

Minutes of the 8 May 2017
Regular Meeting of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners
Held at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Yancey County Courtroom
Yancey County Courthouse, Burnsville, North Carolina

Present at the 8 May 2017 meeting of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners were: Chairman Johnny Riddle, Commissioner Jill Austin, Commissioner Mark Ledford, Commissioner John Stallings, Commissioner Jeff Whitson, County Manager Nathan Bennett, Clerk to the Board Jason Robinson, County Planner Jamie McMahan, County Attorney Donny Laws, members of the media, and members of the general public.

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

Chairman Riddle called the meeting to order. Chairman Riddle then asked Commissioner Whitson to deliver the invocation. After the invocation, Commissioner Ledford led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Riddle then asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Ledford made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stallings. The vote to approve was unanimous (Attachment A).

Public Comment

The Board only heard from Marvin Taylor who spoke about his displeasure with the Sheriff.

Consent Agenda

The Board next moved to the consent agenda portion of the agenda. On the consent agenda for May was approval of the April 10th regular meeting minutes and the minutes from a special meeting on March 24th. Also on the consent agenda was the appointment of the Ms. Shirley Bryant to the Yancey County Jury Commission (Attachment B). Finally, the consent agenda contained the April tax collection report which was for informational purposes only (Attachment C). Upon hearing the matters on the consent agenda, Commissioner Whitson made a motion to approve the consent agenda and it was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Mayland Community College

The Board next heard from John Boyd, President of Mayland Community College. Dr. Boyd stated that he wanted to update the Board on the college's budget request. Dr. Boyd stated that most of the increase in the budget request was for security. Dr. Boyd also stated that the capital budget was increased due to the replacement of a couple of roofs. Dr. Boyd also updated the Board concerning the ongoing projects at Mayland including the observatory. According to Dr. Boyd the grand opening for the observatory will be held on May 25th at 4:00 pm.

Partners Aligned Toward Health (PATH)

The Board next heard from Schell McCall and Nancy Lindeman with Partners Aligned Toward Health or PATH, formerly Graham Children's Health Services. Ms. Lindeman wished to thank the Commissioners for their support over the last 20 years. Ms. Lindeman reviewed events and projects that are sponsored by PATH, including the 5K that is happening on Saturday. Ms. McCall informed the Board that the Sizzlin' Summer Series was such a success last year that PATH is doing it again this year. Ms. McCall stated that she wanted to gauge the interest of the Board to becoming a co-sponsor of the series and to providing two free pool days (one at Burnsville and one at South Toe). Upon hearing from Ms. McCall, Commissioner Austin made a motion to become a co-sponsor of the Sizzlin' Summer Series and to approve two free pool days, one at Burnsville Pool and one at South Toe Pool. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitson and the vote to approve was unanimous.

TRACTOR

The Board next heard from Robin Smith, Executive Director of TRACTOR. Ms. Smith introduced a group of graduate students and their project advisor from NC State University. The students and the advisor explained what they had been doing for the last several months to improve efficiency at TRACTOR by developing a program using Excel to maximize transportation logistics. Description of the program can be found on Attachment D).

County Manager Report

The Board next heard from County Manager Nathan Bennett. Mr. Bennett informed the Board that the budget process is ongoing and takes up a lot of time. Mr. Bennett also informed the Board that he had been contacted by some folks that had a safety concern relating to a one-lane bridge on Jacks Creek, where Jacks Creek intersects with Toe River Road. According to Mr. Bennett, this is a primary route and at least needs to be looked at by the NC Department of Transportation (DOT). Mr. Bennett then read a resolution to send to the DOT in asking to look at the bridge. Upon hearing the reading of the resolution, Commissioner Ledford made a motion to approve the resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The vote to approve was unanimous (Attachment E). Mr. Bennett also updated the Board on current legislation in the North Carolina General Assembly. According to Mr. Bennett, the classroom size legislation has been resolved at least for another year and there is a bill in the Legislature to regionalize social services (at least child protective services). Mr. Bennett stated that not much is known about this bill at the present. Mr. Bennett also reminded the Board of the Cane River Park celebration on Saturday beginning at 11 am. Mr. Bennett also informed the Board of the retirement of Economic Development Director Wanda Proffitt. According to Mr. Bennett there will be a period of transition.

County Attorney Business

The Board next heard from County Attorney Donny Laws. Mr. Laws informed the Board of more surplus property that is owned by the County that needs to be sold at an auction. According to Mr. Laws there is a resolution to allow himself and the county manager to hold an auction at an appropriate time and date. Upon hearing from Mr. Laws, Commissioner Austin made a motion to approve the resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Stallings (Attachment F). Mr. Laws also informed the Board that all tax appeals have been handled from last year.

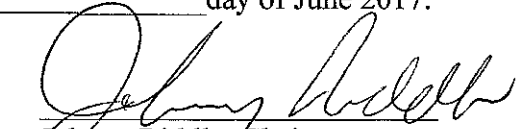
Commissioner Business

There was no reports from Commissioners on any business this month.


Adjournment

Having no further business Commissioner Ledford made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

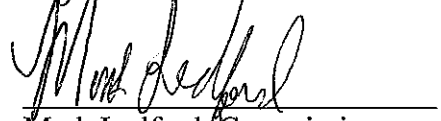
Approved and authenticated on this the _____ 12th _____ day of June 2017.



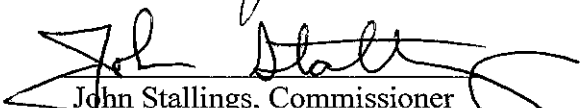
Johnny Riddle, Chairman



Jill Austin, Vice-Chairman



Mark Ledford, Commissioner

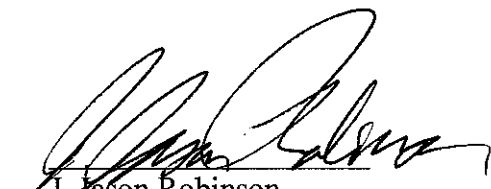


John Stallings, Commissioner



Jeff Whitson, Commissioner

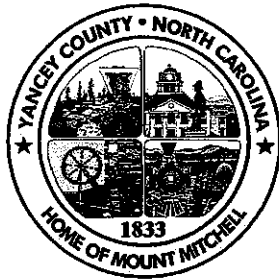
Attest:



J. Jason Robinson
Clerk to the Board

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AGENDA
YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

May 8, 2017

6:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order – Chairman Johnny Riddle
- II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Approval of the Agenda
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of the Minutes- April 10th regular minutes, March 24th special meeting minutes
 - b. Board Appointment – Jury Commission – Ms. Shirley Bryant
 - c. April Tax Collection Report – Informational
- VI. UPDATE – Mayland Community College – 2017-18 Budget – John Boyd, President
- VII. REPORT – Partners Aligned Toward Health (PATH) – Nancy Lindeman, Donor Development
- VIII. REPORT – TRACTOR Food and Farms – Robin Smith, Executive Director
- IX. County Manager Report – Nathan Bennett, County Manager
 - a. General Update
- X. County Attorney Report – Donny Laws, County Attorney
 - a. Surplus Properties
- XI. County Commissioners Report
- XII. Adjourn

Attachment B



State of North Carolina
General Court of Justice
CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT
YANCEY COUNTY
BURNSVILLE, NC

TAMMY R. MCENTYRE, CLERK
EX OFFICIO JUDGE OF PROBATE

GARY M. GAVENUS
RESIDENT JUDGE

May 15, 2017

Nathan Bennett
Yancey County Manager
110 Town Square
Burnsville, NC 28714

Re: Jury Commissioner Appointment

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Pursuant to my conversation with your office regarding Jury Commissioners for Yancey County, I am requesting that you reappoint Shirley Bryant to our jury commission. Ms. Bryant has worked with the jury commission for the past several years, and she would be willing to serve and work with the other appointees if you decide to reappoint her.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tammy R. McEntyre".

Tammy R. McEntyre
Clerk of Superior Court

Posting Report
04-01-2017 to 04-30-2017

05-01-2017
9:51 AM

I. Tax Collections + Releases

Year	General Fund	Burnsville	West Yancey	Egypt/Ramseytown	Clearmont	Double Island	Newdale	South Toe	Pensacola	TOTAL
2010	\$600.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$680.70
2011	\$208.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.50	\$0.00	\$25.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$235.83
2012	\$144.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$3.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$148.81
2013	\$3,896.34	\$19.86	\$18.44	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$414.33	\$13.39	\$0.00	\$4,363.36
2014	\$8,479.23	\$5.16	\$308.16	\$79.70	\$24.82	\$44.85	\$431.85	\$56.11	\$6.48	\$9,436.36
2015	\$16,304.29	\$250.10	\$33.32	\$81.78	\$100.12	\$498.32	\$491.51	\$221.06	\$41.15	\$18,021.65
2016	\$204,427.58	\$3,211.52	\$2,571.91	\$1,263.66	\$1,889.36	\$668.60	\$3,712.33	\$3,928.31	\$1,036.25	\$222,709.52
TOTAL	\$234,060.41	\$3,486.64	\$2,931.83	\$1,428.64	\$2,014.30	\$1,321.64	\$5,050.02	\$4,218.87	\$1,083.88	\$255,596.23

II. Releases

	Current Year	Prior Year	TOTAL
General Fund	\$139.75	\$3,412.19	\$3,551.94
Burnsville	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
West Yancey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Egypt/Ramseytown	\$1.25	\$0.00	\$1.25
Clearmont	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Double Island	\$2.08	\$419.96	\$422.04
Newdale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
South Toe	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pensacola	\$10.40	\$0.00	\$10.40
TOTAL	\$153.48	\$3,832.15	\$3,985.63

III. Net Tax Collections

Year	General Fund	Burnsville	West Yancey	Egypt/Ramseytown	Clearmont	Double Island	Newdale	South Toe	Pensacola	TOTAL
TOTAL	\$230,508.47	\$3,486.64	\$2,931.83	\$1,427.39	\$2,014.30	\$899.60	\$5,050.02	\$4,218.87	\$1,073.48	\$251,610.60

Transaction Type Report

04-01-2017 to 04-30-2017

Year	General	Fire	Penalty	Waste	Additional Fees	Principal	Interest	Advertising Cost	Legal Cost	Total
2010	\$600.62	\$80.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$680.70	\$55.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$735.81
2011	\$208.35	\$27.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$235.83	\$100.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$336.65
2012	\$144.00	\$4.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$148.81	\$10.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$159.33
2013	\$3,896.34	\$467.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,363.36	\$1,392.41	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$5,785.77
2014	\$8,479.23	\$957.13	\$12.29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,448.65	\$2,471.17	\$72.00	\$0.00	\$11,991.82
2015	\$12,892.10	\$1,297.40	\$8.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,198.49	\$2,067.17	\$128.00	\$3,283.39	\$19,677.05
2016	\$204,287.83	\$18,268.21	\$89.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$222,645.25	\$10,951.36	\$1,080.00	\$1,036.82	\$235,713.43
TOTAL	\$230,508.47	\$21,102.13	\$110.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$251,721.09	\$17,048.56	\$1,310.00	\$4,320.21	\$274,399.86

Adjustment / Release Report

04-01-2017 to 04-30-2017

Year	General	Penalty	Waste	Additional Fees	Principal	Interest	Advertising Cost	Legal Cost	Fire	Amount Due	County Net
2011	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$36.26	\$0.00	\$2,416.87	\$0.00	\$2,453.13	\$2,453.13
2012	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$31.56	\$0.00	\$2,104.45	\$0.00	\$2,136.01	\$2,136.01
2014	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.32	\$0.00	\$1,391.85	\$0.00	\$1,417.17	\$1,417.17
2015	\$3,412.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,412.19	\$951.70	\$3.99	\$-247.28	\$419.96	\$4,540.56	\$4,120.60
2016	\$139.75	\$11.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$151.19	\$191.61	\$-4,212.00	\$-11,681.31	\$13.73	\$-15,536.78	\$-15,550.51
TOTAL	\$3,551.94	\$11.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,563.38	\$1,236.45	\$-4,208.01	\$-6,015.42	\$433.69	\$-4,989.91	\$-5,423.60

Yancey County Tax Office

County/District Collection Percentage Report
As of: 04-30-2017

Run Date: 05-01-2017

2016
County

Net Levy \$
12,646,715.04

Collections \$
12,211,869.67

Collections %
96.57

Districts

Name	Net Levy \$	Collections \$	Collections %
001 - BURNSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	154,031.09	150,785.19	97.90
002 - CANE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT	71,314.19	69,773.30	97.84
003 - EGYPT FIRE DISTRICT	76,681.46	75,130.16	97.98
004 - RAMSEY TOWN FIRE DISTRICT	25,255.90	24,202.65	95.83
005 - GREEN MOUNTAIN FIRE DISTRICT	29,301.94	28,013.67	95.61
006 - JACKS CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	64,832.76	63,122.83	97.37
007 - BRUSH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	40,574.84	38,986.13	96.09
008 - CRABTREE FIRE DISTRICT	147,922.29	143,354.34	96.92
009 - SOUTH TOE FIRE DISTRICT	193,595.14	188,168.04	97.20
010 - PENSACOLA FIRE DISTRICT	77,640.18	76,472.72	98.50
011 - PRICES CREEK FIRE DISTRICT	154,074.09	152,332.82	98.87

District Totals

Net Levy \$
1,035,223.88

Collections \$
1,010,341.85

Collections %
97.60

GENERAL INFORMATION

Transportation Cost Transparency for TRACTOR Food Hub

MBA 549, Supply Chain Practicum

John McCreery, Project Advisor

Robin Smith, TRACTOR Food and Farms; Rebecca Dunning, CEFS

Spring 2017

Jasmin Geisel, Asish Madeti, Stephanie White

OVERVIEW

TRACTOR Food and Farms is a non-profit food hub that works with over 50 family farms in the Asheville area. Economic development is the core of TRACTOR's mission. TRACTOR helps farmers sell their produce by aggregating small quantities across the region and bundling for sale to grocery stores and food service businesses. TRACTOR wanted the team to figure what minimum order value would be required to justify delivery to a customer.

APPROACH

- Analyzed P&L historic data to determine transportation cost variables
- Mapped customer addresses (apx 100) to understand regional geography
- Determined we needed a tool with the following benefits:
 - compare revenue and transportation costs; store customer and product data.
 - easy to use and gives fast outputs for fast decision making and negotiating
 - client could update in the future with new data
- Built an Excel model since TRACTOR is a non-profit operating on a tight budget. There are 3 main components of the user-facing application:
 - Recording inventory by farmer, which is a business requirement
 - Allocating inventory to customer accounts
 - Viewing transportation costs for the planned route and adjusting the route order (the major technical hurdle which required extensive VBA programming)
 - Back-end subcomponents that power the model
 - What If? Scenario Analysis – see how adding a hypothetical customer to the route affects transportation costs, and what minimum order would be required to justify a delivery.
 - Customer and product master data (with VBA form to enter new data)
 - Distance matrix - mathematical formula that assigns a distance between two coordinates and creates a matrix for all customer addresses.

OUTCOMES

The team developed an Excel tool that meets TRACTOR's needs into the foreseeable future because it can add new customers, products, and edit the inputs that determine cost per mile. TRACTOR will now know its transportation costs before they are incurred, giving it the opportunity to negotiate higher order values so that the cost to serve is sufficiently covered by the revenue generated from the sale. Having this tool will also allow TRACTOR to compare the cost of insourcing to outsourcing its transportation, which is sometimes a business need, especially as it looks to expand its customer base beyond the Asheville region.



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RESOLUTION

**North Carolina Department of Transportation - Division of Highways
Request for Replacement of Bridge Number 171**

**Bridge Description: Bridge Number 171
Toe River Road at intersection with Jacks Creek Road
Green Mountain Township, Burnsville, NC**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for the County of Yancey request that the above described single-lane bridge, the location of which has been indicated on the attached map, be replaced with a modern two-lane bridge facility; and

WHEREAS, this bridge is a single lane facility located at an intersection making it unsafe to approach the single lane bridge from either direction; and

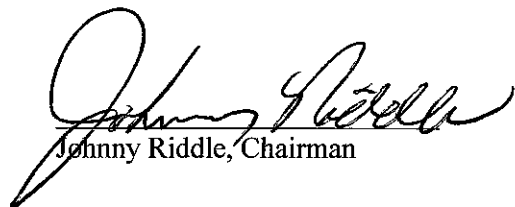
WHEREAS, this roadway is a heavily traveled roadway and this is a safety concern; and

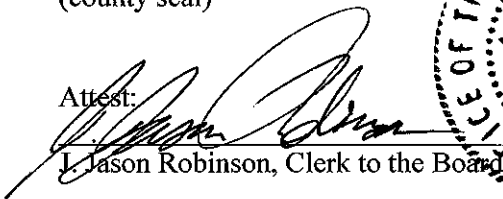
WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that the above described bridge should be replaced with an appropriate two-lane bridge by the N.C. Department of Transportation, Division of Highways at its soonest convenience.

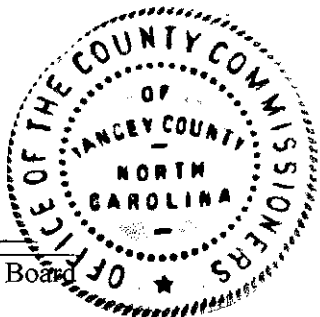
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Yancey County Board of County Commissioners that the Division of Highways is hereby requested to review the above described bridge facility determine an appropriate schedule to replace this outdated and unsafe structure as appropriate.

ADOPTED this 8th day of May, 2017.

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Johnny Riddle, Chairman

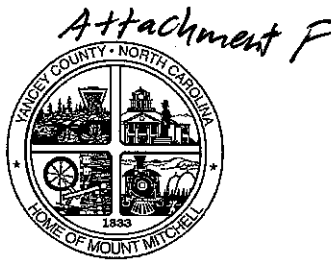
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J. Jason Robinson, Clerk to the Board





- Land Parcels
- Land Symbology
- Hooks
- Leader_Line
- Lot_Line
- ROW Boundary
- Sub Corner
- County Boundary
- < all other values >
- YANCEY
- Town of Burnsville
- US States
- Road Centerlines
- < all other values >
- DIRT/GR*
- PAVED

The County of Yancey acquires, develops, maintains and uses GIS data in support of its internal business functions and the public services it provides. The GIS data which Yancey County distributes and to which it provides access may not be suitable for other purposes or uses. It is the requestor's responsibility to verify any information derived from the GIS data before making any decisions or taking any actions based on the information. Yancey County shall not be held liable for any errors in the GIS data. This includes errors of omission, commission, errors concerning the content of the data, and relative and positional accuracy of the data. Source information used for these data may have been collected at different scales, times or definitions, resulting in inconsistencies among features represented together on this map. Primary sources from which these data were compiled must be consulted for verification of information contained in the data. Yancey County will not re-distribute data developed from other organizations. Parcel data was prepared for the inventory of real property found within this jurisdiction, and is compiled from recorded deeds, plats, and other public records and data. Users of the data are hereby notified that the aforementioned public primary information sources should be consulted for verification of the information. Yancey County assumes no legal responsibility for this information. Data are presented using the North Carolina State Coordinate System 1983 North American Datum. Horizontal



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RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY
BY PUBLIC AUCTION**

WHEREAS, Yancey County owns three (3) parcels of land as indicated on the Attachment A that are surplus to its needs;
and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 160A-270 permits the county to sell real property at public auction upon approval of the Board of County Commissioners and after publication of a notice announcing the auction;

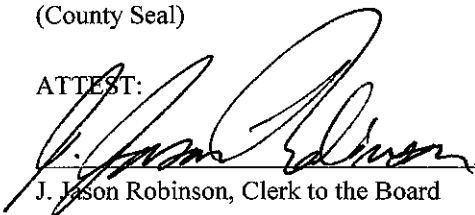
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT:

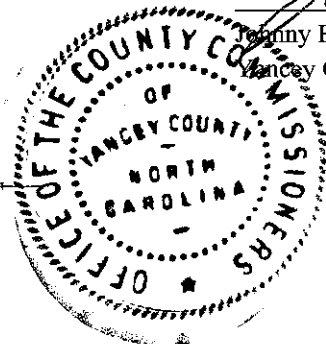
1. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the sale at public auction of the three (3) parcels of land indicated on Attachment A.
2. The auction will be conducted at **1:00 p.m.** on **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017**, at the front door of the Yancey County Courthouse located at 110 Town Square in Burnsville, NC.
3. The terms of the sale are that the buyer must present at the auction a bid deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, either in cash or with a certified check. This deposit will be held by the County until either the County Commissioners reject the high bid for the property or, if the County Commissioners accept the high bid, the closing of the sale. The deposit will be forfeited to the County if the high bidder refuses to close the sale after the bid has been approved by the County Commissioners. The property will be sold as is where is by Special Warranty Deed subject to any and all exceptions or record.
4. After the auction, the high bid for each parcel shall be reported to the County Commissioners. The County Commissioners will accept or reject the bid within 30 days after the bid is reported to it. No sale may be completed until the County Commissioners have approved the high bid.
5. Yancey County reserves the right to withdraw any listed property from the auction at any time before the auction sale of that property.

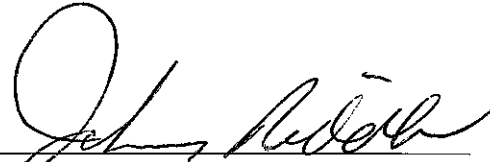
ADOPTED this the 8th Day of May, 2017.

(County Seal)

ATTEST:


J. Jason Robinson, Clerk to the Board




Johnny Riddle, Chairman
Yancey County Board of Commissioners

ATTACHMENT A
Parcels Available for Public Auction
[Property descriptions]

1. That certain tract or parcel of land in the Brush Creek Township being known as Woody Road, containing 0.14 acre, Map # 08510044650000 and being more particularly described in that deed appearing of record at Yancey County Deed Book 761, Page 681, to which reference is hereby made as if the same were fully incorporated herein.
2. That certain tract or parcel of land in the Egypt Township being known as Patsy Creek Road, containing 0.5 acre, Map # 987300916719000 and being more particularly described in that deed appearing of record at Yancey County Deed Book 761, Page 683, to which reference is hereby made as if the same were fully incorporated herein.
3. That certain tract or parcel of land in the Jacks Creek Township being known as 126 Cane Mountain Lane, containing 0.91 acre, Map # 080001388893000 and being more particularly described in that deed appearing of record at Yancey County Deed Book 761, Page 685, to which reference is hereby made as if the same were fully incorporated herein.