

Central Pines Regional Council Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 26, 2025 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Virtual Chair Brett Gantt, Presiding

Delegates & Alternates Attending:

Wilma Laney, Town of Aberdeen
Brett Gantt, Town of Apex
Randee Haven O'Donnell, Town of
Carrboro
Amanda Robertson, Chatham County
DeDreana Freeman, City of Durham
Kirk Smith, Lee County
Jean Hamilton, Orange County
Rebecca Whyof Salmon, City of Sanford
Susan Evans, Wake County

CPRC Staff Attending:

Jenny Halsey, Assistant Executive Director Lee Worsley, Executive Director Beth Seidel, Member Engagement Coordinator

Guests:

A = Alternate

1. Call to Order

- a. Call to Order and Welcome Official: Brett Gantt, Chair
- b. Roll Call
- c. Declaration of Quorum

 Official: Brett Gantt, Chair

Chair Brett Gantt called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and went over housekeeping information. He reminded everyone about the virtual meeting guidelines. Beth Seidel, Clerk to the Board, called roll and a quorum was met.

d. Get to Know CPRC

Chair Gantt shared information on the ten Regional Housing Goals from October 25, 1978 to establish a framework that could be used to guide housing-related efforts by public and private organizations in Region J. Many of these goals remain the same today.

2. Review of Agenda

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Official: Brett Gantt

Chair Gantt approved the agenda.

3. Presentations & Recognitions

4. Business

5. Consent

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by a single motion unless a member of the Executive Committee requests an item be removed. Any item that is removed from the Consent Agenda will be considered individually after the Consent Agenda.

a. DRAFT Minutes: February 2025

b. FY24-25 Audit Contract

c. Budget Amendment #5, Resolution #2025-03-01

Action: Adoption of Consent Agenda as presented

Motion: Delegate Susan Evans

Second: Delegate Randee Haven O'Donnell Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call

6. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

7. Public Hearings

8. Executive Director's Report

a. Executive Director's Report

Presenter: Lee Worsley, Executive Director
Potential Action: None – Receive as Information

Executive Director Lee Worsley reminded everyone about the Chair's goal of getting 100% membership, which we are well on the way to accomplishing.

Regional Day is next Friday, April 4, rescheduled from the original date due to snow. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

There will be a Disaster Recovery Public Assistance Financial Administration Training on Tuesday, April 8 from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm.

Mr. Worsley commended the CPRC staff for their ability to pivot and roll with the all the changes that have happened recently.

9. Chair's Report

a. Chair's Report

Presenter: Brett Gantt, Chair

Potential Action: None – Receive as Information

Chair Gantt echoed Mr. Worsley's invitation to Regional Day.

10. Around the Region

a. Around the Region Reports/Updates

Potential Action: None – Receive as Information

Prompt: Share something about a new festival, or parks and recreation

program.

Wake County - Earlier this month, Wake County had a grand opening of a new county park. Beech Bluff County Park is a new park in the southeast corner of Wake County, near the Garner, Willow Springs, Fuguay-Varina area. It's a 5-acre property, they also have a playground and locations for educational programming.

Sanford – First of a kind festival, Busking in the 'Boro; Strawberry Jammin' festival; kickoff of farmers market will be April 5.

Lee County – There will be a ribbon cutting at Sand-Lee Nature park, which also has a great mountain bike location. The OT Sloan Park recently opened, which promotes accessibility for all kids. The new Lee County Athletic Park will have a ribbon cutting soon.

Chatham County – Amanda Robertson introduced herself as the new Chatham County Delegate. Chatham County Ag Fest happening this Saturday; Shakori Hills Festival in May; a new YMCA at Chatham Park is opening.

Carrboro – Orange County Southern Branch Library had its grand opening and ribbon cutting (a 35-year effort); on April 16, Carrboro will be celebrating Earth Day combined with their Open Streets initiative.

Apex – Apex is having a ribbon cutting for a joint Town and Carolina Hurricanes Street Hockey facility.

11. Closed Session

12. Other Business

a. Other Business

Presenter: Brett Gantt

13. Adjournment

a. Adjourn the Meeting

Motion: Delegate Rebecca Salmon Second: Delegate Wilma Laney The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Duly adopted this 25th day of June 2025 while in regular session.

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Brett Gantt Board Chair

ATTEST:

Beth Seidel

Beth Seidel Clerk to the Board Central Pines Regional Council