Town of Boonville February 23, 2017 Recessed Meeting Minutes Harvey E. Smith Municipal Building

The following were in attendance at the 2/23/17 recessed meeting: Mayor Rusty Hunter, Commissioners Devin Carter, Bonnie Lasky, William Paul Baity, and Tony Reece. Also in attendance were Interim Town Administrator Sarah Harris, Police Chief Farron Jester, Finance Officer/Town Clerk Kim Wells, and Public Works Director Jeff Jones.

Mayor Hunter called the 2/23/17 recessed meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Interim Town Administrator Harris presented an overview of Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

Darren Rhodes presented the draft Economic Development Strategic Plan and informed the Board members that it was intended as a 5-year plan. Members of the Economic Development Strategic Plan Steering Committee were in attendance and reported on the process. They informed the Board members that the plan was an asset-based plan, meaning that Boonville should use its assets and build from there.

Matthew Dolge, Executive Director, PTRC, reviewed past Board retreat topics. New topics for this year's retreat focused on the results and recommendations included in the Economic Development Strategic Plan and included assigning downtown coordinator duties to current staff and creating an implementation team; creating a strong environment (infrastructure, available and ready land, etc.) to encourage business development and support existing businesses; start a "buy local" campaign; and identify and target businesses that would work well in Boonville. Mr. Dolge strongly suggested that the Board members look for ways to provide Wi-Fi in the downtown area. Mr. Dolge also recommended that the Board members improve the Facade Improvement Grant Program by adding more resources, marketing the program, and setting parameters for building improvements.

Commissioner Carter motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:10 p.m.

Russell (Rusty) Hunter, IV, Mayor

Kim Wells, Finance Officer/Town Clerk

Town of Boonville February 23, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes Harvey E. Smith Municipal Building

The following were in attendance at the 2/23/17 special meeting: Mayor Rusty Hunter, Commissioners Devin Carter, Bonnie Lasky, William Paul Baity, and Tony Reece. Also in attendance were Interim Town Administrator Sarah Harris, Police Chief Farron Jester, Finance Officer/Town Clerk Kim Wells, and Public Works Director Jeff Jones.

Mayor Hunter called the 2/23/17 special meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Commissioner Baity motioned to go into Closed Session per G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6). Commissioner Reece seconded, and the motion passed unanimously at 7:10 p.m.

Commissioner Carter motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:03 p.m.

Russell (Rusty) Hunter, IV, Mayor

Kim Wells, Finance Officer/Town Clerk