REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: September 8th, 2020

SUBJECT: Public Hearing to close portion of Dove Haven Lane Road Right of Way

PRESENTER: Sam Starr, Property Addressing Coordinator

Autumn Radcliff, Planning Director

ATTACHMENTS: (1) Site Maps depicting proposed RROW closure

(2) North Carolina General Statute 153A-241

(3) Petition for Road Closure

(4) Order to permanently close portions of Dove Haven Lane

(5) PowerPoint Presentation

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Planning and Property Addressing staff have received the attached petition and survey to close an unopened portion of Dove Haven Lane. Under North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) 153A-241, Counties have the power to close any public road or easement not within a city, except public roads or easements for public roads under control of the Department of Transportation. To close any road, the Board must:

- Vote to adopt a resolution declaring its intent to close the public road or easement.
- Call and notice a public hearing on closing the road or easement, with notice "reasonably calculated to give full and fair disclosure of the proposed closing to be published once a week for three successive weeks before the hearing, a copy of the resolution to be sent by registered or certified mail to each owner as shown on the county tax records of property adjoining the public road or easement who did not join in the request to have the road or easement closed, and a notice of the closing and public hearing to be prominently posted in at least two places along the road or easement".
- Hold the public hearing, where the Board must "hear all interested persons who appear with respect to whether the closing would be detrimental to the public interest or to any individual property rights".
- Then, if the Board "is satisfied that closing the public road or easement is not contrary to the public interest and (in the case of a road) that no individual owning property in the vicinity of the road or in the subdivision in which it is located would thereby be deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress to his property, the Board may adopt an order closing the road or easement."
- File a copy of the Board's order with the Register of Deeds.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff recommends approval of closing portions of Dove Haven Lane.

Suggested Motion:

I move that the Board approve the closure of the rights-of-way and certify the Order of Closure

Site Map With Highlighted Area Indicating Proposed RROW Closure



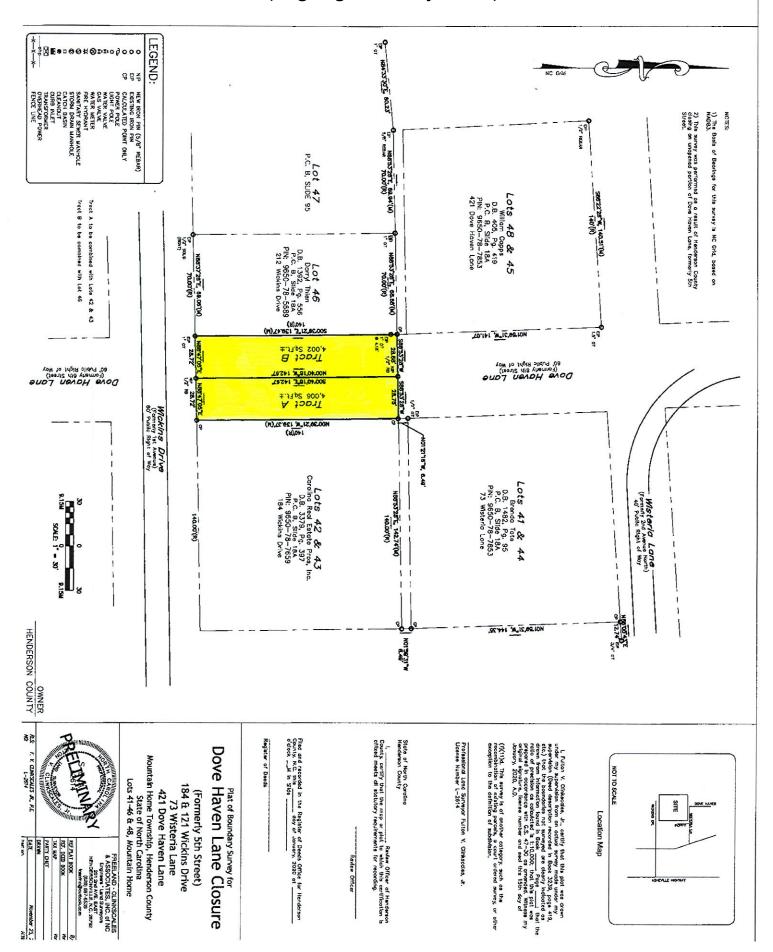




0.05 Miles

Proposed ROW Closure

(Highlighted in yellow)



§ 153A-241. Closing public roads or easements.

A county may permanently close any public road or any easement within the county and not within a city, except public roads or easements for public roads under the control and supervision of the Department of Transportation. The board of commissioners shall first adopt a resolution declaring its intent to close the public road or easement and calling a public hearing on the question. The board shall cause a notice of the public hearing reasonably calculated to give full and fair disclosure of the proposed closing to be published once a week for three successive weeks before the hearing, a copy of the resolution to be sent by registered or certified mail to each owner as shown on the county tax records of property adjoining the public road or easement who did not join in the request to have the road or easement closed, and a notice of the closing and public hearing to be prominently posted in at least two places along the road or easement. At the hearing the board shall hear all interested persons who appear with respect to whether the closing would be detrimental to the public interest or to any individual property rights. If, after the hearing, the board of commissioners is satisfied that closing the public road or easement is not contrary to the public interest and (in the case of a road) that no individual owning property in the vicinity of the road or in the subdivision in which it is located would thereby be deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress to his property, the board may adopt an order closing the road or easement. A certified copy of the order (or judgment of the court) shall be filed in the office of the register of deeds of the county.

Any person aggrieved by the closing of a public road or an easement may appeal the board of commissioners' order to the appropriate division of the General Court of Justice within 30 days after the day the order is adopted. The court shall hear the matter de novo and has jurisdiction to try the issues arising and to order the road or easement closed upon proper findings of fact by the trier of fact.

No cause of action founded upon the invalidity of a proceeding taken in closing a public road or an easement may be asserted except in an action or proceeding begun within 30 days after the day the order is adopted.

Upon the closing of a public road or an easement pursuant to this section, all right, title, and interest in the right-of-way is vested in those persons owning lots or parcels of land adjacent to the road or easement, and the title of each adjoining landowner, for the width of his abutting land, extends to the center line of the public road or easement. However, the right, title or interest vested in an adjoining landowner by this paragraph remains subject to any public utility use or facility located on, over, or under the road or easement immediately before its closing, until the landowner or any successor thereto pays to the utility involved the reasonable cost of removing and relocating the facility. (1949, c. 1208, ss. 1-3; 1957, c. 65, s. 11; 1965, cc. 665, 801; 1971, c. 595; 1973, c. 507, s. 5; c. 822, s. 1; 1977, c. 464, s. 34; 1995, c. 374, s. 1.)

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CONSENT TO REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSURE PORTION OF DOVE HAVEN LANE

We join in this petition to permanently close the unopened streets identified in the letter of Edward L. Harrelson dated July 7, 2020.

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Henderson County North Carolina

Before the Board of Commissioners

ORDER CLOSING A PORTION OF THE

RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR DOVE HAVEN LANE

THIS MATTER came on for hearing before the Henderson County Board of Commissioners at its regular September 8th 2020, meeting, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §153A-241, on the issue of closing a portion of rights-of-way for portions of Dove Haven Lane was heard by the Board after public hearing. The Board of Commissioners makes the following findings:

- 1. This matter first came before the Board of Commissioners on at the Board's regular meeting on August 19th 2020, on the petition of Carolina Real Estate Pros, LLC to close portions of Dove Haven Lane was heard in Henderson County.
- 2. At the Board's August 19th, 2020 meeting, the Board adopted a resolution "declaring its intent to close" the said portions of Dove Haven Lane.
- 3. A map showing the area under consideration is shown on the attachment hereto, Exhibit A, (indicated by a highlighted portion indicating closure areas)
- 4. A notice of this Board's September 8th hearing was published once a week for three successive weeks before the hearing in the *Hendersonville Tribune*, a copy of the resolution was sent by registered or certified mail to each owner as shown on the county tax records of property adjoining the public road or easement who did not join in the request to have the road or easement closed, and a notice of the closing and public hearing to be prominently posted in at least two places along the road or easement.
- 5. Before the Board on September 8th, the Board heard "all interested persons who appear with respect to whether the closing would be detrimental to the public interest or to any individual property rights" are required by N.C. Gen. Stat. §153A-241.
 - 6. After such hearing, the Board is satisfied and finds:
 - A. That closing the public road or easement is not contrary to the public interest; and,
 - B. That no individual owning property in the vicinity of the road or in the subdivision in which it is located would thereby be deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress to his property.

WHEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that portions of Dove Haven Lane in Henderson County

as shown on the attached map is hereby closed.

Adopted by the Board by motion duly made, this the 17th day of June, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY

	Ву:			
	, —	Chairman		
Attest:				
Clerk to the Board				

Public Hearing to Close Portions of Dove Haven Lane



 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Henderson County Board of Commissioners} \\ \text{September 8}^{\text{th}}, 2020 \end{array}$

Henderson County Planning Department

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Context Map I



Henderson County Planning Department

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Context Map II

Proposed Closures

Paper Right of way

No impacts to existing driveways or access

No plans to improve portions of Dove Haven Lane

Renderson County Planning Department

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Public Noticing + Comments

- Paper notice: 8/19, 8/26, 9/2
- Bi-directional signage posted for 21 days
- Adjacent and applicant notified per NCGS mailing standards
- No public comment received for this closure

Henderson County Planning Department

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