services	43470.00
2	900051-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
3	900052-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
4	900053-400400	Temporary Wages	-3470.00
5	900057-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
6	900060-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
7	900061-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
8	900065-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
9	900076-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
10	900077-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00

Total Revenues 0 Total Expenditures 0

Budget Amendment Balances when Zero. 0

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Purpose of Request
Transfer funds to cover COVID Testing in Laboratory to Lab Corp.

REVENUES

	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
1	11-375076	Fees/Adult Health	45000.00
2	11-370020	Fees/Dental Health	-5000.00
3	11-370011	Fees/Mobile Dental	-40000.00
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Proposed Amendment:

EXPENDITURES

	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
1	900077-404500	Contracted Services	41530.00
2	900060-407400	Capital Outlay	-35000.00
3	900078-400400	Temporary Wages	-5000.00
4	900053-405500	Training	-1530.00
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Total Revenues 0 Total Expenditures 0

Budget Amendment Balances when Zero. 0

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June 30, 2020

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Serious Issues with Proposed development Falls Mist Garden and how it would impact our community.

Safety of our residents, currently all our neighborhood roads lead to a dead end, all traffic is either residents or guest.

Many residents have golf carts and bicycles ridden, walk, or jog on these roads for exercise, relaxation or personal enjoyment. (Currently there are four bicycles in our garage that are ridden daily weather permitting). Statisticians will tell you that when a given number of driven vehicles on a controlled course than a calculation of probable accidents can be determined. When the number of vehicles driven in the same controlled course is increased 2x, possibly 20x than the number of possible accidents will increase in the same increments. **Accidents or damage to property will increase with increased traffic.** Damage to property or lethal accidents to our residents or their dogs will increase, only time will tell the toll that it will take on our neighborhood.

Crime, There are 36 single family homes in our neighborhood. I believe that any resident can identify any other neighbor by the automobile that he or she drives. This will change when hundreds or possibly thousands of additional vehicles pass through our neighborhood daily. Some vehicles possibly loaded with thieves or thugs casing our neighborhood for opportunities to commit a larceny and or breaking and entering of our homes. (Could a resident be home and this lead to an assault and or murder? If already a thief and they will probably do anything to avoid prison.)

Traffic, as mentioned in the aforementioned paragraph above what is the expected daily traffic increase to our neighborhood? Hundreds or in the thousands? If one looks at Google Maps you can see that from our entrance to the subject property there is a slight left turn, a long continuous right turn, then slight turn to left, then a slight turn to right . Calculated from the scale on Google Maps to be 600 yards +/- . If one drives above safe speed on these curvy roads in our neighborhood, then accidents to vehicles and or personal property will most likely occur.

Health, Stress is a huge factor in causing the acceleration of many types of disease or illnesses. How much stress will be caused by this proposed development? During construction? When occupied by residents? The increase level of stress that this will cause is yet to be determined.

Noise Pollution, our residents currently enjoy “the country life” quite times, the hoot of an Owl, the cry of Coyotes, Quail, Morning Doves, other rural creatures. All will be drowned out by increase automobile traffic on our roads.

Property Values, Property values will decrease as automobile traffic increases and it becomes evident to potential real estate home buyers looking to buy into this neighborhood, that this is not a Safe neighborhood to live in and worse for families with young children. As activities for the betterment of both our mental and physical health are currently achieved on our roads but will come to an end

Litter, one can ride through our neighborhood and see freshly cut lawns, beds of flowers in front of homes, shrubs and trees, all improving the value of our properties. What you don’t see is trash, cigarette butts and other debris on our lawns and roads. We as residents have pride of ownership. We do not litter. Do you really think our mindset will extend to the hundreds or thousands of drivers passing through our neighborhood daily? I would think not?

Visual Pollution, Will additional signage be added to our entrance? This becomes an eyesore and more additional maintenance to our neighborhood entrance. Maintained by all in our neighborhood on a voluntary basis. Also as written above, trash, litter, and debris added to our neighborhoods lawns and roads. The addition of homes and other lighting in the proposed development will cause the starry night skies to disappear.

Impact to Rocky Point, Has anyone considered that with increased automobile traffic in the hundreds possibly thousands of additional vehicles and then when drivers coming from Wilmington using HWY 177 heading North then turning left into Fall Brook and if a courteous driver heading South on HWY 117 stops to wave several drivers and their vehicles in and the traffic backs up towards the overpass, then drivers coming over the overpass at a speed of 55 mph or greater piles in the rear of stop vehicles how many cars will be involved? Only time will tell.

Closing, In closing I want all landowners to enjoy the full use of his or her property but not at my expense and the expense of others in our neighborhood. This proposed development enjoys hundred possibly thousands of road front footage on highway 210. Therefore, why can’t multiple entrances be created from highway 210? Residents moving into and living in Falls Mist Garden will see their drive to their homes as this being the normal fashion as designed.

Thanks for all that have taken the time to read this. May we all keep and enjoy the quality of life that we purchased and work so hard to maintain.

Stuart W. Peterson