

# Town of Blowing Rock

Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** 1036 Main Street, Blowing Rock, NC 28605

## Agenda

Item		Present & Participants
I.	CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE	Mayor Charles Sellers
II.	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mayor Charles Sellers
III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES – By Roll Call  1. August 8, 2023 – Regular and Closed Session Meeting Minutes	Mayor & Council
	REGULAR AGENDA ADOPTION	Mayor & Council
IV.	CONSENT AGENDA:  1. Budget Amendment - #2023-14  2. Special Event - Speckled Trout Cornhole Tournament  3. Fireworks Request - Chetola Wedding  4. Capital Equipment	Mayor & Council
V.	PUBLIC COMMENTScomments shall be limited to three (3) minutes	
VI.	SPECIAL RECOGNITION:  1. Daughters of the American Revolution Proclamation	Interim Manager Kevin Rothrock
VII.	REGULAR AGENDA:  1. BRAAC Ordinance 2. Traffic Update	Interim Manager Kevin Rothrock Police Chief Aaron Miller

VIII.	OFFICIALS REPORTS & COMMENTS:	
	1. Mayor	
	2. Council Members	
	3. Town Attorney	
	4. Town Manager	
IX.	CLOSED SESSION – None	
X.	ADJOURNMENT/RECESSMayor Charles Sellers	
4.3.0	entertains a motion and second to adjourn or recess the meeting.	

## Draft

# MINUTES Town of Blowing Rock Town Council Meeting August 8, 2023

The Town of Blowing Rock Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting took place at Town Hall located at 1036 Main Street Blowing Rock, NC. Present were Mayor Charlie Sellers, Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Matheson and Council Members Albert Yount, David Harwood, Melissa Pickett and Pete Gherini. Others in attendance were Interim Town Manager Kevin Rothrock, Town Attorney Allen Moseley, Town Engineers Doug Chapman and Jared Wright, Fire Chief Kent Graham, Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Brown, Police Chief Aaron Miller, Interim Planning Director Brian Johnson, Public Works Director Matt Blackburn, Finance Officer Nicole Norman, IT Director Thomas Steele and Town Clerk Hilari Hubner who recorded the minutes.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Sellers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Mayor Sellers verified attendance via roll call.

## THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## **MINUTE APPROVAL**

Council Member Gherini made the motion to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2023 regular and closed session meeting, seconded by Council Member Pickett. Unanimously approved.

## **REGULAR AGENDA ADOPTION**

Mayor Pro-Tem Matheson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Harwood.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Budget Amendment #2023-12
- 2. Special Event Porsche Event Street Closure
- 3. Mayoral Proclamation End Overdose in Watauga County

Council Member Harwood made a motion to approve consent agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Gherini.

## SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

None

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Parking Ordinance

Interim Town Manager Kevin Rothrock presented the proposed Ordinance Changes as follows:

- A. Establishes the ability for the Town to regulate and enforce paid parking;
- B. Amends the current fines for parking violations;
- C. Increases the fines for repeat parking violations;
- D. And allows the Town to immobilize vehicles when the owner is a repeat violator and has not paid for violations over a period of 60 days.

Section 6-29 has been added to allow for paid parking when Council decides to move forward with a paid parking program, and Section 6-35 has been amended to allow for increased parking fines and vehicle immobilization.

Mayor Sellers opened the Public Hearing.

Lela Silver, Owner of Storie Street Grille (Blowing Rock) – Spoke as an advocate for the workforce in Blowing Rock. Ms. Silver explained as an employer, it's very difficult to recruit employees as it is these days, but adding in the possibility of them having to pay to park will discourage them from wanting to work in Blowing Rock. She noted she is not for or against paid parking but wanted the Council to think about the workforce when making a permanent decision about paid parking.

Emily Roberts 309 Morningside Dr (Blowing Rock) – Spoke against paid parking. She noted that during the "Parking Question and Answer" meeting from March 28, 2023, the majority of people in attendance, both residents and business owners were against paid parking. She further noted that when then Town Manager Shane Fox asked "if you would like a show of hands, the majority of the people in the room are against paid parking". Ms. Roberts reiterated employers already face the challenge of hiring employees and paid parking will make it even harder to staff their stores and restaurants that are loved by residents. She concluded that taxpayers do not support this.

Tom Barrett 204 W. Green Hill Dr (Blowing Rock) – Read a letter on behalf of the Blowing Rock Civic Association in their support of a paid parking system for the downtown area.

Lee Rocamora 300 Laurel Park Road (Blowing Rock) – Stated it's not the taxpayers responsibility to pay for business employees, it's the responsibility of the employer. Paid parking does nothing to improve the parking situation, but if the revenues are used for improving the parking situation it would be worthwhile. He concluded that paid parking is not unique to Blowing Rock and most of the statements made tonight are hearsay, not validated by any data.

Mayor Sellers asked if there were any further questions or comments. With no further questions or comments Mayor Pro-Tem Matheson made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Council Member Pickett.

Council Member Harwood recommended adding language about the use of proceeds that come from paid parking, that those proceeds would be used exclusively for

regulating and enforcing paid parking. Also could be used for construction, acquisition, reconstruction, improvements to off-street parking facilities. He noted he would also like to add an exception for emergency vehicles; police, fire etc.

Mayor Sellers mentioned from his understanding, on-street paid parking funds cannot be used for new parking facilities, only for maintaining the current parking program. Which would be paying for personnel and for equipment, and that is State mandated.

Council Member Harwood asked for clarification that the proceeds from paid parking cannot be used to offset costs for new facilities.

Mayor Sellers stated only parking garages and the Maple Street parking areas proceeds could be used and asking Chief Miller to verify.

Police Chief Aaron Miller explained that his understanding is parking on US Highways, which would be Main Street, the proceeds have to go to offset the current parking program.

Council Member Gherini asked about church parking lots.

Chief Miller stated the initial plan was to create a public private partnership with the churches, businesses, and other organizations. If the Council were to choose paid parking in the future, those discussions would resume.

Council had an in-depth discussion of how the Town can further generate revenue from parking and how the Town can utilize those revenues. Further research will be done and more information will be provided at the Winter Retreat. No decision was made for paid parking.

Council Member Harwood made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented with the amendment exception for emergency vehicles, seconded by Council Member Yount. Unanimously approved.

Mayor Sellers asked Chief Miller to state for the public when they should start seeing the increased enforcement.

Chief Miller advised they have probably already seen some of that with increased days per week the parking enforcement is out. He explained the next step is to develop an internal system to track repeat violators.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## 1. Request for Funding – Parking Enforcement

Interim Town Manager Kevin Rothrock stated in order to increase parking enforcement in downtown for fall of 2023 and Spring of 2024, the Police Department is requesting additional funding of \$10,000 over the budgeted amount of \$8,000. This amount covers

additional temporary staff hours for increased weekly parking enforcement until November 2023 and beginning again in May through June 2024. These added funds were not allocated in FY 23-24 Budget, so the General Fund Balance will be the likely source of revenue for this expenditure. There is a budget amendment for Council approval.

Council Member Harwood asked if this purpose was to get more "man hours" on the street instead of any additional collection systems.

Interim Manager Rothrock stated that's correct, it is not anything additional, only a internal system evaluating the methods so staff can keep track.

Chief Miller further explained he and Interim Manager Rothrock had discussed and concluded there isn't enough time in the current parking season to try to implement any new software and/or set up a new system. They both felt getting more "boots on the ground" would get them through this parking season and at the winter retreat in January Council can talk about systems and the cost of those systems during that time.

Mayor Pro-Tem Matheson made a motion to approve the budget amendment as presented, seconded by Council Member Gherini. Unanimously approved.

## **OFFICIALS REPORTS & COMMENTS**

- Mayor Sellers State of the Town is August 24, 5:30 pm at BRAHM. Work on the water/sewer has begun, started on South Main and will be working their way into Town. Do expect delays. 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Horse Show went very well and the library will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as well.
- Council Member Yount None
- Council Member Harwood None
- Council Member Pickett None
- Mayor Pro-Tem Matheson None
- Council Member Gherini Thanked Representative Pickett for attending the Economic Development Meeting a few weeks ago. Speeding on Ransom Streethe suggested to Interim Manager Rothrock about a temporary test speed bump being placed there and he suggested talking to a few other Council Members to get a concurrence. Council Members Harwood and Yount said they would support that.
- Town Attorney Allen Moseley None
- Interim Manager Kevin Rothrock Thanked Council again for allowing him the opportunity to serve as Interim Manager. Thanked staff and department heads for all their continued support. With McGill, been addressing some drainage issues throughout Town. Met with the Middle Fork Greenway and the Blue Ridge Parkway Superintendent to discuss moving forward with the Middle Fork project, and what obstacles/challenges must be addressed to make that a reality. Preconstruction meeting is coming up with McGill and VPC for the Memorial Park bathrooms project and work can start when the building permit is issued. Staff will

also be meeting with McGill to evaluate phase two elements and reprioritize before going out to re-bid.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council Member Yount made a motion to go into closed session at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11.(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, character, fitness, conditions of appointment or conditions of initial public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Matheson. Unanimously approved.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:30 p.m. Council returned to open session. With no further business, Council Member Pickett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Gherini. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR_		ATTEST _	
_	Charlie Sellers	_	Hilari Hubner, Town Clerk

## **Attachments**

Budget Amendment - #2023-12 – Attachment A
Mayoral Proclamation – End Overdose in Watauga County – Attachment B
Public Hearing - Citizen Letters – Attachment C
Budget Amendment - #2023-13 – Attachment D



# Town of Blowing Rock 1036 Main Street ★ Post Office Box 47 ★ Blowing Rock, North Carolina 28605

To: Mr. Kevin Rothrock, Mayor Sellers, and Members of Town Council

From: Nicole Norman, Finance Officer

Subject: Budget Amendment Ordinance to Account for Various Items

(Ordinance #2023-14)

Date: September 12, 2023

Enclosed please find a Budget Amendment Ordinance for the fiscal year 2022-2023 for your consideration.

## Section 1 (General Fund) allocates funding as follows:

- -Re-allocates Wifi Expansion project costs remaining unspent at the end of FY 2022-23 to fund remaining costs to complete the project (\$11,550) via fund balance allocation.
- -Allocates a private contribution made to the Town for plantings on Laurel Ln. & Meadow Ln. (\$1,790) to the cost of the plantings.
- -Allocates loan proceeds (\$87,240) towards the purchase of FY 2022-23 police vehicles not received until FY 2023-24.

## Section 2 (General Capital Projects Fund) allocates funding as follows:

- Allocates funds transferred in FY 2022-23 that were contributed by the TDA (\$61,603) to the 2023 Wayfinding Signage Reserve.

## **Section 3 (Water/Sewer Fund)** allocates funding as follows:

- Allocates a private contribution made to the Town for a sewer tap on Main St. (\$6,000) to the cost of the tap.

## Section 4 (Water/Sewer Capital Projects Fund) allocates funding as follows:

-Corrects previous amendment errors (GL code key errors) found by Finance Officer during general ledger accounts reviews.

Please let me know if you need further details on the proposed amendment.

#### 2023-2024 Budget Amendment Ordinance 2023-14

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Blowing Rock, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023:

#### Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

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Acct. No. 10-00-4250-509	Wifi Expansion Expense	Appr	opriation	Decreas ¢	<u>e</u>	Incre	ase 11.550	-	<u>Appr</u>	opriation 11,550
10-00-4250-505	Will Expansion Expense	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	11,000		Ψ	11,000
10-80-6500-033	Materials/Supplies- Grounds	\$	30,900	\$	-	\$	1,790		\$	32,690
10-10-4310-500	Capital Outlay- PD	\$	202,250	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ \$	87,240 100,580		\$	289,490

This will result in a net increase of \$100,580. in the appropriations of the General Fund. As a result, the following revenue will be increased.

Current							Proposed
Acct. No.		App	ropriation	Decrease		Increase	Appropriation
10-00-3400-399	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$	377,370	\$	-	\$ 11,550	\$ 388,920.00
10-00-3400-335	Miscellaneous Income	\$	25,000			\$ 1,790	\$ 26,790.00
10-60-3400-333	Proceeds From Long-term Debt	\$	534,775	\$ \$	-	\$ 87,240 \$ 100,580	\$ 622,015.00

#### Section 2. To amend the General Capital Projects Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

	Current								Pro	posed
Acct. No.		Appropriati	n	Decreas	е	Incre	ase	_	Appro	priation
20-00-5000-400	2023 Way Finding Signage Plan Reserve (TDA Funded)	\$		\$	-	\$	61,603		\$	61,603
				\$	-	\$	61,603			

This will result in a net increase of \$61,603. in the appropriations of the General Capital Projects Fund. As a result, the following revenue will be increased.

		Current			Proposed
Acct. No.		Appropriation	Decrease	Increase	Appropriation
20-00-3400-331	Transfer from General Fund	\$ 2,340,588	\$ -	\$ 61,603	##########
			\$ -	\$ 61 603	

### Section 3. To amend the Water/Sewer Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

		Current	_		Proposed
Acct. No.		Appropriation	Decrease	Increase	Appropriation
30-91-7120-504	Sewer Line I&I Replacements/Repairs	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000	\$ 16,000
			\$ -	\$ 6,000	

This will result in a net increase of \$6,000 in the appropriations of the Water/Sewer Fund. As a result, the following revenue will be increased.

		Cu	ırrent			Proposed
Acct. No.		Appro	priation Decre	ease	Increase	Appropriation
30-91-3400-373	Taps & Connections	\$	7,000 \$	-	\$ 6,000	\$ 13,000.00
			\$	-	\$ 6,000	_

### Section 4. To amend the Water/Sewer Capital Projects Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

		Current			Proposed
Acct. No.		_Appropriation_	Decrease	Increase	Appropriation
50-91-5050-529	2022 USDA Water/Sewer Project- Engineering	\$ (283,300)	\$ -	\$ 336,000	\$ 52,700
50-91-5050-531	Main St. Water/Sewer- Prelim. Engineering	\$ 336,000	\$ 336,000	_\$	\$ -
	(old line item)		\$ 336,000	\$ 336,000	

This will result in a net increase of \$0. in the appropriations of the Water/Sewer Capital Projects Fund. As a result, the following revenue will be increased.

<u>Acct. No.</u> 50-91-3400-000	GO Bond Water Bond Authority	Current ropriation (148,805)	Dec \$	crease -	Incre \$	148,805		oosed oriation -
50-91-3400-001	GO Water Bond Authority- Issue II	\$ 122,865	\$	122,865	\$	-	\$	-
50-91-3400-002	GO Bond Water bond Authority- Issue III	\$ 228,717	\$ \$	25,940 148,805	<u>\$</u> \$	148,805	\$ 202	2,777.00

## 2023-2024 Budget Amendment Ordinance 2023-14

Section 6. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Town Council and to the Finance Officer for their implementation.						
Adopted this 12th day of September, 2023.						
Attested by:	Charles Sellers, Mayor					
Hilari Hubner, Town Clerk						



# Town Of Blowing Rock Special Events/Activities Application

(Must be submitted to Blowing Rock Parks & Recreation)

Town Of Blowing Rock PO Box 47 1036 Main Street Blowing Rock, NC 28605

Tel 828-295-5200

The purpose of this application is to provide information about your event or activity in order for various departments and agencies to determine if they need to be involved in the approval and/or permitting process. Depending on the specific event, a permit application and/or fee(s) from individual departments may be required.

The applicant is responsible for providing complete and accurate information on the application, including an attached detailed site plan. The applicant is also responsible for notifying the Parks Department of any changes. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. \*\*A complete application should be submitted at least 90 days prior to the planned event to allow sufficient review time. Town staff may contact you with specific questions. Any official may require a pre-planning meeting.

Applications and events are prioritized based on a first come-first served basis and the Town may approve or disapprove an event's requested date based on availability of resources. Events that occur on an annual basis will receive priority the following year.

Applicant should contact the Parks Department to verify date availability prior to submission of application.

- \*\*NO MORE THAN 2 RACES WILL BE ALLOWED IN ANY GIVEN MONTH
- \*\*If the event is to be held on public property, approval to use the property must be obtained from Town Council; therefore the application must be submitted <u>90</u> days prior to the event.

APPLICANT INFORMATION _
Name of Event: The Speckled Trout Outfitters Compole Tournament
Applicant Name & Title: William Brinker, Manage/
Organization: The Speckled Trout Outfitters, LCC
Mailing (Billing) Address: 184 Willy Austin Rd
City/State/Zip: Blowing Rock, NC 28405
Daytime Phone: 828-773-8852 Cell: 704-507-2881 Email: outfitters ethespeckled trout.com
Description of the Event: Combole Tournament
Does the event have a Twitter, Facebook or other social networking page:no
If yes, please list URL(s): 💆
Event Address: 916 Main Street (private lot between 916/922)
Date of Event: 09   23   2023
Event Start Time: 12:00 PM Event End Time: 5:00 PM
Set-Up Begins: 11:00 Am Clean-Up Ends: 6:00 PM
Preferred Date & Time of Inspection:
Estimated Attendance: 50 - 15
The Event is: Private (by invitation only) or Open to General Public
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE DATE: 8/05/0003
A pre-planning meeting may be required and will be scheduled to include the appropriate staff. The event

applicant must attend the meeting. The town reserves the right to require others to attend.

## TENTS & MEMBRANE STRUCTURES

** Tent is a structure, enclosure, or shelter, with or without sidewalls or drops **
Will tent(s) be used for the event?  Yes  No Number of Tent(s) planned: 2.
Number of Tent(s) planned: 2 Size of Tent(s) planned: 10' x 10'
Percentage of side walls if any to be used for each tent: N/A
Detail tent location, size, percentage of side walls and spacing for each on required site plan.
** Membrane structure is an air-inflated or air supported structure **
Will inflated/air Supported membrane(s) structures be used for the event? Yes No Number of air inflated/air supported membrane structures planned:
Size(s) air inflated/air supported membrane structures planned:
Detail air inflated/air supported membrane structure location(s), size and spacing for each on required Site plan.
POWER SOURCES
Will you use electric generators? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, will Power Distribution boxes be used? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Provide contact information for contractor supplying generator power:  Name:Phone:Email:
Will you use electric power from an existing structure?   ▼ Yes  No If yes, will direct wiring to breakers be required?  Yes  No
Provide contact information for person responsible for setup of power:  Name:Phone:Email:
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
Will there be any portable heaters??  \( \text{Yes} \) No
Will there be any deep fat fryers?? ☐ Yes ☒ No
Will the event have any hazardous materials such as propane, butane, gasoline, diesel tanks, helium cylinders or other upright tanks? Yes No If yes, all tanks must be secured in a manner to prevent accidentally being knocked over. All helium tanks not being used shall have their caps in place.
Will there be any fireworks, lasers, torches, candles or pyrotechnics? Yes No If yes, contact the Blowing Rock Fire & Rescue office at 828-548-2800 for more information.

## VOICE/MUSIC AMPLICATION

Are there any musical entertainment features related to your event? Yes X No (If no proceed to next section)
If yes, state the number of bands and type of music: Number of bands:  Type(s) of music:
Will a portable or temporary stage be utilized?
Provide contact information for contractor providing stage:  Name:Email:Email:
Will your event use amplified sound? ☑ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please indicate times: Start time: 17:00 PM Finish time: 5:00 PM
Will alcoholic beverages be served?   Yes □ No (If yes, NC ABC permit required)
Will alcoholic beverages be sold? X Yes No (If yes, NC ABC permit required)
What type of alcohol will be served?  ☑ Draft Beer ☑ Can/Bottle Beer ☐ Wine ☐ Liquor
Who will be serving the alcohol? THE SPECKLED TRUUT OUTFITTERS
Times for alcohol to be served: 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Locations within event site where alcohol will be served: The Specified Troot Parking Lot Taside Shop
Have you applied for a North Carolina temporary ABC permit? Yes No
MECHANICAL RIDES
Does the event include mechanical rides, or other similar attractions?   Yes No If yes, please describe attractions:
Applicants contracting with amusement ride companies are required to provide the Town of Blowing Rock with a certificate of insurance, naming applicant and the Town of Blowing Rock (if applicable) as additional insured on general liability.

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## TOWN SERVICES

The Town of Blowing Rock does not provide amenities such as portable washrooms, sound systems, tables, chairs, tents, canopies or other equipment.

In order to determine what types of containers are needed for the event, please answer the following questions: Are you requesting trash/recycle bins from the town?(Additional Fee Will Be Required) Yes / No  How many trash bins are you requesting for trash?  How many recycle bins are you requesting?  Date and Time for trash or recycling bins to be emptied\picked up:
Delivery Location?
_ Applicants are responsible for cleaning and restoring the site after the event. The cost of any employee overtime incurred because of an applicant's failure to clean and/or restore the site following the event will be paid for by the applicant. If you reasonably believe that no litter will be generated during your event, please state this in your plan.
PUBLIC PROPERTY CLEAN-UP  Contracted personnel or volunteers may be used if indicated below. What is the clean-up plan for the event? Our staff and volunteers from shaplTSTO will assist clusing down.
If town personnel are needed to assist with event site clean-up the applicant will be required to hire off Duty personnel.  If needed, please list preferred Date & Tine for clean-up staff to arrive:
Will any of the following services be used for the event:  Water Service Portable Toilet Services Wastewater Service Public Restrooms Public Electric Power
SAFETY AND SECURITY (CHECK TYPES OF SECURITY USED)  Beer/Alcohol Security Stage Security Event Area Security Gate Security  Money Handling Security Other
Overnight Security From: To::  Dates & Times security will be on site:
Security provided by: Number of Security Personnel:
Applicant may be required to hire sworn off-duty Town of Blowing Rock police officers to provide security to insure public safety. The Blowing Rock Police Department will determine the number of security personnel required on site.

## WALK, RUN, CYCLE EVENTS ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS

Number of participants expected: % of participants expected under 18:
*Must be at least 100 participants and no more than 2,000 per route.
Number of volunteers expected: % of volunteers expected under 18:
ADDITIONAL CHIDELINES AND DEGLIDEMENTS
ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

Please initial all guidelines below and provide the information requested at the time the application is submitted.

Must use a pre-approved route from the Town/NCDOT and/or pre-approved neighborhood route and/or track or one of the options not on roadways that are available at a park. WPS

Must include a certificate of liability insurance for walk, run, and/or cycle event if the start/finish are on public property. <u>wPG</u>

Must include a plan for volunteers for events with an anticipated attendance of 100 participants or more (how many, their duties). WP3

Must include a parking plan for participants and volunteers (can be included in site plan).

The provision of twenty foot (20') minimum emergency access lanes throughout the event site.

Temporary signs may be used to mark a course. No markings of any kind (permanent or temporary) are allowed on roadways, sidewalks, or parking lots. WPB

Any unauthorized traffic control device or other sign or message placed on the highway right-of-way by a private organization or individual constitutes a public nuisance and should be removed. Any violations of this policy will result in disapproval of future event(s).

Do not assume, advertise, or promote your event until you have a signed permit from the Blowing Rock Police Department, along with permission from town staff and Blowing Rock Town Council. Conflicts do arise and changes to the request may be necessary.

Organizers to make sure race starts at the time approved on the application. Any deviated start times shall be requested no later than 30 days prior to the event. A deviated time request cannot be guaranteed approval. WB

Event organizers to assist in enforcing safe roadway rules. WPB

Event volunteers standing throughout the course to direct as well as instruct participants to stay out of the roadway. WPB

Cancellation of any event must by in writing/email to the permit center no later than 30 days prior to the scheduled date of the event.  $\underline{WPB}$ 

A VIOALATION OF ANY GUILD LINE REQUIREMENT COULD RESULT IN THE DENIAL OF FUTURE EVENTS. WPB

\* Note: Most of the above are N/A, but initialed in acknowledgement of the 6 guidelines.

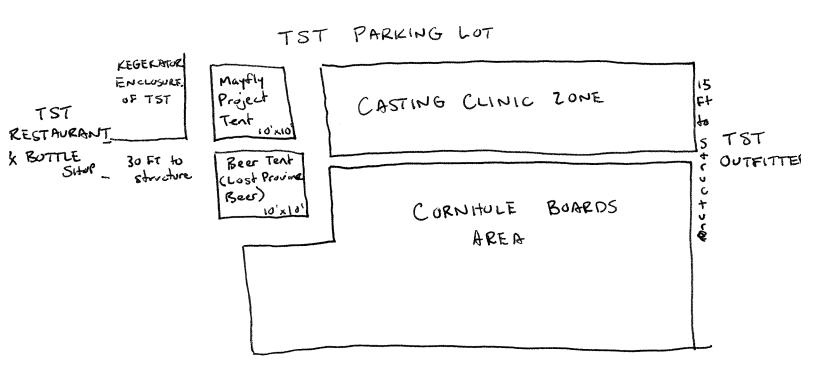
### SITE PLAN

Provide a detailed <u>Site-Plan sketch of the event</u>. Include maps, outline or diagram of the entire event venue including the names of all streets or areas that are part of the venue and the surrounding area. The plan should include the following information (if applicable):

- Location of the event/activity on the property with approximate distances from roads, fire hydrants, existing buildings, etc.
- Location of temporary structures that will be used during the event. Must indicate size of temporary structures, distances between temporary structures and existing buildings.
- Identify how each temporary structure will be used. Example: type of vendor, food preparation, alcohol sales, etc.
- · Identify location of all cooking devices and open flames.
- Location of all fencing, barricades, or other restrictions that will impair access to and from the event or property.
- Identify all designated parking areas.
- Identify location of any generators and fuel storage.

## SITE PLAN SKETCH

Please provide a site plan and describe details here.



MOIN STREET

/olunteers / Participants will utilize public parking of Blowing Rock.

## ATTACHMENT CHECKLIST

In addition to the Special Event Application form, the following supporting documents are required to complete your application package and begin the review process:

All Events:
☑ Site Plan Sketch
🔀 Parking Plan for participants and volunteers (May be included in site plan)
Uolunteer Plan for events with an anticipated attendance of 100 participants or more (how many,
their duties)
All Public Property Events:
Certificate of Insurance listing the Town of Blowing Rock as certificate holder and additional insured.
Public Property Event at a Public Park:
Email from the Parks and Recreation Director indicating approval of the event date. Parks and
Recreation Director may be reached at (828) 295-5222 or jbrown@tobr.us.
Waiver Request:
I am requesting a waiver from the Section which prohibits animals from special events on town property. I have included the required safety plan with the application.





Date: 9/5/2023

Attention: Matt McGuire

Re: application for fireworks permit

Please find the attached documents listed below in support of our request for a permit for an outdoor fireworks display.

- Shot list
- Certificate of insurance
- Site display
- Copy of operator license

Date/time of show: Saturday, October 7, 2023, approx. 9:30pm

Sponsor & location: Wedding, Chetola Resort

Ignition system: Hand fired

Size of product: 1.4g

Please let me know if further information is needed.

Thank you,

Eric Wright

Eric Wright, President JECO Pyrotechnics, Inc.

## JECO Pyrotechnics, Inc 195 Rodgers Ridge Rd Newland, NC 28657 828-260-2619 jecopyro@gmail.com

## **Shot List**

## **Location:**

Chetola Resort 185 Chetola Lake Drive Blowing Rock, NC 28605

Date: 10/7/2023

## Shots to be fired:

Number of shots	description of shot
144	1.75" inch shell
23	500 gram cakes



## CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 9/4/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to

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195 Rogers Ridge Rd	INS	INSURER C:				
Newland NC 28657	INS	URER D :			-	
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If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below				E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$	
DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required) Regarding the General Liability coverage, Waiver of Subrogation applies to the entities listed below per attached form CG 24 04 when required by written agreement. Regarding the General Liability coverage, Blanket Additional Insured applies to the entities listed below per attached form GLS-150s when required by written agreement.						
Additional Insured: Chetola Resort; Town of Blowing Rock; Watauga County NC Date: 10/7/2023 Location: 185 Chetola Lake Drive, Blowing Rock, NC						
CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CA	NCELLATION	10 100			
Chetola Resort	S	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.				
185 Chetola Lake Drive Blowing Rock NC 28605	AUT S	horized REPRESE				

Blowing Rock Hwy Chetola Lake Total distance: 210.13 ft (64.05 m) Measure distance Lake Dr

Outdoor Pyrotechnics Display **OPERATORS** License # 384 LICENSE Shane Cantre Z 23

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor Sellers and Members of the Town Council

FROM: Kevin Rothrock, Interim Town Manager

SUBJECT: #1) Bids - FY 2023-24 Capital Equipment

#2) Financing Proposals

#3) Resolution Approving Financing-To be included at the meeting for approval.

DATE: September 12, 2023

## 1) BIDS - FY 2023-24 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT

#### **Police**

Police Chief Aaron Miller received quotes and proposals for FY 2023-24 Capital equipment being funded through installment purchase and requests the following purchases be authorized via this funding:

- 4 Police Interceptor SUVs with Equipment \$180,110
- 2 Portable Radios \$10,490

## **Public Works**

Public Works Director Matt Blackburn received quotes and proposals for FY 2023-24 Capital equipment being funded through installment purchase and requests the following purchases be authorized via this funding:

- Street: Hydraulic Spreader \$14,865
- Street: Leafer \$56,950 (includes tax and tag)
- Street: 4 Portable Radios and Chargers: \$12,380
- Sanitation: 4 Portable Radios and Chargers: \$10,380
- Field Ops: Grandfather Lift Station Rehab.: \$73,720
- Field Ops.: 4 Portable Radios: \$10,380
- Field Ops: Trailer: \$23,555 (includes tax and tag)

## Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation Director Jennifer Brown received quotes and proposals for FY 2023-24 Capital equipment being funded through installment purchase and requests the following purchases be authorized via this funding:

Used 16 Passenger Van \$46,910 (includes tax and tag)

## Landscaping

Landscape Director Cory Cathcart received quotes and proposals for FY 2023-24 Capital equipment being funded through installment purchase and requests the following purchases be authorized via this funding:

- Skid Steer w/Bucket (Bobcat trade in): \$46,540
- 18KW Battery Electric Mower (Ferris trade in): \$20,700

## **Planning & Inspections**

Planning & Inspections Director Brian Johnson received quotes and proposals for FY 2023-24 Capital equipment being funded through installment purchase and requests the following purchases be authorized via this funding:

• Used Ford Explorer: \$34,730 (includes tax and tag)

## Spread Across Multi-departments (Police, Fire, Street, Sanitation, Field Ops. & Plant Ops.)

Fire Chief Kent Graham received quotes and proposals for FY 2023-24 Capital equipment being funded through installment purchase and requests the following purchases be authorized via this funding:

 New Green Hill Communications Building & Equipment Rehab. \$118,020 (Estimate used in Budget- Project cost breakdown not received as of yet)

## 2) FINANCING PROPOSALS

## 4 Year up to \$665,000

The Town of Blowing Rock has requested financing proposals from eleven (11) area banks to finance the acquisition of capital vehicles approved in the FY 2023-24 Budget.

The responses received are as follows:

<u>Bank</u>	Rate	Fees	
BB&T			
Bank of America			
Chase Bank			
First Citizens Bank			
First Horizon Bank			
First National Bank			
Highlands Union Bank			
PNC			
SunTrust			
United Community Bank			
Wells Fargo			

We recommend the financing bid be awarded to (to be determined on date of the meeting once proposals are received)

#3) Resolution Approving Financing-To be included at the meeting for approval.	

## PROCLAMATION: FOR CONSTITUTION WEEK

The following proclamations can be used as suggested or in combination with one another. Proclamations you have used in the past years can also be used as samples. Chapter may adjust the dates for the correct year and anniversary.

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WHEREAS: September 17, 2023, of the United States of America b	marks the two hundre	d and thirty-sixth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution onvention; and
WHEREAS: It is fitting and proper anniversary; and to the patriotic	r to accord official reco celebrations which will	gnition to this magnificent document and its memorable commemorate the occasion; and
WHEREAS: Public Law 915 guaran America designating September 1	ntees the issuing of a pa 17 through 23 as Const	roclamation each year by the President of the United States of tution Week,
NOW, THEREFORE I,(in the 23 as	by virtue of the e City of)	e authority vested in me as (Governor or Mayor) of the State or do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through
* .	CONST	ITUTION WEEK
AND ask our citizens to reaffirm to freedoms guaranteed to us through	he ideals of the Framer gh this guardian of our	s of the constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.
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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Mayor Charlie Sellers and Blowing Rock Town Council

From:

Kevin Rothrock, Planning Director

Subject:

**BRAAC** Re-organization

Date:

September 7, 2023

At the mid-year retreat in June, Council asked staff to consider a reorganization of BRAAC that added a recreation/public land representation to the commission. BRAAC members reported at the retreat that they wanted public projects to go before them prior to going to Council for consideration. In response, please see the attached draft ordinance language that would widen the scope of BRAAC with the addition of a recreation/public land oversight component. Language has also been added to clarify that the BRAAC has the responsibility of acting as the Tree Board since 2020.

If the Council decides to move forward with the direction of this proposed ordinance, submittal to Planning Board for review and comment is the next step.

## Section 16-3.6 **Public Land and Recreation Appearance** Commission.

16-3.6.1 Membership and Vacancies. There shall be an public land appearance and recreation advisory commission (herein after referred to as "Commission") consisting of five (5) nine (9) members, all of whom shall be citizens and residents of the planning and zoning jurisdiction of the town. Members shall be appointed by the board of commissioners for a term of three (3) years. Vacancies occurring for reasons other than the expiration of terms shall be filled as they occur for the period of the unexpired term. It is desirable that at least one member be a member of a design professional, and at least one member have a background in recreation, coaching, or sports administration.

**16-3.6.1.1** Members may be removed from the commission by the mayor for due cause. Attendance at the meetings of the commission and performance of the duties of members shall be considered a prerequisite for continued membership on the commission.

**16-3.6.1.2** Members of the commission shall serve without pay, but may be reimbursed for actual expenses incident to the performance of their duties within the limits of funds available to the commission.

16-3.6.2 Organization, Rules, Meetings and Records. Within thirty days after its appointment, the public land appearance and recreation advisory commission shall meet and elect a chair, and vice-chair. It may create and fill such other offices as it may determine. The term of each officer shall be one year. They may be re-elected. The commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of its business and shall keep a record of its members' attendance and of its resolutions, discussions, findings and recommendations, which records shall be open to the public. The commission shall meet as needed. All of its meetings shall be open to the public. For the purpose of taking any official action authorized or required by this article, there shall be present a quorum of three five (3 5) members.

## 16-3.6.3 Responsibilities and Duties

- (A) It shall be the responsibility and duty of the <u>public land</u> <del>appearance</del> <u>and recreation</u> <del>advisory</del> commission:
  - (1) To initiate, promote and assist in the implementation of general community beautification in the town and its environs.
  - (2) To seek to coordinate the activities of individuals, agencies and organizations, public and private, whose plans, activities, and programs bear upon the appearance of the town and its environs.
  - (3) To provide leadership and guidance in matters of area community design and appearance to individuals and to public and private organizations and agencies.

- (4) To make studies of the appearance characteristics and problems of the town and its environs, including surveys and inventories of an appropriate nature, and to recommend standards and policies of design for the town, any portion or neighborhood thereof, or any project to be undertaken.
- (5) To prepare both general and specific plans for the improved appearance of the town.
- (6) To make recommendations upon any permit or other item referred to the commission by the board of commissioners, planning board, board of adjustment, or administrator.
- (7) To review proposed amendments and improvements to town parks, facilities, properties and rights-of-ways, and to provide recommendations related to the proposals.
- (8) To take any other action authorized by this chapter or any other ordinance or resolution adopted by the board of commissioners.
- (9) To serve as the Tree Board in conjunction with the Blowing Rock Landscaping Department to include the short- and long-range management of trees within public street rights-of-way, Town-owned property, and other public property in the Town.
- (B) The following specific duties are hereby conferred upon the public land appearance and recreation advisory commission:
  - (1) To ask the proper officials of any public agencies of the state and its political subdivisions for plans for public buildings, facilities or projects to be located within the town.
  - (2) To review such plans as well as permit applications referred to the commission and make recommendations regarding appearance suitability to the appropriate agency or to the planning board, board of adjustment or board of commissioners. All plans shall be reviewed by the commission in a prompt and expeditious manner, and all recommendations of the commission with regard to any public project shall be made in writing. Copies shall be transmitted promptly to the appropriate town board and to the appropriate agency.
  - (3) To direct the attention of officials to the needed enforcement of any ordinance that may in any way affect the appearance of the town.
  - (4) To make recommendations related to the use of recreational facilities and public lands.
  - (5) To seek voluntary adherence to the standards and policies of its plans.

- (6) To enter upon private land for the purpose of making examinations or surveys, with the consent and permission of the person in possession of such property.
- (7) To promote public interest in and an understanding of its recommendations, studies and plans, and to that end to prepare, publish and distribute to the public such studies and reports as will, in the opinion of the commission, advance the cause of improved municipal appearance.
- (8) To formulate and recommend to the town planning board and board of commissioners the adoption or amendment of ordinances regulating the use of property that will, in the opinion of the commission, serve to enhance the appearance of the town and its surrounding area.
- (9) To act as the Tree Board and coordinate efforts with the Town Landscape Department to satisfy requirements of maintaining and expanding the Town's status as a Tree City, USA member.
- (10) To be the lead civic organization coordinating and the chief sponsor of the annual Town Clean-up Week.

## 16.3-6.4 Annual Report and Budget.

- (A) In conjunction with the submission of the budget request, the commission shall submit to the board of commissioners a progress report of its activities during the present fiscal year. A report of the entire fiscal year, July through June, shall be submitted to the board of commissioners no later than thirty days after the close of the fiscal year.
- (B) The commission may present requests to the board of commissioners no later than April 1 of each year for the purpose of incorporating in the budget future recreation, beautification, preservation, restoration and landscaping projects to include establishment, maintenance and replacement of gardens. Anticipated revenues for the next fiscal year from non-city sources shall be indicated. The requests will be reviewed and, if approved, recommended for inclusion in the proposed budget.
- **16.3-6.5 Receipt and Expenditure of Funds.** The commission may receive contributions from private agencies, foundations, organizations, individuals, the state or federal government or any other source, in addition to any sums appropriated for its use by the board of commissioners. It may accept and disburse these funds for any purpose within the scope of its authority as specified in this article. All sums appropriated by the board of commissioners to further the work and purposes of the commission are deemed to be for a public purpose.