

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

May 1, 2025

7:00 p.m.

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners met to receive the Departmental Budget Presentations on Thursday May 1, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium located in the Emergency Services Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Woodard, Vice Chairman James W. Ward  
 Timothy J. Corprew Joseph W. Hoffler  
 Kathryn M. Treiber

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman

OTHERS PRESENT: Frank Heath, County Manager Tracy Mathews, Finance Officer  
 Brandon Shoaf, Assistant County Manager  
 Rebecca T. Corprew, Clerk to the Board

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

The following department supervisors presented their budget requests for FY 2025-2026:  
 7:00 p.m. – Angela Jordan – Department of Social Services  
 8:00 pm. – Dr. Tanya Turner – Perquimans County Schools

ADJOURNMENT

After the last Departmental Budget Presentation, the meeting was adjourned.

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 Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman

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 Deputy Clerk to the Board

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 REGULAR MEETING  
 May 5, 2025  
 7:00 p.m.

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Monday, May 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Perquimans County Library located at 514 S. Church Street, Hertford, NC 27944.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman Charles Woodard, Vice Chairman  
 Joseph W. Hoffler James W. Ward  
 Kathryn M. Treiber

MEMBERS ABSENT: Timothy J. Corprew

OTHERS PRESENT: Hackney High, County Attorney Brandon Shoaf, Assistant County Manager  
 Frank Heath, County Manager Rebecca T. Corprew, Clerk to the Board  
 Mary Hunnicutt, Part-Time/ Fill-In Clerk to the Board

Chairman Nelson called the meeting to order. Charles Woodard gave the invocation, and the Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

Chairman Nelson stated that the updated Agenda was at their seats and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the amended Agenda. There being none, Chairman Nelson asked for a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Charles Woodard made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Joseph W. Hoffler and unanimously approved by the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Nelson asked if there were any items that the Board wished to remove from the Consent Agenda to discuss. There being none, Kathryn M. Treiber made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Joseph W. Hoffler and unanimously approved by the Board.

A. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of April 2, 2025, Work Session with Board of Education, April 7, 2025, Board Retreat, April 7, 2025, Regular Meeting, April 21, 2025, Regular Work Session (cancelled), April 23, 2025, Budget Presentations, and April 24, 2025, Budget Presentations were approved.

B. **Tax Refund / Release Approvals:**

Tax Refunds (Perquimans County):

Eure, Betty ----- \$314.08  
 Parcel is being taxed under its parent parcel. Account No. 491542

Pierce, Billy Wade----- \$107.74  
 Vehicle transferred. 12-month refund. Account No. 75315567.

C. **Personnel Matters:** The following personnel matters were approved by the Board:

Employee Name	Employee Job Title	Action Required	Grade/ Step	New Salary	Effective Date
Demetrious Stokely	Social Worker III	Appointment	69/1	\$47,344	05/01/2025
Nathan McKecuen	Uncertified Deputy	Appointment	65/1	\$39,699	05/12/2025
Heidi Russell	Part Time Fill-In AEMT I	Appointment	66/4	\$ 21.47/hr.	05/01/2025
Candice Mallory	Social Work Supervisor III	Reclassification	73/1	\$56,459.00	05/01/2025
Quentin Jordan Jr	Investigator I	Reclassification	73/6	\$ 63,800	05/01/2025
Kathleen Conner	Social Work Supervisor III	Resignation			04/30/2025
Mackenzie Rhodes	Part Time Fill-In Telecommunicator I	Resignation			04/14/2025
William Ward	Part Time Fill-In Telecommunicator I	Resignation			04/01/2025
Employee Name	Employee Job Title	Action Required	Grade/ Step	New Salary	Effective Date

Mark Montgomery	Part Time Fill-In AEMT I	Resignation			04/01/2025
Martin Hood	Athletic Program Supervisor	Resignation			05/01/2025

D. **Step/Merit Increases:**

Department Name	Employee Name	Classification	Grade/Step	New Salary	Effective Date
911	Tyanna Green	Full Time Telecommunicator I	64/2	\$18.72/hr.	05/01/2025
911	Reagan Carlton	Full Time Telecommunicator I	64/2	\$18.72/hr.	05/01/2025
Sheriff	Zachary Smirlock	Certified Deputy	68/2	\$46,437	05/01/2025
Tax Dept.	Bill Jennings	Tax Administrator	72/8	\$64,106	05/01/2025

E. **Budget Amendment Nos. 34-36: The following budget amendments were approved by the Board:**

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 34  
GENERAL FUND**

CODE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF CODE	AMOUNT	
		INCREASE	DECREASE
10-348-002	Veterans Program	20,000	
10-607-317	CVO Grant	20,000	

**EXPLANATION:** To amend the FY 24/25 Budget to include the CVO Grant as awarded to our county veterans office to be used by 7/31/2025 for our local veterans.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 35  
GENERAL FUND**

CODE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF CODE	AMOUNT	
		INCREASE	DECREASE
10-399-000	Fund Balance Appropriation	66,370	
10-511-160	Dispatch – Maintenance/Repair Equipment	66,370	

**EXPLANATION:** To amend FY 24/25 budget to include Gates reimbursement for consolidation expenses that should have been used for Motorola invoice paid in FY24/25 with monies being received in FY23/24.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 36  
GENERAL FUND**

CODE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF CODE	AMOUNT	
		INCREASE	DECREASE
10-540-435	Inspections – Code Enforcement Fee		27,000
10-540-740	Inspections – Capital Outlay	27,000	

**EXPLANATION:** To amend FY 24/25 budget to cover a vehicle purchase.

F. **Miscellaneous Documents:** The following miscellaneous documents were approved by the Board:

- MOU – NCDHHS and Perquimans County:** The Memorandum of Understanding between NCDHHS and Perquimans is renewed every 2 years and guides DSS in administrative, performance, training, and compliance mandates. (Copy of contract is filed with Perquimans County Social Services)
- NC DPS – Community Programs – County Funding Plan:** The FY25/26 funding plan for JCPC was approved. (Copy of contract is filed with JCPC)
- Proclamation – World Elder Abuse Day:** Albemarle Commission received County support and encouragement in recognition and celebration of our older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success of our country.

**World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: Building Strong Support for Elders  
A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: Older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and vital participating members of our communities.

WHEREAS: In 2006, the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed a day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and

WHEREAS: 2025 marks the 19th Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Its recognition will promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older adults; and

WHEREAS: The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA), Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging and insert county name recognize the importance of taking action to raise awareness, prevent and address elder abuse; and

WHEREAS: As our population lives longer, we are presented with an opportunity to think about our collective needs and future as a nation; and

WHEREAS: Ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Recognizing that it is up to all of us, to ensure that proper social structures exist so people can retain community and societal connections, reducing the likelihood of abuse; and

WHEREAS: Preventing abuse of older adults through maintaining and improving social support like senior centers, human services and transportation will allow everyone to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of our communities; and

WHEREAS: Where there is justice there can be no abuse; therefore, NCEA urges all people to restore justice by honoring older adults.

WHEREAS: Join us in our engaging and empowering movement and put an end to abuse.

THEREFORE: The County of Perquimans hereby proclaims June 15, 2025 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Perquimans County and encourage all of our communities to recognize and celebrate older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of our country.

Adopted this the 5th day of May, 2025

Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

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Wallace Nelson, Chairman

Attest:

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Rebecca Corprew, Clerk to the Board

(SEAL)

- d. **Proclamation – Older Americans Month:** Albemarle Commission received County support and encouragement in recognition and celebration of our older adults and promoting programs and activities that foster connection, inclusion, and support for older adults.

**Older Americans Month 2025**  
A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, May is Older Americans Month, a time for us to recognize and honor Perquimans County older adults and their immense influence on every facet of American society; and

Whereas, through their wealth of life experience and wisdom, older adults guide our younger generations and carry forward abundant cultural and historical knowledge; and

Whereas, older Americans improve our communities through intergenerational relationships, community service, civic engagement, and many other activities; and

Whereas, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently; and

Whereas, Perquimans County must ensure that older Americans have the resources and support needed to stay involved in their communities — reflecting our commitment to inclusivity and connectedness; and

Now, therefore, The Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County do hereby proclaim May 2025 as Older Americans Month. This year's theme, "Flip the Script on Aging," focuses on transforming how society perceives, talks about, and approaches aging. It encourages individuals and communities to challenge stereotypes and dispel misconceptions.

Perquimans County calls upon all residents to join me in recognizing the contributions of our older citizens and promoting programs and activities that foster connection, inclusion, and support for older adults.

Adopted this the 5th day of May, 2025

Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

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Wallace Nelson, Chairman

Attest:

(SEAL)

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Rebecca Corprew, Clerk to the Board

- e. **Resolution Authorizing Sale of Surplus Equipment:** The Sheriff's office has a 2015 Dodge Charger (vin 8938) to put on GovDeals for sale.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE  
OF CERTAIN SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners desires to dispose of certain surplus property of the County:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners that:

1. The following described vehicles are hereby declared to be surplus to the needs of the County:

<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>VIN</u>	<u>Department</u>
2015	Dodge	Charger	2C3CDXAT4FH928938	Sheriff's Office

2. The County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to proceed on behalf of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners to sell these vehicles on GovDeals.

3. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and decide not to sell the vehicles at any time during this process.

4. The County Manager, in accordance with State law, shall cause a summary of this resolution to be posted on bulletin board at Courthouse and place it on the County's website and Facebook page. After not less than ten (10) days from the date of publication, the County Manager is authorized to sell the above-described property to the highest bidder.

Adopted this the 5th day of May, 2025

Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

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Wallace Nelson, Chairman

Attest:

(SEAL)

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Rebecca Corprew, Clerk to the Board

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES**

- A. **Introduction of New Employees:** The following new employee was introduced to the Board:

<u>Department Head</u>	<u>Employee Name</u>	<u>Employee Job Title</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Angela Jordan, DSS Director	Ashley Britt	IMC I	04/01/2025
Angela Jordan, DSS Director	Chastity Clunis	IMC I	04/01/2025
Angela Jordan, DSS Director	Tinaya Green	IMC I	04/01/2025
Angela Jordan, DSS Director	Jada Lister	IMC I	04/01/2025
Angela Jordan, DSS Director	Ella Miller	IMC I	04/01/2025
Angela Jordan, DSS Director	Johnetta Moore	IMC I	04/01/2025

After the supervisor and employees made their comments, the Board welcomed them to Perquimans County.

**BILL JENNINGS, TAX ADMINISTRATOR**

Chairman Nelson recognized Bill Jennings, who presented the 2024 real estate collection percentage at .96107 at the end of April 2025.

**COMMISSIONER'S CONCERNS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Charles Woodard:** Mr. Woodard provided the following Perquimans County Museum report for April 2025:

<b>Visitors:</b> ..... 60	<b>Hours Opened:</b> 62.5	
<b>Sales:</b> ..... \$229.00	<b>Staff:</b> Sid Eley & Glen White	
<b>Donations:</b> ..... \$0.00		
<b>Added to Museum Collection:</b>		
Circa 1850 wool carders (3)	1 nutmeg grader	
Circa 1910 Stereoscope with 14 slides	1 pig scraper	
Framed Catfish Hunter Advertisement	1 kitchen funnel	1 guitar pick
Picture plate with courthouse, high school, and S Bridge		
<b>Accomplished:</b> Jim "Catfish" Hunter sign has been added to the building on Dobbs St. Displayed Evolution of the American Flag during Betsy Fest.		
<b>Museum Needs:</b> More Space Add sign on US 17 by-pass		

**UPDATES FROM COUNTY MANAGER**

County Manager Heath presented the following updates:

- **Community Access – Broadband Grant:** County Manager Heath reported that Perquimans has received another grant from NC Department of Information Technology to cover installation of broadband internet to 121 locations in the county, primarily in the Old Neck area. The total project cost is \$386,000.00 and there is no match from the county for this funding. Joseph W. Hoffler asked County Manager Heath when broadband internet would be available to the Bear Swamp area. County Manager Heath stated that he believes that area has been rewarded but there is a 2-year period of completion. County Manager Heath said he would research that information and report it back to Mr. Hoffler.
- **General Assembly Annual Visit:** County Manager Heath reported that Chairman Nelson, County Manager Heath, and Assistant County Manager Shoaf will be visiting the General Assembly on May 20, 2025, rescheduled from May 6, 2025, due to crossover week at the request of the General Assembly.
- **Budget Work Sessions:** County Manager Heath reminded the Board that there is a budget work session scheduled for Thursday, May 29, 2025, where the County Manager will present his recommendations and revenue projections for the FY25/26 budget. The Budget message will be presented on Monday, June 2, 2025, followed by the Budget Public Hearing on Monday, June 16, 2025.

**BOARD VACANCIES**

Chairman Nelson explained that there have been no applications received. He asked the Board and the public if they knew anyone that might be interested in serving on one of these committees, to let the Clerk know so that she can forward an application to complete and return. He states that we need people to step up to this committee. These vacancies are for the Community Advisory Committee and the Senior Tar Heel Legislature Delegate and Alternate. We now have seven (7) openings on the Community Advisory Committee. Currently, we have no members on this committee.

**RESOLUTION - HOUSE BILL 765**

Chairman Nelson explained HB 765 as an issue regarding local control of development in the county. There were changes to HB 765 last week that warrant changing the language in the resolution provided in the agenda packet. Chairman Nelson read through an updated resolution and proposed that the Board adopt the updated version rather than the one in the packet. Kathryn M. Trieber and Chairman Nelson discussed the timely submission of this resolution. Kathryn M. Trieber made the motion. James W. Ward seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the updated resolution opposing HB 765.

**Resolution of the  
Perquimans County Board of Commissioners**

Opposing North Carolina House Bill 765 (2025 Session): An Act to Reform Local Government Development Regulations In This State

WHEREAS, North Carolina House Bill 765, titled "An Act to Reform Local Government Development Regulations In This State," was introduced in the 2025 legislative session to enact sweeping changes affecting local government planning, zoning, and development regulations; and

WHEREAS, the bill imposes minimum units-per-acre mandates, regardless of topography, limitation, supporting infrastructure availability, or residents' desire to preserve their community's character; and

WHEREAS, the bill implements judicial review of consistency statements, expands the reasons by which a party may bring civil action against a local government, and adds to the parties empowered to file civil action against a local government, which will encourage costly and time-consuming litigation; and

WHEREAS, such requirements could delay essential updates to development ordinances and discourage proactive planning efforts, ultimately interfering with municipalities' and counties' ability to manage growth effectively and equitably; and

WHEREAS, the bill's provisions risk undermining local autonomy and community-specific planning practices by imposing uniform state mandates that may not reflect the diverse needs and contexts of North Carolina's municipalities and counties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners formally opposes North Carolina House Bill 765 and urges the General Assembly to reconsider the bill's provisions in favor of legislation that respects local authority, reduces regulatory burdens, and promotes flexible, community-driven development strategies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Perquimans County Board of Commissioners encourages state lawmakers to work collaboratively with local governments to craft policies that support responsible growth, administrative efficiency, and long-term sustainability across North Carolina. Furthermore, the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners encourages its citizens, businesses, property owners, and sister municipalities in communicating with their representatives and sharing their concerns regarding HB 765 and similar proposed legislation.

Adopted this the 5th day of May, 2025

Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

Wallace Nelson, Chairman

Attest:

(SEAL)

Rebecca Corprew, Clerk to the Board

**RESOLUTION - EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

Jonathan Nixon, Emergency Services Director presented a resolution for the expenditure of the opioid settlement funds. Mr. Nixon discussed the strategies listed in the proposed resolution. The biggest change is moving forward with the development of a committee to represent the multi-faceted needs of the county as listed in the first strategy of the resolution. Charles Woodard made the motion to adopt the resolution. James W. Ward seconded the second motion. The Board unanimously approved the resolution as presented by Mr. Nixon.

**A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF PERQUIMANS  
TO DIRECT THE EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

**WHEREAS** Perquimans County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids.

**WHEREAS** the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and bankruptcy resolutions ("Opioid Settlement Funds") are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation ("MOA") and the Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds from Additional Settlements of Opioid Litigation ("SAAF");

**WHEREAS** Perquimans County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA;

**WHEREAS** section E.6 of the MOA states that, before spending opioid settlement funds, the local government's governing body must adopt a resolution that:

- (i) indicates that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; and,
- (ii) states the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy; and,
- (iii) states the amount dedicated to each strategy for a specific period of time.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, in alignment with the NC MOA and SMF, Perquimans County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

1. First strategy authorized
  - a. Collaborative Strategic Planning- Full-Time Program Coordinator
  - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
  - c. Item letter and/ or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: 1
  - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$ 42,000
  - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:  
Start date July 1, 2025, through End date June 30, 2026
  - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Support payroll for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH) Coordinator. The position is responsible for managing the Perquimans County MIH Program and Post-Overdose Response. The MIH Coordinator will oversee the formation and steering of an opioid settlement committee consisting of: A County Commissioner, a representative from each of the town councils, emergency services, the health department, the department of social services, the school system, a payer, law enforcement, business leaders, faith-based organizations, person(s) with "lived experience", and members from each of our communities where behavioral health-related responses are. The MIH Coordinator will obtain feedback from partners as to potential program goals and implement strategies for the accomplishment of said goals. The MIH Coordinator will ensure compliance with local, state, and federal regulations as they apply to opioid settlements and the expenditure of funds. The MIH Coordinator will work to develop strategies for early intervention, recovery support services, and collaborative strategic planning. The MIH Coordinator will follow up with survivors of opioid overdose and, if necessary, refer them to appropriate support agencies.
  - g. Provider: Perquimans County Emergency Services – EMS Division
2. Second strategy authorized
  - a. Name of strategy: Post-Overdose Response Team
  - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
  - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: Strategy 8
  - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$62,000
  - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:  
Start date July 1, 2025, through End date June 30, 2026
  - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Support payroll for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH) Coordinator. The position is responsible for managing the Perquimans County MIH Program and Post-Overdose Response. The MIH Coordinator will assist with the management of the opioid settlement committee, obtain feedback from partners as to potential program goals, and implement strategies for the accomplishment of said goals. The MIH Coordinator will ensure compliance with local, state, and federal regulations as they apply to opioid settlements and the expenditure of funds. The MIH Coordinator will work to develop strategies for early intervention, recovery support services, and collaborative strategic planning. The MIH Coordinator will follow up with survivors of opioid overdose and, if necessary, refer them to appropriate support agencies. Support payroll for a part-time provider to assist the MIH Coordinator in coordinating resources and engaging in community outreach activities.
  - g. Provider: Perquimans County Emergency Services – EMS Division
3. Third authorized strategy
  - a. Name of strategy: Naloxone Distribution
  - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
  - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: Strategy 7
  - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$10,000
  - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:  
Start date July 1, 2025 through End date June 30, 2026
  - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Purchase and distribute Naloxone to local law enforcement, fire department personnel, EMS, and community members
  - g. Provider: Perquimans County Emergency Services - EMS Division

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above-named and authorized strategies is \$114,000.

Adopted this the 5th day of May, 2025

Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

Wallace Nelson, Chairman

Attest:

(SEAL)

Rebecca Corprew, Clerk to the Board

**RESOLUTION – ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

Jonathan Nixon presented the Albemarle Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan update for 2025 is required for all communities maintaining eligibility for pre- and post-disaster mitigation funding from FEMA or any other federal agency granting funding for a disaster. Mr. Nixon focused on Step 9, which speaks about the planning process, as well as the four main goals of our regional group. Mr. Nixon stated that he will be contacting both the Town of Hertford and the Town of Winfall to have a similar resolution adopted. Joseph Hoffler made a motion to adopt this resolution. James W. Ward seconded the motion. The resolution was unanimously approved by the Board.



REBECCA T. CORPREW  
CLERK TO BOARD  
W. FRANK HEATH, III  
COUNTY MANAGER

**PERQUIMANS COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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COUNTY ATTORNEY

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE  
ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the citizens and property within Perquimans County are subject to the effects of natural hazards that pose threats to lives and cause damage to property, and with the knowledge and experience that certain areas of the region are particularly vulnerable to drought, excessive heat, hurricane and coastal hazards, thunderstorm, tornado, winter weather, flooding, wildfire, hazardous substances, cyber threat, terrorism, and infrastructure failure; and

WHEREAS, the County and participating municipal jurisdictions desire to seek ways to mitigate the impact of identified hazard risks; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of North Carolina has in Article 5, Section 160D-501 of Chapter 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes, delegated to local governmental units the responsibility to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of North Carolina has enacted General Statute Section 166A-19.41 (*State emergency assistance funds*) which provides that for a state of emergency declared pursuant to G.S. 166A-19.20(a) after the deadline established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2002, P.L. 106-390, the eligible entity shall have a hazard mitigation plan approved pursuant to the Stafford Act; and.

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 states that local governments must develop an All-Hazards Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible to receive future Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds and other disaster-related assistance funding and that said Plan must be updated and adopted within a five-year cycle; and

WHEREAS, Perquimans County has performed a comprehensive review and evaluation of each section of the previously approved Hazard Mitigation Plan and has updated the said plan as required under regulations at 44 CFR Part 201 and according to guidance issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County to fulfill this obligation so that Perquimans County will be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event that a state of disaster is declared for a hazard event affecting the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County hereby:

1. Adopts the Albemarle Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
2. Vests Perquimans County with the responsibility, authority, and the means to:

**Perquimans County's Vision:**

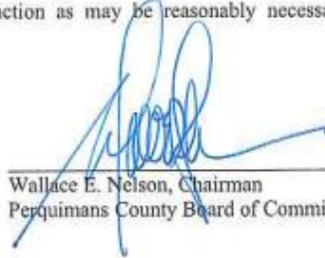
*To be a community of opportunity in which to live, learn, work, prosper and play.*

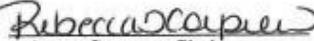
- (a) Inform all concerned parties of this action.
- (b) Cooperate with Federal, State and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map and identify floodplain areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining floodplain areas in order to prevent exacerbation of existing hazard impacts.

3. Appoints Perquimans County Emergency Management to assure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan is reviewed annually and every five years as specified in the Plan to assure that the Plan is in compliance with all State and Federal regulations and that any needed revisions or amendments to the Plan are developed and presented to the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners for consideration.

4. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Adopted this 5th day of May, 2025.

  
 Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman  
 Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

Attest:  
  
 Rebecca Corprew, Clerk  
 Perquimans Board of Commissioners



Certified by:  (SEAL)  
 Date: 5/5/2025

**Perquimans County's Vision:**  
*To be a community of opportunity in which to live, learn, work, prosper and play.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments made.

**CLOSED SESSION: TO DISCUSS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER AND CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

Chairman Nelson stated that, pursuant to NC General Statute 143-318.11(4), the Board went into Closed Session to discuss an economic development matter and to approve the Closed Session minutes. On motion made by Charles Woodard, seconded by Kathryn M. Trieber, to go into the Closed Session. The motion was unanimously approved to go into Closed Session.

The Closed Session was adjourned, and the Regular Meeting reconvened on motion made by Charles Ward, seconded by James W. Ward, and unanimously approved by the Board.

No action was required from the Closed Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Nelson asked if there were any further comments or business to discuss. There being none, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. on motion made by James W. Ward, seconded by Charles Woodard and unanimously approved by the Board.

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 Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman

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 Clerk to the Board

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WORK SESSION

May 19, 2025

7:00 p.m.

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners Work Session on May 19, 2025 was cancelled.

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