MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD ON APRIL 21, 2014

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on April 21, 2014, 5:50 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Room A201, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Jack Debnam, Chairman Chuck Wooten, County Mgr.
Doug Cody, Vice Chair J. K. Coward, County Attorney
Mark Jones, Commissioner Pat Parris, Clerk to Board

Charles Elders, Commissioner Vicki Greene, Commissioner

Chairman Debnam called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose is to receive public input concerning proposed an amendment to the Subdivision Ordinance.

Gerald Green, Planning Director, stated that apartment developments with more than eight (8) buildings are currently subject to review for compliance with the Subdivision Ordinance. This review is mandated by an interpretation of the definition of major subdivision, which defines a major subdivision as the development of land into 8 or more lots or buildings. The review assures that infrastructure (roads, water, wastewater treatment) is in place to serve the development, mandates certain grades for internal roads and drives, assures review of access roads and water system (for fire protection) by the fire marshal and/or fire department, and can require some landscaping of the development. Plans were reviewed by the Planning Board in a public hearing with notice provided to surrounding property owners.

The proposed amendment is recommended by the Cullowhee Community Planning Advisory Committee and the Planning Board as follows:

Section 1.3 Definitions: (amendment in italics)

<u>Major subdivision</u> means a subdivision which does not meet the definition of a minor subdivision or a family subdivision *and/or is the development of property for 8 or more lots or buildings and/or 60 or more bedrooms*.

Public Comments: None

There being no comments, Commissioner Jones moved to adjourn the Public Hearing. Commissioner Greene seconded the Motion. Motion carried and the public hearing adjourned.

Attest:	Approved:	
Patsy C. Parris, Clerk to Board	W. J. Debnam, Chairman	