

1 **THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CRAVEN MET IN**
2 **REGULAR SESSION IN DISTRICT COURTROOM #4 OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY**
3 **COURTHOUSE, 302 BROAD STREET, NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA, ON**
4 **FEBRUARY 3, 2020. THE MEETING CONVENED AT 7:00 P.M.**

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6 **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

7 Chairman Thomas F. Mark
8 Vice Chairman Jason R. Jones
9 Commissioner Denny Bucher
10 Commissioner George S. Liner
11 Commissioner Theron L. McCabe
12 Commissioner E. T. Mitchell
13 Commissioner Johnnie Sampson, Jr.

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15 **STAFF PRESENT:**

16 Jack B. Veit III, County Manager
17 Gene Hodges, Assistant County Manager
18 Craig Warren, Finance Director
19 Amber Parker, Human Resources Director
20 Nan Holton, Clerk to the Board
21 Arey Grady, County Attorney

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23 Following the Pledge of Allegiance, County Attorney, Arey Grady, recited the following
24 invocation:

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26 Almighty and eternal God, You have blessed us with creation and made us fellow workers in bringing
27 about Your kingdom.

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29 So draw our hearts to You, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, that we may have insight into Your
30 purposes for Craven County and wisdom and determination in providing for its future, that in all our works
31 begun, continued, and ended in You, we may glorify You in our care for all Your people.

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33 All this we ask in Your holy name.

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35 Amen.

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37 **Based upon the opening prayer given by Reverend Cara Spaccarelli for the January 7, 2014 session**
38 **of the United States House of Representatives.**

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40 Chairman Liner moved to amend the agenda by removing Agenda Item #4, Trillium
41 Presentation, and Agenda Item #13, Commissioners' Reports. Commissioner Mitchell seconded
42 the motion which carried unanimously.

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44 **PETITIONS OF CITIZENS (AGENDA TOPICS)**

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46 The following citizens addressed the Board:

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48 1. Raynor James, 305 Calico Drive, New Bern
49 2. Hal James, 305 Calico Drive, New Bern
50 3. David Tripp, 1810 Butler Ford Road, Vanceboro
51 4. Rick Day, 204 Neuse Harbour Blvd, New Bern
52 5. Kate Blakefield, 3706 Darby Rd., Trent Woods
53 6. Larry Conley, 1301 Forest Drive, New Bern
54 7. Ceil Wasserman, 305 Augusta Ct., New Bern
55 8. Michaela Hampton, 4077 Reunion Pointe Lane
56 9. Cory Hunter, 501 Craven Street, New Bern
57 10. Helen Robinson, 1906 Cayenne Ct., New Bern
58 11. Valeria Truitt, 2407 Brice's Creek Rd., New Bern
59 12. Bill Hampton, 4077 Reunion Point Lane
60 13. Glenn Fink, 646 Goose Creek Rd., New Bern
61 14. Bill Harper, 4414 Old Cherry Pt. Rd., New Bern
62 15. Kevin Helmick, 396 Old Vanceboro Rd., New Bern
63 16. Chadwick Howard, 104 Trevino Lane
64 17. Guy Smith, 2523 Hickory St., New Bern
65 18. Catherine Stash, 211 Easterly Drive, New Bern

- 66 19. Ray Griffin, 1981 Streets Ferry Rd., Vanceoboro
 67 20. Doug Furgason, 4108 Edwards Way
 68 21. Rep. Keith Kidwell, 53 Elks Rd., Chocowinity
 69 22. Rep. Mike Speciale, 803 Statly Pines Rd., New Bern
 70 23. Jim Kohr, 331 Miller Blvd., Havelock
 71 24. Marty Dzioba, 2124 Royal Pines Drive, New Bern
 72 25. Jerry Schill, 1406 Oxford Lane, New Bern
 73 26. Linda Wahnsiedler, 1981 Acorn Drive, New Bern
 74 27. Randall Siler, 3103 Side Saddle Lane, Trent Woods
 75 28. Juan Arevale, 1300 Hills Neck Road, Ernul
 76 29. Joshua Kohr, 331 Miller Blvd., Havelock
 77 30. Susan Cools, 1230 Brices Creek Rd., New Bern
 78 31. William Lentz, PO Box 846, Havelock
 79 32. Tike Adams, 1380 Spring Garden Rd., New Bern

80 81 CONSENT AGENDA

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83 Commissioner Liner motioned to approve the consent agenda, inclusive of the minutes of
 84 January 21, 2020, Resolution Recognizing Pastor John Watford, Tax Releases & Refunds and
 85 Township #9 Fire & Rescue Budget Amendment. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion
 86 which was approved 7-0 in a roll call vote.

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88 Clerk to the Board, Nan Holton, read the resolution recognizing Pastor John Watford aloud for
 89 the record.

90 91 92 RESOLUTION 93 RECOGNIZING PASTOR JOHN WATFORD

94
95 **WHEREAS**, John Watford was raised in North Carolina by his mother, along with three
 96 sisters, after his father was killed in the line of duty as a police officer in Columbia, SC in 1957;
 97 and

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99 **WHEREAS**, John Watford met the love of his life, Bonnie, and married her on
 100 September 18, 1977; he and Bonnie had two beautiful daughters, who God used to teach him
 101 about unconditional love and gentleness; and

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103 **WHEREAS**, he was assigned his first pastorate at the Church of God, in New Orleans,
 104 Louisiana on July 10, 1977 and served there until 1997; and

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106 **WHEREAS**, while in New Orleans, Pastor John completed his B.A. in Theology;
 107 founded a private Christian school which grew to 650 students; oversaw three major church
 108 building projects; led his church on its first international crusade to the Philippines in 1986;
 109 conducted mass crusades in fifty plus countries; and built orphanages in India; and

110
111 **WHEREAS**, Pastor John Watford also was a Restoration Mentor for pastors; was a
 112 contributing writer for international Christian magazines and newspapers; had a radio ministry;
 113 piloted the Discipleship Program for International Denomination (Timothy Program); and served
 114 as a hurricane/flood disaster coordinator; and

115
116 **WHEREAS**, from 1997-2001 he helped plant and pastor a church in Dahlongea, GA,
 117 where he led crusades to South Africa and India; completed his B.S. in Education and his M.A.
 118 in Education; and coordinated disaster relief for Hurricane Katrina; and

119
120 **WHEREAS**, in 2002 he moved to New Bern, NC with the intent of retiring, but instead
 121 taught classes at the community college, faithfully attended his home church Cornerstone
 122 Assembly and assisted Pastor Jim Hogan however he requested; and

123
124 **WHEREAS**, in 2006 John Watford was elected to serve as the Lead Pastor of
 125 Cornerstone Assembly, where he will serve until February 23, 2020; and

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127 **WHEREAS**, while Lead Pastor at Cornerstone Assembly, he completed building
 128 projects; began a Five Star After-School program; began summer camp programs; established a
 129 Celebrate Recovery program; served as the Presbyter three times; oversaw twenty plus churches,
 130 pastors and many credentialed ministers; established a Cornerstone Campus in Morehead City,
 131 NC; and served as Coach/Mentor to Jake and Jessica Korkian; and
 132

133 **WHEREAS**, in addition, Pastor Watford assisted churches in First Responder Training
 134 and in development of security teams; served as the Disaster Relief Coordinator for the North
 135 Carolina Assemblies of God; coordinated relief supplies through local and federal relief
 136 agencies, providing life giving supplies for the communities in need; coordinated first
 137 responders, Christ in Action, in the aftermath of Hurricane Florence; coordinated with the Fuller
 138 Center for Disaster Rebuild, housing volunteers doing relief and repair in the community; and
 139 served on the Craven County Regional Disaster Recovery Board, helping coordinate the
 140 rebuilding of homes for those without financial means to do so.
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142 **NOW, THEREFORE**, the Craven County Board of Commissioners acknowledges
 143 Pastor John Watford for his great love and service to God, his congregants, and his community.
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145 Adopted this 3rd day of February, 2020.
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147 *Tax Releases and Refunds*

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 149 *Credits*

151 TAXPAYER NAME	152 TICKET#	153 AMOUNT
154 CARISA, ANDREW SCOTT 155 MILITARY EXEMPT	2019-402121	\$72.87
156 HARRELL, VINCON DONTE 157 DID NOT OWN JANUARY 1	2019-211497	\$11.37
158 HART, OLIN JAMES IV 159 DI D NOT OWN JANUARY 1	2019-211500	\$37.03
160 JONES, SYLVIA BERNICE MCLAWHORN HRS 2019-3023 161 RECYCLE FEE CORRECTION		\$60.00
162 KNISLEY, SHIRLEY L 163 DID NOT OWN JANUARY 1	2019-202132	\$85.28
164 MCDAVID, WILLIAM JR 165 RECYCLE FEE CORRECTION	2018-38588	\$39.96
166 MOORE, OLIVER S III & CHRISTINE M 167 NOT TAXABLE TO CRAVEN COUNTY	2019-207395	\$1,110.17
168 MORGAN, TYLER CHRISTOPHER 169 CORRECTED DISCOVERED PROPERTY VALUE	2019-402316	\$126.62
170 NATURE BASKET INC 171 DID NOT OWN JANUARY 1	2019-203946	\$28.27
172 T & T PIZZA INC 173 DID NOT OWN JANUARY 1	2019-401244	\$1,447.15
174 T & T PIZZA INC 175 DID NOT OWN JANUARY 1	2019-401243	\$1,034.10
176 WHITFIELD, ROSANA HEIRS 177 DWELLING VACANT	2019-202641	\$61.20

189	12 - CREDIT MEMO (S)		\$4,114.02
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191	Refunds		
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193	DRED MITCHELL RENTAL PROPERTIES	2019-208415	\$129.48
194	DOUBLE BILLED		
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196	FORNES, DOROTHY	2019-204860	\$2.47
197	DOUBLE BILLED		
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199	MABRY, LESSIE LUCILLE	2019-48406	\$61.20
200	DWELLING VACANT		
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202	MAXWELL, ANNA M	2019-201026	\$61.20
203	DWELLING VACANT		
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205	MCDAVID, WILLIAM JR	2016-38332	\$37.26
206	RECYCLE FEE CORRECTION		
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208	MCDAVID, WILLIAM JR	2017-38612	\$36.00
209	RECYCLE FEE CORRECTION		
210			
211	TOLER, SHELTON P & TOLER, STEVIE J	2019-2668	\$310.46
212	DOUBLE BILLED		
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214	7 - REFUND (S)		\$638.07
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Township #9 Fire & Rescue Budget Amendment

Fire Department

220	REVENUES	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURES	AMOUNT
221				
222	2090000-29999	\$520.00	2094340-441104	\$520.00
223	Fund Balance – No. 9 Twp.		W/C No. 9 Twp. VFD	
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225	TOTAL	\$520.00	TOTAL	\$520.00
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Justification: To cover shortage for Worker Compensation Line items for an additional premium of \$520 for No. 9 Township Fire & Rescue.

CREEKSIDE ELEMENTARY EASEMENT

Matt Montanye, Public Works Director with the City of New Bern, reported that the City will begin construction soon on improvement to Old Airport Road between Taberna Circle and Landscape Drive. As part of this project the City will be relocating the existing power poles and overhead powerlines back to the existing right-of-way line, as well as realigning the drainage way along Old Airport Road to make room for a wider and safer road that will include a center turning lane and bike lanes on each side.

To complete this project the City of New Bern is in need of two easements along the front of the Creekside Elementary School. These easements are described as follows:

1. A 10-foot drainage and utility easement for the relocation and maintenance of the existing power poles and the existing drainage ditch along Old Airport Road.
2. A 10-foot temporary construction easement that will only exist during construction to allow for construction activities to take place within the existing right-of-way.

As part of this project any area disturbed during construction will be repaired back to its original condition.

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 251 Commissioner McCabe motioned to approve the easements, as requested, seconded by
 252 Commissioner Mitchell and carried unanimously.

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 254 **2ND AMENDMENT RESOLUTION**

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 256 Clerk to the Board, Nan Holton, read the 2nd Amendment Resolution aloud for the record.
 257 Chairman Mark invited Sheriff Chip Hughes to speak on the topic. Sheriff Hughes thanked the
 258 public for participating in the debate and read aloud the oath of office he was given when sworn
 259 in as Sheriff. He stated that he would never use County resources to seize weapons that are
 260 lawfully obtained by citizens.

261
 262 Commissioner Bucher motioned to adopt the 2nd Amendment Resolution as presented. His
 263 motion was seconded by Commissioner Liner and approved in a 7-0 roll call vote.

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 265 **COUNTY OF CRAVEN**

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 267 **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR**
 268 **CRAVEN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA IN SUPPORT OF**
 269 **RIGHTS AFFORDED BY THE**
 270 **SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION**

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 273 **WHEREAS**, the Craven County Board of Commissioners supports the United States
 274 Bill of Rights reinforcing guarantees of individual rights and limitations of federal and
 275 state governments; and

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 277 **WHEREAS**, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution provides that
 278 “[A] well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the
 279 people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed”; and

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 281 **WHEREAS**, similarly Article 1, Section 30 of the Constitution of North Carolina
 282 provides in part that “[A] well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free
 283 State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed....”; and

284
 285 **WHEREAS**, in *District of Columbia v. Heller*, 554 U.S. 470 (2008), the United
 286 States Supreme Court held that the Second Amendment protects an individual right to
 287 possess a firearm unconnected with service in a militia, and to use that firearm for
 288 traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home, and in *McDonald v.*
 289 *City of Chicago*, 561 U.S. 742 (2010), the United States Supreme Court held that the
 290 right of an individual to keep and bear arms as protected by the Second Amendment
 291 applies to individual States; and

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 293 **WHEREAS**, the Craven County Board of Commissioners is concerned about any
 294 effort by the North Carolina General Assembly or United States Congress to enact
 295 legislation unconstitutionally infringing upon a citizen’s individual right to possess a
 296 firearm and to use a firearm for traditional lawful purposes as the United States
 297 Supreme Court has interpreted the Constitution; and

298
 299 **WHEREAS**, the Craven County Board of Commissioners supports the decisions of
 300 the United States Supreme Court that interpret the Second Amendment as giving
 301 individuals the right to bear arms and use firearms for traditionally lawful purposes.

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 303 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners for
 304 Craven County, North Carolina that:

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 306 Section 1. The Craven County Board of Commissioners supports the Second
 307 Amendment right of citizens to possess firearms and to use firearms for traditionally
 308 lawful purposes.

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 310 Section 2. In support of the citizenry’s Second Amendment rights, the Craven
 311 County Board of Commissioners will take all necessary steps within its power to ensure
 312 that legislative bodies do not enact legislation unconstitutionally infringing the Second

313 Amendment right of citizens to bear arms and use firearms for traditionally lawful
 314 purposes, such action including but not limited to lobbying of legislative delegations and
 315 intervention in litigation challenging such legislation.

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 317 Section 3. As further indicia of support for rights afforded citizens by the Second
 318 Amendment, the Craven County Board of Commissioners declares Craven County to be
 319 a "Second Amendment Refuge".

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 321 **ADOPTED** the 3rd day of February, 2020.

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 323 A two minute recess was taken to allow citizens to leave the meeting if they desired.

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 325 **DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS: TAX – REPORT OF UNPAID 2019 TAXES & TAX**
 326 **LIEN ADVERTISEMENT DATE**

327
 328 Tax Administrator, Ronnie Antry, stated that NCGS 105-369(a) requires that he present a report
 329 on the amount of 2019 taxes that remain unpaid. Mr. Antry reported that \$2,117,273.41 remains
 330 unpaid which are a lien upon real estate. He attributed this to the delay in mailing out notices
 331 due to transitioning into new software. The statute also requires the Board to order the Tax
 332 Administrator to advertise the liens for 2019 in a newspaper of general circulation in the county.
 333 Mr. Antry requested the liens be advertised in *The Sun Journal* on April 13, 2020.

334
 335 Commissioner Liner motioned to receive the report and to order the Tax Administrator to
 336 advertise the liens, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and approved unanimously.

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 338 **DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS: EMERGENCY SERVICES**

339
 340 *City of New Bern Fire & Rescue First Responder*

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 342 Emergency Services Director, Stanley Kite stated that the Craven County EMS Advisory
 343 Council recommends the approval of the City of New Bern Fire & Rescue application for the
 344 First Responder Franchise to change the level of care from Medical Responder to EMT Basic
 345 Level of care. The application also has endorsement from CarolinaEast EMS and the EMS
 346 System Medical Director, Stanley Koontz.

347
 348 Commissioner Mitchell motioned to approve the application, as recommended, seconded by
 349 Commissioner McCabe.

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 351 Commissioner Liner invited Alderman Jeffrey Odham to speak on the topic. Alderman Odham
 352 requested that the Board table the topic until he had time to discuss with his peers. After some
 353 discussion, Commissioners Mitchell and McCabe withdrew their motions.

354
 355 Commissioner Liner motioned to table the application for the City of New Bern Fire & Rescue
 356 First Responder application until the meeting on February 17, 2020. His motion was seconded
 357 by Commissioner Mitchell and approved unanimously.

358
 359 *City of Havelock Communication – Emergency Medical Dispatch*

360
 361 Mr. Kite stated that the Craven County EMS Advisory Council recommends the approval of the
 362 City of Havelock Communications application for the 911 Center to implement the Emergency
 363 Medical Dispatch (EMD) Protocols and Procedures with Priority Dispatch. This will allow
 364 Havelock Communications to give pre-hospital instructions to the citizens.

365
 366 Commissioner Jones motioned to approve the application, as recommended, seconded by
 367 Commissioner Bucher and approved unanimously.

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 371 *Craven County Disaster Recovery Alliance (CCDRA)*

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 373 John Robinson, Disaster Recovery Chairman, stated that the CCDRA is up against a deadline as
 374 FEMA is closing out their housing program in the middle of March.

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 376 He stated that Craven County Disaster Recovery Alliance would like to enter into an agreement
 377 with Craven County to purchase five (5) FEMA trailers for disaster recovery construction.
 378 CCDRA does not qualify to purchase the trailers directly from FEMA and would like for the
 379 County to enter into an agreement and purchase the trailers. CCDRA has grant funding that
 380 would be used to purchase the travel trailers and other costs associated with these units. Based
 381 on requirements from NC-Emergency Management Office, the travel trailers must be purchased
 382 by a county government and held as an asset by the County for two years.

383
 384 Commissioner Mitchell motioned to approve the purchase of five trailers at \$5,000 each and
 385 enter into a use agreement with CCDRA. Commissioner Liner seconded the motion which
 386 carried 7-0 in a roll call vote.

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 388 **DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS: SHERIFF**

389 *School Resource Officers (SRO) Budget Amendment*

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 391
 392 County Manager, Jack Veit, reviewed that at the January 21, 2020 meeting the Board was made
 393 aware of three SRO positions obtained through a grant and that the Sheriff’s Office would be
 394 receiving two of those positions. Sheriff Hughes presented the Board with total costs for the two
 395 SRO’s, broken down into individual and specific categories. Salary related costs were
 396 \$35,478.00 and SRO equipment costs were \$105,782.00 for a total overall budget amendment of
 397 \$141,260.00.

398
 399 Commissioner Liner motioned to approve the following budget amendment, as requested,
 400 seconded by Commissioner Bucher and in a roll call vote approved 7-0.

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 402 *Sheriff’s Office*

403	404	405	406	407	408	409	410	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419	420	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429	430	431	432
	REVENUES	AMOUNT		EXPENDITURES			AMOUNT																						
	1010000-39901	\$141,260.00		1014310-41002			\$24,878.00																						
	Fund Balance Current Year			Full-time Salaries																									
				1014310-41101			\$ 1,904.00																						
				Fica																									
				1014310-41102			\$ 2,414.00																						
				Retirement																									
				1014310-41105			\$ 1,244.00																						
				401K LEO																									
				1014310-41104			\$ 740.00																						
				Workers Comp																									
				1014310-41106			\$ 3,972.00																						
				Health																									
				1014310-41107			\$ 294.00																						
				Dental																									
				1014310-41108			\$ 12.00																						
				Life																									
				1014310-41109			\$ 20.00																						
				Disability																									
				1014310-43502			\$ 4,310.00																						
				Uniforms																									
				1014310-47321			\$14,036.00																						
				Capital Outlay \$500-\$4,999																									
				1014310-47301			\$87,436.00																						
				Capital Outlay over \$5,000																									
	TOTAL	\$141,260.00		TOTAL			\$141,260.00																						

433 **Justification:** This budget amendment will support the salary/benefits and necessary equipment
 434 purchase to fund two (2) SRO positions for the Craven County Sheriff’s Office.
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436 There was discussion regarding \$98,000 being refunded back to the County.

437
438 *Acquisition of Surplus Equipment*
439

440 Chief Bobby West presented the Board with information on the MRAP (Mine Resistant Ambush
441 Protection) asset. He stated that the Craven County Sheriff's Office is requesting approval to
442 acquire an MRAP (Mine Resistant Ambush Protection) asset which will allow the Sheriff's
443 Office to conduct safety of life rescue missions, continue outstanding partnership with
444 Emergency Management during disasters, traverse high water during disasters, provide
445 protection against rescues conducted in high heat (wildfires), and provide a secure platform from
446 which to launch law enforcement specific rescue missions.

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448 The primary purpose of this vehicle is to provide protection to the citizens of Craven County and
449 prevent the loss of life with which no dollar value can be placed.

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451 This opportunity has been granted through the Federal Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law
452 Enforcement Support Office Program in coordination with the State Coordinator for Law
453 Enforcement Support Services (LESS) office in Raleigh. The LESS office acts as the state level
454 coordinator of this program and is located within the North Carolina Department of Public
455 Safety.

456
457 He commented that this vehicle normally cost approximately \$500,000-\$700,000 to procure
458 (depending on the variant). If accepted, the Sheriff's Office would receive this vehicle at no cost
459 beyond the cost of transporting the vehicle from the location of acquisition, applying agency
460 logos, replacing batteries, and any additional equipment needed for missions. Chief West
461 highlighted the following statistics:

462
463 **Normal cost of these awarded vehicles:**

- 464 • Shipping usually cost \$6,000 "+"
- 465 • Re-painting usually cost \$6,000 "+"
- 466 • Replacing fluids cost approx. \$1,000.
- 467 • These vehicles normally ship out of either Red River, TX or Sierra, CA. (which causes
468 the shipping cost to be extensive)

469
470 **The following arrangements have been secured for delivery of this vehicle:**

- 471 • This vehicle is located in Charleston, SC which reduces transport cost.
- 472 • Transportation has been secured for approx. \$1400.00. (round trip)
- 473 • MRAP's which have been dispersed out of the Charleston site to date have been
474 averaging 95-100 miles on the odometer. (these vehicles are relatively unused)
- 475 • The fluids are still in the vehicle due to it being fairly unused.
- 476 • We have been given permission to place our agency logo, badge and ID on the vehicle
477 which will complete the painting requirement (saves \$6,000"+")
- 478 • Nominal cost for miscellaneous items such as batteries, or equipment needed for missions
- 479 • This vehicle operates on commercial diesel fuel

480
481 Commissioner Liner stated that last month this topic was tabled until the February 17, 2020 work
482 session and he requested the Board to look at their Rules of Procedures about not authorizing
483 funding that is not an emergency. Others commented on the safety of the officers, the need of
484 the public being aware of barricade situations after they happen, and the need of protecting
485 children through SROs.

486
487 Commissioner Bucher motioned to approve the acquisition of an MRAP, as requested, seconded
488 by Commissioner Mitchell and in a roll call vote approved with six (6) "ayes", there being one
489 (1) "nay" from Commissioner Liner.

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492 **APPOINTMENTS**
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494 Chairman Mark reviewed the following pending appointments:
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- 496 • Adult Care Home Advisory Committee
- 497 • Nursing Home Advisory Committee
- 498 • Senior Legislative Tarheel Alternate
- 499 • Board of Equalization and Review
- 500 • Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
- 501 • Recreation Advisory Committee

502
 503 Vice Chairman Jones stated he has received an application from Rodney Russell to serve on the
 504 Board of Equalization and Review and was recommending him for appointment. Mr. Russell
 505 was appointed by acclamation.

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 507 *Upcoming Appointments*

508
 509 Chairman Mark reviewed the following upcoming appointments:

- 510
- 511 • Craven Aging Planning Board
- 512 • Nursing Home Advisory Board
- 513 • Craven County Health Board

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 515 There was no County Attorney report.

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 517 **PETITIONS OF CITIZENS (GENERAL TOPICS)**

518
 519 The following citizen spoke:

- 520
- 521 1. Kelli Muse, North Ridge Rd., New Bern

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 523 **COUNTY MANAGER’S REPORT**

524
 525 County Manager, Jack Veit, reported on the Recovery Alliance Symposium held last Thursday at
 526 the Convention Center and information shared between the participants. He also reported that
 527 the Hwy. 17/64 meeting would be held at the Convention Center on April 29th and invited the
 528 Commissioners to attend if they are able. Mr. Veit informed the Board that the 2021 Budget was
 529 kicked off in the morning and reminded them of the upcoming work session following their
 530 regular meeting on February 17th. He indicated that it would be a long day and that lunch would
 531 be provided.

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 533 **CLOSED SESSION**

534
 535 At 9:41 p.m. Commissioner Liner motioned to enter into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-
 536 318.11(a)(6) for a personnel matter. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and
 537 approved unanimously.

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 539 At 9:55 p.m. Vice Chairman Jones motioned to return to Open Session; seconded by
 540 Commissioner McCabe and carried unanimously.

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 542 There was nothing to report.

543
 544 At 9:56 p.m. Commissioner Jones motioned to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and
 545 carried unanimously.

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 550 Chairman Thomas F. Mark
 Craven County Board of Commissioners

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 550 Nan Holton
 Clerk to the Board