

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS  
TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**

**April 8, 2014**

The Seven Devils Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Larry Fontaine, Mayor Pro Tem Brad Lambert, Council Members Kay Ehlinger, David Ehmig, and David Hooper. Also present were Town Attorney Rob Angle and Town Manager Ed Evans. The minutes were recorded by Sara Miller, Town Clerk.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fontaine called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council members and citizens recited the Pledge of Allegiance

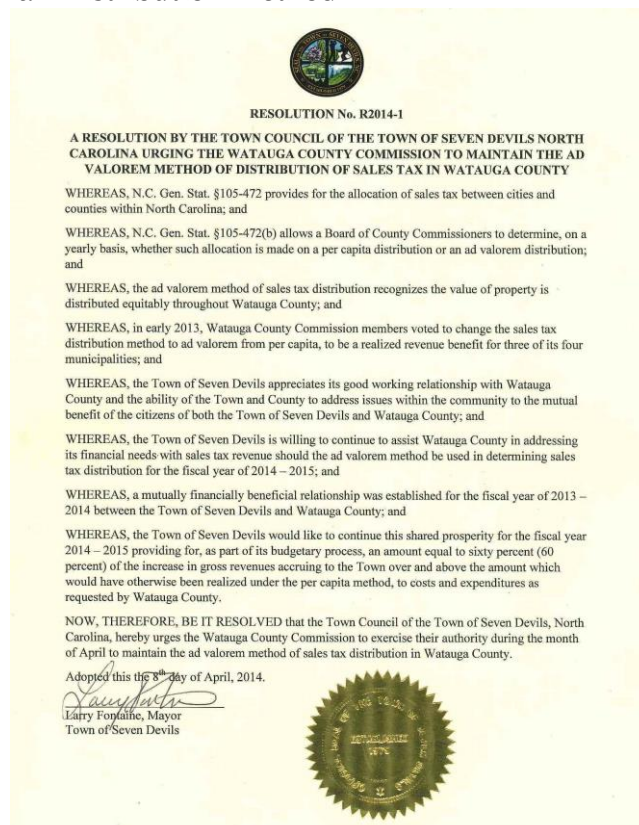
**ADOPT AGENDA**

Member Hooper made a motion to adopt the Agenda. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA – MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION**

**1) Adopt Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting—March 11, 2014**

**2) Resolution—Sales Tax Distribution Method**



### 3) Memorandum of Understanding with HCCOG regarding funds to pay facilitator at the Intergovernmental Retreat

Memorandum of Understanding  
Between  
High Country Council of Governments  
and  
Town of Seven Devils

Whereas, High Country Council of Governments has assisted Watauga County and the Towns of Boone, Blowing Rock, Beech Mountain, and Seven Devils with the organization of Intergovernmental Retreats since 2008; and

Whereas, Watauga County and the Towns of Boone, Blowing Rock, Beech Mountain, and Seven Devils plan to utilize the services of UNC School of Government for facilitation of a retreat during FY 2014-15; and


Whereas, UNC School of Government has proposed a fee of \$2,000 for the facilitation services; and,


Whereas, High Country Council of Governments has agreed to assist the process by scheduling the meeting and contracting with UNC School of Government for the services.

Now, therefore, the following memorandum of understanding is made.

It is hereby agreed that the Town of Seven Devils will reimburse High Country Council of Governments \$400 for the County's portion of the \$2,000 facilitation fee. Payment will be due following the retreat. High Country Council of Governments will provide the Town of Seven Devils with an invoice in the amount of \$400.

Larry Fontaine, Mayor, Town of Seven Devils \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

  
Rick Herndon, Executive Director, High Country Council of Governments \_\_\_\_\_ Date 4.1.14

 4.1.14

THIS INSTRUMENT HAS BEEN PRESENTED  
IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY THE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT RULES  
AND FISCAL CONTROL ACT

Member Ehmig made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Member Ehlinger seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS

**Kay Lambert, 430 Wildcat Rocks**, announced that Operation Medicine Cabinet would be on Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 10AM until 2PM at Foscoe Fire Department. She stated that if a resident was not able to make the event, they could drop off their expired medications to the Police Department. She also stated that the Watauga County Household Hazardous Waste day was the same day as Operation Medicine Cabinet.

**Byron Gentry, Hanging Rock Villas #421**, stated that if someone has expired or unneeded medications, they can also give them to their physician to be properly disposed of or redistributed to those who could not afford medication.

**ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE & CALENDAR**—Town Manager Evans stated that the ABC Board would meet on April 10, at 4:00PM. Town Hall would be closed on Friday, April 18, 2014 in observance of Easter. He also stated that the Town had decided to pursue purchasing a used fire truck from Foscoe Fire department. The truck was a 1998 with less than 10,000 miles on it, with an asking price of \$60,000.00. Member Ehmig asked what would happen to the older 1976 green fire truck, and Manager Evans stated that likely it would be listed on GovDeals.

#### OLD BUSINESS—None

#### NEW BUSINESS

**OTTER FALLS TRAIL**—Mayor Fontaine stated that the proposed trail design was discussed at the Town Council retreat, and that a public hearing regarding the trail plan on the Otter Falls property would be held Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 5:30PM. ~**OPEN**~

**PRELIMINARY BUDGET**—Manager Evans gave a Preliminary Budget to the Town Council for consideration. No action was taken. ~**CLOSED**~

**REPORT—SOCIOECONOMIC DATA FOR AVERY COUNTY-OFFICIAL REPORT—**

After brief discussion, Member Ehmig made a motion to approve the methodology of the NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch Comprehensive Transportation Plan Socioeconomic Data Forecasting. Member Hooper seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

**~CLOSED~**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Planning Board**
- Public Works—No meeting**
- Public Safety Committee**
- Recreation**
- TDA**
- ABC Board**
- Public Safety Department**
  - Police Report**
  - Fire Report**
- Financial Report**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Member Ehmig wanted to confirm the time of the next Budget Workshop on April 24. Manager Evans stated that it was at 9:00AM until 12:00PM.

**RECESS**

Member Ehmig made a motion to recess until the Town Council Budget Workshop on April 9, 2014. Member Hooper seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. The meeting was recessed at 5:55 PM.

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Larry Fontaine, Mayor

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Sara Miller, Town Clerk