MINUTES
BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR (BUDGET / PLANNING) RETREAT

The Burke County Board of Commissioners met in regular session for a budget and planning retreat on Thursday, February 3, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, located at the Burke County Services Building, 110 N. Green Street, Entrance E, in Morganton, N.C. The agenda, in its entirety, was posted to the County's website, www.burkenc.org, several days prior to the meeting as usual. Both Burke County and the state of North Carolina had previously declared a state of emergency which was ongoing as of this date due to the global COVID-19 pandemic. Those present were:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	Scott Mulwee, Chairman Johnnie W. Carswell, Vice Chairman Wayne F. Abele, Sr. Jeffrey C. Brittain Maynard M. Taylor
STAFF PRESENT:	Bryan Steen, County Manager Margaret Pierce, Deputy County Manager/Finance Director J.R. Simpson, II, County Attorney Kay Honeycutt Draughn, Clerk to the Board

CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Mulwee called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion: To approve the agenda.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Jeffrey C. Brittain, Commissioner
AYES:	Scott Mulwee, Johnnie W. Carswell, Wayne F. Abele, Sr., Jeffrey C. Brittain, and Maynard M. Taylor

PRESENTATIONS

BOC - PRESENTATION OF COMPREHENSIVE FACILITIES ANALYSIS & DISCUSSION
Joshua N. Bennett, Vice President, Mosely Architects, presented the methodology and results of a comprehensive study of the County's facilities as follows and responded to questions from the Board. Brian Nieft, Senior Fiscal Analyst, was also in attendance.

SPACE NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

Goal

- Develop an affordable, implementable Facilities Master Plan to meet the County's twenty-year space needs (2041) identified in the Detailed Space Needs Assessment at such time as it is approved.

SPACE NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Departments included in assessment:

- 911/Emergency Services
- Adult Corrections/Juvenile Justice
- Animal Services
- County Manager
- Clerk to the Board
- Community Development
- Cooperative Extension
- Superior and District Courts
- District Attorney
- Department of Social Services
- Elections
- EMS
- Finance
- Fire Marshall
- Guardian ad Litem
- Health Department
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Libraries
- Parks and Recreation
- Probation
- Register of Deeds
- Senior Centers
- Sheriff's Office
- Soil and Water
- Tax Administration

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BURKE COUNTY SPACE NEEDS ASSESSMENT
PROJECTED BUILDING TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET
BUDGET ESTIMATE

January 18, 2022

	CURRENT	2026	2031	2041
Building Construction				
Combined HD/DSS Facility	$29,845,854			
Animal Services and Enforcement	$7,116,972			
County Administration			$ 27,105,801	
Cooperative Extension Office			$ 9,722,513	
County Courthouse		$ 44,746,007		
EMS Station 1 and Headquarters	$7,475,747			
Emergency Logistics Warehouse Addn		$ 3,003,610		
Sheriff's Office	$26,195,839			
Hildebran Senior Center			$ 3,773,334	
Morganton Senior Center			$ 9,082,403	
General Services				
Morganton Library		$ 7,175,179		
Hildebran Library				$ 6,653,873
Valdese Library				$ 6,920,321
Building Renovation				
Elections				$ 1,934,383
Emergency Communications			$ 6,529,391	
Burke County Jail				
Parks and Recreation				
TOTAL	**$ 70,634,413**	**$ 54,924,796**	**$ 56,213,441**	**$ 15,508,576**

BURKE COUNTY SPACE NEEDS ASSESSMENT
PROJECTED BUILDING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES
BUDGET ESTIMATE - 20 YEAR NEEDS
January 18, 2022

	CURRENT	2026	2031	2041
Comound Escalation (per year)	0%	3.30%	2.00%	1.50%
Building Construction				
Combined HD/DSS Facility	$29,845,854	$ *32,899,172*	$ 40,103,907	$ 46,542,222
Animal Services and Enforcement	$7,116,972	$ 7,845,059	$ 9,563,084	$ *11,098,349*
County Administration	$20,172,492	$ 22,236,198	$ *27,105,801*	$ 31,457,388
Cooperative Extension Office	$7,235,622	$ 7,975,847	$ *9,722,513*	$ 11,283,374
County Courthouse	$40,593,203	$ *44,746,007*	$ 54,545,133	$ 63,301,854
EMS Station 1 and Headquarters	$7,475,747	$ *8,240,538*	$ 10,045,170	$ 11,657,830
Emergency Logistics Warehouse Addn	$2,724,850	$ 3,003,610	$ 3,661,384	$ *4,249,186*
Sheriff's Office	*$26,195,839*	$ 28,875,751	$ 35,199,379	$ *40,850,316*
Hildebran Senior Center	$2,808,164	$ 3,095,448	$ *3,773,334*	$ 4,379,108
Morganton Senior Center	$6,759,243	$ 7,450,734	$ *9,082,403*	$ 10,540,499
General Services		$ -	$ -	$ -
Morganton Library	$6,509,262	$ 7,175,179	$ *8,746,503*	$ 10,150,674
Hildebran Library	$4,266,889	$ 4,703,405	$ *5,733,424*	$ 6,653,873
Valdese Library	$4,437,753	$ 4,891,748	$ *5,963,014*	$ 6,920,321
Building Renovation		$ -	$ -	$ -
Elections	$1,240,450	$ 1,367,352	$ *1,666,794*	$ 1,934,383
Emergency Communications	$4,859,258	$ 5,356,374	$ *6,529,391*	$ 7,577,624
Burke County Jail	$0	$ -	$ -	$ -
Parks and Recreation	$0	$ -	$ -	$ -
	$172,241,601	$ *189,862,422*	$ *231,441,233*	$ *268,597,000*

Vice Chairman Carswell asked if their recommendation is to tear down the courthouse. Mr. Bennett responded in the affirmative. Vice Chairman Carswell asked what grade he would give the county in terms of current infrastructure. Mr. Bennett said a solid B and noted that the county has made good moves with the jail, 911 center, and EMS stations. He continued, because of those projects, the county has begun to recognize that they have a need and have started to do something about it, and noted the facilities plan is to help them prioritize those needs. Chairman Mulwee asked how Burke County compares to other rural counties of similar size and budget. Mr. Bennett said he is working with Wayne and Johnston Counties currently and Burke is comparable to Wayne.

After Mr. Bennett concluded his presentation, a general discussion ensued regarding the cost of buildings, technology, providing services, how plans for one department impacts other departments, and distinguishing between wants and needs from department interviews / questionnaires, spending tax dollars wisely, perceived lack of growth in the county, and immediate costs compared to deferred costs.

Commissioner Taylor commended Mr. Bennett for the report. In response to a question from Vice Chairman Carswell, Mr. Bennett said his recommendation is to first look at the buildings that need replacement now, discussion ensued. Chairman Mulwee asked what grade Mr. Bennett would give the HRC building. Mr. Bennett said a C-, noting the HRC does not lend itself to providing 21st century health and human services delivery.

RESULT:	**NO ACTION TAKEN.**

BOC - HUMAN RESOURCE CENTER - GENERAL DISCUSSION

A general discussion on the condition of the Human Resource Center (HRC) located at 700 E. Parker Road in Morganton ensued. This facility was constructed in the early 1970s and houses DSS, the Health Department and Burke Co. Public Schools' Central Office. At the Chairman's invitation, Danny Scalise, Local Health Director, provided an update on the condition of the Health Department facilities and said he agreed with Mr. Bennett's earlier comments, noting that citizens coming to the HRC for clinical services do not feel comfortable at the facility. However, Mr. Scalise said he would give the condition of the HRC/Health Dept. a grade of F-. Vice Chairman Carswell asked Mr. Scalise and Korey Fisher-Wellman, DSS Director, as these Departments evolve, do families have the space they need for intimate moments / services and is it safe. Mr. Scalise said the current clinic rooms are not large enough, especially with the need for an interpreter in many cases which adds to the amount of people in smaller rooms. He said on the administrative side of the Health Department, they are not very well organized due to space constraints. Overall, he said the HRC is not conducive to a familial atmosphere or to make people comfortable. Mr. Fisher-Wellman concurred with Mr. Scalise and discussion ensued regarding the lack of security, storage and utilization of building space. County Manager Steen noted that IT is working with their vendor to install a public address system in the building. Chairman Mulwee asked between the Health and DSS Departments, how many employees currently work in the HRC. Mr. Scalise said approximately 50 and Mr. Fisher-Wellman said approximately 188, discussion ensued regarding employee numbers, telecommuting, and mental health. Chairman Mulwee asked Mr. Bennett what his recommendation is for the HRC and he said replacement. Chairman Mulwee asked if the building is replaced, what would be done with the employees in the interim. Mr. Bennett said he believes there is ample room on the current site to build a new facility and

COMBINED DSS AND HD
BURKE COUNTY, NC
BUDGET ESTIMATE - 2041 NEEDS

January 18, 2022

Since we have no control over the cost of labor and materials, current market conditions, or competitive bidding, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this estimate of probable construction costs.

CONSTRUCTION COSTS			
Two Story Building (2041 Needs)	75,612 SF @	$265.00	$20,037,130
Site work (no off-site improvements)	6.0 AC @	$365,000	$2,190,000
Construction Cost Subtotal		$293.96	**$22,227,130**
OTHER COSTS			
Misc Building Systems			
Furniture Allowance ($30 PSF)			$2,268,354
Graphics & Signage ($1.25 PSF)			$94,515
Voice and data systems ($4 PSF)			$302,447
Appliances			$51,000
Site Improvements			
Permitting and Utility Connection Allowance			$50,000
Utility Relocation Costs			Not included
Environmental mitigation cost			Not included
Legal/ILA, Plans and closing fees			Not included
Property Acquisition Allowance			Not included
Legal Expenses			Not included
Financing Expenses			Not included
Design soft costs			
Architectural/Engineering Services (Est at 8% of Construction)			$1,780,000
Boundary and Topographic Survey			included in A/E services cost
Construction soft costs			
Moving Expenses Allowance			$25,000
Geotech/const materials testing			$166,703
Special/third party inspect (0.75% of constr cost)			$166,703
Other Costs Subtotal			**$4,904,723**
Project Cost Subtotal			**$27,131,854**
Contingency (10%)			$2,714,000
TOTAL			**$29,845,854**

demolish the old building. Discussion continued on parking and consolidation. In response to a question from Commissioner Taylor, Margaret Pierce, Deputy County Manager/Finance Director, said American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds allow for the renovation and expansion for health departments, but they do not fund DSS specifically. She continued, the county would need to review the final rules to ensure that stays the same from the interim rules, but at this point, the county could provide ARP funds for some of the cost to renovate or construct a new building. She said temporary structures are also available under the ARP funds for the next three (3) years. Discussion ensued regarding ARP funds, expansion, renovation, or demolition and construction of a new HRC and potentially consolidating most county buildings into one (1) complex. Ms. Pierce noted that the last she heard, ARP funds can be used alongside other sources of funding, such as borrowing. However, she continued, ARP funds cannot be used for paying debt service or grant / loan matches. Discussion continued. Chairman Mulwee asked if Mr. Scalise and Mr. Fisher-Wellman were comfortable with the square footage that Mr. Bennett presented for a new / renovated HRC. Mr. Scalise said he did not have a chance to see the presented materials but felt comfortable based on previous discussions he had with Mr. Bennett. Mr. Fisher-Wellman concurred with Mr. Scalise. Discussion ensued about parking needs if a consolidated county complex was constructed on the HRC property and the potential need for a parking deck. Vice Chairman Carswell asked if the Board decided to renovate the HRC building, would ARP funds pay for the temporary location for employees. Ms. Pierce said ARP funds would pay for the Health Department and revenue loss funds would cover the rest.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN.

RECESS OF MEETING

The Board took a lunch break at 11:10 a.m. The meeting resumed at 1:00 p.m.

BOC - UPDATE ON CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Updates were provided on the following capital construction projects:

- Animal Shelter
- EMS Base No. 1
- Jonas Ridge Convenience Site / BOG Park

ANIMAL SHELTER

Mike Barnard, Shelter Planners of America, made the following presentation and responded to questions from the Board.

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Agenda

- **Findings of Needs Assessment Study – Update**
- **Conceptual Site Plan**
- **Conceptual Floor Plan**
- **Conceptual 3D Color Rendering**
- **Cost**
- **Schedule**
- **Questions**

People and Animal Levels

Original Needs Assessment findings were presented to Commissioners January 21, 2020.

- ***People population approximately 90,485 for 2019.***
- ***Animals received in 2019 was 2,055.***
  931 dogs, 1,100 cats, and 24 other species.
- ***National norm, animal intake is 2-3% of the human population and Burke County is 2.27%.***
- ***Next 20 years, population is projected to increase by approximately 10% to 101,197.***

Historical animal intake data for past 5 years

Historical Shelter Intake Data

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Human Population	89,296	89,341	89,451	90,157	90,405	90,485
Dogs	2,160	1,838	1,664	1,746	1,436	931
Cats	1,955	2,161	1,888	1,714	1,842	1,100
Other	34	81	18	21	39	24
Total Intake	4,149	4,080	3,570	3,481	3,317	2,055
Intake percentage of human population	4.65%	4.57%	3.99%	3.86%	3.67%	2.27%
% decrease of intake Per Population %	-	-1.7%	-12.6%	-3.3%	-5.0%	-38.1%

Note: Average decrease of intake as percentage of human population over the past 5 years is 12.13%.

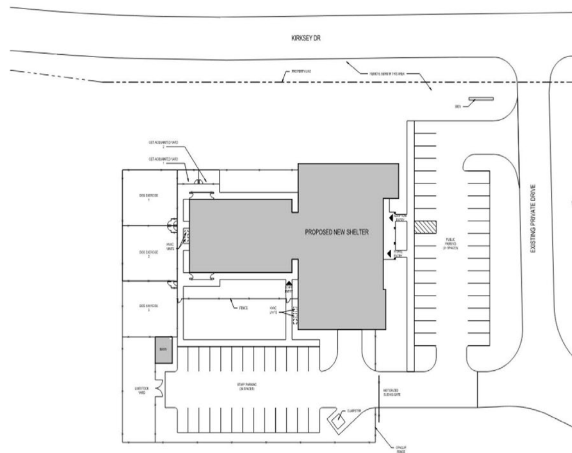
Proposed Animal Housing

SPA PROPOSED ANIMAL HOUSING

	Design Animal Intake	Resulting ALS	Number of Animals to be
Dogs	968	14	38
Cats	1,136	18	58
Other			
Total	2,104		96

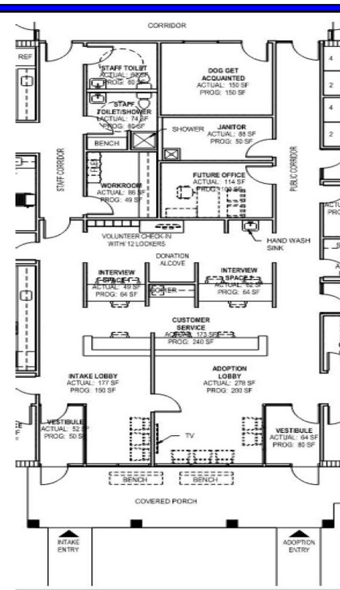
Conceptual Design – Site Location

Conceptual Design – Site Plan



Conceptual Design – Overall Floor Plan

LOBBY AREA



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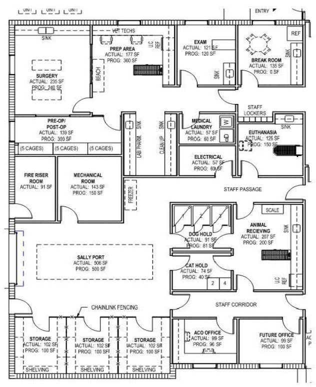
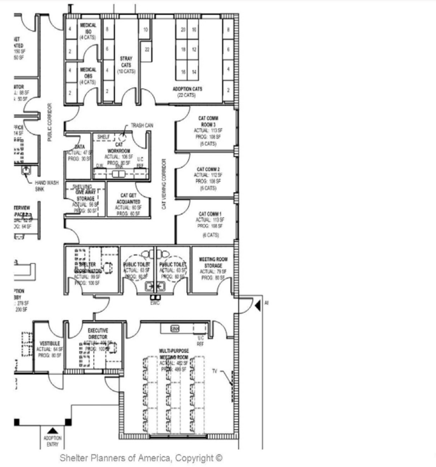
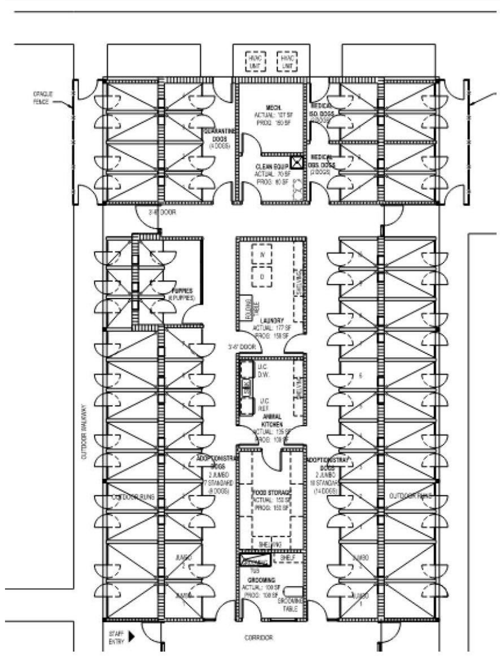


COMMUNITY ROOM AND CAT HOUSING AREA



DOG HOUSING AREA



Conceptual Design 3D Color Rendering

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Opinion of Probable Cost

	Low	High
Building Cost -	$3,633,249	$4,282,044
Site Work-	$363,000	$642,307
Soft Costs-	$599,486	$738,653
Contingency-	$229,803	$283,150
Total- (2022 Dollars)	$4,825,863	$5,946,153
For planning purposes allow for "escalation" and "volatile market" add 10%:	$5,308,449	$6,540,768

Footnotes:
1. Does not include the cost of land
2. The numbers shown are our opinion of what the cost will be based on our experience, but the actual costs won't be known until the actual bids are opened.

Preliminary Schedule

Design Time	**6 Months**
Bidding Contracting /Permitting	**2 Months**
Construction	**14 Months**

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Chairman Mulwee opened the floor for questions and comments from the Board. Commissioner Brittain asked how the recommended number of staff parking spaces was determined. Mr. Barnard said large groups of people may utilize the public meeting room in addition to volunteers and noted the vision of the new facility is similar to a retail store which requires ample parking and potential compliance with city zoning codes. In response to questions from Commissioner Taylor, Mr. Barnard said the proposed square footage is approximately 13,120 and the capacity of the shelter is 96 but noted that number is fluid. After additional comments from Mr. Barnard, Commissioner Taylor estimated that the cost of the proposed facility is $100 per dog (3,000 dogs X 20 years / $6 million), which he said was very high. To save money, he suggested using a customized metal building, but acknowledged the high cost of internal fixtures for any new building. Mr. Barnard advised that animal shelters are more expensive to build than schools or hospitals and pointed out that the walls are 4-foot on center instead of 15 to 20 feet on center, more plumbing is required in addition to special HVAC systems and special finishings and coatings to avoid corrosion. However, a cheaper shelter could be constructed, he said. Addressing the use of a prefab metal building, Mr. Barnard was skeptical it would pass Morganton's zoning requirements. Commissioner Taylor also commented that the county sold a building last year for $1.7 million and there would be no additional burden on the taxpayers if the shelter could be constructed for $1.5 million. Further, hotel rooms can still be rented for less than $100 a day and this proposal will charge over $100 per animal, noting that it seems unreasonable to spend $6 million on an animal shelter. Mr. Barnard offered to provide cost comparisons for other shelters constructed in the southeastern U.S. Commissioner Brittain said he would like to see a high-quality building, but the proposed shelter goes beyond what he feels he can justify to citizens. He noted he would like to see something in the $3 million range. He also believed there was too much parking. Commissioner Taylor commented on the amenities of the metal building and said as a Board, a work session is needed to prioritize what is important. To him, educating students and providing public water have higher values than an animal shelter and if the county has that kind of money to spend on dogs, then the county should pay half of the tuition for students at WPCC for any Burke County citizen who wants to attend. Commissioner Taylor said he was not belittling animals and has had them all his life, but this proposal costs the taxpayers significantly. Commissioner Brittain said it is hard to rationalize a $6 million facility for seven (7) employees compared to a new $26 million Human Resources Center for 200 employees.

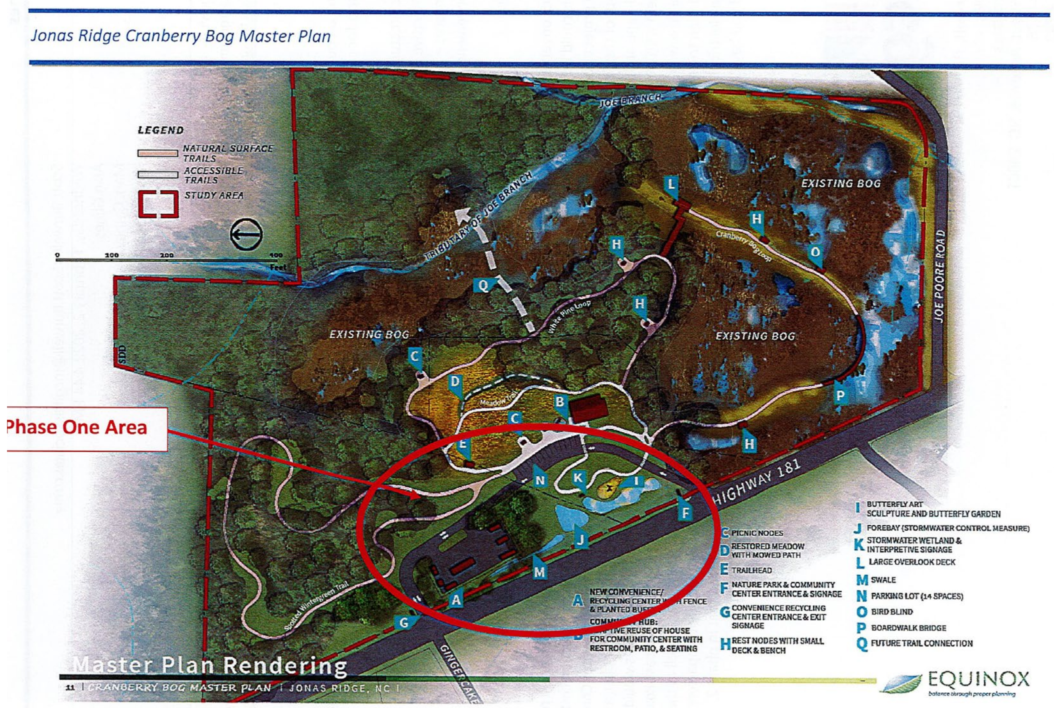
RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN.

EMS BASE NO. 1

Jason Black, EMS Director, said the current building they are in now behind the hospital is not salvageable. He said there are four (4) bays and during the day three (3) ambulances are in operation and the fourth is on constant standby for bariatric patients. In addition to four (4) ambulances, EMS has up to three (3) units there that are exposed to the elements at any given time. Mr. Black said there is some space for computers and storage but noted there is a lack of adequate space at the current location. He continued, for EMS to progress with a new building, six (6) bays, a larger storage area and the addition of three (3) – four (4) offices for the relocation of EMS administrative staff and an office for the supervisor is needed. Property on NC Highway 18 South, which was an old service station, is currently under consideration. County Manager Steen said staff is working with West Consultants to analyze the site and determine if it will meet the needs of EMS. If the new base will not fit on the proposed site, then other properties will have to be located. Director Black also stated his desire for the new facility to include a training room. Chairman Mulwee opened the floor for questions and comments from the Board. Commissioner Taylor asked if there is a need for eight (8) bays at the proposed location. Mr. Black said six (6) would be good and ideally, four (4) ambulances would be in operation and two (2) would be on standby. He noted that due to the equipment / medicines on the ambulances / trucks, they should be in a climate-controlled environment. Director Black also commented on the Department's needs and possible solutions in 20 years. A short discussion ensued.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN.

JONAS RIDGE CONVENIENCE SITE / BOG PARK
Alan Glines, Planning Director, provided an update on the Jonas Ridge convenience site / Bog Park and responded to questions from the Board.



Alan,

Following up on our phone conversation, below is the breakdown of design fees based on the current scope of Jonas Ridge Phase 1 for consideration:

• Architectural/Structural/MEP (including well and septic coordination efforts)	$22,000
• Innovative Stormwater Control Measure Design/Permitting	$46,500
• Landscape Architecture and Decorative Fencing	$7,700
• Convenience Center (including Electrical for Compactors) and Access Road	$53,800
Total	$130,000

Most of the convenience centers we deal with have a prefab attendant building that sits on a concrete slab and a porta john, so this could be an option to save on the Architectural/Structural/MEP. Would also save on construction cost for the overall project budget. I could discuss with Equinox the potential fee reduction for a standard Stormwater Control Measure out of the State Design Manual, in lieu of the innovative option shown on currently on the master plan, as well as the landscape architecture if we go with a fencing we have used on other centers. Both of these changes would certainly help with overall project budget as well on construction cost. For the Convenience Center and Access Road, this will include driveway permitting, erosion control design and permitting, grading design, parking area, as well as the electrical design to serve two compactors. Not much to be modified for this unless we did not include compactors to save on the electrical design, or removed the parking lot for the community building and included that in phase 2. Let me know if you have any questions or feedback after your upcoming budget discussions.

Thanks!

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Scott Burwell, PE
Senior Project Manager

Mr. Glines reviewed the revised cost estimate shown above and said staff would like to have a facility that the convenience site managing employee could use which would include a storage area and a proper restroom. Mr. Glines said a significant portion of the site is the bog itself, which is a rare southern Appalachian environment and any stormwater or leachate coming from the convenience site should be treated before it reaches the high-quality trout water / environmental area. The additional funding requested will allow staff to modify the site plan. Shane Prisby, Community Development Operations Manager, noted the need for expanded recycling services for the Jonas Ridge community, accommodate future growth and make it easier for staff to change out containers, as well as having basic amenities at the site. Commissioner Brittain asked if two (2) compactors are needed at the site. Mr. Glines responded in the affirmative. In response to a question from Commissioner Taylor regarding the need for a traffic light, Mr. Glines said a traffic light would not be warranted, but that is a NC DOT highway and if it became a high traffic area, they would have to work with NC DOT to revisit the issue. A short discussion ensued regarding traffic and line of sight in that area. Commissioner Brittain asked if this is an item that will be on the Board's agenda in March. Mr. Glines said this item was heard at the February pre-agenda meeting and he hoped that this number could be updated for the regular meeting. County Manager Steen stated the need to move forward so that bids could be obtained, and the amounts included in the FY 22-23 budget. Chairman Mulwee asked if the county owns all the necessary property for the project. County Attorney Simpson advised that they still have not closed on the 5.5-acre triangle with 32 heirs yet, but they should close on that in the next 30 days. The small sliver of unusable land in the right-of-way is still in flux, but it should be resolved soon. The owners have been dealing with an illness in the family. Margaret Pierce, Deputy County Manager/Finance Director, asked if this estimate is just for design work and not construction. Mr. Glines responded in the affirmative. Chairman Mulwee asked what is the estimated amount of trail that will be at the Bog Park. Mr. Prisby said it should be more than a mile. Discussion ensued regarding the trail and the old house on the property.

RESULT:	**NO ACTION TAKEN.**

BOC - UPDATE ON WESTERN REGIONAL LT SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY

Regarding a proposed regional long-term substance abuse treatment facility, County Manager Steen reported last week he had a second meeting with interested county managers and a few days ago, Partners Health Management representatives held a virtual meeting with interested service providers. He said at that meeting, they shared that Burke County has received state funds to rehabilitate the former confinement facility and architects have had the opportunity to respond to a request for qualifications (RFQ). He continued that: two (2) firms responded to the RFQ, a committee reviewed the responses, a recommendation for the Board to consider will be ready soon and he would like that added to the Board's February agenda. If the Board is agreeable, he said staff can begin negotiations with the firm for architectural services. He further advised that there is a lot of work to be done in developing a business model for this initiative and that Tara Conrad with Partners Health Management was informed that the county is not interested in operating the treatment facility. An outside entity is needed to run the facility and lease it from the county. Further, the county may need to have a very helpful relationship with a provider regarding the lease amount for the first three (3) years while the program can get going. He said there are a lot of unknowns such as coordinating with WPCC and the Industrial Commons for various trainings needed for the patients. In addition, he is working to develop a planning grant application for the Dogwood Health Trust because there will be a significant number of meetings required in the region to contact various local governments to determine if they want to use their opioid litigation funding to join the initiative, coordinating service providers, and investigating how the opioid funds can be spent. He noted that the proceeds from the opioid litigation must be spent treating opioid addiction. He reiterated that the county does not need to operate the facility / program, the county needs to help develop the building and get it ready to lease and then relevant service providers will operate the program. County Manager Steen said there will be more meetings and the planning grant is due by the 14th, noting that the application is approximately 80 percent completed.

Chairman Mulwee opened the floor for questions and comments from the Board. Commissioner Taylor said in the past they were told that a jail would not be a suitable location for a mental health facility. He then said staff are moving along as if the Board has already decided to pursue this project and he has not heard what the renovation cost would be. County Manager Steen said the county has approximately $3.25 million from the state for renovations and some of that will be used to pay for the architects to do the redesign. During the redesign, County Manager Steen said, the service providers would be involved to ensure it will meet their clinical needs. He noted that once the redesign is completed, the building will no longer look like a jail. Commissioner Taylor asked if the $3.25 million from the state will be enough to renovate the building. County Manager Steen said the county will bid out the project and they have been assured by the state that those funds have been awarded to Burke County. Commissioner Taylor stated this added $3.25 million to the cost of the jail. Commissioner Taylor asked how long it will be until the Board gets the full facts and be able to say yes or no to this project. He then asked if hiring an architect is not authorizing the actual build. County Manager Steen explained that staff is looking to retain an architect to do the design work and then a contractor would come in and renovate the building. Commissioner Taylor asked if the county is hiring an architect to do the design work, are they proceeding with the rest of the project. County Manager Steen said they would do the design work and then bid it out to a contractor to see how much the contract price would be. Commissioner Taylor asked how much the project is estimated to cost. County Manager Steen said until the project is bid out, no one will know how much it will cost. Commissioner Taylor asked what the estimated cost of the design work is. County Manager Steen said the Board would give him authority to negotiate a contract and he would bring that back to the Board for final approval.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN.

BOC - UPDATE ON OPIOID LITIGATION

Regarding the opioid litigation / funding, Vice Chairman Carswell reported all 100 counties have signed onto the national settlement agreement as well as 17 cities. Under that agreement, North Carolina will receive around $850 million to $1 billion over 18 years. Eighty-five percent (85%) of the proceeds will go to counties and cities and the remaining fifteen percent (15%) will go into the state coffers. The Sackler family, the manufacturer of OxyContin, has filed for bankruptcy protection and the courts have decided that they are probably not going to allow the bankruptcy to occur. He said there is an additional lawsuit against Johnson and Johnson and the decisions are still pending on both lawsuits. Further, the NC Attorney General's Office as well as the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) has made three (3) presentations that each Commissioner has been invited to attend to refresh each county on the two (2) options that they can choose from under the national settlement on how to spend their monies for substance abuse treatment. He said most counties will choose option B so there can be regional collaboration, noting when and if there is a substance abuse treatment center, which Burke County is proposing, these counties can give their monies to Burke County to help provide treatment for substance abuse cases from their counties. He continued, services would be under the purview of Partners Health Management, the entity that would be providing the treatment programs. Vice Chairman Carswell said the monies should begin arriving around March or April but was unsure how it will be frontloaded. He said a committee will oversee the distribution of the litigation funds and he and Buncombe County Commissioner Jasmine Beach-Ferrara sit on the committee as representatives of North Carolina.

Commissioner Brittain asked, regarding the two (2) pending lawsuits, if they would fall under the national settlement agreement. Vice Chairman Carswell answered in the affirmative. In response to a question from County Manager Steen, Vice Chairman Carswell said Burke County is estimated to receive approximately $17 million. He responded to several questions from Commissioner Taylor and spoke at length about the concept of the long-term substance abuse treatment facility.

RESULT:	**NO ACTION TAKEN.**

BOC - ARP (AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN) FUNDING UPDATE

Margaret Pierce, Deputy County Manager/Finance Director, introduced Brian Nieft, Senior Fiscal Analyst, and noted that they are continuing to go through the updates on the final rules. Mr. Nieft said one suggestion was made to gather input for projects from the public and have a committee review the suggestions before sending them to the Board for final approval.

Mr. Nieft then provided the following update on ARP projects:

- The new EMS equipment has been purchased except for the AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators).
- Multiple General Services' projects are underway and final contracts will be brought to the Board for approval.

Mr. Nieft said addressing public health and negative economic impacts, replacing lost revenue, premium pay, and infrastructure investments are the four (4) categories for ARP expenditures and they will be looking for projects that fit under those categories.

Chairman Mulwee opened the floor for questions and comments from the Board. Vice Chairman Carswell asked when the first installment of ARP funding was received and what was the amount. Ms. Pierce said $8.7 million was received in early June of last year, the second half should arrive in June of this year. Vice Chairman Carswell asked what are the rules for nonprofits.

Mr. Nieft responded: (1) there are both federal and state rules that the county must follow regarding ARP funds; (2) if a nonprofit provides a service that the county cannot provide, then the county cannot give them ARP funds to provide that service; (3) if a nonprofit provides a service that the county can provide, then they can be made a subrecipient on a contracted basis and must follow the ARP funding rules; and (4) an eligible nonprofit must be willing to allow the county to have access to its financial records to conduct a risk assessment. Ms. Pierce commented on the existence of a variety of programs at DSS to address social needs and not duplicating these services through another provider. Vice Chairman Carswell said it would simplify matters if the Board could find one (1) large project to spend its ARP funds on. After additional discussion, Mr. Nieft advised that their first ARP report was due on January 31st, but at the time of the report, there were no expenditures made. Discussion continued and Vice Chairman Carswell encouraged Mr. Nieft to look to the North Carolina Association of County

Commissioners (NCACC) and/or WPCOG if he needs any assistance. Ms. Pierce commented on having to re-do the first ARP report because of a last-minute rule change and she anticipated the rule-changing to continue for the life of the funds. Commissioner Taylor requested a list of categories / sub-categories of appropriate expenditures and noted no one can make a good decision without having all the information. After additional discussion, Ms. Pierce asked the Board if they wanted to have a dedicated meeting to discussing the Board's priorities for ARP spending and advised that the Finance staff needs to know the Board's priorities whether it's one (1) project or multiple projects. In response to a question from County Manager Steen, Ms. Pierce and Mr. Nieft said Burke County received $17.5 million in ARP funds, $1.7 million has been committed to other projects and purchase orders have been entered for approximately $792,000. He further advised that up to $10 million can be put towards the lost revenue category. Chairman Mulwee said they will set a date for a dedicated ARP meeting at the Board's next meeting.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN.

BOC - UPDATE ON COUNTY FINANCES

Margaret Pierce, Deputy County Manager/Finance Director provided a general update on the County's finances and responded to questions from the Board. Highlights of her presentation reads as follows:

General Fund revenues are at 62.22% collected for a total of $61,489,793. Overall revenues are on target for the fiscal year. Sales taxes are three months behind so collections are above budget for the first quarter. Sales taxes are trending at a growth rate approximately 5% above last year's actuals. Property tax collections are at 81.80% overall with current year taxes at 87.19% of budget.

General Fund expenditures are at 45.92% for a total of $45,373,546. Overall expenditures are below for the fiscal year due to limited programs in some areas with COVID restrictions and projects that are not completed yet.

Water and Sewer operations revenues are $889,431 (47.4%) with expenditures of $682,898 (36.4%). Collections for water and sewer revenues have not seen a significant change from prior year so there has been a limited effect from the pandemic on payment of bills. Expenditures are below for the year due in part to capital expenditures not completed and lower than estimated utility payments.

Solid Waste operation revenues are $3,883,498 (64.2%) and expenditures are $2,700,263 (44.6%). Operations are within budgeted amounts with no lines significantly outside expectations for this point in the fiscal year.

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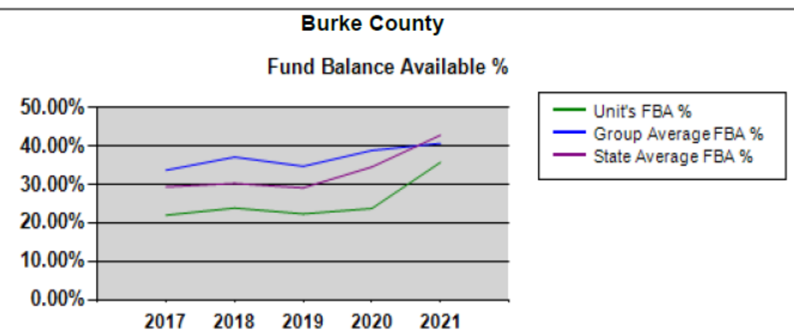
GENERAL FUND AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2021	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BALANCE	PERCENT RECEIVED / EXPENDED
REVENUES:				
Property Taxes, Interest, & Penalties	$50,630,000	41,416,141	$9,213,859	81.80%
Sales Tax	$9,118,900	2,360,210	$6,758,690	25.88%
Other taxes	$1,503,000	872,589	$630,411	58.06%
Intergovernmental	$20,802,835	9,608,046	$11,194,789	46.19%
Sales/Services	$4,277,300	2,373,527	$1,903,773	55.49%
Permit/Fees	$1,905,270	1,029,677	$875,593	54.04%
Misc Revenues	$707,330	232,896	$474,434	32.93%
Transfer from other Funds	$6,272,335	3,596,707	$2,675,628	57.34%
Fund Balance	$3,602,058	0	$3,602,058	0.00%
TOTAL	**$98,819,028**	**$61,489,793**	**$37,329,235**	**62.22%**
EXPENDITURES:				
Animal Services	$481,005	231,936	$249,069	48.22%
Burke County Schools	$16,049,205	8,050,957	$7,998,248	50.16%
Community Dev/Building Inspections	$898,345	420,134	$478,211	46.77%
Cooperative Extension	$403,730	164,396	$239,334	40.72%
Debt Service	$7,808,385	3,089,182	$4,719,203	39.56%
DSS	$18,795,565	8,426,009	$10,369,556	44.83%
Economic Development	$2,924,459	1,488,717	$1,435,742	50.91%
Elections	$516,840	251,729	$265,111	48.71%
Emergency Services	$9,403,910	4,645,290	$4,758,620	49.40%
General Government	$7,817,455	4,551,405	$3,266,050	58.22%
Health	$3,597,620	1,700,960	$1,896,660	47.28%
Library	$1,568,100	762,813	$805,287	48.65%
Maintenance & Operation	$3,827,496	1,312,874	$2,514,622	34.30%
Mental Health	$210,695	105,346	$105,349	50.00%
Recreation	$812,685	351,919	$460,766	43.30%
Register of Deeds	$492,515	192,855	$299,660	39.16%
Senior Services/Veteran Services	$532,060	262,608	$269,452	49.36%
Sheriff and Jail	$13,932,998	6,128,657	$7,804,341	43.99%
Soil & Water	$132,810	66,493	$66,317	50.07%
Tax	$2,098,440	854,653	$1,243,787	40.73%
Western Piedmont Community College	$3,627,610	1,313,805	$2,313,805	36.22%
Transfers to other Funds	$2,887,100	1,000,808	$1,886,292	34.66%
TOTAL	**$98,819,028**	**$45,373,546**	**$53,445,482**	**45.92%**
REVENUE OVER / (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		**$16,116,247**		
SALES TAX SUMMARY BY ARTICLE	*3 months reporting*			
Sales Tax - Article 39	$6,460,540	1,652,526	$4,808,014	25.58%
Sales Tax - Article 40	$7,327,000	1,873,118	$5,453,882	25.56%
Sales Tax - Article 42	$3,255,000	908,287	$2,346,713	27.90%
Sales Tax - Article 44	$1,791,900	487,092	$1,304,808	27.18%
TOTAL	**$18,834,440**	**$4,921,023**	**$13,913,417**	**26.13%**

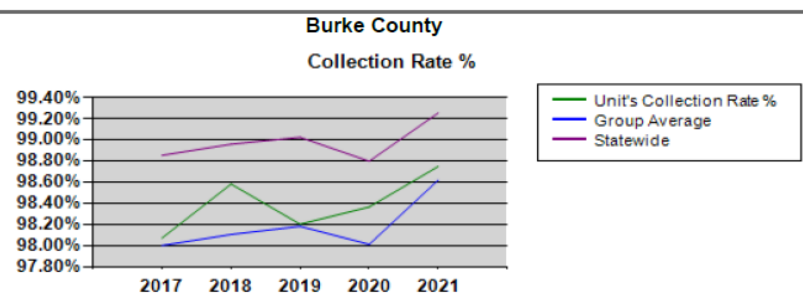
ENTERPRISE FUNDS AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2021

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BALANCE	PERCENT RECEIVED / EXPENDED
WATER & SEWER:				
Revenues	$1,878,373	889,431	$988,942	47.4%
Expenditures	$1,878,373	682,898	$1,195,384	36.4%
RETAINED EARNINGS INCREASE / (DECREASE)		**$206,442**		
SOLID WASTE:				
Revenues	$6,051,474	3,883,498	$2,167,976	64.2%
Expenditures	$6,051,474	2,700,263	$3,351,211	44.6%
RETAINED EARNINGS INCREASE / (DECREASE)		**$1,183,235**		



	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Burke County's FBA %	21.94%	23.80%	22.29%	23.70%	35.69%
Group Average FBA %	33.63%	37.06%	34.65%	38.79%	40.61%
State Average FBA %	29.33%	30.19%	29.06%	34.49%	42.77%

Population Group: 50,000 to 99,999



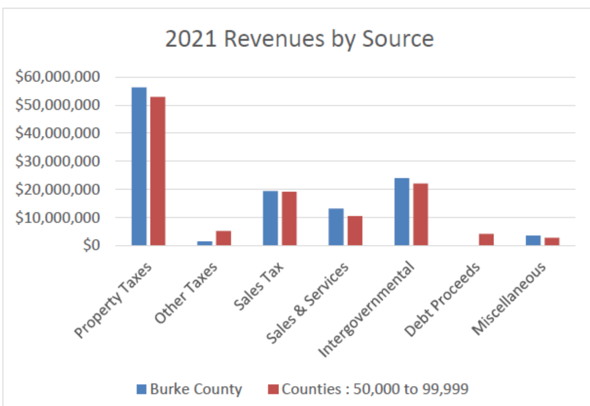
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Burke County	98.07%	98.58%	98.20%	98.36%	98.75%
Group Average	98.00%	98.10%	98.18%	98.01%	98.62%
Statewide	98.85%	98.96%	99.02%	98.80%	99.25%

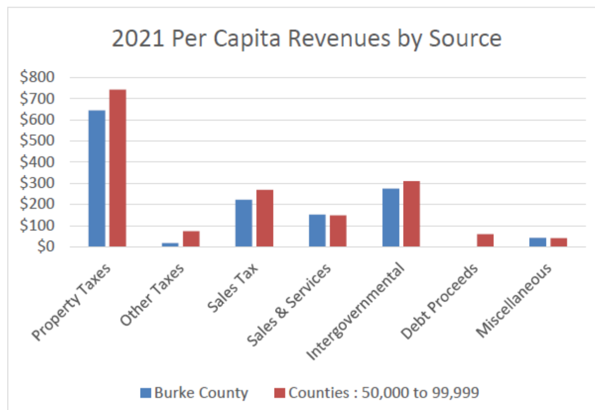
Population Group: 50,000 to 99,999

Sales Tax History

FY 21-22	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Article 39	832,607.27	689,160.38	788,516.65	752,738.07									$ 3,063,022.37
Hold Harmless	(229,606.55)	(219,315.43)	(208,835.97)	(209,819.95)									$ (867,577.90)
Article 40	605,741.78	540,665.98	539,551.60	536,936.15									$ 2,222,895.51
Article 42	397,260.07	325,213.19	372,971.29	351,665.60									$ 1,447,110.15
Article 44	-	0.32	-	-									$ 0.32
Article 44-524	163,429.99	161,830.89	161,830.89	161,830.89									$ 648,922.66
Total	$ 1,769,432.56	$ 1,497,555.33	$ 1,654,034.46	$ 1,593,350.76	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 6,514,373.11
	14.54%	2.35%	2.03%	6.74%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	$ 224,564.65	$ 34,426.37	$ 32,912.91	$ 100,668.75									$ 4,629,118.42
FY 20-21	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Article 39	729,290.86	691,072.29	782,032.89	704,243.85	684,176.24	828,593.95	762,231.04	685,957.96	924,062.81	744,479.10	864,253.17	893,399.33	$ 9,293,793.49
Hold Harmless	(195,203.64)	(176,099.22)	(181,507.21)	(183,757.20)	(196,197.66)	(218,665.27)	(179,071.54)	(145,513.26)	(216,451.03)	(214,107.72)	(200,741.70)	(232,479.00)	$ (2,339,794.45)
Article 40	520,512.96	477,403.30	505,758.56	495,326.75	517,713.01	589,912.66	497,886.21	415,805.75	596,427.44	557,857.56	557,101.88	620,591.46	$ 6,352,297.54
Article 42	347,023.86	327,451.50	371,579.68	333,608.08	322,663.86	398,805.92	361,843.10	325,184.26	442,805.06	355,187.70	412,385.69	427,823.45	$ 4,426,362.16
Article 44	71.31	56.39	12.93	15.83	(28.19)	220.94	(73.77)	(10.46)	20.91	-	16.79	(16.37)	$ 286.31
Article 44-524	143,172.56	143,244.70	143,244.70	143,244.70	143,241.82	143,241.82	143,241.82	143,241.82	143,241.82	143,241.82	143,241.82	163,429.99	$ 1,739,029.39
Total	$ 1,544,867.91	$ 1,463,128.96	$ 1,621,121.55	$ 1,492,682.01	$ 1,471,569.08	$ 1,742,110.02	$ 1,586,056.86	$ 1,424,666.07	$ 1,890,107.01	$ 1,586,658.46	$ 1,776,257.65	$ 1,872,748.86	$ 19,471,974.44
	30.91%	4.57%	14.11%	8.47%	3.92%	22.50%	41.64%	10.76%	26.92%	15.92%	14.77%	8.29%	
	$ 364,799.34	$ 63,924.63	$ 200,480.66	$ 116,516.87	$ 55,514.27	$ 319,980.12	$ 466,256.68	$ 138,382.35	$ 400,863.37	$ 217,880.03	$ 228,649.12	$ 143,394.73	$ 16,755,332.27

Sales tax data for FY 19-20, FY 18-19 and FY 17-18 was included in the agenda packet and is hereby incoporated into the meeting minutes by reference.



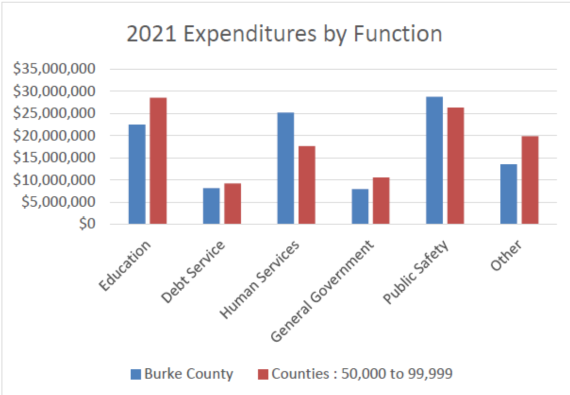


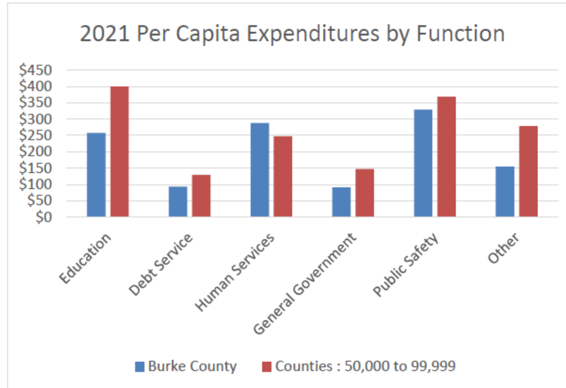
Burke County

Category	Revenues	Per Capita Revenues
Property Taxes	$56,299,287	$645
Other Taxes	1,541,782	18
Sales Tax	19,481,973	223
Sales & Services	13,205,787	151
Intergovernmental	24,026,709	275
Debt Proceeds	0	0
Miscellaneous	3,701,814	42
Total	**$118,257,352**	**$1,354**

Counties : 50,000 to 99,999

Average Revenues	Per Capita Revenues
$52,935,314	$742
5,295,531	74
19,178,014	269
10,615,991	149
22,094,939	310
4,220,763	59
2,912,307	41
$117,252,860	**$1,644**





Burke County

Category	Expenditures	Per Capita Expenditures
Education	$22,462,944	$257
Debt Service	8,148,236	93
Human Services	25,154,194	288
General Government	7,935,527	91
Public Safety	28,731,553	329
Other	13,539,974	155
Total	**$105,972,428**	**$1,213**

Counties : 50,000 to 99,999

Average Expenditures	Per Capita Expenditures
$28,530,642	$400
9,237,758	130
17,635,904	247
10,535,359	148
26,315,616	369
19,900,493	279
$112,155,771	**$1,572**

Comparison of Debt, Counties Population 50,000-99,999
As of June 30, 2020

	General Obligation Bonded Debt			Installment Purchase Debt			Revenue Bonds, Revolving and Bond Loans, Special Obligation Bonds	Industrial Revenue Bonds	Total Debt
	Enterprise	Other	Total	Enterprise	Other	Total			
Burke	*725,000*	*-*	***725,000***	*332,335*	*55,737,665*	***56,070,000***	*121,340*	*-*	***$ 56,916,340***
Caldwell	-	-	-	-	39,922,723	**39,922,723**	-	-	**$ 39,922,723**
Carteret	-	19,135,000	**19,135,000**	-	3,543,257	**3,543,257**	1,877,096	-	**$ 24,555,353**
Chatham	-	-	-	6,406,634	202,003,151	**208,409,785**	1,886,603	-	**$ 210,296,388**
Columbus	-	-	-	12,135,000	20,779,687	**32,914,687**	-	47,100,000	**$ 80,014,687**
Duplin	-	-	-	12,105,000	45,540,000	**57,645,000**	691,413	-	**$ 58,336,413**
Edgecombe	-	4,660,000	**4,660,000**	8,268,428	23,076,649	**31,345,077**	-	-	**$ 36,005,077**
Franklin	-	39,753,000	**39,753,000**	2,483,803	10,422,197	**12,906,000**	1,480,000	-	**$ 54,139,000**
Granville	-	17,223,000	**17,223,000**	6,473,901	56,290,528	**62,764,429**	-	-	**$ 79,987,429**
Halifax	15,256,968	-	**15,256,968**	291,747	21,922,971	**22,214,718**	3,968,796	-	**$ 41,440,482**
Haywood	-	12,041,000	**12,041,000**	-	9,661,667	**9,661,667**	-	-	**$ 21,702,667**
Hoke	2,596,000	5,700,000	**8,296,000**	-	17,338,570	**17,338,570**	20,812,500	-	**$ 46,447,070**
Lee	-	19,550,000	**19,550,000**	212,204	67,286,436	**67,498,640**	-	-	**$ 87,048,640**
Lenoir	-	32,778,000	**32,778,000**	-	10,175,000	**10,175,000**	-	-	**$ 42,953,000**
Lincoln	-	39,963,000	**39,963,000**	7,819,379	67,014,214	**74,833,593**	32,486,824	-	**$ 147,283,417**
Nash	-	6,510,000	**6,510,000**	487,500	34,383,000	**34,870,500**	392,700	-	**$ 41,773,200**
Pender	15,967,000	86,790,000	**102,757,000**	30,787,204	7,757,796	**38,545,000**	4,980,887	4,563,594	**$ 150,846,481**
Rockingham	-	-	-	2,415,991	48,202,109	**50,618,100**	-	1,350,000	**$ 51,968,100**
Rutherford	1,237,064	354,891	**1,591,955**	-	38,724,000	**38,724,000**	115,990	-	**$ 40,431,945**
Sampson	-	-	-	-	101,578,559	**101,578,559**	2,360,416	-	**$ 103,938,975**
Stanly	-	2,730,000	**2,730,000**	625,000	15,437,618	**16,062,618**	1,655,057	-	**$ 20,447,675**
Surry	-	550,000	**550,000**	6,124,096	43,317,768	**49,441,864**	-	-	**$ 49,991,864**
Watauga	-	-	-	-	46,190,000	**46,190,000**	-	-	**$ 46,190,000**
Wilkes	-	-	-	-	26,475,000	**26,475,000**	-	-	**$ 26,475,000**
Wilson	-	-	-	7,420,000	15,415,202	**22,835,202**	-	-	**$ 22,835,202**

Burke County Debt Service Summary

Fiscal Year	2013 GO BONDS TD BANK	2013 WPCC BOA	2018 JAIL US BANK	2013B MIXED BNYM	2013A MIXED BNYM	2017 SCHOOL US BANK	Total General Fund Debt Service	NCDENR Public Drinking	DENR ECKERD CREEK	Total W/S Fund Debt Service	Total Debt Service
	70% W/S 30% CTY	100% CTY	100% CTY	87.5% FUND 151 12.5% CTY	100% FUND 151	100% FUND 151		100% W/S	100% W/S		
	2%	2.15%	LOBS	2.41%	2.41%	LOBS		0.00%	0.00%		
2021-22 (P)	240,000	630,000	1,005,000	1,510,000	1,560,000	1,050,000	5,995,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)	9,120	36,658	722,350	164,483	170,086	707,688	1,810,383				
Total	249,120	666,658	1,727,350	1,674,483	1,730,086	1,757,688	7,805,383	12,134	56,638	68,772	$7,874,155
2022-23 (P)	235,000	620,000	1,005,000	1,475,000	1,520,000	1,050,000	5,905,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)	4,512	23,113	702,250	128,272	132,731	686,688	1,677,565				
Total	239,512	643,113	1,707,250	1,603,272	1,652,731	1,736,688	7,582,565	12,134	56,638	68,772	$7,651,337
2023-24 (P)		455,000	1,005,000	1,440,000	1,485,000	1,055,000	5,440,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)		9,783	652,000	92,966	96,280	644,688	1,495,715				
Total		464,783	1,657,000	1,532,966	1,581,280	1,699,688	6,935,715	12,134	56,638	68,772	$7,004,487
2024-25 (P)			1,005,000	1,400,000	1,460,000	1,055,000	4,920,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)			601,750	58,503	60,672	591,938	1,312,862				
Total			1,606,750	1,458,503	1,520,672	1,646,938	6,232,862	12,134	56,638	68,772	$6,301,634
2025-26 (P)			1,005,000	1,375,000	1,420,000	1,055,000	4,855,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)			551,500	24,883	25,727	539,188	1,141,298				
Total			1,556,500	1,399,883	1,445,727	1,594,188	5,996,298	12,134	56,638	68,772	6,065,069
2026-27 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)			501,250			486,438	987,688				
Total			1,501,250			1,541,438	3,042,688	12,134	56,638	68,772	3,111,459
2027-28 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)			451,250			433,688	884,938				
Total			1,451,250			1,488,688	2,939,938	12,134	56,638	68,772	$3,008,709
2028-29 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)			401,250			380,938	782,188				
Total			1,401,250			1,435,938	2,837,188	12,134	56,638	68,772	$2,905,959
2029-30 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000	12,134	56,638	68,772	
(I)			351,250			328,188	679,438				
Total			1,351,250			1,383,188	2,734,438	12,134	56,638	68,772	$2,803,209
2030-31 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			301,250			296,538	597,788				
Total			1,301,250			1,351,538	2,652,788		56,638	56,638	$2,709,426
2031-32 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			251,250			243,788	495,038				
Total			1,251,250			1,298,788	2,550,038		56,638	56,638	$2,606,676
2032-33 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			201,250			201,588	402,838				
Total			1,201,250			1,256,588	2,457,838		56,638	56,638	$2,514,476
2033-34 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			168,750			159,388	328,138				
Total			1,168,750			1,214,388	2,383,138		56,638	56,638	$2,439,776
2034-35 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			136,250			117,188	253,438				
Total			1,136,250			1,172,188	2,308,438		56,638	56,638	$2,365,076
2035-36 (P)			1,000,000			1,055,000	2,055,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			102,500			74,988	177,488				
Total			1,102,500			1,129,988	2,232,488		56,638	56,638	$2,289,126
2036-37 (P)			1,000,000			1,050,000	2,050,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			68,750			38,063	106,813				
Total			1,068,750			1,088,063	2,156,813		56,638	56,638	$2,213,451
2037-38 (P)			1,000,000				1,000,000		56,638	56,638	
(I)			35,000				35,000				
Total			1,035,000				1,035,000		56,638	56,638	$1,091,638
2038-39 (P)									56,638	56,638	
(I)											
Total									56,638	56,638	$56,638
2039-40(P)									56,638	56,638	
(I)											
Total									56,638	56,638	$56,638
Principal	$475,000	$1,705,000	$17,025,000	$7,200,000	$7,445,000	$16,865,000	$50,715,000	$109,206	$1,076,112	$1,185,318	$51,900,318
Interest	$13,632	$69,553	$6,199,850	$469,107	$485,495	$5,930,975	$13,168,611	$0	$0	$0	$13,168,611
											$65,068,928

Regarding the FY 22-23 budget, Ms. Pierce also advised that the pay structures for all county departments are being evaluated for equity and fairness and noted that the fixed-pay fluctuating work week is particularly problematic. A general discussion ensued on the advantages v. disadvantages of the fixed-pay fluctuating work week structure.

RESULT:	**NO ACTION TAKEN.**

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS – FEBRUARY MEETING

County Manager Steen said if the Board is agreeable, he would like to add two (2) new items to the Board's February regular meeting agenda: expanding the responsibilities of a department head and proceeding with pursuing a contract for architectural services for the remodeling of the former confinement facility. Further, he asked to add the first item to tomorrow's agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Abele left at 3:24 p.m. and was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

RESULT:	**NO ACTION TAKEN.**

RECESSED AT 3:25 P.M.

Motion: To recess until Friday, Feb. 4, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Maynard M. Taylor, Commissioner
AYES:	Scott Mulwee, Johnnie W. Carswell, Jeffrey C. Brittain and Maynard M. Taylor
ABSENT:	Wayne F. Abele, Sr.

Approved this 21st day of June 2022.

Scott Mulwee, Chairman
Burke Co. Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Kay Honeycutt Draughn, CMC, NCMCC
Clerk to the Board