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**Town of Blowing Rock**  
**Board of Commissioners**  
**Special Meeting- July 29, 2014**

The Town of Blowing Rock Board of Commissioners held a special meeting on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting took place at Town Hall located at 1036 Main Street, Blowing Rock. Present were Mayor J.B. Lawrence, Commissioners Albert Yount, Dan Phillips, Sue Sweeting, Doug Matheson and Ray Pickett. Others in attendance were Town Manager Scott Fogleman and Town Clerk Sharon Greene.

Town Manager Fogleman provided an overview of the general obligation bond process and explained that the purpose of the special meeting was to conduct four separate public hearings and to consider related motions associated with adopting each bond for a total amount of \$13,000,000.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**1) Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Water Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$2,000,000**

At 5:30 p.m., the Mayor announced that this was the hour, date and place fixed by the Town Council for the public hearing upon the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000**

and that the Town Council would immediately hear anyone who might wish to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds.

No one appeared, either in person or by attorney, to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds and the Town Clerk announced that no written statement relating to said questions had been received.

The Mayor then closed the public hearing.

**2) Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Sewer Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$1,000,000**

The Mayor then announced that this was the hour, date and place fixed by the Town Council for the public hearing upon the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000**

and that the Town Council would immediately hear anyone who might wish to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds.

No one appeared, either in person or by attorney, to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds and the Town Clerk announced that no written statement relating to said questions had been received.

The Mayor then closed the public hearing.

**3) Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Parks & Recreation Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$1,000,000**

The Mayor then announced that this was the hour, date and place fixed by the Town Council for the public hearing upon the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PARKS AND RECREATION BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000**

and that the Town Council would immediately hear anyone who might wish to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds.

No one appeared, either in person or by attorney, to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds and the Town Clerk announced that no written statement relating to said questions had been received.

The Mayor then closed the public hearing.

**4) Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Street Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$9,000,000**

The Mayor then announced that this was the hour, date and place fixed by the Town Council for the public hearing upon the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$9,000,000**

and that the Town Council would immediately hear anyone who might wish to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds.

No one appeared, either in person or by attorney, to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds and the Town Clerk announced that no written statement relating to said questions had been received.

The Mayor then closed the public hearing.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**1) Resolution to adopt a Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Water Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$2,000,000**

Upon motion of Council Member Sweeting, seconded by Council Member Pickett and carried, the **BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000** introduced on July 14, 2014 was adopted in the form as introduced and as attached hereto.

The vote upon this motion for the final passage of said order was:

Ayes: Yount, Phillips, Sweeting, Matheson & Pickett.

Noes: None.

The Mayor then announced that the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000** had been adopted.

**2) Resolution to adopt a Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Sewer Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$1,000,000**

Upon motion of Council Member Pickett, seconded by Council Member Sweeting and carried, the **BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000** introduced on July 14, 2014 was adopted in the form as introduced and as attached hereto.

The vote upon this motion for the final passage of said order was:

Ayes: Yount, Phillips, Sweeting, Matheson & Pickett.

Noes: None.

The Mayor then announced that the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000** had been adopted.

**3) Resolution to adopt a Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Parks & Recreation Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$1,000,000**

Upon motion of Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Matheson and carried, the **BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PARKS AND RECREATION BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000** introduced on July 14, 2014 was adopted in the form as introduced and as attached hereto.

The vote upon this motion for the final passage of said order was:

Ayes: Yount, Phillips, Sweeting, Matheson & Pickett.

Noes: None.

The Mayor then announced that the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PARKS AND RECREATION BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000** had been adopted.

**4) Resolution to adopt a Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Street Bonds of the Town of Blowing Rock in the Maximum Amount of \$9,000,000**

Upon motion of Council Member Matheson, seconded by Council Member Sweeting and carried, the **BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$9,000,000** introduced on July 14, 2014 was adopted in the form as introduced and as attached hereto.

The vote upon this motion for the final passage of said order was:

Ayes: Yount, Phillips, Sweeting, Matheson & Pickett.

Noes: None.

The Mayor then announced that the order entitled:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$9,000,000** had been adopted.

**5) Resolution Regarding Publication of Bond Orders, Establishing Date for Referenda on Same and Setting Ballot Questions**

Upon motion of Council Member Pickett, seconded by Council Member Phillips and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLUTION REGARDING PUBLICATION OF BOND ORDERS, ESTABLISHING DATE FOR REFERENDA ON SAME AND SETTING BALLOT QUESTIONS**

WHEREAS, there have been adopted at this meeting four separate bond orders entitled as follows:

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000**

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000**

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PARKS AND RECREATION BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000**

AND

**BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET BONDS OF THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$9,000,000**

Therefore, be it resolved by the Town Council as follows:

1. The Town Clerk, with the assistance of any other authorized Town representative, is authorized and directed to publish notice of adoption of each such bond order, in the form provided for in Section 159-58 of the North Carolina General Statutes, one time in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town.
2. Each such bond order is to be subject to a bond referendum to be held within the Town on November 4, 2014.
3. The Watauga County Board of Elections and the Caldwell County Board of Elections, as appropriate, are each requested to print and distribute the necessary ballots and to provide the equipment for the holding of each bond referendum and to conduct and to supervise each such referendum. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Watauga County Board of Elections and the Caldwell County Board of Elections within three days after today.
4. The Town Clerk, with the assistance of any other authorized Town representative, is authorized and directed to publish notice of each bond referendum as required by Section 159-61 of the North Carolina General Statutes.
5. The ballot questions for the bond referenda shall contain the following words:

Shall the order authorizing up to \$2,000,000 of general obligation bonds, plus interest, of the Town of Blowing Rock, for the purpose of paying capital costs of providing water systems, including without limitation facilities for the supply, storage, treatment and distribution of water and related costs, and providing that additional taxes may be levied in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as adopted by the Blowing Rock Town Council on July 29, 2014, be approved?

YES

NO

Shall the order authorizing up to \$1,000,000 of general obligation bonds, plus interest, of the Town of Blowing Rock, for the purpose of paying capital costs of providing

sanitary sewer systems, including without limitation community sewerage facilities for the collection, treatment, and disposal of sewage or septic tank systems and other on-site collection and disposal facilities or systems and related costs, and providing that additional taxes may be levied in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as adopted by the Blowing Rock Town Council on July 29, 2014, be approved?

YES

NO

Shall the order authorizing up to \$9,000,000 of general obligation bonds, plus interest, of the Town of Blowing Rock, for the purpose of paying capital costs of providing streets and sidewalks, including without limitation bridges and alleys; paving, grading, resurfacing, and widening streets; sidewalks, curbs and gutters, culverts and drains; traffic controls, signals, and markers; lighting; and grade crossings and the elimination thereof and grade separations, and related costs, and providing that additional taxes may be levied in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as adopted by the Blowing Rock Town Council on July 29, 2014, be approved?

YES

NO

Shall the order authorizing up to \$1,000,000 of general obligation bonds, plus interest, of the Town of Blowing Rock, for the purpose of paying capital costs of providing parks and recreation facilities, including without limitation land, athletic fields, parks, playgrounds, recreation centers, shelters, permanent and temporary stands, swimming pools, wading pools, and lighting, and related costs, and providing that additional taxes may be levied in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as adopted by the Blowing Rock Town Council on July 29, 2014, be approved?

YES

NO

6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

**OTHER**

Town Manager Fogleman then updated Council regarding the Intergovernmental Retreat that he had attended earlier in the day. He advised that future dialogue regarding sales tax distribution in Watauga County would be forthcoming. According to

