MINUTES

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HENDERSON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners met for a Special Called Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' meeting room of the Historic Courthouse on Main Street in Hendersonville.

Those present were: Chairman William Lapsley, Vice-Chair Rebecca McCall, Commissioner Daniel Andreotta, Commissioner David Hill, County Manager John Mitchell, Assistant County Manager Amy Brantley, Attorney Russ Burrell, and Clerk to the Board Denisa Lauffer.

Absent was: Commissioner J. Michael Edney

Also present were: Business and Community Development Director Christopher Todd, PIO Kathy Finotti videotaping, Deputies John Ashe and Carl Greco provided security.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chairman Lapsley called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Chairman Lapsley stated that this special called meeting was to interview and discuss proposed Broadband applications to be submitted for the NC GREAT Grant. He explained the Board would go into closed session to hear the proposals and then reconvene in open session with hopes the Board would decide on one or more Broadband projects for the County to endorse.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice-Chair McCall made the motion that the Board go into closed session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(1). All voted in favor and the motion carried 4-0.

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-318.11(a)(1)

1. To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-318.11(a)(1).

Chairman Lapsley made to motion to go out of closed session and reconvene into open session. All voted in favor and the motion carried 4-0.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

Chairman Lapsley thanked each of the Broadband providers for the time and effort involved in bringing their presentations to the Board.

APPROVED:

Commissioner Andreotta clarified that the Board was not choosing any one provider over the other but choosing to support one, some, or all of the proposals presented by the Broadband providers for the subsequent applications they will submit for the NC GREAT Grant.

Commissioner Andreotta made the motion that the Board support all four proposals presented from the three Broadband providers in attendance. The funds for any or all successful applications for the NC GREAT Grant will be supported solely with ARP funds and will not exceed one million dollars. All voted in favor and the motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURN

Chairman Lapsley made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. All voted in favor and the motion carried 4-0.

Attest:

Denisa A. Lauffer, Clerk to the Board

William Lapsley, Chairman