MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Blowing Rock Board of Commissioners

Monday, March 3, 2003

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners for the Town of Blowing Rock met in a special session on Monday, March 3, 2003. Present were Commissioners Barbara Ball, Terry Lentz, Keith Tester, David Wray and Rita Wiseman. Also present were Town Manager Scott Hildebran, Emergency Services Department Head Marc Hickman, Fire Inspector Kent Graham, and Assistant Town Clerk Sharon Greene.

They met in to discuss the Clyde Keyes property on Valley Boulevard. Debbie and Barry Buxton represented the Keyes heirs, along with Casey Dorenbusch, their realtor.

Kent Graham spoke representing the Emergency Services and their plans to construct a new fire and rescue facility in the near future. According to the facility plans, the tract of land owned by the town is not large enough to accommodate the facility. The Council approached the Buxtons regarding their tract that adjoins the town property and to discuss the previous Town purchase offer.

The Buxtons were concerned with the aesthetics issues and the impact this would have on the surrounding property owners.

After further discussion, it was agreed to continue dialogue and to possibly meet again within 30-60 days, since time is of the essence. The Council instructed the Town Manager and Town Attorney to act as the Town contacts in these negotiations.

There were no further topics for discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

Terry D. Lentz, Mayor Pro-tem		
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Sharon H. Greene, Assistant Town Clerk		