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**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
NOVEMBER 7, 2011**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on November 7, 2011 at 1:30 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Jack Debnam, Chairman	Chuck Wooten, Interim County Mgr.
Doug Cody, Vice Chair	Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk to Board
Joe Cowan, Commissioner	J. K. Coward, County Attorney
Mark Jones, Commissioner	
Charles Elders, Commissioner	

Chairman Debnam called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose was to receive public input on a proposed Ordinance Designating the Hooper House as a Local Historic Landmark.

Gerald Green, Planning Director, gave a brief history of the Hooper House which was built in 1906. The Historic Preservation Commission recommends that the “Hooper House” located at 733 W. Main St., Sylva, be designated as the first locally designated historic landmark. The designation reports and supporting documents have been reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Office and concurs that it would be suitable as the county’s first locally designated historic property. The designation requires that any renovations, additions, upgrades, etc. must be approved by the Historic Preservation Commission. The local non-profit owners have requested a 50% reduction in the ad valorem tax.

Public Comments: None.

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

Attest:

Approved:

Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk

W. J. Debnam, Chairman