

Unsealed by the Board of Commissioners on 2/12/2024.

**MINUTES**  
**TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**April 25, 2016 – CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (5) to establish or instruct the staff or agent concerning the negotiation of the price and/or terms of a contract negotiating the acquisition of real property, closed session was entered into at 8:05 p.m. Present were Chairman Hawkins, Commissioners Chapman and Lemel, County Manager Jaime Laughter, County Attorney Tony Dalton, Operations Manager David McNeill and Clerk to the Board Trisha Hogan.

Closed Session #1

The Manager was approached by an Ingles representative inquiring about whether or not the County would be interested in selling the lot where the current EMS Station is located. Ingles is more than likely looking to create a more accessible entrance to their business. The Manager pointed out that the building housing EMS is in bad condition and will be included in capital planning later this year.

The station sits on 0.7 acres. The building and land value combine to total approximately \$1 million. A new EMS Station located near the Public Safety Facility or Transylvania Regional Hospital would be ideal. Ingles may be willing to provide property for a new EMS Station. They want to move quickly, so there is also the possibility that EMS would need to be housed temporarily at another location.

Commissioners instructed the Manager to meet with representatives to gauge the seriousness of the inquiry and propose that the sale price should be equal to the cost of purchasing land and building a new EMS Station. Commissioners were not willing to commit to investing additional dollars in a new station at this time. Operations Manager David McNeill will draft a document estimating the cost of a new EMS Station. He may also explore potential synergies with the City of Brevard about collocating a new fire station and EMS.

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Mike Hawkins, Chair  
 Transylvania County Board of Commissioners

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Trisha M. Hogan, Clerk to the Board