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**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON  
MAY 18, 2009**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on May 18, 2009, at 6:00 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

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

Chairman McMahan called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose was to receive public input on a proposed Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance.

(1) Cherrie' Moses of Tuckasegee stated the historic heritage of the county and state it is a valued and important asset; through proper conservation and preservation of selected areas, future generations will be ensured to gain new insights into the rich heritage of the county. She stated she supports adoption of the ordinance.

(2) Thomas Crowe of Tuckasegee stated he supports the ordinance.

(3) Mary Jo Cobb of Tuckasegee stated the mountains are unique and must be protected. The history and cultural heritage must not be lost to what is called "progress". She urged adoption of the ordinance.

(4) Amy Ammons Garza of Sylva and Doreyl Ammons Cain of Tuckasegee on behalf of "Catch the Spirit of Appalachia" stated they stand for saving the heritage of the area and support the ordinance. She also requested that a community center be built in the Tuckasegee area.

(5) Susan Leveille of Sylva stated she supports the ordinance which addresses the heritage of the area.

(6) T. J. Walker of Dillsboro stated the historical redevelopment of the old courthouse as part of a new library is a prime example of preserving the heritage of the area. He stated he supports the ordinance.

There being no further public comments, Commissioner Shelton moved that the hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Jones seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Attested By:

Approved:

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Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk

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Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman