

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 7:00 p.m. on the 18th day of April, 2017, at the Cumberland County Circuit Court Room:

Present: Kevin Ingle, District 3, Chairman
Parker Wheeler, District 5, Vice-chairman
William F. Osl, Jr., District 1
Lloyd Banks, Jr., District 2,
David Meinhard, District 4
Vivian Giles, County Administrator | Attorney
Nicci Edmondston, Assistant County Administrator

Absent: Sara Carter, Planning Director

1. Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

2. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Ingle.

3. Roll Call

County Administrator, Vivian Giles, called the roll.

4. Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Supervisor Banks and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Agenda as amended:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – aye
 Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
 Mr. Wheeler – aye

5. Adopt calendar year 2017 tax rates

<u>Levy</u>	<u>2016 Actual Levy</u>	<u>2017 Proposed Levy</u>
Real Estate & Manufactured Homes	\$.78	\$.78
Personal Property	\$ 4.50	\$ 4.50
Personal Property – Emergency Services	\$ 4.50	\$ 4.50
Personal Property – Disabled Veterans	\$.01	\$.01
Airplanes	\$.50	\$.50
Machinery & Tools	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.75
Heavy Construction Machinery	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.75
Public Service Corporations	\$.78	\$.78

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler, and carried by the following vote, the Board adopted the 2017 tax rates as advertised:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – nay
 Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
 Mr. Wheeler – aye

6. Adopt FY 2017-18 Budget

County Administrator, Vivian Giles, informed the Board about a few minor interdepartmental changes within the proposed budget. The overall budget amount did not change.

A motion was made by Supervisor Banks to approve the proposed 2017-18 budget as presented, but failed by the following vote:

Vote: Mr. Osl – nay Mr. Banks – aye
 Mr. Ingle – nay Mr. Meinhard – aye

Mr. Wheeler – nay

The Chairman stated that he has asked the Board to consider funding some of the \$300,000 request by the School Board. He feels that if the county could fund the retention of one (1) elementary school teacher position, one (1) IT Technician position, and \$25,000 in supplies for academic review, all of which would assist in the Schools achieving full accreditation. These three items would total an additional \$131,000 from the county.

Supervisor Banks stated that if the county feels the need to provide additional funding to the school from reserve funds, the Board would be good stewards to identify reductions in funding in other areas. It would be unwise to use reserve funds for operations if we are going to live within our means. He stated that he was not opposed to additional funding for the schools as long as the county identifies areas in which spending in other areas could be reduced to an equal degree.

Supervisor Osl stated that if the \$131,000 would assist the School System in achieving accreditation, then he would support the increase.

Supervisor Banks asked if the School System had a strategy in place for declining student numbers.

The Chairman made a motion to adopt the 2017-18 budget in the amount of \$31,190,314.00 which includes an additional \$131,000 for the School System with the condition that the extra funds be used for the retention of one (1) elementary teacher, one (1) new IT Technician, and \$25,000 for supplies for academic review, which motion passed by the following vote:

Vote:	Mr. Osl – aye	Mr. Banks – nay
	Mr. Ingle – aye	Mr. Meinhard – nay
	Mr. Wheeler – aye	

7. Adopt CIP FY 2017-18 thru 2021-22

On a motion by Supervisor Banks and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Capital Improvements Plan FY 2017-18 thru 2021-22 as presented:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – aye
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

8. Adjourn -

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried, unanimously, the Board adjourned to the next regular meeting to be held on May 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court room of the Cumberland Courthouse

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – aye
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

W.M. Kevin Ingle, Chairman

Vivian Giles, County Administrator/County Attorney