Town of Boonville May 9, 2018 Recessed Meeting Minutes Harvey E. Smith Municipal Building

The following were in attendance at the 5/9/18 recessed meeting: Mayor Rusty Hunter, Commissioners Devin Carter, Bonnie Lasky, William Paul Baity, and Tony Reece. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Sarah Harris, Police Chief Farron Jester, Finance Officer/Town Clerk Kim Wells, and Public Works Director Jeff Jones.

Mayor Hunter called the 5/9/18 recessed meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

Commissioner Lasky motioned to go into Closed Session per NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6). Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously at 6:11 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:26 p.m.

Town Administrator Harris reviewed the Town's unappropriated fund balance. She reported to the Board members that Parkdale may be leaving Boonville and could result in approximately \$27,000 less in taxes for the General Fund. She presented four proposals that could help offset the potential loss of General Fund revenue. Ms. Harris proposed a \$.02 increase in taxes to help fund current expenditures.

The Board members discussed the proposals. Commissioner Baity stated he was not in favor of a \$.02 tax increase but would accept a \$.01 tax increase.

Other topics discussed were providing employee bonuses this year in place of a cost of living adjustment, charging an administrative fee for trash pickup, delaying the purchase of a new police car, and not assigning funds to the capital improvement plan in the streets and sidewalks line item.

It was the consensus of the Board members to keep a fund balance of at least 30 percent in the General Fund.

The Board members discussed the date and time for the next budget workshop and the public hearing.

Commissioner Reece motioned to advertise the public hearing for June 14, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. with an open meeting to follow. Commissioner Lasky seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Baity motioned to recess. Commissioner Carter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:12 p.m.

Russell (Rusty) Hunter, IV, Mayor

Kim Wells, Finance Officer/Town Clerk