

**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON
JANUARY 30, 2017**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on January 30, 2017, at 5:45 p.m., Justice & Administration Building, Room A201, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian McMahan, Chairman
Charles Elders, Vice Chair
Boyce Deitz, Commissioner
Mickey Luker, Commissioner
Ron Mau, Commissioner

Don Adams, County Manager
Heather C. Baker, County Attorney
Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board

Chairman McMahan called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose was to receive public input for consideration of the proposed amendments to the Wireless Communications Ordinance.

Michael Poston, Planning Director, stated that in December of 2015, the Board of Commissioners conducted their first quasi-judicial hearing under the recently amended Telecommunication Ordinance. Based on that experience, the Commissioners requested that the Planning Department staff to work with the Planning Board to examine the ordinance in order to make the process more streamlined and less cumbersome. Staff began the review process in April of 2016 and presented proposed amendments to the Planning Board in September of 2016. The final document was created after three months of review and discussion from the Planning Board. The Planning Board made their recommendation to approve the final draft of the proposed amendments to the Board of Commissioners at their November 15, 2016 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Poston previously distributed written comments, received from the public, to the Commissioners.

There being no further public comments, Commissioner Elders moved that the public hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Deitz seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Attest:

Approved:

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman