

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SET PRIORITIES

Decrease in Taxes

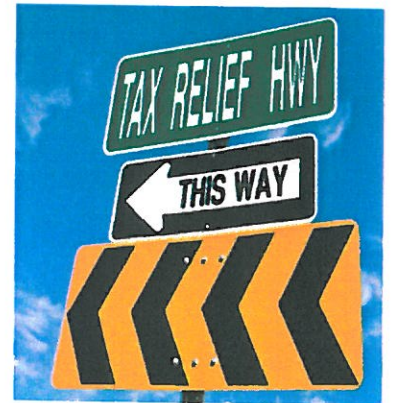
Special points of interest:

- Board sets goals
- Moving forward
- Sights on recreation

The Northampton County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 to plan for short term goals, set priorities and provide direction.

Within the seven hour meeting, the Commissioners collaborated on ideas and made some tough decisions to move this county forward.

Among a list of topics, decreasing taxes is a top priority. The Board seeks to reduce taxes by two cents in 2019. They hope to accomplish this goal by increasing collection efforts, earmarking new revenue, and keeping expenditures within budgeted plans.



New Direction for Economic Development & Tourism

Commissioners

Charles Tyner	District 1
Geneva Faulkner	District 2
Chester Deloatch	District 3
Robert V. Carter	District 4
Fannie Greene	District 5

When focused turned to economic development, Board members expressed the need for a grant writer. Grants can assist with a limited budget to accomplish goals in housing development, expansion of infrastructure, and small business expansion.

Commissioners touted water/sewer expansion, broadband, and housing development as essentials needed to recruit businesses as well as a step forward in addressing the need for young adults locating and remaining in the county.

The Board set their sights on marketing, development of I-95, partnering with non-profits to provide recreational activities on the east end of the county, and creating public access to recreational activities and entertainment on Lake Gaston.

Commissioners goal is to make Northampton County again “A great place to raise families, profits, and expectations”.