



TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, NC 28711

Date: January 5, 2023 Time: 5:00 p.m.

Agenda Workshop Minutes

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL held their regular agenda workshop meeting on Thursday, January 5, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the board room of Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain NC.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor C. Michael Sobol called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance:

Mayor C. Michael Sobol
Vice Mayor Archie Pertiller
Council Member Alice Berry
Council Member Bill Christy
Council Member Doug Hay
Council Member Pam King

The following staff members were present:

Josh Harrold, Town Manager
Ron Sneed, Town Attorney
Angela Reece, Deputy Town Clerk, and others

Mayor C. Michael Sobol opened the meeting and welcomed those in attendance. Town Manager, Josh Harrold, presented the proposed agenda to the Town Council. Town Council discussed items.

Mayor Sobol inquired regarding the use of local banking institutions for town business. Council discussed potentially directing staff to prepare an RFP for consideration and will follow up on guidance at the regular meeting.

Town Council discussed electricity usage at the Golf Course 19th hole facility that is leased to the Green Tee Grille and is also utilized by the Women's Golf Association. Town Manager Harrold clarified the annual electricity bill is approximately \$8,300 and the lease payment by Green Tee Grille is \$4,800. The Women's Golf Association does not contribute.

Council Member Doug Hay discussed the proposed employee pay plan and stated the market comparisons were helpful. Council Member Hay inquired regarding impacts by department as compared to the peer groups and said he would like to see additional information from the consultant.

After discussing membership on advisory boards and committees, Council Member Alice Berry advised Council she will propose that Council also prohibit governing body members from serving on advisory boards created by the governing body. Mayor C. Michael Sobol compared the practice to the United States Congressional Committees and said he believes Council should be able to serve on their own advisory boards.

Attorney Ron Sneed stated elected officials sitting on an advisory board they create which recommends policy to the governing body is problematic he recommended that Council approve any membership as a liaison without voting rights if they considered the matter. and nonvoting.

Council Member Doug Hay moved to approve the January 9, 2023 regular session agenda. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

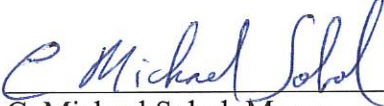
2. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor C. Michael Sobol adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

ATTEST:



Angela L. Reece, Deputy Clerk



C. Michael Sobol, Mayor