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## **Commissioners Sworn In; Adams Appointed Chairman**

FAYETTEVILLE – Three Cumberland County Commissioners took the oath of office Monday night during a special Board of Commissioners meeting held in the Tony Rand Student Center on the Fayetteville Technical Community College campus. Newcomer Michael Boose was sworn in along with returning Commissioners Marshall Faircloth and Jimmy Keefe. The three commissioners represent District 2.

Following the administration of the oaths, the new board elected Glenn Adams to serve as chairman and Charles Evans as vice chairman for 2017. The commissioners also recognized Kenneth Edge for his 16 years of service as a commissioner. Edge did not seek reelection this year.

**Boose** is an attorney in Fayetteville and a former Cumberland County Board of Education member. He was sworn in by District Court Judge Lou Olivera.

**Faircloth** just completed a term as the board's chairman and cited several of the County's achievements during the past year, including the response to Hurricane Matthew and ongoing recovery efforts. Register of Deeds Lee Warren administered the oath of office.

**Keefe** was first elected to the board in 2008. He is a business owner and former Fayetteville City Council member. He was sworn in by Superior Court Judge Claire Hill.

**Adams** is a District 1 representative and an attorney in Fayetteville. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as chairman and outlined several initiatives for the next year, including a joint 911 call center with the City of Fayetteville, county-wide water, the 2017 revaluation, reducing the number of people with mental illness in the jail, tackling poverty and addressing violence.

"We will not be afraid to be a great community," he said. "We will seek and find answers to these questions, not because we can, but because we must."

**Evans** is an at-large representative in his second term on the board. He served two terms on the Fayetteville City Council from 2005-2009.

**Edge** was first elected to the Board of Commissioners in 2000. He served three terms as chairman. A retired school administrator and former member of the Cumberland County Board of Education, he is a past president

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of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. Edge thanked the commissioners, the public and his family.

“Thank you for your support, patience, kindness and the memories we share,” Edge said.

**Jeannette Council** and **Larry Lancaster** also serve on the board.

You can read more about the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners by visiting [co.cumberland.nc.us](http://co.cumberland.nc.us) and clicking on the “Board Members” link.



The Board of Commissioners elected Commissioner Glenn Adams, right, as chairman and Commissioner Charles Evans as the vice chairman for 2017.



Outgoing Chairman Marshall Faircloth, right, recognized Kenneth Edge for his 16 years of service as a Cumberland County Commissioner.



District Court Judge Lou Olivera swears in Commissioner Michael Boose.



Commissioner Marshall Faircloth takes the Oath of Office from Register of Deeds Lee Warren.



Superior Court Judge Claire Hill administers the Oath of Office to Commissioner Jimmy Keefe.

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