



TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

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

Date: March 29, 2023 Time: 4:00 p.m.

Special Call Meeting Minutes

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL held a special call meeting on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 4:00 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 4:00 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
Savannah Parrish, Town Clerk

Town Manager Josh Harrold requested guidance from the Town Council regarding short-term rental regulations for the pending Unified Development Ordinance. Councilmember Doug Hay will participate in the discussion around short-term rentals, but not be voting on the matter, due to a short-term rental located on his property.

Planning Director Jessica Trotman presented a report highlighting potential options that could allow the town to regulate short-term rentals through zoning compliance. The report reviewed options to limit the rental units in specific districts, including occupancy caps and parking restrictions.

Chip Craig of Greybeard Realty also presented information to the Council. Craig's report reviewed data on short-term rentals within the 28711 zip code.


The reports from Jessica Trotman and Chip Craig are included as an attachment to these minutes.

Following the reports, there was discussion among the Town Council. Mayor Sobol expressed support for stringent regulations, while councilmembers Christy, King, and Pertiller favored more minimal regulations. There was much discussion among the council. In Manager Harrold's summary comments at the end of the meeting, he confirmed that the Planning Board should begin exploring options to regulate short-term rentals that focus on safety and preserving neighborhood character.

2. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor C. Michael Sobol adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

ATTEST:



C. Michael Sobol, Mayor



Savannah Parrish, Town Clerk