



**REGULAR SESSION MINUTES OF THE
PAMLICO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022**

The Pamlico County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Patsy H. Sadler room of the Pamlico County Courthouse. Commissioners Missy Baskervill, Kari Forrest, Candy Bohmert, Doug Brinson, Ed Riggs, and Pat Prescott were present. Commissioner Carl Ollison was not in attendance. Also present were County Attorney Dave Baxter, County Manager Tim Buck, Assistant County Manager Justin Oakes, Finance Officer Bill Fentress and Clerk to the Board Chantelle Allison.

Chairman Brinson called the meeting to order and led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Brinson asked if there were any corrections, additions, and/or deletions to the August 1, 2022 regular session minutes. There were no changes, then on a motion made by Commissioner Bohmert and seconded by Commissioner Baskervill, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the regular session minutes of the Monday, August 1, 2022 meeting are hereby approved, and the Chairman's signature is authorized thereon.

On a motion made by Commissioner Riggs and seconded by Commissioner Bohmert, the following resolution was unanimously approved. [22-23-037]

**RESOLUTION OF THE PAMLICO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HONORING THE SERVICE OF PAMLICO COUNTY - HUMAN SERVICES
CENTER - CHILD SUPPORT AGENT, JUDITH DIEGEL**

- WHEREAS,** in September, 2016, Judy Diegel began her employment with the Pamlico County Department of Social Services as a Child Support Agent; and
- WHEREAS,** Ms. Diegel served in a critical role, working with custodial and absent parents in the enforcement of court ordered child support payments; and
- WHEREAS,** Ms. Diegel's primary focus was ensuring that custodial parents were receiving the proper financial support awarded in order to meet the needs of their children; and
- WHEREAS,** Ms. Diegel worked for days at the disaster shelter during Hurricane Florence, assisting the public with temporary food and shelter before, during and after the storm; and
- WHEREAS,** Ms. Diegel was a loyal friend to everyone she worked with, often sharing her passion for gardening, living on the water and her great love for her family and dog, Charlie; and
- WHEREAS,** Ms. Diegel served as a great example of a public servant through her hard work and dedication to meeting the needs of Pamlico County residents, while always treating all individuals fairly and with dignity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pamlico County Board of Commissioners hereby recognize Judith Diegel for her five plus years of exemplary service to Pamlico County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Pamlico County Commissioners extend best wishes to Ms. Diegel upon her retirement in July, 2022.

ADOPTED the 15th of August, 2022 by the Pamlico County Board of Commissioners.

Chairman Brinson asked if there were any additions and/or deletions to the agenda; Commissioner Riggs made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bohmert, to move Consent item #6 [22-23-042] regarding prohibiting smoking within 50 feet of the Health Department, to the Correspondence agenda. Commissioner Riggs also made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bohmert to have Water Department Field Supervisor Jeff Sanders discuss the Reelsboro water tower and its water quality issues [22-23-047].

County Manager Tim Buck and Jeff Sanders provided details regarding ongoing complaints of intermittent poor water quality and odor in some areas serviced by the Reelsboro water tower. Mr. Buck and Mr. Sanders explained the processes they were doing to resolve this issue, including but not limited to: multiple visits by Public Water Supply and engineers, testing/drainage/flushing/chemically cleaning the tower, checking and adjusting treatment levels, changing the method of treatment from chloramines to straight chlorine, and checking/testing the related wells and service plants. Extensive repeated testing of the various components of the water system has consistently shown negative results for any/all harmful substances. There was mention that one of the tower’s aerators was not working properly, and they are waiting on replacement aerators to arrive. The experts that were called in have not been able to determine a reason for the water quality issue either but will keep working with the County and continue investigating until they find a resolution. Mr. Buck stated that the County had bottled water on hand to give to any affected customers as needed.

The Board then turned their attention to the Consent Agenda.

On a motion made by Commissioner Baskervill and seconded by Commissioner Bohmert, the following resolutions were unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the following Budget Amendment(s) are hereby approved [22-23-038].

<i>Department:</i> Health Department		#22-016	
FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023			
ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT (+) INCREASED	AMOUNT(-) DECREASED
100211-435516	716 COVID 19 Vaccine Revenue	\$ 30,004.00	
105117-512100	Salaries & Wages	\$ 4,282.65	
105117-518100	FICA Expense	\$ 253.69	
105117-518101	Medicare Expense	\$ 59.33	
105117-518200	Retirement Expense	\$ 257.58	
105117-518300	Group Insurance	\$ 582.95	
105117-519900	Contracted Services	\$ 12,567.80	
105117-529000	Departmental Supplies	\$ 12,000.00	
<i>Reason for Budget Revision:</i> To increase funding to prevent, prepare for and respond to support COVID.			

BE IT RESOLVED, the request to renew Contracts with the local Volunteer Fire Departments for Fire Protection Services, is hereby approved [22-23-039].

BE IT RESOLVED, the request to set the travel reimbursement rate to the federal rate of \$.625 per mile if a County vehicle is not available to use, and to \$.31 per mile if a County vehicle is available to use but the traveler opts to drive his/her own vehicle, is hereby approved [22-23-040].

BE IT RESOLVED, the request to contract with an individual for part-time on-site wastewater inspection services at a rate of \$65 per hour, is hereby approved [22-23-041].

The Board then turned their attention to the Correspondence Agenda.

On a motion made by Commissioner Baskervill and seconded by Commissioner Bohmert, the discussion regarding prohibiting smoking within 50 feet of the Health Department was tabled until more information can be obtained [22-23-042].

The Board discussed a request to establish a Dangerous Dog Ordinance, which could include provisions for a dog that has been deemed as “Dangerous” to undergo training/rehabilitation measures in order for the owner to request the restrictions be lifted. There were no motions/votes made at the time, but the Board wished to review other Counties’ provisions and discuss with the County Attorney before any further decision is made [22-23-043].

On a motion made by Commissioner Bohmert and seconded by Commissioner Baskervill, the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the request to select a Grant Manager for FMA 2019, to be RSM Harris Associates, Inc. for a lump sum fee not to exceed \$45,150 is hereby approved [22-23-044].

On a motion made by Commissioner Baskervill, seconded by Commissioner Bohmert, and unanimously approved, all bids on the Styrontown Beach Pier Project were rejected in favor of re-engineering the design of the pier and re-bid at a later date [22-23-045].

The Board discussed options for a Fall Retreat/Work Session and will look at available dates in October 2022 [22-23-046].

There being no further business, on a motion made by Commissioner Bohmert and seconded by Commissioner Prescott, the Board adjourned until the next regular meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 7:00pm. Time Recorded: 8:24pm.

Chairman

Clerk to the Board