



MINUTES
Board of County Commissioners Meeting
Monday, February 7, 2022 4:00 PM
Pender County Public Assembly Room

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
Tera Cline, 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 called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

2 INVOCATION

Commissioner McCoy presented the invocation.

3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Piepmeyer let the Pledge of Allegiance

4 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 4.1 Removal of item 5.2 Annual report by the Sherriff department. Add Birthday Resolution and BOA approval for SR&R.

Moved by David Williams, seconded by Fred McCoy

Motion Approved

	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.

- 4.2 Motion to excuse Commissioner Newton. Ms. Newton was running late.

Moved by George Brown, seconded by David Williams

Motion Approved

	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.

- 4.3 Adoption of agenda with updates.

Moved by George Brown, seconded by David Williams

Agenda Adopted

	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.

5 PUBLIC INFORMATION

5.1 CSBG Grant

Bethany Bolton, Southeastern Community Action, Discussed with the board their family empowerment self sufficiency program, and the application for funding that they have submitted for the fiscal year of 2022 to 2023 for CSBG funding. She explained they are local community action agency located in Burgaw and wanted to spread awareness about the services that they provide to the community in Pender County. Ms. Bolton stated their goal for this year was to enroll at least 26 families into the self sufficiency program. The goal of the self sufficiency program is to help families overcome barriers that they might face preventing them from increasing their income. And rising above the poverty level. They help families obtain employment, whether they're unemployed or if they're already working, we can help them obtain better jobs with higher wages is usually the goal. We provide employment supports, such as training, education, uniforms, even interview clothing. As well as tuition to further their education. And they can also assist with childcare, transportation, financial literacy, and even assist families with resources that can help them become homeowners.

- 5.2 100th birthday resolution for Mae G, Echols Mazyck

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Chairman Piepmeyer read aloud the resolution commemorating the 100th birthday of our citizen Ms. Mazyck.

[Birthday Resolution](#)

6 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 6.1 Tommy Batson, Emergency Management Director, informed the board about Fire Marshall, Mark Harraway and Mr. Batson working with local fire departments and the American Red Cross in regards to a program called Sound the Alarm. They visited 34 homes and installed 2 bed shakers and 89 smoke detectors.

7 CONSENT AGENDA

- 7.1 Approval of Budget Amendment and increase of Purchase Order for North Carolina Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$30,000.00.
- 7.2 Resolution to utilize current fiscal year lapsed salaries and fringe to increase health department nursing staff salaries for FY 21/22 with an effective date of 02/21/2022.
- 7.3 Resolution to approve a contract with the UNC Institute of Public Health to conduct the 2022 Community Health Assessment
- 7.4 Approval of the Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes January 18,2022

- 7.5 Approval of a Budget Amendment to Increase the Department of Social Services Revenues and Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-2022
American Rescue Plan : \$326,139
- 7.6 Approval to Accept a Donation for the Foster Care Children's Fund:
\$5,155
- 7.7 Extension of Contract with United Way of the Cape Fear Area to Assist with Hurricane Florence Recovery
- 7.8 Motion to approve consent agenda.

Moved by Jacqueline A. Newton, seconded by David Williams

Motion approved

	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 APPROVALS AND RESOLUTIONS

- 8.1 Consideration of proceeding with RFQ for architectural design for new Hampstead Branch Library

Allen Phillips-Bell, Pender County Librarian, presented to the board his request for an RFQ for architectural design for a new library facility in Hampstead. Mr. Phillips-Bell recognized several library board members attending in support of the project. The Hampstead library has more visitors, less physical materials, and higher attendance at children's programs than Burgaw which is twice the size. These are all things that require space, and the current library in Hampstead does not have enough of it. They often had to turn away families coming to children's programs. Because the current meeting room is too small. The lack of shelf space means that Hampstead patrons often have to wait for books to be transferred from Burgaw. Insufficient staff space leads to inefficiencies. A staff members have to take turns using the limited workspace and get frequent requests for study rooms, which are nowadays a standard feature in public libraries. But in Hampstead, we do not have any study rooms, making many visitors disappointed. Perhaps the library at present is 7800 square feet. As you all know,

efforts to get a new library in Hampstead have been underway for many years going back to 2009. I'll note that the plans in 2009 were for a 21,000 square foot facility. However, I am now proposing a more modest 14,000 square foot facility to save on costs. For context the main library in Burgaw is 13,000 square feet. So this would be slightly larger than the main library in Burgaw and a little under twice as large as the current library Hampstead and in 40,000 square foot facility will give us the space we need and several key areas adequately sized meeting room for programs for children, teens and adults. The ability to increase the capacity for books that people in eastern Pender County want to read sufficient staff space to allow for greater efficiency and space to provide study rooms for small groups and tutors. The site that the county commissioners designated as the future site for this new library in May 2014. Next to the Hampstead annex has enough space for a 14,000 square foot facility, as well as eventually expansion to a 20,000 square foot facility in total, if necessary. The library hired a civil engineering firm Sepi in early 2020. Just to do some site layout sketches to verify the feasibility of the site for voting of this size, taking into account the well on the property, septic storm water, parking driveways, the impact of planned improvements on highway 17. The result of the report was that this will this site would work well for a library of this size. So how much would this cost? And how long would it take? We estimated that the project will cost \$7.4 million. That includes our steps in the process, including design, construction and furnishings. However, these costs will be offset somewhat by various funding sources, notably from the tops of township center the library as well as from the value of the existing library property. Combined, these funds and assets amounting to just under 1.9 million are about 25% of total project cost. This will make the net cost for the project around 5.5 million.

Moved by David Williams, seconded by Jacqueline A. Newton

Motion approved

	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.

[library-new-facility-hampstead-BOCC-2022-02-07](#)

- 8.2 To approve a resolution for Health & DSS to begin the next steps for a new HHS facility by issuing an RFP for a design/build project.

Carolyn Moser, Pender County Health Director, presented to the board a proposal for a new Health and Human Services Building. In 2019, global diversified architectural engineering was awarded an option to develop a space needs analysis and also develop a master plan for new facility. And we it's it's taken us a long time to get this done, because COVID yet, and we really couldn't focus on that little was very patient with us when needed to deal with COVID Instead of helping them with this design. But at least with Umberto they also took the ball and contacted Sepi did for the land analysis. And when we had a lot of concern about whether or not we would be involved wetlands back there, but we've been really, really fortunate with this. There are no major wetlands or jurisdictional waters. It says check in better Explain that. But what came bear is that the pandemic taught us a lot of things, it taught us that there are a lot of physicians that we have that could be home based. And we started out. Obviously, when you're thinking wrong, that we need 95,000 square feet, we definitely hung that in just 70,000 square feet, two story building health on the bottom DSS on top. And so what we moved to, which we think a lot of agencies are, is that they develop these touchdown stations, where individuals that are home based can come into the office, you know, connect their computer, do whatever work needs to be done, there would be offices available if they needed to see a client, so there would be the confidentiality with that. And also, the way the facility is designed, it is designed for expansion, if that may be the case. We have little over four and a half million dollars in our call settlement account. DSS also can bring down funds and refer depreciation, which is about 50% of that portion of the building that DSS utilizes, which will be at least 60% of the facility. So we can draw down those depreciation costs. Yearly, we also have to rent a building on up Walker Street, that's our child support office that has houses about five other employees, and we're paying about \$25,000 and rent every year. And then of course, not to mention the savings that we would have for DSS building ongoing maintenance and repair, I could add whatever the repair costs are for other county departments, but we know that anyone that would locate in our current health department would be thrilled to have that that space. We also provided you with information because we did look at the pros and cons of a design build and gave that to you to see that. That's their focus it is a faster time line for architects in the engineer are in it together. So there's never mixed messages everybody's collaborating. The indication is that it's a better fit for complex projects, which definitely ours and then the design there build that does take longer because of the competitive bids that you have to get. The owner assumes the risk for the completeness of the facility, there can be a lot of change variables. This project and the library

project brought up discussion of hiring a project manager for the county projects.

Moved by George Brown, seconded by David Williams

Motion approved

	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.

[HHS Building Presentation 2.7.2022](#)

8.3 Award and Approval of Contractors to Complete EWP Phase 2 -
Clearing and Snagging

Daniel Adams, Flood Plain Administrator, presented the staffs recommendation to award contracts to two companies to complete round two of the EW P project. And just as a quick refresher, the WPS emergency watershed protection programs and to call share initiative essentially between the USDA and North Carolina Department of Agriculture. And it's all tied into hurricane Florence recovery. So we're still in that process of recovering from Hurricane Florence. But the goal of this funding is to improve the county's drainage network. So the next time we have a heavy rain event or potential flood event, our drainage network is less obstructed than it has been in the past or is currently to the water flows out more quickly and reduces the impact of future flood events. So that's the goal of this money. We've finished up recently round one of this project and we're on to round two now. And this is just for the clearing and snagging portion of this project, which is debris removal from the creeks is simply as as it's a lot of trees down in the creeks in the river, pulling that debris out. So step published an RFP on December 8, seeking contractors for this work. The deadline to submit a proposal was January 14 of 2022. We received eight bids. And staff is recommending submitting or awarding contracts to two companies for this work. And the reason that we're requesting two contracts for your audit is as Mr. Moser said, there's a number of reasons in the construction environment right now why a project can be delayed. And so we would like to have a secondary contractor in place who can come in who's familiar with the project and finish up this project strong is the

primary contractor is not able to execute this project in a timely fashion. So one thing to note of course is this type of work can be weather dependent, so we want to operate when the waters low So obviously in dry conditions, more debris is able to be seen and therefore pulled out of the water. A few weeks of wet weather could back this project up, possible COVID outbreak among the crew, or even the supply chain issues that Mr. Chairman referenced earlier, you know, piece of equipment breaks down into parts, stuck on a boat somewhere in California, it could take several weeks to get here. So for all those reasons, we're recommending the board award contracts to two companies. One is our primary contractor. And the second one is our secondary contractor. Staff's request is to consider awarding contracts to Hall tree service for the purchase order of \$254,124 as our primary contractor, and they're out of lumber bridge, North Carolina, and also a contract to Carolina cleaning and restoration with a purchase order of \$290,830.80. And that company is out of Greenville, North Carolina, I will just add in this is all grant funded 100% services does not caught costing the county anyway. The board confirmed with Mr. Adams that all property owners had been informed.

Moved by Jacqueline A. Newton, seconded by George Brown

Motion Approved.

	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.

8.4 Approval to accept bid offer on parcel number 2274-57-5844-0000.

Tera Cline, Clerk, presented the bid for 403 Saddle Ridge Rd in the amount of \$28,358.53.

Moved by Jacqueline A. Newton, seconded by David Williams

Motion Approved

	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.

- 8.5 Approval to allocate funding for BASF site Demolition and recognize Golden Leaf grant funding 17 - 18

Chad McEwen, County Manager, presented the board with a BOA to allocate funds for BASF demo contract and confirm Golden Leaf grant and disbursement of funds.

Moved by George Brown, seconded by David Williams

Motion approved

	For	Against	Abstained	Absent
George Brown	x			
Fred McCoy	x			
Jacqueline A. Newton	x			
David Piepmeyer	x			
David Williams	x			
	5	0	0	0

CARRIED.

[SR&R BOA](#)

9 DISCUSSION

10 APPOINTMENTS

- 10.1 Approval of an Appointment to the Pender County Library Advisory Board 19 - 20

Tera Cline, Clerk, presented the application for Pender County Library board from Rochelle Whiteside. She would represent district 5 and would serve 3 years and expire January 31, 2025.

Moved by Fred McCoy, seconded by Jacqueline A. Newton

Motion approved

	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.

[Whiteside application](#)

10.2 Approval of an Appointment to the Pender County Planning Board

Tera Cline, Clerk, presented the application for Pender County Planning board from Margaret Mosca. She would represent the at-large appointment and would serve 3 years and expire January 31, 2025.

Moved by Jacqueline A. Newton, seconded by Fred McCoy

Motion Approved

	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.

11 MAPLE HILL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

12 ROCKY POINT WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

13 SCOTTS HILL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

14 MOORES CREEK WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

15 CENTRAL PENDER WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

16 PENDER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

BOCC opened at the Pender County Board of Health at 5:31 PM.

- 16.1 Carolyn Moser, Health Director, Gave a brief update on the GENX lawsuit and COVID numbers.

17 SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

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

- 18.1 Trey Thurman, County Attorney, Spoke to the board in regards to the opioid settlement and disbursement of monies to include 3.7 million over the next 18 years. Commissioner Newton mentioned the use of funds for a Drug Court for Pender County. Closed session items include
- Item 3 Attorney/client
 - Item 4 Economic Development
 - Item 5 Acquisition of real property
 - Item 6 Personnel

Chad McEwen, County Manager, updated the board on the following projects:

- Update on BASF demo and meeting
- TIA for law enforcement property and update on the property/2nd point of access (controlled access)
- Long Creek Demolition update
- Wilmington International Airport new terminal opening

Allen Vann, Assistant County Manager, updated the board on the following projects:

- Gave kudos to departments that helped with ice and snow
- Courthouse file move/long term solution meeting
- Sally Lawson-Interim director of Veterans Affairs.

Doug Shipley, Assistant County Manager, updated the board on the following projects:

- Parks and rec department/Town of Burgaw
- Finance training
- Parks and rec master plan update
- Permitting process changes
- IT update/website update
- Shooting range adult shooters/601 and 65 youth shooters for the month of January.

Vice Chairman Williams, requested to have Greg Holloman be place on the next agenda for appointment to Pender Fire and Ems Board.

Chairman Piepmeyer, spoke to Kenny Keel about disbursement of transfer station magnets. He requested that next meeting date be added to the agenda. Hampstead bypass groundbreaking ceremony will be March 11th. He shared information learned at the Environmental Conference for the beaches and coastal waterways on Topsail Island. It was very well attended and was a very constructive use of my time. We had some various experts, I would say that came in, discussed what their specialties were in. And we talk largely about whether this is a cultural trait change, or it's a transition from the way we were previously taught about taking care of our environment to coming up with ways to be able to make everybody feel that they are included in and responsible for taking care of our environment. There were some figures given out there about the amount of plastic I can't remember, a lot of a lot of dock Styrofoam, as you can imagine, or marshes become just overwhelmed with docks during and after the storms. That Styrofoam gets broke apart. It has a negative impact on our fisheries. But the amount of plastic bottles, one of the individuals speakers was saying that they had hired and they weren't paying too much further, they had hired fishermen and some other individuals to go out and collect trash, waterways and marshes. Meanwhile, I believe was where they started up that way. And they collected over 2000 pounds a day with plastic bags, that lists all kinds of trash. And they were able to to make a severe impact. But when they went back to those areas, they still were able to pick up another 2000 pounds a day. So that was the remarkable thing. Obviously we got to educate and train individuals on the do's and don'ts. I think we've made great strides let me let me say that but a lot of positive discussion about how how to get where we need to be and what our goal should be. And how not to make people mad by telling them this is what they have to do. Rather suggest and educate and train people that these are the benefits if we are able to keep class Plastic, and other pollutants out of our waterways chemicals, then it's beneficial to all of us. So I think it was very good use of my time I spent about an hour and a half, two hours over on Topsail Island, which was gray. One thing I did notice was run down to the roads nears to the beach, and there was one property for sale on the beachfront in topsail. Beach. And there were zero properties for sale, on the beachfront in Surf City. And there's quite a bit of new construction going on over there. So I want to also say that the pipe, and it looks like all the ancillary connections and fittings and tees, and everything has been deposited at the end of factory Road, do some equipment down there. There's been some surveying. There's the marking of utilities. So it looks like we are moving forward with that project. Thank you, Mr. Keanu. And I had a discussion

earlier this week with Mr. keel and asked him to send out a notification letter to all those residents that are on those roads

19 CLOSED SESSION (IF APPLICABLE).

Motion to move to closed session at 6:05 PM made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Vice Chairman Williams. 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; 4) To discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body, including agreement on a tentative list of economic development incentives that may be offered by the public body in negotiations. The action approving the signing of an economic development contract or commitment, or the action authorizing the payment of economic development expenditures, shall be taken in an open session; 5) To establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment. 6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee. General personnel policy matters may not be considered in a closed session. Board returned to open session at 7:36 PM

20 NOTICES OF MOTION/OPEN SESSION

20.1 Motion to add agenda items:

- Motion to excuse Commissioner Newton from continued open session made by Vice Chairman David Williams and Second by Commissioner George Brown all agreed.
- Ramm Contract extension
- Contract for 210 property
- CFPUA interconnection
- Fulltime County staff Attorney

Motions approved on the following:

Ramm contract extension
Contract for 210 Property
CFPUA interconnection
Fulltime Staff attorney

Moved by David Williams, seconded by Fred McCoy

Motions approved

	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.

21 NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday February 22, 2022
BOCC meeting room
805 S. Walker St
Burgaw NC 28425

22 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Brown made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 PM and Vice Chairman David Williams second. All in favor.



**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF PENDER COUNTY RESIDENT
Mae G. Echols Mazyck
PENDER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Mae is an inspiration to her to family, church, community, and county; and

WHEREAS, Mae continues to be an outstanding citizen of and continues to shine as a bright beacon among Pender County Citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that due to her life accomplishments of being at least a century in age residing in Pender County as an honorable senior citizen, the Pender County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes and congratulates Mae G. Echols Mazyck on her birthday of February 9, 1922 and joins her family and community in wishing her continued success in Pender County.

Presented this the 7^h day of February 2022.

David Piepmeyer, Chairman
Pender County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Tera Cline
Clerk to the Board



Pender County Budget Ordinance Amendment

Thursday, February 3, 2022

Date Monday, February 7, 2022

Board Meeting Date (If Applicable) Monday, February 7, 2022

Fiscal Year FY 2021-2022 Fund 10 - GENERAL

Division, Program, Project, etc. Economic Development Department 420 - COUNTY MANAGER

Purpose of Request

To allocate funding for BASF site demolition as well as recognize Golden Leaf Foundation grant funding awarded for the purpose of demolition of this site.

REVENUES

	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
1	10-348180	Golden Leaf Foundation	500,000
2	695-399000	GF Fund Balance	815,575
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Proposed Amendment:

EXPENDITURES

	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
1	500-404500	Contracted Services	1,315,575
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	Account # (ORG-OBJECT)	Account Description	Amount
13			

Total Revenues

1315575

Total Expenditures

1315575

Budget Amendment Balances when Zero.

0

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PENDER COUNTY

Application for Appointment to Boards/Commissions/Committees



Appointees to Pender County Boards/Commissions/Committees must be a Pender County resident and must be at least 18 years of age. Please complete this application and return to: Pender County Manager's Office, PO Box 5, Burgaw, NC 28425.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name	Whiteside	First	Rochelle	M.I.		Date	06/07/1951
Physical Address	315 W Bridgers Street					Apartment/Unit #	
City	Burgaw	State	NC	ZIP	28425		
Mailing Address (if different from above)							
City				State			
Home Phone			Work Phone			E-mail Address 1	
Fax Number					E-mail Address 2		
Board Interest(s)							
As an advocate for Public Education, I value the Public Library as a source for community health and positive growth. I would be interested in working on helping the community to understand the services our library has to offer and in planning programs.							
How long have you been a resident of Pender County? I have been a resident of Pender County for most of 70 years.							

EDUCATION

High School	Burgaw High School			Location	Burgaw, NC		
From	1965	To	1969	Did you graduate?	YES ☒	NO ☐	
College	Virginia Intermont College			Location	Bristol, Virginia		
From	1969	To	1971	Did you graduate?	YES ☒	NO ☐	Degree Associates in Fine Arts
Other	UNC Chapel Hill			Location	Chapel Hill, NC		
From	1971	To	1973	Did you graduate?	YES ☒	NO ☐	Degree BA in Arts & Education

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Current Employment	Retired Public School Teacher	Job Title	
Responsibilities	To advocate for education through involvement in community projects and programs.		
Previous Employment	Pender County Schools	Job Title	Visual & Performing Arts Teacher
Previous Employment		Job Title	
Previous Employment		Job Title	

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please list current and past membership in civic or other organizations and offices held:

- * Pender Spring Festival (Founder & Committee 1978-2022...)
- * Pender Arts Council (Vice President, President, Board Member 1978-2022...)
- * Citizens Of Pender (Vice President 1991-1992)
- * Pender County Arts Educators Committee (Public Relations 2011-2013)
- * Committee To Create Early College Program
- * Pender Ghost Walk Committee (2017-2020)
- * Pender Partnership For Education Board (2019-2021)
- * Pender County Board of Education (2016-2018)
- * Taught students from every district of Pender County Schools for 28 years

Have you ever served or are you currently a member of any Pender County or other local government board/commission/committee?			
YES ☐	NO ☐	If yes, explain (including length of service). I served on the Pender County Board of Education, District 1,(Includes Burgaw, St. Helena and Rocky Point) to fill a vacancy, from 2016-2018.	
State reasons why you feel qualified for this appointment(s): Lucky enough to be raised in a family which placed a high value on education and which was immersed in the cultural arts, I could not escape developing a high regard for institutions of learning. It is no surprise that I would choose a career in education. Through that 28 year career, I have developed skills in public relations and creative problem solving. I feel that the experience I have gained, from working with students from every district in our county, is a valuable tool in developing relationships and relating to the needs of those various communities. If I was chosen to serve on the Pender County Library Advisory Board, I would hope to bring, to the table, skills and knowledge from the experience I have gathered from working on the many county-wide cultural arts programs and projects, in which I have been fortunate enough to be involved. I believe I would provide knowledge and tactical skills in program planning and public relations. If I was chosen to serve in this capacity, I would be honored and excited to work to meet the challenge!			
MILITARY SERVICE			
Branch		From	To
Rank at Discharge		Type of Discharge (optional)	
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST			
Are you aware of any legal, ethical or personal conflict of interest by serving as a member of this Pender County board/commission/committee?			
YES ☐	NO ☐	If yes, explain.	
Are you or any member of your family employed by Pender County, or currently serving on any Boards/Committee/Commission appointed by or affiliated with Pender County?			
YES ☐	NO ☐	If yes, list family member name(s) and position/board or committee(s).	
Please add any additional information you would like to share supporting your interest and qualifications for this appointment. As a personal note: My father served on the Library Board for much of my childhood. I vividly remember his enthusiasm about the services which our library offered to our citizens. I also recall his excitement, regarding the potential profits which advancing technological developments would offer to our community. From him, I inherited that same enthusiasm and excitement and would treasure the opportunity to pass it on!			
DISCLAIMER AND SIGNATURE			
NOTE: This information will be used by the Pender County Board of Commissioners in making appointments to Pender County Boards/Commissions/Committees. In the event you are appointed, it may be used as a news release to identify you to the community. This application is considered a public record.			
Signature		Date	
Rochelle Whiteside		01/06/2022	