

**MINUTES**  
**VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK AGENDA WORKSHOP**  
**ASSEMBLY ROOM**  
**APRIL 1, 2019**  
**9:30 AM**

Vice Mayor Weedman presided over the April 1, 2019, agenda meeting at 9:30 a.m. Those present in addition to Vice Mayor Weedman were Council Members Brown, Dockendorf, Gooch, Jamerson, and Posey, Village Clerk Parker and Village Administrator Christie. Mayor Staton was not present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Vice Mayor Weedman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A draft agenda for the April 11, 2019, council meeting was presented. Under *Old Business, Item #8 – Budget*, and under *New Business, Item #9 – Equal Rights Amendment Resolution* were added to the agenda. Council Member Gooch made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Jamerson. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

**Discussions**

Village Administrator Christie mentioned the Planning Board will review the Comprehensive Land Use Plan's Implementation Plan and the proposed minor 10 lot subdivision on Mine Gap Road at its meeting tomorrow, April 2, 2019.

Mr. Sean Rose with Housing Assistance Corporation stated that HAC is committed to providing safe and affordable housing in Henderson County for persons of limited income, because they believe every human being deserves the opportunity to live in a decent home. Henderson County has a shortage of affordable housing. According to the Beverly Hanks Market report, the median sales price for a home in Flat Rock is around \$341,120.00. This amount remains out of reach for a majority of those making up the workplace population. The Housing Assistance Corporation plans to build ten affordable homes in its Mine Gap Road subdivision, which will result in more diverse housing in the Flat Rock area.

The Housing Assistance Corporation is asking Council to waive the subdivision fee of \$1,750.00 for the ten lots parcels for the Mine Gap Road subdivision. Council Member Posey made a motion to waive the fee, seconded by Council Member Dockendorf. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Residents Mr. Richard Carter and Mr. Bill Johnson spoke about the Equal Rights Amendment and how not yet been ratified by the requisite number of states. They are asking that Council adopt a resolution urging the North Carolina General Assembly to ratify the ERA.

Council Member Dockendorf made a motion to adopt an appropriate resolution in support of the Equal Rights Amendment, seconded by Council Member Gooch. The vote was unanimous, motion carried. Vice Mayor Weedman will ask Mayor Staton to draft the resolution to be adopted at the April 11, 2019, council meeting.

Council Member Posey asked council members to review the Implementation Plan before reviewing at the April 11, 2019, council meeting. She reported the annual Ice Cream Social will be held June 1, 2019, with no rain date, and Baabals Ice Cream in Fletcher will provide the ice cream.

Council Member Gooch reported he met with Al Falzone, of TPS Landscaping, to discuss a landscaping plan for the village hall grounds. He should receive a plan in a couple of weeks.

Council Member Dockendorf reported within a month the Bike-Pedestrian Plan will be available with Historic Flat Rock's suggestions incorporated in the plan. He mentioned the County Commissioners will be voting on the Henderson County Comprehensive Greenway Plan at 5:30 p.m. today, and he encouraged council members to attend the commissioners' meeting.

Council Member Jamerson mentioned she is working on next year's budget and asked council to have their worksheets ready by the April council meeting. She mentioned letters for hemlock treatment along Little River Road have been sent out asking for authorizations for treatments and such authorizations to the village hall by April 15, 2019.

Vice Mayor Weedman reported that, as of March 29, 2019, the current fiscal year tax collections are at 99.9%, with \$948,112.05 total collected (see attached report dated March 29, 2019).

Mr. Duncan Fraser mentioned he will be giving a quarterly financial report for the Flat Rock Park and Recreation Foundation at the April 11, 2019, council meeting.

With no further discussions, Council Member Gooch made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Jamerson. The motion carried on a unanimous vote, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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Michelle Parker, CMC  
Village Clerk

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Nick Weedman  
Vice Mayor