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News Release

Union County Board of Commissioner Action from October 19 Meeting

Residents to Vote on Sale of Certain Types of Alcohol in March

Commissioners have passed a revised resolution requesting that the Union County Board of Elections hold elections regarding the countywide “on -premises” and “off-premises” sales of malt beverages and unfortified wine on March 15, 2016, reaffirming the action taken by the Board on April 20, 2015.

At the time of adoption of the original resolution on April 20, the Board requested that the election take place at the time of North Carolina’s 2016 presidential primary. Since that time, both the presidential and general primaries in North Carolina have been set for March 15, 2016. Thus, the revised resolution accounts for the official date of the North Carolina presidential and general primaries.

N.C.G.S. § 18B-600 allows a county to hold elections for permitting the countywide sale of malt beverages, unfortified wine, and mixed beverages, and for permitting the countywide operation of ABC stores. The statute allows for a county board of elections to hold such an election upon receipt of a written request from the governing body of the county.

The election will include the following propositions:

- To permit the “on premises” and “off-premises” sale of malt beverages.
 FOR
 AGAINST
- To permit the “on-premises” and “off-premises” sale of unfortified wine.
 FOR
 AGAINST

Commissioners Support Improvements for Old Lawyers Road

Commissioners on Monday passed a resolution in support of the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) using contingency funds for improvements to Old Lawyers Road in Marshville.

NCDOT has identified Old Lawyers Road as needing improvement due to heavy truck use and would alleviate safety concerns for this roadway in eastern Union County.

Road improvements would take place between Old Peachland Road (SR 1735) to Olive Branch Road (SR 1719). NCDOT has identified a source of funds from its contingency account to pay for this project.

October 23-31 is Red Ribbon Week

The Union County Board of Commissioners on Monday proclaimed October 23 – 31 as Red Ribbon Week in Union County and urges all citizens to join in this special observance.

The Red Ribbon Campaign was established by Congress in 1988 to encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention and reduction efforts. The red ribbon has been chosen as a symbol commemorating the work of Enrique “Kiki” Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent who was murdered in the line of duty, and represents the belief that one person can make a difference;

During Red Ribbon Week, Young Marine units located in North Carolina and across the nation will actively participate in this nationally recognized illicit drug awareness event. The mission of the Young Marine program is to develop good citizenship and promote a healthy, drug-free lifestyle in our youth.