



## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 4:00 PM Pender County Public Assembly Room 805 S. Walker Street, Burgaw, NC

**PRESENT:** Chairman Brad George  
Commissioner: District 3 Jerry Groves  
Commissioner: District 2 Randy Burton  
Commissioner Brent Springer  
Commissioner Ken Smith

**ABSENT:**

**OTHER PRESENT:** Michael Silverman, County Manager  
Trey Thurman, County Attorney  
Lexi Stanfield, Clerk to the Board  
Allen Vann, Assistant County Manager  
Other Staff and Members of the Press and Public

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner George called the meeting to order at 4:00PM.

2. INVOCATION

Commissioner Smith gave the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Burton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Springer made a motion to remove item 5.1 from the agenda.  
Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.  
The motion carried, passing unanimously.

Commissioner Springer made a motion to adopt the agenda with the change.  
Commissioner Burton seconded the motion.  
The motion carried, passing unanimously.

5. ORGANIZATIONAL

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| 5.1 | Oath of Office for Newly Elected Commissioner Randy Burton | Judge Kent Harrell |
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Item was removed from the agenda.

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| 5.2 | Selection of the Chair of Pender County Board of Commissioners | Trey Thurman |
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Commissioner Groves nominated Commissioner George for Chair.  
Commissioner Springer nominated Commissioner Burton for Chair.

Commissioner Springer, Burton, and Smith voted for Commissioner Burton as Chair.  
Commissioner Burton was named Chair of the Pender County Board of Commissioners.

5.3            Selection of the Vice Chair of Pender County Board of            Trey Thurman  
                         Commissioners

Commissioner George nominated Commissioner Groves for Vice Chair.  
Commissioner Burton nominated Commissioner Smith for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Springer, Burton, and Smith voted for Commissioner Smith for Vice Chair.  
Commissioner Smith was named Vice Chair of the Pender County Board of Commissioners.

6.    APPROVALS AND RESOLUTIONS

6.1            Authorization to Execute Contract with Flock Safety in            Alan Cutler  
                         the amount of \$57,600.00.

Sheriff Cutler presented the item. The Flock cameras would be on a two-year contract that includes the maintenance of the cameras. They are solar power operated and used by over 130 departments within the state. The Sheriff's Charitable Foundation will donate \$13,000.00 for the first year of the contract and would like to donate a unknown amount for the second year of the contract. The contract would be for eight cameras that would be installed on private properties at the agreement of said landowners. The board members asked questions and provided their thoughts.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to authorize the contract.  
Commissioner George seconded the motion.  
The motion carried.

6.2            Funding Approval for the Recognition and Celebration            Gabrielle  
                         of Pender County's 150th Anniversary in the amount of            Dawson  
                         \$20,000.00

Olivia Dawson, Tourism Director , presented the item. The clock would be installed at Wright and Freemont street in the Courthouse Square. The board asked questions regarding donations and if other organizations could also donate to help offset the cost for the County. Dawson stated she would reach out to see who would be interested. The Board gave approval for staff to order the clock in advance and use any donation currently received to help with paying for it.

Commissioner George made a motion to approve.  
Commissioner Groves seconded the motion.  
The motion carried, passing unanimously.

7.    CLOSED SESSION (IF APPLICABLE)

Commissioner George made a motion to go into closed session for item three (3) attorney client privilege and item five (5) Acquisition of real property.  
Commissioner Springer seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Springer made a motion to adjourn.  
Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.  
The motion carried, passing unanimously.