

**TENTATIVE AGENDA & MEETING NOTICE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023
5:30 P.M.**

**WATAUGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM**

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 7, 2023, Regular Meeting

March 7, 2023, Closed Session

DRAFT**MINUTES****WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023**

The Watauga County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting, as scheduled, on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 5:30 P.M. in the Commissioners' Board Room located in the Watauga County Administration Building, Boone, North Carolina.

Chairman Turnbow called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The following were present:

PRESENT: Larry Turnbow, Chairman
 Charlie Wallin, Vice-Chairman
 Todd Castle, Commissioner
 Braxton Eggers, Commissioner
 Ray Russell, Commissioner
 Andrea Capua, County Attorney
 Deron Geouque, County Manager
 Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board

Commissioner Wallin opened with a prayer and Commissioner Russell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Turnbow called for additions and/or corrections to the February 21, 2023, regular and closed session minutes.

Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Wallin, moved to approve the February 21, 2023, regular meeting minutes as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5
 Nay-0

Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Wallin, moved to approve the February 21, 2023, closed session minutes as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5
 Nay-0

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Turnbow called for additions and/or corrections to the March 7, 2023, agenda.

Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Wallin, moved to approve the March 7, 2023, agenda as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5
 Nay-0

VAYA HEALTH UPDATE

Mr. Dustin Burleson, Vaya Community Relations Regional Director, presented an update on Vaya Health matters. Mr. Burleson stated that Vaya was a local political subdivision of the State and a Local Management Entity/Managed Care Organization (LME/MCO) governed by N.C.G.S. 122C. Mr. Burleson reported that, in December 2022, the Tailored Care Management (TCM) was launched. TCM integrated care for the whole person including physical health, behavioral health, TBI, and pharmacy, as well as supported long-term care services and unmet health-related resource needs. Beginning in April 2023, Vaya will become a Prepaid Health Plan (PHP) and, as a Tailored Plan, Vaya will also serve other populations. Mr. Burleson also reviewed the current and future state of benefit plans as well as Vaya's provider staffing stabilization plan and the NC Child and Family Improvement Initiative. The report was given for information only and, therefore, no action was required.

PROPOSED PLAN FOR OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING

Ms. Jennifer Greene, AppHealthCare Director, and Ms. Lindsey Sullivan with AppHealthCare, presented an update on the County's plan to spend opioid settlement funds. The following priorities were selected through a Results-Based Accountability (RBA) exercise held in November 2022, which included county and municipality staff, non-profit and human services staff, law enforcement, Chamber of Commerce, and other representatives affected by the opioid crisis:

1. Prevent overdose deaths and other harms (harm reduction)
2. Connect people who need help to the help they need (connections to care)
3. Support people in treatment and recovery
4. Treat opioid use disorder
5. Address the needs of criminal justice involved persons

The next step was to send out a Request for Proposals (RFP) for organizations that could utilize opioid settlement funding to add in the crisis. Approximately \$300,000 was available for award. After RFPs are received a Coordination Group will review the proposals and make award recommendations to the Board of Commissioners. Ms. Greene requested the Group be comprised of the County Manager, County Attorney, two County Commissioners, the Health Director, another human services representative, and two individuals with lived experience with substance use.

Commissioner Russell stated that opioid addiction affected, not only the addict, but family members as well and asked how those "second-hand" issues would be addressed. Ms. Sullivan stated that a range of strategies built in with partners will help with that issue and Ms. Greene stated that those issues would be considered by the Group as well. Commissioners Eggers and Russell volunteered to serve as the Commissioner representatives on the Coordination Group.

The recommendations would be presented for consideration at the June 6, 2023, Board of Commissioners meeting which would allow AppHealthCare to begin the project timeline on July 1, 2023, and provide funding as directed by the County. Ms. Greene requested approval of the grant process and authorization for AppHealthCare to administer the opioid settlement funds.

Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Wallin, moved to approve the grant process and authorize AppHealthCare to administer the County's opioid funds.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

HIGH COUNTRY RESTORATION COALITION PRESENTATION

Ms. Debbie Shetterly, High Country Habitat Restoration Coalition, presented a report on protecting the native habitat focusing on the removal of invasive plant species. Invasives cause many problems including fire and flood damage, less water for native species, habitat for animals, biological diversity, and scenic beauty. Native species are crowded out leaving fewer native seeds and caterpillars for the birds and animals. Invasives can cause damage to agricultural land, infrastructure, and forests. They also have the potential to reduce property values. The Mission of the High Country Habitat Restoration Coalition is "Remove and prevent further non-native invasive infestations." The Coalition was established in 2019 and works toward native habitat restoration throughout the High Country. In 2022 volunteers worked at removing invasives at County parks and along the Greenway trail.

Ms. Shetterly stated that a funding quote was received from the American Conservation Experience in the total amount of \$30,000 which would be used at Brookshire Park, Green Valley Park, and Valle Crucis Community Park. Ms. Shetterly stated that the Coalition planned to request funds through the County's budget process as well as the Town of Boone and seek grants from the North Carolina Forest Service and the Travel/Tourism. This report was given for information only and, therefore, no action was required.

PROPOSED FIRST RESPONDER WELLNESS WEEK 2023 PROCLAMATION

Ms. Valerie Mailman, Mr. Tim Fox, and Ms. Lauren Wilson, founding Board Members with the Responder Wellness Coalition, presented a proposed proclamation proclaiming the week of April 24 through April 30, 2023, as First Responder Wellness Week 2023. The First Responder Coalition was a nonprofit organization in Watauga County with the mission "To eliminate the barriers for first responders of the High Country to access mental health care and wellness services." The Coalition strives to create access, fund out-of-pocket expenses, and eliminate the stigma of mental health care, behavioral health care, and wellness services for first responders of the High Country.

Mr. Fox invited the Board to attend a screening of the documentary "PTSD 911" at the Appalachian Theatre on April 27, 2023. Other events were being planned for First Responder Wellness Week. Ms. Mailman stated that a respite support services firm plans to open a private practice in Watauga County. Commissioner Russell encouraged access to group services to hear the challenges of those affected secondhand as well.

Chairman Turnbow read the proclamation.

Commissioner Wallin, seconded by Commissioner Eggers, moved to adopt the proclamation setting the week of April 24 through April 30, 2023, as First Responder Wellness Week.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2023 MEDICARE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PATIENTS AND PROVIDERS ACT (MIPPA) GRANT/CONTRACT

Ms. Angie Boitnotte, Project on Aging Director, requested acceptance of a Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) grant from the Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) in the amount of \$2,976 with no local match required.

Ms. Boitnotte stated that the funds would be used to expand Low Income Subsidy (LIS) outreach and enrollment by conducting a minimum of four enrollment clinics, virtually or in person, in nontraditional locations such as dialysis centers, libraries, community drug stores, or senior housing complexes throughout the community. Remaining monies would be used for supplies for LIS outreach and education.

Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Castle, moved to accept the MIPPA grant in the amount of \$2,976 to expand low income subsidy outreach and education as well as to purchase supplies.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM BID AWARD

Mr. Robert Marsh, Maintenance Director, presented the following bids for a fire alarm panel for the Administration Building:

Bidder	Bid
Creekside Electronics, Boone, NC	\$16,360
Saffer Security Systems, Boone, NC	\$24,240
Jared Munday Electric, Boone, NC	No Bid

Mr. Marsh recommended awarding the bid to Creekside Electronics, which was the lowest responsive bidder, in the amount of \$16,360. Adequate funds were in the FY 2022-2023 budget to cover the expenditure.

Commissioner Castle, seconded by Commissioner Eggers, moved to award the bid to Creekside Electronics for a fire alarm panel, for the Administration Building, in the amount of \$16,360.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

PHASE II TRAILER STORAGE AREA IMPROVEMENTS BID AWARD REQUEST

Mr. Rex Buck, Operations Services Director, presented the following bids for Phase II of the Trailer Storage Area Improvement Project:

Bidder	Amount
PADCO Excavating, Inc	\$217,485.65
Carolina Grading and Utilities, Inc.	\$228,750.00
JW Hampton Company	\$307,526.00

Mr. Buck requested the bid be awarded to PADCO Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$217,485.65 for Phase II of the Trailer Storage Area Improvement project. PADCO Excavating, Inc. was the lowest responsive bidder.

Commissioner Russell, seconded by Chairman Turnbow, moved to award the bid for Phase II of the Trailer Storage Area Improvement project to PADCO Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$217,485.65.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION XV OF THE AMBULANCE FRANCHISE ORDINANCE REGARDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE EMS ADVISORY BOARD

On behalf of Mr. Will Holt, Emergency Services Director, Chairman Turnbow presented an amendment to Section XV of the Ambulance Franchise Ordinance. This amendment reflected updated agency names and membership terms for the EMS Advisory Board. The amendment was approved by the current EMS Advisory Board at its February 2023 meeting.

North Carolina General Statute 153A-46 requires a grant, renewal, extension, or amendment of any franchise to be passed at two regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners before it may be adopted. As this matter was tabled at the last meeting and if the Board wishes, the proposed amendment will need to be ratified as presented and will require a second ratification at the March 21, 2023, meeting.

Commissioner Wallin, seconded by Commissioner Russell, moved to ratify the adoption of the Ambulance Franchise Ordinance as amended and direct staff to place the proposed amendment on the March 21, 2023 agenda for consideration of a second ratification.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

BID AWARD REQUEST FOR SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION STREAMFLOW REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (StRAP) ELK CREEK SECTION 3 PROJECT

Ms. Mikey Woodie, Soil and Water Conservation Technician, presented the following bids for the Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program (StRAP) Elk Creek Section 3 project:

Bidder	Amount	Meets License & Insurance Requirements
Yadkin Valley Construction, Inc.	\$70,000	Yes
Hicks Construction Enterprises, Inc.	\$54,000	Yes
Coastal Carolina Industrial Recycling LLC	\$27,000	No

Ms. Woodie stated that the lowest bidder had informed her that they did not hold an NC Contractor’s License. Due to that, the Watauga Soil and Water Conservation District requested the bid be awarded to the next lowest bidder, Hicks Construction Enterprises, Inc., in the amount of \$54,000. Hicks Construction Enterprises, Inc., has verified that they have the required liability insurance, a NC General Contractor’s License, and experience in stream restoration work.

The project was part of the contract with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Sciences for \$159,750 under StRAP which was accepted in July 2022. The purpose of StRAP was to reduce flooding and restore streams across the state, primarily through the removal of vegetative stream debris. The total length of this stream debris removal project was 1,800 linear feet.

Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Wallin, moved to award the bid for the Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program (StRAP) Elk Creek Section 3 project to Hicks Construction Enterprise Inc. in the amount of \$54,000.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Proposed Amendments to the Ted Mackorell Soccer Complex (TMSC) License Agreement

County Manager Geouque presented an amendment to the license agreement between the County, Appalachian Soccer Group, LLC, Appalachian State University, and the High-Country Soccer Association, Inc. This is a continuation of the license agreement that was previously approved with slight increases of fees as follows:

- In addition to the fees due HCSA, ~~\$500.00~~ \$750.00 per game shall be paid to ASU for use of the locker rooms, press box and scoreboard. This fee shall include the cost of post-game cleaning performed by ASUF staff/personnel.

- Watauga County shall be entitled to a fee of ~~\$400.00~~ \$550.00 per game for the use of the Complex.

Chairman Turnbow stated that the proposed agreement had been reviewed by the County Attorney.

Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Eggers, moved to approve the amended Ted Mackorell Soccer Complex License Agreement as presented by the County Manager.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

B. Proposed Opioid Settlement

County Manager Geouque stated that as part of additional opioid settlement funds the County needed to approve a resolution authorizing the County Manager or County Attorney to execute all documents necessary to enter into opioid settlement agreements. In addition, the Board needed to adopt a Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds (SAAF) which would allow additional funds from further settlements of opioid litigation to the State of North Carolina and local governments to be directed in a manner consistent with the Memorandum of Agreement between the State of the North Carolina and local governments on proceeds relating to the settlement of opioid litigation.

Commissioner Castle, seconded by Commissioner Wallin, moved to adopt the resolution as presented and approve the Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds (SAAF) as presented.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

C. Announcements

County Manager Geouque congratulated the Project on Aging and announced that after a recent SCOPE site visit, the Lois E. Harrill Senior Center was recertified as a “Center of Excellence!”

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:40 P.M., Commissioner Wallin, seconded by Commissioner Eggers, moved to enter Closed Session to discuss Attorney/Client Matters, per G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

Commissioner Wallin, seconded by Commissioner Castle, moved to resume the open meeting at 7:38 P.M.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

ADJOURN

Commissioner Wallin, seconded by Commissioner Russell, moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 P.M.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

Larry Turnbow, Chairman

ATTEST: Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board

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AGENDA ITEM 3:

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 21, 2023, AGENDA

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AGENDA ITEM 4:

WATAUGA COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY INITIATIVE (WCCI) REQUEST TO PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF APRIL 29-MAY 6, 2023, AS “RESILIENT & THRIVING COMMUNITIES WEEK”

MANAGER’S COMMENTS:

Ms. Kellie Reed Ashcraft will request the Board proclaim the week of April 29-May 6, 2023 as "Resilient & Thriving Communities Week".

Board action is required to proclaim the week of April 29-May 6 as "Resilient & Thriving Communities Week."

2023 WCCI Speaker Remarks by Kellie Reed Ashcraft before the Watauga County

Commission

Good evening! Thank you so much for the opportunity to speak with you tonight! I am Kellie Reed Ashcraft, and I am pleased to be here as a member of the Watauga Compassionate Community Initiative (the WCCI), and as a resident of Watauga County.

On behalf of the WCCI, I am honored to request that the Watauga County Commission declare the **week of April 29-May 6, 2023 “Resilient & Thriving Communities Week.”** You will find a copy of the proposed local proclamation with your information packets, and I brought hard copies for you as well.

To provide some background, the WCCI formally began in 2017 as a collaborative community initiative that includes staff from local nonprofit agencies, governmental staff, private mental health professionals, school system staff, emergency responders, law enforcement, the faith community, university faculty, staff and students, and numerous community volunteers. The mission for the WCCI is to “promote health and resiliency in our community and to effectively prevent, recognize, and treat trauma by creating safe, stable, nurturing environments and relationships through education, advocacy and policy change.”

The WCCI meets monthly, and accomplishes its works through the “Essentials of Childhood Framework” operating through the committees of awareness, events, and policy/prevention. The WCCI has hosted the WCCI Conference for the past five years and also hosts other community events to increase awareness of different forms of trauma and adversity, and to promote resilience and protective factors.

I am here this evening in that the WCCI is one of over 60 local community collaboratives located throughout the state of North Carolina engaged in similar work in their communities. Three years ago, these grassroots community collaboratives and interested state-level staff and state child-focused agencies formed a voluntary coalition, the Resilient North Carolina Collaborative Coalition (RNCCC), which is focused on policy change, and increasing awareness about trauma and adversity as well as preventing and treating trauma, and promoting well-being.

This year, the RNCCC has submitted its second request for a statewide Proclamation during the week of April 29-May 6, 2023 as “Resilient & Thriving Communities Week,” from the Governor’s Office, and local community collaboratives across the state are seeking local proclamations with their counties, town and city councils, Boards of Education, and other municipalities to also declare the week of April 29-May 6, 2023 “Resilient and Thriving Communities Week.”

The WCCI recognizes that all children, adults, families, and our community experience stress and adversity, and we know that everyone plays a part in preventing these issues, intervening when they do occur, and promoting resiliency to buffer stress and adversity. We would like to thank all of you for the many ways that the County Commission and Watauga County support programs and activities that prevent stress and adversity, treat trauma, and promote resiliency, including:

- Your continued support for a strong, trauma-informed school system & increased & crucial support in order to build a needed new school, Valle Crucis;
- Your support for a beautiful and expanding greenway, a well-used parks and recreation system, & a new, state-of-the art Community Recreation Center;
- Your support for a vibrant community arts program;
- Your integral support for critical community services such as public safety, social services, senior services, and public health, and
- Your proclamation the preceding week of April 24-30th for “The First Responder Wellness Week.”

These are just a few of the ways that you and the county continually support activities and services that prevent or treat trauma and adversity and promote resiliency and well-being. We also greatly appreciate your support and recognition of numerous community-wide initiatives that prevent stress and adversity, treat trauma, and promote resiliency and well-being, including:

- The WCCI;
- Elevate Watauga & the Family Connects Program;
- The Watauga Housing Council; and
- The Community Mental Health Project

While this list is not exhaustive, these initiatives demonstrate important ongoing community-wide efforts that similarly support our community. In closing, we are pleased to request your support to declare the week of **April 29th-May 6th** as “**Resilient and Thriving Communities Week**” in Watauga County to celebrate what makes our community resilient and thriving. Thank you so much for your consideration of our request. If you have any questions or comments, please let me know~thank you again!

**Resilient & Thriving Communities Week 2023
Watauga County Commission
A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, resilient and thriving communities are vital to our community and state's future health, success, and prosperity to ensure a strong foundation for everyone at all ages and stages of life; and

WHEREAS, the science is clear that resilience is built, and that communities and systems play a key role in promoting safe, secure, nurturing environments for all; and

WHEREAS, adverse childhood and life experiences, adverse community environments, and adverse climate events impact overall quality of life and well-being of an entire community; and

WHEREAS, Healthy North Carolina 2030: A Path Toward Health by the North Carolina Institute of Medicine, in partnership with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, identifies reduction of adverse childhood experiences by 25% by 2030 as a goal; and

WHEREAS, it is our collective responsibility to collaborate in a nonpartisan fashion to promote positive experiences, secure relationships, and supportive environments to buffer stress and adversity, and to support local resilience coalitions, collaboratives, task forces, and initiatives across the state; and

WHEREAS, investing in policies, programs, and strategies that address adversity and strengthen community resilience is essential to the health of our community; and

WHEREAS, Watauga County encourages all individuals and all sectors, public and private, early childhood through post-secondary education, faith-based organizations, healthcare systems, justice systems, social service systems, businesses, and elected leaders to collaborate to strengthen our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Watauga County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim **April 29 through May 6, 2023**, as **“Resilient & Thriving Communities Week”** in our community, and commend its observance to all citizens.

ADOPTED this the 21st day of March, 2023.



Larry Turnbow, Chairman
Watauga County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board

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AGENDA ITEM 5:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A STEP PAY PLAN AND COMPRESSION RELIEF FOR DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION STAFF

MANAGER’S COMMENTS:

Ms. Melissa Johnson, Area Consultant, Community Programs Western Area Office, will request the Board adopt a resolution supporting a pay increase for the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention staff. This would be a State of North Carolina budget issue and would not impact the County’s budget.

Staff seeks direction from the Board.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WATAUGA

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**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A STEP PAY PLAN AND COMPRESSION RELIEF FOR
DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION STAFF**

WHEREAS, the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention provides community supervision, case management, and direct supervision of both juveniles in confinement and in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DJJDP) provides short-term secure confinement in Juvenile Detention Centers, long-term commitment services in the State's Youth Development Centers, and community supervision and case management services for youth in the community through the Court Services section; and

WHEREAS, the overarching mission of the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the local Juvenile Crime Prevention Council is to provide services and programming to ensure the protection of the community and rehabilitation of youth offenders; and

WHEREAS, Watauga County youth are ordered to attend Cabarrus Youth Development Center and other detention facilities around the State, and the staff of both Cabarrus Youth Development Center and District 24 Court Services, along with other DJJDP staff, have been passed over for pay increases that would recognize and reward experienced staff, and make compensation more competitive as well as ensure qualified staff recruitment and retention; and

WHEREAS, more than one-half of DJJDP vacancies are facility positions and more than one-third of the vacancies are in juvenile court services; and

WHEREAS, salaries for entry-level, direct care, frontline staff start at \$35,400 which puts DJJDP at a competitive disadvantage for recruitment and retention of staff among other state and local agencies and the private sector; and

WHEREAS, compression salary increases for DJJDP facility staff were removed from the state's budget prior to final approval; and

WHEREAS, similar salary adjustments or increases WERE approved for Department of Public Safety staff in adult facilities and adult probation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Watauga County Commissioners support instituting salary compression relief and a step pay plan to address recruitment and retention within the Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in Watauga County and across the State of North Carolina to make positions competitive and to ensure qualified staff are compensated adequately for years of experience for the purposes of retention.

ADOPTED this the 21st day of March, 2023.

Larry Turnbow, Chairman
Watauga County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board

AGENDA ITEM 6:

REQUESTED APPOINTMENT OF HOME & COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK GRANT (H&CCBG) ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND LEAD AGENCY

MANAGER’S COMMENTS:

Each year the Board is required to appoint a lead agency and advisory committee to make recommendations on how to best expend the County’s allocation from the Home and Community Care Block Grant (H&CCBG) funds. These funds were previously established by the Older American’s Act and are administered by the North Carolina Division of Aging.

Board action is requested to approve the Watauga County Project on Aging as the Lead Agency. In that this is the first reading, you may delay action or waive your policy and appoint the members to the Advisory Board as presented.

Direction from the Board is requested.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Deron Geouque, County Manager

FROM: Angie Boitnotte, Director

DATE: March 14, 2023

SUBJ: Appointment of the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Advisory Committee and Lead Agency

Each year the Board of County Commissioners is required to appoint a Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee and Lead Agency. The primary function of this committee is to assist the County in determining the best plan for the use of HCCBG funds.

Please accept the attached list as nominations for the Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee for FY 2024. I also recommend that the Watauga County Project on Aging be appointed as the Lead Agency.

**HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK GRANT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE FY 2024**

LEAD AGENCY

Angie Boitnotte, Director
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Updated: 3/14/23

AGENDA ITEM 7:

**BID AWARD REQUEST FOR CARPET REPLACEMENT AT WESTERN WATAUGA
COMMUNITY CENTER**

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Robert Marsh, Maintenance Director, will request the Board award the bid to Bonitz in the amount of \$30,501 for carpet replacement at the Western Watauga Community Center. Three bids were solicited and Bonitz was the lowest responsive bidder.

Staff recommends the Board accept the bid for carpet replacement at the Western Watauga Community Center from Bonitz in the amount of \$30,501.



WATAUGA COUNTY MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

274 Winklers Creek Road, Suite B, Boone, NC 28607 - Phone (828) 264-1430
Fax (828) 264-1473

TO: Deron Geouque, County Manager

FROM: Robert Marsh, Maintenance Director *RM*

DATE: March 15, 2023

RE: Bid Award Request for Carpet Replacement at Western Watauga Community Center

BACKGROUND

The Maintenance Department recently received bids for the replacement of the carpet at Western Watauga Community Center. Three NC State Contract vendors were solicited for bids.

BID SUMMARY

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Bid</u>
Bonitz, Winston Salem, NC	\$30,501.00
PBI, Asheville, NC	\$30,975.73
H & A Carpet, Hickory, NC	No response

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend the County award the bid for carpet replacement at the Western Watauga Community Center to Bonitz in the amount of \$30,501.



PROPOSAL

3480 Myer Lee Dr
Winston Salem, NC 27101

Phone: 336.464.9165 Fax: 336.464.9189

Proposal Number

SUBMITTED TO: Wataga County **PROJECT:** Wataga County Community Center **Date:** 3.7.23

Attn: Robert Marsh **PROPOSAL VALID FOR 30 DAYS FROM THIS DATE**
Phone: **Fax:** **Addenda:**

Furnish and Install per plans and Specs: **Date of Plans:**

Product	QTY	Unit	Sell	Total
Demo existing carpet and ceramic tile				
Adhesive removal throughout				
Patch for floor prep over wood subfloor				
CPT-01: 50cm x 50cm Interface Farmland, Color TBD				
WOC-01: 24" x 24" TBD \$65/ sy installed WOC Color TBD				
Travel and Lodging in Boone NC				

IF NEW UNDERLAYMENT IS NECESSARY ADD \$9,596.00 (NOT INCLUDED)

Contract Total: \$32,234.00

Proposal inclusions and exclusions

ADDITIONAL BAGS OF PATCH TO BE BILLED @\$75/BAG INSTALLED
SELF-LEVELING IF NECESSARY TO BE BILLED @\$85/BAG INSTALLED
EXCLUDES CLEANING WAXING & PROTECTION
BASED ON NORMAL WORKING HOURS

ALL QUOTES ARE SUBJECT TO CREDIT APPROVAL

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified.

Payment will be made as outlined above

ACCEPTED BY: _____

Date: _____

scottcornatzer@bonitz.com

Susanne.Winebarger

From: Hope Vanhoy <HopeHart@Bonitz.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 9:08 AM
To: Robert.Marsh
Cc: Susanne.Winebarger
Subject: RE: Western Watauga Community Center

Good morning,

Yes the base bid (without underlayment) tax break out is \$1,733.00

Thank you!

Hope Vanhoy

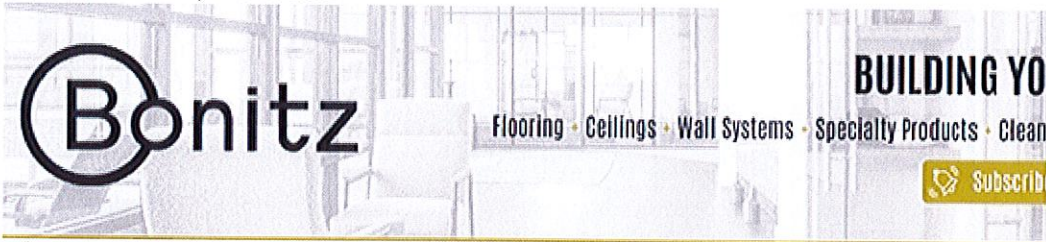
Project Consultant

c: 336-671-6320 |

e: Hopevanhoy@bonitz.com

3480 Myer Lee Drive

Winston Salem, NC 27101



From: Robert.Marsh <Robert.Marsh@watgov.org>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 8:59 AM
To: Hope Vanhoy <HopeHart@Bonitz.com>
Cc: Susanne.Winebarger <Susanne.Winebarger@watgov.org>
Subject: RE: Western Watauga Community Center

Good Morning, we are currently reviewing bids. Does you quote include sales tax in the total? RM

From: Hope Vanhoy <HopeHart@Bonitz.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 3:24 PM
To: Robert.Marsh <Robert.Marsh@watgov.org>

PROPOSAL: 48650

DATE: 02/01/23
PROJECT#: 20-467



123 Sweeten Creek Rd.
Asheville, NC 28803
Suite A
Phone:828.277.7001
Fax:828-277-7003

PROPOSAL FOR:				INSTALL AT:	
WATAUGA COUNTY Watagua Comm Center ROBERT MARSH 274 WINKLERS CREEK RD BOONE NC 28607				Watagua Comm Center 274 WINKLERS CREEK RD BOONE NC 28607 WATAUGA COUNTY ROBERT MARSH	
SALESPERSON	TERMS	EST. INSTALL	QUOTE VALID		
EMILY SLUDER	NET 10	//	//		
#	QTY	PRODUCT	DESCRIPTION	SELL	EXTENDED
1	560 SY	Demo	Demo 12' Carpet		
2	1 EA	Primer	ARDEX P-4 3.5G PREMIXED RAPID DRYING MULTIPURPOSE PRIMER 32547		
3	21.32 SY	WOM	Walk Off Carpet Tile - color TBD		
4	610 SY	Cpt Tile	Carpet Tile Farmland- 24"x24"		
5	8 EA	Adhesive	TacTiles GB 1 Roll - Carpet Tile Non-Wet Adhesive		
6	140 SF	Labor	Labor to prime and skim ceramic for Walk Off Carpet		
7	21 SY	Install	Install WOM		
8	610 SY	Install	Install Carpet Tile - cut to wood base		
9	1 EA	Labor	Labor to repair LVT		
10	1 EA	Freight	Freight		
11	2 EA	LM	Trips		
					30,975.73
			Weekend		
12	2 EA	Weekends	Weekends		
			Weekend		714.28



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SALESPERSON	TERMS	EST. INSTALL	QUOTE VALID
EMILY SLUDER	NET 10	//	//

#	QTY	PRODUCT	DESCRIPTION	SELL	EXTENDED
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TERMS & CONDITIONS
 75% DEPOSIT NEEDED TO INITIATE ORDER ALONG WITH PO OR SIGNATURE.
 PBI INVOICES BASED ON PROGRESS OF A JOB (AS ITEMS ARE DELIVERED TO YOU).
 PLEASE SPECIFY ONE DELIVERY IF ONLY ONE CHECK CAN BE CUT.
 STORAGE FEE OF \$350/WEEK WILL BE CHARGED ON GOODS HELD OVER 2 WEEKS.
 A 50% RESTOCKING FEE WILL BE CHARGED IF ORDER IS CANCELLED.
 A 4% SURCHARGE WILL BE ACQUIRED ON CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS.
 WE LOOK FORWARD TO DOING BUSINESS WITH YOU!!!

DEPOSIT REQUIRED 25,372.00

SUBTOTAL....: 31,690.01

ACCEPTED BY _____

SALES TAX...: 2,139.10

DATE ACCEPTED _____

TOTAL 33,829.11

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AGENDA ITEM 8:

TAX MATTERS

A. Monthly Collections Report

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Larry Warren, Tax Administrator, will present the Monthly Collections Report and be available for questions and discussion.

The report is for information only; therefore, no action is required.


Monthly Collections Report

Watauga County

Bank deposits of the following amounts have been made and credited to the account of Watauga County. The reported totals do not include small shortages and overages reported to the Watauga County Finance Officer

Monthly Report February 2023

	<u>Current Month</u> <u>Collections</u>	<u>Current FY</u> <u>Collections</u>	<u>Current FY</u> <u>Percentage</u>	<u>Previous FY</u> <u>Percentage</u>
<u>General County</u>				
Taxes 2022	944,050.67	41,232,688.52	96.45%	96.07%
Prior Year Taxes	36,114.46	343,019.12		
Solid Waste User Fees	63,996.98	2,566,397.54	95.00%	94.76%
Green Box Fees	11.99	235.80		NA
Total County Funds	\$1,044,174.10	\$44,142,340.98		
<u>Fire Districts</u>				
Foscoe Fire	13,576.29	650,460.56	96.74%	96.19%
Boone Fire	26,492.94	1,279,923.05	96.40%	96.39%
Fall Creek Service Dist.	706.50	13,097.65	95.36%	96.18%
Beaver Dam Fire	8,852.87	135,926.89	93.58%	92.33%
Stewart Simmons Fire	9,906.81	356,691.52	95.74%	94.39%
Zionville Fire	5,559.98	150,547.67	93.79%	93.78%
Cove Creek Fire	9,396.00	342,495.45	95.62%	94.54%
Shawneehaw Fire	4,686.41	151,224.90	96.79%	94.12%
Meat Camp Fire	8,599.22	299,908.18	94.03%	93.93%
Deep Gap Fire	5,232.03	261,800.52	95.46%	94.90%
Todd Fire	1,120.54	72,961.60	95.54%	96.74%
Blowing Rock Fire	14,432.75	675,998.05	97.25%	96.44%
M.C. Creston Fire	231.05	7,305.64	89.36%	85.75%
Foscoe Service District	3,099.71	108,509.82	97.27%	96.83%
Beech Mtn. Service Dist.	259.69	2,266.33	96.55%	99.11%
Cove Creek Service Dist.	0.00	336.65	100.00%	100.00%
Shawneehaw Service Dist	61.14	8,053.59	93.49%	95.63%
Total Fire District Fund	112,213.93	4,517,508.07		
<u>Towns</u>				
Boone	126,026.95	8,210,684.06	97.64%	97.81%
Municipal Services	1,685.48	164,091.99	96.75%	96.89%
Boone MV Fee	NA	NA	NA	NA
Blowing Rock	NA	NA	NA	NA
Seven Devils	NA	NA	NA	NA
Beech Mountain	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total Town Taxes	\$127,712.43	\$8,374,776.05		
Total Amount Collected	\$1,284,100.46	\$57,034,625.10		

 Tax Collections Director

 Tax Administrator

AGENDA ITEM 8:

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B. Refunds and Releases

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Larry Warren will present the Refunds and Releases Reports. Board action is required to accept the Refunds and Releases Reports.

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1737134 BLALOCK ELECTRIC CO INC C/O LANCE M., BLALOCK 200 THISTLE LANE BANNER ELK, NC 28604	PP 2021	283	02/28/2023			0	F01	.35
	965			F01			G01	2.78
	TAX RELEASES				8539		F01L	.04
	out of business						G01L	.28
								<hr/> 3.45
1737134 BLALOCK ELECTRIC CO INC C/O LANCE M., BLALOCK 200 THISTLE LANE BANNER ELK, NC 28604	PP 2022	263	02/28/2023			0	F01	.35
	965			F01			G01	2.19
	REFUND RELEASE				8540		F01L	.04
	out of business						G01L	.22
								<hr/> 2.80
1825482 BLUE RIDGE TOURIST COURT, LLC 505 GRAND BLVD BOONE, NC 28607	RE 2022	40299	02/28/2023			98,350	C02	354.06
	2910-89-7127-000			C02			G01	312.75
	TAX RELEASES				8536			
								<hr/> 666.81
1737295 BROWN, THOMAS 149 HENSEL LANE BOONE, NC 28607	PP 2019	325	02/28/2023			0	SWF	80.00
	918			F02				
	TAX RELEASES				8532			
								<hr/> 80.00
1737295 BROWN, THOMAS 149 HENSEL LANE BOONE, NC 28607	PP 2020	1476	02/28/2023			0	SWF	80.00
	918			F02				
	TAX RELEASES				8533			
								<hr/> 80.00
1737295 BROWN, THOMAS 149 HENSEL LANE BOONE, NC 28607	PP 2021	267	02/28/2023			0	SWF	80.00
	918			F02				
	TAX RELEASES				8534			
								<hr/> 80.00
1737295 BROWN, THOMAS 149 HENSEL LANE BOONE, NC 28607	PP 2022	248	02/28/2023			0	F02	2.32
	918			F02			G01	12.31
	TAX RELEASES				8535		SWF	80.00
	LISTED UNDER ACCT#1650371						F02L	.23
							G01L	1.23
								<hr/> 96.09
1203405 CALVIN, EDWARD P AND JANIS L 1761 HWY 31 NORTH ATHENS, AL 35613	RE 2022	8800	02/13/2023			0	G01	7.00
	1940-82-7688-000			C05				
	TAX RELEASES				8499			
								<hr/> PROPERTY VALUE SHOULD BE LESS

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1033430 COMBS, J PAUL 1048 CASTLE FORD RD. BOONE, NC 28607-8831	RE 2022 2922-33-1793-000 TAX RELEASES HOME WAS ASSESSED TO INCORRECT	1000072	02/28/2023	F09	8507	0	F09 G01 SWF	305.85 1,945.21 80.00 <hr/> 2,331.06
1033430 COMBS, J PAUL 1048 CASTLE FORD RD. BOONE, NC 28607-8831	RE 2022 2922-33-1793-000 TAX RELEASES HOME WAS ASSESSED TO INCORRECT Reversal of release	1000072	02/28/2023	F09	8508	0	F09 G01 SWF	-305.85 -1,945.21 -80.00 <hr/> -2,331.06
1033430 COMBS, J PAUL 1048 CASTLE FORD RD. BOONE, NC 28607-8831	RE 2022 2922-33-1793-000 REFUND RELEASE HOME WAS ASSESSED ON INCORRECT	1000072	02/28/2023	F09	8510	0	F09 G01 SWF	305.85 1,945.21 80.00 <hr/> 2,331.06
1815496 CORNERSTONE SUMMIT, INC 1100 E KING ST BOONE, NC 28607	RE 2022 2910-59-9050-000 TAX RELEASES EXEMPT PROPERTY	39867	02/28/2023	C02	8537	0	C02 G01	1,944.72 1,717.84 <hr/> 3,662.56
1815496 CORNERSTONE SUMMIT, INC 1100 E KING ST BOONE, NC 28607	RE 2022 2910-68-1984-000 TAX RELEASES EXEMPT PROPERTY	39993	02/28/2023	C02	8538	0	C02 G01	1,222.56 1,079.93 <hr/> 2,302.49
1040047 DANNER, BRENDA 9591 US HWY 421 N ZIONVILLE, NC 28698-9009	PP 2022 305419300 TAX RELEASES SOLD TO LARRY CANTER-2022	2126	02/28/2023	F06	8541	0	F06 G01 SWF F06L G01L	1.29 8.20 80.00 .13 .82 <hr/> 90.44
1628847 DTS PROPERTIES OF BOONE LLC 156 ARROWHEAD CT BOONE, NC 28607	RE 2022 2910-79-3016-000 REFUND RELEASE PROPERTY TAX COMMISSION SETTLEMENT	40175	02/10/2023	C02	8492	198,490	C02 G01	714.56 631.20 <hr/> 1,345.76
1724050 GONZALEZ, MICHAEL 6916 N RIVER BLVD TAMPA, FL 33604	RE 2022 1950-14-1655-000 REFUND RELEASE PROPERTY TAX COMMISSION SETTLEMENT	11517	02/28/2023	C05	8495	34,700	G01	110.35

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1763961 GSTEIGER, DARCY R GSTEIGER, DARCY R 115 W SHAMROCK LN BEECH MOUNTAIN, NC 28604	RE 2022 1940-74-6318-000 REFUND RELEASE	8607	02/28/2023	C05	8511	51,700	G01	164.41
1734788 HINSHAW, DAVID 1827 RUSS CORNETT RD BOONE, NC 28607-8066	RE 2022 2809-29-0289-000 TAX RELEASES	24723	02/28/2023	F02	8493	57,700	F02 G01	34.62 183.49
1634115 KILMARTIN, SEAN KILMARTIN, JANE 4244 OLD COURSE DR CHARLOTTE, NC 28277	RE 2022 1982-77-9947-000 REFUND RELEASE	19193	02/28/2023	F07	8542	247,000	F07 G01 SWF	123.50 785.46 80.00
1280080 MILLER, RAY M 1137 HOWARDS CREEK ROAD BOONE, NC 28607-7515	PP 2021 3795 REFUND RELEASE	1479	02/28/2023	F09	8505	0	F09 G01	2.50 20.15
1280080 MILLER, RAY M 1137 HOWARDS CREEK ROAD BOONE, NC 28607-7515	PP 2022 3795 REFUND RELEASE	1359	02/28/2023	F09	8506	0	F09 G01 F09L G01L	2.43 15.42 .24 1.54
1618124 MUELLER, MARY JANE .MARY J MULLER TRUST 168 SHEPHERD RD MOORESVILLE, NC 28115	PP 2018 715 TAX RELEASES	308	02/28/2023	C05	8517	0	G01 G01L	7.06 .71
1618124 MUELLER, MARY JANE .MARY J MULLER TRUST 168 SHEPHERD RD MOORESVILLE, NC 28115	PP 2019 715 TAX RELEASES	263	02/28/2023	C05	8518	0	G01 G01L	8.06 .81
1618124 MUELLER, MARY JANE .MARY J MULLER TRUST 168 SHEPHERD RD MOORESVILLE, NC 28115	PP 2020 715 TAX RELEASES	1184	02/28/2023	C05	8519	0	G01 G01L	8.06 .81

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1618124 MUELLER, MARY JANE .MARY J MULLER TRUST 168 SHEPHERD RD MOORESVILLE, NC 28115	PP 2021	208	02/28/2023			0	G01	8.06
	715 TAX RELEASES SOLD IN 2017			C05	8520		G01L	.81
								8.87
1618124 MUELLER, MARY JANE .MARY J MULLER TRUST 168 SHEPHERD RD MOORESVILLE, NC 28115	PP 2022	190	02/28/2023			0	G01	6.36
	715 TAX RELEASES SOLD IN 2017			C05	8521		G01L	.64
								7.00
1617450 ONEAL, PATRICK K ONEAL, MIKEL L 331 NORTH PINNACLE RIDGE ROAD BANNER ELK, NC 28604	RE 2022	9138	02/28/2023			188,400	G01	599.11
	1940-92-2311-000 REFUND RELEASE PROPERTY TAX COMMISSION SETTLEMENT			C05	8512			
1524452 SAGEBRUSH OF NC LLC #514 27 E SHERIDAN AVE #200 OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	PP 2020	693	02/28/2023			0	G01	193.36
	524452999 TAX RELEASES OUT OF BUSINESS			C02	8546		C02 G01L C02L	196.72 19.34 19.67
								429.09
1524452 SAGEBRUSH OF NC LLC #514 27 E SHERIDAN AVE #200 OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	PP 2021	2510	02/28/2023			0	G01	184.45
	524452999 TAX RELEASES OUT OF BUSINESS			C02	8544		C02	201.39
								385.84
1524452 SAGEBRUSH OF NC LLC #514 27 E SHERIDAN AVE #200 OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	PP 2022	2637	02/28/2023			0	G01	140.52
	524452999 REFUND RELEASE BUSINESS CLOSED			C02	8543		C02 G01L C02L	159.08 14.05 15.91
								329.56
1546805 SHOE DEPARTMENT #504,THE P O BOX 648 CONCORD, NC 28026	PP 2022	2815	02/28/2023			0	G01	32.31
	546805999 REFUND RELEASE SENT IN AN AMMENDED RETURN			C02	8498		C02	36.58
								68.89
1644975 SKY COUNTRY LLC 671 BARE RIDGE RD WEST JEFFERSON, NC 28694	RE 2022	39645	02/28/2023			4,100	C02	14.76
	2910-48-1866-000 REFUND RELEASE REMOVED VALUE OF CHAIN LINK FENCE			C02	8494		G01	13.04
								27.80

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1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2014	3184	02/28/2023			0 G01	84.82
	603187999			C03		F12	13.55
	TAX RELEASES				8522	G01L	8.48
	out of business					F12L	1.36
							108.21
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2015	3119	02/28/2023			0 G01	84.82
	603187999			C03		F12	13.55
	TAX RELEASES				8523		
	Out of Business						98.37
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2016	3238	02/28/2023			0 G01	84.82
	603187999			C03		F12	13.55
	TAX RELEASES				8524		
	out of business						98.37
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2017	3306	02/28/2023			0 G01	95.66
	603187999			C03		F12	13.55
	REFUND RELEASE				8525	G01L	9.57
	out of business					F12L	1.36
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2018	3177	02/28/2023			0 G01	95.66
	603187999			C03		F12	13.55
	REFUND RELEASE				8526		
	out of business						109.21
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2019	3376	02/28/2023			0 G01	92.93
	603187999			C03		F12	11.53
	REFUND RELEASE				8527	G01L	9.29
	out of business					F12L	1.15
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2020	1081	02/28/2023			0 G01	92.93
	603187999			C03		F12	11.53
	REFUND RELEASE				8528	G01L	9.29
	out of business					F12L	1.15
1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2021	3157	02/28/2023			0 G01	92.93
	603187999			C03		F12	11.53
	REFUND RELEASE				8529		
	out of business						104.46

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1603187 T G CONSTRUCTION ANTHONY GRAGG PO BOX 668 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605-9756	PP 2022 603187999 REFUND RELEASE out of business	3255	02/28/2023	C03	8530	0 G01 F12 G01L F12L	73.33 11.53 7.33 1.15 <hr/> 93.34
1794555 TOOLE, SCARLETT 2315 WEST CIRCLE DR ORANGEBURG, SC 29118	PP 2022 3055 TAX RELEASES SOLD IN 2021-LISTED AND PAID FOR 2022 UN DER #1852287	1035	02/28/2023	F09	8531	0 F09 G01 SWF F09L G01L	2.35 14.95 80.00 .24 1.50 <hr/> 99.04
1167410 VINES, BOB AND WANDA 6465 US HWY 321 N SUGAR GROVE, NC 28679-9493	RE 2023 1000021 1952-33-8294-000 TAX RELEASES CUSTOMER SHOULD BE KEPT IN DEFERMENTS	1000021	02/10/2023	F04	8489	0 F04 G01	83.80 675.43 <hr/> 759.23
1167410 VINES, BOB AND WANDA 6465 US HWY 321 N SUGAR GROVE, NC 28679-9493	RE 2023 1000020 1952-33-8294-000 TAX RELEASES CUSTOMER SHOULD BE KEPT IN DEFERMENTS	1000020	02/10/2023	F04	8490	0 F04 G01	83.80 675.43 <hr/> 759.23
1167410 VINES, BOB AND WANDA 6465 US HWY 321 N SUGAR GROVE, NC 28679-9493	RE 2023 1000019 1952-33-8294-000 TAX RELEASES CUSTOMER SHOULD BE KEPT IN DEFERMENTS	1000019	02/10/2023	F04	8491	0 F04 G01	77.55 493.22 <hr/> 570.77
1517659 WATSON, ANNA MAE 154 GILLIS ROAD BANNER ELK, NC 28604	PP 2022 517659999 TAX RELEASES SOLD 6/21-BILLED UNDER NEW ACCT 1834348	2551	02/28/2023	F01	8516	0 SWF G01 F01 G01L F01L	80.00 33.26 5.23 3.33 .52 <hr/> 122.34
1617508 WATSON, ANNAMAE WATSON, ROGER 154 GILLIS RD BANNER ELK, NC 28604	PP 2021 3019 TAX RELEASES BILLED UNDER ACCT 1517659	1091	02/28/2023	F01	8513	0 F01 G01 SWF F01L G01L	5.23 42.15 80.00 .52 4.22 <hr/> 132.12

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OWNER NAME AND ADDRESS	CAT YEAR PROPERTY REASON	BILL	EFF DATE	JUR	REF NO	VALUE CHARGE	AMOUNT
1617508 WATSON, ANNAMAE WATSON, ROGER 154 GILLIS RD BANNER ELK, NC 28604	PP 2021	1091	02/28/2023			0 F01	-5.23
	3019			F01		G01	-42.15
	TAX RELEASES				8515	SWF	-80.00
	BILLED UNDER ACCT 1517659					F01L	-.52
	Reversal of release		8513			G01L	-4.22
							<hr/> -132.12
1617508 WATSON, ANNAMAE WATSON, ROGER 154 GILLIS RD BANNER ELK, NC 28604	PP 2022	1009	02/28/2023			0 F01	5.08
	3019			F01		G01	32.28
	TAX RELEASES				8514	SWF	80.00
	BILLED UNDER ACCT 1517659					F01L	.51
						G01L	3.23
							<hr/> 121.10
1817037 WEHRMANN, KENNETH D WEHRMANN, JESSICA L P O BOX 7 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605	RE 2022	28617	02/14/2023			0 F02	18.96
	2819-97-5885-000			F02		G01	100.49
	TAX RELEASES				8502		
	PARCEL SHOULD HAVE BEEN DEACTIVATED						<hr/> 119.45
1817037 WEHRMANN, KENNETH D WEHRMANN, JESSICA L P O BOX 7 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605	RE 2022	28619	02/14/2023			0 F02	23.40
	2819-97-7788-000			F02		G01	124.02
	TAX RELEASES				8501		
	PARCEL SHOULD HAVE BEEN DEACTIVATED						<hr/> 147.42
1817037 WEHRMANN, KENNETH D WEHRMANN, JESSICA L P O BOX 7 BLOWING ROCK, NC 28605	RE 2022	28640	02/14/2023			0 F02	33.12
	2819-98-8005-000			F02		G01	175.54
	TAX RELEASES				8500		
	PARCEL SHOULD HAVE BEEN DEACTIVATED						<hr/> 208.66
1241553 WELLBORN'S INSULATION P O BOX 90 BOONE, NC 286070090	PP 2022	2026	02/28/2023			0 G01	15.90
	241553999			F02		F02	3.00
	TAX RELEASES				8496		<hr/> 18.90
CLOSED							
1625023 WKM OF BOONE LLC PO BOX 541 DEEP GAP, NC 28618	RE 2022	41042	02/28/2023			96,100 C02	345.96
	2911-50-4531-000			C02		G01	305.60
	TAX RELEASES				8497	SWF	160.00
	RESIDENTIAL DEMOLITION						<hr/> 811.56
DETAIL SUMMARY		COUNT: 54		RELEASES - TOTAL		976,540	18,853.84

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YEAR	CAT	CHARGE	AMOUNT	
2014	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
2014	PP	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.36
2014	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	84.82
2014	PP	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	8.48
			2014 TOTAL	108.21
2015	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
2015	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	84.82
			2015 TOTAL	98.37
2016	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
2016	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	84.82
			2016 TOTAL	98.37
2017	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
2017	PP	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.36
2017	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	95.66
2017	PP	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	9.57
			2017 TOTAL	120.14
2018	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
2018	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	102.72
2018	PP	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.71
			2018 TOTAL	116.98
2019	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
2019	PP	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.15
2019	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	100.99
2019	PP	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	10.10
2019	PP	SWF	SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
			2019 TOTAL	203.77
2020	PP	C02	BOONE PP	196.72
2020	PP	C02L	BOONE LATE LIST	19.67
2020	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
2020	PP	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.15
2020	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	294.35
2020	PP	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	29.44
2020	PP	SWF	SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
			2020 TOTAL	632.86
2021	PP	C02	BOONE PP	201.39
2021	PP	F01	FOSCOE FIRE PP	.35
2021	PP	F01L	FOSCOE FIRE LATE LIST	.04
2021	PP	F09	MEAT CAMP FIRE PP	2.50
2021	PP	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
2021	PP	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	308.37
2021	PP	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	1.09
2021	PP	SWF	SANITATION USER FEE	80.00

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RELEASES - CHARGE SUMMARY FOR ALL CLERKS

YEAR	CAT	CHARGE	AMOUNT
2021 TOTAL			605.27
2022	RE	C02 BOONE RE	4,596.62
2022	RE	F02 BOONE FIRE RE	110.10
2022	RE	F07 COVE CREEK FIRE RE	123.50
2022	RE	F09 MEAT CAMP FIRE RE	305.85
2022	RE	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY RE	8,255.44
2022	RE	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	320.00
2022	PP	C02 BOONE PP	195.66
2022	PP	C02L BOONE LATE LIST	15.91
2022	PP	F01 FOSCOE FIRE PP	10.66
2022	PP	F01L FOSCOE FIRE LATE LIST	1.07
2022	PP	F02 BOONE FIRE PP	5.32
2022	PP	F02L BOONE FIRE LATE LIST	.23
2022	PP	F06 ZIONVILLE FIRE PP	1.29
2022	PP	F06L ZIONVILLE FIRE LATE LIST	.13
2022	PP	F09 MEAT CAMP FIRE PP	4.78
2022	PP	F09L MEAT CAMP FIRE LATE LIST	.48
2022	PP	F12 BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
2022	PP	F12L BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.15
2022	PP	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY PP	387.03
2022	PP	G01L WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	33.89
2022	PP	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	400.00
2022 TOTAL			14,780.64
2023	RE	F04 BEAVER DAM FIRE RE	245.15
2023	RE	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY RE	1,844.08
2023 TOTAL			2,089.23
SUMMARY TOTAL			18,853.84

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RELEASES - JURISDICTION SUMMARY FOR ALL CLERKS

JUR	YEAR	CHARGE	AMOUNT	
C02	2020	C02	BOONE PP	196.72
C02	2020	C02L	BOONE LATE LIST	19.67
C02	2020	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	193.36
C02	2020	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	19.34
C02	2021	C02	BOONE PP	201.39
C02	2021	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	184.45
C02	2022	C02	BOONE RE	4,792.28
C02	2022	C02L	BOONE LATE LIST	15.91
C02	2022	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY RE	4,233.19
C02	2022	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	14.05
C02	2022	SWF	SANITATION USER FEE	160.00
C02 TOTAL			10,030.36	
C03	2014	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
C03	2014	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.36
C03	2014	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	84.82
C03	2014	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	8.48
C03	2015	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
C03	2015	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	84.82
C03	2016	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
C03	2016	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	84.82
C03	2017	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
C03	2017	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.36
C03	2017	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	95.66
C03	2017	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	9.57
C03	2018	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	13.55
C03	2018	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	95.66
C03	2019	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
C03	2019	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.15
C03	2019	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	92.93
C03	2019	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	9.29
C03	2020	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
C03	2020	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.15
C03	2020	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	92.93
C03	2020	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	9.29
C03	2021	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
C03	2021	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	92.93
C03	2022	F12	BLOWING ROCK FIRE PP	11.53
C03	2022	F12L	BLOWING ROCK FIRE LATE LIST	1.15
C03	2022	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	73.33
C03	2022	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	7.33
C03 TOTAL			961.90	
C05	2018	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	7.06
C05	2018	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.71
C05	2019	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	8.06
C05	2019	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.81
C05	2020	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	8.06
C05	2020	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.81
C05	2021	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY PP	8.06
C05	2021	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.81
C05	2022	G01	WATAUGA COUNTY RE	887.23
C05	2022	G01L	WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.64

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RELEASES - JURISDICTION SUMMARY FOR ALL CLERKS

JUR	YEAR	CHARGE	AMOUNT
		C05 TOTAL	922.25
F01	2021	F01 FOSCOE FIRE PP	.35
F01	2021	F01L FOSCOE FIRE LATE LIST	.04
F01	2021	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY PP	2.78
F01	2021	G01L WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.28
F01	2021	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	.00
F01	2022	F01 FOSCOE FIRE PP	10.66
F01	2022	F01L FOSCOE FIRE LATE LIST	1.07
F01	2022	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY PP	67.73
F01	2022	G01L WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	6.78
F01	2022	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	160.00
		F01 TOTAL	249.69
F02	2019	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
F02	2020	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
F02	2021	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
F02	2022	F02 BOONE FIRE RE	115.42
F02	2022	F02L BOONE FIRE LATE LIST	.23
F02	2022	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY RE	611.75
F02	2022	G01L WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	1.23
F02	2022	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
		F02 TOTAL	1,048.63
F04	2023	F04 BEAVER DAM FIRE RE	245.15
F04	2023	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY RE	1,844.08
		F04 TOTAL	2,089.23
F06	2022	F06 ZIONVILLE FIRE PP	1.29
F06	2022	F06L ZIONVILLE FIRE LATE LIST	.13
F06	2022	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY PP	8.20
F06	2022	G01L WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	.82
F06	2022	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
		F06 TOTAL	90.44
F07	2022	F07 COVE CREEK FIRE RE	123.50
F07	2022	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY RE	785.46
F07	2022	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	80.00
		F07 TOTAL	988.96
F09	2021	F09 MEAT CAMP FIRE PP	2.50
F09	2021	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY PP	20.15
F09	2022	F09 MEAT CAMP FIRE PP	310.63
F09	2022	F09L MEAT CAMP FIRE LATE LIST	.48
F09	2022	G01 WATAUGA COUNTY PP	1,975.58
F09	2022	G01L WATAUGA COUNTY LATE LIST	3.04
F09	2022	SWF SANITATION USER FEE	160.00
		F09 TOTAL	2,472.38
		SUMMARY TOTAL	18,853.84

AGENDA ITEM 8:

TAX MATTERS

C. Request to Set Dates for Board of Equalization and Review (E&R) Hearings

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Warren will request the Board provide meeting dates for the Board of Equalization and review. The convening and adjourning dates are April 4th and April 17th. However, hearing dates may be scheduled after April 17th.

Staff seeks direction from the Board.



WATAUGA COUNTY TAX ADMINISTRATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Deron T. Geouque

CC: Anita Fogle, Clerk to the Board

FROM: Larry D. Warren

SUBJECT: 2023 Board of Equalization and Review Hearing Dates

DATE: March 15, 2023

I'd like to address the County Commissioners at the March 21st meeting to discuss dates and times for the 2023 Board of E&R hearings.

The dates and times the Board approves will be advertised locally prior to the first meeting. The convening and adjourning dates for the acceptance of applications for the 2023 Board of E&R is April 4th and April 17th, however hearing dates may be scheduled beyond April 17th.

Thank you.

AGENDA ITEM 9:

PROPOSED PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING APRIL 2023 AS NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Jason Walker, Planning and Inspections Director, will request the Board adopt the attached proclamation supporting National Fair Housing Month for the month of April 2023.

Staff seeks direction from the Board.



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*Department of
Planning & Inspections*

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Voice 1-800-735-8262

or 711

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Memorandum

Date: March 8, 2023
To: Deron Geouque
From: Jason Walker
Re: National Fair Housing Month

Please find the attached resolution supporting National Fair Housing Month for the month of April 2023.

As a part of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies that the county receives, we commit to a quarterly activity in support of public awareness. This quarter the Fair Housing activity is supporting the attached resolution to further public awareness.

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**PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING
NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH**

WHEREAS, April marks the anniversary of the Fair Housing Act of 1968, which sought to eliminate discrimination in housing opportunities and to affirmatively further housing choices for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Watauga County desires that all its citizens be afforded the opportunity to attain a decent, safe and sound living environment; and

WHEREAS, individuals in the State of North Carolina have the right to choose where to live without discrimination based on race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, handicapped status, or familial status; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina enacted the North Carolina State Fair Housing Act in 1983.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Watauga Board of Commissioners do hereby join in the national celebration by proclaiming April 2023 as Fair Housing Month.

ADOPTED by the 21st day of March, 2023.



Larry Turnbow, Chairman
Watauga County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Anita J. Fogle, Clerk to the Board

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AGENDA ITEM 10:**MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS*****A. Second Ratification of the Proposed Amendment to Section XV of the Ambulance Franchise Ordinance Regarding the Membership of the EMS Advisory Board*****MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Staff requests the Board amend Section XV of the Ambulance Franchise Ordinance. This amendment reflects updated agency names and membership terms. The amendment was approved by the current EMS Advisory Board at the February 2023 meeting.

North Carolina General Statute 153A-46 requires a grant, renewal, extension, or amendment of any franchise to be passed at two regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners before it may be adopted. The first ratification was at the March 7, 2023, meeting; therefore, the Board will need a second ratification to adopt the amendment.

Staff recommends the Board ratify and adopt the amendment as presented as this is the second ratification and meets the requirements as set forth by North Carolina General Statute 153A-46.



Watauga County Emergency Services

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Fire Marshal ♦ Emergency Management ♦ Communications

February 8, 2023

To: Board of Commissioners

CC: Deron Geouque, County Manager
Anita Fogle, Clerk to the Board

Subject: Proposed Amendment to the EMS Advisory Board Membership

Board of Commissioners,

Please consider my request to amend Section XV of the Ambulance Franchise Ordinance. This amendment reflects updated agency names and membership terms. This amendment comes at the recommendation of the current EMS Advisory Board who endorsed these changes in their February 2023 meeting. Per County policy and General Statute an amendment to the ordinance requires two readings and Board approval.

Respectfully,

Will Holt
ES Director

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AMENDMENT TO THE AMBULANCE FRANCHISE ORDINANCE

Section XV. EMS Advisory Committee

15.1 The Watauga County Board of Commissioners hereby creates the Watauga County EMS Advisory Committee. This committee shall advise the County on matters related to enforcement of this Ordinance and shall develop and recommend to the County such standards of care, policies, procedures and actions which will maintain and improve the quality of ambulance service for the residents of Watauga County.

15.2 Membership on the Committee will consist of the following:

- Representative of Appalachian Regional Healthcare System
- Representative of Boone Fire Department
- Representative of Blowing Rock Fire & Rescue
- Representative of Watauga Rescue Squad
- Representative of Franchisee
- Medical Director
- County Manager
- County Commissioner, appointed annually in December
- Fire Commission Chairman or Designee
- Representative of Emergency Services
- 1-2 At-Large First Responder Appointee(s), from geographic areas not covered by the above representatives, appointed by the County Commissioners for staggered 2-year terms in December

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B. Announcements

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AGENDA ITEM 12:

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AGENDA ITEM 13:

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Attorney/Client Matters – G. S. 143-318.11(a)(3)
Economic Development – G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4)