

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE, NC Board of Aldermen – Regular Meeting

Town Hall, 9 South Main Street, Waynesville, NC 28786 Date: February 26, 2013 Time: 7:00 p.m.

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A. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Welcome/Calendar/Announcements Mayor Gavin Brown
- 2. Adoption of Minutes

<u>Motion:</u> To adopt the minutes of February 12, 2013 (regular session) as presented [or as corrected].

B. NEW BUSINESS

3. Award of Bid – Water Treatment Plant Actuators

<u>Motion:</u> To award the contract for the purchase and installation of Auma Electric Motor Actuators to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$137,365 to The Perkinson Company, Charlotte, NC.

4. 2012 Delinquent Property Tax Advertisements

<u>Motion:</u> To authorize the Town of Waynesville Tax Collector to advertise 2012 delinquent tax accounts in the local newspaper in accordance with NCGS §105-369.

5. Resolution #R-05-13 Supporting Increase in Haywood County Occupancy Tax from 4% to 6% (request of Haywood County Commissioners & Haywood County Tourism Development Authority)

<u>Motion:</u> To adopt resolution #R-05-13 supporting an increase in Haywood County Occupancy Tax from 4% to 6%, the additional 2% to be distributed as proposed by HCTDA.

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C. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- 6. Downtown Waynesville Association Annual Report
 - Melanee Lester, DWA President
 - Buffy Phillips, DWA Executive Director

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 7. Lake Junaluska Merger Update Town Manager Marcy Onieal
 - Discussion of Martin-McGill Preliminary Report
 - Resolution Requesting General Assembly Extend Corporate Boundary of the Town of Waynesville
 - Consideration to engage outside legal counsel
- 8. Review/Discussion of VC3 IT Assessment & Master Plan

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Town Manager-Marcy Onieal
- Town Attorney-Woody Griffin

F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

- Mayors' Legislative Roundtable Southwestern Commission Mayor Brown
- Other communications

G. CALL ON THE AUDIENCE

H. CLOSED SESSION

<u>Motion</u>: To continue the closed session from the 2/22/13 board retreat for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, as permitted in NCGS §143-318.11(a)(6).

I. ADJOURN

BOARD OF ALDERMEN UPCOMING EVENTS

| Wed, Feb 27 | Annual GiGa Municipal Innovation Awards, 10-3, School of Govt, Chape | el Hill |
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Fri, Mar 1 Haywood Community College-Arts & Crafts Center Grand Opening, 11:00 am, HCC

Riverlink 26th Annual Donor Party, 5 pm, Warehouse Studios, 170 Lyman St., Asheville

Sat, Mar 2 Haywood County Educational Foundation Mardi Gras Ball Fundraiser, 6:30 pm, Laurel

Ridge Country Club

We-Sa, Mar 6-9 MedWest-Haywood Focus Group Sessions

Thu, Mar 7 UNC Strategic Planning for Elected Officials, Training Workshop, NC Arboretum

Sat, Mar 9 Public Art Commission Jury Selection (Minipark-Flora & Fauna of the Smokies)

Tue, Mar 12 GROWNC Workshop, 10:00-2:00, WNC Arboretum

BoA meeting, 7 pm, Board Room

Thu, Mar 14 Vitality of the Southern Appalachians Workshop, Time TBD, WNC Arboretum

Fri, Mar 15 UNC Tools for Human Capital Management, Training Workshop, Doubletree Biltmore,

Asheville, 9:30-4:30

We-Th, Mar 20-21 Complete Streets Workshop, SWCC

Tue, Mar 26 BoA meeting, 7 pm, Board Room

Wed, Mar 27 NCLM Town Hall Day, Raleigh

Fr-Su, Apr 26-28 Smoky Mtn 9-Ball Shootout Benefit for ARC, Haywood Co. Fairgrounds

Mon/Tue, Apr 29-30 Working Dinner with Duke Energy Officials, (Tent. - Date/Time TBD)

YOU'RE INVITED

TO A COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUP!

Please choose a session and RSVP by calling 828.631.8889 SPACE IS LIMITED!

Refreshments will be served.



As a community member, your thoughts about our hospital are valued. Janie Sinacore-Jaberg, CEO at MedWest-Haywood, wants your direct feedback on important issues surrounding the future of our communities' healthcare. Your answers to specific questions will allow our hospital to truly represent the communities we serve as we move forward to a positive future.

We look forward to seeing you.

Examples of questions you'll be asked:

- 1) What do you want your hospital to be now and in the future?
- 2) If you were CEO what's the first thing you would do?
- 3) What's the single most important thing MedWest-Haywood can do right now?



Carolinas HealthCare System

MEDWEST-HAYWOOD

Date: Wednesday, March 6

Time: 7:30am - 9am

Location: The Senior Resource Center of Haywood County Banquet Room

Date: Wednesday, March 6
Time: 11am - 12:30pm

Location: The Senior Resource Center of Haywood County Banquet Room

Date: Wednesday, March 6

Time: 2pm - 3:30pm

Location: The Senior Resource Center of Haywood County Banquet Room

Date: Thursday, March 7 Time: 3pm - 4:30pm

Location: Mountain Projects, Inc.
Conference Room

Date: Thursday, March 7

Time: 6pm - 7:30pm

Location: Maggie Valley Town Hall

Meeting Room

Date: Friday, March 8
Time: 11am - 12:30pm

Location: Colonial Theatre Annex

Date: Friday, March 8 Time: 2pm - 3:30pm

Location: MedWest Health and Fitness Center

Date: Saturday, March 9 Time: 9am - 10:30am

Location: MedWest Health and Fitness Center

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR SESSION MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2013

THE WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN held its regular meeting and public hearing on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the board room of Town Hall, 9 South Main Street, Waynesville, NC

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Gavin A. Brown Alderman Gary Caldwell Alderman Julia Freeman Alderman Wells Greeley Alderman LeRoy Roberson

The following staff members were present:

Marcy Onieal, Town Manager
Woodrow Griffin, Town Attorney
Alison Melnikova, Assistant Town Manager/Deputy Town Clerk
Ginny Boyer, Administrative Assistant
Eddie Caldwell, Finance Director

Representing the media:

Mary Ann Enloe, The Mountaineer Caitlin Bowling, Smoky Mountain News

1. Welcome/Calendar/Announcements

Alderman Greeley welcomed Ryker Wines from Boy Scout Troop 318, who attended the Board meeting to meet merit badge requirements.

Mayor Brown recently attended a ribbon cutting at Haywood County Transit. Commission for a Clean County is holding their Community Pride Awards which the Mayor plans to attend. Friday, February 22nd will be the Board of Aldermen Retreat.

Town Manager Onieal mentioned several upcoming events on the board calendar, including the NCLM Town Hall Day on Wednesday, March 27 and a working dinner with Duke Energy Officials tentatively set for April 29th or 30th.

2. Minutes of January 22, 2013

Alderman Caldwell made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greeley, to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2013 meeting as presented, noting the need to correct reference on page 11, paragraph 4, from concrete "basis" repairs, to concrete "basin" repairs. The motion passed unanimously.

B. NEW BUSINESS

3. Resolution Approving Installment Financing for Purchase of a New Fire Truck and Related Equipment

Finance Director Eddie Caldwell reported approval in the current budget to finance a new fire truck. On February 4, 2013 a public opening of the quotes revealed SunTrust as the lowest bidder: \$48,721.79 a year over ten years at 1.835% interest (below what had been planned to be put in the budget) with a 1% prepay penalty and closing fee of \$100. The truck is on order with the first payment due next year. The Town has previously secured financing through SunTrust, including eight police cars, which have been paid off and three trucks in Public Works, Street Division, with two years left on the note.

Alderman Roberson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greeley to adopt Resolution R-04-13, accepting the proposal from SunTrust, as lowest responsible, responsive bidder, offering a term of ten (10) years, at 1.835% interest and annual payment of \$48,721.79, for financing the purchase of a new fire truck and related equipment with the total amount financed being \$441,450. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Amendment to Code of Ordinances Regarding Solid Waste and Weed Management

Town Manager Onieal presented a staff request to amend the code of ordinances regarding solid waste and weed management in response to an increasing number of violations of the existing ordinance, particularly in regard to the disposal of bulky items and large volumes of trash and debris. Also, staff is attempting to clarify ambiguous language in the current

ordinance, and bring the ordinance into consistency with current actual collection and recycling practices.

In addition, the revision reduces the maximum container size from 45 to 32 gallons in an effort to reduce injuries. This revision should not affect most residents as a majority of residents are currently in compliance with the new standard.

A definition was added for buildings and site cleanouts as "any accumulated refuse, garbage, or debris, contained or uncontained, in excess of four (4) thirty-two (32) gallon receptacles and/or weighing in excess of thirty (30) pounds per receptacle, or more than four (4) bulky items deposited at one time". This was necessitated by problems from excessive construction debris and landlords cleaning after departure of tenants.

Under *dumpster containers* the language now recognizes that in-Town dumpster collection can either be contracted with the Town or contracted with a private commercial hauler.

The amendment also clarifies how commingled recyclables are to be secured for curbside collection.

Clarification was needed under *Tree limbs, cuttings, shrubbery; leaves; removal of tree stumps*: "on a regular basis, as set forth by the town pick-up schedule" replaced "on a weekly basis" to allow for changes in scheduling without having to change the ordinance. Also, "four (4) cubic yards" replaced "one truckload".

Alderman Freeman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Caldwell, to adopt Ordinance O-02-13 as presented, amending Chapter 44 (Sections 1 and 41-46) of the Town of Waynesville Code of Ordinances, regarding Solid Waste and Weed Management. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Appointment to Haywood County Local Emergency Planning Committee

The Haywood County Local Emergency Planning Committee is a group which operates under the jurisdiction of County Emergency Management Coordinator Greg Shuping. The Town of Waynesville is a constituent agency of that committee and must recommend for appointment an individual who can speak and act on behalf of the Town with regard to emergency operations.

Upon recommendation of the Town Manager, Alderman Greeley made a motion, seconded by Alderman Roberson, to appoint Police Chief Bill Hollingsed as the Town's representative to the Haywood County LEPC, with Fire Chief Joey Webb and Town Manager Marcy Onieal serving as alternates. The manager noted that Chief Hollingsed has served on the Committee since its inception and Chief Webb will continue serving as representative for all Fire Departments in the western half of Haywood County. The motion carried unanimously.

C. PRESENTATION & PUBLIC HEARING

6. Lake Junaluska Merger Update

Town Manager Onieal reported key dates and background information regarding the potential for a Lake Junaluska and Waynesville merger, noting that while many public meetings of the board and of various governing and advisory bodies of Lake Junaluska Assembly have addressed this topic over the course of the past year, this is the first of two formal public hearings by the Board of Aldermen on the potential merger between Lake Junaluska and Waynesville.

Beginning in April, 2012, the LJA Board initiated a deliberate and open process of exploration, public discussion, and discernment regarding the future financial viability and governance of Lake Junaluska Assembly and requested that the Town consider possible annexation of Lake Junaluska as one of four options under study and consideration by the Lake Junaluska Board of Directors. This process has been an open, participatory and thorough one, with many bodies having either legal authority or serving in advisory capacity, having taken part in regular public deliberations for nearly a full year, including: LJ Municipal Study Task Force, LJ Community Council, LJ Public Works Committee, LJ Board of Directors, LJ Property Owners' Organization, the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church, the Town of Waynesville Planning Board and Board of Aldermen. Minutes of all these public meetings and various publications, reports and studies associated with this effort are available on the Lake Junaluska and/or Town of Waynesville websites.

Ultimately Lake Junaluska's goal has been for its Municipal Study Task Force to bring forward a recommendation to the Board of Directors about the future governance of Lake Junaluska. The NC Rural Center, Lake Junaluska Assembly and the Town entered into a partnership study with Martin-McGill Associates, to jointly fund a \$65,000 Water/Sewer/Infrastructure assessment and merger feasibility study, which is currently underway, with a preliminary report due on February 22, 2013 and a final report by the end of April, 2013.

A second public hearing is scheduled before the Board of Aldermen on February 22 following a presentation of the Martin-McGill preliminary report, sometime after which, both the Town Board of Aldermen LJA Board of Directors will vote as to their desire to move forward with annexation. The manager noted several critical deadlines including March 5th to get the local bill to the Senate Drafting Office with March 13th being the deadline for introduction of the local bill in the Senate.

Since December 18, Town leadership has been working closely with Lake Junaluska staff on finalizing issues such as which properties, roads and public infrastructure will be transferred and what will be left to LJA to manage. Public roads that LJ currently maintains as public roads will be considered Town of Waynesville public roads; driveways that cut through parking lots or access private property will not be considered roads under a merger; the dam and bridge over the dam will be maintained by LJA; the LJ Conference Center itself is expected to make annual payment-in-lieu of taxes, as it will be considered tax exempt as a religious organization under a merger. The Town would guarantee employment of all twelve full-time LJA employees and

would provide the full range of municipal services tentatively effective August 31, 2013. Other minor details remain to be negotiated between the two corporate entities.

The manager provided a preview of expected findings from the McGill study: Lake Junaluska has done a great job providing studies of infrastructure, identifying future operational and capital needs and needs of a critical nature in water/sewer/streets. McGill Associates has identified those same needs. With the benefit of engineers on the ground, the Town is aware the initial estimate for critical needs in repairs to water/sewer/streets is more than originally estimated, at just over \$3 million, rather than the \$1.5 million estimated in an earlier LJA study. However, the ten year capital plan of critical projects is less than originally anticipated: \$3.4M in capital needs for water, \$2.5M for sewer and \$3.8M for streets with the total critical capital program under \$10M.

Powell Bill funding for street maintenance is still an issue, but staff is looking for opportunities to bring LJA streets up to Powell Bill standard. It is doubtful however, that additional revenue gained from Powell Bill funding could justify the exorbitant cost associated with upgrading street standards, which is expected to be somewhere in excess of \$1.3 million in order to realize an annual gain in Powell Bill revenue of approximately \$3500, which would equate to a payback period of approximately 300 years.

Looking at cash flow projections for a ten year period, the revenue gain to the General Fund from additional taxes will offset virtually dollar-for-dollar the additional costs anticipated in operating a combined water/sewer system over the same period. Under merger, Lake Junaluska capital projects would simply become part of the Town's capital improvement program and be financed and scheduled in keeping with overall community priorities, needs and resource availability. It appears that the study will confirm that the financial implications represent roughly a break-even proposition for the Town of Waynesville, with considerable intangible gains, and a financial benefit to the residents of Lake Junaluska, coming at no additional cost to the taxpayers of the Town of Waynesville.

Town Manager Onieal introduced Lake Junaluska Staff: Jack Ewing, Executive Director, Lake Junaluska Assembly; Buddy Young, Public Works Director, Lake Junaluska Assembly; Ron Clauser, Chair, Lake Junaluska Municipal Study Task Force (MSTF); and Lee Galloway, former Town of Waynesville manager, TOW representative to the Lake Junaluska MSTF.

Executive Director Jack Ewing thanked the Board of Aldermen for the opportunity to make comments at the public hearing, expressing gratitude for the Town's willingness to not only explore the possibility of merger but to invest its financial and staff resources toward that end. He thanked Town Manager Onieal for her hard work and leadership in exploring this possibility. Mr. Ewing noted the LJ Board of Directors will meet March 7 and 8 and it is anticipated they will act on recommendation from Junaluska Community Council (a body elected by property owners given authority by the Board of Directors). The Task Force has been meeting regularly since the summer, and the meeting on February 28th will be the 11th time. A final task for the LJA Board of Directors is to process the results of a public opinion survey of all LJA property owners, eight percent of which were returned on the first day after surveys were distributed. Mr. Ewing does not anticipate making the results of the survey available until

February 28th, the next meeting of the Task Force. The Task Force will then most likely make a recommendation to the Community Council which will in turn make a recommendation to the LJ Board of Directors. Mr. Ewing added the Town of Waynesville and Lake Junaluska are "inextricably linked"—Lake Junaluska would not have been formed without the Town of Waynesville and would not have survived without the Town, financially or otherwise over the years.

7. Public Hearing-Lake Junaluska Merger

Town Attorney Woody Griffin opened the public hearing.

Ron Clauser, 172 Liberty Road, expressed his personal appreciation and gratitude to Marcy Onieal and Lee Galloway for their input which has been so important to the process.

George Kenney, 280 Kilgore Road, new to the Lake Junaluska community, expressed his pride in Lake Junaluska's conscientious leadership.

Bryant Lindsey, 595 Golf Course Road (and PO Box 1831, Morganton, NC) was recognized. Mayor Brown thanked Mr. Lindsey for his keen interest and appreciates the authenticity of his comments. Mr. Lindsey distributed a handout (attached and made part of these minutes) citing historical details from 100 years ago regarding the merger of Winston and Salem. Both cities had to vote and there were some contentious issues. Mr. Lindsey supports annexation very strongly and hopes the Board of Trustees at Lake Junaluska will support annexation. Mr. Lindsey added "the State in its wisdom has placed much more oversight on incorporation than it has placed on annexation. I am in agreement with the State in not having requirements for annexation that are nearly as high as they are for incorporation." Mr. Lindsey added, "trying to pursue incorporation will be "the shallows and the miseries" (see attachment).

Lee Galloway, 150 Azalea Road, indicated that as a former Town of Waynesville manager and political science major, he found the concept of merging a municipality with a religious entity "fascinating". Having spent almost a year with Jack Ewing and Buddy Young, Mr. Galloway "cannot see how it would hurt in any way to become one community". He noted that much more work and research has gone into this process than what the Town ever did in preparation for the Hazelwood merger back in the early 90's. As for the social aspect of it, Mr. Galloway believes the similarities between people will provide a good blend between communities.

Clifton Metcalf, recently retired from Western Carolina University and a Long Leaf Pine Award recipient, said he has been resident of both communities, seeing them as one for many years.

Former Mayor Henry Foy, 88 Welch Street, considers the merger from the standpoint of a former businessman and lifelong citizen of Waynesville, recognizing the hidden financial assets annexation will bring. Mr. Foy wants the best for Lake Junaluska, not wanting Lake Junaluska to relocate, as has been rumored in years past. Mr. Foy remembers a time around 1960 when Dayco was at its peak and expanding much like Wellco. Around the same time, Lake

Junaluska decided to become a year-round operation. This was a tremendous boost for Waynesville. And while Dayco and Wellco are gone, Lake Junaluska remains. Mr. Foy appreciates what Lake Junaluska has meant to Waynesville all these years.

The Board of Aldermen expressed their appreciation for what has proven thus far to be a thorough process, one that is educational, deliberate, positive and democratic.

There being no further comment from the public, Mayor Brown closed the public hearing.

Mayor Brown noted that Senator Davis and Representative Queen have pledged their support for any arrangement both boards and communities support in agreement with unanimous or strong majority support, and the next step is to authorize staff to submit a local legislative bill proposing annexation of Lake Junaluska by the Town of Waynesville.

Alderman Caldwell made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greeley, to authorize the Town Manager to submit as soon as possible in coordination with Lake Junaluska Assembly staff, a draft bill to the NC Geral Assembly's Legislative Drafting Office, proposing merger between the Town of Waynesville and the Lake Junaluska service area, in anticipation of the March 13, 2013 deadline to introduce local bills in the Senate. The motion carried unanimously.

Manager Onieal distributed a map showing the planned boundaries of the annexation area, noting that with the exception of four parcels, the annexation boundary is comprised solely of all properties historically considered part of Lake Junaluska Assembly — both taxable and exempt — including residential, commercial and undeveloped tracts formerly owned by the Southeast Jurisdiction. The four additional parcels which have been added to the annexation are one commercial tract recently purchased by Lake Junaluska Assembly (Granny's Chicken House) and three tracts owned or operated by the Town, which have not heretofore been included within the Town's corporate boundaries, including the Town's mulch yard (two parcels) and law enforcement firing range (one parcel). (See attached map, made a part of these minutes).

D. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

8. Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova

Ms. Onieal introduced Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova who represented the Town of Waynesville at the NCLM Municipal Advocacy Goals Conference and NCCCMA Managers Conference, both held in February. Ms. Melnikova reported the League held its biennial municipal advocacy goals conference at which fifty-seven goals were voted on by members, the top fifteen of which constitute the League's goals for the next two years. At the NCCCMA Managers Conference League staff gave legislative updates and a feel for how the newly constituted General Assembly will operate. There may be tax reform packages ahead;

Town Manager Marcy Onieal and Finance Director Eddie Caldwell will see what impact these may have upon the Town.

9. Town Manager Marcy Onieal

Ms. Onieal thanked the Board of Aldermen for their understanding and concern during her recent brief absence, which was due to arrangements and care for her mother who was hospitalized with two broken hips and stress fractures down both femurs. Ms. Onieal's mother had back-to-back emergency surgeries while vacationing in Florida and is currently receiving rehabilitation.

TDA Legislative Request—Tourism Development Authority (TDA) is seeking special legislation to increase the occupancy tax an additional two cents. Haywood County Commissioners will send this forward to legislature and they seek the Board of Aldermen's support to raise funds for additional support of tourism development. This will be on the next Board of Aldermen meeting's agenda.

Bolin Property Easement Request—Attorney Jack Kersten, representing Cliff Bolin who owns a commercial property at the corner of Main and Miller Streets, has contacted the manager about extending the easement the Town granted Mr. Bolin to allow construction of accessible ingress/egress from his building across public property onto Miller Street. The easement provides for construction of access within 25 years and is scheduled to sunset in 2015. As it stands, Mr. Bolin would prefer an indefinite extension of the existing easement rather than begin work to construct access in compliance with ADA standards, as provided for by the easement, because the building is currently for sale. The manager recommends the board honor the original terms of the easement, and to negotiate new terms as may be mutually desirable at the time the easement is scheduled to expire.

Boart Retreat Proposed Agenda—The meeting will be at 9 South Main Street at 10 am on Friday, February 22nd. The first hour will be an executive session to discuss personnel issues (manager expectations/evaluation), followed at 11:00 a.m. by presentation of the Junaluska merger feasibility report from McGill Associates and the public hearing on proposed merger. After a brief break for lunch, consultants from VC3 will present the IT assessment and master plan. The consultant's presentation and board discussion will likely take the remainder of the afternoon, but the manager encouraged board members to contact her if there were other topics anyone wished to include on the retreat agenda.

Video Sweepstakes Update—Video sweepstakes machines have been confiscated in the Town of Waynesville that are not legal. A number of organization and clubs continue to start up, close down and start up again. The video gaming industry desires this issue to go back to court

and several sweepstakes operators in Waynesville have indicated their desire to make Waynesville a test case for law enforcement and the courts.

Projects Update—Skatepark bid documents are being prepared and will go out for proposals in early March. Construction plans for the recreation park restroom are finally in hand after lengthy delays by the architect/designer. Staff has considered delaying construction in order to schedule the project in tandem with tennis court renovation so that this section of the park will be torn up only once. Although the architect was originally contracted to provide project administration during the construction phase, due to poor performance and inexplicable delays during the design phase, the Town is hesitant to proceed in this manner, and will likely handle project management in-house or recommend hiring an outside project manager.

Town Clerk/Employee Updates—nearly seventy applications were received for Town Clerk position. The second assessment has not yet been scheduled, but once this is complete and a Town Clerk is hired, former Town Clerk Phyllis McClure has agreed to be available to assist in orienting the new clerk.

10. Town Attorney Woody Griffin

No report at this time.

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD

Southwestern Commission – Mayor Brown recently attended the Southwestern Commission meeting alongside Senator Davis and Congressman Queen.

Main Street Champion Award – Mayor Brown recognized Alderman Roberson for having been honored with the Main Street Champion Award along with wife Gayle Roberson. Through the North Carolina Main Street Program, this statewide honor recognized contributions over several years in advocacy, volunteerism, education and philanthropy. Alderman Roberson indicated that the program prepared by Downtown Waynesville Association and presented by Executive Director Buffy Phillips was very well received by her state peers and colleagues and that Waynesville, particularly downtown and DWA itself were reflected in a very positive light.

F. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Alderman Caldwell made a motion, seconded by Mayor Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

| ATTEST | |
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| | Gavin A. Brown, Mayor |
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| | Marcia D. Onieal, Town Manager |
| Alison Melnikova, Deputy Town Clerk | |
| Prepared by: | |
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| Ginny Boyer, Administrative Assistant | |

From: Linda and Bryant Lindsey < lindseyandlindsey6@hotmail.com>

To: Jack Ewing <iewing@lakejunaluska.com>, Buddy Young <byoung@lakejunaluska.com>; Buddy Young <byoung@sejumc.org>, Aly Groesser <agroesser@lakejunaluska.com>

Cc: Marcy Onieal <manager@townofwaynesville.org> Sent: Sunday, February 10, 2013 2:24 PM

Subject: Jack And Buddy: Winston-Salem Celebrating Their Centennial On May 9-12, 2013. Humorous To See That Not Everybody Favored Consolidation Of Winston And Salem Back In May Of 1913.

Jack And Buddy: Winston-Salem Celebrating Their Centennial On May 9-12, 2013...Humorous To See That Not Everybody Favored Consolidation Of Winston And Salem Back In May Of 1913...

Here Are Notes From Winston-Salem Government Meetings 1913-1919... (http://www.cityofws.org/Assets/CityOfWS//Documents/Marketing/Winston-Salem%201913-1919.pdf)... Indicating Consolidation Wasn't Favored By All...

"CONSOLIDATION NOT FAVORED BY ALL... Not everyone was in favor of consolidating the two towns. Circulars in Salem were passed around saying the community's old Moravian traditions would be abandoned and that Winstonites 'would contaminate the moral welfare of the people to the point of wreckage'. Other circulars said that historical Salem and industrial Winston were so different that the resultant 'discord will prove to be very harmful'. Another circular said, 'There is a possibility of too heavy a tax demand to bring the two communities to an equal status for both'. At one point, the campaign got so heated that a report circulated in Salem that the new city had plans to 'dig up' Salem Cemetery after the consolidation."

Interestingly: On May 9, 1913, the vote on consolidation in Winston was 800 (75%) For and 260 (25%) Against...In Salem the vote was 385 (63%) For and 224 (37%) Against.

I'm glad that we don't have any cemeteries at Lake Junaluska. Please note that I'm not saying we may not have a few skeletons in closets (if I may be permitted a tiny joke).

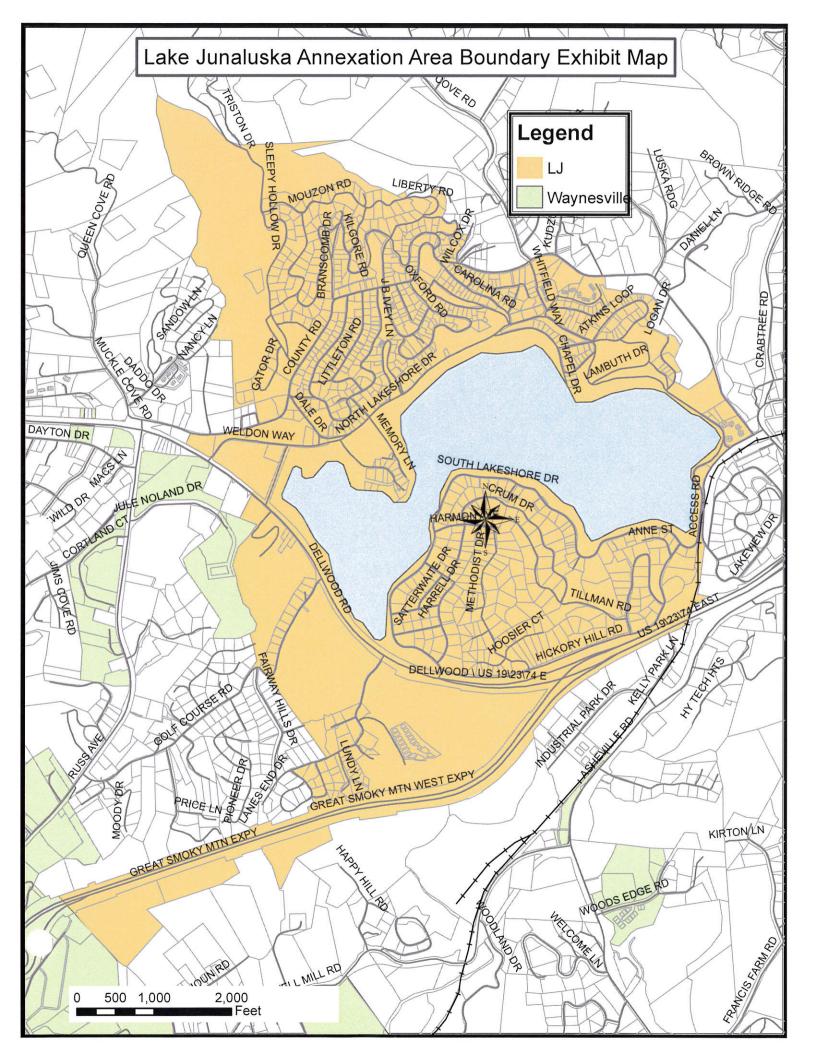
In large part, I've been following the Winston-Salem Centennial news because Dad, who's turning 100 on May 23, 2013, is at Arbor Acres Retirement Community.

Please share this (or not) as you think desirable.

Many thanks to both of you.

Bryant (and Linda) Lindsey.

["There is a tide in the affairs of men. Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; Omitted, all the voyage of their life Is bound in shallows and in miseries. On such a full sea are we now afloat. And we must take the current when it serves, Or lose our ventures." (William Shakespeare: From Julius Caesar Act 4, scene 3, 218-224)]





TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE-LAKE JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY MERGER/CONSOLIDATION OPTION KEY DATES

| March, 2012-present | Public meetings of LIA/MSTF, LIA/CC, LIA/PWC, LIA/BoD, LIAPOO, SEJ, TOW/BoA (All info available on LIA website at: www.lakejunaluska.com/community-plans/) |
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| December 8, 2012 | Received informal notice of award of planning grant from NC Rural Center for Consolidation Study – Total Project Cost \$65,000 1. NC Rural Center Grant - \$30K 2. Town of Waynesville - \$25K 3. Lake Junaluska Assembly - \$10K |
| December 11, 2012 | Scope of Work for Study Approved by BoA/LIA 1. LIA Infrastructure Program Assessment 2. Project Financial Analysis 3. TOW Asset Mgmt Plan Update 4. Final Report |
| December 18, 2012 | Martin-McGill contracted; data collection begins (4 engineers, 2 financial analysts, 1 project coordinator, LJA & TOW staff) |
| January 8, 2013 | LJA Community Council meets with TOW Planning Board/Staff to discuss potential zoning regulations |
| January, 2013 | Multiple meetings among TOW/LJA staff & board chair/Sen. Davis, Rep. Queen, Rep. Presnell |
| January 28, 2013 | First Review of Raw Data by LJA/TOW staff with Martin-McGill |
| February 12, 2013 | 1 st Public Hearing on Proposed Merger, 7 pm Town Hall Board Room |
| February 22, 2013 | 2 nd Public Hearing on Proposed Merger, 11 am Town Hall Board Room |
| February 25, 2013 | TOW Board of Aldermen Final Vote |
| February 28, 2013 | LIA Municipal Study Task Force - Final Meeting & Recommendation |
| March 5, 2013 | LJA Community Council Meeting Senate Deadline to get local bill to Drafting Office |
| March 7-8, 2013 | LIA Board of Directors Meeting & Vote |
| March 13, 2013 | Deadline to introduce local bill in Senate (April 3, 2013-House) |
| May 16, 2013 | General Assembly Crossover deadline |
| August 31, 2013 | Proposed Effective Date of Merger (June 30, 2013 – August 31, 2014) |

MARTIN-MCGILL REPORT PREVIEW OF KEY COMPONENTS & FINDINGS 2/12/13

(report to Waynesville Board of Aldermen)

COMPONENTS OF STUDY/STAFF WORK

- Legal Boundary Descriptions
- Review of all existing relevant Budgets, Studies, Reports for LJA/TOW (see attached list)
- Review of Individual Contractual Obligations (operational and land-related)
- Population Estimate & Growth Estimate
- Tax & Revenue Analysis & Growth Estimate
- Evaluation of LIA/TOW annual Operating Budgets
- Staff Transitions from LIA to TOW (requires reorganization strategies)
- Water & Sewer Infrastructure Condition & CIP development
- Street Condition, Powell Bill Eligibility & CIP development
- Development of Operational Plans (esp. Police, Solid Waste, Streets, Water & Sewer, Dev. Sycs.)
- Recommendations on Capital Financing & Water/Sewer Rate Structure
- Analyze results of Public Input (public meetings, hearings, survey)
- Draft Local Bill for submission to General Assembly

ITEMS REMAINING TO BE CONFIRMED BETWEEN LIA & TOW STAFF/BOARDS

- Finalize assumptions made within scope of study
- Payment in lieu of taxes by LJA/Conference Center for municipal services
- Precise list of roadways, sidewalks, equipment to be transferred to TOW
- LJA-Identify purpose/level of assessments post-merger
- Effective date of merger (tent. August 31, 2013)

ANTICIPATED FINDINGS

- LJA critical needs in Water, Sewer, Streets previously underestimated (approx. \$3M instead of \$1.5M)
- Overall, LJA 10-year capital needs slightly less than anticipated
 (Water \$3.4M; Sewer \$2.4M; Streets \$3.8M; Total \$9.6M; amounts include \$3M "critical needs")
- New Powell Bill revenue insufficient to offset cost of bringing roads to Powell Bill standard by widening (\$3,500 add'l revenue generated per year at a total cost of \$1.35M or a 385-year payback)
- In aggregate, over 10-year period, revenue gain in General Fund expected to offset additional expenditures in Water/Sewer Funds dollar-for-dollar, given no change in tax/water/sewer rates
- All LJA capital needs will be prioritized in context of TOW capital needs and absorbed into existing CIP;
 rates to be adjusted in keeping with best practices
- Merger appears to be financially feasible/advantageous for both LIA & TOW (at least break-even proposition for TOW and LIA, and advantageous for individual LIA property owners, at no add'l cost to TOW taxpayers)
- General Fund makes \$; Water/Sewer Fund costs \$ (TOW gains are more intangible, but significant)

NEXT STEPS

- Receive Consultant Report by Feb 22, 2013
- LJA & TOW Boards consider public input
- LJA & TOW Boards vote
- Local Bill to Legislative Drafting by March 5, 2013
- Local Bill introduced by Sen. Davis in Senate by March 12, 2013

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Meeting Date: February 26, 2013

SUBJECT: Award Formal Bid #102-13 for Purchase and Replacement of the Water

Treatment Plant Electric Motor Actuators (Public Works, Water Treatment

Division)

AGENDA INFORMATION:

Agenda Location: New Business

Item Number: 3-B

Department: Finance - Purchasing Division **Contact:** Julie Grasty, Purchasing Supervisor

Kyle Cook, Water Treatment Plant Superintendant

Presenter: Julie Grasty, Purchasing Supervisor

BRIEF SUMMARY: The Water/Sewer Capital Assets Management Plan and adopted FY 12 – 13 adopted annual budget provide for removal of existing pipe gallery hydraulic cylinder actuators, piping and controls and replacement with new electric motor actuators, piping and controls at the Water Treatment Plant. A Request for Proposals (RFP) was distributed in early February and bids were opened on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. Three bids were received ranging from \$137,365 to \$161,250.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: To award the contract for the purchase and installation of Auma Electric Motor Actuators in the amount \$137,365 to The Perkinson Company, Charlotte, NC, as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

FUNDING SOURCE/IMPACT: The FY 12-13 adopted budget includes an allocation of \$143,000 for the replacement of the actuators from the Water Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

Bid Tabulation

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The existing actuators, which have no provision for manual operation of the valve in the event of failure, date to the early 90's and are now considered obsolete due to increasing failure rates and difficulty in obtaining replacement parts. We have been replacing all valves with new Auma units for the past three years. The Perkinson Company has previously installed Auma replacement valves for the Town and staff confirms that their work has been very satisfactory. Manager recommends approval as presented.

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Water Treatment Plant Electric Motor Actuator Replacement
February 20, 2013

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| ITEM # QTY UNIT | QTY | LIND | DESCRIPTION | UNIT COST | EXTENDED COST | UNIT COST | EXTENDED COST | UNIT COST | EXTE | EXTENDED COST |
| | | | Influent Valves- 14 inch Butterfly Valves as | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 4 | | Each described in Summary of Work | \$ 5,500.00 | \$ 22,000.00 | \$ 4,875.00 \$ | \$ 19,500.00 | \$ 5,365.00 | ⟨^ | 21,460.00 |
| | | | Effluent Valves - 10 inch Butterfly Valves as | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 4 | | Each described in Summary of Work | \$ 7,300.00 | \$ 29,200.00 | \$ 6,355.00 | \$ 25,420.00 | \$ 7,000.00 | ٠ | 28,000.00 |
| | | | Backwash Valves - 14 inch Butterfly Valves as | | | | | | | |
| 3 | ന | Each | Each described in Summary of Work | \$ 5,500.00 | \$ 16,500.00 | \$ 4,875.00 | \$ 14,625.00 | \$ 5,365.00 | \$ | 16,095.00 |
| | | | Rewash Valves - 4 inch Butterfly Valves as | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 4 | | Each described in Summary of Work | \$ 4,250.00 | \$ 17,000.00 | \$ 3,675.00 | \$ 14,700.00 | \$ 4,050.00 | ⟨> | 16,200.00 |
| | | | Surface Wash Valves - 4 inch Butterfly Valves | | | | | | | |
| 5 | m | - | Each as described in Summary of Work | \$ 4,250.00 | \$ 12,750.00 | \$ 3,675.00 | \$ 11,025.00 | \$ 4,050.00 | \$ | 12,150.00 |
| | | | Drain Valves -14 inch Angle Valves as | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 4 | - | Each described in Summary of Work | \$ 8,575.00 | \$ 34,300.00 | \$ 7,655.00 | \$ 30,620.00 | \$ 8,425.00 | ٠Ş | 33,700.00 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | | | Mechanical Installation and Start-Up | \$ 29,500.00 | \$ 29,500.00 | \$ 21,475.00 | \$ 21,475.00 | \$ 25,000.00 | -⟨->- | 25,000.00 |
| | | | Total Amount of Bid | | \$ 161,250.00 | | \$ 137,365.00 | | Ş | 152,605.00 |

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION Meeting Date: February 26, 2013

SUBJECT: 2012 Delinquent Property Tax Advertisements

AGENDA INFORMATION:

Agenda Location: New Business

Item Number: 4-B

Department:

Finance Department

Contact: James Robertson, Tax Collector Presenter: James Robertson, Tax Collector

BRIEF SUMMARY: Each year in late February or early March, the Town advertises delinquent property tax levies in the local newspaper(s) as provided for by NCGS §105-369. The requested action authorizes the Tax Collector to advertise delinquent taxpayers' names and 2012 (and previous) property tax amount(s), which are overdue as of January 6, 2013. All taxpayers received an initial property tax billing in late August/early September 2012, and second billings for delinquent taxes were distributed February 19, 2013. It has been shown in previous years, that the sooner delinquent taxes are advertised, the higher the collection rate on delinquent accounts. This early advertisement also allows the tax collector to project amount of delinquent revenue to be collected and to plan further collection proceedings prior to the end of the fiscal year. Approximately 900 taxpayers are advertised for delinquency each year.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: To authorize the Town of Waynesville Tax Collector to advertise 2012 delinquent tax accounts in the local newspaper in accordance with NCGS §105-369.

FUNDING SOURCE/IMPACT: Approximately \$3,000 in direct costs for second mailing and newspaper advertising, which is recovered along with late penalty for delinquent payments.

ATTACHMENTS:

• 2012 Tax Delinquency Roll

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: To approve as presented.

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Meeting Date: February 26, 2013

SUBJECT: Resolution R-05-13 Supporting an Increase in Haywood County Occupancy Tax

AGENDA INFORMATION:

Agenda Location: New Business

Item Number: 5-B

Department: Administrative Services **Contact:** Marcy Onieal, Town Manager

Presenter: Lynn Collins, Executive Director, Haywood County TDA

BRIEF SUMMARY: Haywood County Commissioners and Haywood County Tourism Development Authority have requested the support of local governments within Haywood County in urging the General Assembly to pass local legislation allowing Haywood County to collect an additional 2% (increase from 4% to 6%) in occupancy taxes (applied to all overnight stays at hotels, motels, B&Bs, inns, lodges, tourist camps, etc.). The TDA already receives 3% tax for its ongoing administration, marketing and tourism promotions on a county-wide basis, with 1% being returned to the jurisdictions in which the tax is collected for promotion of tourism and travel related expenditures specifically within each jurisdiction. It is proposed that the additional 2% being sought shall be used to provide grants, debt service, or loan guarantees to outside (non-TDA) agencies for major capital projects designed to increase occupancy in Haywood County accommodations. Legislation will require TDA to create and administer a Tourism Product Development Fund through a 14-member representative committee, whose membership is outlined in the draft legislation attached. Five regular members and four ex officio members represent Haywood County interests and each of the four municipalities (plus Lake Junaluska) would have one representative each. This tax is generally paid by visitors to Haywood County, but serves to provide a revenue stream for tourism-related facilities, promotions, and activities that have a positive economic impact on the community at large.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: To adopt Resolution R-05-13 supporting an increase in Haywood County Occupancy Tax from 4% to 6%, the additional 2% to be distributed as proposed by HCTDA.

FUNDING SOURCE/IMPACT: Each 1% in occupancy tax produces approximately \$225,000 in revenue annually. The additional 2% should generate approximately \$450,000 per year (or \$1.35M in total occupancy tax annually).

ATTACHMENTS:

- HCDTA Tourism Product Development Fact Sheet
- Proposed local legislative bill-General Assembly
- Draft Resolution R-05-13

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

To be eligible for funding from the Tourism Product Development Fund, the proposed project must demonstrate the potential to significantly increase room nights in Haywood County. Although any for-profit or non-profit entity is eligible for funding, it has been publicly reported that the County has expressed initial interest in using these funds for the purpose of retiring debt and developing the ball fields it purchased in Jonathan Creek. Haywood County Commissioners, HCTDA, and the Town of Canton have adopted resolutions in support of the increase in occupancy tax. The Town of Maggie Valley opposes the proposed legislation because of increased costs associated with overnight stays in local lodging that operators fear will make them less competitive. Little has been reported in the media regarding public sentiment specifically in the Town of Waynesville either for or against the proposed increase. The manager recommends adoption, provided the board is satisfied with the proposed representation on the Tourism Product Development Committee, given the share of total revenue raised for overnight stays within the Town of Waynesville.

HCTDA Tourism Product Development Fact Sheet

Objective: Increase the current Haywood County Occupancy Tax from 4% to 6% for the purpose of creating a Tourism Product Development Fund. Two additional cents would generate approximately \$450,000 annually. This will be paid by visitors to Haywood County renting overnight accommodations.

Purpose: The Tourism Product Development Fund would provide financial assistance for major tourism projects that increase occupancy in Haywood County accommodations thus creating a positive economic impact.

Strategy: Funds can be awarded to non-profit & for-profit entities as a grant, pledge of debt service or loan guaranty. Legislation would state that funds are to be used for tourism capital projects.

Implementation: A Committee will be appointed by the Haywood County Board of County Commissioners to review funding applications. The Committee will make funding recommendations to the HCTDA Board of Directors.

Funding Criteria: To be a qualified project, the proposed project must demonstrate that it has the potential to significantly increase room nights in Haywood County.

Economic Impact: Bringing additional visitors to Haywood County will increase business to accommodations, restaurants, retail, gas stations, etc. which will generate both direct and indirect economic impacts in addition to increasing the sales tax for the County paid by visitors.

Benefit to Haywood County Citizens: Improves quality of life by providing additional venues for entertainment & sports. Increased awareness of Haywood County promotes pride in the community. Tourism in Haywood County currently saves each Haywood County household \$334.00 in taxes annually.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE HAYWOOD COUNTY TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TWO PERCENT OCCUPANCY TAX AND TO MAKE OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 16.1 of Part V of Chapter 908 of the 1983 Session Laws, as enacted by Chapter 942 of the 1985 Session Laws (Regular Session 1986), is recodified as Section 10.1 of Part V of Chapter 908 of the 1983 Session Laws, as amended.

SECTION 2. Part V of Chapter 908 of the 1983 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 942 of the 1985 Session Laws (Regular Session 1986), Chapter 48 of the 1987 Session Laws, Chapter 540 of the 1995 Session Laws,), Chapter 337 of the 2007 Session Laws, and Section 1 of this act, reads as rewritten:

Part V. Haywood Occupancy Tax

"Sec.10.3. Additional Two Percent (2%) Occupancy Tax – In addition to the tax authorized by Sections 10, 10.1 and 10.2 of this Part, the Haywood County Board of Commissioners may levy a room occupancy and tourism development tax of two percent (2%) of the gross receipts derived from the rental of accommodations taxable under Sections 10, 10.1 and 10.2 of this Part. The levy, collection, administration, and repeal of the tax authorized by this section and the use of tax revenue from a tax levied under this section shall be in accordance with this Part. Haywood County may not levy a tax under this section unless it also levies the tax authorized under Sections 10, 10.1 and 10.2 of this Part.

"Sec. 12. Administration. A tax levied under this Part shall be levied, administered, collected, and repealed as provided in G.S. 153A-155. The penalties provided in G.S. 153A-155 apply to a tax levied under this Part.

"Sec. 14.2. Distribution and Use of the Additional Two Percent Occupancy Tax. – Haywood County shall, on a monthly basis, remit the net proceeds of the room occupancy and tourism development tax levied under Section 10.3 of this Part to the Haywood County Tourism Development Authority to be distributed in the following manner:

- (a) The Authority shall create and administer a Tourism Product Development Fund and, in order to further economic development in the county, shall credit the additional two percent (2%) to the Tourism Product Development Fund. The purpose of the fund shall be to provide financial assistance for major tourism projects in order to significantly increase patronage of lodging facilities in Haywood County.
- (b) The Authority shall administer and spend the funds in the Tourism Product Development Fund as follows:

- (1) The Haywood County Board of Commissioners shall appoint a Product Development Committee to review and evaluate proposals from applicants for tourism capital projects and to make recommendations to the Authority regarding use and disposition of funds derived from the Tourism Product Development Fund. When the Haywood County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution levying an additional two percent (2%) room occupancy and tourism development tax pursuant to this Part, it shall also adopt a resolution creating the Haywood County Tourism Product Development Committee. The resolution shall provide that the Committee is composed of:
 - (a) Three members as selected by the Haywood County Board of Commissioners; one of which must be a member of the Haywood County Economic Development Commission
 - (b) Two members from recommendations by the Haywood County Tourism Development Authority
 - (c) Five members, one from each zip code area representing Canton, Clyde, Lake Junaluska, Maggie Valley, and Waynesville.
 - (d) Four Ex-Officio, non-voting members as follows:
 - 1) Haywood county TDA Executive Director
 - 2) Haywood County Manager
 - 3) Haywood County Finance Officer
 - 4) Executive Director of the Haywood County Economic Development Commission.

Only upon recommendation and approval of the Product Development Committee, with concurrence of the Haywood County Commissioners the Authority may award funds to qualified projects in the form of outright grants of money and may guarantee loans and participate in pledges of debt service for these projects. Projects must be located in Haywood County unless the Commissioners of Haywood County give specific approval to projects outside the county. Applicants must provide a feasibility study satisfactory to the Product Development Committee demonstrating the project's economic value to the area and the number of estimated new room nights it will generate.

- (2) To be a qualified project, a project must be expected to significantly increase patronage of lodging facilities in Haywood County.
- (3) (a) Up to five percent (5%) of the proceeds collected for the Product Development Fund may be utilized for administrative purposes.
 (b) The Authority is not required to exhaust all of the funds generated each year and may accumulate money in order to create a revolving fund to further the purposes of this section. The Authority may not commit for purposes of debt service in excess of thirty-three percent (33%) of net funds received in any one year for a period of time in excess of 10 years. The Authority may not commit for purposes of debt service in excess of thirty-three percent (33%) of net funds received in any one year for any single project.

This act is effective when it becomes law.

RESOLUTION R-05-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN SUPPORTING AN ACT OF THE NC GENERAL ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING HAYWOOD COUNTY TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TWO PERCENT OCCUPANCY TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF TOURISM PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND TO MAKE OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

WHEREAS, the Haywood County Tourism Development Authority was established pursuant to Part V, Chapter 908 of the 1983 Sessions Laws as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Haywood County Tourism Development Authority promotes economic development in Haywood County through advertising and promotion of Haywood County's recreational and tourism-related facilities, services, and amenities; and

WHEREAS, all funding for this effort is generated through transient occupancy taxes paid by users of accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the additional two percent (2%) occupancy tax designated for Tourism Product Development would fund projects demonstrated to increase economic value and significantly increase patronage of lodging facilities in Haywood County; and

WHEREAS, residents of Haywood County would also receive benefits through additional facilities and amenities with no additional local tax burden,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Waynesville Board of Aldermen respectfully requests that:

- 1. The Haywood County Board of Commissioners ask the local delegation representing Haywood County in the North Carolina General Assembly to introduce and support local legislation authorizing the levy of an additional two percent (2%) Occupancy Tax designated for Tourism Product Development through the Haywood County Tourism Development Authority in addition to the existing four percent (4%) Occupancy Tax currently in use, and
- All members of the North Carolina General Assembly give favorable consideration and expeditious passage of this local legislation.

DULY ADOPTED this 26th day of February, 2013.

| TEST: | Gavin A. Brown, Mayor |
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| | Marcia D. Onieal, Town Manager |
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