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Rowan County Board of Commissioners

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ROWAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS February 7, 2022 – 3:00 PM J. NEWTON COHEN, SR. ROOM J. NEWTON COHEN, SR. ROWAN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Present: Greg Edds, Chairman Jim Greene, Vice-Chairman Mike Caskey, Member Craig Pierce, Member Judy Klusman, Member

County Manager Aaron Church, Clerk to the Board Carolyn Barger, County Attorney Jay Dees, and Finance Director James Howden were also present.

Chairman Edds convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Chaplain Michael Taylor provided the Invocation.

Chairman Edds led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDER ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- Chairman Edds added a request from the Library Director, Melissa Oleen, to the Consent Agenda as Item R. The request was for approval to submit a grant application to the Blanche and Julian Robertson Family Foundation for the Salisbury Post Morgue Preservation Project.
- Chairman Edds added a discussion as agenda item #4a regarding a request from Piedmont Players Theater to lease space at West End Plaza.

CONSIDER DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

There were no deletions from the agenda.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Klusman moved, Commissioner Greene seconded and the vote to approve the agenda as amended passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Klusman moved to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022 meeting, January 18, 2022 Annual Planning Work Session and January 27, 2022 Special Meeting. Commissioner Klusman seconded and the vote passed unanimously.

1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Klusman moved approval of the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Prayer Tent West End Plaza
- B. Request to Accept Available Grant Funds from the NC Governor's Crime Commission
- C. Robertson Foundation Grant Application
- D. Bi-Weekly Environmental Health Report
- E. RCHD 2022 Clinical Fee Schedule
- F. RCHD 2022 Dental Fee Schedule
- G. Purchase of Three (3) Dodge Ram 1500 for Sheriff's Office
- H. Thermal Scanner for Whole Body Scanner
- I. Sole-Source Approval Tasers and Body Cameras for Sheriff's Office
- J. The High Road, Inc Lease in West End Plaza
- K. Records Loan Agreement with Salisbury Post
- L. Request for Property Access
- M. Task Order 2022-01 Landfill Phase V Expansion
- N. Schedule Quasi-Judicial Hearing for SUP 02-22
- O. Offer by NC DOT for Kimball Road Bridge Project
- P. Authorize Soil & Water Conservation District to Apply for Funding through StRAP
- Q. Change Order 001 NE Rowan County Chemical Booster Station
- R. Authorize Rowan Public Library to Submit Grant Application (addition to the Consent Agenda and attached to these minutes for the record)

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chairman Edds opened the Public Comment Period to entertain comments from any citizens wishing to address the Board. Chairman Edds said the Board had received one (1) online submittal regarding the Noise Ordinance. With no one coming forward, Chairman Edds closed the Public Comment Period.

3. FISCAL YEAR 2021 FINANCIAL REPORT PRESENTATION

Tonya Thompson, Senior Manager with Martin, Starnes and Associates, CPAs, P.A. provided a power point as she highlighted the financial data in County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Ms. Thompson said Martin Starnes & Associates had rendered an unmodified opinion and she also expressed appreciation for the cooperation the firm had received from the Finance Department's staff as well as that of other departments during the audit.

Using the power point, Ms. Thompson reviewed the financial position of the County, as well as any changes relative to information contained in the CAFR.

As Ms. Thompson discussed the County's fund balance, she reported the Local Government Commission (LGC) had increased the bare minimum fund balance to be 16% (as opposed to the previous 8%).

Ms. Thompson reviewed the key performance indicators that would require a response sixty (60) days from the date of the presentation to the Board. Ms. Thompson noted the following performance indicators were not written up as findings and did not represent material weaknesses:

- Statutory violation excess of expenditures over appropriations. (Ms.
 Thompson stated the County did not do anything wrong and she explained how
 the violation came about, which was the result of implementation of a new
 accounting standard).
- Audit submitted greater than five (5) months after year end. Ms. Thompson noted the audit was submitted January 31st and had already been accepted.

In closing, Ms. Thompson highlighted the positive performance indicators, which included:

- General Fund available fund balance percentage
- Enterprise Fund quick ratios
- Stable property tax valuation and collection percentages
- No material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting

Following questions/comments from the board members, Chairman Edds thanked Ms. Thompson for the presentation.

4. UPDATE REGARDING ROWAN JOBS INITIATIVE

Commissioner Greene stated that approximately five (5) years ago, the County received money back from a business that did not meet its job fulfillment requirements through the County's investment grant program. Commissioner Greene said the Commissioners decided to invest those funds in a jobs program that would help citizens who were unemployed or who were employed part-time. Commissioner Greene said the County had asked Rowan Cabarrus Community College (RCCC) to help create the program, which became known as Better Jobs for Better Lives (Program). Commissioner Greene then turned the meeting over to Craig Lamb, RCCC Vice President of Corporate and Continuing Education, to provide an update on the Program.

Mr. Lamb said RCCC had taken the Program in 2017 to all ten (10) of the County's municipalities. Community forums were also held and RCCC was able to learn from businesses, as well, what was needed. Mr. Lamb said it was discovered that where citizens lived was important because citizens needed access - meaning education was

affordable, doable and fit into their family and work schedules, short enough to get them in/out of the door with the meaningful results needed.

The plan was originally to have a traditional Program with a budget that included staff, scholarships, and advertising. Mr. Lamb said after the Program had run for a year or two, it was learned RCCC already had the money to hire staff and to purchase advertising. According to Mr. Lamb the scholarship fund was what they needed most. Mr. Lamb reported all the allocations the County had made and would make in the future would go 100% to student scholarships for tuition, tools, equipment to complete the Program, uniforms, books, etc.

Mr. Lamb said the idea was to augment a traditional 2-4-year college education for choices that were short-term and workforce development in nature. The Programs were usually nine (9) weeks or less in length and resulted in industry certification that would get someone a high paying job with opportunities for advancement.

Mr. Lamb thanked the Commissioners for creating a legacy of opportunity for folks in Rowan County.

Keri Allman, Program Manager for R3 Career Services, stated in March 2020, R3 Services (Refocus/Retrain/Re-Employ) developed virtual services to reach citizens with during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Ms. Allman talked about partnerships with other initiatives, including "Boots-on-the-Ground".

Ms. Allman said there were many successful stories as a result of the Program and she introduced participant Anthony Mack, who staff met through "Boots-on-the-Ground." Ms. Allman said Mr. Mack had shared with staff how he had always wanted to work in fire services and to drive a fire truck. Ms. Allman said Mr. Mack had completed the CDL Program, the fire program training, and achieved his EMT certification. Ms. Allman said Mr. Mack was volunteering in East Spencer and now that he had completed all his certifications, he was ready to go to work.

Mr. Mack said he had given up on himself a few times in the past and then he met RCCC recruiter, Jessica Corum, in East Spencer. Mr. Mack praised Ms. Corum's kindness and said he could not thank staff enough for the difference they had made in his life and giving him a chance. Mr. Mack expressed hope the Program would be able to keep going and continuing touching other lives. Mr. Mack said, "There are a lot of diamonds out there in the rough and if you clean them off a little bit, they will start to shine". Mr. Mack thanked the Board for the funding and the chance the Board had taken in hopes of making Rowan County a better place. Mr. Mack felt he personally represented the "great" financial decision the Board had made to help people.

A round of applause followed Mr. Mack's comments.

Ms. Allman provided a handout and highlighted the services, scholarship opportunities and locations for the Program.

In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Klusman, Mr. Mack said he was a volunteer for the East Spencer Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Mack said he could now drive the trucks, as well. Mr. Mack said his main goal was to be a firefighter and save lives. With regards to the R3 Services, Mr. Mack said he had made it through the refocus and retrain aspects and now needed to achieve re-employment. Commissioner Klusman encouraged Mr. Mack to adopt/mentor a younger guy.

Commissioner Greene stated when Program was created, it was done to help individuals in situations like Mr. Mack.

Chairman Edds expressed appreciation to the Commissioners for taking a chance and supporting the Program. Chairman Edds credited Commissioner Greene for creation of the Program, explaining that it had been Commissioner Greene's idea and he had laid the groundwork for the Program. Chairman Edds said the Board did not get many opportunities to see Program results directly and that Mr. Mack's success story had been almost overwhelming. In closing, Chairman Edds expressed appreciation to Mr. Lamb and RCCC staff for their leadership in touching the lives of folks in the community. Chairman Edds congratulated Mr. Mack and said the County was a community of folks who loved him and wanted to see him succeed.

ADDITION

4a. REQUEST FROM PIEDMONT PLAYERS TO LEASE SPACE AT WEST END PLAZA

Chairman Edds said Piedmont Players Theater (Theater) had completed an application to rent space A8 at the West End Plaza (WEP). Chairman Edds said the Board did not mind the Theater renting space; however, there was a possibility that Veteran Services might be expanding operations into the A8 space. Chairman Edds suggested the Board allow the County Manager and Facilities Director to find a suitable space for the Theater to lease.

Commissioner Klusman moved to allow the County Manager and Facilities Director to work with the Theater to find a suitable space to lease. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and carried unanimously.

5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Finance Director James Howden presented the following budget amendments for the Board's consideration:

- Sheriff Recognize revenue received by check for cost of providing requested records, and budgeted to office supplies expense account. \$43
- Social Services Budget Pandemic Lieap/CIP Administration funds. \$132,460

- Social Services Budget donations received in order to provide goods and services to clients. \$612,060
- Social Services Revised expenditures and/or revenues based on Funding Authorizations received from the State. Funding Authorizations reflect the actual amount received and may increase or decrease the original budget estimate. \$6.996
- Sheriff Recognize revenue from the NC Governor's Crime Commission and budget funds to the correct expense accounts. \$24,499
- Health Department- Budget for awarded funding through the Office of Rural Health for the Dental Program. \$35,000
- Finance Funds originally budgeted in ARPA for lead remediation in the Water Fund. These funds need to be budgeted in the Water Fund. \$1,000,000
- Sheriff Recognize excess revenue from School Resource Reimbursement account. \$3,933
- Sheriff Recognize excess revenue in deputy escort services and budget to the repair and maintenance vehicles expense account. \$3,750
- County Manager / BOC Commissioners approved ruing the June 21, 2021 meeting to reimburse Shelter Guardians, Inc. for change orders 2 and 4 and for city water tap fee related to site work at the Nina Dix Dog Adoption Center. \$32,547

Commissioner Pierce moved approval of the budget amendments as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene and passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOARD APPOINTMENTS

AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD

Kim Starnes applied for reappointment for a two-year term. If approved, the term will expire January 31, 2024.

HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Jody Taylor applied for reappointment and if approved the term will expire January 31, 2025.

Commissioner Pierce moved the reappointment of Mr. Starnes and Mr. Taylor. The motion was followed by a second from Commissioner Greene and carried unanimously.

JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

Sarah Schaller resides in another county but is the new System of Care Clinical Coordinator for Vaya Health. The Board is asked to appoint Ms. Schaller to replace Tressy McLean-Hickey in the Mental Health seat. The remainder of the term is through June 30, 2022 at which time Ms. Schaller would be eligible for reappointment.

Commissioner Klusman moved to appoint Ms. Schaller. Commissioner Pierce seconded and the vote carried unanimously.

TOWN OF FAITH PLANNING BOARD

Mary Morales resigned as an ETJ member of the Faith Planning Board. Dawn Mowbray applied to fill the remainder of the term, which will expire February 28, 2023. The Board of Aldermen submitted a letter in support the Ms. Mowbray's appointment.

Commissioner Pierce moved to accept the resignation of Ms. Morales, followed by a second from Commissioner Greene. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Pierce moved, Commissioner Greene seconded and the vote to appoint Ms. Mowbray passed unanimously.

LIBRARY BOARD

Jody Taylor applied to fill a vacancy and if approved, the term will expire December 31, 2024.

At the request of Commissioner Klusman, the Board tabled the appointment to the next meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Greene moved to adjourn at 3:55 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Barger, MMC, NCMCC Clerk to the Board



MEMORANDUM

TO: Rowan County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Melissa J. Oleen, Library Director

DATE: February 4, 2022

RE: Library Grant Application

The library is collaborating with the *Salisbury Post* newspaper (Salisbury Newsmedia, LLC) on a large-scale digitization project to preserve the Salisbury Post morgue. To assist with the costs of this labor intensive project, the library is requesting authorization to submit a grant application to the Blanche & Julian Robertson Family Foundation. No matching funds are required. The grant submission deadline is Sunday, February 20 at 11:59 PM.

I respectfully request authorization to apply for a Blanche & Julian Robertson Family Foundation grant.







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https://bjrff.org/application-procedures/

THE BLANCHE AND JULIAN ROBERTSON FAMILY FOUNDATION 2022 GRANT APPLICATION

Submission Deadline: Sunday, February 20 at 11:59 PM

Organization Information

Organization Name: Rowan Public Library

Mailing Address: Street Address:

201 West Fisher Street

City: Salisbury

State: North Carolina

Zip: 28144

Telephone: 704-216-8232

Fax: 704-216-8237

Web Address: www.rowanpubliclibrary.org

Application Contact Information Salutation: Ms.

Contact First Name: Gretchen

Contact Last Name: Witt

Title: Supervisor, Edith M. Clark History Room

Telephone: 704-216-8232

Email Address: gretchen.witt@rowancountync.gov

Is the contact person listed above also the Executive Director?

Executive Director First Name: Melissa

Executive Director Last Name: Oleen

Organization Status

Is the organization a tax exempt charitable organization 501(c)3: No

Effective date of 501(c)3 status: N/A

Tax ID Number: 56-6000336

Is your organization a:

Government tax-exempt unit: No

Religious organization: No

Affiliated with tax-exempt organization: No

Specify fiscal agent: James M. Howden

Accredited educational institution: No

What are the current Assets of the organization? \$7,579,246.03

Does your organization conduct an audit? Yes

What is your most recent audit date? June 30, 2021

What is your annual operating budget? \$3,468,625.00

List your income from the previous fiscal year: \$150,398.00

List your expenses from the previous fiscal year: \$2,933,301.00

Project Request Information

Project Title: Salisbury Post Morgue Preservation Project (SPMPP)

Grant request amount: \$217,113.00

Total Project Budget: \$227,813.00

Start Date: November of 2021

Completion Date: 12/31/2023

Provide a brief project summary (Max words 50)

Salisbury Post, a local newspaper over 100 years old, has been in its current location since 1922. The upper floor houses a "morgue" of newspaper research material. The building is for sale, putting this extensive archive in jeopardy. Digitizing it ensures its continued preservation while increasing usability and accessibility.

Describe your proposal in detail: (include objectives, background of project, demonstration of need and how funds will be used) (Max words 500)

In July 2020, Salisbury Post editor Josh Bergeron contacted Library Director Melissa Oleen about partnering on a long-term solution for preserving the Post's morgue 'as is' and allowing convenient access to Post staff and RPL patrons. History Room Supervisor Gretchen Witt and Reference Librarian Paul Birkhead consulted with Bergeron, visited the morgue, and developed a comprehensive project plan and budget to meet these objectives. The plan also supports the future possibility of RPL accepting the morgue's physical contents, should this ever be desired by the Post.

The project's goal is to preserve morgue contents, which span more than 50 years. The morgue includes 88,000 envelopes of clippings, photographs, brochures, and ephemera unique to Rowan-Salisbury history stored in 30, four-drawer filing cabinets. Reporters still use this archive. With the evolving state of newspapers and the *Post* building for sale, the time for preserving this priceless local history collection is now.

This goal's primary objectives are to 1) perform archival quality scanning and digitizing of this fragile contextual material, 2) preserve digitized documents as one collection with multiple access points, 3) make the digitized collection easily accessible to *Post* reporters, and 4) provide access to the digitized collection at all RPL branches. As copyright laws cease to apply to morgue materials, RPL will collaborate with the *Post* to make more content open access via the internet.

RPL's Edith M. Clark History Room has long been the public access archive to the *Salisbury Post*. The History Room maintains past issues from 1905 to present on microfilm and specialized indexes. Important issues, such as the 1953 Rowan County Centennial, are preserved in paper form. RPL recognizes the importance of preserving the Rowan-Salisbury community's shared past and maintaining its availability and accessibility.

The Salisbury Post Morgue Preservation Project (SPMPP) will be labor-intensive and entail 19,000+ hours of scanning. The History Room utilizes only 104 staff hours per week. While a branch librarian (Birkhead) is assisting Witt with the SPMPP, with these staff hours, completion would take five years, at minimum.

Funds for this project will fulfill two significant needs: extra temporary staffing and modern equipment for fast, archival quality scans and digitized document storage and retrieval:

One full-time, 18-month librarian would be responsible for day-to-day SPMPP operations, including equipment installation and maintenance, recruitment, training, and supervision of volunteers, prepping documents for digitization, and scanning.

Five part-time, 18-month library associate 1s would primarily prep morgue materials for digitization and scan them.

Five dedicated scanning stations would be placed strategically: one in the morgue itself, to protect the most delicate documents from transport; two stations in the History Room; one at RPL South and at RPL West. Once the SPMPP is complete, stations will be converted to public use, allowing access to the entire digitized collection.

What funds from other sources have been received or are under consideration for this project? List sources and amounts.

State Library of North Carolina Aid to Public Libraries Fund, \$6,000.00 RPL History Room Gift Fund, \$3,700.00 Friends of RPL, donation under consideration RPL Foundation, donation under consideration Salisbury News Media, LLC, donation under consideration

Are you willing to make this grant application a Challenge Grant (where no funds from the BJRFF, Inc. will be disbursed until funds are secured from other sources and approved by The BJRFF Board? List sources and amounts.

No. Rowan County Government will not allow county departments to seek grants that require matching funds.

What percentage of your annual budget is spent in Rowan County? 78%

What percentage of your Grant project budget will be spent in Rowan County?

90% of the budget will be spent in Rowan County to fund personnel. 10% will go towards equipment vendors that, circumstances dictate, will likely be outside of Rowan County. Check math

Will local vendors be used for the project?

As often as possible, local vendors will be used for equipment and supplies.

If No, please explain.

How many people do you employ? 71

What percentage of your employees live in Rowan County? 89%

How many people will be impacted by your project?

Completion of the project ensures that RPL's more than 250,000 annual visitors, *Salisbury Post* staff, researchers, teachers, and students have access to the morgue's unique contents, enhancing research across disciplines for decades to come. As copyright lifts for the digitized morgue contents, internet access will make provide world-wide access.

The project will employ six temporary staffers for 18 months, thereby contributing to the local economy and providing a specialized on-the-job training program which would allow project associates to build their skill sets and marketability.

What is a measurable result you expect to accomplish with this grant? Please be specific in your reply.

By December 2023, the morgue will be completely scanned, enhanced, and full-text searchable. A finding aid to the collection will be created and available online.

Do you have another measurable result you expect to accomplish with this grant? Yes or No Yes.

(If Yes), Result 2:

Public access stations to the collection will be available at all four library branches. These stations will be available for the public to freely use with printing available at a nominal cost. History Room visitors are primarily from Salisbury-Rowan but numerous researchers and genealogists travel in from across the United States and foreign countries.

Do you have another measurable result you expect to accomplish with this grant? Yes or No Yes.

(If Yes), Result 3:

A copy of the entire digitized collection will be provided to the *Post* along with one scanning/access station for use by *Post* staff and reporters. The morgue research can be conducted remotely as opposed to working in the morgue itself and the refiling of morgue envelopes will dramatically decrease.

How do you plan to fund this project in the future? Explain your sustainability plan (Max words 100)

Once the SPMPP is complete, day-to-day digital maintenance and user training and access will be provided by permanent library staff. These costs are already included in RPL's fiscal year budget. Preserving the morgue collections long-term and migrating/adapting its storage and access as technologies advance and digital archiving standards change is already addressed under the History Room's current preservation plan for its digital collections and documents.

Organization Overview

Organization Mission:

Inspiring the spirit of exploration and the power of imagination, promoting the joy of reading, and supporting the lifelong pursuit of knowledge for all people.

What is the geographic service area being served, such as neighborhood, county-wide, Salisbury area, etc.? (50 words max)

The RPL System serves all Rowan County residents, with four physical locations in Salisbury, China Grove, Cleveland, Rockwell, a 24/7 online E-branch, and mobile outreach. Library cards are free and have no annual fee. All Rowan-Salisbury School students have a free digital library card

Organization core services (100 words max)

RPL provides free access to materials and information to support the interests, education, careers, passions and life pursuits of people of all ages and abilities. Librarians assist users in locating, accessing and using information technology. Free computer and WiFi access is available. Meeting and study rooms are available for students, tutors, and community groups. Outreach programs deliver materials to nursing homes and nutrition sites, as well as language development programs, childcare centers, and RSSS NC Pre-K classrooms. Copy, fax, and scan services are available. These services meet RPL's vision of a knowledgeable, progressive, diverse, and economically vibrant Rowan.

Address the qualifications of the organization and the person or persons who will lead this project:

Rowan Public Library has been serving Rowan County since it was established in 1911. Long considered the archive for the *Salisbury Post*, RPL has the paper on microfilm from 1905 through 2020. History Room staff has indexed the paper for the last 10 years and created obituary indexes for patron use covering approximately 60 years. The library is the location most citizens think to visit when looking for news items from the *Salisbury Post*.

Edith M. Clark History Room has a reputation for creating and maintaining quality online exhibits and evolving to ensure accessibility. In the early 2000s, History Room staff created the "Buerbaum Postcard" digital exhibit for the RPL website. Over the years, technology changed and the platform on which the postcards were exhibited became obsolete. History Room staff shifted to another platform and recreated the "Buerbaum Postcard" exhibit, ensuring that those unique images remain available for online viewing.

The 2014 digital exhibit, "Travels with Balfour Pink," highlighted the local granite industry and those who worked in the quarries. For this exhibit, staff digitized glass lantern slides, a very

delicate process, from a collection given to the History Room by Cathy Kirchin. Additional photographs and ephemera were also digitized to create an online overview of the collection. Other online exhibits by the History Room include the "Early Landowners of Rowan County" maps, the Salisbury map of 1904, and the Knox Family tree.

Gretchen Witt supervises the Edith M. Clark History Room. She has a Master's Degree in Library Science and 15 years experience as librarian and archivist specializing in genealogy. She has overseen the creation or transfer of the aforementioned online exhibits. Paul Birkhead holds a Master's degree in Library Science and has over 17 years experience as a librarian; he has done much of the work on the existing online exhibits. Both librarians worked on the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association's award-winning project "Through a Soldier's Eyes: Remembering Vietnam" which honored local Vietnam Veterans through photographs shared with RPL. Witt and Birkhead are leading the *Salisbury Post* Morgue Preservation Project.

Do you need licensing, zoning, or other regulatory approval to conduct the project? Yes or No

Have you received a grant from The Blanche and Julian Robertson Family Foundation in the last 3 years? No

*Add another Grant year? No

Project Impact
What is the main area of impact for your grant? Choose one:
History and Preservation

Attachments

Please upload the following documentation in support of your application:

- Current list of Board of Directors or Board of Trustees: (Please identify Gender & Race): 01-RPL Board of Trustees.pdf
- Recent 990 Form or financial report:
 02-RCNC Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Letter.pdf
- 3. IRS 501(c) 3 or appropriate tax determination status letter: 03-RPL Tax Determination LTR.pdf
- Project budget:
 04-SP Morgue Preservation Project Budget.pdf
- 5. Organization's annual budget for current fiscal year, including income and expenses: 05-RPL FY2022 Budget.pdf
- 6. Organization's annual budget for the previous year, including income and expenses: 06-RPL FY2021 Budget.pdf
- 7. Please submit any pictures that correlate with your project: 07-SP Morgue Preservation Project Photos pdf

Certification

Do you certify that this application has been reviewed by the organization's governing body and chief executive officer and approved for submission, all information provided is accurate to the best of your knowledge and the project and schedule as presented will be addressed: Yes.

Electronic Signature - of Representative requesting grant

SALISBURY POST MORGUE PRESERVATION PROJECT

PROJECT BUDGET

Project Grant	Funding	Request	\$	217	,113.0	00
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Total Anticipated Project Budget: \$ 227,813.00

Friends of RPL, donation under consideration RPL Foundation, donation under consideration

Salisbury News Media, LLC, donation under consideration

^{*}This number was arrived at by taking random morgue envelopes and tracking how long it took to prep and scan physical items, optimize the digital files and replace physical items back in the envelope.



February 1, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

The Rowan County North Carolina Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 can be found at the link below.

https://www.rowancountync.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/391

This report is 218 pages and was prepared by the Rowan County Finance Department and James M. Howden, Finance Director.

Thank you,

Pam Nance

Administrative Assistant



January 31, 2022

Rowan Public Library is part of the Rowan county Government System. We are not tax exempt.

We do not file a Form 990.

Sincerely,

Pam Nance

Administrative Asst.



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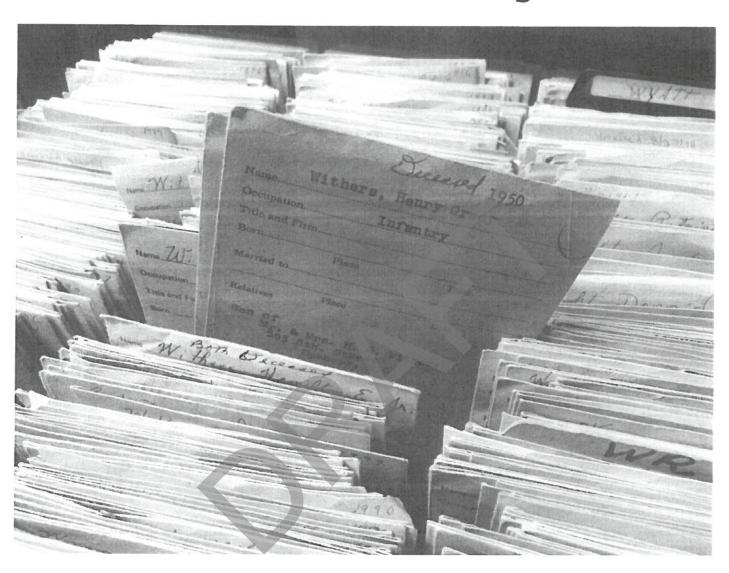
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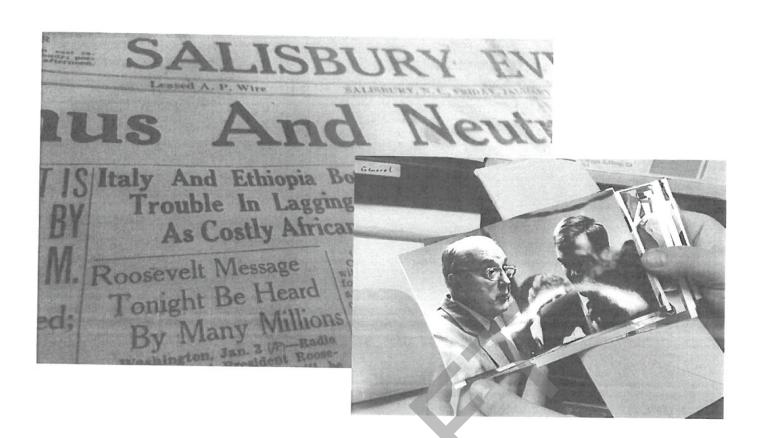
The morgue is still used by the *Salisbury Post*. While no longer rigorously maintained by staff, the contents currently remain organized.



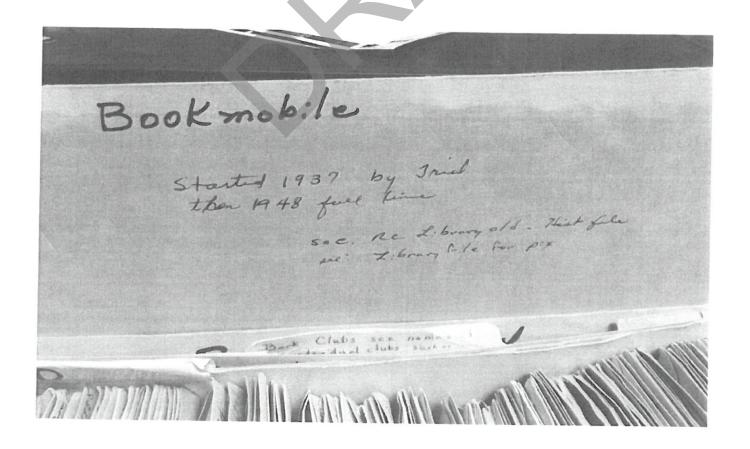
When the *Post's* current building sells, the morgue's contents are in danger of being split up and lost.

The morgue once served as a reporter's "Google". Preserved intact, students of journalism, information science, and history can benefit from studying how a small-town newspaper gathered and provided information to reporters charged with delivering the news of the world to local citizens.





Digitizing the morgue will preserve local history that future generations will benefit from.



With the *Salisbury Post* building for sale and the changing nature of the newspaper business, the time to preserve the morgue is now.

RPL wants to preserve the morgue's contents and make them accessible to the public so that everyone can appreciate and learn from this one-of-a-kind, primary, local history resource.

