The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on June 04, 2015, at 5:50 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian McMahan, Chairman
Mark Jones, Vice Chair
Charles Elders, Commissioner
Vicki Greene, Commissioner
Boyce Deitz, Commissioner
Chuck Wooten, County Manager
Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board
J. K. Coward, Jr., County Attorney

Chairman McMahan called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose was to receive public input for consideration of the proposed revisions to the Cashiers Commercial Area Development Ordinance.

John Jeleniewski, Planning Department, stated the proposed Amendment to Cashiers Commercial Area Development Ordinance: Community Identification Signs, which has been recommended by Cashiers Planning Council on February 23, 2015 and recommended by Jackson County Planning Board March 12, 2015.

The Cashiers Planning Council discussed community identification signs at their meetings over the past few months. The discussion was initiated by the developer of a residential community located off US 64. He requested that consideration be given to permitting community identification signs that would enable visitors and guests to find the community. In considering this request the Council realized that no type of community identification sign is permitted currently by the Cashiers Development Ordinance. The Planning Council reviewed several options for community identification signs in the development of the recommended ordinance and received input from interested citizens. A public hearing was conducted by the Planning Council to allow for public comment and input regarding the proposed ordinance amendment.

The proposed ordinance amendment would:
- Permit on premise and off-premise community identification signs
- Require Planning Council approval of community identification signs.
- Identify types of community identification signs permitted.
- Establish maximum height and size standards for community identification signs.
- Establish standards for the location of community identification signs.
- Place a limit on the number of community identification signs permitted at any location.
- Establish a setback from property lines and road rights-of-way for community identification signs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None
There being no public comments, Commissioner Jones moved that the public hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Greene seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Attest: ______________________________

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk

Approved: ______________________________

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman