

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK AGENDA WORKSHOP MEETING
ASSEMBLY ROOM
AUGUST 3, 2015
9:30 AM

Mayor Staton presided over the Agenda Workshop meeting on August 3, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. Those present in addition to Mayor Staton were Vice Mayor Weedman, Council Members Coletta, Farr, and Jamerson, Village Clerk Parker and Village Administrator Boleman. Council Member Gooch was not present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Staton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A draft agenda for the August 13, 2015, Council Meeting was presented. At the request of Council Member Chandler, *Planning Board Appointments – Victor Behoriam and Joe Sloan, terms ending August 13, 2018*, was added to the Consent Agenda. With no additional changes, Mayor Staton stated an agenda has been set.

Discussions:

- Administrator Boleman reported the annual new citizens ceremony to be held at the Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2015. In years past the Village has hosted the reception. By consensus, Council agreed to host again this year.
- Administrator Boleman reported Carl Sandburg plans to hold a volunteers appreciation picnic event in the park on September 3, 2015. With the relationship the Village has with Carl Sandburg, she asked Council to consider waiving the fee. Council agreed.
- Council Member Coletta reported the audit committee met with Carl Shaw on July 21, 2015. She reported the auditors performed their review in the village office for three days and are continuing the audit work in their offices.
- On July 14, 2015, Anne Coletta, Ginger Brown, Judy Boleman, and Terry and Christine Hicks attended a Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy Land Ownership Conservation event at Oscar Blues on Crab Creek Road near Brevard. The Village of Flat Rock and the Park each received a plaque, one of which will be placed in the village hall lobby and the other in the welcome center at the park.
- An overflow crowd attended an informational meeting held by a citizens group in the Assembly Room on July 30, 2015, to learn more details about Duke Energy's proposed Segment 20 of a transmission line across Henderson County and between a proposed new natural gas-fired plant in Buncombe County and a proposed new substation in Campobello, South Carolina.
- Council Member Chandler reported the Welcome Center has been well received and well used. He mentioned two issues since its opening: (1) a dog drinking out of the sink in the men's restroom, and (2) kids bringing bicycles into restrooms. He continues to work with Moducraft on a \$680.00 chargeback.

- Ricky Bishop, track coach at Flat Rock Middle School, has applied for a permit to hold a track meet event at the park on September 29, 2015.
- Ms. Ginger Brown proposed the development of a butterfly and pollinator garden at the park. Park naturalist, Fred Roane, has identified two areas for the garden and will oversee the project. Dunkin FitzSimons will till and cover with plastic the two areas to kill weed seeds until November. Milkweed seeds will then be introduced, and in the spring, other butterfly and pollinator plant seeds will be sown. Council gave Ms. Brown permission to proceed with this project costing an estimated total installation cost of \$945.00.
- Council Member Chandler reported the Planning Board has selected new officers: Park Rayfield, Chairman, Wendy Beville, Vice Chairman, and Ginger Brown, Secretary.
- Council has been invited to the Henderson County Tourism Development Authority's reception for the launching of its new branding initiative. The reception will be held 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., August 18, 2015, at Highland Lake Inn's Grand Old Hall.
- Myra Grant presented two flags that were donated for the park.
- Terry Hicks reported a detailed list of donations and pledges made to the Foundation will be provided at a later date.

With no further discussions, at 10:08 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Michelle Parker, CMC
Village Clerk

Robert V. Staton
Mayor