

Minutes of the 8 June 2015
Regular Meeting of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners
Held at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Yancey County Courtroom
Yancey County Courthouse, Burnsville, North Carolina

Present at the 8 June 2015 meeting of the Yancey County Board of County Commissioners were Chairman Johnny Riddle, Commissioner Jill Austin, Commissioner Byrl Ballew, Commissioner Randy Ollis, Commissioner Jeff Whitson, County Manager Nathan Bennett, Clerk to the Board Jason Robinson, County Attorney Donny Laws, County Planner Jamie McMahan, members of the press, and members of the general public.

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

Chairman Riddle called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation. After the invocation, Commissioner Ballew led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Riddle then asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Whitson made a motion to approve the agenda which was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The vote to approve was unanimous (Attachment A).

Public Comment

The only person to speak before the Board was Marvin Taylor who spoke about harassment towards him by the sheriff's department and about all of the drug dealers that are going unpunished.

Consent Agenda

The Board next moved to the consent agenda portion of the agenda. On the consent agenda for May were the approval of the May 11th regular meeting minutes. In addition, a number of board appointments including: Shirley Bryant to the Jury Commission (Attachment B), Johnny Riddle to the Mayland Community College Board of Trustees (Attachment C), Johnny Deyton to the Blue Ridge RC&D Board of Directors (Attachment D), Beryl Carroll to the Yancey County Library Board and Alan Larkins to the AMY Regional Library Board (Attachment E). Also included in the consent agenda for June is a request from the Yancey County Tax Department for tax refunds (Attachment F). In addition, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has submitted a revised request for road abandonment of SR 1203 Lana Lane (Attachment G). Also, an employee has requested shared leave time and a number of employees have contributed to this leave request. Finally included in the consent agenda was the May tax collection report (Attachment H). Upon hearing the items on the consent agenda, Commissioner Ollis made a motion to approve the consent agenda and it was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The vote to approve was unanimous.

American Cancer Society

The Board next heard from Sandra Dennison, Community Manager for the American Cancer Society and community leaders who are part of the Relay for Life in Yancey County. Ms. Dennison explained that the Relay for Life is a community led event and will be held in Yancey County on June 19 at Mountain Heritage High School. Upon hearing from Ms. Dennison, Chairman Riddle asked the Clerk to the Board to read aloud a proclamation for the Relay for Life. Upon completion of the reading of the proclamation, Commissioner Austin made a motion to approve the proclamation as read. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ballew and the vote to approve was unanimous (Attachment I).

High Country Council of Governments-Workforce Development

The Board next heard from Mr. Adrian Tait, Workforce Development Director with High Country Council of Governments. Mr. Tait gave a general overview of workforce development within the High Country Council of Governments seven county service area. He stated that each of the seven counties has a career center to assist in job placement. Mr. Tait further stated that the main reason that he was appearing before the Board was because of changes to workforce development. Mr. Tait informed the Board that the Workforce Development Investment Act of 1998 has been replaced this past year with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. This act requires all seven board of commissioners to take action to form a workforce development consortium in the seven counties to receive funding. Commissioner Ollis stated that he would like to see a focus on training paramedics as there will be lots of openings in the next 5-7 years. Upon hearing from Mr. Tait, Commissioner Ollis made a motion to approve the agreement to form the consortium (Attachment J) and to adopt the resolution of support for that agreement

(Attachment K). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitson and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Yancey County Fiscal Year 2014-15 Budget and Public Hearing

The Board next heard from County Manager Nathan Bennett concerning the 2015-16 fiscal year budget. Mr. Bennett read to the Board and the public his 2015-16 Budget Message (Attachment L) explaining the budget for fiscal year 2015-16 and that this budget is balanced at \$21,099,674. Upon hearing from Mr. Bennett, Commissioner Ollis stated that he would like to thank the county manager and the finance office for all of the hard work they had put in on the budget. Chairman Riddle echoed Commissioner Ollis' comments and stated that he was so glad that everyone made this process so easy for the Board. Chairman Riddle then opened up the floor for the public hearing. Mrs. Lois Herb stated that she really liked and appreciated all of the information that was contained in the budget message and thought that the county manager should put it out to the public. Having no further comments, Commissioner Whitson made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Austin and the vote to close was unanimous. Chairman Riddle then made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ollis and the vote to adopt was unanimous (Attachment M). Commissioner Ollis stated that he would like to thank the Board for their support in acquiring an additional ½ ambulance and encouraged the county manager to ask Mitchell County to do more to help with their ambulance situation. Commissioner Ollis also praised the move to Emergency Medical Dispatch that was included in the budget as this is now common place throughout North Carolina.

County Manager's Report

The Board next heard from County Manager Nathan Bennett. Mr. Bennett updated the Board on the Yancey County Board of Elections precinct plan that was presented last month. Mr. Bennett informed the Board that it was his understanding that the Yancey County Board of Elections had already sent their plan to the North Carolina Board of Elections. Chairman Riddle stated that he appreciated the Yancey County Board of Elections trying to find way to save money but there a number of problems and that the Board feels it should stand with the firefighters. Commissioner Ollis stated that a number of firefighters had problems with this plan as it was presented. Mr. Bennett stated that a draft resolution had been presented for the Board to consider. Chairman Riddle then asked the Clerk to the Board to read the resolution. After the reading of the resolution, Commissioner Ollis made a motion to approve the resolution as read. Commissioner Whitson seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous (Attachment N).

County Attorney Business

The Board next heard from County Attorney Donny Laws. Mr. Laws updated that Board that the closing for the former United States Forest Service Building was set for Friday.

Commissioner Business

Commissioner Ballew stated that he felt like that the Yancey County Schools should be closed for Memorial Day because Memorial Day was one of the four most important holidays on the calendar. Commissioner Ballew stated that it was important to honor our fallen soldiers on this day and asked the school system to consider the matter. Commissioner Ollis stated that the DSS Board would like to thank the Board of Commissioners for the new vehicles for DSS as well as the salary adjustments for the universal workers.

Adjournment

Having no further business Commissioner Ballew made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

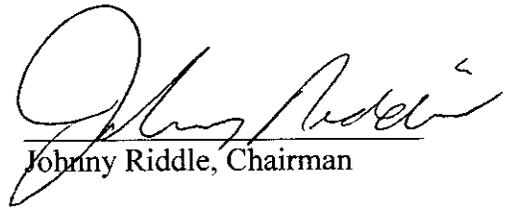
Approved and authenticated on this the _____ 13th _____ day of July 2015.

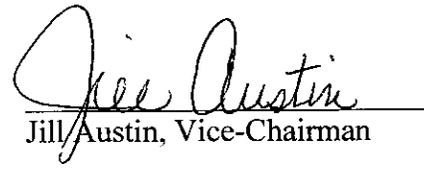
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J. Jason Robinson
Clerk to the Board

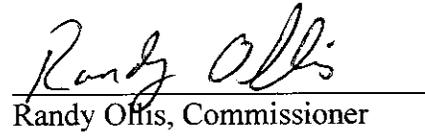
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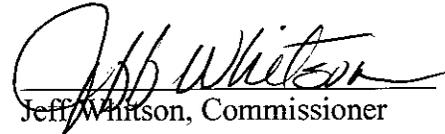



Johnny Riddle, Chairman


Jill Austin, Vice-Chairman


Byrl Ballew, Commissioner


Randy Offis, Commissioner


Jeff Whitson, Commissioner



**AGENDA
YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
June 8, 2015
6:00 P.M.**

- I. Call to Order – Chairman Johnny Riddle
- II. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Approval of the Agenda
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of the Minutes – May 11th Regular Meeting
 - b. Board Appointments – Jury Commission – Shirley Bryant; Mayland Community College Board of Trustees– Johnny Riddle; Blue Ridge RC&D – Johnny Deyton; Yancey Library Board – Beryl Carroll and AMY Regional Library Board – Alan Larkins
 - c. Yancey County Tax Department – Tax Refund Requests
 - d. NCDOT Road Abandonment Request – REVISED – SR 1203 Lana Lane
 - e. Shared Leave Request
 - f. May Tax Collection Report – Informational
- VI. American Cancer Society – Relay for Life – Sandra Dennison, Community Manager
- VII. High Country Council of Governments – Workforce Development – Adrian Tait, Workforce Development Director
 - a. Highlights and Achievements
 - b. Consortium Agreement and Resolution
- VIII. Yancey County Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget
 - a. 2015-16 Budget Message – Nathan Bennett, County Manager
 - b. PUBLIC HEARING
 - c. Consideration and Adoption
- IX. County Manager Report – Nathan Bennett, County Manager
 - a. RESOLUTION – Board of Elections Plan
 - b. General Update
- X. County Attorney Report – Donny Laws, County Attorney
- XI. County Commissioners Report
- XII. Adjourn

Attachment B



State of North Carolina
General Court of Justice
CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT
YANCEY COUNTY

BURNSVILLE, NC

TAMMY R. MCENTYRE, CLERK
EX OFFICIO JUDGE OF PROBATE

GARY M. GAVENUS
RESIDENT JUDGE

MAY 1, 2015

Nathan Bennett
Yancey County Manager
110 Town Square, Rm 11
Burnsville, NC 28714

RE: JURY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Dear Nathan:

It is that time of year again, when we start the process of appointing our jury commission. Please submit your appointee to the County Commissioners at the June board meeting, then notify us as to who they have appointed for this year. Thank you so much for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tammy R. McEntyre".

Tammy R. McEntyre
Clerk of Superior Court



May 27, 2015

Mr. Johnny Riddle, Chairman
Yancey County Commissioners
110 Town Square, Room 11
Burnsville, NC 28714

Dear Mr. Riddle,

Mr. Johnny Riddle was appointed to the Mayland Community College Board of Trustees on July 1, 2011. Mr. Riddle's term with the Mayland Community College Board of Trustees will expire on June 30, 2015.

Mr. Riddle has been an asset to Mayland Community College as a loyal trustee providing insight to the committees he serves. He is very active in the pursuits of Mayland Community College with the best interest of Yancey, Mitchell, and Avery counties at heart.

Based on Mr. Riddle's history and standing with the Board, I respectfully request that he be reappointed, with a four year term beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2019. If it is your decision not to reappoint Mr. Riddle, please name a replacement prior to June 30, 2015.

Sincerely,



Dr. John C. Boyd
President



Blue Ridge Resource
Conservation & Development Council, Inc.

Attachment 0

Nathan Bennett

May 11th, 2015

Yancey County Manager
Yancey County Courthouse
110 Town Square, Room 11
Burnsville, NC 28714

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Blue Ridge Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization that serves seven counties in western North Carolina: Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey. Our mission and objective as an organization is to improve the natural resources, economic stability, and overall well-being of our seven county service area. Our organization is grant supported and also receives dues from our seven counties and soil and water conservation districts.

Blue Ridge RC&D is submitting the following letter to request the appointment of a board member by the Yancey County Commissioners. Our board has three board members per county, one of which is commissioner appointed. Mr. Dale England and Mr. Jim Edwards are currently the other two Yancey County Blue Ridge RC&D board members.

Blue Ridge RC&D is passionate and invested in improving the natural resources of western North Carolina and looks forward to continuing partnerships and projects in Yancey County. Thank you for considering our request and please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Hartsell
Executive Director

Blue Ridge Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc.
26 Crimson Laurel Circle, Suite 2
Bakersville, NC 28705
Cell: 828.284.9818

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www.blueridgercd.org



Blue Ridge Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc.

Blue Ridge RC&D Fact Sheet

What is the Blue Ridge RC&D? Blue Ridge RC&D, or Blue Ridge Resource Conservation and Development Council, is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that serves seven counties in western North Carolina.

Which counties does Blue Ridge RC&D serve? Blue Ridge RC&D serves Ashe, Alleghany, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey counties. We also partner with other organizations regionally in NC.

How does Blue Ridge RC&D serve these counties? Blue Ridge RC&D provides technical support, project management, education & outreach, event organizing, partnership development, grant writing, etc.

Does Blue Ridge RC&D work alone? Blue Ridge RC&D can work alone but usually partners with other organizations. We strongly promote local partnerships that engage and benefit local communities. We have partnered with local, state, and federal agencies, other non-profits, county and town governments, businesses, schools, churches, and landowners to name a few.

What kinds of projects does Blue Ridge RC&D work on?

- *Land and water conservation projects*
 - Stormwater improvements and education
 - Stream restoration and stream bank stabilization
 - Invasive species removal and education
 - Dam removal and habitat improvement
 - Watershed research and monitoring
- *Economic development projects*
 - Local infrastructure
 - Community grounds and facilities
 - Sustainable agriculture
 - Alternative energy
- *Community improvement projects*
 - Programs aimed at improving social issues (domestic violence, poverty, health problems)
 - Parks, recreation, and trails
 - Historical preservation and education
 - School education and outreach programs
 - Arts programs

Please feel free to contact us for more information. Thank You.

Blue Ridge RC&D Executive Director
Jonathan Hartsell, jhartsell@blueridgercd.org
828.284.9818

Attachment E

June 3, 2015

Yancey County Board of Commissioners

Chairman Johnny Riddle:

The Yancey County Public Library Board of Trustees respectfully requests that commissioners appoint Beryl Carroll to serve a term on the Yancey County Public Library Board, filling the seat held by Carolyn Ray Cort, effective immediately.

We also request that you appoint current local library board member Alan Larkins to serve a term on the Avery-Mitchell-Yancey Regional Library, effective July 1.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jody Higgins, chair
Yancey Library Board of Trustees

Attachment F

May 15 2015

Yancey County Board of Commissioners:

In re: Parcel: 080002677684000

Please find attached a letter from the taxpayer and a calculation of the overpaid tax. I do recommend that the taxpayer's refund be approved.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danny McIntosh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "M".

Danny McIntosh

Tax assessor

Max L. and Crystal D. Fox
157 John Henry Road
Burnsville, NC 28714

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May 8, 2015

Yancey County Board of Commissioners
Yancey County Courthouse
110 Town Square, Room 11
Burnsville, NC 28714

RE: Parcel ID 080002677684000

Honorable Members of the Board:

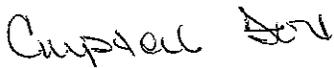
We recently became aware that some information contained in our Residential Property Record Card is incorrect. Specifically, the tax card information shows the basic dimensions of our house to be 56 X 50. However, the actual dimensions are 36 X 50. As a result of this error, we have been overcharged on our taxes since the house was built in 2001. Due to the fact that our house is 1.5 stories with a full basement, we have been significantly overcharged. Attached is a copy of our tax card along with a diagram showing the correct dimensions.

When I became aware of the error, I immediately went to the tax office and spoke with Deborah Wilson. A correction has been made on the current year's taxes. However, Deborah advised me she could not correct previous years, as any adjustment on previous years would have to be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Therefore, we respectfully request a retroactive correction of our property tax valuation and a refund for the taxes that we have overpaid.

If you need to contact me, please call my cell number, 828-284-4070 or our home number, 828-682-2866.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter. Your favorable consideration will be greatly appreciated and I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,



Crystal D. Fox

YEAR	TAX PAID	INTEREST	TOTAL
2010	291.74	71.74	363.48
2011	291.74	57.13	348.87
2012	320.92	47.66	368.58
2013	327.47	31.37	358.84
2014	327.47	15.00	342.47
	TOTAL		1,782.24

5/15/2015

Recommend Refund

Danny White

PIN: 080002677684000

May 15 2015

Yancey County Board of Commissioners:

In re: PIN 084100071583000, 0841400092202000, 081400180457000, 081400081410000

Please find attached a letter from the taxpayer and a copy of the paid tax. I do recommend that the taxpayer's refund of \$10922.17 be approved. Interest may be adjusted for the number of days to equal five days past the mailing of the check.

This action is the result of the acceptance of a late application for the Forestry Present Use Program by the Board of Equalization and Review on April 27, 2015.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danny McIntosh". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some loops and flourishes.

Danny McIntosh

Tax assessor

Danny

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I sold a parcel of property in Oct. 2014 to Bob Redfern. We talked about changing the timber management agreement over even before he bought the property. With Bob living in Florida this took a little longer to get together. When he filled out the application we found out there was a deadline that we were not aware of. Later I met with the County Commissioners to explain why we were late, They agreed to waive the deadline because we were in good faith. Please issue a refund for the taxes we paid.

Jerry Murphy

May 14 2015

Yancey County Tax Office

110 Town Square
Burnsville, NC 28714
8286822197

Tax Payment Receipt

10/02/2014 3:24 PM
Receipt # 3703982
Batch # 7354

*Refund thru 7-31-15
\$ 10,922.17*

MURPHY, JERRY L & DIANE
1148 HUNTDAL RD
GREEN MOUNTAIN, NC 28740

Bill(s) Paid

Account #	Year	Bill #	Name	Address	Map #	Applied Payment	Remaining
000013270	2014	17638	MURPHY, JERRY L & DIANE	MURPHYTOWN RD	081400071583000	\$3,459.65	\$0.00
000015588	2014	17639	MURPHY, JERRY L	MURPHYTOWN RD	081400092202000	\$3,817.90	\$0.00
000015588	2014	17640	MURPHY, JERRY L	MURPHYTOWN RD	081400180457000	\$682.52	\$0.00
000015588	2014	17641	MURPHY, JERRY L	MURPHYTOWN RD	081400081410000	\$2,533.94	\$0.00

Payment(s)

Type	Paid By	Check #	Details	Amount	Fee Amount
Check	DONNY J LAWS ATTY AT LAW	13113		\$10,494.01	\$0.00

Grand Total Paid: \$10,494.01
 Total Fees \$0.00
 Refund \$0.00
 Net Total Paid \$10,494.01

428.16 Int

10,922.17
4.08%

10-2-14 to 7-31-15
298 days
5% Annual Int
0.000137 PD
x 298 Days =
4.08%

May 15 2015

Yancey County Board of Commissioners:

In re: Bill Number: 11947

Please find attached a letter from the taxpayer and a copy of the paid tax. I do recommend that the taxpayer's refund of \$143.00 be approved.



Danny McIntosh

Tax assessor

Apr 7, 2015

Yancey County Tax Office Fax 682-4817

Attn: Debbie Wilson

Re: Phillips & Sons Contracting Inc

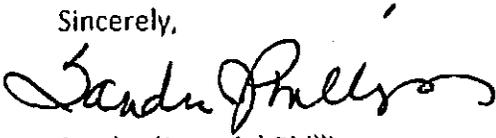
Bill # 11947

This is to inform you that we no longer do business and haven't in a few years. I have informed NC Dept of Revenue also. We are requesting a refund of the \$143.00 paid on 3/26/15.

We have no personal property attached to this company. If you have any questions please call 284-4492.

Thank you again for your assistance concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



Sandra (Jeannie) Phillips

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2nd msg May 7, 2015

Yancey County Tax Office

110 Town Square
Burnsville, NC 28714
8286822197

Tax Payment Receipt

03/25/2015 3:04 PM

Receipt # 3708496

Batch # 7794

Run Date: 05/11/2015 9:38 AM

PHILLIPS & SONS CONTRACTING INC

813 PINE SWAMP RD
BURNSVILLE, NC 287148490

Bill(s) Paid

Account #	Year	Bill #	Name	Address	Map #	Applied Payment	Remaining
000031760	2014	11947	PHILLIPS & SONS CONTRACTING INC	n/a	-	\$143.45	\$0.00

Payment(s)

Type	Paid By	Check #	Auth #	Details	Amount	Fee Amount
Credit	PHILLIPS, GARY	N/A	040422		\$143.45	\$4.30

Grand Total Paid: \$147.75
Total Fees \$4.30
Refund \$0.00
Net Total Paid \$143.45

Customer Signature: _____

Attachment G

Jason Robinson

From: Davis, Stephen R [srdavis@ncdot.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2015 2:07 PM
To: Jason Robinson
Subject: SR 1203 Lana Lane Abandonment Resolution
Attachments: SR 1203 Lana Lane - Abandonment 2.xlsx; DOC051115abandonment resolution-05112015135859.pdf

Jason,

In preparing to submit the Abandonment request for SR 1203 Lana Lane, I noticed that I had made a mistake in requesting the resolution for entire road. I failed to notice that a 0.03 mile portion of SR 1203 is located on the other side of SR 1392 Sam Robertson Road, which the NC DOT will be retaining. I have attached a map to show what I have described.

In order to submit the abandonment request, would it be possible for the resolution wording to be changed from (the entirety) in the first paragraph to (0.06 miles), add (0.06 miles) after the word abandonment in paragraph two, and add (0.06 miles of) after abandon in paragraph three. I have scanned in the resolution with the corrections requested.

If you have any questions please let me know. Thanks for your help in this request.

Randy

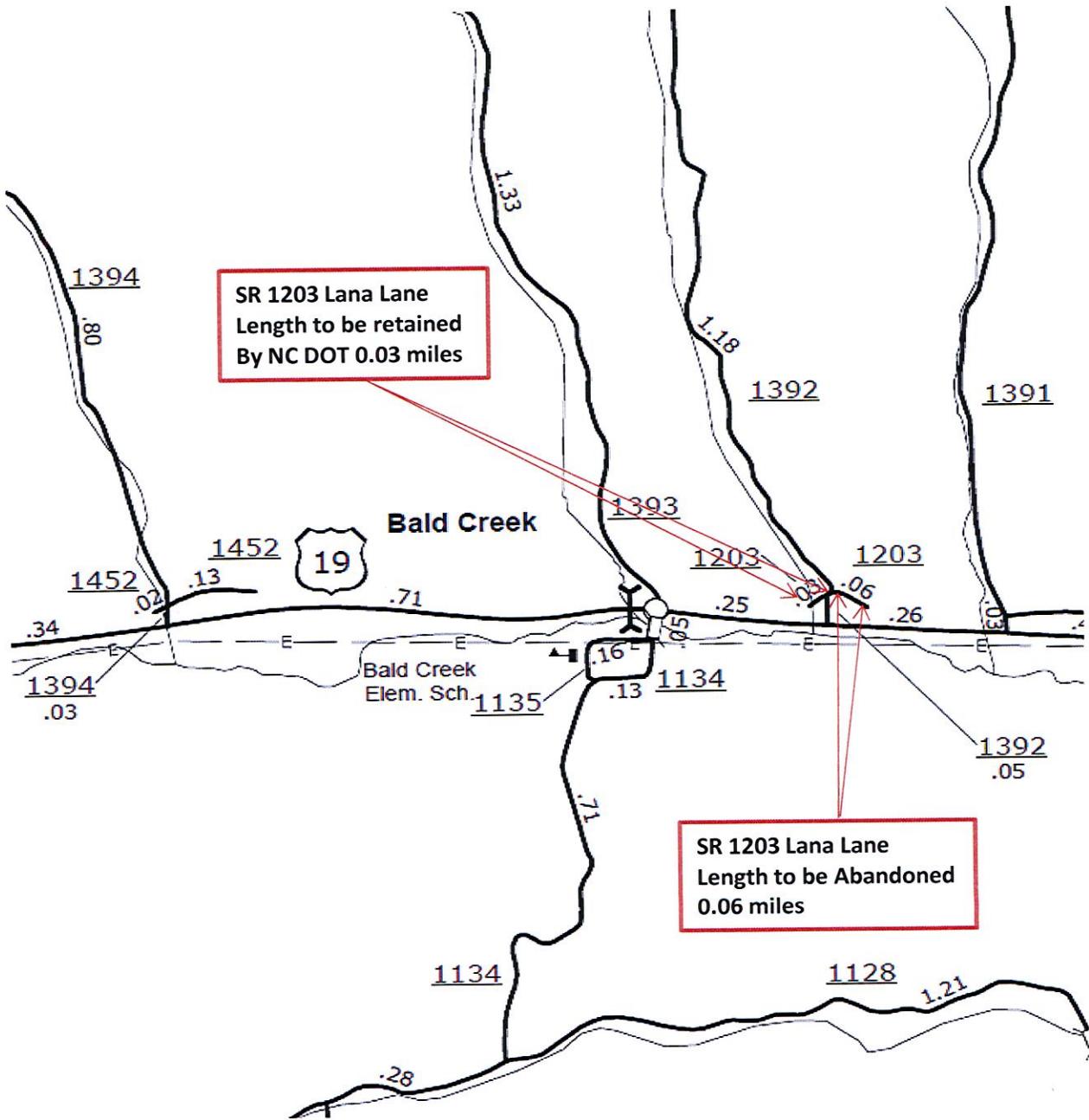
Stephen "Randy" Davis
Engineering Technician
srdavis@ncdot.gov
828-298-2741 phone
828-299-3747 fax

Division 13 / Dist. 2

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Yancey County



Board of Commissioners

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Byrl Ballew
Randy Ollis
Jeff Whitson



Nathan R. Bennett
County Manager

Donny J. Laws
County Attorney

J. Jason Robinson
Clerk to the Board

RESOLUTION

A Resolution Requesting the North Carolina Department of Transportation to Abandon a Section of SR 1203

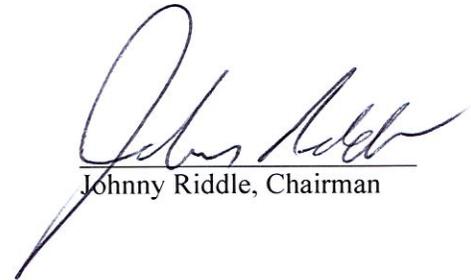
WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has heretofore received a petition from property owners of SR 1203, Lana Road to abandon 0.06 miles of said road in Yancey County; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has indicated a willingness to consider the abandonment of the 0.06 miles section of SR 1203 and this Board would like to request that the Department of Transportation positively consider the request of these citizens for such abandonment.

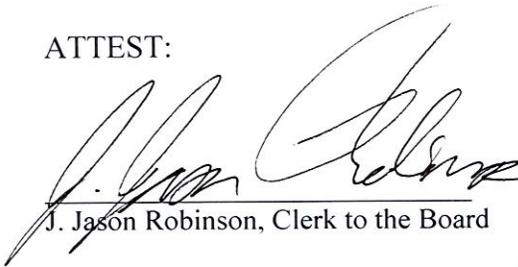
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS as follows:

1. That pursuant to NCGS 136-63 the North Carolina Department of Transportation be requested to abandon 0.06 mile section of SR 1203, Lana Road, as indicated on the maps attached to this resolution and as requested by the property owners along said roadway.
2. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this the 8th Day of June, 2015.


Johnny Riddle, Chairman

ATTEST:


J. Jason Robinson, Clerk to the Board

(County Seal)



Posting Report

05-01-2015 to 05-31-2015

06-01-2015

8:58 AM

I. Tax Collections + Releases

Year	General Fund	Burnsville	West Yancey	Egypt/Ramseytown	Clearmont	Double Island	Newdale	South Toe	Pensacola	TOTAL
2005	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16.50
2006	\$18.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19.80
2007	\$18.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19.80
2008	\$15.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17.00
2009	\$1,886.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$209.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,096.00
2010	\$2,141.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$251.52	\$17.55	\$0.00	\$2,411.06
2011	\$6,406.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120.53	\$17.87	\$15.30	\$329.78	\$229.74	\$0.00	\$7,119.74
2012	\$8,968.47	\$0.00	\$47.60	\$68.17	\$0.00	\$15.30	\$332.97	\$266.71	\$0.00	\$9,699.22
2013	\$17,246.34	\$311.76	\$227.48	\$77.63	\$71.90	\$89.86	\$436.15	\$415.40	\$82.72	\$18,959.24
2014	\$175,094.15	\$1,053.87	\$4,431.38	\$2,121.66	\$1,809.00	\$719.93	\$2,575.40	\$2,854.94	\$5,261.81	\$195,922.14
TOTAL	\$211,810.17	\$1,365.63	\$4,706.46	\$2,387.99	\$1,898.77	\$840.39	\$4,142.22	\$3,784.34	\$5,344.53	\$236,280.50

II. Releases

	Current Year	Prior Year	TOTAL
General Fund	\$962.30	\$132.22	\$1,094.52
Burnsville	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
West Yancey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Egypt/Ramseytown	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Clearmont	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Double Island	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Newdale	\$1.36	\$15.03	\$16.39
South Toe	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pensacola	\$114.12	\$0.00	\$114.12
TOTAL	\$1,077.78	\$147.25	\$1,225.03

III. Net Tax Collections

Year	General Fund	Burnsville	West Yancey	Egypt/Ramseytown	Clearmont	Double Island	Newdale	South Toe	Pensacola	TOTAL
TOTAL	\$210,715.65	\$1,365.63	\$4,706.46	\$2,387.99	\$1,898.77	\$840.39	\$4,125.83	\$3,784.34	\$5,230.41	\$235,055.47

Transaction Type Report

05-01-2015 to 05-31-2015

Year	General	Fire	Late	Principal	Interest	Advertising Cost	Legal Cost	Total
2009	\$1,872.90	\$208.10	\$0.00	\$2,081.00	\$1,025.85	\$4.00	\$0.00	\$3,110.85
2010	\$2,128.49	\$267.27	\$0.00	\$2,395.76	\$923.26	\$4.00	\$0.00	\$3,323.02
2011	\$6,392.29	\$711.42	\$0.00	\$7,103.71	\$2,616.03	\$24.00	\$2,144.66	\$11,888.40
2012	\$8,956.18	\$729.11	\$0.00	\$9,685.29	\$2,077.39	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$11,842.68
2013	\$17,233.94	\$1,711.41	\$0.00	\$18,945.35	\$2,946.07	\$267.00	\$0.00	\$22,158.42
2014	\$174,131.85	\$20,712.51	\$237.13	\$195,081.49	\$18,585.32	\$1,000.00	\$1,950.45	\$216,617.26
TOTAL	\$210,715.65	\$24,339.82	\$237.13	\$235,292.60	\$28,173.92	\$1,379.00	\$4,095.11	\$268,940.63

Adjustment / Release Report

05-01-2015 to 05-31-2015

Year	General	Late	Principal	Interest	Advertising Cost	Legal Cost	Fire	Amount Due	County Net
2005	\$15.00	\$1.65	\$16.65	\$15.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.50	\$34.05	\$32.55
2006	\$18.00	\$1.98	\$19.98	\$16.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.80	\$38.22	\$36.42
2007	\$18.00	\$1.98	\$19.98	\$14.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.80	\$35.98	\$34.18
2008	\$15.30	\$1.70	\$17.00	\$11.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.70	\$29.71	\$28.01
2009	\$13.50	\$0.00	\$13.50	\$23.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.50	\$38.98	\$37.48
2010	\$13.50	\$0.00	\$13.50	\$7.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.80	\$22.64	\$20.84
2011	\$14.23	\$0.00	\$14.23	\$16.95	\$0.00	\$-115.65	\$1.80	\$-82.67	\$-84.47
2012	\$12.29	\$0.00	\$12.29	\$12.87	\$0.00	\$-879.58	\$1.64	\$-852.78	\$-854.42
2013	\$12.40	\$0.00	\$12.40	\$12.09	\$0.00	\$-46.99	\$1.49	\$-21.01	\$-22.50
2014	\$962.30	\$1.27	\$963.57	\$200.47	\$0.00	\$-4,499.65	\$115.48	\$-3,220.13	\$-3,335.61
TOTAL	\$1,094.52	\$8.58	\$1,103.10	\$331.25	\$0.00	\$-5,541.87	\$130.51	\$-3,977.01	\$-4,107.52

Collections Receipts Report

05-01-2015 to 05-31-2015

Total general tax	\$210,715.65
Total fire tax	\$24,339.82
Total late tax	\$237.13
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Total principal	\$235,292.60
Total interest	\$28,173.92
Total cost of advertising	\$1,379.00
Total legal	\$4,095.11
Total check overpayments	\$0.00
Total Prepaid Payments	\$2,455.00
Total Prepaid Applied	\$0.00
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Total misc	\$36,103.03
Grand total receipts	\$271,395.63

District Payment Report

05-01-2015 to 05-31-2015

Year	District Code	District Name	Amount
2009	018	CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	\$208.10
2010	018	CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	\$249.72
2010	019	SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	\$17.55
2011	013	EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT	\$120.53
2011	015	GREEN MOUNTAIN FIRE DISTRICT	\$17.87
2011	017	BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$15.30
2011	018	CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	\$327.98
2011	019	SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	\$229.74
2012	012	CANE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT	\$47.60
2012	013	EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT	\$68.17
2012	017	BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$15.30
2012	018	CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	\$331.33
2012	019	SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	\$266.71
2013	011	BURNSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	\$311.76
2013	012	CANE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT	\$83.76
2013	013	EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT	\$77.63
2013	015	GREEN MOUNTAIN FIRE DISTRICT	\$71.90
2013	017	BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$89.86
2013	018	CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	\$434.66
2013	019	SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	\$415.40
2013	020	PENSACOLA FIRE DISTRICT	\$82.72
2013	021	PRICES CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$143.72
2014	011	BURNSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	\$1,053.87
2014	012	CANE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT	\$969.20
2014	013	EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT	\$1,727.64
2014	014	RAMSEYTOWN FIRE DISTRICT	\$394.02
2014	015	GREEN MOUNTAIN FIRE DISTRICT	\$586.76
2014	016	JACKS CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$1,222.24
2014	017	BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$719.93
2014	018	CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	\$2,574.04
2014	019	SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	\$2,854.94
2014	020	PENSACOLA FIRE DISTRICT	\$5,147.69
2014	021	PRICES CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	\$3,462.18
TOTAL			\$24,339.82

Outstanding Balances Report

As of 05-31-2015

Year	Amount	County	District	Interest	Advertising	Penalties
2004	\$4,660.33	\$2,105.10	\$211.94	\$2,273.29	\$70.00	\$0.00
2005	\$15,535.01	\$7,350.67	\$618.83	\$7,123.66	\$91.00	\$350.85
2006	\$17,465.47	\$8,715.29	\$808.10	\$7,493.59	\$115.50	\$332.99
2007	\$14,721.43	\$7,530.47	\$690.91	\$5,925.90	\$112.00	\$462.15
2008	\$19,607.26	\$11,044.97	\$1,035.84	\$7,176.71	\$140.00	\$209.74
2009	\$19,560.56	\$12,016.94	\$1,088.34	\$6,275.28	\$180.00	\$0.00
2010	\$28,942.22	\$18,376.61	\$1,987.78	\$8,321.83	\$256.00	\$0.00
2011	\$45,510.87	\$27,954.34	\$2,651.44	\$9,946.79	\$280.00	\$23.46
2012	\$94,851.28	\$51,281.46	\$4,977.76	\$15,748.76	\$472.82	\$287.82
2013	\$171,276.85	\$134,393.17	\$11,333.02	\$20,464.79	\$1,718.12	\$0.00
2014	\$341,078.31	\$294,128.24	\$21,771.41	\$11,968.27	\$2,344.00	\$2,474.02
Total	\$773,209.59	\$574,897.26	\$47,175.37	\$102,718.87	\$5,779.44	\$4,141.03

Yancey County Tax Office

Run Date: 06-01-2015

County/District Collection Percentage Report

As of: 05-31-2015

2014**County**

Net Levy \$	Collections \$	Collections %
11,952,380.28	11,658,252.04	97.54

Districts

Name	Net Levy \$	Collections \$	Collections %
000 - NONE	0.00	0.00	0.00
011 - BURNSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	156,946.26	154,460.09	98.42
012 - CANE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT	70,858.77	68,990.58	97.37
013 - EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT	92,986.96	91,936.53	98.88
014 - RAMSEYTOWN FIRE DISTRICT	24,230.37	23,802.48	98.24
015 - GREEN MOUNTAIN FIRE DISTRICT	30,777.23	29,787.50	96.79
016 - JACKS CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	73,026.65	70,870.52	97.05
017 - BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	45,132.08	43,754.06	96.95
018 - CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	145,854.97	142,835.57	97.93
019 - SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	211,476.46	207,310.15	98.03
020 - PENSACOLA FIRE DISTRICT	95,095.78	93,808.04	98.65
021 - PRICES CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	220,301.16	217,359.76	98.67

District Totals

Net Levy \$	Collections \$	Collections %
1,166,686.69	1,144,915.28	98.13

YANCEY COUNTY TAX ADMINISTRATION

End of Month Breakout

View Posted Payments in Date Range 05/01/2015 to 05/31/2015 for Both

Alpha / Vehicles

Description	Amount
Vehicle Payments	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2014	\$5,119.84
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2013	\$396.34
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2012	\$76.21
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2011	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2010	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2009	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2008	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2007	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2006	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2005	
County Vehicle Tax Payments 2004	
County Vehicle Interest	\$81.38
County Vehicle Total Payments	\$5,673.77
Burnsville VFD Vehicle Tax	\$371.66
South Toe VFD Vehicle Tax	\$3.69
Newdale VFD Vehicle Tax	\$55.42
West Yancey VFD Vehicle Tax	\$138.16
Egypt/Ramseytown VFD Vehicle Tax	\$1.19
Clearmont VFD Vehicle Tax	\$6.50
Double Island VFD Vehicle Tax	
Pensacola VFD Vehicle Tax	
VFD Vehicle Interest	\$9.12
VFD Vehicle Total Payments	\$585.74
Town of Burnsville Vehicle Tax	\$213.36
Town of Burnsville Vehicle Interest	\$1.96
Town of Burnsville Vehicle Total Payment	\$215.32
State Vehicle Interest	\$33.90
Vehicle Total Payments	\$6,508.73
Vehicle BankCard Amount	\$155.28
Vehicle BankCard Fee	

06/01/2015

PRICES CREEK FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Tax \$474.64

\$52.03 \$218.21 \$204.40

County Vehicle Interest \$10,035.95

\$83.33 \$3,881.99 \$6,070.63

TOWN OF BURNSVILLE Vehicle Interest \$846.36

\$0.20 \$286.42 \$559.74

BURNSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$219.28

\$0.29 \$76.42 \$142.57

CANE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$74.24

\$0.08 \$25.55 \$48.61

EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$31.74

\$0.01 \$15.82 \$15.91

RAMSEY TOWN FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$39.20

\$0.01 \$17.21 \$21.98

GREEN MOUNTAIN FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Int \$33.50

\$0.24 \$11.38 \$21.88

JACKS CREEK FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Intere \$122.99

\$0.44 \$49.94 \$72.61

BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Intere \$42.28

\$0.01 \$15.85 \$26.42

CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$291.94

\$3.85 \$108.21 \$179.88

SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$144.02

\$1.67 \$62.52 \$79.83

PENSACOLA FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Interest \$37.19

\$2.01 \$13.53 \$21.65

PRICES CREEK FIRE DISTRICT Vehicle Inter \$70.41

\$0.59 \$28.79 \$41.03

DMV Vehicle Interest \$2,193.44

\$67.40 \$1,045.57 \$1,080.47

Totals \$89,291.94

\$4,471.57 \$40,376.83 \$44,443.54

	Billed to Date	% Collected
County Vehicle Tax 2014	\$14,018.30	72.32%

06/01/2015

Attachment I



Board of Commissioners

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Randy Ollis
Jeff Whitson

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County Manager

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PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming Relay for Life Day in Yancey County

WHEREAS, the Relay For Life program is the signature activity of the American Cancer Society and celebrates cancer survivors and caregivers, remembers loved ones lost to the disease, and empowers individuals and communities to fight back against cancer; and

WHEREAS, money raised during Relay For Life of Yancey County supports the American Cancer Society's mission of saving lives by helping people stay well and get well, by finding cures, and by fighting back; and

WHEREAS, Relay For Life events helped fund more than \$177.5 million in cancer research last year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Yancey County Board of County Commissioners, that June 19, 2015 is hereby known as, "**RELAY FOR LIFE DAY**" in Yancey County and further encourages citizens to help finish the fight against cancer by participating in the Relay For Life event at Mountain Heritage High School on June 19th, 2015 from 6:00 PM – 12:00 AM.

ADOPTED this the 8th Day of June, 2015.

(County Seal)



Johnny Riddle, Chairman

Jill Austin, Vice-Chair

Byrl Ballew, Commissioner

Randy Ollis, Commissioner

Jeff Whitson, Commissioner

ATTEST.

J. Jason Robinson, Clerk to the Board

**Agreement of Counties to Create the
High Country Workforce Development Consortium**

ARTICLE I. TITLE AND PURPOSE

The contiguous units of local government listed below agree to establish a consortium to act jointly as a local Workforce Development Area under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Public Law 113-128 as enacted July 22, 2014. This consortium shall be known as the High Country Workforce Development Consortium.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

The Consortium shall be composed of the following North Carolina independent and contiguous units of general purpose local government:

Alleghany County
Ashe County
Avery County
Mitchell County
Watauga County
Wilkes County
Yancey County

ARTICLE III. CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORITY

1. AUTHORITY UNDER STATE AND LOCAL LAW

The above-named counties each certify that they possess full legal authority, as provided by State and local law, to enter into this agreement and to fulfill the legal and financial requirements of operating as a local Workforce Development Area under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for the entire geographic area covered by this agreement.

2. SPECIFIC RESOLUTIONS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT

A copy of each duly executed resolution of each of the above-named counties giving specific authority to enter into this agreement are attached to this document and are incorporated herein by reference.

3. DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH MEMBER UNIT OF GOVERNMENT

Each member unit of government designates as its "chief elected official" pursuant to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, being its representative to the Consortium Board and upon whose representations the State, the Workforce Development Board, the administrative entity and the other member units may rely, its duly elected Chairman of its Board of Commissioners, or such other elected commissioner as said County may appoint in his or her stead, or as his or her alternate. Such representative shall be the signatory of this agreement and shall be authorized to execute such other agreements as are necessary for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act purposes. Such representative will serve until his or her successor is installed.

4. DESIGNATION OF CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL FOR LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA

The member units agree that the Consortium representatives each year shall elect one of themselves as the Chief Elected Official (CEO), to be the presiding officer of the Consortium Board. Such CEO shall be authorized to exercise the functions of the "local area chief elected official" required or allowed by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, to serve until his or her successor is installed.

ARTICLE IV. DURATION

This agreement will become effective on the date of the last county representative's signature and shall continue in effect until the local Workforce Development Area is redesignated by the Governor of North Carolina or until termination of this Agreement as provided for in ARTICLE X.

ARTICLE V. ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

Each county will comply with the requirements of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, the regulations promulgated thereunder, all other applicable federal regulations, the statutes of the State of North Carolina, and written directives and instructions relevant to local workforce development area operations from the Governor of North Carolina or his/her designee.

ARTICLE VI. FINANCING

It is anticipated that funding necessary to implement this agreement will be derived from federal grant funds received through the office of the Governor.

The units of local government acknowledge that, subject to the paragraph immediately below, they are jointly and severally accountable for liabilities arising out of activities under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and all funds received by the local workforce development area pursuant to WIOA. Liability includes, but is not limited to, responsibility for prompt repayment from non-program funds of any costs disallowed by the US Department of Labor or the NC Department of Commerce.

Liability shall be apportioned between the above-named counties as follows:

- A. To the extent that one or more (but not all) of the above-named Counties can be identified as benefiting from the expenditure which is disallowed for any reason, said county or counties shall be liable for the repayment of such funds.
- B. To the extent that one or more of the above-named Counties cannot be identified as the benefiting County or Counties of the WIOA funds in question, any disallowed expenditure shall be divided only among the benefitting Counties on a pro rata basis, based upon the percentage of all WIOA funds allocated to each of the Counties for the program fiscal year during which the disallowed funds were disbursed.

Nothing contained in this Article VI shall be interpreted so as to prohibit the above-named Counties from seeking contribution or indemnification from the Grant Recipient, any subrecipient, service provider, contractor, or from any other responsible person or entity.

The above-named Counties shall contractually be held harmless by the program service providers from liabilities arising out of activities by the said providers under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Any entity or joint agency created or designated by this local workforce development area, including the Workforce Development Board, and Administrative Entity, shall be considered a public agency for the purposes of the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

ARTICLE VII. ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The above-named Counties agree that its Workforce Development Board is being established in accordance with Section 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and applicable State of North Carolina laws, including G.S. 143B-438.11.

The Workforce Development Board shall have 14 private sector members who are appointed by the above-named counties (2 appointments per County Consortium representative) in accordance with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. The Consortium Board shall appoint 9 public sector members to the Workforce Development Board by a vote of a majority of the total number of members of the Consortium. The members of the Consortium Board shall be entitled to vote by alternative means including and not restricted to email, telephone, and in person.

ARTICLE VIII. REAL PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

The Consortium will follow all Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act requirements governing the title, use and disposition of real property, equipment and supplies purchased with federal funds. The Consortium shall not own real property, assume debt, or hire personnel without authorizing resolutions from each of the above-named counties.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

This agreement may be amended only upon the consent of all the parties hereto as evidenced by resolutions of the governing bodies of each of the above-named counties and subject to any required approval by the State.

ARTICLE X. TERMINATION

The parties hereto may terminate this agreement at any time, upon six months prior written notice, such termination to be effective when the Governor approves local Workforce Development Area re-designations or at the end of the then current grant administration agreement program year.

Tom F. Smith 6/5/15
Alleghany County Commissioner Date

Gary W. Rount 6-5-15
Ashe County Date

Spencer 6/5/15
Alleghany County Finance Officer Date

Jordan Long 6-5-15
Ashe County Finance Officer Date

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Rob Griffith 6/1/15
Avery County Commissioner Date

Ron Hollifield 06-08-15
Mitchell County Commissioner Date

Sam Johnson 6/1/15
Avery County Finance Officer Date

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Mitchell County Finance Officer Date

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Jimmy Holton
Watauga County Commissioner Date

[Signature]
Wilkes County Commissioner Date

Margaret M. Rice 6-1-15
Watauga County Finance Officer Date

[Signature] 6-5-15
Wilkes County Finance Officer Date

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John Allen 6-8-15
Yancey County Commissioner Date

Brandi Burlington 6-8-15
Yancey County Finance Officer Date

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RESOLUTION

A Resolution to Enter into Agreement to Create the High Country Workforce Development Consortium

WHEREAS, Yancey County is presently within the High Country local area established under the Workforce Investment Act and certain citizens of Yancey County are receiving job training and other program assistance funded under the program which is administered by the High Country Workforce Development Board and the High Country Council of Governments; and

WHEREAS, Yancey County presently has an appointed representative serving on the High Country Workforce Development Consortium and also has appointed members serving on the High Country Workforce Development Board; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act has been enacted by Congress in replacement of the Workforce Investment Act, and allowing local governments to form a Consortium to create a Local Workforce Investment Area; and

WHEREAS, under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act:

1. Each County in the Consortium must designate a “chief elected official” to represent the County as a member of the Consortium Board, which Board is empowered to enter into contractual and other agreements necessary to carry out the purposes of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; and
2. The Consortium must designate an administrative/fiscal agent to administer the program on behalf of the Consortium; and

WHEREAS, Yancey County desires to continue receiving the federal assistance available for workforce programs and training and as otherwise available under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and further desires to enter into a consortium with the other counties that presently constitute the High Country Local Area as set forth in the Agreement of Counties to Create the High Country Workforce Development Consortium which has been presented as a draft to this Board and is to be maintained as part of the minutes of this meeting.

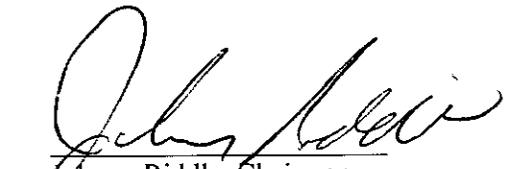
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that Yancey County shall enter into an agreement to create a consortium substantially same as the draft presented, to consist of Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey Counties to create a Local Area under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Yancey County authorizes and directs Commissioner Johnny Riddle, who has been designated by his or her Board of Commissioners, to serve as the County’s “chief elected official” until his or her successor is installed, with signatory authority to execute agreements as necessary for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act purposes; and

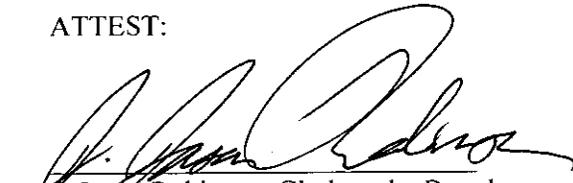
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Yancey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the designation of the High Country Council of Governments to be the administrative/fiscal agent to administer the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act on behalf of the Consortium and in conjunction with the Workforce Development Board.

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ADOPTED, this the 8th Day of June, 2015.


Johnny Riddle, Chairman

ATTEST:


J. Jason Robinson, Clerk to the Board

(County Seal)



COUNTY OF YANCEY

FY 2015-2016

BUDGET MESSAGE



June 8, 2015

**Nathan R. Bennett
Yancey County Manager**

YANCEY COUNTY BUDGET MESSAGE

FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

*To the Yancey County Board of County Commissioners
and Citizens of Yancey County:*

In accordance with North Carolina General Statute 159-11, the Yancey County Fiscal Year 2015-2016 proposed budget is respectfully submitted for your review and consideration. The proposed budget sets forth a plan of operations for all County departments, programs, and capital projects for the coming year. This proposed budget is balanced in accordance with the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act with general fund revenues and expenditures each totaling \$21,099,674.

INTRODUCTION

This budget message will introduce the Yancey County Fiscal Year 2015-2016 proposed budget. The budgeting process begins in February of each year with management requesting proposed appropriation use plans from departments, agencies and other County-supported entities. This year the requests for County funding exceeded expected revenues by over \$1.2 million. Over the course of numerous work sessions, the County Commissioners and county staff have worked to develop a balanced budget in line with expected revenue. This document will show how the County plans to utilize its fiscal resources and will highlight some of the more significant impacts to the County's budget.

Yancey County elected leadership and administration continues the efforts of the past seven years to accomplish three primary goals: restore the financial integrity of Yancey County, maintain essential public safety and basic services, and make investments in infrastructure necessary to support economic prosperity. Despite continued challenges from reductions in federal and state funding for mandated services, Yancey County has accomplished these goals by relying on our own initiative, creativity, prioritization and sacrifice. This budget provides additional County resources for law enforcement, emergency medical telecommunications, social services, and other vital services. While County staff is to be commended for accomplishing much with limited resources, we are pleased this budget continues the progress made the past few years to provide the tools to staff necessary to provide these services. For only the third time since 2008, there is an across the board 3% pay increase for employees included in this budget. Furthermore, this budget provides a priority spending plan that does not increase the tax burden on the County taxpayer. There is no tax increase recommended, keeping the current tax rate at \$0.50 per \$100 valuation.

REVENUES

The County's primary sources of funding are property and sales taxes and state and federal grants. Property taxes constitute the County's largest source of revenue. For Fiscal Year 2015-2016, the current property tax remains unchanged at \$0.50 per \$100 of valuation – no tax increase recommended. It is expected this rate will provide an estimated total revenue of \$11,928,885 or 56% of the total general fund budget. The County Tax Department has done a good job over the past few years working with taxpayers to collect taxes

owed to the County. The current property tax collection rate is 97%, which puts Yancey County in the range of our county peer group. The sales tax projection for the County continues to be level as the State has transitioned from the per capita distribution to the point-of-sale distribution meaning Yancey County no longer shares in sales tax revenue on a statewide basis, but only receives what is actually collected in Yancey County. The Administration is closely monitoring legislation currently pending in the North Carolina General Assembly which proposes to return sales tax to a per capita distribution method. This would yield a substantial increase in sales tax funds should this proposal become law. Other revenue sources such as fees from building permits, deed filings, firearm permit fees and others are projected to be minor as they constitute only a small portion of the revenue for this budget. The remaining revenue sources include federal and state grants for specific programs, primarily at the Department of Social Services and the Transportation Department. Therefore, it is recommended that the Board continue to support tax collection measures to ensure that all outstanding tax revenue is collected.

MAJOR INITIATIVES AND EXPENDITURES

Yancey County has made great progress in fiscal management, capital planning and day-to-day operations. Accurate budget projections and a disciplined approach to budget administration have yielded great dividends for both the County organization and taxpayers. Continuing the progress, this budget will contribute specifically to the restoration of the County's fiscal health, provide funding for the public schools, provide additional resources to the Sheriff's Department, implement Emergency Medical Dispatch protocol, provide an increase in employee compensation, provide much needed County facility repair, provide needed public services, and support community initiatives. Specifically, our proposed budget addresses these issues as follows:

- 1) **Fiscal Control and Financial Stability:** At the end of FY 2014, Yancey County had a fund balance reserve available for appropriation of \$1,480,006. This represents a 7.5% fund balance. Although still below the state requirement of 8% available, this continues to represent significant improvement from the negative 9% available in FY 2009. Yancey County appreciates the close working relationship that has been developed with the N.C. Office of the State Treasurer and the N.C. Local Government Commission to restore the County's fiscal health. The County has worked closely with these agencies to implement sound financial policies and move the County to sound financial standing. This proposed budget recommends the continued allocation of \$400,000 to the "Contribution to Fund Balance" line item in the general fund. Together with the anticipated gains from the current year, the fund balance reserve will undoubtedly reach and exceed the state mandated 8% available by the end of FY 2015-16. Achieving the 8% fund balance level has been the primary goal for county commissioners and administration since 2009. It has been a difficult task with many sacrifices but it is a goal that everyone is proud to accomplish for the long-term stability of Yancey County.

- 2) **Public Schools and Education:** *Yancey County Schools* continue to do great things to improve educational performance among our students. Yancey County is grateful for the close relationship with the Yancey County Board of Education and appreciates the difficult decisions the schools have made in light of state funding reductions. The Board of Commissioners met jointly with the Board of Education during the budget process to discuss funding priorities for Yancey County Schools. The Board of Commissioners' commitment to Yancey County Schools and its students continues to be a top priority and this budget for FY 2015-16 includes a slight increase to the current level of appropriation for

current expense, and maintains current level funding for JROTC, and local supplements. Specifically, this budget appropriates \$2,900,000 for the school system's current expense budget. Additionally, the County maintains the \$100,000 appropriation for local supplements, a \$40,000 appropriation for continuation of the JROTC program, a \$580,000 appropriation to the schools' capital outlay fund, and \$10,000 in timber receipts designated for school use. This is a total commitment to the Yancey County School System of \$3,630,000. It should be noted that timber receipts traditionally received from the federal government as a result of the sale of forest products from National Forests has been reduced as action by the federal government to continue these payments is uncertain.

Mayland Community College, while primarily supported with state funds, depends on the three partner counties of Yancey, Mitchell and Avery for operational and capital equipment costs. Yancey County has historically funded the community college at or above the level of the other partner counties. Mayland Community College is funded in this budget with an appropriation of \$333,808.

Furthermore, the County is pleased to assist Mayland with the construction of the "Anspach Advanced Manufacturing School" on the Yancey Campus which opened in April of this year. This facility is a valuable asset in the recruitment of business and industry to Yancey County as well as providing the trained workforce in new manufacturing technology necessary for the County's existing industries. This budget includes an appropriation of \$10,000 as the second installment of a contribution pledge of \$50,000 for the construction of the Anspach Advanced Manufacturing School at the Yancey Campus.

- 3) **Sheriff's Department and Detention Center:** The County continues the appropriations necessary for the Sheriff to increase officer presence at the County's public schools. The safety and security of children at school is of paramount concern to everyone. Additionally, this budget provides funds to purchase and equip three (3) new patrol vehicles. This budget provides funding to continue needed capital equipment purchases and to provide officer safety equipment.

The Sheriff is responsible for managing several sections of the County budget. The Sheriff is responsible for the "Sheriff's Department" budget of \$1,456,260 which includes patrol and investigations, "Sheriff Dispatch" budget of \$245,087; "County Detention Facility" budget of \$978,628; "County Grounds Security" budget of \$56,775; "Animal Control" budget of \$59,812; and the "Non-Departmental Juvenile Inmate Confinement" budget of \$8,000. The total appropriated by this budget and managed by the Sheriff is \$2,796,570, which is 13% of the total general fund budget.

- 4) **Emergency Medical Dispatch:** Yancey County began dispatching calls for emergency services through the Enhanced 911 system in 2004. This has made the process for obtaining emergency services, whether medical, fire or law enforcement, much simpler for those in need by dialing 911. The County now intends to provide additional services to citizens who call for emergency service through the Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) program. EMD refers to a system that enhances services provided by the County's Emergency Operations Center by allowing the dispatcher to quickly narrow down the caller's type of medical situation so as to better dispatch emergency services and to provide quality instruction to the caller before help arrives. This instruction could include aiding the caller by providing instruction to administer assistance such as CPR or removing choking hazards, among other lay basic life support. This requires a significant investment in personnel and resources to provide this service to

the citizens of Yancey County. This budget provides \$151,892 to implement Emergency Medical Dispatch which includes the addition of three telecommunicator positions, computer dispatch equipment, software, flashcard-books and other necessary ancillary items.

- 5) **Comprehensive Recreation Grounds:** Funding is recommended to continue work on the Comprehensive Recreation Grounds (CRG), now named Cane River Park, on Whittington Road in western Yancey County. This new park facility, opened in 2012, has been used by hundreds of families in multiple youth and adult athletic programs, use of playgrounds, walking trails, river activities, and other active and passive recreation activities. The County has completed work at Cane River Park to develop the baseball/softball complex resulting in full use this spring by dozens of youth baseball and softball players. However, there are several items remaining to complete this complex including a field house/concession building, score boards and other amenities. In addition, these appropriated funds will be used to install infrastructure components such as electric, water, and septic systems. At this time, it is requested that the County appropriate \$117,500 to provide for development needs at Cane River Park.
- 6) **Employee Compensation:** Employees have worked very hard during some of the most difficult economic circumstances in recent memory. The persistent economic circumstances over the past several years has, unfortunately, resulted in sending more citizens into county offices for assistance, whether it has been for vital social services, transportation, medical services or law enforcement. This increase in workload and the positive response by employees to it has not gone unnoticed. This budget includes a 3% across the board pay increase for all county employees.

In addition to this across the board increase, the administration recommends a wage scale adjustment for the employees in the Income Maintenance Section of the Department of Social Services. A combination of factors lead to this recommendation: implementation of NCFAST, increase in SNAP and Medicaid workload, high position turnover, and pay significantly lower than regional peers. This budget includes funds sufficient to increase the wage scale for all Universal Caseworkers and associated staff in the Income Maintenance Section by 10% - making Yancey more competitive with our regional peers. This plan is intended to encourage these employees to remain in their position and gain the experience to effectively and efficiently serve our citizens with vital services as they navigate a very cumbersome and backlogged system. Implementation of NCFAST has resulted in these actions by counties across North Carolina. In addition, this budget provides funds to provide a wage scale adjustment of \$1.52 per hour for van drivers within the Transportation Department. This will place these employees in the appropriate class commensurate to the requirements of the position. In examining the current pay plan, it is readily apparent that all Yancey County employees as a general rule are paid significantly less than their counterparts in the same positions in peer group counties. The adjustments in these departments is a start but the administration believes a full review of the position classification and pay plan should be undertaken when the County has achieved sound financial standing.

Furthermore, in addition to these pay improvements the County successfully negotiated with our employee health insurance provider this spring which resulted in no increase in employee health insurance premiums. The County continues to work with our provider, Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.C., to implement cost containment measures and to encourage wellness activities with our employees.

- 7) **Senior Citizens Center and Community Agencies:** Yancey County is fortunate to have many beneficial community agencies serving the needs of Yancey County's citizens. Among these organizations is the Yancey County Committee on Aging. The County has assisted the Committee on Aging in securing funding to construct a new Senior Citizens Center. After much work, construction is nearing completion on this facility.

Community Agencies provide vital services to our community. This County continues to support these initiatives by continuing current year funding appropriations to the Yancey County Rescue Squad, Yancey Firefighters Association, Yancey County Literacy Council, the Middle School Health Centers, Graham Children's Health Services, Hospice of Yancey County, the Yancey County Humane Society, the Yancey County Youth League and others. These agencies represent what is great about Yancey County – a spirit of community involvement for our citizens.

- 8) **Facility Needs and Capital Outlay:** The Yancey County Courthouse serves as the center of county government and the seat of the General Court of Justice for Yancey County. The Courthouse was constructed and opened to the public in October 1965. The Courthouse celebrates 50 years of service to the community this year. In order to ensure 50 more years of service to Yancey County, this budget provides \$50,000 to make needed improvements to the facility including rehabilitation of the windows and improvements to the heating and cooling systems. There are also funds included in this budget to complete other needed repairs and renovations that are imperative to have facilities citizens can be proud of as well as providing a safe workplace for employees.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Yancey County has been able to accomplish great things for the citizens of Yancey County by planning and analysis of needs and resources, conducting careful budgeting and then maintaining a disciplined adherence to the adopted budget. The leadership of the Board of Commissioners and the diligent work of County employees has resulted in tremendous progress toward rebuilding the financial stability of County government while at the same time providing investments for economic development infrastructure, public safety and health and human services and support for community initiatives for our citizens.

Respectfully submitted on this the 8th day of June 2015.

NATHAN R. BENNETT,
Yancey County Manager

YANCEY COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statutes 159-10, 159-11, and 159-12, each Department Head submitted budget requests and estimates of the financial requirements of each department in such form and detail as was prescribed by the Budget Officer and Finance Officer. Same were submitted in consideration of the associated Department Head's complete statement of amounts exhausted for each category of expenditures in the Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year 2014-2015, together with such estimated expenditures for the fiscal year 2015-2016 and with the estimation of the amount to be realized from each source of revenue. On April 27, 2015, the Budget Officer submitted a preliminary draft budget to the Yancey County Board of Commissioners for their consideration, complying in all respects with North Carolina General Statutes 159-13(b). On the same date, the Budget Officer also filed a copy of the preliminary draft budget in the Office of the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, where it remained for public inspection; updated versions were substituted as they became available, until the adoption of the Budget Ordinance. Copies of same were also made available to all local news media, together with a statement being published to the effect that the budget has been submitted to the Board of Commissioners and was available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, and stating that a public hearing would be held on June 8, 2015 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Courtroom of the Yancey County Courthouse in Burnsville, North Carolina. Such a public hearing was held at the designated time and place at which time persons who desired to be heard regarding the budget appeared before the Board.

WHEREAS, this Ordinance has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Yancey as follows:

Section One:

The appropriations made herein are for the maximum amounts necessary to provide the services and to accomplish the purpose described. Each Department Head shall affect savings and unexpended and unobligated portions of each appropriation shall revert to the appropriate fund at the end of the fiscal year.

Section Two:

Appropriations are hereby made for the fiscal year beginning July1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016 according to the following schedule (Appendix A and B):

Section Three:

There is hereby levied and authorized to be collected for the fiscal year 2015-2016 in accordance with Chapter 105 of the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina, a tax on all property situated in Yancey County, which tax shall be at the rate of fifty cents (\$.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation of such property. It is further authorized that the 2015-2016 tax levy include an additional six and one-half cents (\$.065) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the South Toe Fire District of South Toe Township; an additional six cents (\$.06) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the Pensacola Fire District of Pensacola Township and for the Double Island Fire District of

Brush Creek Township, and for the Newdale Fire District of Crabtree Township, and for the Burnsville Rural Fire Tax District of the Burnsville Township (non-municipal); an additional five cents (\$.05) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the Egypt/Ramseytown Fire District of Egypt and Ramseytown Townships, and for the Clearmont Fire District of the Jacks Creek and Green Mountain Townships; and an additional four cents (\$.04) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the West Yancey Fire District of Prices Creek and Cane River Townships. The Board of Commissioners further authorizes the Budget Officer to modify the fire district budget up to the amount of collections. These rates are based on an estimated total assessed value for the purpose of taxation of two billion, four hundred eighteen million, thirty-six thousand, eight hundred eighty-two dollars (\$2,418,036,882.00). Current year collections have been used to estimate the tax revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

Section Four:

The Budget Officer may transfer amounts between objects of expenditure within a department without limitation and without a report being required. The Budget Officer further is authorized to make amendments within departmental budgets in amounts not to exceed a total of \$10,000 per department. The Budget Officer may also transfer amounts up to \$10,000 between departments within the same fund with an official report on such transfers provided to the Board of Commissioners. The Budget Officer is also further authorized to execute any contracts or documents for which this budget has an appropriation made hereto.

Section Five:

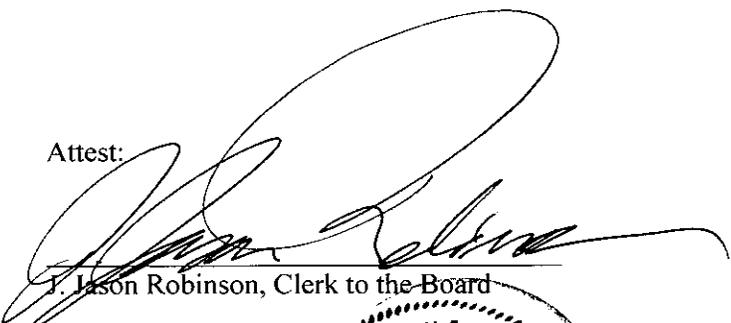
Copies of this Ordinance shall be furnished to the Finance Officer to be kept on file for her direction in the acceptance of revenues and the expenditure of amounts appropriated. Copies of this Ordinance shall also be furnished to the Clerk to the Board to be kept on file for examination by the public.

Section Six:

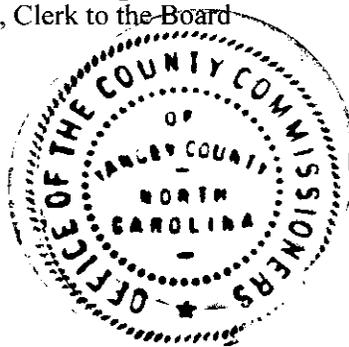
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ADOPTED this 8th day of June, 2015.

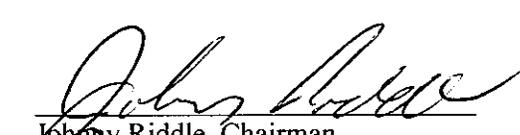
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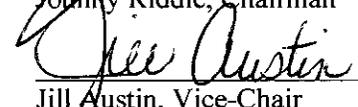

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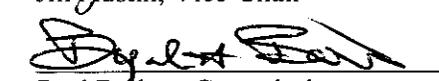
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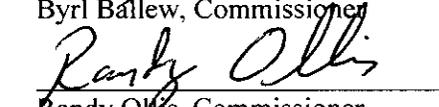


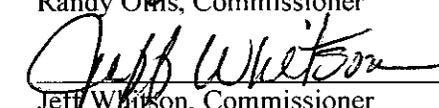
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Jeff Whitson, Commissioner



RESOLUTION

REGARDING THE YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
PROPOSED PRECINCT CONSOLIDATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Yancey County Board of Elections has prepared and presented a precinct consolidation plan that seeks to combine and relocate some voting precincts into new locations at volunteer fire departments; and

WHEREAS, Yancey County volunteer fire departments provide a valuable service as firefighters and first responders to the citizens of Yancey County; and

WHEREAS, the readiness and availability of the volunteer fire department facilities is of paramount importance in allowing volunteer firefighters and first responders to continue to perform at the highest levels as they seek to serve the citizens of Yancey County; and

WHEREAS, the volunteer fire departments in Yancey County are non-profit corporations, not governmental entities, under contract with the County to provide fire protection services; and

WHEREAS, some of these fire department facilities do not have public access or sufficient available parking that complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act to serve as a voting precinct; and

WHEREAS, this consolidation plan presents a number of concerns including, but not limited to, issues with access to firefighting equipment in emergency situations, access to onsite helipads that facilitate emergency medical evacuations in remote mountain communities, storing fire department vehicles outside of climate controlled facilities during winter weather, and allowing individuals who are not fire department personnel access to emergency response equipment; and

WHEREAS, the use of fire department facilities as voting locations presents an impairment to the readiness of Yancey County's many dedicated volunteers; and

WHEREAS, ensuring the readiness and availability of firefighters and first responders is of the highest importance for the continued quality of life for the citizens of Yancey County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Yancey County Board of County Commissioners as follows:

1. That the Board of Commissioners does not support the precinct consolidation plan as presented by the Yancey County Board of Elections to combine precincts and to move voting locations from their present locations to fire departments.
2. That the Board of Commissioners urges the North Carolina State Board of Elections to reject said plan and request the local board of elections to study this issue further in light of the concerns stated.
3. That a copy of this resolution be delivered to the Yancey County Board of Elections and the North Carolina State Board of Elections.
4. That this Resolution is effective upon adoption.

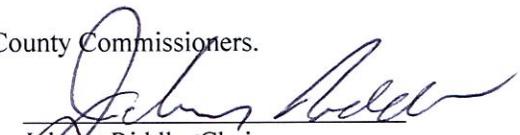
ADOPTED this the 8th day of June 2015 by the Yancey County Board of County Commissioners.

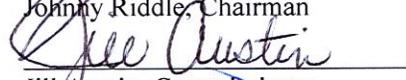
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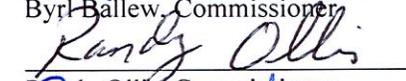
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