

AGENDA

Catawba County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Monday, August 17, 2026, 7:00 p.m.
Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room, 2nd Floor
Catawba County Justice Center
100 Government Drive, Newton, NC

1. Call to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
3. Invocation.
4. [Approval of the Minutes from the Board's Regular Meeting of August 3, 2026.](#)
5. Recognition of Special Guests.
6. Public Comments.
7. [Appointments.](#)
8. Consent Agenda.
 - a. [Bandy's Crossroads Fire Department Fund Balance Appropriation.](#)
 - b. [Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program Grant \(StRAP\).](#)
 - c. [Capital Project Reallocation: Hickory City Schools.](#)
 - d. [July Tax Refunds, Releases and Adjustments.](#)
 - e. [Retirement of Drug Interdiction K-9: Loki.](#)
 - f. [Revenue Appropriation: 245 East N. St. Newton.](#)
9. Other Items of Business.
10. Manager's Report.
11. Attorney's Report.
 - a. [Property Acquisition: 334 Southwest Blvd, Newton.](#)
 - b. [Amended Opioid Complaint PBM Claims.](#)
12. Adjournment.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: Individuals needing assistance should contact the County Clerk at 828-465-8990 within a reasonable time prior to the meeting. Participation in public meetings is without regard to race, ethnicity, religion, sex, age, or disability.

CALENDAR: The next Board of Commissioners Meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., in the Board of Commissioners Meeting Room of the Catawba County Justice Center.

APPOINTMENTS

ROBERT(Due)

Alcohol Beverage Control Board

10/04/26

Don Coleman

Eligible for 5th Term

08/31/27

Ben Ridley (Jody Street)

Fill Unexpired Term

Commissioner Abernethy recommends the appointment of Ben Ridley to fill the unexpired term of Jody Street, with a term expiration of August 31, 2027.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Catawba County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Finance and Personnel Subcommittee
DATE: August 17, 2026
IN RE: Bandy's Crossroads Fire Department Fund Balance Appropriation

Request:

The Finance and Personnel Subcommittee requests the Board of Commissioners appropriate \$48,000 in available fire district fund balance to the Bandy's Crossroads Fire Department for the one-time purchase of firefighter personal protective equipment (PPE) and portable radios.

Background:

Historically, each fire department maintains its own fund balance, which carries forward from year to year unless appropriated by the Board of Commissioners. Fund balances are generated when fire tax revenues exceed budgeted expenditures during a fiscal year.

County practice has allowed departments to utilize up to 90 percent of their available fund balance for major capital projects or other one-time expenditures, including facilities, apparatus, and equipment purchases. The remaining 10 percent is retained to address unforeseen expenditures that may arise during the fiscal year.

Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) – \$30,000

The requested funding will provide complete sets of new personal protective equipment for six (6) firefighters. Current industry standards establish a 10-year service life for firefighter turnout gear. Replacing expired PPE ensures firefighters remain equipped with gear that meets current safety standards and provides the highest level of protection during emergency operations.

Portable Radios – \$18,000

The requested funding will replace eight (8) portable radios assigned to fire apparatus. After evaluating operational needs and the significant cost of purchasing new radios, the department determined that refurbished portable radios provide the best value. The refurbished units include a two-year warranty and will improve communications reliability while maximizing available funding.

Bandy's Crossroads Fire Department currently has an available fund balance of \$148,098. If this request is approved, the department will retain \$100,098 in available fund balance, providing adequate financial reserves for future needs while addressing critical equipment replacement.

Recommendation:

The Finance and Personnel Subcommittee recommends the Board of Commissioners appropriate \$48,000 in available fire district fund balance to the Bandy's Crossroads Fire Department for the one-time purchase of firefighter personal protective equipment (PPE) and portable radios.



*Bandys Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department
1611 Buffalo Shoals Road
Catawba, NC 28609
Telephone 828-241-2111*



The purpose of this letter is to describe and justify the funds needed out of the Bandys Fire Department Fund Balance. Bandys Fire is requesting the amount of \$48,000 out of our available \$148,098. These funds will be used to purchase 6 new sets of turnout gear and 8 portable radios.

Turnout gear- \$30,000

These funds will be used to fully outfit 6 firefighters with new turnout gear. New hires coupled with large amounts of aging gear requires us to order more than our regularly budgeted amount.

Radio Fund- \$18,000

These Funds will be to replace aging and broken portable radios for our firefighters. 8 Radios will be purchased and placed directly on to responding apparatus. Communication is vital for our operations and we are experiencing issues with our older units. It is no longer cost effective to repair these units due to their age. Finding parts for these radios is proving to be difficult and extremely expensive due to them no longer being in production.

It is an honor for us to serve the citizens of Bandys and Catawba County. These funds will be spent to ensure our firefighters have the equipment they need to continue to respond efficiently and effectively.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Melton

Fire Chief, Bandys Fire Department

07/27/2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: Catawba County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Finance and Personnel Subcommittee
DATE: August 17, 2026
RE: Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program Grant (StRAP)

REQUEST

The Finance and Personnel Subcommittee requests the Board of Commissioners:

1. Accept and appropriate the Soil & Water Conservation Commission's grant funds in the amount of \$375,000 to remove stream debris blockages in the county; and
2. Authorize the County Manager to execute the required grant agreement.

BACKGROUND

The General Assembly awarded \$36.1 million in grant funds in 2022 for a new program to reduce flooding across the State's waterways by removing vegetative debris and debris blockages, with another \$24.2 million was awarded in 2024. Catawba County Soil & Water Conservation received \$475,012 between the two grant allocations. To date we have completed five projects totaling \$371,377 with another project planned that will finish out our 2024 funds.

Recently, the General Assembly has approved the allocation of funds to address sites that were affected by Hurricane Helene in September of 2024, with Catawba County being classified as a medium-need county. The Catawba Soil & Water staff identified three sites and requested \$550,000 along the Henry Fork River, Southfork River and Clarks Creek. Of those sites, the Southfork River and Clarks Creek sites were approved for funding in the amount of \$375,000. The Henry Fork River site was not approved by the state because it didn't have any blockages, only scattered debris.

RECOMMENDATION

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BUDGET REVISION

Supplemental Appropriation

Revenue:

285-320050-630954	American Rescue Plan Funds	\$375,000
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Expense:

285-320050-849054	Transfer to General Fund	\$375,000
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Southfork River

Approximately 3/10 of a mile
upstream of Blackburn Bridge



Clark Creek

Southside Park in Newton

MEMORANDUM

TO: Catawba County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Finance and Personnel Subcommittee

DATE: August 17, 2026

RE: Hickory City Schools Capital Project Reallocation

REQUEST

The Finance and Personnel Subcommittee requests the Board of Commissioners approve reallocation of \$219,000 in previously appropriated funds from existing Hickory City Schools capital projects to support emergent project needs, as requested by Hickory City Schools.

BACKGROUND

As part of the FY2027 budget request, Hickory City Schools requested reallocation of \$219,000 in previously existing project funding to support emergent needs associated with other projects. These existing projects are now complete, and the funding is no longer needed to support those projects. This reallocation would allow for the previously approved funding to support new and urgent needs with no new funding requested at this time. The breakdown for this reallocation is below.

The two projects requested to receive realigned funds are the Jenkins Elementary Playground Improvements and the Oakwood Elementary Kitchen Drainage Improvements.

Jenkins Elementary

Hickory City Schools informed County staff the Playground Improvement project is the second phase in the HCS long-range playgrounds plan. The structure at Jenkins Elementary has advanced deterioration, and several parts have been replaced in the past 6 years. Further component replacement is no longer feasible. No new funding was provided for this project in FY2027. There is a balance in this project of \$63,989 from previously funded phases of the project. Total cost of the current phase of the project is \$265,989.

Oakwood Elementary

In addition to the needs at Jenkins Elementary, Hickory City Schools is requesting to reallocate existing project funds towards Kitchen Drainage Improvements to address issues including the existing loading ramp area for the 1953 Oakwood Elementary School cafeteria building, which is extremely constrained and antiquated, and failed internal components in the existing 2-gallon grease trap in the kitchen. \$129,000 in new funding was approved with the FY2027 budget. There has been no funding for this project in prior years. Total cost of the project is \$146,000.

Existing Project	Project Number	Amount to be Reallocated	New Project	Project Number	Current Funding	New Funding
Southwest Primary Renovations	32109-3-07	\$17,000	Oakwood Elementary - Kitchen Drainage Improvements	32108-3-05	\$129,000	\$146,000
SUBTOTAL		\$17,000				
System-Wide Furniture & Equip	32150-4-09	\$53,000	Jenkins Elementary - Playground Improvements			
System-Wide Painting	32150-3-30	\$48,000		32150-3-29	\$63,989	\$265,989
Security Upgrades	32150-3-19	\$101,000				
SUBTOTAL		\$202,000				

TOTAL	\$219,000				
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RECOMMENDATION

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TRANSFER

From:

420-750100-865200-32109-3-07	Southwest Primary Renovations	\$17,000.00
420-750100-865200-32150-4-09	System-Wide Furniture & Equipment	\$53,000.00
420-750100-865200-32150-3-30-	System-Wide Painting	\$48,000.00
420-750100-865200-32150-3-19	Security Upgrade	\$101,000.00

To:

420-750100-865200-32108-3-05	Kitchen Drain Improvements	\$17,000.00
420-750100-865200-32150-3-29	Playground Improvements	\$202,000.00

MEMORANDUM

TO: Catawba County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Tax Administrator

DATE: August 17, 2026

IN RE: Tax Release / Refund Request

REQUEST

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners approve 18 releases totaling \$51,159.51, three refunds totaling \$321.51, and 63 Motor Vehicles Bill adjustments / refunds totaling \$6,615.18 requested during the month of July.

BACKGROUND

North Carolina General Statute 105-381(b) states upon receipt of a taxpayer's written request for release or refund, the taxing unit's governing body has 90 days to determine whether the taxpayer's request is valid to either approve the release or refund of the incorrect portion or to notify the taxpayer in writing that no release or refund will be made.

During the month of July Tax Office staff have checked records and verified the legitimacy of 18 releases totaling \$51,159.51, three refunds totaling \$321.51, and 63 Motor Vehicle Bill adjustments / refunds totaling \$6,615.18.

Common reasons for the refunds, releases, and adjustments include change in values and months, change in situs, businesses closing / being sold, clerical errors, reinstatement of elderly exclusions upon verification, adjustments due to late submittals and duplicate billings, and pro-ratio of tax bill amounts to account for mid-year transfers of ownership. A detailed transaction summary of individual transactions is attached.

RECOMMENDATION

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COMMISSIONER APPROVAL OF RELEASES & REFUNDS

TIME PERIOD: July 1, 2026 Thru July 31, 2026

PROCESSED: August 17, 2026

REGULAR RELEASES

MOTOR VEHICLE	\$0.00
REAL & PERSONAL	\$51,159.51
TOTALS	\$51,159.51

REGULAR REFUNDS

MOTOR VEHICLE	
REAL & PERSONAL	
TOTALS	\$321.51

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SYSTEM REFUNDS (VTS)

MOTOR VEHICLE NCVTS	6,615.18
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COUNTY GRAND TOTAL \$51,481.02

RANDY ISENHOWER
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Release SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL ON 8/17/2026

Abstract Number (Please include leading zeros)	Year For which release/refund requested	Owner Name as Billed (Last, First, Middle)	Release or Refund?	Original Value	Corrected Value	Release / Refund Amount	Reason (Please do not use all CAPS. Use correct capitalization)
18945	2026	BRINEGAR WAYNE FRANKLIN	Release	340,800	337,340	\$17.42	Inground swimming pool was removed prior to January 1.
3032774	2026	ELLER FINISHING LLC	Release	80,706	71,952	\$82.67	Adjusted billing due to late submittal. Taxpayer submitted 2026 listing after annual billing creation.
3034546	2026	KEHL DENTS LLC	Release	43,470	26,370	\$98.27	Appeal received. Adjusted two utility trailers based on obtained bill of sale from taxpayer.
36023	2026	LAUREL FOREST ASSOCIATES LLC	Release	22,655,600	18,000,000	\$39,968.33	2023 PTC Appeal was settled at \$18,000,000 value.
3022764	2026	MAGNOLIA GROVE PHOTOGRAPHY LLC	Release	1,221	0	\$6.33	Business closed and was dissolved 12/19/2025.
36121	2026	PAINTER RANDALL G	Release	125,400	10,300	\$571.81	Dwelling was razed in 2025
3028850	2026	PRODIGY VOICE AND DATA LLC	Release	22,765	17,556	\$49.20	Adjusted billing due to late submittal. Taxpayer submitted 2026 listing after annual billing creation.
3070659	2025	ROBINSON MICHAEL DUNDEE	Release	15,338	0	\$144.84	Adjusted billing to remove watercrafts sold 02/21/2024.
675650	2026	S & S LAND MANAGEMENT LLC	Release	1,329,600	0	\$6,628.06	Duplicate bill created in error.
3035294	2026	THE HICKORY JEWELRY COMPANY LLC	Release	106,530	72,489	\$292.24	Adjusted billing to correct assessment due to partial sale of business assets to another listed business resulting in a duplication.
3035623	2026	THE HICKORY JEWELRY COMPANY LLC	Release	35,153	0	\$301.78	Adjusted billing to correct physical location of business. Full release and rebill to correct taxing districts.
3024550	2026	TRI-STATE TECHNICAL SERVICES LLC	Release	7,591	0	\$41.55	Adjusted billing to remove duplicate assessment. Correct business name and assessment under account 97005194.
402297	2026	URIBE GONZALO LORENZO	Release	293,000	148,400	\$664.44	Reinstate elderly exclusion. Required information provided.
3026838	2026	VENDING ZONE LLC	Release	61,174	0	\$352.28	Business closed 12/26/2025 per filed dissolution with NC SOS.
3078069	2025	VINTAGE 28 TAP & WINE INC	Release	94,386	0	\$808.28	Business closed during 2024.
30451	2026	WALLACE ROBERT ARNOLD	Release	158,900	83,550	\$391.44	Reinstated elderly exclusion after required paperwork received
33084	2026	WATTS SHARON DIANE	Release	123,200	61,600	\$528.84	Reinstated elderly exclusion after required paperwork received.
14151	2026	ZIMMERMAN BOBBY LEE	Release	155,200	110,200	\$211.73	Veteran exclusion reinstated.
				25,650,034	18,939,757	\$51,159.51	

Refund SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL ON 8/17/2026

Abstract Number (Please include leading zeros)	Year For which release/refund requested	Owner Name as Billed (Last, First, Middle)	Release or Refund?	Original Value	Corrected Value	Release / Refund Amount	Reason (Please do not use all CAPS. Use correct capitalization)
3048629	2024	TROPICAL AND COFFEE INC	Refund	11,142	0	\$104.61	Adjusted billing to remove duplicated assessment. Owner listed all equipment under is "Food Truck" account including equipment used in his "Brick and Mortar" store. Duplication was found during audit.
3048629	2023	TROPICAL AND COFFEE INC	Refund	10,129	0	\$95.10	Adjusted billing to remove duplicated assessment. Owner listed all equipment under is "Food Truck" account including equipment used in his "Brick and Mortar" store. Duplication was found during audit.
3048629	2022	TROPICAL AND COFFEE INC	Refund	9,208	0	\$121.80	Adjusted billing to remove duplicated assessment. Owner listed all equipment under is "Food Truck" account including equipment used in his "Brick and Mortar" store. Duplication was found during audit.
				30,479	0	\$321.51	



North Carolina Vehicle Tax System

Pending Refund Report

Payee Name	Address 1	Address 2	Address 3	Plate Number	Status	Refund Description	Refund Reason	Tax Jurisdiction	Levy Type	Change	Interest Change	Total Change
AIKENS, KARESSA ELIZABETH	1339 14TH STREET DR NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	LHD5254	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0087933672-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Totalled	CATA	TAX	(\$47.05)	\$0.00	(\$47.05)
								C05	TAX	(\$54.31)	\$0.00	(\$54.31)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$101.36
BERNHARDT, LANCE SCOTT	3674 LAKE BLUFF DR		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	HAD7859	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0062572533-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$42.61)	\$0.00	(\$42.61)
								F08	TAX	(\$10.59)	\$0.00	(\$10.59)
											Refund	\$53.20
BIGGERSTAFF, PHYLLIS JONES	6577 MALCOLM RD		VALE, NC 28168	HBV3166	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0052722428-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$76.87)	\$0.00	(\$76.87)
								F04	TAX	(\$11.96)	\$0.00	(\$11.96)
											Refund	\$88.83
BLACK OAK PROPERTIES LLC	2512 CAMELIA POINTE DR		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	KHL1865	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0072167020-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$159.24)	\$0.00	(\$159.24)
								F08	TAX	(\$39.56)	\$0.00	(\$39.56)
											Refund	\$198.80
BOOLS, JOHN CHRISTOPHER	119 42ND AVENUE DR NW		HICKORY, NC 28601	BMM4103	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0091927734-2025-2025-0000-00	Adjustment	CATA	TAX	(\$55.18)	\$0.00	(\$55.18)
								C05	TAX	(\$63.69)	\$0.00	(\$63.69)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$118.87
BUMGARNER, CHARLES ERNEST	2834 COMMUNITY RD		CLAREMONT, NC 28610	XC2675	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0018229916-2025-2025-0000-00	Adjustment	CATA	TAX	(\$67.03)	\$0.00	(\$67.03)
								F07	TAX	(\$10.27)	\$0.00	(\$10.27)
											Refund	\$77.30
BURKE COUNTY TAX OFFICE	PO BOX 219		MORGANTON, NC 28680	ZX3536	PENDING	[AS0168] - Refund Generated due to adjustment on abstract # : 0088159014-2025-2025-0000 RMV	Change of County	CATA	TAX	(\$158.40)	\$0.00	(\$158.40)
								C05	TAX	(\$182.85)	\$0.00	(\$182.85)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	(\$5.00)	\$0.00	(\$5.00)
											Refund	\$346.25
BURRIS, EDDIE HOWARD	3611 BUFFALO SHOALS RD		MAIDEN, NC 28650	KFZ5407	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0077763032-2024-2024-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$22.95)	\$0.00	(\$22.95)
								F09	TAX	(\$5.76)	\$0.00	(\$5.76)
											Refund	\$28.71
CAMPBELL, DANA NICOLE	5731 NELLO DR		HICKORY, NC 28602	CP48590	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0072212430-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$130.44)	\$0.00	(\$130.44)
								F03	TAX	(\$27.99)	\$0.00	(\$27.99)
											Refund	\$158.43

CHESTER, TYLER ANTHONY	1338 32ND STREET COURT NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	DHA9198	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0080868383-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$21.76)	\$0.00	(\$21.76)
								F05	TAX	(\$6.77)	\$0.00	(\$6.77)
											Refund	\$28.53
CHRIST CHURCH GLOBAL INC	2416 ZION CHURCH RD		HICKORY, NC 28602	VFN2518	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0085529442- 2025-2025-0000-00	Adjustment	CATA	TAX	(\$61.29)	\$0.00	(\$61.29)
								F03	TAX	(\$13.15)	\$0.00	(\$13.15)
											Refund	\$74.44
COLEMAN, JOSEPH EDWARD	2660 HK DR		NEWTON, NC 28658	WAB5199	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0088215024-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$89.66)	\$0.00	(\$89.66)
								F20	TAX	(\$28.12)	\$0.00	(\$28.12)
											Refund	\$117.78
CONARD, WAYNE ALLEN	3466 CHUBS LN		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	CS67416	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0091604542-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$17.94)	\$0.00	(\$17.94)
								F08	TAX	(\$4.45)	\$0.00	(\$4.45)
											Refund	\$22.39
CORNETT, GREGORY MARK	1522 35TH AVE NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	WAW4737	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0089898361-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$39.75)	\$0.00	(\$39.75)
								C05	TAX	(\$45.88)	\$0.00	(\$45.88)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
DALY, CLAUDIA ROLLINS	4035 ARROWHEAD DR NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	LBK5021	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0081587371-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold				Refund	\$85.63
								CATA	TAX	(\$79.08)	\$0.00	(\$79.08)
								C05	TAX	(\$91.29)	\$0.00	(\$91.29)
DEAN, SETH PHILLIP	118 3RD AVE NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	VFN2550	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0085573616- 2025-2025-0000-00	SLVG or RBLT TTL	C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
								CATA	TAX	(\$48.51)	\$0.00	(\$48.51)
								C05	TAX	(\$56.00)	\$0.00	(\$56.00)
DIXON, DANIEL THOMAS	2559 10TH AVE NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	CLY5903	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0025352397-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold				Refund	\$104.51
								CATA	TAX	(\$6.50)	\$0.00	(\$6.50)
								F05	TAX	(\$2.02)	\$0.00	(\$2.02)
FALASCA, JOSEPH ROBERT	2191 NORTHVIEW HARBOUR DR		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	MBR1137	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0089697786-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Totalled				Refund	\$8.52
								CATA	TAX	(\$82.99)	\$0.00	(\$82.99)
								F08	TAX	(\$20.61)	\$0.00	(\$20.61)
FREEMAN, WESLEY RYAN	2808 DOGWOOD DR		CLAREMONT, NC 28610	FAN1034	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0079563420-2024- 2024-0000-00	Vehicle Sold				Refund	\$13.15
								CATA	TAX	(\$6.42)	\$0.00	(\$6.42)
								C03	TAX	(\$6.73)	\$0.00	(\$6.73)
FULBRIGHT, KEVIN RAEGENE	5161 HONEST BOB RD		MAIDEN, NC 28650	JLT4137	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0087460723-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold				Refund	\$100.07
								CATA	TAX	(\$80.00)	\$0.00	(\$80.00)
								F09	TAX	(\$20.07)	\$0.00	(\$20.07)
GILBERT, BEVERLY ELLINGTON	102 2ND AVE SE		CATAWBA, NC 28609	FDY7475	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0076702732-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold				Refund	\$243.96
								CATA	TAX	(\$108.20)	\$0.00	(\$108.20)
								C02	TAX	(\$135.76)	\$0.00	(\$135.76)

GRAHAM, EDWARD GEORGE	2578 BERNE LN		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	FLF8982	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0063030210-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$58.84)	\$0.00	(\$58.84)
								F08	TAX	(\$14.61)	\$0.00	(\$14.61)
											Refund	\$73.45
HEPLER, MICHAEL FRANKLIN	2808 DOGWOOD DR		CLAREMONT, NC 28610	JJH2274	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0077365909-2024- 2024-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$61.27)	\$0.00	(\$61.27)
								C05	TAX	(\$69.95)	\$0.00	(\$69.95)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			Refund	\$131.22								
HICKORY FENCE COMPANY, INC	4152 SECTION HOUSE RD		HICKORY, NC 28601	CN9220	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0014436956-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$2.19)	\$0.00	(\$2.19)
								F05	TAX	(\$0.68)	\$0.00	(\$0.68)
											Refund	\$2.87
HOGAN, MELODY NICOLE	7256 OLD SHELBY RD		VALE, NC 28168	TFP6223	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0079930946-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$30.32)	\$0.00	(\$30.32)
								F17	TAX	(\$5.40)	\$0.00	(\$5.40)
											Refund	\$35.72
HUFFMAN, ANDREW PRESTON	5016 WOODWINDS DR NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	MDB1895	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0091154115-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$187.03)	\$0.00	(\$187.03)
								C05	TAX	(\$215.89)	\$0.00	(\$215.89)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			Refund	\$402.92								
HUNT, STEVE OWEN	1959 KOOL PARK RD NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	WBL6198	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0092298192-2026- 2026-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$8.61)	\$0.00	(\$8.61)
								F05	TAX	(\$2.68)	\$0.00	(\$2.68)
											Refund	\$11.29
ICARD, STEVEN SEAN	1184 VENUS ST		CONOVER, NC 28613	THB5275	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0058864700-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$16.89)	\$0.00	(\$16.89)
								F05	TAX	(\$5.26)	\$0.00	(\$5.26)
											Refund	\$22.15
ISRAEL, MICHAEL STEVEN	3314 13TH AVENUE CT NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	RYL6565	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0077173579-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$134.53)	\$0.00	(\$134.53)
								F05	TAX	(\$41.86)	\$0.00	(\$41.86)
											Refund	\$176.39
JACKSON, ALBERT BRENT	PO BOX 1137		HICKORY, NC 28603	VB9536	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0089958841-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$66.65)	\$0.00	(\$66.65)
								F14	TAX	(\$18.57)	\$0.00	(\$18.57)
											Refund	\$85.22
JAMES, MONICA ERIN	2150 25TH STREET DR NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	HFB3287	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0087859095-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$27.73)	\$0.00	(\$27.73)
								F05	TAX	(\$8.63)	\$0.00	(\$8.63)
											Refund	\$36.36
JENKINS, RICHARD STEVEN	118 ROCKIN J RD		MAIDEN, NC 28650	VDL2083	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0092300380-2026- 2026-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$40.65)	\$0.00	(\$40.65)
								F10	TAX	(\$10.03)	\$0.00	(\$10.03)
											Refund	\$50.68
KENNEDY, MICHAEL KEVIN	8756 SHERRILLS FORD RD		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	ZX3544	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0088233749-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$55.77)	\$0.00	(\$55.77)
								C05	TAX	(\$64.38)	\$0.00	(\$64.38)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			Refund	\$120.15								

LEHMANN, FLORIAN	2003 STARTOWN RD	APT 308	HICKORY, NC 28602	RLL3880	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0090021720- 2025-2025-0000-00	Adjustment	CATA	TAX	(\$85.39)	\$0.00	(\$85.39)
								C05	TAX	(\$98.58)	\$0.00	(\$98.58)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$183.97
LINCOLN COUNTY TAX OFFICE	100 E MAIN ST	FIRST FLOOR	LINCOLNTON, NC 28092	9S5784	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0089783213- 2025-2025-0000-00	Change of County	CATA	TAX	(\$24.63)	\$0.00	(\$24.63)
								C05	TAX	(\$28.43)	\$0.00	(\$28.43)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	(\$5.00)	\$0.00	(\$5.00)
											Refund	\$58.06
MARTIN, KATHERINE ASHLEY	2055 KALE RD		CATAWBA, NC 28609	RJL8686	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0091314047-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$47.59)	\$0.00	(\$47.59)
								F12	TAX	(\$13.97)	\$0.00	(\$13.97)
											Refund	\$61.56
MENDAT, BARBARA ROGALSKI	1264 37TH AVENUE LN NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	JDM8714	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0082860704-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$31.32)	\$0.00	(\$31.32)
								C05	TAX	(\$36.15)	\$0.00	(\$36.15)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$67.47
MORRISON, WANDA FAYE	805 2ND ST SE		CONOVER, NC 28613	JAR6036	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0085711484-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$30.79)	\$0.00	(\$30.79)
								C04	TAX	(\$30.52)	\$0.00	(\$30.52)
								C04	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$61.31
MULL, DEBORAH FAYE	3735 BRIARROSE CIR		CLAREMONT, NC 28610	JCR3881	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0082349989-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$3.92)	\$0.00	(\$3.92)
								F11	TAX	(\$1.27)	\$0.00	(\$1.27)
											Refund	\$5.19
NARAIN, DEEP	7057 TALLENT COURT		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	MDD6379	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0091318203-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$38.06)	\$0.00	(\$38.06)
								F08	TAX	(\$9.46)	\$0.00	(\$9.46)
											Refund	\$47.52
NASCAR	1802 EVANS ST NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	EFX8894	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0074597216-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$158.52)	\$0.00	(\$158.52)
								C04	TAX	(\$157.13)	\$0.00	(\$157.13)
								C04	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$315.65
NASCAR	1802 EVANS ST NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	HBV5465	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0077949339-2024- 2024-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$77.89)	\$0.00	(\$77.89)
								C04	TAX	(\$77.21)	\$0.00	(\$77.21)
								C04	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$155.10
NASCAR	1802 EVANS ST NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	LER4605	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0081812253-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$163.57)	\$0.00	(\$163.57)
								C04	TAX	(\$162.13)	\$0.00	(\$162.13)
								C04	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$325.70
NASCAR JTW	1802 EVANS ST NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	DFV7174	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0077334091-2024- 2024-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$43.06)	(\$2.15)	(\$45.21)
								C04	TAX	(\$42.68)	(\$2.14)	(\$44.82)
								C04	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$90.03
PATRICK, DREAMA WALTERS	713 WESTSIDE DR		NEWTON, NC 28658	TFR4837	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0051644511-2025- 2025-0000-00	Tag Surrender	CATA	TAX	(\$30.88)	\$0.00	(\$30.88)
								C08	TAX	(\$34.87)	\$0.00	(\$34.87)
								C08	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$65.75

PATRICK, DREAMA WALTERS	713 WESTSIDE DR		NEWTON, NC 28658	NNL2263	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0018210863-2024-2024-0000-00	Tag Surrender	CATA	TAX	(\$1.11)	\$0.00	(\$1.11)
								C08	TAX	(\$1.25)	\$0.00	(\$1.25)
								C08	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$2.36
QUACKENBUSH, JASON ANDREW	763 S CLINE AVE		NEWTON, NC 28658	RJK7142	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0078877193-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$40.32)	\$0.00	(\$40.32)
								C08	TAX	(\$45.54)	\$0.00	(\$45.54)
								C08	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$85.86
RICHARDSON, JAMES CLAUDE	1819 5TH ST NW		HICKORY, NC 28601	KER2097	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0080734546-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$146.94)	\$0.00	(\$146.94)
								C05	TAX	(\$169.62)	\$0.00	(\$169.62)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$316.56
ROSS, JONATHAN RANDALL	690 ROBINHOOD RD		MAIDEN, NC 28650	AA2122J	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0090537610-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$170.77)	\$0.00	(\$170.77)
								C07	TAX	(\$162.85)	\$0.00	(\$162.85)
											Refund	\$333.62
ROWE, EDWARD ROCKEY	3612 MULLIGAN DR NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	CAT8536	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0053177275-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$58.86)	\$0.00	(\$58.86)
								F11	TAX	(\$19.20)	\$0.00	(\$19.20)
											Refund	\$78.06
RUSH, SONJA DANIELLE	5037 WALLACE CIR		HICKORY, NC 28602	RBA2871	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0070216093-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$53.12)	\$0.00	(\$53.12)
								F03	TAX	(\$11.39)	\$0.00	(\$11.39)
											Refund	\$64.51
SIGMON, JAMES LEWIS JR	210 GEITNER AVE		NEWTON, NC 28658	DLP7106	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0088960065-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$58.62)	\$0.00	(\$58.62)
								C08	TAX	(\$66.19)	\$0.00	(\$66.19)
								C08	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$124.81
SMITH, VALERIE NICOLE	4408 SHOOK RD		CLAREMONT, NC 28610	LCB5579	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0091096819-2025-2025-0000	Situe error	CATA	TAX	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
								C03	TAX	\$105.25	\$0.00	\$105.25
								C05	TAX	(\$115.97)	\$0.00	(\$115.97)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	(\$5.00)	\$0.00	(\$5.00)
											Refund	\$15.72
SZYKULA, MELANIE BOWER	4194 WINONA DR		MAIDEN, NC 28650	PJP3247	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0076695071-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$49.97)	\$0.00	(\$49.97)
								F08	TAX	(\$12.41)	\$0.00	(\$12.41)
											Refund	\$62.38
SZYMCZYK, TADELUSZ ADAM	4154 SIM CHICK LN		MAIDEN, NC 28650	LLR1121	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0086997662-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$8.65)	\$0.00	(\$8.65)
								F09	TAX	(\$2.17)	\$0.00	(\$2.17)
											Refund	\$10.82
TEAGUE, JOHN MCFARLAND	3665 LAKE BLUFF DR		SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673	KKB4396	PENDING	Refund Generated due to adjustment on Bill #0078802000-2025-2025-0000-00	Adjustment	CATA	TAX	(\$63.76)	\$0.00	(\$63.76)
								F08	TAX	(\$15.84)	\$0.00	(\$15.84)
											Refund	\$79.60
THOMAS, JOSEPH KELLER IV	117 BRENTWOOD DR		MAIDEN, NC 28650	HJX5063	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0082740752-2025-2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$17.28)	\$0.00	(\$17.28)
								C07	TAX	(\$16.47)	\$0.00	(\$16.47)
											Refund	\$33.75

THORNBURG, STEVEN WAYNE	2684 LAKEVIEW CT NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	FFB2976	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0043076994-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$110.43)	\$0.00	(\$110.43)
								F11	TAX	(\$36.02)	\$0.00	(\$36.02)
											Refund	\$146.45
THORNBURG, STEVEN WAYNE	2684 LAKEVIEW CT NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	RDP5128	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0065263085-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$81.93)	\$0.00	(\$81.93)
								F11	TAX	(\$26.73)	\$0.00	(\$26.73)
											Refund	\$108.66
WILFRED JOSEPH ROBIN JR REVOCABLE TRUST DATED5/23/17	549 11TH AVENUE CIR NW		HICKORY, NC 28601	JLA2615	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0058533480-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$8.46)	\$0.00	(\$8.46)
								C05	TAX	(\$9.76)	\$0.00	(\$9.76)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$18.22
WILLIAMS, PHILLIP STANFORD	910 3RD STREET PL NE		CONOVER, NC 28613	MAP9476	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0089471424-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$53.23)	\$0.00	(\$53.23)
								C04	TAX	(\$52.77)	\$0.00	(\$52.77)
								C04	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$106.00
WILLIAMS, TERA JEAN	1978 19TH AVENUE DR NE		HICKORY, NC 28601	TFW9975	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0069629977-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$56.49)	\$0.00	(\$56.49)
								C05	TAX	(\$65.20)	\$0.00	(\$65.20)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$121.69
WOODS, BECKY ELAINE	621 IZZY WAY		LIBERTY, MO 64068	REB5319	PENDING	Refund Generated due to proration on Bill #0073273765-2025- 2025-0000-00	Vehicle Sold	CATA	TAX	(\$35.13)	\$0.00	(\$35.13)
								C05	TAX	(\$40.55)	\$0.00	(\$40.55)
								C05	VEHICLE FEE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
											Refund	\$75.68
											Refund Total	\$6615.18

MEMORANDUM

To: Catawba County Board of Commissioners
From: Don Brown, Catawba County Sheriff
Date: August 17, 2026
Subject: Retirement of Drug Interdiction K-9 "Loki"

Request

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners approve a resolution to retire drug interdiction K-9 Loki and transfer ownership of Loki to K-9 handler Jeremy Graham.

Background

Loki is a drug interdiction K-9 owned by Catawba County and operated by the Catawba County Sheriff's Office. He has performed his duties diligently for 7 years. Loki is almost 10 years old and is no longer physically able to perform law enforcement duties. Loki was specifically trained in certain law enforcement procedures and may behave unpredictably and perhaps aggressively because of such training unless he is under the care and supervision of his trained handler. Loki's trained K-9 handler is Jeremy Graham, and he possesses the necessary expertise to manage and care for Loki and provide a safe and suitable home for retirement.

Adoption of the resolution, pursuant to NCGS 160A-266(d), would allow the Catawba County Sheriff's Office to retire and transfer ownership of Loki to his handler Jeremy Graham upon Deputy Graham's accepting custody of Loki, agreeing to keep Loki retired, and assuming all liability and responsibility for the care of Loki for the remainder of its life.

Recommendation

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners approve a resolution to retire drug interdiction K-9 dog Loki and transfer ownership of Loki to Deputy Jeremy Graham.

RESOLUTION 2026-19

**AUTHORIZING THE RETIREMENT OF
K-9 "Loki"**

WHEREAS, Drug Interdiction K-9 "Loki" has been a great benefit to Catawba County for 7 Years; and

WHEREAS, Loki retired from service effective June 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Loki was specifically trained in certain law enforcement procedures and may behave unpredictably and perhaps aggressively as a result of such training, and therefore presents a potential threat to the general public health and safety if presented for sale to, or adoption by, the general public; and

WHEREAS, such risk is not present when Loki is under the care and supervision of trained and qualified individuals; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Graham, a K-9 handler, possesses the necessary expertise to manage and care for Loki, providing a safe and suitable home for retirement; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that Loki should be retired and ownership transferred to Jeremy Graham, so that he may provide a safe and suitable home for retirement, in recognition of Loki's period of dedicated service and due to the additional training and responsibility which is required; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-266(d) permits the Board of Commissioners to authorize the transfer of ownership of Loki to Jeremy Graham, upon Jeremy Graham accepting custody of Loki, ensuring Loki remains retired, and assuming all liability and responsibility for the care of Loki for the remainder of its life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the transfer of ownership of K-9 Loki to Jeremy Graham, effective August 17, 2026, or upon the execution of the Assumption of Liability and Release.

ADOPTED, this the 17th day of August 2026.

[Seal]

C. Randall Isenhower, Chairman
Catawba County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Dale Stiles, Clerk
Catawba County Board of Commissioners

MEMORANDUM

TO: Catawba County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Laura McBryde, Director of Budget & Management

DATE: August 17, 2026

IN RE: Revenue Appropriation: Land Sale Proceeds

REQUEST

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners appropriate \$65,000 in revenue from the sale of County-owned land located at 245 East N Street, Newton to the existing General Renovations capital project.

BACKGROUND

On July 20, 2026, the BOC authorized staff to initiate the upset bid process for disposal of the 2.53-acre County-owned parcel located at 245 East N Street in Newton, based on an offer to purchase from Ashure Ministry, Inc. The upset bid period has closed, and Ashure Ministry, Inc. was the successful bidder.

Staff requests the land sale proceeds from this transaction be deposited into the existing General Renovations capital project to supplement resources available to address County-wide maintenance and renovation needs in County-owned buildings and facilities. Recent history suggests that, over the course of a given year, there will be emergent or emergency facility needs, including critical repairs or renovations, exploration of property acquisition, etc., for which these funds would be useful.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board of Commissioners appropriate \$65,000 in revenue from the sale of County-owned land located at 245 East N Street, Newton to the existing General Renovations capital project.

Supplemental Appropriation

Revenue:

410-460100-692254	Proceeds-Sale of Land	\$65,000
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Expense:

410-460100-988000-11018	General Renovations	\$65,000
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Catawba County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Jodi Stewart, County Attorney
DATE: August 17, 2026
SUBJECT: Purchase of Real Property located at 334 Southwest Boulevard, Newton

Request:

Staff request the Board of Commissioners approve the purchase of the real property located at 334 Southwest Boulevard, Newton, for \$1,600,000.00 and appropriation of the funding necessary to complete the transaction.

Background:

The County has entered into a purchase agreement with County Wide Insurance Agency Inc. for the purchase of the subject property, the former Western Steer in Newton, subject to the seller being able to clear certain title issues, for a purchase price of \$1,550,000.00. The property is strategically located at the corner of 321 and Hwy 10 and provides access to the County's existing parcels and flexibility for growth to expand public facilities, services, or infrastructure without being constrained by surrounding development.

A title search has been performed and staff reviewed due diligence documents, including a Phase I and survey. The examination period expires August 18th, with a closing date required prior to September 3rd. As the closing statement has not been finalized, staff is requesting \$50,000 in funds as a buffer to ensure all of the transaction costs are covered.

Recommendation:

Staff recommend the Board of Commissioners approve the purchase of the real property located at 334 Southwest Boulevard, Newton, for \$1,600,000.00 appropriation of the funding necessary to complete the transaction.

Supplemental Appropriation

Revenue

110-190050-690100	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$1,600,000
410-460100-695110	Transfer from General Fund	\$1,600,000

Expense

110-190900-995410	Transfer to General Capital Projects	\$1,600,000
410-460100-987000-11019	Facilities Master Plan	\$1,600,000

RESOLUTION No. 2026-20

Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Real Property

Whereas, North Carolina General Statute §153A-158 authorizes a county to acquire real property for use by the county or any department of the county; and

Whereas, County Wide Insurance Agency Inc. ("Seller") owns approximately 4 acres at 334 Southwest Boulevard, Newton, as described in Deed Book 1605, Page 915, Catawba County Registry, Parcel # 373019722362 ("Property"); and

Whereas, Catawba County ("County") and Seller have engaged in negotiations for the conveyance of parcel to the County; and

Whereas, the parties have reached an agreement on the terms of the conveyance.

Now, therefore, the Catawba County Board of Commissioners resolve:

1. Pursuant to the executed Purchase Agreement and amendments thereto, the Board approves the purchase of the Property for the sum of \$1,550,000.00.
2. The County Manager is authorized to execute the necessary documents to complete the purchase of the Property.

Adopted the 17th day of August, 2026.

[Seal]

C. Randall Isenhower, Chair
Catawba County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Dale R. Stiles, Clerk
Catawba County Board of Commissioners