



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 8

DATE OF MEETING: May 2, 2016

REQUESTED BY: Mark Seitz, County Extension Director

SHORT TITLE: Approval of a Budget Ordinance Amendment to Realign the Extension Salary Budget to Hire Student Intern for 4-H Programs.

BACKGROUND: The Extension 4-H Youth Development program conducts a series of 4-H day camps for youth 5-19 years old each summer. These programs focus on food, agriculture and outdoor education. Participation is capped at 30 for each day, with average attendance the past few years at 18.

The 4-H agent is in need of a summer intern to assist with taking registration, for set up and for supervising these activities. The intern will learn about 4-H youth programs and will also assist with the Extension field crop and urban horticulture programs as time permits, which will allow the intern to learn more about NC Extension programs.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: In the FY 15-16 budget \$16,971 in Pender County budget dollars were approved to fill the Extension Livestock Agent position that was split between Pender, Onslow and NCSU. This position has been vacant since November 1, 2015. NC Extension is asking for \$1,500 to hire an intern at \$10 per hour, 20 hours per week for a total of 7 weeks in FY 15-16 beginning May 23, 2016 and for an additional 6 weeks in FY 15-16. An additional \$1,000 has been requested in the FY 16-17 budget to cover this intern through the first week of August 2017.