



**Call to Order**

Chairman Bill Feather, Town of Granite Quarry, called the meeting to order. He noted that there are a number of new Delegates for 2019. He also welcomed Geraldine Gardner, CCOG’s new Executive Director.

**Amendments to the Agenda**

There were no amendments to the agenda.

**Consent Agenda**

**1. Approval of the October 10, 2018 Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes**

Mayor Pro Tem Martha Sue Hall, City of Albemarle, made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Nick Walsh, Town of Huntersville, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

In response to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Hall, Chairman Feather confirmed that a quorum was present.

**2. CCOG Overview and 2018 Annual Report**

Ms. Gardner presented an overview of the organization and its role in the region. She introduced Michelle Nance, Planning Director, Linda Miller, Aging Director, Mike Manis, Community and Economic Development Director, and David Hollars, Centralina Workforce Development Board Director for presentations on their departments’ work during Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

**3. Board Orientation and Refresher**

Ms. Gardner explained that the role of a CCOG Delegate includes decision-maker, advisor, connector, champion, and representative. She also explained that the role of an Executive Board member involves being a leader, collaborator, networker, and advocate. She added that from CCOG, Delegates can expect clear and transparent information, engagement about needs and priorities, proactive communication about meetings and projects, investment in additional methods and technology for engagement, and tracking and reporting of success.

**4. CCOG Nominating Committee Report and Election of 2019 Officers**

Mayor Pro Tem Jay McCosh, Town of McAdenville, noted that the other members of the Nominating Committee included Mayor John Crump, Town of Midland, and Council Member William Morgan, City of Statesville. He presented the slate of nominees:

- Chair: Bobby Compton, Town of Mooresville
- Vice Chair: Jay McCosh, Town of McAdenville
- Secretary: Jarvis Woodburn, Anson County
- Treasurer: William Morgan, City of Statesville

Mayor Pro Tem McCosh opened the floor for nominations. There were no additional nominations from the floor.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall made a motion to accept the slate of officers. Council Member Larken Egleston, City of Charlotte, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**5. Installation of New CCOG Officers**

Kelly Weston, Clerk to the Board, administered the oath of office to the newly elected officers.

**6. Election by County Caucuses of Municipal Executive Board Members**

Delegates from Mecklenburg, Stanly, and Union Counties gathered to select their representatives to the Executive Board.

Chairman Feather announced the results of the caucuses:

Mecklenburg County Municipalities: Nick Walsh, Town of Huntersville

Stanly County Municipalities: Deloris Chambers, Town of Badin

Union County: Brent Moser, Town of Wingate

Chairman Feather noted that the Anson County municipalities will caucus at a later date.

**7. Public Hearing on Proposed CCOG Budget Ordinances for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Chairman Feather explained that the Executive Board reviewed the proposed budget at its January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting and recommends the proposal to the Board of Delegates. He added that the proposal is a placeholder because the organization is required to adopt a budget by a certain time. The placeholder budget will be in effect until the Board adopts the permanent budget at a later date. He noted that the proposed operating budget is in the amount of \$6,740,000 and the proposed pass through budget is in the amount of \$17,373,200. He added that the proposal also reflects an assessment rate of \$0.24 per capita with a minimum assessment of \$750 per member. The rate is based on the 2017 population data shown on the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management website.

Chairman Feather opened the public hearing. Hearing no one, he declared the public hearing closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2019-2020 annual budget ordinances as follows: an annual operating budget ordinance in the amount of \$6,740,000; annual pass through budget ordinance in the amount of \$17,373,000; and set the assessment rate for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 at \$0.24 per capita, with a minimum assessment of \$750 per member. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Comments from the Board of Delegates**

Chairman-elect Compton encouraged Delegates to register for the upcoming Charlotte Aviation Academy. He noted that he and Commissioner Walsh participated in last year's academy, which gave a view of the inside workings of the Charlotte Douglas International Airport and a better understanding of its contribution to the region's economy. He also reported that he and Ms. Gardner recently attended the Citizens Water Academy, where they learned about the history and management of the Catawba River.

Chairman-elect Compton presented Chairman Feather with a gift as a token of appreciation for his leadership and service to the CCOG Board.

**Comments from the Outgoing Chair**

Chairman Feather expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve. He also expressed his appreciation for local government elected officials, noting that they give a lot of personal time and effort because they want to help their communities.

He reported that there were over 150 attendees at the November 30<sup>th</sup> Region of Excellence Awards Luncheon celebrating the culmination of CCOG's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. He thanked the Advisory Committee and staff for their work in organizing the event. He also thanked Leslie Mazingo for her assistance in securing Anthony Bedell from USDOT as the keynote speaker. He added that CCOG received recognition of the milestone from Congressman Richard Hudson and Senator Richard Burr.

He also noted that the CCOG Regional Conference will be held on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> on the campus of UNC Charlotte. Peter Kageyama will be the morning keynote speaker and will lead a pre-conference

workshop at the CCOG office on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. The luncheon keynote speaker will be professional storyteller Tim Lowry. He added that the conference will also feature informative, educational sessions on topics such as local and regional transit; trends in healthcare access, quality, and cost; local government workforce recruitment, engagement, and retention; downtown redevelopment; cyber security; disaster management and recovery; housing; and quality of life. He asked the Delegates to continue encouraging other elected officials, planning board members, and staff in their communities to register for the conference and pre-conference workshop.

**Comments from the Interim Executive Director**

Ms. Gardner thanked the 2018 Executive Board and the officers for their service and stated that she looks forward to working with the new Executive Board and officers this year. She noted that CCOG will be working with the Executive Board on agendas and preparation for upcoming advocacy and engagement opportunities, including the March 19<sup>th</sup> Congressional Fly-In at the National Association of Development Organization's conference in Washington, DC and the state Legislative Day in Raleigh on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

She expressed her appreciation for CCOG directors and staff for putting together the presentations and materials for the annual meeting.

Ms. Gardner also expressed her appreciation for Marsha Sutton, Finance Director, who is retiring at the end of February following a long career of government service.

**Adjournment**

With no further business to be discussed, Chairman Feather adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.