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AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
TOWN HALL, 9 SOUTH MAIN STREET
February 4th, 2026
WEDNESDAY – 2:00 PM**

A. CALL TO ORDER

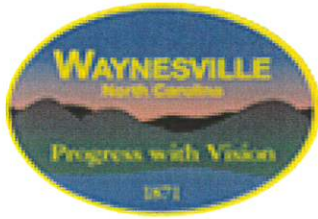
1. Welcome/Announcements
2. Approval of January 7th, 2025 Minutes

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Sketch Map of Historic Districts and Properties
2. Haywood Ramblings
3. Municipal Building Blueprints

C. OTHER BUSINESS

D. ADJOURN



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Elizabeth Teague

Land Use Administrator
Alex Mumby

Regular Meeting

Town Hall- 9 South Main Street, Waynesville, NC 28786
Wednesday, January 7th, 2026, 2:00 PM

The **WAYNESVILLE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION** held a regular meeting on Wednesday, January 7th, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Mezzanine Room.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Alex McKay welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Alex McKay
Clare Bass
Leisa Denti
Glenn Duerr
Anne Marie Miller
Jane Jenkins
Bill Revis

The following members were absent:

Anna Whitmire
Caroline Williamson

The following staff were present:

Alex Mumby, Land Use Administrator
Elizabeth Teague, Development Service Director
Esther Coulter, Administrative Assistant

A motion to approve the minutes for November 5th, 2025, was made by Board Member Anne Marie Miller, seconded by Board Member Leisa Denti. The motion passed unanimously.

B. BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Haywood County America 250 Map Review

Land Use Administrator Alex Mumby said that the Haywood County America 250 committee asked the commission to review the tour map for the Heritage Festival. The map showed points of interest throughout Downtown Waynesville related to the Revolutionary War. After review, the commission found no issues with the map.

2. Annual Planning Session

Mr. Mumby summarized what the goals of the commission had been at the beginning of 2025 and whether they had achieved them.

The first item discussed was an interactive map that would be user friendly and publicly available. Mr. Mumby said this could be accomplished through the ArcGIS Pro story maps feature. The board would need to decide on the type of map and what information would be placed on the map. Board member Bill Revis said the map should have documentation of places of interest such as historic houses and old rock walls. A board member asked if an internal map could be completed first then post important information for the public. He said to focus on one subject per meeting.

The next item on the list was the NCDOT South Main roadway widening project. Mr. Mumby said that the expected start date had been removed from the project timeline due to lack of funding. This has resulted in the project being delayed indefinitely. Related infrastructure in historic districts, Mr. Mumby also said there is an interest in improving Wall St with sidewalks and murals.

The commission has been working on the Historic Signage project for over a year. Mr. Mumby told the commission that the drafts have been finalized, and they are waiting for A-to-Z Signs to confirm the final changes. Once this is done the signs can be built and installed.

The commission published their second edition of the Historic Waynesville Tour Books. They are for sale at local retailers and in Town Hall. Mr. Mumby said that the tour book revenue so far is \$1114.00. Vice Chair Glenn Duerr said that he would follow up with the local retailers who carry the books and provide restocks as needed. Mr. Duerr also mentioned selling the coloring books in the same way.

The Sulphur Springs Park improvement grant has not been closed out yet. Development Services Director Elizabeth Teague said she would like to focus on the sulphur spring at the park with some landscaping and a sign directing visitors to it.

Mr. Mumby gave an update on the CLG grant for the Municipal Building conditions assessment. He said they received three qualified applications, and a consultant has been selected. In the meeting with state staff, the potential of designating the Municipal Building as a Local Landmark was brought up. This would serve to show the Town's commitment to preserving its history.

Ms. Teague brought up the areas of town that have distinct character and history, but don't meet the standards of the National Register. The Town could provide recognition of these areas through signage or honorific designations. Board member Clare Bass liked the idea of having a sign labelling them as

distinct neighborhoods. Mr. Revis suggested a color scheme to link the signs together. Other members suggested coding the story maps with the same colors to provide consistency.

Ms. Teague asked if there were any new projects that anyone wanted to work on. Mr. Duerr had made a list that Annie McDowell had mentioned in her report namely updating the commission's website and restarting the Haywood Ramblings speaker series again.

Finally, Mr. Mumby mentioned that the State Historic Preservation office had reached out about Waynesville hosting a CLG Training. The commission went over the list of possible training topics and selected Disaster Resiliency, Story Maps, and Documents and Photographs.

C. ADJOURN

Board Chair Alex McKay adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

Alex McKay, Chair

Esther Coulter, Administrative Assistant

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