



Moore County Board of Commissioners

March 17, 2026 | 5:30 PM
Historic Courthouse
1 Courthouse Square
Carthage, NC 28327

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Nick Picerno, Vice Chairman Jim Von Canon, Kurt Cook, John Ritter, and Tom Adams

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Picerno called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

County Manager Wayne Vest offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Public Works Director Brian Patnode led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. ADDITIONAL AGENDA

There were no additional agenda items.

Chairman Picerno asked whether any commissioner had a conflict of interest regarding the agenda items. Commissioner Ritter disclosed a conflict with item 5A, the same conflict he had with this item when it appeared on a previous agenda. Chairman Picerno stated that a vote to recuse Commissioner Ritter would be taken when the item was considered.

County Attorney Misty Leland noted that Commissioner Von Canon had previously asked to be recused from all Crystal Lake matters, and he will need to be recused from consent item 2I.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

The Chairman explained that all items would be enacted by one motion except for item I, which would require Commissioner Von Canon's recusal due to Crystal Lake matters.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve all consent agenda items except item I. The budget amendments, capital project ordinance revision 3, and the tax releases/refunds are hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendices A, B, and C.

- A. Board of Commissioners - February 17, 2026, Closed Session Minutes
- B. Board of Commissioners - March 3, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes
- C. Finance - Budget Amendments
- D. Finance - Seven Lakes Sewer Capital Project Ordinance – Revision 3
- E. Health - FY27 Activity 110 General Aid-To-Counties Agreement Addendum
- F. Health - FY27 Activity 803 School Nurse Funding Initiative Agreement Addendum
- G. Tax - Tax Releases/Refunds for the Month of February
- H. Public Works - Letter to DEQ Removing a Section of 211 Sewer

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted 4-0 to recuse Vice Chairman Von Canon from consent item 2I.

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Commissioner Adams, the Board voted 4-0 to approve consent agenda item 2I.

- I. Legal - Approval of Option Contract

3. RECOGNITIONS

- A. Board of Commissioners - Arbor Day Proclamation 2026
Marsha Jacobs, Regent, Alfred Moore Chapter, NSDAR, presented the Arbor Day Proclamation. The proclamation recognized the first Friday after March 15th as Arbor Day in Moore County, highlighting the importance of trees for environmental benefits, economic value, and quality of life. The proclamation encouraged citizens to observe the day by planting trees, participating in conservation efforts, and participating in educational activities.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Arbor Day Proclamation declaring March 20, 2026, as Arbor Day in Moore County. The proclamation is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix D.

- B. Board of Commissioners - Proclamation Honoring National Vietnam War Veterans Day
Marsha Jacobs, Regent, Alfred Moore Chapter, NSDAR, presented the proclamation honoring National Vietnam War Veterans Day on March 29, 2026. The proclamation recognized the service and sacrifice of over 2.7 million Americans who served during the Vietnam War, acknowledged that many veterans did not receive proper recognition upon returning home, and called upon citizens to honor their service and participate in commemorative activities.

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Commissioner Cook, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Proclamation Honoring National Vietnam War Veterans Day, March 29, 2026, in Moore County. *The proclamation is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix E.*

Commissioner comments included personal reflections on Vietnam veterans.

C. Board of Commissioners - America 250 (Semiquincentennial Celebration) Proclamation

Marsha Jacobs, Regent, Alfred Moore Chapter, NSDAR, presented the America 250 proclamation recognizing the 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026. The proclamation encouraged residents to participate in commemorative activities honoring the nation's history and heritage throughout 2026.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Ritter, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the America 250 (Semiquincentennial Celebration Proclamation) as presented. *The proclamation is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix F.*

Chairman Picerno asked about establishing a committee to coordinate county-level America 250 celebrations, and County Manager Vest indicated they would add this to the agenda for an upcoming workshop.

Marsha Jacobs thanked the board for their support during her tenure as Regent, noting this would be her last appearance as her term ends in May.

4. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Planning - Conventional Rezoning Request: 18.61 acres from Neighborhood Business B-1, Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) and Gated Community Seven Lakes (GC-SL) to Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB)

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted 4-0 to recuse Commissioner Ritter from this item. Commissioner Ritter stepped out of the meeting at this time.

Planning Director Ruth Pedersen presented a request for a Conventional Rezoning to Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) for all of lot 2, containing 13.53 acres and being a portion of Parcel ID 00015801 and all of Parcel ID 00015799, zoned Neighborhood Business B-1, and Rural Agricultural, Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB), and all of lot 3, containing 5.08 acres and being a portion of Parcel ID 00015800 and a portion of Parcel ID 00015801, zoned Neighborhood Business B-1, Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) and Gated Community Seven Lakes (GC-SL), as shown on Plat

Cabinet 20, Slide 492, Moore County Registry. Both properties are owned by Stephen Cagle per Deed Book 5709, Page 265.

One of the parcels (Parcel ID 00015801) is zoned Neighborhood Business (B-1) and is accessible off of Lucas Rd. Chapter 3.12 defines B-1 as a district to provide for the development of commercial and service uses that serve the community's commercial needs, are accessible by residents from surrounding neighborhoods, and are of such nature so as to minimize conflicts with surrounding residential areas.

The second parcel (Parcel ID 00015800) is split zoned, Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) and Gated Community Seven Lakes (GC-SL). Chapter 3.8 defines Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) as a district created to identify areas where Urban Services (sewer and water) could be provided over the next 10-15 years. Although the creation of this district implies no guarantee of services, it acknowledges areas undergoing growth pressures and affords slightly more protection from intrusive uses. Chapter 3.10 defines GC-SL as a district created to reflect existing unincorporated gated communities, which are primarily governed by restrictive covenants, district regulations designed to reflect deeded covenant restrictions. However, this parcel is not regulated by the Seven Lakes Restrictive Covenants.

Parcel 00015801 is completely undisturbed land. Parcel 00015800 has a single-family dwelling constructed towards the southern end of the parcel. Adjacent properties include single-family dwellings, commercial property, and gated communities.

The end result, if approved, would be a Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) zoning district for all of lot 2 and all of lot 3 as shown on Plat Cabinet 20, Slide 492.

The Planning Board voted 7-0 that the request was consistent with the Moore County land use plan and recommended approval.

Chairman Picerno opened the public hearing and then closed it after there were no speakers.

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted 4-0 to adopt the attached Moore County Board of Commissioners Land Use Plan Consistency Statement as consistent and authorize its Chairman to execute the document as required by North Carolina General Statute 160D-605. *The consistency statement is hereby made a part and incorporated into these minutes by attachment as Appendix G.*

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the Conventional Rezoning of Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) for all of lot 2, containing 13.53 acres and being a portion of Parcel ID 00015801 and all of Parcel ID 00015799, zoned Neighborhood Business B-1, and Rural Agricultural, Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB), and all of lot 3, containing 5.08 acres and being a portion of Parcel ID 00015800 and a portion of Parcel ID 00015801, zoned Neighborhood Business B-1, Rural Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) and Gated Community Seven Lakes (GC-SL), as shown on Plat Cabinet 20, Slide 492, Moore County Registry. Both properties are owned by Stephen Cagle per Deed Book 5709, Page 265,

containing 18.61 acres, to Rural Agricultural Urban Services Boundary (RA-USB).

Commissioner Ritter rejoined the meeting.

B. Planning - Conditional Rezoning Request: Rural Agricultural (RA) to Rural Agricultural-Conditional Zoning (RA-CZ) for a Group Care Facility – 135 Jolinda Road

Planning Director Ruth Pedersen presented a request for a Conditional Rezoning of one parcel, located at 135 Jolinda Rd, Vass, identified as Parcel ID 98000451. It is approximately 2.68 acres, owned by Grace Community Center, Inc. as recorded by Deed Book 2242 Page 506. The request is to conditionally rezone this property from Rural Agricultural (RA) to Rural Agricultural-Conditional Zoning (RA-CZ) for a Group Care Facility.

The previous use on this property was a religious Community Center, which is a permitted use in the RA zoning district. The applicant, Grace Community Center, Inc., is requesting to convert the previous religious Community Center into a Group Care Facility, which requires conditional rezoning in the RA zoning district. Grace Community Center Incorporated, in partnership with Mission Teens Incorporated, wishes to operate a faith-based group care facility. The facility would offer a discipleship training program lasting about one year, with individuals living on-site throughout.

The existing community center structure would be renovated to accommodate 31 residents and 5 employees, meeting the UDO requirement of 100 square feet of habitable space per individual. The facility totals 4,850 square feet.

Regarding parking, the UDO requires 18 spaces (one per two beds plus one per employee on the largest shift), but the applicant initially requested only 6 spaces since residents do not have vehicles. The Planning Board recommended 12 parking spaces as a compromise, which the applicant accepted.

The Planning Board met on February 5, 2026, and voted 7-0 that the requested conditional rezoning was consistent with the Moore County Land Use Plan, and recommended approval of the conditional rezoning request with the condition that the applicant shall provide 12 parking spaces.

Chairman Nick Picerno opened the public hearing.

The following speakers supported the proposal: Taylor Box, Steve Johnson, and JP Easterly. Neal Smith was available for any engineering questions, but he did not speak.

The following speakers opposed the proposal: Earl Williams.

Taylor Box was asked to address several concerns.

Chairman Picerno closed the public hearing.

Chairman Picerno suggested a compromise of 10 parking spaces, instead of the Planning Board's recommended 12 or the UDO-required 18, given the volunteer organization's financial constraints.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Chairman Picerno, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Board of Commissioners Land Use Plan Consistency Statement as consistent and authorize the Chairman to execute the document as required by North Carolina General Statute 160D-605. *The consistency statement is hereby made a part and incorporated into these minutes by attachment as Appendix H.*

Upon motion made by Commissioner Adams to approve the Conditional Rezoning of one parcel, approximately 2.68 acres, located at 135 Jolinda Road, also identified as Parcel ID 98000451, from Rural Agricultural (RA) to Rural Agricultural-Conditional Zoning (RA-CZ) for a Group Care Facility, owned by Grace Community Center, Inc. as recorded by Deed Book 2242 Page 506, seconded by Commissioner Cook, discussion followed. During the discussion, Chairman Picerno asked Commissioner Adams to consider amending his motion to limit parking spaces to 10. Commissioner Adams accepted the amendment, and Commissioner Cook seconded. The motion, as amended, passed unanimously as follows: to approve Conditional Rezoning of one parcel, approximately 2.68 acres, located at 135 Jolinda Road, also identified as Parcel ID 98000451, from Rural Agricultural (RA) to Rural Agricultural-Conditional Zoning (RA-CZ) for a Group Care Facility, owned by Grace Community Center, Inc. as recorded by Deed Book 2242 Page 506 and to limit parking spaces to 10.

6. QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS

There were no quasi-judicial hearings.

7. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Finance - Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Ordinance
Finance Director Caroline Xiong presented a request for the Board to approve establishing a new Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Ordinance – Fund 439. She also presented a request to the Board to approve a budget amendment transferring funds from the Capital Reserve for Governmental Projects (Fund 250) to the Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Fund (Fund 439).

The County will undertake several renovation projects related to the Historic Courthouse building: HVAC replacement, electrical service replacement, roof replacement, window replacement, and limestone restoration. It is estimated to take up to 3 years to complete all the projects. An architectural firm will need to be selected through the RFQ (Request for Qualifications) process.

The financial impact requires transferring \$3 million from the Capital Reserve for Governmental Projects (Fund 250) to the new Historic Courthouse Renovation Capital Project Fund (Fund 439).

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted unanimously to approve establishing a new Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Ordinance - Fund 439. *The capital project ordinance is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix I.*

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget amendment to transfer funds from Capital Reserve for Governmental Projects (Fund 250)

to the Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Fund (Fund 439). *The budget amendment is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix J.*

Commissioner Adams recommended requiring extensive experience in large-scale historical restorations of government buildings as a qualification for the architectural selection. County Manager Vest confirmed they would use an RFQ process focusing on qualifications, including historical restoration experience. Chairman Picerno suggested establishing a committee for this project, including Commissioner Adams. Mr. Vest agreed that this would be beneficial for such a monumental three-year project.

B. Public Works - Engineering Agreement for Evaluation of the Crystal Lake / Little River Water Supply Alternative

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Commissioner Adams, the Board voted 4-0 to recuse Vice Chairman Von Canon from this item. Vice Chairman Von Canon stepped out of the room.

Public Works Director Brian Patnode presented the following requests for the Board to consider:

- 1 - Request to establish the Crystal Lake Capital Project Ordinance (Fund 415).
- 2 - Request to approve the budget amendment to transfer \$200,000 from Public Utilities' retained earnings to the Crystal Lake Capital Project.
- 3 - Request to approve the Agreement with LKC Engineering, PLLC in the amount of \$140,000 for evaluation of the Crystal Lake / Little River Water Supply Alternative.

Moore County solicited professional services from consulting firms to complete a water resource evaluation in the format of a Preliminary Engineering Report - 10% Design (PER) for the Crystal Lake / Little River Water Supply Alternative. Request for Qualifications closed on February 3, 2026. Four firms submitted Statements of Qualifications and were subsequently interviewed by the selection committee. The committee recommended LKC Engineering, PLLC as the most qualified firm for the project.

The scope of the Crystal Lake Evaluation will be separated into 2 Tasks. The first will include confirmation of the safe yield of Crystal Lake, Raw water sampling assistance, Environmental permitting review, and Surveying of the reservoir. The total for Task Order 1 will be \$140,000.

Mr. Patnode noted that they had received four firms' responses to the RFQ and selected LKC Engineering.

Commissioner Adams provided context on this complex project, explaining that it involved identifying a potential water source, reaching an agreement with area residents, and tonight's approval of a purchase option for vacant land needed for the project. He emphasized the need for a careful approach to a decision affecting 20,000-40,000 people, with results expected by late July or early August.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Ritter, seconded by Commissioner Adams, the Board voted 4-0 to establish the Crystal Lake Capital Project Ordinance (Fund 415). *The capital project ordinance is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix K.*

Upon motion made by Commissioner Ritter, seconded by Commissioner Cook, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the budget amendment transferring \$200,000 from Public Utilities' retained earnings to the Crystal Lake Capital Project. *The budget amendment is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix L.*

Upon motion made by Commissioner Ritter, seconded by Commissioner Cook, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the agreement with LKC Engineering, PLLC for \$140,000 for the evaluation of Crystal Lake Water Source alternative upon approval by the County Attorney and Finance Department, and authorize the County Manager to sign the agreement.

County Manager Vest recognized Adam Kiker from LKC Engineering. Chairman Picerno thanked him and his firm for their efforts, noting the benefit of keeping dollars in the county with a local firm.

Vice Chairman Von Canon rejoined the meeting.

C. Public Safety - Establish a Capital Project Ordinance for the Construction of an EMS Station (Station X)

Public Safety Director Bryan Phillips presented the following requests:

1 - Request approval to establish a Capital Project Ordinance (Fund 452) for the construction of an EMS station (Station X) located at 1000 block of J. Dowdy Road.

2 - Request approval of the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance (Fund 437) Revision 7 to transfer \$180,285 to the Station X Capital Project.

3 - Request approval of the budget amendment to appropriate \$819,715 from Public Safety/EMS Fund Balance (Fund 200) for the Station X Capital Project.

In October 2022, the Board of Commissioners approved the purchase of property located on J. Dowdy Road for the construction of a new joint Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Fire Station to serve the surrounding area.

The proposed facility is a collaborative project between Moore County EMS and the Robbins Fire Department to improve emergency response capabilities in this region of the county. Moore County EMS plans to staff the station with a paramedic Quick Response Vehicle (QRV) to enhance EMS coverage and reduce response times for medical emergencies.

Through this partnership, the Robbins Fire Department will staff the station with a fire engine, significantly improving fire protection services in the area.

Currently, portions of this region have a Fire Protection Class rating of 10, indicating no recognized fire protection for insurance purposes. Establishing a staffed fire apparatus at this location will help improve fire response capabilities and may positively impact fire protection ratings for nearby properties.

The project site has been prepared and is ready for construction. Plans for the facility include a 60-foot by 80-foot building that will house three drive-through apparatus bays, along with office and support space for EMS and fire personnel. In addition, the site will include a 60-foot by 80-foot open-span storage structure that will provide covered protection for Moore County Emergency Management

assets, including response trailers and equipment such as the mobile kitchen, message boards, generators, and the mobile command trailer. Development of this joint facility will strengthen emergency response coordination among EMS, fire, and emergency management while improving service delivery and preparedness for residents in this portion of Moore County.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted unanimously to establish a Capital Project Ordinance (Fund 452) for the construction of an EMS station (Station X) located at 1000 block of J. Dowdy Road. The capital project ordinance is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix M.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance (Fund 437) Revision 7 to transfer \$180,285 to the Station X Capital Project. The capital project ordinance revision is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix N.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget amendment to appropriate \$819,715 from Public Safety/EMS Fund Balance (Fund 200) for the Station X Capital Project. The budget amendment is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix O.

D. Public Safety - Establish a Capital Project Ordinance for the Construction of Pinehurst EMS

Public Safety Director Bryan Phillips presented the following requests:

1 - Request approval to establish a Capital Project Ordinance (Fund 451) for the construction of an EMS station (Pinehurst EMS) located at 55 Rattlesnake Trail, Pinehurst.

2 - Request approval of the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance (Fund 437) Revision 8 to transfer \$434,000 to the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project.

3 - Request approval of the budget amendment to appropriate \$2,066,000 from Public Safety/EMS Fund Balance (Fund 200) for the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project.

The current Pinehurst EMS facility is more than 50 years old and requires significant renovation to remain operational. However, due to existing zoning restrictions, renovation or expansion of the current facility is not a viable option. In late November to early December 2025, the County of Moore and the Village of Pinehurst completed a land swap agreement to support the relocation of the Pinehurst EMS facility. As part of this agreement, the Village of Pinehurst assumed ownership of the property located at 290 McCaskill Road East, while Moore County obtained ownership of the property located at 55 Rattlesnake Trail.

The new Pinehurst EMS facility is planned as a single-story building, replacing the current configuration of two separate buildings. Consolidating operations into one modern facility will improve operational efficiency and functionality. The Pinehurst EMS facility serves as the primary restocking hub for Moore County EMS units operating in the southern portion of the county. After transporting patients to the emergency department, EMS units return to this location to restock medical supplies and prepare for the next response. In addition to supply and operational support functions, the facility houses the EMS Major assigned to the Pinehurst area and serves as a deployment location for two ambulances that respond directly to emergency calls from this site. Replacement of the aging facility will ensure EMS personnel have a modern, efficient workspace and will support continued emergency medical service delivery to residents and visitors in Moore County. The total budget for Pinehurst EMS Renovations is estimated at \$2,500,000. \$2,066,000 will be transferred from Public Safety/EMS Fund Balance (Fund 200), and \$434,000 will be transferred from the Pandemic Recovery Capital Project (Fund 437).

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Capital Project Ordinance (Fund 451) for the construction of an EMS station (Pinehurst EMS) located at 55 Rattlesnake Trail, Pinehurst. *The capital project ordinance is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix P.*

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance (Fund 437) Revision 8 to transfer \$434,000 to the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project. *The capital project ordinance revision is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix Q.*

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget amendment to appropriate \$2,066,000 from Public Safety/EMS Fund Balance (Fund 200) for the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project. *The budget amendment is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix R.*

- E. Board of Commissioners - Support of Redesign of Pinehurst Traffic Circle
County Attorney Misty Leland presented a request for the Board to adopt a Resolution in support of the redesign of the Pinehurst Traffic Circle. The Pinehurst Traffic Circle is 70 years old and connects U.S. 15-501, N.C. 2, and N. C. 211. After years of study and over 20 design concepts, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has developed a new design that it is ready to proceed with. Project planning will coordinate with the US Open to avoid interruptions during those events.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the proposed Resolution

supporting the North Carolina Department of Transportation's latest redesign of the Pinehurst Traffic Circle in southern Moore County. *The resolution is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix S.*

Chairman Picerno shared a resolution from the Village of Pinehurst Village Council opposing the proposal that was received just before the meeting, but emphasized the board's support for moving forward while remaining open to better alternatives if presented

F. **Board of Commissioners - Resolution Supporting the President and Military Service Members During the Current Conflict in the Middle East**

County Attorney Misty Leland presented a request for the Board to approve a Resolution in support of the President of the United States in response to the Iranian aggression.

Commission Cook stated he requested this resolution, explaining that the current conflict has roots dating back to 1979 and that radical Muslim leadership has consistently used proxies to attack Christian, Western, and American targets. He expressed strong support for presidential and military actions to end this long-standing threat, noting his wife was in Kuwait when drones hit her buildings. Cook emphasized the oppressive nature of the Iranian regime and his full support for current military operations.

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Commissioner Adams, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution wherein the Board of Commissioners expresses its support of the President of the United States in all lawful and necessary actions to defend the United States and its allies in response to the Iranian aggression. *The resolution is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix T.*

G. **Board of Commissioners - Supporting Reducing Early Voting to Seven (7) Days**

County Attorney Misty Leland presented a request for the Board to adopt the presented Resolution in support of Reducing Early Voting to Seven (7) Days. Chairman Picerno requested this resolution based on consensus among board members about the burden of 16-17 days of early voting. He noted the extensive volunteer hours required and the stress on the Board of Elections staff, particularly during harsh weather conditions.

Chairman Picerno stated that seven days provides an adequate opportunity for citizens to vote while reducing costs and volunteer requirements.

Vice Chairman Von Canon supported the reduction, noting that it is not a partisan issue, as volunteers from all parties endure long hours with little activity during extended early-voting periods.

Commissioner Adams added that the change would save taxpayer money, as staff at two early voting locations often sit idle for portions of the day.

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Commissioner Adams, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution wherein the Board of Commissioners requests the North Carolina General Assembly to reduce the early voting period to a total of seven (7) days. *The resolution is*

hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix U.

9. APPOINTMENTS

- A. Board of Commissioners - Appointment to the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board
Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Commissioner Adams, the Board voted unanimously to reappoint Tom Pashley to the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board with a term expiring March 2029.
- B. Board of Commissioners - Appointment to the Trillium Southern Regional Advisory Board
Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Commissioner Cook, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Lillian Schnitzer to the Trillium Southern Regional Advisory Board to fill the unexpired term of Stephen Later, with a term expiring October 31, 2028.

10. ADDITIONAL AGENDA

There were no additional agenda items.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

John Taylor, Jeramy Hooper, and Bruce Geddes offered comments.

12. MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Vest reported that the county was blessed to avoid the direct hit of severe weather forecasted for Monday, experiencing only scattered patches throughout the day rather than the intense weather predicted.

13. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Cook acknowledged Public Safety Director Bryan Phillips and his staff for their early warning system and security preparations during the weather threat.

Commissioner Adams noted that the evening's agenda highlighted the many complex issues facing the county, including transportation and water, and emphasized the importance of the board's careful consideration of each issue.

Vice Chairman Von Canon thanked staff for weather preparation. He emphasized the board's commitment to erring on the side of caution when human life is at stake and noted that trees falling on vehicles have caused deaths in recent years. He praised the public for heeding warnings and staying home.

Commissioner Ritter echoed appreciation for staff preparation and public cooperation with safety precautions. He reflected on the evening's diverse topics and the Board's progress in planning for future resources, particularly water. Regarding the traffic circle, he emphasized the Board's openness to better solutions while supporting forward movement on the current proposal.

Chairman Picerno thanked all staff departments for their efforts in responding to the weather. He expressed concern about public perception of government inaction despite significant county investments, including six new schools, a potential new reservoir, new EMS stations, courthouse renovations, and a new courthouse. He expressed frustration with social media misinformation and emphasized the need for better communication with the public about the county's achievements and expenditures.

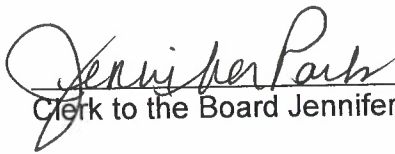
14. CLOSED SESSION
None was needed.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion made by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Cook, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the March 17, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Moore County Board of Commissioners at 7:46pm.



Chairman Nick Picerno



Clerk to the Board Jennifer Parks



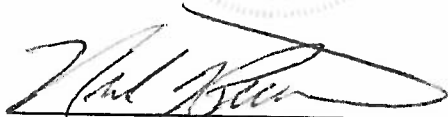
Fiscal Year 2025/2026

Budget Line Item Number	Budgeted Amount	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised Budget
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Finance / Aging - Coronavirus Relief Fund CARES Act

Revenue	24032024 36292	CARES Act Aging	341,447	(341,447)	-
Expense	24030024 54124	CARES III-B	79,170	(79,170)	-
Expense	24030024 54125	CARES Congregate	31,047	(31,047)	-
Expense	24030024 54126	CARES FSCP Respite Care	27,326	(27,326)	-
Expense	24030024 54127	CARES FSCP	13,549	(13,549)	-
Expense	24030024 54128	CARES Home Delivered Meals	134,612	(134,612)	-
Expense	24030056 59911 AGCAR	Transfer to General Fund	55,743	(55,743)	-

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



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Fiscal Year 2025/2026

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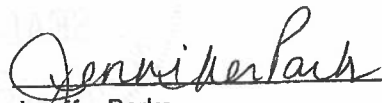
Finance / Aging - Tiangle J Council of Governments

Revenue	24032024 36299	ARPA Aging	476,400	(476,400)	-
Expense	24030024 54150	ARPA Home Delivered Meals	90,059	(90,059)	-
Expense	24030024 54151	ARPA Supply Shelf Stable Meals	74,752	(74,752)	-
Expense	24030024 54152	ARPA Supply Snack Boxes	59,446	(59,446)	-
Expense	24030024 54153	ARPA SEC Projects	184,725	(184,725)	-
Expense	24030024 54154	ARPA Family Caregiver Supplies	33,709	(33,709)	-
Expense	24030024 54155	ARPA Family Caregiver Respite	33,709	(33,709)	-

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Moore County Board of Commissioners



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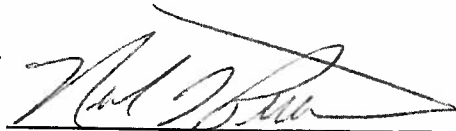
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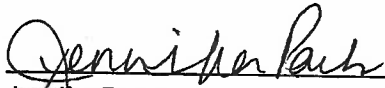
Finance / Aging - Families First Coronavirus Response Act

Revenue	24032024 36294	Families First Act	99,371	(99,371)	-
Expense	24030024 54129	FamFirst Congregate	32,420	(32,420)	-
Expense	24030024 54130	FamFirst Home Delivery Meal	66,247	(66,247)	-
Expense	24030056 59911 AGFF1	Transfer to General Fund	704	(704)	-

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



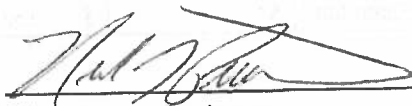
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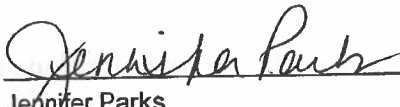
Fund 215 Fire Operating Fund for Cypress Pointe Fire Department

Revenue	21519000 32950	Appropriated Fund Balance	-	146,050	146,050
Expense	21555500 56085	Cypress Pointe Fire	928,067	146,050	1,074,117

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



County of Moore
Seven Lakes Sewer (Fund 413)
Capital Project Ordinance Revision #3

Journal 90011

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 159-13.2, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted as follows:

Section 1. The project authorized is the Seven Lakes Sewer Capital Project.

Section 2. The officers and staff of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amounts are appropriated for the Seven Lakes Sewer Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget	Incr./Decr.	Revised Budget
Admin Cost	41341055 55997	\$ 225,000	\$ -	\$ 225,000
Engineering	41341055 55810	\$ 1,506,000	\$ (87,088)	\$ 1,418,912
Construction	41341055 55806	\$ 10,068,680	\$ -	\$ 10,068,680
Contingency	41341055 55807	\$ 225,000	\$ -	\$ 225,000
NC 211 Widening Water & Sewer Extension	41341055 55711	\$ 2,975,320	\$ -	\$ 2,975,320
Transfer to Public Utilities	41341056 59908	\$ -	\$ 87,088	\$ 87,088
Total		\$ 15,000,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000

Section 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available for the Seven Lakes Sewer Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget	Incr./Decr.	Revised Budget
Seven Lakes Sewer State Funding	41343000 36338	\$ 15,000,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000
Total		\$ 15,000,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000

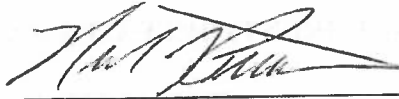
Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations and any other applicable laws.

Section 6. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due.

Section 7. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 8. This Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, budget officer and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING
(CURRENT) RELEASES AND REFUNDS BY THE
TAX ADMINISTRATOR**

WHEREAS, Gary E. Briggs, Moore County Tax Administrator, has certified a list comprised of various county taxes illegally levied and assessed, the amount certified as being in excess of the amount legally due by the taxpayer and therefore should be released or refunded in accordance with General Statute 105-381.

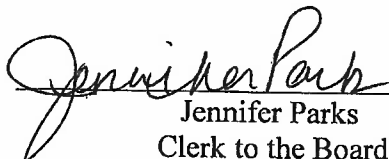
BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Moore County that the taxpayers shown on said list of releases and refunds submitted by Gary E. Briggs, Tax Administrator, are hereby granted such tax release or refund of the county taxes shown and the County Finance Director is directed to make said refunds.

Adopted this the 17 day of March, 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman

ATTEST:



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board

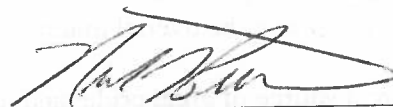


**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING
(DELINQUENT) RELEASES AND REFUNDS BY THE
TAX ADMINISTRATOR**

WHEREAS, Gary E. Briggs, Moore County Tax Administrator, has certified a list comprised of delinquent taxes illegally due by the taxpayer and therefore should be released or refunded in accordance with General Statute 105-381.

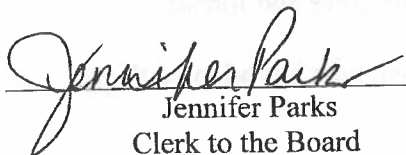
BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Moore County that the taxpayers shown on said list of releases and refunds submitted by Gary E. Briggs, Tax Administrator, are hereby granted such tax release or refund of the county taxes shown and the County Finance Director is directed to make said refunds.

Adopted this the 17 day of March, 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman

ATTEST:



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board





**ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION
MOORE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, in 1967, the North Carolina General Assembly ratified legislation designating the first Friday after March 15 of each year as Arbor Day in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is proud to be home to a wide variety of trees and diverse wildlife habitats that contribute to the natural beauty and environmental health of our communities; and

WHEREAS, trees help reduce erosion of topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate temperatures, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide essential habitat for wildlife; and

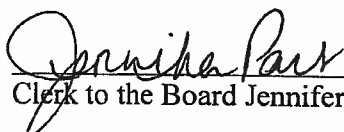
WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource that provides paper, wood for homes, fuel for fires, and numerous other wood products that support daily life and industry; and

WHEREAS, trees increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of businesses, beautify our communities, and improve the overall quality of life for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, trees are a source of great pride, and all North Carolinians are encouraged to support efforts to protect trees and woodlands and to plant trees for the well-being of present and future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Moore County Board of Commissioners that the first Friday after March 15 is hereby recognized as **Arbor Day** in Moore County, and all citizens are encouraged to observe this day through tree planting, conservation efforts, and educational activities that promote the care and preservation of our trees and forests.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Moore County Board of Commissioners has adopted this proclamation on this 17th day of March, 2026.


Clerk to the Board Jennifer Parks




Chairman Nick Picerno



**A PROCLAMATION HONORING NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY
MOORE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973, the last American combat troops were withdrawn from Vietnam, marking the end of direct U.S. military involvement in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, more than 2.7 million American men and women answered the call to serve during the Vietnam War, demonstrating extraordinary courage, honor, and sacrifice in service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War era was a challenging time in American history, and many veterans did not receive the proper recognition or gratitude they deserved upon returning home; and

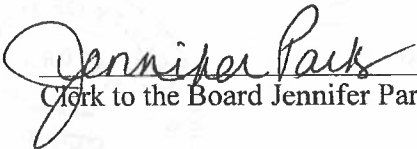
WHEREAS, National Vietnam War Veterans Day is a time to honor the service, sacrifice, and resilience of all who served, to remember those who did not return, and to recognize the families who supported their loved ones both at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, it is our solemn duty to ensure that the contributions of our Vietnam veterans are never forgotten and to express our deepest appreciation for their bravery, commitment, and service to our country;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Moore, North Carolina, hereby proclaims March 29, 2026, as National Vietnam War Veterans Day in Moore County, NC, and calls upon all citizens to honor the service of our Vietnam veterans, to participate in ceremonies and activities that pay tribute to their sacrifices, and to thank them for their unwavering dedication to the freedoms we cherish today.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this proclamation is hereby adopted this 17th day of March 2026.


Chairman Nick Picerno


Clerk to the Board Jennifer Parks





Proclamation America 250 (Semiquincentennial Celebration) in Moore County, North Carolina

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the **250th anniversary, or semiquincentennial, of the United States of America**, commemorating the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence established the founding principles of liberty, equality, and self-government that continue to guide our nation; and

WHEREAS, the semiquincentennial celebration, known as **America 250**, provides an opportunity for citizens to reflect upon the nation's history, honor the sacrifices of those who fought to secure and preserve freedom, and recognize the contributions of generations of Americans who have shaped our country; and

WHEREAS, this historic milestone encourages communities across the nation to engage in educational, cultural, and civic activities that promote a deeper understanding of our shared history and inspire continued commitment to democratic ideals; and

WHEREAS; The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a non-political women's service organization, established in 1890, whose members are lineally descended from Patriots of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS; Through the President General's leadership, over the next three years, all Daughters will "Illuminate Our Legacy" through commemorating the 250th anniversary of the United States of America with intention and purpose by reflecting on the values of liberty, democracy, and the sacrifices made by those who came before us; and

WHEREAS, observances of the nation's semiquincentennial will bring together Americans from all backgrounds to celebrate the enduring spirit of freedom and the values that unite us as a nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Moore County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes and celebrates the **Semiquincentennial Anniversary of the United States of America**, also known as **America 250**, and encourages all residents to participate in commemorative activities honoring our nation's history and heritage throughout 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this proclamation is hereby adopted this 17th day of March, 2026.

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Chairman Nick Picerno

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Parks", is written over a horizontal line.
Clerk to the Board Jennifer Parks

Moore County Board of Commissioners
Land Use Plan Reasonableness & Consistency Statement
Conventional Rezoning Request: 18.61 acres from Neighborhood Business B-1, Rural
Agricultural Urban Service Boundary (RA-USB) and Gated Community Seven Lakes
(GC-SL) (as shown on PC 20, SL 492), totaling 18.61 acres to Rural Agricultural Urban
Service Boundary (RA-USB)

The Moore County Board of Commissioners finds that the proposed conventional rezoning is consistent with the following goals, as listed in the 2025 Moore County Land Use Plan:

It is consistent with:

Goal 1: Preserve and protect the Ambiance and Heritage of the County of Moore

- Support and promote development in harmony with existing character or in conjunction with the Land Use Plan that will optimize the use of existing infrastructure.
 - The requested RA-USB zoning district is in harmony with existing land uses and zoning in the surrounding area.

Goal 3: Optimize the Uses of Land Within the County of Moore and Assure Adequate Infrastructure is Available to Support Desired Growth of the County

- Recommendation 3.4: Encourage and allow development in areas where the necessary Infrastructure (roads, water, sewer, and schools) are available, planned, or most cost efficiently be provided and extended to serve development.
 - The requested RA-USB zoning district increases accessibility among living, working, and shopping, and is convenient, being located directly off of existing Lucas Rd and near the Seven Lakes business district.

The proposed conventional rezoning is reasonable and in the public interest because:

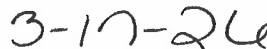
1. It supports the current 2025 Moore County Land Use Plan goals and recommendations listed above.

Therefore, the Moore County Board of Commissioners finds the conventional rezoning is consistent with the Land Use Plan.



Nick Picerno, Chairman

Moore County Board of Commissioners



Date

Moore County Board of Commissioners
Land Use Plan Reasonableness & Consistency Statement
Conditional Rezoning Request: Rural Agricultural (RA) to Rural Agricultural-Conditional Zoning
(RA-CZ) for a Group Care Facility – 135 Jolinda Rd

The Moore County Board of Commissioners finds that the proposed Conditional Rezoning is consistent with the following goals, as listed in the 2025 Moore County Land Use Plan:

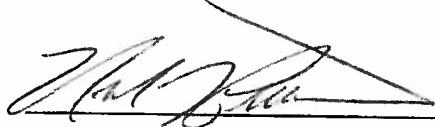
It is consistent with:

- Goal 3: Optimize the Uses of Land Within the County
 - Action 3.1.2: Encourage non-residential development to locate near major transportation routes and areas served by adequate water, sewer, natural gas, broadband, and electric power.
 - The Conditional Rezoning would allow Mission Teens, Inc. to establish their group care ministry services in the former Grace Community Center and help the residents who stay there with drug and/or alcohol addictions.

The proposed Conditional Rezoning is reasonable and in the public interest because:

- a. It supports the current 2025 Moore County Land Use Plan goal listed above.
- b. It allows the former religious community center to be revitalized and extend the local church community services.

Therefore, the Moore County Board of Commissioners finds the Conditional Rezoning is consistent with the 2025 Moore County Land Use Plan.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners

3-17-24

Date

Moore County Board of Commissioners
Land Use Plan Reasonableness & Consistency Statement

County of Moore
Historic Courthouse Renovations (Fund 439)
Capital Project Ordinance

Journal 90042

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project authorized is the Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project.

Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the term of the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amount is appropriated for the Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Construction	43912055 55806	\$ 3,000,000
Total		\$ 3,000,000

Section 4. The following revenue is anticipated to be available for the Historic Courthouse Renovations Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Transfer from Cap Reserve for Governmental Projects	43919056 32995	\$ 3,000,000
Total		\$ 3,000,000

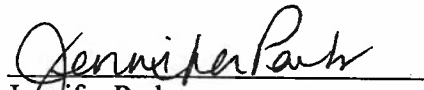
Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the funding agency, North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations, and any other applicable laws.

Section 6. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 7. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due.

Section 8. This Capital Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.


Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board

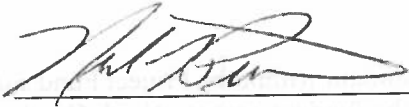

Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



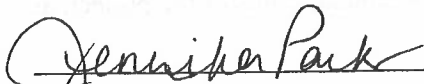
Fiscal Year 2025/2026

Budget Line Item Number	Budgeted Amount	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised Budget
Finance - Historic Courthouse Renovations			
Expense 25052056 59914 Available to be Transferred	48,965,832	(3,000,000)	45,965,832
Transfer to Historic Courthouse			
Expense 25052056 59986 Renovations	-	3,000,000	3,000,000

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



**County of Moore
Crystal Lake (Fund 415)
Capital Project Ordinance**

Journal 90108

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project authorized is the Crystal Lake Capital Project.

Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the term of the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amount is appropriated for the Crystal Lake Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Engineering	41541055 55810	\$ 150,000
Land Acquisition	41541055 55700	\$ 50,000
Total		\$ 200,000

Section 4. The following revenue is anticipated to be available for the Crystal Lake Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Transfer from Public Utilities	41519056 32968	\$ 200,000
Total		\$ 200,000

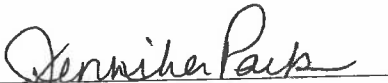
Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the funding agency, North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations, and any other applicable laws.

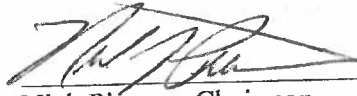
Section 6. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 7. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due.

Section 8. This Capital Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.


Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board


Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



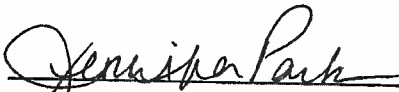
Fiscal Year 2025/2026

	Budget Line Item Number		Budgeted Amount	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised Budget
Public Utilities - Crystal Lake Capital Project					
Revenue	61019000 36002	Appropriated Retained Earnings	1,265,720	200,000	1,465,720
Expense	61041056 59985	Transfer to Crystal Lake Capital Project	-	200,000	200,000

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



**County of Moore
Station X (Fund 452)
Capital Project Ordinance**

Journal 90213

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project authorized is the Station X Capital Project.

Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the term of the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amount is appropriated for the Station X Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Architect/Engineering	45248055 56104	\$ 50,000
Construction	45248055 55806	\$ 680,000
Contingency	45248055 55807	\$ 195,000
FF&E	45248055 56292	\$ 75,000
Total		\$ 1,000,000

Section 4. The following revenue is anticipated to be available for the Station X Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Transfer from Public Safety	45219056 32989	\$ 819,715
Transfer from Pandemic Recovery Capital Project	45219056 38513	\$ 180,285
Total		\$ 1,000,000

Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the funding agency, North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations, and any other applicable laws.

Section 6. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

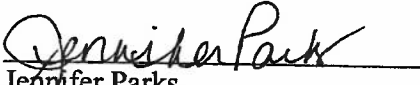
Section 7. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due.

Section 8. This Capital Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



County of Moore
Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance (Fund 437)
Revision 7

Journal 90207

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 159-13.2, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted as follows:

Section 1. The project authorized is to provide capital project needs to the Sheriff and EMS Departments. This allocation to this capital project fund enabled through salary reimbursement from funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Section 2. The officers and staff of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amounts are appropriated for the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget	Incr./Decr.	Revised Budget
Sheriff Vehicles	43712055 55020	\$ 4,163,060	\$ -	\$ 4,163,060
Sheriff Vehicle Equipment	43712055 55021	\$ 680,000	\$ -	\$ 680,000
EMS Ambulance Purchases	43712055 55022	\$ 3,051,978	\$ -	\$ 3,051,978
EMS Pinehurst Renovation	43712055 55023	\$ 450,000	\$ -	\$ 450,000
EMS Defibrillators	43712055 55024	\$ 602,005	\$ -	\$ 602,005
Station X	43712055 55025	\$ 450,000	\$ (180,285)	\$ 269,715
Narrow Band Radio Replacement Project	43712055 55026	\$ 1,081,087	\$ -	\$ 1,081,087
Parks & Recreation Project	43712055 55028	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 300,000
Other Projects	43712055 55027	\$ 505,826	\$ -	\$ 505,826
Habitat for Humanity	43712055 55030	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000
Transfer to General Fund	43712056 59911	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 200,000
Property Management Vehicles	43712055 55041	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000
Transfer to Station X Capital Project Fund	43712056 59988	\$ -	\$ 180,285	\$ 180,285
Total		\$ 11,683,956	\$ -	\$ 11,683,956

Section 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available for the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget	Incr./Decr.	Revised Budget
Transfer from General Fund	43719056 32955	\$ 6,896,017	\$ -	\$ 6,896,017
Transfer from EMS	43719056 32989	\$ 4,103,983	\$ -	\$ 4,103,983
Interest Earned	43718000 30450	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 600,000
Transfer fr EMS Narrow Banding Project	43719056 38507	\$ 83,956	\$ -	\$ 83,956
Total		\$ 11,683,956	\$ -	\$ 11,683,956

Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations and any other applicable laws.

Section 6. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due.

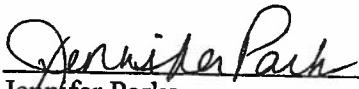
Section 7. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 8. This Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, budget officer and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



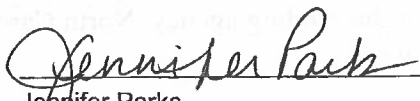
Fiscal Year 2025/2026

	Budget Line Item Number		Budgeted Amount	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised Budget
Public Safety / EMS - Station X Capital Project					
Revenue	20019000 32950	Appropriated Fund Balance	604,077	819,715	1,423,792
Expense	20048056 59988	Transfer to Station X Capital Project	-	819,715	819,715

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



**County of Moore
Pinehurst EMS Renovations (Fund 451)
Capital Project Ordinance**

Journal 90212

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project authorized is the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project.

Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the term of the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amount is appropriated for the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Architect/Engineering	45148055 56104	\$ 100,000
Construction	45148055 55806	\$ 2,000,000
Contingency	45148055 55807	\$ 325,000
FF&E	45148055 56292	\$ 75,000
Total		\$ 2,500,000

Section 4. The following revenue is anticipated to be available for the Pinehurst EMS Renovations Capital Project Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget
Transfer from Public Safety	45119056 32989	\$ 2,066,000
Transfer from Pandemic Recovery Capital Project	45119056 38513	\$ 434,000
Total		\$ 2,500,000

Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the funding agency, North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations, and any other applicable laws.

Section 6. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

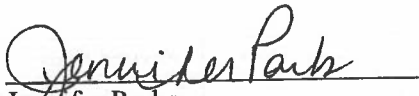
Section 7. Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due.

Section 8. This Capital Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board



County of Moore
Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance (Fund 437)
Revision 8

Journal 90210

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Moore, North Carolina, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 159-13.2, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted as follows:

Section 1. The project authorized is to provide capital project needs to the Sheriff and EMS Departments. This allocation to this capital project fund enabled through salary reimbursement from funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Section 2. The officers and staff of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the project within the budget contained herein.

Section 3. The following amounts are appropriated for the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget	Incr./Decr.	Revised Budget
Sheriff Vehicles	43712055 55020	\$ 4,163,060	\$ -	\$ 4,163,060
Sheriff Vehicle Equipment	43712055 55021	\$ 680,000	\$ -	\$ 680,000
EMS Ambulance Purchases	43712055 55022	\$ 3,051,978	\$ -	\$ 3,051,978
EMS Pinehurst Renovation	43712055 55023	\$ 450,000	\$ (434,000)	\$ 16,000
EMS Defibrillators	43712055 55024	\$ 602,005	\$ -	\$ 602,005
Station X	43712055 55025	\$ 269,715	\$ -	\$ 269,715
Narrow Band Radio Replacement Project	43712055 55026	\$ 1,081,087	\$ -	\$ 1,081,087
Parks & Recreation Project	43712055 55028	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 300,000
Other Projects	43712055 55027	\$ 505,826	\$ -	\$ 505,826
Habitat for Humanity	43712055 55030	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000
Transfer to General Fund	43712056 59911	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 200,000
Property Management Vehicles	43712055 55041	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000
Transfer to Pinehurst EMS Renovations Cap Project	43712056 59987	\$ -	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000
Transfer to Station X Capital Project Fund	43712056 59988	\$ 180,285	\$ -	\$ 180,285
Total		\$ 11,683,956	\$ -	\$ 11,683,956

Section 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available for the Pandemic Recovery Capital Projects Ordinance:

	GL Account	Budget	Incr./Decr.	Revised Budget
Transfer from General Fund	43719056 32955	\$ 6,896,017	\$ -	\$ 6,896,017
Transfer from EMS	43719056 32989	\$ 4,103,983	\$ -	\$ 4,103,983
Interest Earned	43718000 30450	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 600,000
Transfer fr EMS Narrow Banding Project	43719056 38507	\$ 83,956	\$ -	\$ 83,956
Total		\$ 11,683,956	\$ -	\$ 11,683,956

Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of North Carolina General Statutes, federal regulations and any other applicable laws.

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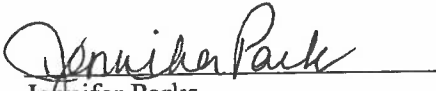
Section 7. The Finance Officer is directed to report the financial status of the project, as requested by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 8. This Project Ordinance shall be entered in the minutes by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and within five days after adoption of this Ordinance, copies shall be filed with the finance officer, budget officer and Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



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Clerk to the Board



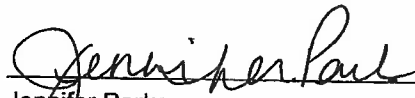
Fiscal Year 2025/2026

Budget Line Item Number			Budgeted Amount	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised Budget
Public Safety / EMS - Pinehurst EMS Renovation					
Revenue	20019000 32950	Appropriated Fund Balance	604,077	2,066,000	2,670,077
Expense	20048056 59987	Transfer to Pinehurst EMS Renovation	-	2,066,000	2,066,000

Approved this 17 day of March, 2026



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board





A RESOLUTION BY THE MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN
SUPPORT OF NCDOT'S MOST RECENT REDESIGN OF THE PINEHURST
TRAFFIC CIRCLE

WHEREAS, the Pinehurst Traffic Circle, connecting U.S. 15-501, N.C. 2, and N.C. 211, is 70 years old and the North Carolina Department of Transportation has identified and desires to address needed improvements for mobility, capacity and safety; and

WHEREAS, since 2013, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has studied and collaborated on over 20 design concepts; and

WHEREAS, the Pinehurst Traffic Circle project is impactful to areas beyond Pinehurst as many Moore County residents and visitors travel through the area daily for work, school, healthcare, shopping, golfing and other amenities, etc. It creates delays and safety issues that are anticipated to worsen into the future; and

WHEREAS, the Pinehurst Traffic Circle project has continuously been prioritized for funding by North Carolina Department of Transportation, including over more populous areas, due to the great need for improvement. Many years of study, public input, and redesign have resulted in the current proposal; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation would like to proceed with the project so that construction can begin and be completed between the 2029 and 2035 US Opens to be held in Pinehurst, and so that the project can be coordinated with the widening of US 15-501 north of the traffic circle to minimize disruptions; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation is cognizant of the global reach of the Pinehurst area and has committed to the inclusion of upgrades for the Pinehurst Traffic Circle project that ensure it remains a showcase area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Moore County Board of Commissioners supports the redesign of the Pinehurst Traffic Circle.

Adopted this 17 day of March, 2026.

Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board





RESOLUTION OF THE MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND
THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN RESPONSE TO IRANIAN
AGGRESSION

WHEREAS, the United States of America has long stood as a defender of liberty, democracy, and peace throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Islamic Republic of Iran systematically oppresses its population through barbaric measures such as rape, torture, and murder, a twisted and cowardly ideology encompassing institutionalized discrimination, oppressing women through domineering and subservient laws, neglecting the rights of all Iranians to have freedom of prayer, education, historical and current information. Moreover, Iran has become a major terrorist and nuclear threat to the United States and its ally Israel, and the Christian and Muslim countries across the world; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, acting in his constitutional role as Commander-in-Chief, has taken decisive actions to protect American citizens, service members, and national interests in response to these threats; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the United States Armed Forces continue to serve with courage, professionalism, and unwavering dedication in defense of the United States and the freedoms we cherish; and

WHEREAS, Moore County, North Carolina, is proud to be home to many veterans, active-duty service members, and military families, and our community maintains a strong and enduring relationship with Fort Bragg, one of the largest military installations in the world and home to thousands of brave soldiers who defend our nation; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Moore County deeply appreciate the sacrifices made by members of our Armed Forces and their families and recognize the vital role our military plays in preserving the freedoms we enjoy as Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners expresses its full, unwavering, and steadfast support for the President of the United States in taking all lawful and necessary actions to defend the security, freedom, and interests of the United States and its allies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners expresses its overwhelming and enduring support for the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces serving in theaters of operation across the globe; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners encourages all citizens to honor and support our military personnel and their families and to keep them in their thoughts and prayers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners, standing united in defense of freedom and committed to the principle of peace through strength, proudly affirms the

County's support for the leadership of the President and the courage and sacrifice of our Armed Forces;
and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners asks God to bless and protect our President, our military personnel, and the United States of America.

ADOPTED this 17 day of March 2026.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board





RESOLUTION BY THE MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUPPORTING REDUCING EARLY VOTING TO SEVEN (7) DAYS

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 163-166.40 states that early voting is not earlier than the third Thursday before an election in which a voter seeks to vote and not later than 3:00 P.M. on the last Saturday before that election; and

WHEREAS, Moore County Board of Elections operated two (2) early voting sites spanning seventeen (17) days, during which 8,186 ballots were cast; and

WHEREAS, Moore County Board of Elections officials and staff, as well as numerous citizen volunteer workers expended hundreds of hours working to staff the early voting sites; and

WHEREAS, more than 5,000 cast ballots during the last seven (7) days of the early voting period; and

WHEREAS, numerous candidates for office engaged in electioneering and other campaign related activities in designated areas adjacent to the early voting sites during the early voting period; and

WHEREAS, the current extended early voting period places a tremendous burden and strain on elections staff and volunteer workers, as well as the candidates themselves.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners requests the North Carolina General Assembly to reduce the early voting period to a total of seven (7) days.

ADOPTED this 17 day of March 2026.

Nick Picerno, Chairman
Moore County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Jennifer Parks
Clerk to the Board

