



TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, NC 28711

Date: August 8, 2022 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Regular Session Agenda

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- Welcome
- Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Announcements
- Ethics Statement: *In accordance with the Code of Ethics adopted by the Council, all council members have a duty to conduct the affairs of the governing board in an open and public manner free of conflicts of interest. Is there any item on the agenda the outcome of which will have a direct, substantial, and readily identifiable financial impact for any Council member, his or her family or close business associates? Does any council member have a financial interest in any public contract coming before this Council today?*
There being none all Board members have a duty and obligation to vote.

2. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- A. Ella's Clean Air Project Recognition
- B. Recognition of Police Cadet Daniel Averette

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

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4. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS & AGENCIES

- A. Buncombe County 2022 Bond Referendum Presentation – Jennifer Billstrom and Mark Hunt
- B. Planning Department Annual Report

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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- A. Adoption of Minutes

Motion: *To approve the minutes of the July 11, 2022 Regular Session Meeting, the July 11, 2022 Closed Session Meeting, the July 7, 2022 Agenda Meeting, the June 28, 2022 Public Hearing.*

- B. Call for Public Hearing to Amend Text for Residential Uses in the Central Business District
#O-22-07

Consent Motion: *To approve consent item A-B as presented.*

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

*The chair will recognize individuals requesting to address the Council regarding the specific **New Business or Unfinished Business items below**. Comments by any one **speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.** If the topic you wish to discuss pertains to a **public hearing** scheduled for this meeting, please reserve your comment for the applicable public hearing.*

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7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Art in the Afternoon Lease

Motion: *To approve the Art in the Afternoon Lease as presented.*

B. Discussion of Downtown Parking Lot

C. Revised Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth Memorandum of Understanding

Motion: *To approve the MOU as presented*

D. Bike Boulevard

Motion: *To select _____ as the name of the new Bike Boulevard*

E. Board Appointments

Active Mobility Commission – (2) 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025

The Active Mobility Commission reviewed three applications for two vacant seats – Michelle Knight, Kyle Cole, and Kevin Bates. The Active Mobility Commission voted 4-0 to recommend **Michelle Knight and Kyle Cole** for appointment to the vacant seats.

Motion: *To appoint _____ to fill a 3-year term ending June 30, 2025 by a vote of _____ for and _____ against.*

ABC Board – Appointment of Alcoholic Beverage Commission Board Chair

The Town Council is responsible for appointing a Chair for the ABC Board. Current members, in order of time of service, are Sam Hobson, Sharon Tabor and Amanda Nichols

Motion: *To appoint _____ as Chair of the ABC Board.*

9. PUBLIC HEARING

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10. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF

A. Town Attorney – Ron Sneed

B. Town Manager – Josh Harrold

11. COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

12. CLOSED SESSION

- A.** Closed Session to discuss matters not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and to consult with the Town Attorney as permitted by North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11.

13. ADJOURNMENT



Josh Harrold
Town Manager



PUBLIC NOTICE

BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL

JUNTA DEL AYUNTAMIENTO

Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Jueves 4 de Agosto 2022 a las 5:00 p.m.

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Savannah Parrish
Town Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION MEETING
JUNTA DEL AYUNTAMIENTO

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In the fourth year of the North Carolina Clean Energy Technology Center (NCCETC)'s "Keep Our Air Clean" Student Art Contest, students in North Carolina from kindergarten through high school submitted their artwork for a chance to be featured on billboards across the state. Students were asked to create art focused on actions that people can take to reduce air pollution from vehicles and help keep the air clean. NCCETC congratulated three artists located in Black Mountain, Surf City and Cary, N.C.

Heather Brutz, Finance & Operations Manager of the Clean Transportation Program at NCCETC, and leader of the art contest, said her goals were to educate the public about what steps we can take to improve air quality, as well as engage young people's creative talents to help get the word out. Brutz said she originally came up with the Student Art Contest while recalling a previous job as a middle school teacher and hoped that the contest would engage young people's creativity to help spread the message about ways we can reduce air pollution from vehicles.

"When I was a teacher, I would often try to engage students in a variety of different ways to teach a lesson. I applied that same thinking when I came up with the idea of the art contest. I wanted to engage a different audience than we sometimes engage in our other educational activities and I wanted to engage them in a different sort of activity than what we were already doing," Brutz explained. "Artwork is so powerful and I wanted to work together with young artists to spread the message about ways we can keep our air clean."

This year's artwork was judged by a panel of four judges: Carla Davis, communications coordinator for NC State University's Sustainability Office; Erin Champion, academic coordinator for the Department of Forestry and Environmental Resources at NC State University; Traci Rider, assistant professor of architecture in the College of Design at NC State University; and Vincent Fazzio from Lamar Advertising. All of the winners selected by the judges were also voted in the top three artwork in their categories on [NCCETC's Facebook page](#).

The Center received a great number of submissions from students across the state. Brutz said, "I am very pleased at the number of submissions we received this year. We received 70 art submissions from all across North Carolina. It was a very competitive contest, and while we were only able to choose three winners to have their artwork displayed on billboards, every single young artist who submitted should feel proud of their artwork."

ELLA MILLWOOD – ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WINNER | BLACK MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BLACK MOUNTAIN, NC

Why did you want to enter the contest?

I wanted to enter because I wanted everyone to see what the world could become.

What does your artwork mean/what were you trying to express?

That people should help keep our air clean.

What does “keep our air clean” mean to you? Why do you think keeping our air clean is important?

I think it is important because if the air is really polluted, we wouldn't be able to breathe and there would be very little life on earth.

Are you doing things in your own life – like riding your bike, carpooling, etc?

We walk and carpool whenever possible.

What was your reaction when you found out you won the contest?

I was surprised! I didn't think I would actually win.

What do you hope will come out of your artwork being up on a billboard for people to see?

People to stop polluting our air and realize what the world could be.

Anything else you'd like to share.

I think that's all!



**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
AGENDA WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
July 7, 2022**

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL held an agenda workshop Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the board room of Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, NC. The purpose of the meeting was to review the agenda for the regular monthly meeting scheduled for Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Larry B. Harris called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Larry B. Harris
Vice Mayor Ryan Stone
Council Member Archie Pertiller
Council Member Pam King
Council Member Doug Hay
Council Member Bill Christy

The following staff members were present:

Josh Harrold, Town Manager
Savannah Parrish, Town Clerk
Ron Sneed, Town Attorney

Mayor Larry Harris opened the meeting. Town Manager, Josh Harrold, presented the proposed agenda to the Town Council.

Council Member Pam King asked if it would be possible to invite Ella Millwood to an upcoming meeting to receive recognition for Ella's Clean Air Project. The Town Manager said that he would reach out.

Item 8C – Capital Budgeting Proposals and Item 8D – Financing for Police Department Vehicles and Body Cameras were added to the New Business section of the agenda.

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

There being no further discussion Mayor Larry B. Harris adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Savannah Parrish, Assistant to Manger/Town Clerk

Larry B. Harris, Mayor



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Date: **July 11, 2022** Time: **6:00 p.m.** **Regular Session Minutes**

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Council Member Bill Christy
Council Member Doug Hay
Council Member Pam King

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Savannah Parrish, Town Clerk
Ron Sneed, Town Attorney

Mayor Harris welcomed the public. Sarah Vekasi, MDiv offered an invocation. Mayor Harris then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Harris read an ethics statement and reminded the public of the Council's duty to vote, save a conflict of interest.

2. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS & RECOGNITION

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Jay Longshore of 103 Cherry Street spoke concerning short term rentals in the downtown business district. Mr. Longshore proposed changing the Land Use Code to prevent short term rentals on street level in the business district.

Phil Bisesi of 15 Highview Drive requested that the Town Council consider acknowledging International Day of Peace with a Proclamation. Mr. Besei would also like to see recycling service increase to once a week.

Sarah Vekasi of 118 Beech Street spoke concerning short term rentals in the downtown business district and agreed with Mr. Longshore's proposed change to the Land Use Code. Ms. Vekasi also expressed concern that short-term rentals on street level in the business district hurt commerce and business occupancy downtown.

Carra Seals of 103 Cheery Street also spoke concerning short term rentals in the downtown business district and agreed with Mr. Longshore's proposed change to the Land Use Code.

Hallie Saunders of 25 Daniel Lane made comments in support of anti-abortion ideology.

Shawn Slome of 115 3rd Street suggested noise pollution measures for the upcoming project on Blue Ridge Road.

Leslie Blount of 220 McCoy Cove Road expressed concern about what she believes in a group of campers living near her home. Ms. Blount will follow up by meeting with the Town Manager and Police Chief.

Mayor Harris requested that items be added to the agenda. A request to close a parking space in a public parking lot and declining federal funds in order to continue moving forward with North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Montreat Road Emergency Signal. Mayor Harris also requested that a brief presentation concerning cyber from Advanced Data be added to the agenda.

Council Member Pam King moved to add the items to the agenda. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

4. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS & AGENCIES

Brian Scheewe of Advanced Data and Network Solutions, the Town's IT provider, gave an update to the Town Council concerning cybersecurity. Brian's presentation covered the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the Town's data and security. The presentation is included and made part of these minutes.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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A. Adoption of Minutes

Motion: *To approve the minutes of the June 13, 2022 Regular Session Meeting, the June 13, 2022 Closed Session Meeting, the June 9, 2022 Agenda Meeting, the June 9, 2022 Budget Meeting, and the June 2, 2022 Budget Meeting.*

B. Resolution Authorizing The Conveyance of Obsolete Property to Ukraine

Motion: *To approve Resolution #R-22-18 as presented.*

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to approve consent item A-B as presented. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Lease Proposal from Buncombe County regarding the Black Mountain Library

Attorney Sneed addressed the Council concerning the Black Mountain Library Lease. Attorney Sneed plans to send the draft lease back to Buncombe County with commentary and suggested changes. Attorney Sneed will bring the lease back to the Town Council after he receives word from Buncombe County.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Montessori School Lease

Attorney Sneed presented the information to the Town Council along with options for leases. The Town Council chose to proceed with a five-year lease extension with one-year extensions after that, which was recommended by the Town Attorney.

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to approve the Montessori School Lease as presented. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

B. Discussion of Capital Budget Proposals

Town Manager Josh Harrold presented the requested information to the Town Council. The four projects that were identified as highest priority were Charlotte Street Sidewalks \$65,000 Public Safety Parking Lot \$100,000 Pickleball Courts \$120,000 Grey Eagle \$195,800. The total for all four being \$480,800. The ARP/CSLFRF revenues will cover salaries and benefits in various departments. The supplanted non-grant revenues will cover the cost of the projects.

Council Member Doug Hay moved to approve the Amendment to the ARPA Grant Project Fund Ordinance, Amendment to the FY 2022-2023 General Fund Annual Budget Ordinance and Transfer of funds from ARPA Grant Project Fund to the General Fund to cover approved projects. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

C. Downtown Parking Space Discussion

The Town Manager received a request to close a parking space in a Town owned parking lot located off of Broadway Street. The parking space affronts a business owned by John Richardson, who is making the request to make access to the business easier. Mayor Harris suggested that the Council task the Town Manager and the Town Attorney to meet and learn more about the situation.

Vice Mayor Stone moved to request that the Town Manager and Town Attorney discuss the matter and have more information at the next regular meeting. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

D. Montreat Road Emergency Signal Funding

The Town Manager suggested to the Town Council that the federal funds which were awarded for the project, but have not yet been received, be respectfully declined. Should federal funds be accepted for the Montreat Road Emergency Signal, progress would be greatly delayed due to reporting requirements and hinderance to the process with North Carolina Department of Transportation. The Town Council agreed that the project should be completed in a timely manner.

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to decline the federal funding for the Montreat Road Emergency Signal. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

E. Financing for Police Cars and Body Cameras

The FY22-23 budget allocates \$580,000 to purchase five police cars and new body cameras/in-car cameras with financing. The proposal from Truist gives two options for financing for a 4-year term and a 5-year term. The Town Manager recommended the 4-year term which has an annual debt payment is \$156,000 at 2.99% interest.

Vice Mayor Ryan Stone moved to approve financing for police cars and body cameras. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

F. Board Appointments

ABC Board – (1) 3-year term ending June 30, 2025

One application received from Amanda Nichols for one vacancy. Cheryl Milton withdrew her application from consideration.

Amanda Nichols was appointed to fill a 3-year term ending June 30, 2025 by a vote of 5 for and 0 against.

Active Mobility Commission – (1) 3-year term ending June 30, 2025

The Active Mobility Commission reviewed three applications for one vacant seat. The Active Mobility Commission voted 4-0 to recommend Michelle Knight for appointment to the one vacant seat.

The vote the Active Mobility Commission appointments was delayed until the next regular meeting.

Historic Preservation Commission - (3) 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025

One application received from Walter Richard House for three vacancies. Two vacancies will remain open pending new applications.

Walter Richard House was appointed to fill a 3-year term ending June 30, 2025 by a vote of 5 for and 0 against.

Planning Board - (3) 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025

The Planning Board reviewed seven applications for three vacant seats. The Planning Board voted by ballot to recommend Chris Collins, Lauronda Teeple, and Joe Laudenslayer for appointment to the three vacant seats. Herman Folkers withdrew his application for consideration.

Chris Collins, Lauronda Teeple and Joe Laudenslayer were appointed to fill three 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025 by a vote of 5 for and 0 against.

Recreation Commission - (2) 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025

The Recreation Commission reviewed six applications for two vacancies alternate seats. The Recreation Commission recommends Frank Cappelli and William Boyd for appointment.

Frank Cappelli and William Boyd were appointed to fill two 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025 by a vote of 4 for and 1 against.

Zoning Board of Adjustment - (2) 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025 and 3 alternate seats

Three applications received by Walter Richard House, Ben Cooper, and Andy Homrich for two vacancies and three alternate positions. Walter Richard House also applied for Historic Preservation Commission. Available alternate seats will remain open pending new applications

Ben Cooper, and Andy Homrich were appointed to fill two 3-year terms ending June 30, 2025 by a vote of 5 for and 0 against.

The ballots for appointments are included and made part of these minutes.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

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A. Public Hearing to Close Portion of Unopened, Platted Portion of Buckeye Street #R-22-17

Vice Mayor Ryan Stone moved to open the public hearing. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Planning Director Jessica Trotman presented the information to the Town Council. The Planning Board recommended that the Town Council initiate a petition to close the east end of the unopened, platted portion of Buckeye Street at their March 28th meeting. The Town Council voted unanimously at their April 11th meeting to initiate the petition. The requested closure is approximately 200 feet in the length and 42 feet wide. The right-of-way is not identified in any adopted plans nor is part of a proposed greenway or roadway system. The right-of-way is not part

of a stormwater system nor is it in any drainage area. If closed, the right-of-way will be split down the middle with the Town receiving both halves of the right-of-way. The Planning Board recommended the closure with a vote of 6-1, with Shawn Slome voting against the motion, at the April 25, 2022, meeting.

Shawn Slome of 115 3rd Street made a public comment expressing concern about closing the right-of-way.

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to close the public hearing. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Council member Doug Hay moved to approve Resolution #R-22-17 for the right-of-way closure.

10. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF

The Town Manager reminded the public about Park Rhythms and gave a brief update on FEMA projects.

11. COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor Harris recognized the Black Mountain Greenways and Trails Committee for receiving the National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance (NPS RTCA) grant. BMGTC grant partners include the Town of Black Mountain, the Swannanoa Valley Chamber of Commerce and Connect Buncombe. The BMGTC and partner organizations will have two years to work with the NPS to further goals of trail connections and greenspace preservation.

There was some discussion of the request to change the Land Use Code by downtown business owners.

Council Member Pam King moved to request that Planning Board to address the issue and make recommendations to the Town Council. The motion was approved by a vote of 4-1 with Council Member Christy voting against.

12. CLOSED SESSION

Vice Mayor Ryan Stone moved to enter into Closed Session. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

The Town Council returned to open session.

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to withdraw the appeal to N. Ray Presnell. The motion was approved by a motion of 4-1, with Vice Mayor Stone voting against.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Harris adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

ATTEST:

Savannah M. Parrish Town Clerk

Larry B. Harris, Mayor

Josh Harrold, Town Manager



**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES
June 28, 2022**

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL, held a special called meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the board room of Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain NC. The purpose of this meeting is for the Town Council to hold a public hearing for the 22-23 Budget and CIP.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Larry B. Harris called the special meeting to order at 5:00 ap.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Larry B. Harris
Vice Mayor Ryan Stone
Council Member Archie Pertiller
Council Member Doug Hay – *participated remotely*
Council Member Pam King
Council Member Bill Christy

The following staff members were present:

Josh Harrold, Town Manager
Savannah Parrish, Assistant to Manager/Town Clerk

Mayor Larry B. Harris called the meeting to order and read the ethics statement.

Manager Harrold began the discussion of the budget by requesting that the Town Council approve a retention bonus of \$2500 for all full-time employees.

Vice Mayor Ryan Stone move to approve the \$2500 retention bonus for full-time employees. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Council Member Archie Pertiller moved to open the public hearing for Budget Ordinance O-22-15. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

The total budget for FY 2022-23 is **\$16,895,990**, an increase of **15.23%** from the previous fiscal year. Personnel, capital, debt, and operating costs show increases from the FY21-22 adopted budget. The increase in personnel costs is due to a 6% COLA adjustment for all employees, three new police department positions, two new administration positions, one new water customer service position, and an increase in LGERS contribution to the retirement system.

The Town of Black Mountain stays committed to the continuation of all its existing services for the upcoming fiscal year to include recreation and parks, finance, administration, planning and

zoning, building inspections, public services, residential garbage and recycling, police, fire, and stormwater. All services are proposed to continue at current service delivery levels for the upcoming fiscal year.

Public Comment

- Bob Pauley cited concerns over the tax rate.
- Kristen Janes requested the Council consider funding for new tennis courts in the budget and adding restrooms to the existing courts
- Cheryl King also spoke in favor of funding for tennis courts.
- Kevin Keough requested that the Town Council fund both repairs to existing tennis courts and add funding for additional courts.
- Carl Mills requested maintenance on the croquet courts.
- Rick Early requested assistance from the Town Manager to locate and understand the total revenues for the Town.
- Weston Hall asked that the Town Council consider an additional bonus for emergency service workers, citing an increased risk in their duties during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Town Manager read a comment from James Full in support of the budget and thanking the Council for their continued fiscal responsibility.

Vice Mayor Ryan Stone moved to close the public hearing. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Vice Mayor Ryan Stone moved to approve Ordinance O-22-05 – The Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget and CIP. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

There being no further business, Mayor Harris adjourned the meeting at 6:03 a.m.

ATTEST:

Savannah Parrish, Assistant to Manger/Town Clerk

Larry B. Harris, Mayor

Josh Harrold, Town Manager

TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Meeting Date: August 8, 2022

SUBJECT: Call for Public Hearing to Amend Text for Residential Uses in the Central Business District
#O-22-07

AGENDA INFORMATION

Agenda Location:	CONSENT AGENDA
Item Number:	5B
Department:	Planning and Development Department
Contact:	Jessica Trotman, Planning Director
Presenter:	Jessica Trotman, Planning Director

BRIEF SUMMARY: Currently, the Central Business District allows for residential uses anywhere in the Central Business District. There have been two applications to convert two commercial buildings into residential, with one of those buildings being at street level. The Town Council directed the Planning Board to look at amending the table of permitted uses to remove the allowance of residential uses at street level. The Planning Board reviewed the proposed amendment and recommended that single family and two-family residential uses be removed completely while multi-family uses be allowed above street level. The Planning Board voted 7-0 to recommend the amendment.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: To call for a public hearing to amend text for residential uses in the Central Business District to be held on Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Board Room of Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: *Ordinance # O-22-07*

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: To call for the public hearing to be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, September 12, 2022, or as soon thereafter as possible.



LEGAL NOTICE

BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEARING

Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

The Black Mountain Town Council will meet on **Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Council Room in the Town Hall Building, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, NC. The purpose of this meeting is to hold a public hearing to amend residential uses in the Central Business District.

The meeting is open to the public.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

**Prepared by & return to: Ronald E. Sneed
P.O. Box 995, Black Mountain, NC 28711**

THIS LEASE AGREEMENT (the "Lease") is made and entered into this _____ day of August, 2022, by and between **THE TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN**, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation, the "Landlord" or "Town"), and **STEPHANIE SULTZMAN**, (the "Tenant").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Landlord desires to let and lease to Tenant, and Tenant desires to let and lease from Landlord, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, that certain real property being that portion of the Carver Center located at 101 Carver Avenue in Black Mountain, Buncombe County, North Carolina, commonly referred to as the "Annex".

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the rents, covenants, agreements and stipulations hereinafter mentioned, reserved and contained, to be paid, kept and performed by the Tenant, Landlord has leased and rented, and by these presents does lease and rent, unto the Tenant who hereby agrees to lease from the Landlord, upon the terms and conditions which are hereinafter contained, the Property:

1. Description. Landlord does hereby lease to Tenant the Property, together with any and all rights, easements and appurtenances pertaining thereto running in favor of Landlord with respect to the Property, and all improvements, including, without limitation, that portion of the building at 101 Carver Avenue commonly referred to as the Annex, being approximately 2,577 square feet.

2. Term. The initial term of this Lease shall commence September 1, 2022 (the "Commencement Date"), and shall expire August 31, 2023.

3. Rent. The Rent shall be \$1,000.00 per month, paid in advance at the beginning of each month beginning September 1, 2022. Rent for the month of August on the last lease has been waived by the Town, so there has not been a default under the terms of that prior lease.

4. Tenant's Insurance. Beginning on the Lease Commencement Date, Tenant, at her own

expense, shall provide and maintain a general liability insurance policy naming the Landlord, its agents and its managers as additional insureds, in the amount of \$100,000.00 per occurrence and \$500,000.00 in aggregate.

5. Damage or Destruction. In the event the buildings or improvements located on the Property shall be damaged or destroyed by fire or other disaster, Landlord may in its sole discretion determine whether such damage shall be repaired. If the Landlord decides to repair, the Tenant's duty to pay rent shall abate until such time as the repairs are completed and Tenant can resume use of the premises.

In order to insure the Landlord's ability to repair or rebuild the damaged or destroyed buildings or improvements located on the Property, Landlord shall maintain fire and extended insurance coverage or so-called "all-risk" insurance for the full replacement value of the buildings and other improvements located on the Property.

Tenant understands and agrees that the insurance which is to be obtained and maintained by the Landlord will not cover any items of personal property owned by the Tenant and kept on the property, including merchandise, inventory, furniture, equipment or trade fixtures. If Tenant desires to have such property protected by insurance, he will be responsible for obtaining hazard insurance for that purpose.

6. Maintenance and Repairs. Landlord, at its sole cost and expense, shall maintain and repair the load bearing structural walls, roof structural, foundation, and plumbing and electrical up to the metering devices serving the Premises. Landlord shall also maintain and repair all interior items including but not limited to walls, plumbing, electrical, doors, windows and HVAC. Tenant shall maintain and repair all property and improvements it brings into the classroom, including cabinets, furniture, chalkboards, etc. All supplies needed by the Tenant will be provided by the Tenant, including bathroom supplies and cleaning materials. Tenant shall be responsible for all cleaning.

7. Right of Entry. Landlord reserves the right during the term of this Lease to enter and inspect the Property at reasonable hours and in such a manner as to not interfere with the business activity conducted thereon. No inspections shall be conducted unless an authorized representative of Tenant is present.

8. Assignment and Subletting. Tenant may not assign any interest in this Lease, or sublet any portion of the leased premises, without the written consent of the Landlord.

9. Remedies upon Default. If Tenant should fail to promptly pay the Rent herein stipulated or any other sum for which Tenant is liable under the terms of this Lease within fifteen (15) days after Tenant's receipt of notice from Landlord of such delinquency, Tenant shall owe a late payment penalty of five percent (5%) of the past due rental amount. If Tenant shall fail to pay the monthly amount due within thirty days of the due date, or should the Tenant breach any of its covenants under this Lease and not cure the same within thirty (30) days after the receipt of notice from Landlord designating such breach, the Landlord may, at his option, terminate this Lease and take possession of the Property. The foregoing rights of the Landlord shall be in addition to any rights which the Landlord may have under

law or in equity.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Lease, where the curing of an alleged default requires more than the payment of money and the work of curing said default cannot be reasonably accomplished within the time otherwise permitted herein, and where Tenant has commenced upon curing said default and is diligently pursuing same, then Tenant shall be entitled to reasonable time extensions to permit the completion of curing said default as a condition precedent to any reentry by Landlord or termination of this Lease by Landlord, and any default that is cured shall not thereafter be grounds for reentry or termination.

10. Use of the Property. The Premises shall be continuously used, throughout the term of the Lease, solely for the purposes of providing an art program for school age children and an arts based summer camp program.

11. Removal of Equipment, Fixtures and Merchandise. Landlord acknowledges that Landlord has no interest in any personal property or equipment or furniture or any trade fixtures which may be installed by Tenant upon the Property, and Landlord agrees in the future to furnish Tenant, upon request, with such waiver or similar documents as may be reasonably required by any lender or equipment lessor in connection with Tenant's acquisition or financing respecting such personal property, equipment, furniture and fixtures. All personal property, furniture, equipment, and trade fixtures, including, but not limited to, specialty equipment, shelves, cabinets, counters and signs, which are installed or placed on the Property by or at the expense of Tenant shall remain the property of the Tenant, and Tenant shall have the right at all times to remove such personal property, furniture, equipment, and trade fixtures from the Property. Landlord shall not be responsible for the condition or safety of the furniture, fixtures, equipment, trade fixtures, inventory or other personal property used or stored on the Property, and Tenant shall indemnify and hold the Landlord harmless from any claims others might make on damage to any personal property used or stored on the Property.

12. Covenant of Quiet Enjoyment. Landlord covenants and warrants to Tenant that: (i) Landlord has full right and lawful authority to enter into and perform Landlord's obligations under this Lease for the entire lease term including any extensions thereof, and has good and marketable title to the Property in fee simple, free and clear of all contracts, leases, tenancies, agreements, restrictions, violations, encumbrances or defects in title of any nature whatsoever, (ii) this Lease is not and shall not be subject or subordinate to any mortgage of Landlord; (iii) upon Tenant's compliance with the terms of this Lease, Tenant shall quietly and peaceably hold, possess and enjoy the Property for the full term of this Lease without any hindrance or molestation by any party, and Landlord will defend the title to the Property and the use and occupancy of the same by the Tenant against the claims of all persons, whomsoever, except those claiming by or through the Tenant.

13. Waiver of Breach. It is hereby covenanted and agreed that no waiver of a breach of any of the covenants of this Lease shall be construed to be a waiver of any succeeding breach of the same or any other covenant.

14. Holding Over. In the event of Tenant's continued occupancy of the Property after the expiration of the term of this Lease or any renewal or extension thereof, or any earlier termination

provided or permitted in this Lease, Tenant shall be deemed to be a tenant from month-to-month. All other covenants, provisions, obligations and conditions of this Lease shall remain in full force and effect during such month-to-month tenancy.

15. Notices. All notices to be given to either party by the other shall be in writing, and shall be deemed to have been given when the same is either (i) personally delivered (including delivery by any "overnight mail service"), or (ii) deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested and properly addressed to the respective party; it being specifically agreed and understood that all cure or grace periods for compliance established under the terms and provisions of this Lease shall not be deemed to have commenced until such time as notice shall have been received by the party to whom it shall have been directed, or until such time as delivery of such notice shall have been refused. All notices to be given shall be sent as follows, unless the party to receive notice has notified the other in writing of a change:

To Landlord:
Town of Black Mountain
160 Midland Avenue
Black Mountain, NC 28711

To Tenant:
Stephanie Sulzman
203 ½ McCoy Cove Road
Black Mountain, NC 28711

16. Miscellaneous.

A. The captions in this Lease are for convenience only and shall not in any way limit or be deemed to construe or interpret the terms and provisions hereof.

B. Time is of the essence of the Lease and of all provisions hereof.

C. This Lease shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.

D. This Lease may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all collectively shall constitute one lease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord has executed this Lease and Tenant has caused this Lease to be executed on its behalf and through its duly authorized officers, all as of the day and year first above written.

Date:_____

TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN, Landlord

By:_____
Josh Harrold, Town Manager

Date:_____

Stephanie Sulzman, Tenant

**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Meeting Date: August 8, 2022

SUBJECT: Revised Charles D Owen Babe Ruth MOU

AGENDA INFORMATION

Agenda Location: NEW BUSINESS
Item Number: 8C
Department: Recreation
Contact: Josh Henderson, Recreation Director
Presenter: Josh Henderson, Recreation Director

BRIEF SUMMARY: Charles D Owen Babe Ruth uses fields at Veteran's Park for their spring and fall youth baseball/softball leagues. This MOU is a revision of the approved version from 2021.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: Approve the MOU as presented.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: MOU

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

CHARLES D. OWEN BABE RUTH and THE TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

1. The Town of Black Mountain will provide Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth with access to baseball/softball fields at Veteran's Park for practices and games for the duration of their season at no cost, so long as, scheduled practices or games do not interfere with Town sponsored events, programs, or leagues. Veteran's Park is a Town owned facility and Town sponsored events, programs, or leagues take precedence over third party usage of Veteran's Park.
2. Scheduling – Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will provide notice of season start and end dates no less than 30 days before first official practice. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will provide a full schedule of practices and games no less than 15 days before first official game. Full schedule should include dates and times for practices, games and rain dates.
3. Field Maintenance/management – The following field maintenance/management responsibilities will be assumed by Black Mountain Public Works. Fertilizing, seeding, mowing, dragging, base placement. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will be responsible for the infield prep of each field including lining, batter's boxes, and pitching mounds/circles. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth does not have the authority to add or remove any kind of surface to the field such as dirt, clay, grass, or any other material that may alter the integrity of the fields. The fields at Veteran's Park are property of the Town of Black Mountain and any amendments to the physical integrity of those fields shall only be performed by employees within the Black Mountain Public Works Department or Recreation and Parks Department. When any other maintenance issues arise the Recreation and Parks Department should be contacted during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm) in order to submit the proper work orders. Any alterations to the physical integrity of the ballfields or facilities will result in termination of this agreement and access to park usage.
4. Structures – The Black Mountain Public Works Department will be responsible for the following structures: Backstops, outfield fences, bleachers, lighting, scoreboard, and maintenance on the score-booth and concession stand. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will be responsible for score-booth & concession stand cleaning, cleaning restrooms (game days & practices), portable pitcher's mound storage, installation & removal. There will be no site storage provided by the Town of Black Mountain. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth is not permitted to construct or install any type of physical structure on Town of Black Mountain Property.
5. Garbage/Litter pick-up – The Black Mountain Public Works Department will be responsible for all parking lot litter pick-up and emptying of all parking lot trash cans. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will be responsible for all ball field area litter and emptying of ball field area trash cans on game days and practice days. The Town of Black Mountain will charge Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth \$50 per hour for clean-up and litter pick-up that is not done by them on their scheduled

days of practice or games. The third offense of this type will result in the termination of Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth's use of the park.

6. Vehicle/Equipment Usage - Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will not have access to use the Gator, drags and tractors.
7. Game Day and Practice Operations - Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth agrees to have a supervisor on-site during hours of facility use. In the event of an emergency Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth should contact emergency personnel (police, fire, EMT) first and contact the Recreation and Parks on-call staff.
8. Parking – During games and practices all vehicles must park in designated parking areas. No vehicles may block entrances, exits, ingress or egress.
9. Participation Reporting - Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will provide a detailed report of participation in each one of their baseball and softball leagues at the end of the season. This report should include counts of Black Mountain Residents vs. Non- Residents, males vs. females, and scholarship totals.
10. Financing – The Town of Black Mountain budgets \$9,000 (GF 10-20-5650-151) each fiscal year for field upkeep and maintenance, as well as \$2,000 (GF 10-20-5650-330) for ballfield supplies. These line items are used to purchase materials and maintain the ballfields.
11. Insurance - Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth is required to have an insurance policy naming the Town of Black Mountain as an additionally insured.
12. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth hereby agrees and undertakes to save and hold harmless The Town of Black Mountain, Black Mountain Public Works, and Black Mountain Recreation & Parks, from any and all claims for damages to person or property that may arise out of the use of the facility and special equipment, without regard to whether the damage, personal or otherwise is brought about or caused by the negligence of the applicant, The Town of Black Mountain, Black Mountain Public Works and, Black Mountain Recreation & Parks, or any other person, firm, or corporation. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will be responsible for, and agree to pay for, damages done to the property and equipment of The Town of Black Mountain, Black Mountain Public Works, and Black Mountain Recreation & Parks exclusive of ordinary wear and tear.
13. Inclement Weather – In the event of inclement weather Black Mountain Public Works and/or Recreation and Parks will be responsible for making a determination concerning the playability and field conditions for games and practices. Decisions concerning inclement weather will be made by 3pm on the day of said practice or game. In the event that flooding occurs at Veteran's Park and the field conditions are deemed unplayable by The Town of Black Mountain, Black Mountain Public Works, or Black Mountain Recreation and Parks, game play and practices will be forfeited at Veteran's Park and Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will be responsible for finding an alternative location.
14. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will do extensive background checks on all volunteer coaches and officers of leagues.

15. Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth will acknowledge The Town of Black Mountain as a partner in press materials and grant materials related to the leagues and use of Veteran's Park.
16. This agreement will be revisited and revised annually at the end of each season so that the partnership may continue in a mutually beneficial matter.

Charles D. Owen Babe Ruth Representative

Date

Town of Black Mountain Representative

Date

**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Meeting Date: August 8, 2022

SUBJECT: Bike Boulevard Name

AGENDA INFORMATION

Agenda Location: NEW BUSINESS
Item Number: 8D
Department: Admin
Contact: Josh Harrold, Town Manager
Presenter: Josh Harrold, Town Manager

BRIEF SUMMARY: Top Votes were Grey Eagle (8 votes), Lake to Creek (7 votes), and a tie between the following: Flat Creek Extension, Sourwood, and Tar Wheels (6 votes)

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: *To select _____ as the name of the new Bike Boulevard*

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: MOU

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Meeting Date: August 8, 2022

SUBJECT: Active Mobility Commission Recommendations for One Vacant Seat

AGENDA INFORMATION

Agenda Location:	NEW BUSINESS
Item Number:	8E
Department:	Planning and Development Department
Contact:	Jessica Trotman, Planning Director
Presenter:	Savannah Parrish, Town Clerk

BRIEF SUMMARY: The Active Mobility Commission reviewed three applications for one vacant seat. The Active Mobility Commission voted 4-0 to recommend Michelle Knight for appointment to the one vacant seat. There is one current commission member who may resign and if so, the Active Mobility Commission voted 4-0 to recommend Kyle Cole to serve the remainder of that term.
Brandon Moffitt has since resigned, leaving two vacant seats

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: To appoint Michelle Knight and Kyle Cole to the two vacant seats for the Active Mobility Commission.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: Boards and Commissions Applications

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: To appoint Michelle Knight to the one vacant seat as recommended by the Active Mobility Commission.



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: Kyle Cole DATE: 5/13/2022

PREFERRED NAME: Kyle

HOME ADDRESS: 82 Tupper Road, Black Mountain, NC

MAILING ADDRESS (if different): 28711

CITY, STATE and Zip: Black Mountain, NC 28711

Do you live inside the town limits of Black Mountain? Yes ☐ No ☒

EMAIL ADDRESS (this is mainly how we will communicate with you): Kylecole@gmail.com

PHONE NUMBER(S): MAIN 828-676-8282 EMERGENCY 828-676-8262

ADVISORY BOARD/COMMISSION PREFERENCE

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Board or Commission: Active Mobility Comm. Are you seeking re-appointment? Yes ☐ No ☒

Why do you wish to serve the Town (or continue serving) in this capacity?
If additional space is needed please attach a separate sheet.

I'd like to contribute to helping the Town as it addresses
key issues regarding mobility throughout Town and the neighboring
communities. I'm very interested in the Greenway and how it
can be a major component to healthy mobility. And I believe
in active civic involvement.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Please list your educational background and any certifications you have. Include names of all schools attended.

I have a PhD in Journalism from the University of Missouri.
Master's Degree & Bachelor's from the University of North Texas
Graduate of Richfield High School in Waco, TX and
attended Lake Air Junior High School & Mountainview
Elementary School & here.

EXPERIENCE & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

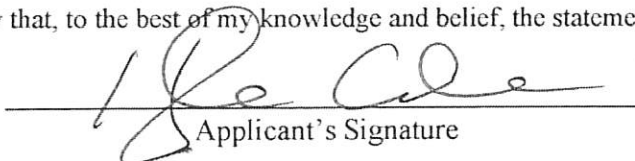
Please describe any experience you have that would contribute to the purpose of the Board or Commission in which you are applying. Please list the names of all civic organizations in which you currently hold membership.

I have been program director & director of multiple
federal grants, most recently for grants related to
public health and preventive medicine. My director
experience has been for nonprofits. I've planned
multiple health-related projects and am experienced in
grant writing/directing/reporting and compliance. I am
currently not volunteer for any civic organization.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

This application is a public record.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements given truly represent my background and experience.


Applicant's Signature

5/13/2022
Date

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: Michelle Knight DATE: 6/6/22

PREFERRED NAME: Michelle

HOME ADDRESS: 103 Altamahaw Ave

MAILING ADDRESS (if different): _____

CITY, STATE and Zip: Black Mountain, NC 28711

Do you live inside the town limits of Black Mountain? Yes ☒ No _____

EMAIL ADDRESS (this is mainly how we will communicate with you): graffiti.blue88@gmail.com

PHONE NUMBER(S): MAIN (828) 774-7603 EMERGENCY _____

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Board or Commission: Active Mobility Commission Are you seeking re-appointment? Yes _____ No ☒

Why do you wish to serve the Town (or continue serving) in this capacity?

If additional space is needed please attach a separate sheet.

I love the town of Black Mtn. It has been home to me for many years now. I am in a place in my life where I can spend less time working, which gives me more time to engage in the community & be of service. The Active Mobility Commission feels like a good fit because of my love of the outdoors. I walk from my home to most places in town. I also love riding bikes. We need to make it safer & easier to walk & bike. Our town lacks sidewalks & bike lanes in crucial areas. We also need more green spaces & greenways for our residents town members.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Please list your educational background and any certifications you have. Include names of all schools attended.

RN since 2007. Graduated from AB Tech Nursing School.
I have attended Appalachian St. University as well as
taken courses @ McDowell Tech.

EXPERIENCE & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Please describe any experience you have that would contribute to the purpose of the Board or Commission in which you are applying. Please list the names of all civic organizations in which you currently hold membership.

I have been drawn to the outdoors most of my life. I have run triathlons, trail races & mtn biked many WNC trails. I have also ridden my road bike across the state of NC. I have traveled the U.S. & visited most of the cherished parks across our country, hiking many mountains along the way. I believe that having green spaces & greenways are incredibly important to our town. Making roads more accessible with bike lanes, side walks etc should be a priority as our town grows. I am a contributing member of the Forta Flora trail system & would love to help with its expansion into our area.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

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I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements given truly represent my background and experience.


Applicant's Signature

6/5/22
Date

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: Kevin Thomas Bates DATE: 5/28/2022

PREFERRED NAME: Kevin

HOME ADDRESS: 109 Front Porch Dr Black Mountain, NC 28711

MAILING ADDRESS (if different): _____

CITY, STATE and Zip: _____

Do you live inside the town limits of Black Mountain? Yes ☒ No ☐

EMAIL ADDRESS (this is mainly how we will communicate with you): Kbates@wnccumc.net

PHONE NUMBER(S): MAIN 828-606-8063 EMERGENCY 828-606-8063

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Board or Commission: Recreation Commission Are you seeking re-appointment? Yes ☐ No ☒
+ Active Mobility

Why do you wish to serve the Town (or continue serving) in this capacity?

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Over the past few years, I have had the privilege of participating and volunteering in many of the recreational opportunities provided by our town from basketball and hikes to river cleanups and park rhythms. My hope is to now give back and help in any way I can to continue the gift of our parks and recreation system. My work in the church, with Warren Wilson College students, and ecology can all help to bridge multiple areas of connection and opportunity.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Please list your educational background and any certifications you have. Include names of all schools attended.

UNC - Chapel Hill BA in History, 2010 Minor in Entrepreneurship
Duke University M. Divinity, 2015
Duke University Doctor of Ministry (expected graduation 2023)
Permaculture Design Certification 2021

EXPERIENCE & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

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- Steering Team Chair of the Creation Care Alliance of Western NC
- Member of MountainTrue (Creation Care Alliance is a program of MountainTrue)
- Collaborative Partner with Partners in Health and Wholeness
- Graduate of the Thriving Rural Communities Initiative
- Fellow of Re:Generate Program - a leadership development program focused around issues of food, health, and ecological well-being
- Ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church

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