



Chatham County, NC

Legislation Text

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Vote to approve the amendments to the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedures and Code of Ethics

Introduction & Background:

At the Tuesday, January 16, 2024 meeting, Commissioner David Delaney shared that he participated in a UNC School of Government course on Board Rules of Procedures. Delaney suggested having a standing committee of the Board of Commissioners to review the Board Rules of Procedures from time to time. The consensus of the Board of Commissioners was for Commissioner Delaney to meet with the County Attorney and County Clerk to discuss the Board's Rules of Procedures and bring the information to the next meeting, then the Board of Commissioners can review the items and decide.

At the February 19, 2024 meeting, County Attorney Bob Hagemann reviewed some of the recommended changes with the Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners directed the County Attorney, County Manager, and Clerk to the Board to review the Board's Rules of Procedures and bring back recommendations.

At the March 18, 2024 meeting, the Board of Commissioners discussed the recommended changes and directed staff to place the recommendations on the consent agenda for approval on April 15, 2024.

Discussion & Analysis:

The changes identified by the Board of Commissioners included:

1. Changes in name of the Board of Commissioners throughout the document for consistency.
2. Changes for inclusivity.
3. Changes to align with practice.
4. Removal of electronic policy.
5. Addition of:
 - a. Planning Public Hearing Rules
 - b. Public Comment language
 - c. Code of Ethics

The County Attorney has reviewed and approved the final document.

Recommendation/Motion: Motion to approve the amendments to the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedures and Code of Ethics.