

**PLANNING AND
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**Transylvania County Planning Board
March 21, 2024 at 6:00 PM
Cooperative Extension Conference Room,
106 East Morgan Street**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

I. **WELCOME:** Mr. Rick Lasater called the meeting to order at 6:01PM. Ms. Wendy Warwick, Mr. Mike Privette, Mr. Bramley Fisher, Mr. Herschel Johnson and Mr. Greg Cochran were present. A quorum was present. Mr. Kimsey Jackson was absent. Planning Department staff Jeff Adams, Darby Terrell, and Ashley Minery were also present. Mr. Dwayne Smith, of Transylvania Solid Waste, was present. Ms. Wendy Manner and Mr. Michael Rosenthal were also present.

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** (15-minute time limit. Speakers are limited to three minutes.):
There were no public comments.

III. **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS:** There were no proposed agenda modifications.

IV. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Minutes (January 18, 2024)
- B. Subdivision Approval and Updates
- C. Transportation Updates

Ms. Minery explained the subdivision approvals and updates for the month. The numbers were also compared to other months in 2023. Mr. Adams and Ms. Terrell provided an update on transportation ridership and possible future changes to fixed route stops. She also discussed grants, advertising, and the Brevard College Survey. There was no further discussion of the consent agenda. Mr. Fisher moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Privette seconded the motion. All present members voted in favor and the motion carried.

V. **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Community Appearance Initiative CAI#24-01: Purple Bucket Enterprises, LLC

The Planning Department received an application for CAI funding to help clean a portion of Becky Mountain Road that has been used as an illegal dumping site of trash and construction waste for years. Mr. Adams presented the staff report and suggested the

Planning Board approve the application for Ms. Manner's property. Mr. Smith, Mr. Adams, and Ms. Manner explained various points of the projects such as steep slope issues and roadbeds. Because of the property's steep grade, a temporary road would be created to access junk for removal. Boulders would then be placed at the top, in the pull off area by the road, to prevent future dumping. This plan has also been discussed with Tory Wilson, NCDOT District 1 Engineer. The dumping site is not visible from the public right-of-way (Becky Mountain Road). Because of this, the board raised concerns about the project fitting into the scope and responsibilities of the Community Appearance Initiative. The board requested the property owner seek more than one quote for grading and removal of junk expenses. They also asked the property owner to state what they would be willing to contribute to the project, whether financially, or having volunteers help pick up the junk. Ms. Manner explained that due to the slope issues and ability to reach some of the junk, volunteers would be difficult to use from the community. Mr. Lasater asked the board to table this item for one month to investigate these issues further. Mr. Privette made the motion, and Ms. Warwick seconded the motion. All present members voted in favor and the motion carried.

VI. INFORMATIONAL OR DISCUSSION ITEMS:

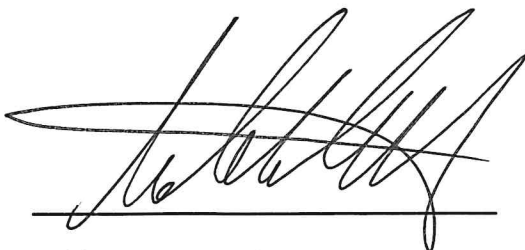
A. Comprehensive Plan Work Session, Outreach and Survey Questions & Issue Areas

Mr. Adams discussed the current plan's goals and objectives. He explained frequently asked questions from citizens. The board also discussed the discrepancy between voting precincts, community centers and township jurisdictions. Mr. Adams will bring data and maps to next month's meeting. The board also expressed their appreciation for stacked bar charts when displaying data. The board also expressed their desire to be able to compare Transylvania County data with surrounding counties and South Carolina.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT: (15-minute time limit. Speakers are limited to three minutes.) There were no public comments.

VIII. BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS: Ms. Warwick said she liked displaying data in bar charts. Mr. Fisher congratulated Mr. Cochran on his Board of Education nomination. Mr. Cochran would like more information on if past CAI stayed within the scope of the mission statement. Mr. Lasater thanked staff for their time and suggested further meetings with Transylvania County Solid Waste for the CAI.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Privette seconded the motion. All present members voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:43PM.



Ashley Minery, Planner



Rick Lasater, Chair