

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE THAT THE
LEE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM IS TO BE
OPERATED, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14,
CHAPTER 153A, GENERAL STATUTES OF
NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, by virtue of Article 14 of Chapter 153A, of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the availability of adequate, modern library services and facilities has been declared a proper concern of local government and the public policy of the State is to promote the establishment and development of public library services; and

WHEREAS, when a County operates a library system pursuant to local act, the Board of Commissioners may by ordinance, provide that the library system is to be operated pursuant to said Article 14; and

WHEREAS, in its considered judgment, the Board of Commissioners for Lee County, believes that the operation and development of the public library system within Lee County can best be advanced by placing the library system under the supervision and direction of a library board of trustees as authorized by said Article 14;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR LEE COUNTY:

Section 1. The appointments and terms of all present trustees of the Lee County Library are hereby terminated and the operation of the Lee County Library system shall be pursuant to Article 14, Chapter 153A, General Statutes of North Carolina, from and after the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 2. There is hereby created a board to be known as the Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System shall be appointed by the Board of Commissioners for Lee County and shall consist of nine members. The initial board of trustees shall consist of three members for terms to expire on June 30, 1981; three members for terms to expire on June 30, 1982; and three members for terms to expire on June 30, 1983. Upon the expiration of the original terms, each succeeding term shall be for three years and until such appointees' successors are appointed and qualify for office. Vacancies in the board shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment of the Board of Commissioners for Lee County. The members shall serve without compensation.

Section 4. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System shall appoint from its membership a Chairman and such other officers as it may deem necessary for the orderly procedure of its business and may adopt by-laws, rules, and regulations governing its procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of County ordinances and State laws. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System shall, from time to time, make rules and regulations governing the operation and conduct of the library facilities operated by the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System shall hold regular meetings at such times and places as it may designate.

Section 5. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System shall provide, maintain, operate, and supervise the library facilities owned or controlled by the Board of Commissioners for Lee County or leased or loaned to the Board of Trustees for Lee County Library System by the owners thereof.

Section 6. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library

System may accept any grant, gift, bequest, or donation of any personal property offered or made for library purposes and, with the approval of the Board of Commissioners for Lee County, may accept any grant, gift, or devise of real estate. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System shall have no authority to enter into any contract or incur any obligation binding the Board of Commissioners for the County of Lee other than for current obligations within the budget appropriations made by the Board of Commissioners for Lee County.

Section 7. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System

shall have power to appoint and designate a Chief Librarian who possesses the necessary educational training and who demonstrates by actual work the ability to organize and direct a County wide library system. Such other trained persons as may be necessary in the maintenance and operation of the library system may be employed.

Section 8. Funds appropriated by the Board of Commissioners for

Lee County and budgeted to the Lee County Library System shall be disbursed by the Finance Officer upon purchase orders issued by the Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System and within the budget appropriations made. Funds received by the Library System from sources other than budget appropriations shall be deposited by the Finance Officer to the credit and for the use of the Library System and disbursed as budget funds are disbursed, except that funds received by gift, bequest, or otherwise shall be disbursed in accordance with the terms of such gift or bequest.

Section 9. The Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System

shall make full and complete reports to the Board of Commissioners for Lee County at such times as may be requested and at such other times as the Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System deem it proper. Copies of the minutes of all meetings of

the Board of Trustees shall be sent to the Board of Commissioners.

Section 10. The fiscal year of the Library System shall conform to that of the Board of Commissioners for Lee County.

Section 11. Such powers as are now provided by statute of the State of North Carolina or by ordinance and/or resolution of the Board of Commissioners for Lee County, relating to the development and operation of library systems are hereby vested in the Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System to be exercised by it subject to all restrictions contained in such statutes, ordinances, or resolutions.

Section 12. The initial appointees to the Board of Trustees of the Lee County Library System and the expiration date of their terms are as follows:

<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Expires on June 30th, in</u>
Mrs. Sharon Cox	1981
J. F. Hoekaday	1981
<u>Bob Brickhouse</u>	1981
Mrs. Isabell Lawrence	1982
Terry Reeves	1982
<u>Edith Makrean</u>	1982
John E. Dotterer	1983
Mrs. Margaret Murchison	1983
<u>Jane Barringer</u>	1983

Section 13. All ordinances and resolutions of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Lee, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 14. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect, from and after the 17 day of March, 1980.