

**MINUTES
UPPER COASTAL PLAIN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 16, 2019**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Doug Hughes, Chairman	At-Large Board Member	Northampton County
Greg Browning, Vice-Chairman	Alternate Board Member	City of Roanoke Rapids
Bobbie D. Jones, Sec./Treasurer	Mayor	Town of Princeville
Wayne Anderson	Mayor	Town of Enfield
Charles Baisey (Alternate)	Administrator	Town of Scotland Neck
Fred Belfield, Jr.	Commissioner	Nash County
Phil Boone (Alternate)	Planning Board (Alternate)	Town of Dortches
A. P. Coleman	Council Member	City of Wilson
Alice P. Delbridge	Mayor	Town of Gaston
Bill Edmundson	Mayor	Town of Stantonsburg
Ron Hunt (Alternate)	Assistant Manager	Wilson County
Brenda Lucas	Commissioner	Town of Spring Hope
Martha Lucas	Council Member	Town of Momeyer
Sherry L. Lucas	Commissioner	Wilson County
Kenneth W. Manuel	Mayor	Town of Woodland
Florence W. Pender	Mayor Pro-Tem	Town of Pinetops
Esterine Pitt	Mayor	Town of Whitakers
Thomas Richards	Mayor	Town of Bailey
Barbara S. Simmons	At-Large Board Member	Halifax County
Grady Smith	Mayor	Town of Elm City
Miranda Stamper	Mayor	Town of Sims
Leo Taylor	Mayor Pro-Tem	Town of Tarboro
Ralph D. Webb	Commissioner	Edgecombe County

*If your name is missing, you may not have signed in. Please let us know so we can make that correction

MEMBERS PRESENT BY PROXY

Roy Bell	Mayor	Town of Garysburg
Reginald Harris	At-Large Board Member	Wilson County
Jason S. Morris	Mayor	Town of Jackson
Mary Wells	At-Large Board Member	Nash County
John L. White	Mayor	Town of Halifax

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GUESTS

Doris Delbridge		
Jae Kim	Manager	Town of Spring Hope
Joe Roam Myrick	Commissioner	Town of Princeville
Rhonda Payne	Mayor Pro-Tem	Town of Sims
Kenneth Sanders	Commissioner	Town of Princeville

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Eddie Braxton (Alt. attended)	Mayor	Town of Scotland Neck
Kirby Brown (Alt. Attended)	Mayor	Town of Dortches
Tony Brown	Manager	Halifax County
Leon "Dick" Collier	Mayor	Town of Lasker
Samuel R. Davis	At-Large Board Member	Edgecombe County
Lee Duke	Commissioner	Town of Conway
Eric Evans	Manager	Edgecombe County
Carl Ferebee (Alt. attended)	Council Member	City of Roanoke Rapids
Norlan Graves	At-Large Board Member	Halifax County
Wilbert Harrison	Mayor	Town of Speed
Linda Ingram	Mayor	Town of Conetoe
Andre Knight	Council Member	City of Rocky Mount
Geraldine Langford	Mayor	Town of Seaboard
Marshall Lassiter	Manager	Town of Severn
Ellene Leonard	Mayor	Town of Castalia
Julia Meacham	Mayor	Town of Weldon
Harold Meacombs	Commissioner	Town of Middlesex
Robert Murphy	Interim Manager	Northampton County
Albert J. Richardson	At-Large Board Member	Nash County
Doris Risper	Mayor	Town of Rich Square
Elaine Saunders	Commissioner	Town of Saratoga
Owen Scott	Mayor	Town of Littleton
Stacie Shatzer	Assistant Manager	Nash County
Jed Simpson	Mayor	Town of Lucama
Mack Smith	Mayor	Town of Black Creek
Marcelle O. Smith	Commissioner	Halifax County
Denise Stinagle (Alt. attended)	Manager	Wilson County
Donald Street	Mayor	Town of Nashville
Tracy Sullivan	Interim Administrator	Town of Sharpsburg

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Robert Sykes	Commissioner	Town of Hobgood
Barbara H. Tyre	Council Member	Town of Red Oak
Tim Wiggs	At-Large Board Member	Wilson County
Robert E. Wilkins, Sr.	At-Large Board Member	Northampton County

STAFF

Robert Hiatt	Executive Director
Michael Williams	Workforce Development Program Director
Mary Marlin	Area Agency on Aging Program Director
Ron Townley	Planning & Development Services Program Director
Mark Hill	Finance Director
Kelly Skinner	Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board
Jennifer Andrews	Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hughes called the meeting of the Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments Board of Directors to order at the Word Tabernacle Impact Center at 6:45 P.M. and welcomed all in attendance. Chairman Hughes introduced Mr. Ralph Webb, Edgecombe County Commissioner who has been appointed to fill Mr. Jonathan Felton's seat on the Board. Mr. A. P. Coleman addressed the Board and announced that he has resigned from the Wilson City Council and, therefore, will no longer be a Board member effective May 30, 2019.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Hughes asked for changes or corrections to the minutes from the Board Meeting on March 19, 2019. There being none, there was a Motion made by Greg Browning to approve the minutes as written. Brenda Lucas seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

Chairman Hughes stated that during the Executive Committee meeting there was a recommendation for approval of the Resolution of Support for Broadband Initiatives. There being no questions or concerns, a Motion was made by Alice Delbridge and seconded by A. P. Coleman to approve the Resolution as written. The Motion carried unanimously.

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PROGRAM:

Mr. Jim Younquist and Mr. Dee Blackwell from the Southeast Regional Director's Institute (SERDI) gave a preliminary report of their findings and recommendations on the COG assessment to date. There was a work session with the Board of Directors. The final report will be released in June.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, there was a Motion made by Fred Belfield to adjourn and a Second made by Barbara Simmons. It carried unanimously.

Doug Hughes, Chairman

Bobbie D. Jones, Secretary/Treasurer