

The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 6, 2016, at 6.30pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina.

Present: Chair Tom Smith, Vice-Chair Karen Leys, Commissioner Larry Davis, Commissioner Mark Evans, Commissioner Bobby Irwin, County Attorney Donna Shumate, and Clerk to the Board Lauren Linker.

Chair Smith called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the Invocation.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve the agenda for this June 6th meeting. Commissioner Davis seconded. Vote 5:0

AGENDA
Monday, June 6, 2016
6:30 PM

6:30 Meeting Called To Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation
Motion on Agenda for June 6, 2016 Meeting
Motion on minutes for April 19, 2016, May 2, 2016 and May 16, 2016

A. 6:35 Debbie Weaver, Alleghany High School Volleyball Coach

Proclamation of recognition for 30 years of dedicated coaching and for being awarded Female Coach of the year by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association and North Carolina Coaches Association.
Action Requested - Approve proclamation in recognition of Mrs. Debbie Weaver.

B. 6:40 Ben Cornett, Life Scout: Boy Scout Troop 299

RE: Requesting permission to build 4-5 benches for Veterans Memorial Park as an Eagle Scout project. Action Requested - Vote on the request to build 4-5 benches at Veterans Park.

C. 6:55 Don Adams, County Manager_

1. Present information regarding a proposed new road name; Royal Camp Lane.
2. Public Hearing – Chairman open public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed road name. Chairman close public hearing after receiving comments.
3. Action Requested – Vote on the proposed road name.
4. Present information regarding a proposed new road name; Leavas Way.
5. Public Hearing – Chairman open public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed road name. Chairman close public hearing after receiving comments.
6. Action Requested – Vote on the proposed road name.

D. 7:00 Travis Dalton, County Planner

Wireless Tower Application, Glade Valley Rd Ennice, NC. Action Requested - If ready to proceed, vote on the tower application.

E. 7:20 General Business

1. Annual Report discussion

General discussion of whether or not to continue with annual reports. Action Requested - Decide whether to continue or not.

- F. Public Comments—30 minutes
- G. Commissioners Comments
- H. Closed Session – NCGS 143.318.11 (a) (6)-Personnel
- I. Adjourn

Commissioner Leys made a motion to approve the minutes from April 19, May 2, and May 16, 2016. Commissioner Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0

Commissioner Irwin introduced Coach Debbie Weaver with a proclamation in recognition of her 30 years of coaching the Alleghany County High school Volleyball team.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the proclamation in recognition of Debbie Weaver. Commissioner Evans seconded. Vote 5:0.

Ben Cornett, Boy Scout Troop 299 went over his project details and plans for building benches to be placed along the track at Veterans Memorial Park.

Commissioner Irwin asked if he knew where he wanted to put the benches.

Ben Cornett said yes he wants to put them at the corners.

Commissioner Leys made a motion to approve the building of the benches with the addition of \$20 by each commissioner. Commissioner Irwin seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Don Adams went over the road name request.

Chair Smith opened the public hearing for the road name. Seeing no one he closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Leys made a motion to approve the new road name as Royal Camp Road. Commissioner Evans seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Don Adams explained that there was a second road with a name change and it was being asked to be changed to Leavas Road.

Chair Smith opened the public hearing for the road name. Seeing no one he closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the new road name as Leavas Rd. Commissioner Evans seconded. Vote 5:0

Travis Dalton, County Planner explained all the details of the cell tower.

Commissioner Irwin asked if the Parkway had approved the 150 ft. tower.

Chair Smith asked if the tower was passed by the planning board.

Travis Dalton said yes the Parkway did approve the height and yes the Planning Board had approved the tower.

Carolyn Gould, representative from Vertical Bridge said the color due to where it is to be placed would call for a lighter color and the Vertical Bridge recommendation it to leave it as the galvanized metal color.

Commissioner Irwin clarified that the park service wanted it at 150 ft. and he is the one who recommended the color.

County Manager Don Adams said the application is through the new revised ordinance if needed the tower company is willing to provide space for emergency communication in it.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the cell tower location and color. Commissioner Leys seconded. Vote 5:0

County Manager Don Adams explained what annual reports were for the public and asked if that was something the Commissioners wanted to continue.

Chair Smith thought it was a good idea and would like to see it continue.

Commissioner Irwin agreed. He added that he would like to add a report from the Community College Trustee.

Commissioner Leys said she thought it has been a great communication and enjoys getting to learn about each department and would like to see it continue.

Commissioner Davis said he thought it was a good idea to continue. He had always done them as a Department Head and felt it would be good to hear from everyone.

Commissioner Leys made a motion to continue department annual reports. Commissioner Davis seconded. Vote 5:0

Chair Smith opened the public comments. Seeing no one he closed the public comments.

Commissioner Leys stated that there was good news about the benchmark FSN. She went on to talk about DOT needs and will be getting back with the Board with those issues. She then stated that the septic permit time is 12 days turn around time and thanked everyone at the health department, soil and water thanked Mr. Blatham for getting this done so quickly.

Commissioner Irwin began by referring to a complaint he had received and explained the information that he found. He stated that the septic turnaround time the Commissioner Leys had mentioned was good news. The complaint was just for a couple week and that seems to be better in our County than surrounding areas. He went on to ask for everyone to remember the Veterans and to be thankful for their sacrifices.

Commissioner Davis thanked the Sheriff's Department and commended them for doing a good job with the D.A.R.E. program that he had attended.

Commissioner Evans said he too was going to mention the D.A.R.E. program. It was great to see that interaction with the law enforcement and kids. He continued by saying that the Sheriff's office is having a relay for life lunch next week. He also went on to say that he too wanted to thank all the Veterans for all they have done.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to enter into closed session. Commissioner Davis seconded. Vote 5:0

Chair Smith stated that no decision had been made during closed session.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Evans seconded. Vote 5:0

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Linker
Clerk to the Board

Attest:

Tom Smith
Chair