# TENTATIVE AGENDA & MEETING NOTICE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2015 8:30 A.M.

# WATAUGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

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# **AGENDA ITEM 2:**

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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### **MINUTES**

## WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015

The Watauga County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting, as scheduled, on Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at 5:30 P.M. in the Commissioners' Board Room of the Watauga County Administration Building, Boone, North Carolina.

PRESENT: Jimmy Hodges, Chairman

David Blust, Vice-Chairman Billy Kennedy, Commissioner John Welch, Commissioner Perry Yates, Commissioner Austin Eggers, County Attorney Deron Geouque, County Manager Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board

Chairman Hodges called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Vice-Chairman Blust opened the meeting with a prayer and Commissioner Kennedy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Hodges called for additions and/or corrections to the June 2, 2015, regular meeting and closed session minutes.

Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Yates, moved to approve the June 2, 2015, regular meeting minutes as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Yates, moved to approve the June 2, 2015, closed session minutes as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nav-0

# **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Hodges called for additions and/or corrections to the June 16, 2015, agenda.

Vice-Chairman Blust, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to approve the June 16, 2015, agenda as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

### RECESS AND RECONVENE FOR MOVE TO LARGER LOCATION

Chairman Hodges declared a recess at 5:32 P.M. to allow the meeting to be moved, due to the size of attendance, to the large Courtroom in the Courthouse (located next door at 814 West King Street).

Chairman Hodges declared the meeting as reconvened at 5:45 P.M. at the new location.

[Clerk's Note: To allow time to set up the presentation for the public hearing, the Board heard later agenda items prior to the public hearings as follows.]

# ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD RELATED TO PERMANENT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE

Ms. Heather Bowen, Recycling Coordinator, presented a grant award from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Ms. Bowen requested acceptance of the grant award for which the Board had previously authorized the application. The purpose of the grant would provide funding for the County's proposed Household Hazardous Waste Facility. The maximum amount is \$30,000 with a cash match of \$6,637 with additional county funds to pay for the remaining cost of the project. The Board approved funds in the current fiscal year budget to construct and operate a household hazardous waste facility that would allow for enhanced service at the same or current cost being paid for contracted services.

Commissioner Yates, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to accept the grant in the amount of \$30,000 from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources for a Household Hazardous Waste Facility with a County match of \$6,637.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

# REAPPOINTMENT OF TAX ASSESSOR

County Manager Geouque stated that Mr. Larry Warren, Acting Tax Administrator, was originally appointed for a two-year term due to the fact that he did not have the necessary certifications to qualify for a four-year term. Mr. Warren's initial appointment ended in December 2014 and he has been serving as the Acting Tax Administer since them. Mr. Warren is now eligible for a four-year term as he has completed the necessary requirements. The County Manager stated that the Board has the option of appointing Mr. Warren to a term of either two or four years.

Vice-Chairman Blust, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to reappoint Mr. Larry Warren to a four-year term as Tax Administrator to commence on July 1, 2015.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

# COMMUNICATIONS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES 911 ADDRESSING SOFTWARE REQUEST

County Manager Geouque stated that Mr. Jeff Virginia, Emergency Services Director, requested approval of a contract with Trimble GPS in the amount of \$17,170.54 for software and training regarding 911 address points, center line corrections, and mapping of roads in the County. The County currently contracts out these services. Funds for the purchase of the equipment, software, and training are included in the current year's budget and are fully reimbursable with 911 funds. The first year of maintenance is included in the purchase price.

Commissioner Yates, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to approve the contract with Trimble GPS in the amount of \$17,170.54 for GPS software, equipment, and training as presented.

> VOTE: Aye-5 Nav-0

### **BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

143585-323000

145850-440900

Title XX Daycare Revenues Title XX Daycare Expenditures

Ms. Margaret Pierce, Finance Director, reviewed the following budget amendments:				
Account #		Debit C	redit	
103839-384000 104287-457001	Recreation Donations Capital Outlay-Land Improvements	\$44,000	\$44,000	
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	allocates funds for the Tourism Development Authors and trails at Brookshire Park and the Soccer Complex	-	to create	
103300-343101	Homeland Security Equipment Grant		\$1,770	
104310-429000	Investigation Supplies	\$1,770		
	allocates funds received from Homeland Security to p ns. County funds are not required.	urchase camera	as for use	
143531-323000	Federal/State Reimbursements		\$2,423	
145310-454000	Capital Outlay-Vehicles		\$808	
145310-451000	Capital Outlay-Equipment	\$3,231		
The amendment allocates the purchase of IT equipment under a special 75/25 match program DHHS offered May 29, 2015. The County match was in the DSS budget.				
143531-323000	Federal/State Reimbursements		\$16,000	
145310-418300	DSS-Health Insurance		\$16,000	
145310-469101	DSS-Legal	\$32,000		
The amendment allocates funds that recognized additional revenues from DHHS for increased expenditures in legal services due to additional cases above estimated.				

\$8,174

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The amendment allocates funds that recognize additional allocation in daycare funds. County funds are not required.

103586-332006	SHIIP Grant Funds		\$1,774
105550-449901	SHIIP Grant	\$1,774	

The amendment allocates funds that recognize the award of MIPPA additional grant funds for the Senior's Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP). Funds will be used under the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act requirements (MIPPA). County funds are not required.

293270-312009	Occupancy Tax Revenues	\$125,000
294140-449900	Admin Fee on Tax Collections	\$1,250
294140-469900	Watauga County District U TDA	\$123,750

The amendment allocates funds that recognize additional projected occupancy tax revenues above the original budget.

103612-361260	Special Program Revenues	\$4,200
106126-412600	Part-time Salaries	\$3,500
106126-418100	FICA	\$280
106126-418600	Worker's Comp	\$20
106126-429000	Other Supplies	\$400

Due to scheduling, Dance Camp would be held June 22-26, 2015. It was budgeted for July. Therefore, the amendment recognizes revenue and expenditures associated with the camp in the current fiscal year.

103200-323100	Sales Tax Revenue		\$92,040
104330-469901	Foscoe Fire	\$17,205	
104330-469904	Beaver Dam Fire	\$20,700	
104330-469905	Boone Fire	\$8,000	
104330-469906	Zionville Fire	\$4,275	
104330-469907	Cove Creek Fire	\$3,200	
104330-469908	Stewart Simmons Fire	\$6,500	
104330-469910	Meat Camp Fire	\$4,910	
104330-469911	Todd Fire	\$6,260	
104330-469912	Blowing Rock Fire	\$7,630	
104300-469913	Shawneehaw Fire	\$960	
104300-469924	Deep Gap Fire	\$12,400	

The amendment allocates funds for sales tax payments to the fire departments above original projections.

243102-312101	Foscoe Current Year Tax Revenues	\$13,710
243102-312100	Boone Current Year Tax Revenues	\$26,710
243102-312105	Beech Mountain Current Year Tax Revenues	\$150
283102-312103	Fall Creek Current Year Tax Revenues	\$100
283102-312104	Beaver Dam Current Year Tax Revenues	\$300

283102-312106	Zionville Current Year Tax Revenues		\$210
283102-312107	Cove Creek Current Year Tax Revenues		\$5,145
283102-312109	Meat Camp Current Year Tax Revenues		\$7,240
283102-312111	Todd Current Year Tax Revenues		\$935
283102-312112	Blowing Rock Current Year Tax Revenues		\$11,000
283102-312119	Creston Current Year Tax Revenues		\$500
244340-469901	Foscoe	\$13,710	
244340-469905	Boone	\$26,710	
244340-469998	Beech Mountain	\$150	
248340-469903	Fall Creek	\$100	
284340-469904	Beaver Dam	\$300	
284340-469906	Zionville	\$210	
284340-469907	Cove Creek	\$5,145	
284340-469909	Meat Camp	\$7,240	
284340-469911	Todd	\$935	
284340-469912	Blowing Rock	\$11,000	
284340-469919	Creston	\$500	

The amendment recognizes additional projected property tax revenues above the original budget.

103300-349910	NC ADM Capital Funds		\$140,000
103980-398121	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund		\$167,730
105911-470008	ADM-Hardin Park Grease Trap	\$307,730	
213991-399101	Fund Balance Appropriation		\$167,730
219800-498010	Transfer to General Fund	\$167,730	

The amendment allocates funds for the grease trap replacement and kitchen renovations at Hardin Park School. County match to ADM funds provided by School Capital Project set-aside funds.

Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Yates, moved to approve the budget amendments as presented by Ms. Pierce.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

## MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

# A. Watauga Medics Proposed Contract Revision – Second Ratifying Vote of Additional Revision

County Manager Geouque presented amendments to the current Franchise Agreement with Watauga Medics for a second ratifying vote. The major change is to allow Watauga Medics to increase their rates to maximize Medicaid dollars. This change would result in a reduction in the County's annual supplement and allow the savings to fund an ambulance study and the additional utility costs associated with the new ambulance station.

North Carolina General Statute 153A-46 requires grants, renewals, extensions, or amendments of any franchise to be passed at two regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners before it may be officially adopted.

At the last Board meeting, an additional change was made and approved. The subsidy date did not reflect the change in the terms of the contract. The Franchise Agreement was presented for a second ratifying vote.

Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blust, moved to ratify the Ambulance Franchise Agreement as presented for the second required approval.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

[Clerk's Note: At this time the public hearings were held with Miscellaneous Administrative Matters continuing at the close of the hearings.]

# <u>PUBLIC HEARINGS TO ALLOW CITIZEN COMMENT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS</u> TO THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES:

### A. An Ordinance To Regulate Loud And Disturbing Noise And Activities

A public hearing was scheduled to allow citizen comment on the Watauga County Ordinance to Regulate Loud Disturbing Noise and Activities which is proposed to be updated since the last modification in 1986. The Planning Board approved sending the proposed changes to the Board of Commissioners for adoption.

Commissioner Yates, seconded by Commissioner Welch, declared the public hearing open at 6:05 P.M. to allow citizen comment on the proposed amendments to An Ordinance To Regulate Loud And Disturbing Noise And Activities.

Annette Reeves shared comments.

Being no further public comments, Commissioner Yates, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to declare the public hearing closed at 6:09 P.M.

No action was taken regarding the proposed amendments.

B. Ordinance To Regulate High Impact Land Uses (Which Will Include Regulations For Junkyards And, Therefore, Call For The Repeal Of The Ordinance To Regulate Junkyards And Automobile Graveyards

A public hearing was scheduled to allow citizen comment on proposed amendments to the Watauga County Ordinance to Regulate High Impact Land Uses (HILU) which incorporates regulations for junkyards. The Planning Board approved sending the proposed changes to the Board of Commissioners for adoption. After the public hearing, the Board may wish to adopt the ordinance as presented, schedule a work session, or schedule a joint meeting with the Planning

Board. In the event the Board adopts the proposed ordinance, the Ordinance to Regulate Junkyards and Automobile Graveyards would be repealed and included in the HILU Ordinance.

Commissioner Yates, seconded by Commissioner Welch, moved to declare the public hearing open at 6:09 P.M. to allow citizen comment on proposed amendments to the High Impact Land Use Ordinance which includes a call for the repeal of the Ordinance to Regulate Junkyards and Automobile Graveyards.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Susie Winters	Aspen Stetter	Jessica Gilway	Liz McLachren
David Dengel	Diane Tilson	Samuel Broman	Debi Golembieski
Carolyn Henion	Liz Riddick	Chip Williams	Deborah Greene
John Dailey	Mike McKee	Travis Boswell	Rae Filsinger
Shelton Wilder	Taylor Rushing	David Stetter	Annette Reeves
Jessica Stetter	Lee Stroupe	Magdalena Anoufriev	
Montana Stetter	Anita Stroupe	Gregory Anoufriev	

Being no further public comments, Commissioner Yates, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blust, moved to declare the public hearing closed at 7:28 P.M.

After explanations from the County Attorney and Planning and Inspections Director, Joe Furman, regarding moratoriums, Chairman Hodges announced that the Board would consult with the County Attorney in closed session and report back to the people.

## B. Request for Transition Period for New Elections Director

County Manager Geouque stated that Board of Elections Chairman, Mr. Luke Eggers, had requested the Board approve Mr. Matt Snyder to assume the duties of Board of Elections Director prior to July 1, 2015. Mr. Snyder's appointment was affirmed by the State Board of Elections. Ms. Amy Shook, Register of Deeds, was provided the opportunity to start prior to Ms. Townsend's retirement which allowed for a smooth transition in operations.

County Attorney Austin Eggers stated that Mr. Snyder had been appointment by the State Board of Elections; however, it was up to the Board of Commissioners to allow him to work a transition period with Ms. Hodges prior to her retirement.

County Manager Geouque stated that Mr. Snyder's salary was set upon adoption of the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget and County Attorney Eggers stated that through case law, the Director of Board of Elections was a County employee and, therefore, the Board of Commissioners was in control of the salary for that position.

Vice-Chairman Blust, seconded by Commissioner Yates, moved to allow Mr. Matt Snyder to begin employment two-weeks prior to his appointment date as Watauga County Board of Elections Director on July 1, 2015.

VOTE: Aye-3(Hodges, Blust, Yates) Nay-2(Kennedy, Welch)

### MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

### C. Proposed Fiscal Year 2016 AppalCART Contracts

County Manager Geouque presented AppalCART contracts for transportation services for the Project on Aging and Social Services Departments for FY 2016. The proposed rates are the same for both the Project on Aging and Department of Social Services at \$1.45 per vehicle mile.

Vice-Chairman Blust, seconded by Commissioner Welch, moved to approve the FY 2016 contracts with AppalCART for transportation services with the Project on Aging and Department of Social Services as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

### D. Boards and Commissions

### Economic Development Commission

County Manager Geouque stated that three vacancies will result as terms expire in June on the Economic Development Commission. Paul Combs has served 2 consecutive 3-year terms and is ineligible to be reappointed at this time. Lauren Waterworth would have done the same, but resigned as a member prior to her term expiring; her seat is currently vacant. Appointments for these two seats will be regular 3-year terms. Scott McKinney is relocating and has resigned as well. His term expires in June, 2016, therefore, an appointment to fill his unexpired term (which expires June 2016) will be needed.

The term for Paul Combs was filled at the June 2, 2015, Board meeting by Mr. Tim Hodges.

No other volunteers have been recommended at this time.

### Town of Boone Planning Commission

County Manager Geouque stated that the Boone Town Council has recommended Jon Tate for reappointment to the Town's Planning Commission as an ETJ representative. This was a first reading and, therefore, no action was required nor taken.

### Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

County Manager Geouque stated that Ms. Laura Jane Ward, High Country Council of Government's Regional Long-term Care Ombudsman, had submitted Ms. Evelina Idol's name for reappointment to the Watauga County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee. Ms. Idol is willing to continue to serve is so appointed. This was a first reading and, therefore, no action was required nor taken.

### E. Announcements

County Manager Geouque announced a Retirement Reception honoring Ms. Jane Ann Hodges, Board of Elections Director. The Reception will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2015, from 2:00–4:00 P.M. in the Boone United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following spoke during public comment:

Ms. Delores Wilder

Ms. Kathleen Campbell

Ms. Deborah Greene

## **CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:59 P.M., Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Welch, moved to enter Closed Session to discuss Attorney/Client Matters, per G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Yates, moved to resume the open meeting at 9:34 P.M.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

Chairman Hodges announced that the Board had directed staff to review viable options for potential modifications to the High Impact Land Use Ordinance to share at a Special Meeting which will be held on Monday, June 22, 2015, at 5:30 P.M., in the Commissioners' Board Room.

# **ADJOURN**

Commissioner Welch, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blust, moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 P.M.

VOTE: Ave-5

	Nay-0	
ATTEST:		Jimmy Hodges, Chairman
Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board		



### **MINUTES**

### WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING

### **MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015**

The Watauga County Board of Commissioners held a special meeting at 5:30 P.M. on Monday, June 22, 2015, in the Commissioners' Board Room located in the Watauga County Administration Building, Boone, North Carolina.

PRESENT: Jimmy Hodges, Chairman

David Blust, Vice-Chairman Billy Kennedy, Commissioner John Welch, Commissioner Perry Yates, Commissioner

Stacy C. Eggers, IV, County Attorney Deron Geouque, County Manager

Monica Harrison, Substitute Clerk to the Board

Chairman Hodges called the meeting to order at 5:34 P.M.

Commissioner Perry Yates opened the meeting with a prayer and Commissioner John Welch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Welch, seconded by Commissioner Yates, moved to approve the June 22, 2015, agenda as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

# **DISCUSSION OF HIGH IMPACT LAND USE ORDINANCE**

Chairman Hodges called on Joe Furman, Planning and Inspections Director to give his presentation on the High Impact Land Use Ordinance for Watauga County and review the PowerPoint Presentation that was unable to be viewed at the last meeting due to the relocation of the meeting to the courthouse. Mr. Furman stated that at the June 16, 2015 Board of Commissioners Meeting a second permit application had been received by the Planning and Inspections Department for an asphalt plant. The permit application has been reviewed and found to be deficient and did not meet the requirements of the current Watauga County High Impact Land Use (HILU) Ordinance, therefore the permit was denied.

Mr. Furman then reviewed a PowerPoint Presentation and discussed the Planning Board's work in reference to the development of the current HILU and the different spacing restriction options being reviewed. The current spacing requirements in the HILU restrict uses to 1,500 feet from a public or private educational facility, licensed child care facilities, licensed assisted living facilities and nursing homes. Mr. Furman stated that a committee of approximately 20 people met for about one year prior to the adoption of the HILU. Protected land use parcels were looked at by the Planning Board including, but not limited to, religious parcels and public recreation lands. Public concern has been expressed for spacing restrictions and buffers for residential parcels and options have been reviewed by Planning staff to determine what the recommended spacing requirements should be. Mr. Furman stated it would be hard to implement a 1,500 foot residential buffer in Watauga County as this would potentially eliminate most locations. Mr. Furman's presentation provided a map illustrating the protected area in Watauga County if a 1,500 foot residential buffer were put in place.

Mr. Furman mentioned the Ordinance to Regulate Sexually Oriented Businesses as an example, and said that Federal and State Law prohibits counties from completely prohibiting operation of these type of businesses, but that ordinances can be put in place to limit the amount of usable space available and require buffers for these types of businesses. The Planning Board is recommending a 500 foot buffer for residential parcels in the High Impact Land Use Ordinance. Mr. Furman also stated that concerns were noted from the Public Hearing held at the Board of Commissioners Meeting on June 16, 2015 when suggestions were made to look at spacing requirements for Scenic Byways and the Blue Ridge Parkway. The Watauga County GIS staff developed maps as a guide to help the Planning Board and staff provide an illustrated view of how the different levels of spacing restrictions would limit the amount of available space for high impact land uses. The Scenic Byways referred to in Watauga County include; US 421 Scenic Byway, New River Valley Byway, Mission Crossing, Little Parkway, and the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Mr. Furman said that there was a lot of careful consideration put into the High Impact Land Use Ordinance on the part of the Planning Board in making recommendations to the Commissioners regarding restrictions needed in the HILU. He then answered questions from the Commissioners. Mr. Furman clarified that the proposed revisions to the HILU would apply to all Category 1 land uses, would be less restrictive to Category 2 land uses, and would not change for Category 3 land uses.

Chairman Hodges stated that the Commissioners held a Public Hearing on June 16, 2015 to seek citizen input on the High Impact Land Use Ordinance (HILU) and the changes recommended by the Planning Board. As a result of that meeting, Commissioners directed staff and the County Attorney to examine options and develop possible changes to the HILU to reflect the citizen comments and input voiced at the June 16, 2015 meeting. He said that the purpose of the special meeting being held, June 22, 2015 is to discuss recommendations to modify the HILU. Due to possible legal considerations that may proceed after modification to the HILU it was necessary for the Board to go into closed session per NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with the County Attorney.

Chairman Hodges stated that he and some of the other Commissioners had received some very nasty emails and comments from individuals and that these were not called for and were not appreciated. Chairman Hodges said that the Commissioners are working together on this issue to the best of their ability to represent the views of the citizens of Watauga County and wanted to make it clear that this is not a political issue. Commissioner Kennedy agreed with Chairman Hodges and thanked the citizens for their attendance and for expressing their concerns without inappropriate comments or emails.

Chairman Hodges said that the Board may take action after closed session and in the event the Board makes substantial changes to the HILU another Public Hearing will be scheduled.

At that time, Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blust, moved to enter closed session to discuss Attorney/Client Matters per, G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

Commissioner Yates, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blust, moved to resume the regular meeting at 6:38 P.M.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

The County Attorney provided details regarding NC General Statute 153A-340(h) that sets forth standards for the adoption of temporary development moratoria, including the provision that where there is imminent and substantial threat to public health or safety a moratorium may be adopted without first conducting a public hearing.

County Attorney Eggers restated by consensus, the Board of Commissioners agreed to follow the framework and recommendations provided by the Planning Board to modify the High Impact Land Use Ordinance. The proposed revised amendment to the High Impact Land Use Ordinance included spacing requirements in which Category 1 High Impact Land Uses may not be established within 1,500 feet of the road right-of-way designated by NCDOT as a NC Scenic Byway or within 1,500 feet of the Blue Ridge Parkway. The Board of Commissioners will consider a residential setback of between 500 and 1,500 feet, understanding that a 1,500 foot setback may place the HILU in question of validity since this would eliminate almost all usable space for Category 1 land uses.

Due to the changes being proposed to the High Impact Land Use Ordinance, a public hearing was scheduled for the next Board of Commissioners Meeting on July 7, 2015 at 8:30 A.M. to allow for public comment. Typically, public hearings are scheduled for the second meeting of the month (night meeting). However, time was of the essence and the Commissioners deemed it necessary to schedule a public hearing for July 7, 2015 at 8:30 A.M.

Commissioner Billy Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner John Welch, moved to adopt an Ordinance Establishing a Development Moratorium on Certain High Impact Land Uses effective June 22, 2015 and ending on July 31, 2015 and to schedule a public hearing to consider revisions to the High Impact Land Use Ordinance for July, 7, 2015 at 8:30 A.M.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

The Commissions expressed their appreciation of the work that County Manager Geouque and Planning and Inspections Director Furman had done developing viable options for the County to address this important issue and thanked the concerned citizens for their attendance and passion on this issue.

Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blust, moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 P.M.

VOTE: Aye-5 Nay-0

Jimmy Hodges, Chairman

ATTEST:

Monica K. Harrison, Substitute Clerk to the Board

# **AGENDA ITEM 3:**

# APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 16, 2015, AGENDA

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### **AGENDA ITEM 4:**

# MIDDLE FORK GREENWAY REQUEST TO SUBMIT A PRE-APPLICATION TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

### **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Ms. Ann Browning, Middle Fork Greenway Executive Director, will request authorization from the Board to submit a pre-application to the North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation for Section 1 of the Middle Fork Greenway project. On June 30, 2015 a new application round was announced, with pre-applications due on July 14, 2015. The maximum grant award is \$100,000. Middle Fork Greenway is requesting the County apply for \$100,000 for construction funds for the greenway. The cost estimate for completion of Section 1 is \$990,000, which will be provided through a combination of grants, private donations and Tourism and Development Authority commitments. The Watauga County TDA has committed a total of \$225,000 over the next three years. The total amount being requested is \$100,000.

Middle Fork Greenway will provide assistance on the grant application and County staff would administer the grant. In the not too distant future, Middle Fork Greenway will be requesting the County to assume the easement for this project and be included in the MOU with the Park Service. The application in your packet is incomplete due to the short notice of the grant. Staff will ensure the application is completed thoroughly, if the Board elects to submit the grant.

Board approval is required to authorize the submittal of the pre-application grant to the North Carolina Recreational Trails Program in the amount of \$100,000 with Middle Fork Greenway to be responsible for the twenty-five percent (25%) match and all construction costs associated with the greenway.

Staff requests Board direction.

Date: July 2, 2015

To: Watauga County Commissioners

From: Ann Browning, Middle Fork Greenway Executive Director

Re: Recreational Trails Grant Application

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The Middle Fork Greenway initiative, led by Blue Ridge Conservancy and High Country Pathways, has been working on securing funding to build the next section of the greenway. This section will traverse the National Park Service property and Appalachian Regional Healthcare System's Chestnut Ridge facility, making key connections to the Blue Ridge Parkway, Mountains-to-Sea Trail and new acute care facility.

Finalization of access across both properties is underway. ARHS's Board of Directors recently approved the grant of an easement across their property, and the Park Service has provided a letter indicating its interest in providing access across its property. A Memorandum of Understanding with the Park Service will be negotiated to formalize this access. We will be approaching the County to ask for its consideration of holding the hospital easement and being a party to the MOU with the park service.

Preliminary engineering has been done on the ARHS/NPS section of the greenway, which will include a significant bridge and two culvert crossings. Also, the greenway will go under the bridge that is currently being constructed to access Chestnut Ridge. We have been working with NCDOT and ARHS to insure that the bridge accommodates the Middle Fork Greenway.

The cost estimate for completion of this section is \$990,000, which will be provided through a combination of grants, private donations and Tourism and Development Authority commitments. We are so grateful to the Watauga County TDA for its commitment of a total of \$225,000 over three years, which is one of the sources of funding for this section.

The Recreational Trails Program administered through the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources, has been a reliable source of funds for many trail and greenway projects across our state. On July 30, a new application round was announced, with pre-applications due on July 14. The maximum grant award is \$100,000. We are requesting that Watauga County apply for \$100,000 for construction funds for the MFG. Our organization will provide assistance on the grant application.

The application will include an outline of other sources of funding as follows:

Recreational Trails grant request	\$ 100,000
Watauga County TDA funds:	\$ 225,000
Blowing Rock TDA funds:	\$ 50,000
Private funds committed to date	\$ 137,500
Additional private funds	\$ 127,500
Water Resources grant (application under consideration)	\$ 50,000
Parks and Rec Trust Fund application (2015/2016)	\$ 300,000
Total:	\$ 990,000

The MFG initiative is committed to raising the balance of the funds. Discussions are underway with several promising private sources. If awarded, RTP funds will not be drawn until the balance of the funds are secured.

The MFG is being built segment by segment as land access is secured and construction funds are raised. Our focus is growing the greenway from the completed central portion outward and from the two ends inward. We continue to make progress on working with land owners to secure the alignment and working with the Towns of Boone and Blowing Rock on connections within their jurisdictions.

We are grateful to have Watauga County as a partner in the project, which will provide a valuable economic, health and recreational asset for our region. Thank you so much for your consideration of this request to pursue funding from the Recreational Trails Program.

# N.C. Trails Program » Recreational Trails Program

The RTP is a federal grant program authorized by Congress in 2012 as Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 Century (MAP-21). The intent of the RTP is to help fund trails and trail-related recreational needs at the State level. Funding for the RTP comes from federal gas taxes paid on non-highway fuel used in off-highway vehicles, and the program is administered at the Federal level by the Federal Highway Administration.

At the State level, the Secretary of the DENR has assigned that responsibility to the Division of Parks and Recreation and its State Trails Program. The North Carolina Trails Committee is a seven-member advisory committee who will review all applications and make recommendations for funding. The Secretary of DENR has the final approval authority for North Carolina.

Please click one of the links below to take you to the applications and information on the two types of RTP Grants available through the N.C. Trails Program.

Link to the pre-application

http://www.ncparks.gov/About/docs/trails/Pre-Application-2016-RTP.pdf

# North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation

070715 BCC Meeting

# Recreational Trails Program Grant Pre-Application 2016

Purpose: To evaluate trail project readiness for 2016 RTP Grant funding cycles
Any agency can submit one pre-application which are
Due no later than July 14, 2015.

Pre-Applications received after this date (11:59 p.m.) will not be considered for final funding.

Please contact the State Trails Program if you have questions regarding this application.

If you have specific questions regarding RTP legislation, please reference the FHWA - RTP website

Sponsor Agency / Organization Name:	
2. Sponsoring Agency Type:	
3. Federal Tax ID Number:	
ATTENTION: All contacts and correspondence in reference to t Project Contact that is listed below.	his project will be sent to the
4.Prefix: Contact First Name:	Middle Initial:
Last Name:	Suffix:
5. Contact Title:	
6. Mailing Address:	
City: State:	ZIP:
7. Telephone:	Extension:
8. E-mail Address:	
9. Has your agency received any grants from NC DPR in the past?	¥
If applicable, please provide Contract # and year of grant(s) received	

### PROJECTALES AND TON REQUIREMENTS

Question # 18 on the following page requires a project description that will determine the overall sustainability of your proposed trail project as compared to peer pre-applications.

The Division of Parks and Recreation, State Trails Program and the North Carolina Trails Committee feel that the definitions listed below best define each level of sustainability required to produce a quality trail project.

Sustainability is defined as: a project that is economically feasible, environmentally appropriate, structurally sound, with demonstrated, quantifiable social and fiscal support from the sponsoring community, which ultimately provides the greatest return on the investment of public funds.

It is highly recommended that you read these definitions carefully to ensure you have covered each level in your project description on page 4, question number 18.

### **Definitions for Components of Sustainability:**

<u>Physically Possible:</u> Any potential use must be physically possible given the size, shape, topography, and other characteristics of the site.

**<u>Legally Permissible:</u>** Only those uses that are, or may be, legally allowed and fall within environmental regulation will be considered for trail projects.

**Economically Feasible:** the proposed trail project must have adequate funding sources to justify the costs of construction and long term maintenance.

<u>Maximally Productive</u>: the proposed trail project must indicate that all potential opportunities have been leveraged, that the proposed project does not duplicate other efforts of the same scale and location and shows a defined public need for use of public funds.

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION

18	In the space provided below, briefly describe your project. Be sure to include enough detail to convey your project to someone unfamiliar with your project and/or location such as length, width, connectivity, etc. Please define your project description in terms of the components of sustainability referenced above. This description will be used to determine your project's overall sustainability as compared to projects submitted by your peers.  Note: This statement should be suitable for public review, text provided in this box will be published internally and
	externally without editing by DPR or the State Trails Program. (Text is limited to space provided)
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### TRAIL PROJECT MAP - REQUIRED

Maps will be an important part of your pre-application. The following map will be required as part of your pre-application package.

Note: The Division of Parks and Recreation, State Trails Program and the North Carolina Trails Committee value trail projects that are legal, safe, and managed, that provide connectivity, reasonable public access and parking. Trail projects that simply dead end or circle athletic fields will not rank highly for funding. Please don't hesitate to contact our staff if you have any questions.

Please check this box indicating that you understand what maps are required for this pre-application and that you have included those with your pre-application documentation.

### Overview Map:

It is required that all projects have a corresponding map that shows the entirety of the planned trail project. For large plans, include counties adjacent to your project area that have existing and planned segments clearly identified. We want to understand how the project you are applying for - fits into the greater trail/greenway plan.

# **Authorization**

"I am authorized by the Project Sponsor to submit this application and understand that this application will be evaluated on the basis of the information submitted, and the submission of incorrect information can result in this application being withdrawn from consideration."

Typed Nam	ne (required):			
Title:				
Date:				

### SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

# E-mail submission of this application is required.

Please complete this pre-application and save it as a "live version" .PDF document. The file name of your .PDF document must include your agency's name.

Also, include the REQUIRED map as a separate document attached to your e-mail submission.

Please e-mail ALL RTP Grant Pre-Application information as .PDF files by 11:59 PM on July 14, 2015 to:

# **State Trails Program**

dprstate.trails@ncparks.gov

Phone: (919) 707-9320

**Note:** "Live Version" PDF means that the text boxes and drop-down menus are still active. This is required for data transfe<sup>25</sup> after submission.

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### **AGENDA ITEM 5:**

# **COMMUNICATIONS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES MATTERS**

A. Proposed Wireless Communications 911 Services/Maintenance Agreement

### **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Jeff Virginia, Emergency Services Director, will present the annual maintenance agreement with Wireless Communications for the 24/7 monitoring of the 911 call processor and software. The total amount of the contract is \$52,635.36 which is one hundred percent (100%) reimbursable from 911 funds. Staff has been satisfied with the service provided and would recommend approval.

911 funds are available to pay the contracted expense. Board action is required to approve the contract with Wireless Communications for monitoring of the 911 call processor and software in the amount of \$52,635.36.

Board action is required.



# **WATAUGA COUNTY**

# Department of Communications & Emergency Services

184 Hodges Gap Road Suite D ♦ Boone, North Carolina 28607 Phone (828) 264-3761

FAX (828) 265-7617 Jeff Virginia-Director

Email: Jeff.Virginia@watgov.org

June 29, 2015

To: Watauga County Board of Commissioners

From: Jeff Virginia

Ref: Communications & Emergency Services 911 Service/Maintenance Agreement

Cc: Deron Geouque

Attached is the Wireless Communications Service/Maintenance Agreement for presentation at the upcoming Board Meeting. This agreement includes 24/7 monitoring for our 911 call processor along with software support. This is the same agreement that we have had for the past several years and are extremely pleased with the service that we have received. This agreement is 100% fundable with 911 funds.

1: Wireless Communications/Airbus Software Support and 24/7 Monitoring (\$52,635.36)

I respectfully request the Watauga County Board of commissioners to approve this agreement for the 2015-2016 budget year.

1-800-346-5525

#### SERVICE AGREEMENT

Motorola Authorized Service Station

OFFICE USE ONLY

SERVICE MGT APPROVAL

(PLEASE PRINT)

CUSTOMER/AGREEMENT

4800 Reagan Dr. Charlotte, NC 28206

> DATE: 5-Mar-15

NUMBER

CUSTOMER NAME: Watauga County SERVICE LOCATION Elaine Griffith CUSTOMER #: ATTN:

184 Hodges Gap Rd.

Boone NC 28607 CITY/STATE/ZIP:

AUTOMATIC RENEWAL: CONTRACT START DATE: YES

BILLING ADDRESS:

**EXPIRATION DATE:** 6/30/2016

CUSTOMER CONTACT: Elaine Griffith

CUSTOMER PHONE #'s: 828 265-5708

Fax # - 828 265-7617

Dept.

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							SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
1	Geo-Diverse Patriot 911 System including:	X		X		\$1,943.57	
6	Sentinel Workstations	X		X			7x24 Emergency Callout service on fixed Equipment
	CommandPost Units	X		X			UPS coverage does not include replacement batteries
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	Spare Parts	X		X			
11	Monitors	X		X			
2	Spectracom Netclock	X		X	\$65.00	\$130.00	
2	Tripplite UPS	X		X	\$65.00	\$130.00	
1	Airbus Software Support	X		X		\$1,199.38	For Service Call SERVICE CENTER:
1	Airbus 24x7 Remote Monitoring	X		X		\$983.33	Wireless Charlotte 4800 Reagan Dr. Charlotte, NC 28206 704 597 5220, Fax 597-5497 Toll Free 1-800-346-5525
		for 1			MONTHLY	\$4,386.28	
	Covers Parts and Labor, all normal terms and	conditions apply.					X NEW SUPERSEDE AGREEMENT AGREEMENT NUMBER(S): 10
	PAYMENT CYCLE: T	AX EXEMPT:			TOTAL PER MONTH	\$4,386.28	
X ANNUALLY YES, ATTACH EXEMPT				TAXES		AUTHORIZED CUSTOMER SIGNATURE/P.O. # TITLE DATE	
QUARTERLY CERTIFICATE  MONTHLY  OTHER (SPECIFY IN SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS)				Term TOTAL	\$52,635.36	IS P.O. REQUIRED? YES ATTACHED P.O. #	
				THE ABOVE SERVICE IS SUBJECT TO STAT	E AND	NO Bruce Williams 336-324-3627 Fax 888-412-6139	

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SERVICE AGREEMENT 070715 BCC Meeting

- 1. DEFINITIONS: "Wireless" shall mean Wireless Communications, Inc.; "Customer" shall mean the Customer named in the Agreement; and "Product" shall collectively mean the Equipment and Software which Wireless and Customer agree to be serviced pursuant to this Service Agreement. Such Product is listed on the front of this Agreement.
- ACCEPTANCE. The terms and conditions set forth on the front and reverse side of this Agreement is an offer to purchase Service by Customer which shall become a Service Agreement when acknowledged in writing by Wireless's Service Department; and the banking, negotiation or other use of any payment shall not constitute an acceptance by Wireless. It is agreed that Service shall be provided only on the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement. Wireless shall not be bound by terms and conditions in Customer's purchase order or elsewhere unless expressly agreed to in writing. Upon acceptance by Wireless's Service Department, Wireless's interest in the Agreement is assigned to Wireless Communications, Inc.
- 3. SERVICE DEFINED
  - a. Wireless agrees to provide service for the Customer for the Product listed on the front side of this Agreement. Such Product shall be serviced according to the terms and conditions on the front and reverse side of this Agreement ("Service"). The Service shall begin and end on the dates set forth on the front side of this Agreement. Wireless shall also Service other Product purchased by Customer during the term of this Agreement on the same terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement at then current service fees for such Product. Upon delivery of such other Product to Customer, service fees for Service on such other Product shall be added to the billing cycle following the expiration of the labor warranty on such other Product. In the event of loss, damage, theft, or removal from Service of any Product, Customer shall immediately report the loss, damage, theft or removal in wiring to Wireless. In this even, Customer's obligation to pay service fees with respect to any such Product shall terminate at the end of the month in which Wireless receives such written report.
  - b. Mobile Product shall be removed and reinstalled in different vehicles at Customer's request for the service fee in effect at the time of the Customer's request.
  - c. This Agreement does not include service of any transmission line, antenna, tower or tower lighting, unless such work is described on the front of the Agreement. Service shall include the labor and parts required to repair Product which has become defective through normal wear and usage. This does not include consumables and the Installation. Service does not include the repair or replacement of Product which has otherwise become defective, including, but not limited to, damage caused by accidents, physical or electronic abuse or misuse, acts of God, fires or other casualty. Service performed for non-covered repairs shall be billed at Wireless' above contract rate applicable for such Service. Product under contract must be maintained in environmental conditions as set forth in the Product specifications and damage resulting from environmental conditions is not covered by this Agreement.
  - d. Where telephone lines and Product are used in conjunction with Wireless maintained Product, Wireless shall have no obligations or responsibility for such telephone lines or Product but shall, upon request, assist the Telephone Company in repairing such upon payment at the appropriate above contract rate.
  - e. Customer shall indicate on the front side of this Agreement any Product which is intrinsically safe so that appropriate parts and procedures may be used to maintain such status.
  - At the expiration of twelve (12) months after the commencement of Service hereunder (or any time thereafter), if Product cannot in Wireless's opinion be properly or economically repaired, because (but not limited to) excessive wear, deterioration or unavailability of parts, Wireless, at its sole option, upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to customer sent by certified mail, may either: (1) remove such Product from this Agreement; or may increase the price to Service such Product. Customer shall have (30) days from receipt of notice of price increase to object to such increase. If Customer properly objects to such increase Wireless shall then have the option to remove such Product from coverage by the Agreement. Customer's obligation to pay Service fees with respect to Product removed from this Agreement shall terminate at the end of the month during which such Product is removed.
- 4. SERVICE STANDARDS. The Product shall be serviced by Wireless in accordance with the following standards: (I) Wireless part or parts of equal quality shall be used; (ii) the Products shall be serviced at levels set forth in Wireless's product manuals; and (iii) routine service procedures prescribed from time to time by Wireless for its Product shall be followed.
- TIME AND PLACE OF SERVICE.
  - a. Service shall be done at the location specified on the front side of this Agreement. Where Service is to be performed at the location of the Product, Customer shall furnish shelter, heat, light and power at these locations. Customer shall notify Wireless immediately of Product failure, allow Wireless full and free access to the Product, and cooperate fully with Wireless is servicing of the Product. Waiver of liability by Wireless against Customer or other restrictions shall not be imposed by Customer as a site access requirement. Customer shall allow Wireless titll and free access to the Product. Customer shall allow Wireless access to the Product. Customer shall allow Wireless access to the Product and removable Product shall be delivered by Customer to the Wireless Service Center indicated on the front side of this Agreement.
  - b. Hours of Service under this Agreement shall be the normal working hours, excluding holidays, of Wireless's Service Center unless otherwise indicated on the front side of this Agreement.
- 5. PAYMENT/TAXES. On or about the date each payment is due as set forth on the front side of this Agreement; Wireless shall send Customer an invoice covering the Service fees for the next Payment Period. All other charges shall be billed monthly and the Customer shall pay the amount of each invoice within thirty (30) days of its date to the Wireless office designated by Wireless. Each invoice shall be due and payable whether or not the Product is operating and Wireless may terminate this Agreement by giving Customer ten (10) days notice by certified mail if Customer defaults in its payment to Wireless. Customer shall reimburse Wireless for all property taxes, sales and use taxes, excise taxes, and other taxes or assessments now or hereafter imposed by authority of any Federal, State, or Local law, rule or regulation with respect to the Service of the Product except Federal income and printing taxes of Wireless of Wireless.
- 7. RIGHT TO SUBCONTRACT. Wireless shall have the right to subcontract in whole or in part the Service called for by this Agreement as long as subcontractor personnel are equally qualified to that of Wireless. Determination of qualification is at the sole discretion of Customer. Wireless shall notify customer of many address, phone number and contact person immediately upon determining such subcontracting is necessary. Customer reserves the right to cancel Agreement, or seek alternative service provider, if subcontractor is unacceptable to Customer provided Wireless does not provide approved contractor to Customer.
- 8. REVISION OF FEES. Prior to the anniversary of the "Expiration Date" indicated on the front side of this Agreement, Wireless may revise the Service fees set forth on the front side of this Agreement by giving Customer written notice of the amount of the increase at least sixty (60) days in advance of the Anniversary date. Upon receipt of any such notice, Customer, as determined this Agreement on the Expiration Date or any Anniversary of it upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to Wireless sent by certified mail to the address indicated in this Agreement, otherwise the new fees shall become effective on the Anniversary date. In the event of such termination, all accrued and unpaid charges shall be due and payable immediately upon termination.
- 9. AUTOMATIC RENEWAL. After the Expiration Date indicated on the front side of this Agreement, this Agreement shall continue for successive additional periods of one year, provided that either Wireless or Customer may terminate this Agreement on the Expiration Date or Anniversary of it, or otherwise as herein provided, upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party sent by certified mail to the address indicated in this Agreement.
- 10. INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE. Customer shall notify the servicing agency in the event of the failure of any Product. If the servicing agency fails to repair the Product within a reasonable time, Customer shall notify the Wireless office designated by Wireless. After said notice from Customer to the servicing agency and to the Wireless office designated by Wireless shall be liable for any interruption or interference affecting the use of transmission through the Product maintained to the extent of a pro rata allowance based on the monthly service fee for the time such interruption or interference is attributable to the fault of Wireless or its subcontractor. Wireless does not assume and shall have no liability under this Agreement for failure to provide or delay in providing service of the Product directly of indirectly to eauses beyond the control of Wireless, including, but not restricted to, acts of God, acts of public enemy, acts of the United States, or any political subdivision of the foregoing, or the District of Columbia, acts of failure to act of the Customer, its agents, employees or subcontractors, fires, floods, casualty, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather conditions or defaults of Wireless subcontractors due to any such causes.
- 11. WARRANTY LIMITATIONS. EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED IN THIS AGREEMENT, WIRELESS DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN NO EVENT SHALL WIRELESS BE LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES TO THE FULL EXTENT SUCH MAY BE DISCLAIMED BY LAW.
- 12. FCC AND OTHER GOVERNMENT MATTERS. Although Wireless may assist in preparation of the FCC license application, Customer is solely responsible for obtaining any licenses or other authorizations required by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") or any Federal, State, or Local governmental agency. Customer is solely responsible for complying with the applicable rules and regulations and the applicable rules and regulations of any other Federal, State, or Local governmental agency. Neither Wireless or any of its employees is an agent of Customer in FCC or other governmental matters. Wireless, however, may assist in preparation of the FCC license application at no charge to Customer.
- 13. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. Customer acknowledges that it has read and understands the terms and conditions of the Agreement and agrees to be bound by them, that it is the complete and conclusive statement of the Agreement between the parties and that this Agreement sets forth the entire agreement and understanding between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and all understandings and agreements, or all and written, heretofore made between Wireless and Customer, are merged in this Agreement which alone fully and Completely expresses their agreement.
- 14. AMENDMENT. No modification of or additions to this Agreement shall be binding upon Wireless such modification is in writing and signed by the Wireless Division Service Vice President authorized to make such revisions and authorized agent of Customer.
- 15. VALIDITY. If any term or provision of this Agreement shall to any extent be held by a court or other tribunal to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, then that term or provision shall be inoperative and void insofar as it is in conflict with law, but the remaining terms and provisions of the Agreement shall nevertheless continue in full force and effect and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if this Agreement did not contain the particular term or provision held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable.
- 16. HEADINGS. Section and paragraph headings used in this Agreement are for convenience only and are not to be deemed or construed to be part of this agreement.
- 17. LAW. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE PARTIES SHALL BE GOVERNED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.
- 8. ASSIGNMENT. No assignment or transfer, in whole or in part, of this Agreement by Customer or Wireless shall be binding upon the other party without its prior written consent.
- 19. WAIVER. Failure or delay on the part of Wireless or Customer to exercise any right, power or privilege under this Agreement shall not operate as a waiver of any right, power, or privilege of this Agreement.
- 20. TIME TO SUE. Except for money due upon an open account, no action shall be brought for any breach of this Agreement more than two (2) years after the accrual of such cause of action except where a shorter limitation period is provided by applicable law.

#### NOTE:

DIRECT INQUIRES ABOUT THIS AGREEMENT TO YOUR LOCAL WIRELESS COMMUNCATIONS, INC. OFFICE AT 4800 NORTH 1-85, CHARLOTTE, NC 28206 OR 8724 GLENWOOD AVENUE, RALEIGH, NC 27612

### **AGENDA ITEM 5:**

## COMMUNICATIONS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES MATTERS

B. Proposed Vesta 911 Hardware/Software Refresh

### **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Jeff Virginia, Emergency Services Director, will request the Board authorize the purchase with Wireless Communications for Vesta 911 hardware and software to refresh the 911 call processor. Due to the importance of this equipment, the replacement schedule is every three (3) years. The current fiscal year will be the fourth year of service for the existing equipment. This replacement will allow all of the systems and hardware to be on the same replacement schedule and reduce the possibility of end of life issues in which the equipment and software is no longer supported.

911 funds are available to pay the contracted expense. Board action is required to approve the contract with Wireless Communications for Vesta 911 hardware and software to refresh the 911 call processor in the amount of \$214,329.63.

Board action is required.



# **WATAUGA COUNTY**

# Department of Communications & Emergency Services

184 Hodges Gap Road Suite D ♦ Boone, North Carolina 28607 Phone (828) 264-3761

FAX (828) 265-7617 Jeff Virginia-Director

Email: Jeff.Virginia@watgov.org

June 29, 2015

To: Watauga County Board of Commissioners

From: Jeff Virginia

Ref: Communications Vesta 911 Hardware and Software refresh

Cc: Deron Geouque

Attached is a request to purchase the Vesta 911 hardware/software refresh for our current 911 call processor. Our current system will be 4 years old this year, all of the computers in the communications center are on a 3 year replacement schedule; this purchase will place our current call processor on the same rotation as other computers and will eliminate the end of life cycle that was anticipated in the next few years. This purchase is 100% payable with 911 funds and is included in the 2015-2016 approved budget.

1: Wireless Communications/Airbus Vista Hardware & Software upgrade (\$214,329.63)

I respectfully request the Watauga County Board of commissioners to approve this purchase for the 2015-2016 budget year.



March 19, 2015

**Customer: Watauga County** 

Quote: Vesta 9-1-1 Hardware & Software Refresh

QTY	DESCRIPTION	C. P. SEC. C. CONT. C.	TOTAL
1	Vesta 9-1-1 System Refresh including:	\$	113,837.51
6	1 Year of Software Support		
6	Sentinel 9-1-1 Workstations		and a second and a second and a second as a second
6	22" Touchscreen Monitors		
6	24 Key keypads		
6	CDR License for ECaTS		
4	CommandPost Units	\$	46,423.39
1	Recommended Spare Parts	\$	4,144.29
1	Shipping	\$	1,208.54
1	Turn Key Installation	\$	24,883.90
1	Airbus Field Engineering	\$	6,000.00
3	Call Taker and Administrator Training	\$	2,172.00
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(This is a turnkey quote for the E9-1-1 system including installation, training, warranty and software support for 1 year. The Vesta E9-1-1 system requires a NENA approved NetClock.)

# **Watauga County Prim**

Geo-Diverse VES

### VESTA 9-1-1 - Side A

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			Control Center (TCC) services and network				
			charges.				
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			PSAP's up to 40 positions with an annual call				
			volume of 500,000 or less.				
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			VESTA 9-1-1 Admin Printer				
	1	64040-60020	PRNTR USB/ETHERNET B/W LJ				
			Note: Laserjet Black and White printer.				
			Recommended monthly volume, 250 to 1,500				
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			Network Equipment				
	4	03800-03030	FIREWALL- MODEM 60CM				
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	1	03800-03031	WAR FIREWALL 60CM 1YR				
	1	809800-00201	VPN CFG SVCS				
	1	04000-01900	RACK MNT KIT 1921 ROUTER				

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		Note: This Cisco 1921 router is quoted to provide dual active firewall functionality between the Host sites. This router is not intended for terminating any type of WAN connectivity to other sites.
1	04000-01913	ROUTER 1921 DATA LIC
1	04000-01915	WAR 1921 ROUTER 1YR NBD
1	809800-00199	ROUTER CFG FEE
2	04000-29616	SWITCH 2960 + CBL 24-PORT
2	04000-29611	WAR 2960 24P 1YR NBD
		Peripherals & Gateways
2	2213936-1-SR1	FXO GATEWAY 4-PORT
2	2213938-1-SR1	FXS GATEWAY 4-PORT
4	04000-00176	SW SPT ANALOG GATEWAY 1YR
		Rack & Peripheral Equipment
1	06500-55053	7FT EQUIPMENT RACK 19IN
1	Synnex	19IN Monitor
1	04000-004B4	KVM 4-PORT SWITCH
1	04000-00607	CBL KVM USB CONSOLE
4	04000-60611	CBL KVM USB 10FT
1	04000-RMM19	BRKT 19IN RACK MTG/ARBITR
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# VESTA 9-1-1 - Side B

			VESTA 9-1-1 - Side B
ı	Qty,	Part No.	Description
ľ			VESTA 9-1-1
ı	1	870899-0104R3.1U	VESTA 4 R3.1 L/D/M UPGD
ı	1	873099-03002U	R4 CAD INTF LIC UPGD
ı			
ı	1	04000-RS232	BLKBX TL601A-R2 DATASHARE
ı	1	04000-01751	TS-4 PORT TERMINAL SVR
ı	1	65000-00182	CBL RJ45-10P/DB25M 4FT
ı			
ı			SMS Equipment
ı			Note: Customer is responsible for Text
İ			Control Center (TCC) services and network
ł			charges.
ĺ	1	03800-03040	FIREWALL MODEM 60D
ļ	1	03800-03041	WAR FIREWALL 60D 1YR
1	1	809800-00200	CFG NTWK DEVICE
ı	40	809800-17101	FIELD ENG-PRIMARY
ı			NAME OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PR
ı			VM Medium Server Bundle Note: The Medium Server Bundle is for
			PSAP's up to 40 positions with an annual call
1		050004 01 01 (000 0	volume of 500,000 or less.
Ì	1	853031-DLSVRGD-2	V-DL MED SVR BNDL GEO
ı	1	06500-00201	2-POST RELAY RACK MNT KIT
ı	1	04000-68005	V-SVR BASIC SPT 1YR
ı			VESTA Prime - Standard Operations
ı		PS-0PR-VSSL-M	VPRIME PER SEAT LIC NEEE
ı	1	ISS-0PR-VSSL-IY	ISPT VPRIME 1YR
ı	i	809800-35130	R4 SW SPT TRNSFR
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ı	1	PA-MGD-VSSL-M	GEO-DIV LIC MIG
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ı			VESTA Workstation Equipment
I	1	61000-409605SFF	WKST HP Z230 SFF
I	1	Synnex	22IN Touchscreen Monitor
I	1	64007-50016	KEYPAD 24KEY USB 12FT CBL
I	1	853004-00401	SAM EXT SPKR KIT
I	1	853030-00302	R4 SAM HDWR KIT
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1	809800-35109	R4 IWS CFG
1	809800-35108	R4 IWS STG FEE
1	870890-07501	CPR/SYSPREP IMAGING
		VESTA 9-1-1 IRR Module
1	873099-00502U	R4 IRR LIC UPGD
· ·	0.0000 000020	Note: existing USB IRR HASP keys must be
		retained and moved to new PCs.
1	809800-35110	R4 IRR SW SPT 1YR
1	809800-35110	R4 SW SPT TRNSFR
ı	009000-33130	K4 3W 3FT TRIGER
		VESTA 9-1-1 CDR Module
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1	873099-00602U	R4 CDR SVR LIC UPGD
1	873099-01102U	R4 CDR PER SEAT LIC UPGD
		Network Equipment
1	03800-03030	FIREWALL- MODEM 60CM
1	03800-03031	WAR FIREWALL 60CM 1YR
1	809800-00201	VPN CFG SVCS
1	04000-01900	RACK MNT KIT 1921 ROUTER
		Note: This Cisco 1921 router is quoted to
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		between the Host sites. This router is not
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		connectivity to other sites.
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2	04000-29616	SWITCH 2960 + CBL 24-PORT
2	04000-29611	WAR 2960 24P 1YR NBD
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		Peripherals & Gateways
2	2213936-1-SR1	FXO GATEWAY 4-PORT
2	2213938-1-SR1	FXS GATEWAY 4-PORT
4	04000-00176	ISW SPT ANALOG GATEWAY 1YR
4	04000-00176	SVV SPT ANALOG GATEVAT TIK
		Rack & Peripheral Equipment
	00500 55050	7FT EQUIPMENT RACK 19IN
1	06500-55053	
1	Synnex	19IN Monitor
1	04000-004B4	KVM 4-PORT SWITCH
1	04000-00607	CBL KVM USB CONSOLE
4	04000-60611	CBL KVM USB 10FT
1	04000-RMM19	BRKT 19IN RACK MTG/ARBITR
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## Spare Parts

Qty.	Part No.	Description
	7	VESTA 9-1-1 Equipment - Recommended Spare
1	2213936-SPARE	FXO GATEWAY 4-PORT SPARE
1	2213938-SPARE	FXS GATEWAY 4-PORT SPARE
1	04000-29616	SWITCH 2960 + CBL 24-PORT
1	04000-29611	WAR 2960 24P 1YR NBD
1	Synnex	22IN Touchscreen Monitor
1	64007-50016	KEYPAD 24KEY USB 12FT CBL
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# VESTA 9-1-1 CommandPOST System

Qty.	Part No.	Description
		VESTA 9-1-1 CommandPOST System
1	PS-0PR-VSSL-M	VPRIME PER SEAT LIC NFEE
1 1	SS-0PR-VSSL-1Y	SPT VPRIME 1YR
1	809800-35130	R4 SW SPT TRNSFR
		Geo Diverse Add On License

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1	PA-MGD-VSSL-M	GEO-DIV LIC MIG
		CommandPOST Hardware
1	61050-G409602	LAPTOP ZBOOK15 G2 W7
1	04000-00490	ADV DOCK STATION 230W
1	64021-10025	KYBD/MOUSE BNDL
1	Synnex	22IN Touchscreen Monitor
1 1	853004-00401	SAM EXT SPKR KIT
1	64007-50016	KEYPAD 24KEY USB 12FT CBL
1	853004-00301	CPOST SAM HDWR KIT
1	809800-35109	R4 IWS CFG
1	809800-35108	R4 IWS STG FEE
		VESTA 9-1-1 IRR Module
1	873099-00502	R4 IRR LIC/DOC/MED
1	809800-35110	R4 IRR SW SPT 1YR
1	809800-35130	R4 SW SPT TRNSFR
		VESTA 9-1-1 CDR Module
1	873099-01102U	R4 CDR PER SEAT LIC UPGD
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# VESTA 9-1-1 CommandPOST System

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			VESTA 9-1-1 CommandPOST System
	3	PS-0PR-VSSL-M	VPRIME PER SEAT LIC NFEE
	3	SS-0PR-VSSL-1Y	SPT VPRIME 1YR
	3	809800-35130	R4 SW SPT TRNSFR
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	3	PA-MGD-VSSL-M	GEO-DIV LIC MIG
			CommandPOST Hardware
	3	61050-G409602	LAPTOP ZBOOK15 G2 W7
	3	04000-00490	ADV DOCK STATION 230W
	3	64021-10025	KYBD/MOUSE BNDL
	3	Synnex	
	3	1853004-00401	SAM EXT SPKR KIT
	3	64007-50016	KEYPAD 24KEY USB 12FT CBL
	3	853004-00301	CPOST SAM HDWR KIT
	3	809800-35109	R4 IWS CFG
	3	809800-35108	R4 IWS STG FEE
			VESTA 9-1-1 IRR Module
	3	873099-00502	R4 IRR LIC/DOC/MED
	3	809800-35110	R4 IRR SW SPT 1YR
	3	809800-35130	R4 SW SPT TRNSFR
ı		}	VESTA 9-1-1 CDR Module
ļ	3	873099-01102U	R4 CDR PER SEAT LIC UPGD
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# VESTA 9-1-1 CommandPOS

## Managed Services - Side A

		Managed Services * Side A
Qty.	Part No.	Description
		Monitoring & Response Activation Fee
		Note: M&R Activation Fees will apply if
		existing M&R services are disabled prior to
		receipt of a PO for the M&R support renewal.
1	809800-14150	M&R ACT FEE SMALL SITE
		Monitoring & Response License & Support Fee

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			Note: site has following licenses available for reuse: (1) server, (5) workstation, (6) IP.
	1	809800-14161	M&R 3.0 SVR SRVC 1YR
	1	871499-01211	M&R 3.0 WKST LIC
	6	809800-16161	M&R 3,0 WKST SRVC 1YR
			Note: includes (5) Workstations, (1)
			Management Console
	3	871499-01210	M&R 3.0 IP DEVICES LIC
	9	809800-16166	M&R 3.0 IP DEV SRVC 1YR
			Note: Includes (1) MDS Server, (4) Gateways,
			(1) Firewall, (2) Cisco Switches, (1) Virtual
			Machine

# Managed Services - Side B

		Description  Monitoring & Response License & Support F Note: site has following licenses available for reuse: (1) server, (1) workstation, (6) IP.
1	809800-14161	M&R 3.0 SVR SRVC 1YR
1	871499-01211	M&R 3.0 WKST LIC
2	809800-16161	M&R 3.0 WKST SRVC 1YR Note: Includes (1) Workstation, (1) Management Console
3	871499-01210	M&R 3,0 IP DEVICES LIC
9	809800-16166	M&R 3.0 IP DEV SRVC 1YR Note: Includes (1) MDS Server, (4) Gateways (1) Firewall, (2) Cisco Switches, (1) Virtual Machine

## Services

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1	Wireless	Shipping							
1	Wireless	Turnkey Installation Field Engineering Services							
24	809800-17005	FIELD ENG REMOTE SVCS Note: includes remote configuration of (2) Cisco							
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3	Wireless	Admin & Call Taker Training							

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# **AGENDA ITEM 6:**

# TAX MATTERS

A. Monthly Collections Report

# **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Larry Warren, Tax Administrator, will present the Monthly Collections Report and be available for questions and discussion.

The report is for information only; therefore, no action is required.

# Monthly Collections Report

# Watauga County

Bank deposits of the following amounts have been made and credited to the account of Watauga County. The reported

totals do not include small shortages and overages reported to the Watauga County Finance Officer

Monthly Report June 2015

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# **AGENDA ITEM 6:**

# TAX MATTERS

B. Refunds and Releases

# **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Warren will present the Refunds and Releases Reports.

Board action is required to accept the Refunds and Releases Reports.



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# **AGENDA ITEM 7:**

PUBLIC HEARING TO ALLOW CITIZEN COMMENT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE TO REGULATE HIGH IMPACT LAND USES (WHICH WILL INCLUDE REGULATIONS FOR JUNKYARDS AND, THEREFORE, CALL FOR THE REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE TO REGULATE JUNKYARDS AND AUTOMOBILE GRAVEYARDS

# **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

A public hearing has been scheduled to allow citizen comment on proposed amendments to the Watauga County Ordinance to Regulate High Impact Land Uses (HILU) and incorporates regulations for junkyards. The Planning Board approved sending the proposed changes to the Board of Commissioners for adoption. Mr. Furman will provide maps requested by the Board illustrating the various buffers. After the public hearing, the Board may wish to adopt the ordinance with the proposed revision, schedule a work session, or a joint meeting with the Planning Board. Due to possible legal actions, the Board may wish to consult with the County Attorney prior to a rendering a decision regarding the HILU ordinance. In the event the Board adopts the proposed ordinance, the Ordinance to Regulate Junkyards and Automobile Graveyards would be repealed and included in the HILU Ordinance.

Staff seeks direction from the Board.

Proposed revised amendment to High Impact Land Use Ordinance

Article II, Section 3. F.(2) Regulations and Standards Imposed, Spacing Requirements: add

"Category 1 High Impact Land Uses may not be established within 1500 feet of the right-of-way line of a roadway designated by NCDOT as a NC Scenic Byway or within 1500 feet of the Blue Ridge Parkway."



# Ordinance to Regulate High Impact Land Uses

Watauga County, NC

Adopted March 18, 2003 Amended February 18, 2014 **Amended , 2015** 

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# ARTICLE I

# INTRODUCTION

Section 1 General Purpose. The following regulations of High Impact Land Uses are adopted for the purpose of promoting the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Watauga County, and to promote the peace and dignity of the county; the Watauga County Commissioners hereby establish certain criteria relating to high impact land uses. These uses by their very nature produce objectionable levels of noise, odors, vibrations, fumes, light, smoke, and other impacts upon the lands adjacent to them. These standards shall allow for the placement and growth of such uses, while maintaining the health, safety, and general welfare standards of established residential and commercial areas in Watauga County.

<u>Section 2 Legal Authority.</u> This ordinance is adopted under the general ordinance authority granted to counties by the General Assembly of North Carolina. (General Statutes 153A-121 *et seq.*, and other pertinent statutes and amendments thereto).

Section 3 Territorial Coverage. Pursuant to NCGS § 153A-122, this ordinance shall apply to all areas of unincorporated Watauga County which are not within the extraterritorial planning jurisdictions of any municipalities. All municipalities, their respective corporate limits, and extra-territorial jurisdiction shall be exempted from the ordinance, unless they choose to adopt this ordinance or some form thereof. This ordinance does not apply to Watauga County owned and operated solid waste facilities or container sites.

# ARTICLE II

## REGULATED LAND USES

<u>Section 1 Regulated Uses.</u> This ordinance applies <del>only</del> to the following <del>listed</del> High Impact Land Uses:

- A. <u>Category 1.</u> Asphalt Plants, Cement Mixing Facilities, and Quarries/Stone Crushers.
- B. <u>Category 2.</u> Asphalt Plants, Automotive Graveyards, Propane or Gasoline Bulk Storage Facilities, Cement Mixing Facilities, Chemical Manufacturing, Chemical Storage Facilities, Chip Mills, Electricity Generating Facilities (excluding Wind and Solar Power Farms), Explosives Manufacturing, Junk/Scrap Yards.
- C. <u>Category 3.</u> Fuel Oil Bulk Storage Facilities, Electric Substations, Commercial/Industrial Development with aggregate building footprint 50,000 square feet or greater, <u>Recycling Facilities and Solar Power Farms</u>. (NOTE: Wind Power Farms are regulated by separate Watauga County Ordinance.)

<u>Section 2 Definitions.</u> The following definitions shall be used for the purposes of interpreting this ordinance. For terms not defined below, the common usage of the term shall prevail.

**Agricultural Farm** – A bona fide farm whose primary purpose is the production of agricultural products including but not limited to crops, fruits, Christmas trees, vegetables, ornamental or flowering plants, dairy, livestock, poultry, and all other forms of agricultural products having a domestic or foreign market.

Asphalt Plant – The equipment necessary to produce petroleum bitumen, which when mixed with proper amounts of sand or gravel (or both) results in or may be used in producing material suitable for paving and/or roofing. A facility utilizing equipment that blends, dries, heats and mixes aggregates with asphalt cement to produce hot mix asphalt (HMA), including batch and drum plants.

**Assisted Living Facility** – Any group housing and services program for two or more unrelated adults, however named, that makes available, at a minimum, one meal a day and housekeeping services and provides personal care services directly or through a formal written agreement with one or more NC licensed home care or hospice agencies.

Automobile Graveyard – An establishment which is used for storing, keeping, processing, buying or selling more than five (5) wrecked, abandoned, scrapped, ruined or dismantled motor vehicles or motor vehicle parts.

Cement Mixing Facility – A facility utilizing equipment that combines materials including but not limited to sand, water, aggregate, ash, and cement to form concrete, including *ready mix* and *central mix* plants.

Chemical – An element, chemical compound, a mixture of elements or compounds or both. Chemical Manufacturing – A facility involved in the production, synthesis, formation, processing, refining, manufacturing, and/or distribution of chemical products in bulk. Chemical Storage Facilities – A facility used for the storage of chemical compounds in bulk.

Child Care Facility – Includes child care centers, family child care homes, and any other child care arrangement not excluded by NCGS §110-86(2), that provides child care, regardless of the time of day, wherever operated, and whether or not operated for profit.

- a. A child care center is an arrangement where, at any one time, there are three or more preschool-age children or nine or more school-age children receiving child care.
- b. A family child care home is a child care arrangement located in a residence where, at any one time, more than two children, but less than nine children, receive child care.

**Chip Mill** – A mechanized facility that grinds whole logs into wood chips for paper, particle board and other products and is capable of producing at least 250,000 tons annually. **Commercial** – Use for an occupation, employment, or enterprise that is carried on for profit by the owner, lessee, or licensee.

Dwelling- Any building, structure, manufactured home or mobile home, or part thereof, used and occupied for human habitation.

**Educational Facility** – Includes elementary schools, secondary schools, community colleges, colleges, and universities. Also includes any property owned by those facilities used for educational purposes.

**Electricity Generating Facility** - A stand-alone plant, not ancillary to another land use, which generates electricity to be distributed to consumers including but not limited to fossil fuel burning facilities, **wind power farms**, and solar power farms. This definition shall not include electricity produced on an agricultural farm or residence whose use is limited to onsite consumption which only sells electricity to a public utility incidental to the on-site use. **Explosives Manufacturing** – Manufacturing of a chemical compound, mixture, or device, the primary or common purpose of which is to function by explosion. This term includes but

is not limited to dynamite, black powder, pellet powder, initiating explosives, detonators, safety fuses, squibs, detonating cord, igniting cord, igniters, and display fireworks, but does not include hand-loaded small arms ammunition.

**High Impact Land Use** – For the purposes of this ordinance, this term means any and all of the **Category 1**, and **Category 2**, and **Category 3** uses listed in Article II, Section 1. Regulated Uses.

**Industrial** – Use engaged in the manufacturing, and basic processing of materials or products predominantly from extracted or raw materials, or previously prepared materials, including processing, fabrication, assembly, treatment, packaging, storage, sales, and distribution of such products.

Junk/Scrap Yards – An outdoor establishment primarily engaged in the collection, sorting, outdoor storage and/or distribution of recyclable scrap and waste materials including automobiles, cans, steel containers, cast iron, appliances, construction materials, and other ferrous metals.

**Nursing Home** – A facility, however named, which is advertised, announced, or maintained for the express or implied purpose of providing nursing or convalescent care for three or more persons unrelated to the operator.

**Ordinance Administrator** – The Watauga County Department of Planning and Inspections. **Propane** – A heavy flammable gaseous alkane C3H8, found in crude petroleum and natural gas, also known as LP Gas.

**Propane, Gasoline or Fuel Oil Bulk Storage Facilities** – A facility whose primary purpose is the storage, distribution, mixing or transfer of flammable or combustible liquids or gases received by or transferred by tank vessel, pipelines, tank car, piping, or portable tank or container. This definition shall not include filling stations used solely for distribution to individual consumers.

Processing – Any technique designed to change the physical, chemical, or biological character or composition of any material so as to render it safe for transport; amenable to recovery, storage or recycling; safe for disposal; or reduced in volume or concentration.

Public Outdoor Recreation Area – A tract of land owned by a government agency or a non-profit community group intended for use for active or passive recreation. This does not include similarly owned land intended for conservation.

Quarry/Stone Crusher – A place from which dimension stone, rock, construction aggregate, riprap, sand, gravel, or slate is excavated from the ground and/or processed for use.

Recovered Material – A material that has known recycling potential, can be feasibly recycled, and has been diverted or removed from the solid waste stream for sale, use, or reuse.

Recycling Facility – A building or structure used for the indoor collection, separation, storage and/or processing of recovered materials including non-ferrous metals and may include a time-limited outdoor material collection and storage area. It does not include a thrift store, antique or secondhand store.

Religious Facility – A facility operated by religious organizations for worship, religious activity or instruction, and related accessory uses on the same site including living quarters and/or child care operations. Solo cemeteries are excluded.

**Replacement Value** – The cost to restore a structure to its previously existing condition as computed by an appraisal which has been conducted by an appraiser holding a North

Carolina State Certified General Real Estate Appraisal License and conducted in compliance with generally accepted practices within the appraisal community.

# Section 3. Regulations and Standards Imposed

- A. Parking Space Requirements. Adequate parking facilities as set forth below shall be provided to accommodate the type and intensity of vehicles likely to handle automobiles for each site frequent High Impact Land Uses. When application of the following results in a fractional space requirement, the next larger number requirement shall prevail. Standards for specific land uses are as follows:
  - (1) Regulated Retail uses shall provide parking spaces as follows: three (3) spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area for buildings up to 10,000 square feet in size, and five (5) spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area in excess of 10,000 square feet.
    - (a) 33 spaces for the first 11,000 square feet of floor space; and
    - (b) One space per each 200 square feet of additional floor space in excess of the first 11,000 square feet.
  - (2) Regulated hotel, motel, and housing structure uses of this nature Overnight accommodations shall provide one and one-half (1.5) spaces per bedroom.
  - (3) Regulated Factory, Industrial and Commercial (other than specified in (1) and (2) above), and industrial buildings uses shall provide one and one-half (1.5) spaces per three employees, computed on the total employment.

Parking spaces shall be at least nine (9) by eighteen (18) feet. Minimum aisle widths and parking design shall be as depicted in Illustration II-1. Accessible spaces shall be provided in accordance with applicable NC Building Code requirements. The Ordinance Administrator may permit deviations from the preceding specified standards based upon the expected parking needs of the establishment while recognizing the desire to limit excess parking area.

B. <u>Building Height Limits</u>. In order to allow for adequate fire protection, no building shall exceed a vertical height of forty (40) feet, measured from the top of the foundation (entrance grade) to the highest point of the roof assembly; no more than one (1) occupancy story may be below this entrance grade. as defined by the Watauga County Height of Structures Ordinance.

Excluded from this limitation are the following:

- (1) Water, radio, telephone or television towers or any equipment for the transmission of electricity or communications, or both; and
- (2) Structures which are slender in nature and minor vertical projections of a parent building, including chimneys, flagpoles, flues, spires, steeples, belfries, cupolas,

antennas, poles, wires or windmills, provided no part of the structure which is higher than 40 feet is intended for human habitation.

- C. <u>Outdoor Lighting Standards</u>. In order to ensure lighting that is safe, secure and not glaring to either the facility's employees or customers, or neighbors, High Impact Land Uses shall use outdoor lighting that does not produce create a nuisance light that trespasses on adjacent property, roadways, or pollutes pollute the natural night sky. These objectives are easily accomplished by choosing good quality, shielded fixtures. Therefore:
  - (1) All parking lot lighting shall use full cutoff lighting fixtures;
  - (2) Wall-packs and floodlights shall be either full cutoff design or have shields such that they do not put any light above the horizon and will be mounted to not shine on roadways and neighboring properties. Use of floodlights is discouraged;
  - (3) Typical pole-mounted "dusk-to-dawn" security lights shall use reflecting "sky caps" instead of clear plastic refractors;
  - (4) Building façade lighting shall not shine above the facades; and
  - (5) For buildings required by the NC Building Code to have plans prepared by a design professional, the lighting levels shall be determined as defined by the Recommended Practices of the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, or other recognized lighting publication. All other buildings comply with the requirement by virtue of compliance with (1) through (4) of this section.
- D. Bufferyards and Setbacks Required.
  - (1) Category 1 & 2 High Impact Land Uses shall be set back 100 feet from side and rear property lines. For asphalt plants, electricity generating facilities, bulk propane or gasoline storage facilities, chip mills, explosives manufacturing, chemical manufacturing, and chemical storage facilities(except as set forth in #3 below), there shall be a 100 foot screening bufferyard adjoining side and rear property lines not adjoining a road.
  - (2) Category 3 High Impact Land Uses shall be set back 75 feet from side and rear property lines. For bulk fuel oil storage, electric substations, cement mixing facilities, and commercial/industrial developments with aggregate building footprint 50,000 square feet or greater (except as set forth in #3 below), there shall be a 75 foot screening bufferyard adjoining side and rear property lines not adjoining a road.
  - (3) Where High Impact Land Uses adjoin each other, broken screen bufferyards on the adjoining side of the following widths are required. the required setbacks along common boundary lines for each High Impact Use may be reduced by 50%. as follows:
    - (a) For asphalt plants, electricity generating facilities, bulk propane or gasoline storage facilities, chip mills, explosives manufacturing, chemical manufacturing

facilities and chemical storage facilities 45 feet; For Category 1 & 2 High Impact Land Uses – 45 feet;

- (b) For bulk fuel oil storage, electric substations and cement mixing facilities 25 feet; For Category 3 High Impact Land Uses 25 feet.
- (c) For commercial/industrial development with aggregate building footprint 50,000 square feet or more 20 feet; and
- (4) The following Category 1 & 2 High Impact Land Uses shall be set back 185 feet from the edge of travel area (stone or paved) pavement of all public roads. (or graveled surface, for unpaved roads) of all roads: asphalt plants, electricity generating facilities, bulk propane or gasoline storage facilities, chip mills, explosives manufacturing, chemical manufacturing facilities, and chemical storage facilities. In no instance shall such setbacks be less than 20 feet from any recorded right of way or NCDOT property boundary.
- (5) High Impact Land Uses shall be set back from all perennial waters indicated by blue lines on the most recent versions of USGS 1:24,000 (7.5 minute) scale topographic maps as follows:
  - (a) There shall be a 100 foot vegetative buffer from top of stream bank for all "blue line" streams with 30 feet being undisturbed and 70 feet managed vegetation for all High Impact Land Uses. Publicly accessible walkways may be allowed within the managed vegetation area.
- (6) No part of a yard provided around any building or structure for the purpose of complying with the provisions of this ordinance shall be included as a part of a yard required under this ordinance for any other building or structure.

# E. Landscaping Plans Required. Landscape Buffers Required

Each High Impact Land Use shall be constructed in compliance with a landscaping plan which has been approved by the Ordinance Administrator, or the Board of Commissioners if appealed pursuant to Article V of this ordinance, shall be effectively buffered by landscaping which minimizes lessens the visual impact of the development at road grade level and from all sides with non-High Impact Uses in place and maximizes increases the buffering of noise and particulate matter.

Each applicant shall submit a landscaping plan which describes in detail how the above objectives will be met. The Ordinance Administrator, or the Board of Commissioners if appealed pursuant to Article V of this ordinance, may reasonably require adjustments and/or alterations to any proposed landscape plan as is necessary to comply with the provisions of this ordinance.

(1) Category 1 & 2 Landscape Buffer All Category 1 & 2 High Impact Land Uses shall be buffered utilizing the following combination of landscape material designed for screening effect:

# F. Screening Effect Required.

The following provides detail on screening required for specified High Impact Land Uses. The screening may be located within any required bufferyard or setback. For those High Impact Land Uses for which no setback from edge of pavement (or graveled surface if applicable) is required, the screening shall be located between any road and any building or parking area.

- (1) For asphalt plants, electricity generating facilities, bulk propane or gasoline storage, chip mills, explosives manufacturing, chemical manufacturing facilities, and chemical storage facilities, the landscape plan shall detail how the bufferyard creates an Opaque Screen consisting of the following:
  - (a) Deciduous trees three (3) per 100 lineal feet of property boundary line; placed a maximum of 20 feet apart and
  - (b) Evergreen trees six (6) per 100 lineal feet of property boundary line; placed 10 feet apart (2 staggered rows) or 5 feet apart (single row) and
  - (c) Shrubs ten (10) per 100 lineal feet of property boundary line. placed a maximum of 10 feet apart.
  - (d) Opaque wooden fences, masonry walls or landscaped earth berms a minimum of 6 feet tall may be used in lieu of or in combination with evergreen trees.
- (2) Category 3 Landscape Buffer All Category 3 High Impact Land Uses shall be buffered utilizing the following combination of landscape material designed for aesthetic effect:
  - (a) Deciduous/Evergreen trees four (4) per 100 lineal feet of property boundary line; placed a maximum of 25 feet apart; and
  - (b) Shrubs ten (10) per 100 lineal feet of property boundary line. placed a maximum of 10 feet apart.

Opaque fencing made from conventional material or masonry walls and existing healthy trees and shrubs may be used in combination with a reduced number of required trees and shrubs when landscape buffer objectives are met and plans are approved by the Ordinance Administrator.

- (2) For bulk fuel oil storage, electric substations, cement mixing facilities and commercial/industrial development with aggregate building footprint 50,000 square feet or greater, the landscaping plan shall detail how the bufferyard creates a Broken Screen consisting of the following:
- (3) For both the Opaque Screen and the Broken Screen, the following shall apply. Plant material shall be inspected and approved prior to planting and must meet the following minimum size requirements:

- (a) Trees shall be planted a distance equal to the width of the tree spread at maturity from the property line;
- (b) (a) Deciduous trees shall be a minimum of 6 feet tall with a 1 ½ -inch caliper measured six inches above grade, upon planting;
- (c) (b) Evergreen trees shall be a minimum of 6 feet tall, upon planting;
- (d) (c) Shrubs shall be a minimum of 1 foot tall, upon planting;
- (e) Natural Features and existing vegetation may be used in lieu of the above required screening, provided that the minimum height and spacing requirements are met.
- (f) Fences may be used to meet the standards, but are not required; and
- (g) The bufferyard may be penetrated by entrance/exit driveway(s)

## G. F. Spacing Requirements.

The location of asphalt plants, electricity generating facilities, chip mills, explosives manufacturing facilities, chemical manufacturing facilities, and chemical storage facilities shall not be within 1,500 feet of a public or private educational facility, a NC licensed child care facility, a NC licensed assisted living facility, NC licensed nursing home.

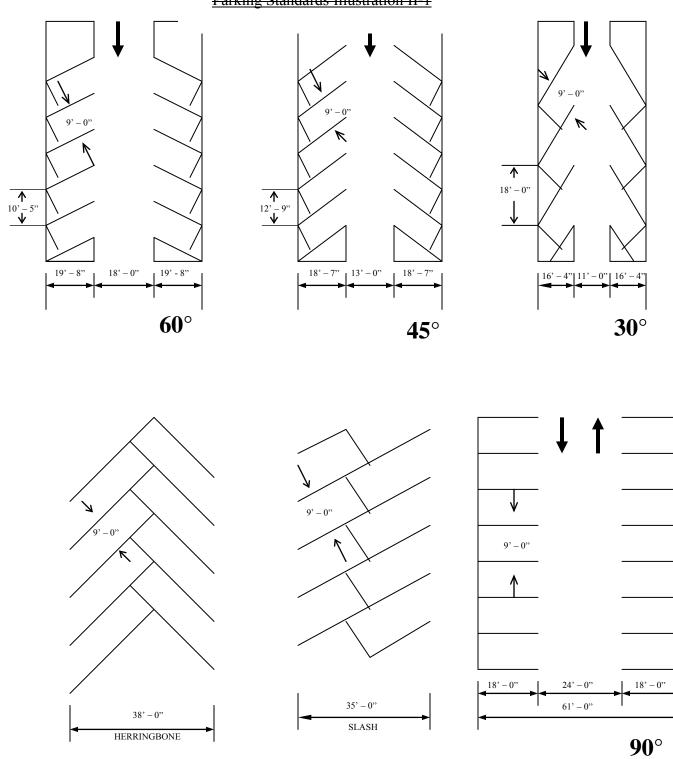
- (1) Category 1 & 2 High Impact Land Uses may not be established within 1,500 feet of a public or private Educational Facility, NC licensed Child Care Facility, NC licensed Assisted Living Facility, NC licensed Nursing Home, Public Outdoor Recreation Area, or Religious Facility. In order to establish permitted locations required spacing, measurement shall be made in a straight line, without regard to intervening structures or objects, from the nearest portion of the building, structure, or outdoor storage area used as part of the premises of the above-listed High Impact Land utilized by a Category 1 or 2 Land Uses, to the nearest property line of the premises of the above-listed protected facilities.
- (2) Category 1 High Impact Land Uses may not be established within 500 feet of a dwelling. In order to establish required spacing, measurement shall be made in a straight line, without regard to intervening structures or objects, from the nearest portion of the building, structure, or outdoor storage area utilized by a Category 1 Land Use, to the nearest portion of a dwelling.

Presence of a city, county or other political subdivision boundary shall be irrelevant for purposes of calculating and applying the spacing requirements of this Section.

THE TABLE AND DIAGRAMS ON THE FOLLOWING 2 PAGES ARE TO BE DELETED.

High Impact Land Uses (HILU)	Parking Requirements	Building Height	Outdoor Lighting	Front Setback (from edge of pavement)	Side,Rear Buffers & Setbacks	Buffer, Adjacent HILU #	Stream Setback (from top of bank)	Screen Type
Asphalt Plants	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-185'*	Yes-100'	45'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Opaque
Electricity Generating Facilities	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-185'*	Yes-100'	45'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Opaque
Propane/Gasoline Bulk Storage	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-185'*	Yes-100'	45'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Opaque
Chip Mills	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-185'*	Yes-100'	45'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Opaque
Explosives Manufacturing	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-185'*	Yes-100'	45'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Opaque
Chemical Manufacturing and Storage	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-185'*	Yes-100'	45'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Opaque
Fuel Oil Bulk Storage	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes-75'	25'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Broken
Electric Substations	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes-75'	25'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Broken
Cement Facilities	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes-75'	25'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Broken
Commercial/Industrial Buildings 50,000+ sq.ft.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes-75'	20'	Yes-100' 70-30 split	Broken
				* Min. 20' from ROW		# Broken Screen for All		

# Parking Standards Illustration II-1



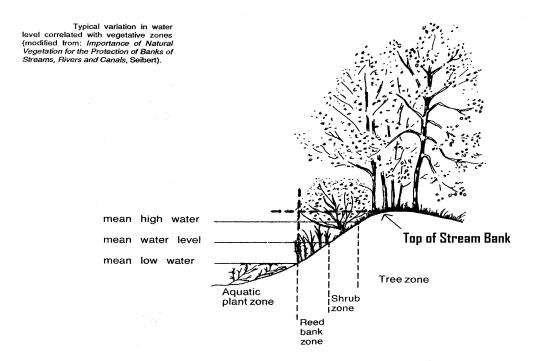
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## Illustration II-2



# **ARTICLE III**

# PRE-EXISTING HIGH IMPACT LAND USES

Section 1. Grandfathering of Pre-existing High Impact Land Uses. Any High Impact Land Use existing upon the date of adoption of this ordinance which does not conform to the requirements of this ordinance may continue so long as the use is not discontinued for more than two years. In cases where repair or renovation is necessary to re-occupy a vacant building, such construction must commence within two (2) years of last occupancy and proceed continuously to completion.

- A. <u>Expansion</u>. Grandfathered nonconforming buildings **High Impact Land Uses** may be expanded, provided the degree of nonconformity is not increased. In addition, the expansion shall comply with the standards of Article II, and the preexisting development shall comply with the standards of Article II to the extent physically practicable as determined by the Ordinance Administrator. or Board of Commissioners, as applicable.
- B. <u>Reconstruction</u>. In cases of damage to grandfathered nonconforming buildings to the extent of seventy-five percent (75%) or less of the replacement value, repairs may be made, provided the original building footprint is maintained. When such damage exceeds seventy-five percent (75%) of the replacement value, repairs may

be made only if the original building footprint is maintained and the standards of Article II are met to the extent physically practicable as determined by the Ordinance Administrator or Board of Commissioners, as applicable.

Compliance with a requirement of this ordinance is not physically practicable if compliance cannot be achieved without adding additional land to the lot where the nonconforming situation is maintained or moving a substantial structure that is on a permanent foundation. Mere financial hardship caused by the cost of meeting requirements does not constitute grounds for finding that compliance is not physically practicable.

<u>Section 2. New High Impact Land Uses Regulated.</u> After the effective date of this ordinance all new High Impact Land Uses as well as any pre-existing High Impact Land Uses which are moved, altered or enlarged shall conform to the regulations contained in this ordinance except as set forth in Article III, Section 1.

<u>Section 3. Pre-existing Regulated Land Uses.</u> After the effective date of this ordinance, permits or approvals for any protected land uses listed in Article II, Section 3 (F) *Spacing Requirements* shall not have the effect of creating new non-conformities for any lawfully existing High Impact Land Use.

# **ARTICLE IV**

# PERMIT REQUIRED

# Section 1. Permitting Process.

# A. Development Permits Required

No building or other structure subject to this ordinance shall be erected, moved, added to, or structurally altered without a Development Permit having been issued by the Ordinance Administrator. No building permit shall be issued except in conformity with the provisions of this ordinance.

## **B.** Applications for Development Permits

All applications for development permits shall be accompanied by plans in duplicate, drawn to scale, showing the actual dimensions and shape of the lot to be built upon; the exact sizes and locations on the lot of any buildings already existing; the location and dimensions of the proposed building or alteration; and compliance with the standards of Article II. The application shall include such other information as may reasonably be required by the Ordinance Administrator, including a description of all existing or proposed buildings or alterations; existing and proposed uses of the buildings and land; conditions existing on the land parcel; and such other matters as may be necessary to determine conformance with, and provide for the enforcement of, this ordinance. One copy of the plans shall be returned to the applicant by the Ordinance Administrator, marked either as approved or disapproved and attested to by his signature on such copy. The second copy of the plans, also so marked, shall be retained by the Ordinance Administrator.

- C. <u>Administrator to Maintain Permit Records.</u> The Ordinance Administrator shall maintain a record of all Development Permits and copies shall be furnished upon request to any interested person.
- D. Remedies for Noncompliance. The failure to obtain any required Development Permit shall be a violation of this ordinance, punishable under Article VI of this ordinance. Further, Development Permits shall issue on the basis of applications approved by the Ordinance Administrator and authorize only the use, arrangement, and construction applied for and approved. Any use, arrangement or construction not in compliance with that authorized shall be a violation of this ordinance, and shall be subject to penalties and remedies provided by Article VI hereof.

Section 2. Posting Upon Permit Approval. If a Development Permit is approved by the Ordinance Administrator, the permittee shall post a sign prominently upon the property that is the subject of the decision which contains the words "High Impact Land Use Decision" in letters at least six (6) inches high and identifying the means to contact an official for information about the decision. The sign shall remain on the property for at least ten (10) days. Verification of the posting shall be provided to the official who made the decision.

Section 2 3. Appeal of Permit Denial. If a Development Permit is finally denied, the applicant may appeal the action of the Ordinance Administrator to the Board of Adjustment, as specified in Article V. Notice of appeal must be received in writing by the Clerk for the Board of Commissioners within thirty (30) days of the final decision of the Ordinance Administrator or notice to the applicant of the decision, whichever is later. Appeals received after this thirty (30) day period are not timely and shall not be considered.

# ARTICLE V

# APPEALS AND VARIANCES

<u>Section 1. Board of Adjustment.</u> The Watauga County Board of Adjustment shall hear all appeals, requests for variances, and all challenges to the decision or interpretation of the Ordinance Administrator.

Section 2. Board of Adjustment Powers. The Board shall have the following powers:

- (a) To hear and decide appeals from a person with legal standing pursuant to NC General Statute §160A-393(d) of any final binding order, requirement, or determination made by the Ordinance Administrator charged with enforcement of the ordinance; and
- (b) To hear and decide applications for variances from the requirements of this Ordinance in accordance with Article V, Section 5. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to

broaden the power of the Board to permit a use by variance beyond that power given in Article V, Section 5 below.

<u>Section 3. Administration.</u> The Board shall adopt rules of procedures and regulations for the conduct of its affairs.

All meetings of the Board shall be open to the public.

The Board shall keep a record of its meetings, including of the vote of each member on every question, a fair and accurate summary of the evidence submitted to it, the documents (or accurate copies thereof) submitted to it and of all official actions. The Board shall give due notice of matters coming before it.

In presenting an appeal, the petitioner shall bear the burden of proof, which shall be by the greater weight of the evidence. The Board shall rule if the petitioner has legal standing pursuant to NC General Statute §160A-393(d) in order to determine whether to hear the appeal.

All evidence presented to the Board shall be sworn.

The person acting as Board Chair is authorized to administer oaths to any witnesses in any matter coming before the Board.

Application for variances and appeals for review of decisions of the Ordinance Administrator shall be filed with the County Clerk.

It shall be the responsibility of the Ordinance Administrator to notify the applicant or appellant of the disposition which the Board makes of any matter before it.

It shall be the responsibility of the Ordinance Administrator to issue **or revoke** a permit in accordance with the Board's action on an appeal or application, if a permit is authorized by the Board action.

<u>Section 4. Quorum and Vote Required.</u> A concurring vote of a simple majority of the members shall be required to decide upon all matters to come before the board. For the purpose of this subsection, vacant positions on the board and members who are disqualified from voting shall not be considered members of the board for calculation of the requisite majority.

Section 5. Application of the Variance Power. When unnecessary hardships would result from strict application of the ordinance, upon application by an aggrieved party with standing, the Board of Adjustment may hold a hearing pursuant to NCGS §160A-388 (a2) and may grant variances to the provisions of the ordinance in accordance with the standards and procedures established in NCGS §160A-388(d), and as established by County policy.

The Board may impose reasonable conditions upon the granting of any variance in order to protect the public interest or neighboring property owners. Violation of any such conditions

shall be a violation of this ordinance and subject to the penalties set forth in Article VI of this ordinance

With regard to hardships involving the spacing requirements set forth in Article II, Section 3 (F), the Board may consider the character of the land separating the proposed regulated land use from the protected land uses. The Board may grant a variance from the spacing requirements if natural or man-made conditions including but not limited to a mountain ridge or highway, or mitigating actions proposed by the developer offer adequate protection for secondary impacts of the regulated use.

Section 6. Application of Interpretation Power. An appeal from an order, requirement, or decision of the Ordinance Administrator shall be decided by the Board duly supported by competent evidence. In exercising this power, the Board shall act in a prudent manner so that the purposes and intent of the Ordinance shall be served. No decision shall have the effect of varying the terms of the Ordinance or permitting as a matter of right any use otherwise limited or prohibited hereunder.

<u>Section 7. Appeal Stays Further Proceedings.</u> An appeal to the Board of Adjustment from a decision or determination of the Ordinance Administrator stays all proceedings in furtherance of the decision or determination appealed from, except as provided in Section 8, during the pendency of the appeal.

<u>Section 8. Exceptions to Stay of Action.</u> An appeal to the Board of Adjustment of a decision or determination of the Ordinance Administrator shall not stay proceedings in furtherance of the decision or determination appealed from, if the Ordinance Administrator certifies either:

- (a) That a stay would cause imminent peril to life or property; or
- (b) That the situation subject to the appeal is transitory in nature and therefore, an appeal would seriously interfere with enforcement of this Ordinance.

In each instance, the Ordinance Administrator shall set forth in the certificate facts to support its conclusion.

Section 9. Appeals of Board Actions. Every decision of the Board shall be subject to review at the instance of any aggrieved party in the Superior Court by proceedings in the nature of a petition for writ of certiorari. Such proceedings in the Superior Court shall be initiated within thirty (30) days of the filing of the decision in the office of the Ordinance Administrator or the delivery of the notice required in Article VI, Section 3, whichever is later. Appeals not received within this thirty (30) day period are not timely. The Superior Court is authorized to stay enforcement of this ordinance during the pendency of an appeal from the decision of the Board of Commissioners upon a hearing and the posting of a bond sufficient to the Court which will adequately protect the interests of the County.

## ARTICLE VI

# **ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES**

<u>Section 1. Administration and Enforcement.</u> The Ordinance Administrator shall be responsible for the administration and enforcement of this ordinance.

If the Ordinance Administrator shall determine that any of the provisions of this ordinance are being violated, he shall notify in writing the person responsible for such violation, indicating the nature of the violation and ordering the action necessary to within ten (10) working days correct the violation. He may order the discontinuance of illegal use of land, buildings, or structures; the removal of illegal buildings or structures or of addition, alterations, or structural changes thereto; the discontinuance of any illegal work being done; and may take any other action authorized by this ordinance to insure compliance with, or to prevent violation of, its provisions.

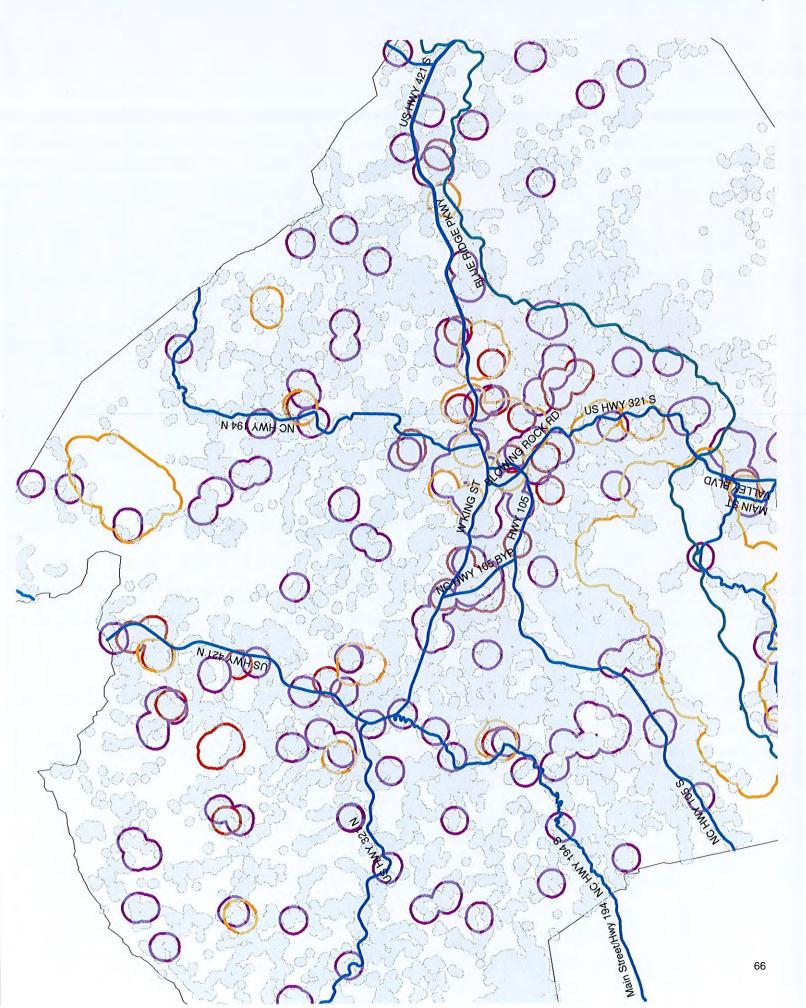
<u>Section 2. Conflict with Other Laws.</u> Wherever the provisions or application of this ordinance impose higher standards than are required in any other local ordinance or regulation, the provisions or application of this ordinance shall govern. Wherever the provisions of any other statute or local ordinance or regulation impose higher standards than are required by the provisions or application this ordinance, the provisions of such other statute or local ordinance or regulation shall govern.

<u>Section 3. Penalties.</u> Any person, firm or corporation who violates any provision of any article of this ordinance; or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made hereunder; or who shall continue to work upon any structure after having received written notice from the Ordinance Administrator to cease work, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor as provided by NCGS § 14-4 and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty (\$50.00) dollars, or imprisonment not to exceed twenty days. Each day such violation shall be permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense. Notice of violation shall be sufficient if directed to the owner, the agent of the owner, or the contractor and left at his known place of residence or place of business. In lieu of or in addition to the criminal penalties outlined above, each person violating this ordinance shall be subject to a civil penalty, under NCGS § 153A-123(c), in the amount of \$200.00 per day. No penalty shall be assessed prior to notice to the violator. For every day a violator is in violation of this ordinance, it shall be considered a separate offense. If the violator does not pay such penalty within 30 days of notification of its assessment by written citation it and any subsequently accruing penalty may be recovered by the County in a civil action in the nature of a debt. Any contest of said penalty shall be by appropriate action taken in the General Court of Justice for Watauga County.

<u>Section 4. Severability Clause.</u> Should any section or provisions of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, or any part hereof other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 5. Ordinance Amendments. This ordinance may be amended by the Board of Commissioners following a public hearing on the proposed changes. The Board shall cause notice of the hearing to be published once a week for two successive calendar weeks. The notice shall be published the first time not less than 10 days nor more than 25 days before the date fixed for the hearing. In computing such period, the day of publication is not to be included but the day of the hearing shall be included.

Should any Federal or State regulation or statute incorporated herein by reference or otherwise referred to herein, be changed or amended, or should either require or mandate a different procedure or change or impose new, different or additional requirements, then, in that event, this ordinance shall be deemed to have been amended without further action to have complied with such new, additional or amended requirements.



# **AGENDA ITEM 8:**

# PLANNING AND INSPECTIONS MATTERS

A. Consideration of Proposed Amendments to the Watauga County Ordinance to Regulate Loud Disturbing Noise and Activities

# **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

A public hearing was conducted on June 16, 2015 to allow citizen comment on proposed amendments to the Watauga County Ordinance to Regulate Loud Disturbing Noise and Activities. The Noise Ordinance was a complete re-write as the last modification was 1986. The Planning Board approved sending the proposed changes to the Board of Commissioners for adoption.

The Board may wish to adopt the ordinance as presented, schedule a work session, or a joint meeting with the Planning Board.

Staff seeks direction from the Board.

State of North Carolina

County of Watauga

## AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE LOUD DISTURBING NOISE AND ACTIVITIES

The Board of Commissioners for the county of Watauga, North Carolina, pursuant to G. S. 153A-133 hereby adopts this ordinance as follows:

- Subject to the provisions of this section, it is prohibited to create, cause, or allow any
  unreasonably loud, disturbing noise that is plainly audible. To wit: any sound that is clearly and
  unambiguously communicated to a listener without the aid of any listening device, particularly,
  but not exclusively between the hours of 11 pm and 7 am. Noise of such character, intensity,
  and duration as to be detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of any reasonable person in
  the vicinity is prohibited.
- 2. The following acts, among others, are declared to be loud disturbing noises in violation of this ordinance, but such enumeration shall not be deemed exclusive:
  - a. The use of any loud, boisterous or raucous language.
  - b. Noise emanating from a party or gathering in such volume and duration so as to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
  - c. The playing of any radio, television, audio device or amplification equipment at such a volume and duration so as to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
  - d. Intentional sounding of horns; the operation of any automobile, motorcycle, bus, or remote control device that creates loud or disturbing noise; or the operation of such vehicle or device without a muffler in good working order, so as to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
  - e. Operating or permitting the operation of any motor vehicle or motorcycle that engages in jackrabbit starts, spinning tires, racing engines, or other loud disturbing noises so as to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.

- f. The repair, rebuilding or testing of any motor vehicle or motorcycle which creates loud disturbing noise so as to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
- g. The creation of excessive noise on any street adjacent to any school, institution of learning, library or sanitarium or court, while same is in session, or adjacent to any hospital or church during services.
- h. Owning, possessing, harboring, or allowing any dog, bird or other animal which by frequent or habitual howling, barking, yelping or creating other unreasonably loud disturbing noise continuously or incessantly so as to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
- i. The operation of any airborne device, controlled remotely or otherwise, used in a manner and to such a degree as to disturb, annoy or harass any reasonable person, or to disturb the quiet comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
- 3. The Watauga County Sheriff's Office shall be responsible for the enforcement of this ordinance. Violations shall constitute a Class 3 misdemeanor and may be punishable in accordance with NCGS §14-4 including a fine of up to five hundred (\$500) dollars.
- 4. A civil action seeking penalties; along with orders of abatement and injunction may be directed toward persons found responsible for creating noise or disturbances as defined herein.
- 5. The following uses and activities, among others, shall be exempt from the provisions of this ordinance. However, such enumeration shall not be deemed exclusive:
  - a. Noise resulting from farming operations, including but not limited to, farm machinery, farm equipment, and livestock.
  - Noise associated with normal operations of any facility properly licensed by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Division as a boarding kennel, pet shop, dealer, or from any officially established animal shelter.
  - c. Noise associated with any legal operations of any firearms club or association.
  - d. Noise caused by the discharge of firearms by law enforcement officers in the performance or their official duties or during official firearms training.

- e. Noise associated with any event held in recognition of a community celebration of national, state or county events or public festivals.
- f. Non-amplified crowd noise.
- g. Chimes or bells of businesses, schools, camps or religious institutions in the daylight hours that operate no longer than 10 minutes in any hour.
- h. Emergency vehicles and signaling devices.
- i. Noise associated with any fire alarm, security system, or any alarm designed to elicit a response from emergency services.
- 6. An Ordinance To Regulate Loud Disturbing Noise, As Amended, found in Watauga County Book of Ordinances #4, page 10, enacted July 22, 1986 is hereby repealed.
- 7. This ordinance shall be in effect on this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2015.

## **AGENDA ITEM 8:**

## PLANNING AND INSPECTIONS MATTERS

B. Solicitation of New Transportation Projects for the 2017-2027 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

## **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Joe Furman, Planning and Inspections Director, will discuss new transportation projects for the 2017-2027 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Watauga County is allotted two projects for submittal. The projects need to be new and not included on the Funded Draft 2015-2025 STIP or "Carry over Projects". Mr. Furman has condensed the information provided by the High Country Council of Governments.

Staff would recommend the Board consider submitting Section 1 of the Middle Fork Greenway (Tanger Outlets to Chestnut Ridge ARHS project), re-submitting the 105 Bypass four-laning project, and the sidewalk from downtown Blowing Rock to Bass Lake. High Country Pathways will secure the right-of-way and match for the greenway section. The Boone Bypass/Daniel Boone Parkway is on the removed list and thus the 105 Bypass four-laning project would be a logical replacement. The Town of Blowing Rock would provide assistance acquiring the encroachment agreement and any financial matches required. The Board would only be able to select one of the three projects referenced. The Board could also decide not to submit any projects.

Staff seeks direction from the Board.

Gary D. Blevins Chairman of the Board Brenda Lyerly Vice-Chairman



Johnny Riddle Secretary

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#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Don Adams, Alleghany County Manager

Sam Yearick, Ashe County Manager Tim Greene, Avery County Manager Charles Vines, Mitchell County Manager Deron Geouque, Watauga County Manager

John Yates, Wilkes County Manager Nathan Bennett, Yancey County Manager

John Ward, Boone Town Manager

FROM: David Graham, Transportation Planner

SUBJECT: Solicitation of New Transportation Projects for the

2017-2027 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

DATE: July 2, 2015

The High Country RPO utilizes a project prioritization system to produce a Priority Needs List of transportation projects for the High Country RPO region. The Priority Needs List is typically submitted to NCDOT every other year as the STIP is drafted. The first step in the project prioritization process and the development of the Priority Needs List is the solicitation of new transportation projects from each county and the Town of Boone. According to the High Country RPO project prioritization system, each county and the Town of Boone can submit up to the requisite number of **new projects within each mode** (highway, bicycle & pedestrian, transit, aviation, and rail) as follows:

- Alleghany County 1 project
- Ashe County 2 projects
- Avery County 1 project
- Mitchell County 1 project
- Watauga County 2 projects
- Wilkes County 3 projects
- Yancey County 1 project
- Boone 1 project

Please provide a detailed description (widen highway from/to, new van, extend runway etc...) for each new project.

Note: These should be new projects that are not included on the attached "Funded in the Draft 2015-2025 STIP" and "Carry Over Projects" lists and maps.

If you wish to submit more new projects than allocated, you will need to remove a project from the "carry over" database (one in one out rule). Please note that removing projects does require agreement from the Division Engineer (as well as other MPO's/RPO's if the project crosses boundaries).

In addition to the above mentioned projects lists is the "Projects Removed from NCDOT Database" list and maps which represents the following:

- Projects that did not receive any local input points
- Projects without a completed NEPA document, or that haven't had project planning actively underway as of December 31, 2014
- Not considered "Siblings" of programmed projects (e.g. Section A of the project was funded in the STIP, so Sections B and C carry forward)
- Projects that are not programmed in years 6-10 of the Final STIP

These projects have been included for your reference and have been removed from the NCDOT database due to low scores in previous prioritization cycles and will not be considered unless submitted as a new project.

## New Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects

Please note that in order for a bicycle and pedestrian project to be eligible, a 20% match from the local government will be required, right-of-way for the project must be secured, and a cost estimate for the project must be provided.

Please submit to me by **July 8, 2015** the designated modes and number of **new** projects in accordance with the schedule noted above that your jurisdiction would like have considered in the development of the Priority Needs List and the 2017-2027 STIP. Once new projects are added to the NCDOT database, I will then solicit Priority Projects for scoring and ranking between early January to early February 2016 for consideration in the STIP. As individual municipalities (with the exception of the Town of Boone) will not be submitting projects to the RPO for consideration, the county requests should include both rural and urban projects. Therefore, I encourage all counties to discuss new projects with their respective municipalities prior to submitting your new projects.

I look forward to your new transportation projects submissions. Please call at (828) 265-5434 Ext. 135 or email at dgraham@regiond.org if you have any questions.

Thank you.

**Enclosure** 

cc: High Country RPO Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) members Mickey Duvall, Executive Director, High Country Council of Governments Phil Trew, Planning Director, High Country Council of Governments High Country Town Managers

### **RPO-STIP Project Information**

## **Funded Projects**

- Hwy 105 improvements in Boone
- King Street improvements
- Hwy 105/Hwy 321 intersection (Wendy's) improvements
- Bamboo Road/Wilson Ridge Road improvements
- Replace Watauga River bridge on Hwy 105

## Projects carried-over for rating

- Hwy 321/421, Bypass to Vilas multi-laning
- Hwy 194, King Street to Howard's Creek Road multi-laning
- Hwy 105, Bypass to Clark's Creek Road multi-laning
- Hwy 421, Vilas to Tennessee line multi-laning
- Hwy 105, Clark's Creek Road to Hwy 221 in Avery County multi-laning
- Appalcart, service expansion, new bus

#### Projects removed from ratings due to low/no points

- Beech Mountain Parkway/walkway
- Hwy 321, Vilas to Tennessee line multi-laning
- Boone Bypass ("Daniel Boone Parkway")
- Hwy 194, Howard's Creek Road to Jack Hayes Road 3-laning
- Existing Bypass (NCSR 1107) multi-laning
- ASU Campus Access Road, Bodenheimer Drive/Poplar Grove Road

Anita.Fogle 070715 BCC Meeting

From: Joe Furman

**Sent:** Friday, June 26, 2015 4:08 PM

To: Deron.Geouque Cc: Anita.Fogle

**Subject:** FW: NCDOT 2017-2027 STIP project submission

#### Deron,

I received this not long after I sent you the email for the Commissioners' meeting agenda on this subject. The Commissioners may want to also consider the sidewalk to Bass Lake as described below to be one of the projects submitted tom the RPO for rating.

Joe

Joseph A. Furman, AICP
Director, Watauga County Planning & Inspections and Economic Development
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joe.furman@watgov.org

From: kevin rothrock [mailto:kevinrothrock85@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, June 26, 2015 3:32 PM

To: Joe Furman

**Cc:** 'Scott Fogleman'; 'Ann Browning'; 'David Graham' **Subject:** NCDOT 2017-2027 STIP project submission

Joe,

The Town of Blowing Rock would like to submit for consideration in the STIP project submission process the following two (2) projects:

#### 1. Sidewalk to Bass Lake

This project is a sidewalk connection from downtown Blowing Rock to the entrance to Moses Cone Memorial Park and Bass Lake along the north side of Hwy 221. The project is approximately 3000 feet long and would be a five-foot wide sidewalk with 30" curb and gutter. All of the project would be with existing NCDOT right-of-way and will require an encroachment agreement. The estimated construction costs are \$1.2 million.

#### 2. Section 1 of the Middle Fork Greenway

This project is the terminus of the Middle Fork Greenway at Tanger Shoppes on the Parkway in Blowing Rock and extends 1.3 miles to the north side of the Appalachian Regional Heathcare System Chestnut Ridge Post-Acute Care Facility property. This project will be a 10-foot paved trail with two (2) streamside underpasses, a bridge underpass, one (1) new bridge steam crossing, and one (1) pedestrian crosswalk at Hwy 321 and Possum Hollow Road. Section 1 of the Middle Fork Greenway is part of an overall pedestrian/bike trail to connect Blowing Rock to Boone.

The project will require an NCDOT encroachment agreement along Hwy 321, and easement from the Town of Blowing Rock, and easement from ARHS (in process as part of the approved conditional use permit for the post-acute care facility), and a Memorandum of Understanding from the Blue Ridge Parkway (Superintendent Mark Woods is in support of this project and encourages a partnership with the Middle Fork Greenway).

The estimated construction cost is \$2,060,688. To be eligible for any federal grant funds, this project must be included in the NCDOT STIP.

If you have any questions, or require any additional local support of these two transportation projects, please let me know. Thank you.

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## **AGENDA ITEM 9:**

## MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Request for Use of Space from PHARMN

## **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Bill Moretz, President of PHARMN, is requesting the use of the Agricultural Extension Building conference room for the first and third Saturdays of each month beginning December 5, 2015 and running through April 16, 2015 for an indoor farmers market.

The current policy does not allow for the facility to be regularly schedule for events. Mr. Moretz is requesting the Board waive the rental fee and the scheduling requirement. Cooperative Extension Director, Jim Hamilton, has endorsed the request and is supportive of the project to moving forward.

Board action is required to waive the rental fee and scheduling requirement so that PHARMN may conduct an indoor farmers market for the first and third Saturdays of each month beginning December 5, 2015 and running through April 16, 2015 for an indoor farmers market.

**From:** Deron.Geouque

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 01, 2015 1:48 PM

**To:** Anita.Fogle

**Subject:** Fwd: Agricultural Conference center usage

Deron Geouque Watauga County Manager 814 West King Street Boone, NC 28607 (P) 828-265-8000 (F) 828-264-3230

Email Deron.Geouque@watgov.org

## Begin forwarded message:

From: Bill Moretz < bhave 995@gmail.com > Date: June 24, 2015 at 8:34:58 PM EDT

To: Deron Geouque < <u>Deron.Geouque@watgov.org</u>>, Jimmy Hodges < <u>Jimmy.Hodges@watgov.org</u>>

**Subject: Agricultural Conference center usage** 

PHARMN would like to request the use of the center the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month beginning December 5 2015 and continuing through April 16 2016.

The purpose of the usage is a place for an indoor winter farmers market.

Personally I wish we could afford the rent in the social service building. Its bigger space (tables against entrance hall walls) and we don't have to worry about carpet issues.

We have two different funding sources that enables us to operate and we have obtained price information for liability insurance.

We need to know the location so we can begin promotion.

Thanks

Bill Moretz President - PHARMN

## **AGENDA ITEM 9:**

## MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

B. Appointment of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' (NCACC) Annual Conference Voting Delegate

## **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' (NCACC) Annual Conference is scheduled for August 20-23, 2015, in Pitt County. Each county in attendance is required to select a voting member for representation at the annual business meeting which is conducted as a part of the conference. Submission of the voting delegate is due August 7, 2015.

Board direction is requested.



## **Designation of Voting Delegate** to NCACC Annual Conference

I,	, hereby certify that I am the duly designated voting		
delegate for	County at the 108 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the North		
Carolina Association of County Commissioners to be held in Pitt County, N.C., on August 20-23, 2015.			
S	signed:		
	Title:		

## Article VI, Section 2 of our Constitution provides:

"On all questions, including the election of officers, each county represented shall be entitled to one vote, which shall be the majority expression of the delegates of that county. The vote of any county in good standing may be cast by any one of its county commissioners who is present at the time the vote is taken; provided, if no commissioner be present, such vote may be cast by another county official, elected or appointed, who holds elective office or an appointed position in the county whose vote is being cast and who is formally designated by the board of county commissioners. These provisions shall likewise govern district meetings of the Association. A county in good standing is defined as one which has paid the current year's dues."

Please return this form to Sheila Sammons by: Friday, August 7, 2015:

NCACC 215 N. Dawson St. Raleigh, NC 27603 Fax: (919) 719-1172

**sheila.sammons@ncacc.org** (p) (919) 715-4365

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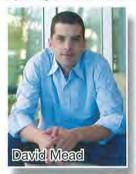
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Opening General Session, Friday, Aug. 21, 8:30 - 10 a.m.



Do you wake up each day inspired to go to work and come home at the end of the day fulfilled by what you've accomplished? Keynote speaker David Mead's mission is to help leaders create an environment where people show up to work because they want to, not because they have to; an environment in which people are inspired to contribute to something bigger than themselves. Come listen to internationally-renowned speaker David Mead share how you can look at your career and organization from an alternative

perspective – and consider "Why", then think, act and communicate in a way that brings that Why to life.

## Plenary Speaker - Jim Blackburn

Second General Session, Saturday, Aug. 22, 8:45 - 9:45 a.m.



There is no more powerful way to communicate a point than to share one's personal experience. Plenary speaker Jim Blackburn once ran a successful law career until it came to an abrupt halt in 1993 when he resigned from his law firm due to several ethical violations. In this address, Blackburn will shine a bright light in a very personal and dark corner to bring people hope – the real medicine he needed to make his life whole again.

### "Real Colors" Facilitator - Dan Clark

Thurs., Aug. 20, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., or Fri., Aug. 21, 4:30 - 9:30 p.m.



At one time or another everyone reaches a point where they wonder, "Why do people do the things they do?" In this "Real Colors" session, attendees will learn how to quickly identify their own "color" and personal strengths, as well as those of others – appreciating the strengths and viewpoints of others is the first step in becoming a better communicator and relationship builder! Dan Clark, Director of Montana State University's Local Government Center, will

facilitate this session. An avid hiker, cross-country skier, rock and ice climber, and mountaineer, Dan Clark is a former Montana State Extension faculty member and Mayor of the City of Choteau, Montana.

#### Also...

- Closing Session with Storyteller Tim Lowry on Sunday, Aug. 23
- Ethics Training on Thursday, Aug. 20, from 4 6 p.m.
- Mental health-focused workshops and programs, featuring discussion on best practices in regional collaboration, crisis intervention and prevention, and coordination of care for children and youth

Get more information by visiting www.ncacc.org/annualconference

## **Not to Miss!**

## First Night "Horn O' Plenty" Celebration hosted by NC Cooperative Extension

Thursday, Aug. 20, 6:30 - 9 p.m. (Exhibit Hall)



The First Night "Horn O' Plenty" Celebration hosted by NC Cooperative Extension, highlights the fruits of labor of farms across the state. As the state's top economic engine, agriculture has well-established roots in North Carolina soil, and that tradition is celebrated at this event. Funds donated by North Carolina farms, businesses and organizations make this event possible.

Menu to be prepared by Vivian Howard, James Beard Award Winner and three time Nominee, and her sister, Leraine Toltston, both of A Chef's Life series, by Emmy winning producer Cynthia Hill.

## President's Reception and Banquet

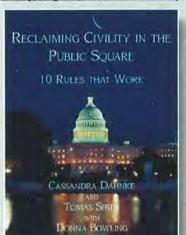
Saturday, Aug. 22, 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Join conference attendees as County Chairman of the Board Glen Webb is sworn in as the Association's 99th President. The 2015-16 President Elect, First Vice President, Second Vice President and Past President will also be seated. Outgoing President Ronnie Beale of Macon County will present the M.H. "Jack" Brock Outstanding



County Commissioner Award, announce the latest class of inductees to the NCACC Hall of Fame, and honor commissioners who have reached at least 20 years of service with Long-Time County Service Awards.

## Workshop Highlight - Reclaiming Civility in the Public Square Friday, Aug. 21, 10:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.



Friday's workshop on "Reclaiming Civility in the Public Square" is not to be missed! Participants will learn what civility makes possible, and what incivility prevents. This highly participatory and interactive seminar also explores the influence of belief systems, and includes exercises in listening and communication skills and team work.

Presenters Cassandra Dahnke and Tomas Spath are co-founders of the Institute for Civility in Government and authors, along with Donna Bowling, of the book, Reclaiming Civility

in the Public Square - 10 Rules That Work. Both are Presbyterian pastors (in Houston and Crockett, Texas respectively) who have led legislative conferences to Washington, DC since 1991. For more information, visit www.instituteforcivility.org.

## Invitation to Register

For complete conference details and to register www.ncacc.org/annualconference

## EARLY REGISTRATION ENDS JULY 16TH!

Early Registration for County Officials: \$275 One-Day Registration County Officials: \$200

Corporate Registration: \$500

Opening Reception, First Night Celebration, Friday Night Dinner with Youth and NCACC Awards luncheon are included in the conference registration fee.

Guests may attend the Opening Reception free of charge. Guest tickets are required for First Night Celebration (\$35/\$20), Friday Night Dinner with Youth (\$35/\$20), NCACC Awards Luncheon, NCABCO Awards Dinner (\$35) and President's Banquet (\$40).

## Accommodations

All room blocks are located in the Greenville Convention Center campus: To reserve rooms in the NCACC room blocks at each hotel, please call to make reservations and mention that you would like to be in the N.C. Association of County Commissioners Annual Conference room block.

- Hilton Greenville (\$124 / cutoff is July 20): 252-355-5000
- Hampton Inn (\$119 / cutoff is July 15): 252-355-7400
- City Hotel (\$99.99 cutoff is July 20): 252-756-3553

Please note that the City Hotel is renovating and transitioning to a Holiday Inn prior to Annual Conference.





## Sixth Annual YouthVoice

Friday, Aug. 21-Saturday, Aug. 22

Calling North Carolina's future leaders! The YouthVoice is designed to give students ages 14-18 an opportunity to talk with local county officials and learn about the functions of county government.

There are a number of opportunities for commissioners to participate in the

YouthVoice, including volunteering to serve as a resource during the program's final workshop block, "Bottom Line!," a county budget simulation game. If commissioners wish to volunteer for this exercise, please contact Associate Director of Education, Jason King, at (919) 715-0045 or jason. king@ncacc.org.

The YouthVoice will culminate when a select number of Youth Delegates share their experiences with the membership during Saturday afternoon's Business Session.

Visit www.ncacc.org/youthvoice for more details.

Headery Receive 9 Association credits for attending the conference and 6 workshop credits for attending "Real Colors" training

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## 108th Annual Conference

## Bringing Counties Together

August 20-23, 2015 / Pitt County www.ncacc.org/annualconference





#### Cover Art

Word Cloud: A bunch or "cloud" of words that graphically represents the number of times a word was mentioned in association with a topic.

During the recent strategic planning input sessions, county officials were asked what one word they would use to describe the NCACC. The word cloud on the front cover represents the words they used - I guess you could say it's all about Bringing Counties Together!

Be sure to join us for the unveiling of the NCACC's Strategic Plan as it's first shared with the membership at the 108th Annual Conference.

## New for 2015!

- Opening Reception Moves to Noon on Thursday: Our Exhibit Show features expanded hours on Thursday, starting with an Opening Reception at noon.
- Introducing the First Night Celebration: The traditional "Horn O' Plenty" event, hosted by N.C. Cooperative Extension, is moving to a new night with a new name. The event will be held Thursday evening on-site in the Exhibit Hall,
- Complimentary Access to Thursday LELA Session: The LELA Pre-Conference Seminar has been rolled into general conference programming and is now included at no additional charge.
- More Opportunities to Connect with Youth Delegates: In addition to the optional "Real Colors" training, county officials are invited to a picnic-style dinner on Friday evening with Youth Delegates.
- Awards Luncheon on Saturday: This luncheon will honor winners of LGFCU County Innovations Awards; County Clerk of the Year and County Attorney of the Year; new Practitioners, Masters and Mentors in the LELA Recognition Program; and NC Cooperative Extension County Partnership Awards.
- Full Conference Registration includes Two Meals/Day:
  - Thursday: Opening Reception at noon and First Night Celebration at 6:30 pm
  - Friday: Lunch in the Exhibit Hall at noon and picnic-style dinner with youth at 6:30 pm
  - Saturday: Conference-Wide Breakfast with Youth at 7:30 am and NCACC Awards Luncheon at 11:30 am

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## **AGENDA ITEM 9:**

## MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

C. Discussion of Ethics Training Opportunity

## **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Each newly elected Commissioner is required to have a minimum of two clock hours of ethics education within twelve months after their initial election. Staff can arrange for a webinar to meet this requirement, if you so choose. In the past, the County has paid for the webinar and allowed the elected officials of the municipalities to participate at no charge.

Staff is recommending the following dates:

Tuesday, September 22, 2015 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

## <u>OR</u>

Thursday, September 24, 2015 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Direction from the Board is requested.

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## **AGENDA ITEM 9:**

## MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

#### D. Boards and Commissions

### **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

## **Economic Development Commission**

Three vacancies will result as terms expire in June on the Economic Development Commission. Paul Combs has served 2 consecutive 3-year terms and is ineligible to be reappointed at this time. Lauren Waterworth would have done the same, but resigned as a member prior to her term expiring; her seat is currently vacant. Appointments for these two seats will be regular 3-year terms. Scott McKinney is relocating and has resigned as well. His term expires in June, 2016, therefore, an appointment to fill his unexpired term (which expires June 2016) will be needed.

The term for Paul Combs was filled at the June 2, 2015, Board meeting by Mr. Tim Hodges.

No other volunteers have been recommended at this time.

### Town of Boone Planning Commission

The Boone Town Council has recommended Jon Tate for reappointment to the Town's Planning Commission as an ETJ representative. This is a second reading and, therefore, action may be taken if so desired.

## Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Ms. Laura Jane Ward, High Country Council of Government's Regional Long-term Care Ombudsman, has submitted Ms. Evelina Idol's name for reappointment to the Watauga County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee. Ms. Idol is willing to continue to serve is so appointed. This is a second reading and, therefore, action may be taken if so desired.

## Watauga County Farmland Preservation Program Advisory Board

The Watauga County Farmland Preservation Program Advisory Board requests that Mr. Kelly Coffey, Mr. Johnny Moretz, and Mr. Joe McNeil, each be reappointed to the Board. Each are willing to continue to serve if so reappointed. This is a first reading and, therefore, no action is required at this time.

Anita.Fogle 070715 BCC Meeting

From: Joe Furman

**Sent:** Thursday, May 07, 2015 8:14 AM

**To:** Deron.Geouque

**Cc:** Anita.Fogle; joseph@cheapjoes.com

**Subject:** boards and commissions

**Attachments:** EDC 12-1-14.doc

#### Deron,

Terms on the Economic Development Commission expire each June. This year there will be 3 vacancies. Paul Combs has served 2 consecutive 3-year terms and is ineligible to be reappointed at this time. Lauren Waterworth would have done the same, but resigned as a member prior to her term expiring; her seat has remained vacant until now. These will both be regular 3-year terms. Scott McKinney is relocating and will resign. His term expires in June, 2016, so an appointment will be needed to fulfill his unexpired term (1 year). The EDC membership as of the end of 2014 is attached. Thanks.

Joe

Joseph A. Furman, AICP
Director, Watauga County Planning & Inspections and Economic Development
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Boone, NC 28607
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(828) 265-8080 (fax)
joe.furman@watgov.org

## Volunteer Application Watauga County Boards And Commissions

070715 BCC Meeting

If you are a Watauga County resident, at least 18 years old, and willing to volunteer your time and expertise to your community, please complete the application below and click on Print Form. Please sign and mail or fax to:

Walauga County Commissioners' Office 814 West King Street, Suite 205 Boone, NC 28607 Phone: (828) 265-8000 Fex: (828) 264-3230

Name: Rick	Beauley		
Home Address: /7		7 lane	
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C Beaver Dam	C Meat Camp		C Shawneehaw
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Please list any work, volunteer, and/or other experience you would like to have considered in the review of your application.

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May 26, 2015

Joe Miller, Chair Watauga County Economic Development Commission Boone, NC 28607

Via email

Dear Joe,

In order to secure meaningful employment, my family moved away from Watauga County in May 2015. Therefore, I must resign from the Commission. I enjoyed filling the unexpired term of a former member. My family had intended to stay in the area for decades. However, the job opportunity that brought us home to Boone was not long lasting. I encourage members of the Commission to continue pressing forward with economic development efforts. I will be cheering from afar.

Sincerely,

Scott N. McKinney, CPA, CGMA

## Town of Boone



June 9, 2015

Watauga County Board of Commissioners 814 W. King Street Boone, NC 28607

RE: ETJ Appointment to Town of Boone's Planning Commission

#### Dear Board of Commissioners:

At the May 21, 2015, regular meeting of the Boone Town Council, Jon Tate was selected for reappointment to the Town's Planning Commission for a four-year term as a representative of the ETJ. In accordance with the Town's Unified Development Ordinance, recommendations for ETJ representatives on the Town's Planning Commission must also be appointed by the Watauga County Board of Commissioners.

The Unified Development Ordinance directs the Town to submit two applications for the Commissioners' consideration, unless the Town has only received a single application or no applications after a period of time. Since we have not received any additional applications for consideration for ETJ positions on this board, we ask that you accept this letter as the Town's formal request that the County appoint Jon Tate to the Town's Planning Commission as an ETJ representative.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Town Manager John Ward at 828-268-6200.

Respectfully,

Christine Pope Town Clerk



May 26, 2015

Anita Fogle Clerk to the Board 814 West King Street Boone, North Carolina 28607



Dear Ms. Fogle,

The term of appointment of Mrs. Evelina Idol to the Watauga County Joint Community Advisory Committee is due to expire on June 17, 2015. She has indicated her willingness to be re-appointed for an additional three year term. As a long standing member of the committee, she continues to provide exemplary leadership to the committee and compassionate advocacy and regard for the residents at Deerfield Ridge and Mountain Care.

Please submit Mrs. Idol's name to the Commissioners for their consideration and let me know their decision at your earliest convenience.

Kindly,

Laura Jane Ward

Regional Long-term Care Ombudsman

**Enclosures** 

## LONG TERM CARE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nominee Background Information
Name Exelina 1d01
Home Address 212 Whisperin Pines Rd Phone (H) 828-264-2042
Brone, M. C. Zip Code 28607
Business Address NA Phone (W) NA -
Zip Code N A -
Email Address_ N/A -
Occupation Retired
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SITUATION CHANGES WITH RESPECT TO THE ABOVE EXCLUSIONS.
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ADVISORY BOARD

KELLY COFFEY, CHAIR JOHNNY MORETZ VIRGINIA WARD JOE MCNEIL

June 22, 2015

Watauga County Board of Commissioners, Courthouse, Suite 1 842 West King Street Boone, NC 28607

Dear Commissioners,

At our November 4th quarterly meeting, the board voted to have Kelly Coffey reappointed to sit on the Voluntary Farmland Preservation Program Advisory Board. We are requesting for the Board of Commissioners to reappoint Kelly Coffey to our Voluntary Farmland Preservation Program Advisory Board.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Millei

Secretary, Watauga County Farmland Preservation

PHONE: 828-264-0842 FAX: 828-264-3067



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Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely,

Kelly Coffey

Chairman, Watauga County Farmland Preservation

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June 22, 2015

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Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely,

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## **AGENDA ITEM 9:**

## MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

E. Announcements

## **MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

PUBLIC COMMENT	
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Attorney/Client Matters – G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3)

**AGENDA ITEM 10:** 

**CLOSED SESSION** 

## **AGENDA ITEM 13:**

## POSSIBLE ACTION AFTER CLOSED SESSION