County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioner's met in special session on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mars Hill Public Library, Mars Hill, N.C.

In attendance were Chairman Wayne Brigman, Vice-Chair Sue Vilcinskas, Commissioner Jim Baker, County Manager Allen Lamberson and Clerk Darlyne Rhinehart.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Brigman.

A financial update was given by Darlyne Rhinehart.

The Board heard from Matt Burge, CFA with Stephens Inc. regarding his qualifications as a financial advisor and his expertise on Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB).

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Brigman.

The Board heard from Allen Lamberson, Lee Hoffman, Will Hoffman, and Lynn Bowles regarding the possibility of purchasing 80 acres of property adjoining Bailey Mountain for the purchase price of \$675,000.00. Lynn Bowles informed the Board that a PARTF grant application is due January 31, 2014 if the Board makes the decision to pursue this purchase. If the County is successful with the grant application they would receive one-half of the purchase price and would have three years to raise the remaining funds. The Hoffman family is willing to steer a fund raising campaign for the balance left after grant funding.

County Manager, Allen Lamberson, provided updates on Barnard Park and maintenance of county building issues. He also updated the Board on the Women for Women Grant application.

Upon motion from Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Vilcinskas, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

This the 7th day of January, 2014.

Madison County

Wayne Brigman, Chairman

Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Darlyne Rhinehart, Clerk