The Sampson County Board of Commissioners convened for a special meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 28, 2023, in the Administrative Board Room, 406 County Complex Road, Clinton, North Carolina. Members present: Chairman Jerol Kivett, Vice Chairperson Sue Lee, and Commissioners Thaddeus Godwin, Lethia Lee and Allen McLamb.

Chairman Jerol Kivett called the meeting to order and acknowledged Vice Chairperson Sue Lee who provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon a motion by Vice Chairperson Sue Lee and seconded by Commissioner Godwin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

Item 1: Discussion of Solid Waste Availability Fee

Chairman Kivett called upon County Manager Ed Causey who discussed the controversy created by the Solid Waste Availability Fee. He added that there have been discussions dating back at least a year regarding the Solid Waste Container Sites and how to pay for them. Chairman Kivett then discussed the budget shortfall that the Board had to face during planning for this fiscal year. He also read a portion of a press release regarding the recission of the Solid Waste Availability Fee. Commissioner Godwin, Commissioner Lethia Lee, and Vice Chairperson Sue Lee all expressed their gratitude to GFL for agreeing to operate the Sampson County Convenience Sites at no cost for 30 months. Vice Chairperson Sue Lee then read the proposed Ordinance Repealing the Sampson County Solid Waste Availability Fee at the request of Chairman Kivett. Upon a motion by Vice Chairperson Sue Lee and seconded by Commissioner Godwin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Ordinance Repealing the Sampson County Solid Waste Availability Fee. (Copy filed in Ordinance Book ______, Page _____)

Adjourn

Upon a motion by Vice Chairperson Sue Lee and seconded by Commissioner Lethia Lee, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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R. Jerol Kivett, Chairperson

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Stephanie P. Shannon, Clerk to the Board