

TOWN OF BURNSVILLE

Special Meeting

April 8, 2014

On April 8, 2014, the Town Council, with members Mayor Theresa Coletta, Ruth Banks, Judy Buchanan, Ron Powell, and Bill Wheeler present, attended a special meeting at the Burnsville Town Center. Also in attendance were:

Yancey County Commissioners

Randy Ollis
Jill Austin
Johnny Riddle
Jim Edwards

Yancey County EDC

Jon Ray
Wanda Proffitt
Erica Deaton

Other

Denise Cook (TRAC)
Jeanne Martin (TOB)
George Nero (TOB)
Phil Trew
(High Country COG)
Cindy Messer (NC DOC)
Tom Johnson
(Advantage West)
Jamie McMahan (YC)
Nathan Bennett (YC)
Jason Robinson (YC)
Ginger Johnson
(Chamber of Commerce)
Tres Magner (TRACTOR)
Jonathan Austin
(Yancey County News)

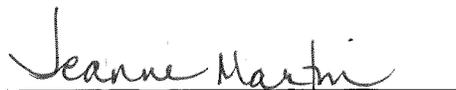
The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a worksession on the topic of economic development, led by Phil Trew, High Country Council of Governments.

The group listened to a presentation by Denise Cook about the various initiatives in which the Toe River Arts Council is involved that could either directly or indirectly affect economic development in Burnsville. Tom Johnson (Advantage West) talked about the general economic development process. Cindy Messer (Department of Commerce) discussed the services offered by the DOC and general philosophies on economic development.

Individuals from each group present shared current and planned initiatives as well as concerns. Phil Trew summarized the areas that were identified for focus in the next year, and promised to provide a written summary for all participants. It was agreed that the group will hold a similar worksession on an annual basis.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Theresa Coletta, Mayor



Jeanne Martin, CMC
Town Clerk