

**MINUTES OF A
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
APRIL 17, 2017**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session on April 17, 2017, 6:00 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian McMahan, Chairman
Charles Elders, Vice Chair
Boyce Deitz, Commissioner
Mickey Luker, Commissioner
Ron Mau, Commissioner

Don Adams, County Manager
Heather C. Baker, County Attorney
Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board

Chairman McMahan called the meeting to order.

(1) **AGENDA**: Commissioner Deitz moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Elders seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

(2) **MINUTES**: Commissioner Luker moved to approve the minutes of a Regular Meeting of April 03, 2017 and a Work Session of April 11, 2017. Commissioner Elders seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

(3) **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**: None.

(4) **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**:

(a) Commissioner Elders stated that he, along with Commissioners Mau and Luker, attended the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners meeting in Transylvania County. It was a very good, well-attended meeting.

(b) Commissioner Luker stated the association meeting was very informative. Vaya Health made a presentation at that meeting regarding the issues counties faced with the opioid epidemic and would be hosting a workshop in Asheville.

(c) Commissioner Mau stated that CURVE and the Tuckasegee Trash Mob would be having a trash pickup the next day beginning at 5:30. Everyone was welcome to participate.

(5) **COUNTY MANAGER REPORT**: Mr. Adams reported:

(a) **Freedom Park**: A date had been set for the dedication ceremony on May 19th at a time to be determined.

(b) **Sylva Pool Renovations**: The Town of Sylva issued a notice of award on April 13th. They were hopeful to have the renovations complete and the pool open when schools were out for summer break.

(c) **Skyland Services Center Remodel**: Odell Thompson, Architect, provided a schedule showing they would go out to bid at the end of the month, have a bid opening in the beginning of June and by the end of June formalize the contracts.

(d) Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, April 26th – Commissioner Budget Work Session at 2:00 pm.

Monday, May 1st – Regular Commissioner Meeting at 3:00 pm

Tuesday, May 9th – Work Session at 1:00 pm

Monday, 15th – Regular Commissioner Meeting at 6:00 pm

(6) INFORMAL COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC: None.

(7) CONSENT AGENDA:

(a) Darlene Fox, Finance Director, presented the Finance Report for March, 2017 for approval.

(b) Darlene Fox, Finance Director, presented two Budget Ordinance Amendments for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, for approval.

(c) Darlene Fox, Finance Director, presented one Project Ordinance Amendment for approval.

(d) Brandi Henson, Tax Collector, presented, Tax Collector and Refund Reports for March, 2017, for approval.

Motion: Commissioner Deitz moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Mau seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

(8) HARRIS EMS SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUEST: Mr. Adams stated this was a follow-up from a work session discussion regarding a budgetary request made when Harris EMS gave their quarterly update. The request was for a schedule change at an approximate cost of \$14,510. EMS inquired if the Board could proceed with this request before the budget was passed.

Motion: Commissioner Luker moved to grant the request made by Harris EMS for a schedule change resulting in an approximate cost of \$14,510. Commissioner Mau seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

(9) OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT FOR SOCO GAP SRC SITE: Ms. Baker stated that earlier in the year, a situation was presented to the Commissioners where there was an SRC site in the Soco Gap area, which become for sale. The Commissioners previously made a motion to move forward with negotiations for the purchase of the property. The amount of \$15,000 was accepted by the seller and an Offer to Purchase and Contract had been formally prepared.

Motion: Commissioner Mau moved to approve the Offer to Purchase and Contract for the 0.17 acre purchase from the Sutton Trust for a purchase price of \$15,000, as presented. Commissioner Luker seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

(10) FIRE DISTRICT MAPS FOR CULLOWHEE AND SAVANNAH SUBSTATIONS RESOLUTION (R17-07): Michael Forbis, Fire Marshal, stated that the Cullowhee and Savannah Substations were ready to be rated and inspected. In order to accomplish these tasks, the Commissioners must adopt the current maps, which would take many parcels out of the higher insurance classification.

Motion: Commissioner Elders moved to approve the Fire District Maps for Cullowhee and Savannah Substations Resolution (R17-07), as presented. Commissioner Deitz seconded the Motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

(11) CEMETERY BOARD:

Carry over.

(12) HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION:

Carry over.

(13) **PRESS CONFERENCE:** None.

(14) **CLOSED SESSION:**

Motion: *Commissioner Elders moved that the Board go into closed session pursuant to G.S.143-318.11(a)(5) Real Property for three items and G.S.143-318.11(a)(6) Personnel for one item. Commissioner Deitz seconded the Motion. Motion carried.*

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

There being no further business, Commissioner Elders moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mau seconded the Motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman