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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Meeting on February 1, 2010 at 6:30 p.m., 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Room A201, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian T. McMahan, Chairman	Ken Westmoreland, County Manager
Tom Massie, Vice Chair	Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk to Board
Mark Jones, Commissioner	W. Paul Holt, Jr., County Attorney
William Shelton, Commissioner	
Joe Cowan, Commissioner	

Chairman McMahan called the meeting to order.

**AGENDA:** Chairman McMahan amended the agenda by adding a Resolution to Add County Services Park to NCDOT Maintenance. Commissioner Massie moved to approve the amended Agenda. Commissioner Shelton seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Commissioner Massie moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 19, 2009. Commissioner Shelton seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

**INFORMAL COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC:** Marie Leatherwood of Sylva stated her disapproval of the Mercer Group salary study and subsequent salary increases.

(1) **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Chairman McMahan reported that it was necessary to declare a local state of emergency because of the severity of damages caused by the recent snowstorm. He expressed appreciation to all emergency services, county departments, and everyone who worked diligently to assist citizens during the snowstorm. As a member of the local government committee, he met with the Governor last week and was informed the state is faced with challenges concerning transportation funding and the Governor requested counties and municipalities to assist by proposing viable solutions. He announced his intent to file for re-election as Chairman of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners.

(2) **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:** Commissioner Cowan stated he is concerned about proposed state budget cuts which will dramatically affect mental health services.

Commissioner Jones reported that the new Senior Center's congregate meals have increased from 7 to 60; adult day care enrollment is 28; afternoon exercise program has increased from 12 to 29. The facility has been used twice as an emergency shelter.

Commissioner Massie commended Duke Energy and its subcontractors for their continuing work repairing the extreme outages caused by the snowstorm.

(3) **COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr. Westmoreland reported Marc Hawk retired last Friday and he appointed Steve Ogle as Housekeeping Supervisor.

(4) **AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD:** Attorney Holt stated his research reveals that effective July 2005 the Airport Authority Board will consist of five members.

(5) **BUDGET CALENDAR FOR FY2010-11:** Mr. Westmoreland presented a proposed budget calendar for FY2010-11. A budget work session is scheduled on February 18 at 6:00 p.m.

(6) **WAYNE SMITH/JACK-IN-THE-BOX, INC. APPEAL:** Chairman McMahan scheduled a special meeting on February 25 at 6:00 p.m. to hear an appeal from Wayne Smith/Jack-in-the-Box, Inc. concerning the planning board's decision concerning an off-premise sign application.

(7) **CASHIERS COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AREA ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:** The amendments are: (a) establishing farmers markets as a temporary use, and (b) regulating the design and construction of signs. A public hearing was held on February 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. and no public comments were made. Carry over due to inclement weather and citizens in the Cashiers area being unable to attend the public hearing.

(8) **COUNTY SERVICES PARK RESOLUTION (R0-04):** County Services Park is the access road to the Aging Facility, Rescue Squad and Haven-at-Mountain Oaks housing complex. The road was designed to DOT standards.

***Motion:** Commissioner Shelton moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Cowan seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

(9) **TOWN OF WEBSTER BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:** Carry over.

(10) **911 ROAD NAMING BOARD:**

***Motion:** Commissioner Jones moved to appoint Jack Knight (Cashiers Postmaster) and reappoint Tom Massie, William Shelton, Todd Dillard and Melissa Gibson to two-year terms on the 911 Road Naming Board. Commissioner Cowan seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

(11) **CEMETERY BOARD**: Carry over.

(12) **CASHIERS PLANNING COUNCIL**: Carry over.

(13) **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENTS**: Carry over.

(14) **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**: Carry over.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Chairman McMahan stated there was a need for a closed session pursuant to G. S. 143-318.11(a)(5) Real Property (ECU).

**Motion:** *Chairman McMahan moved that the Board go into closed session. Commissioner Massie seconded the Motion. Motion carried.*

Chairman McMahan called the regular meeting back to order and stated no action was taken in closed session except approval of closed session minutes.

There being no further business, Commissioner Shelton moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Jones seconded the Motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk to Board

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Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman