

**DRAFT MINUTES
HENDERSON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
June 16, 2011**

The Henderson County Planning Board met on June 16, 2011 for a meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the King Street Meeting Room located at 100 North King Street, Hendersonville, NC. Planning Board members present were Jonathan Parce, Chair; Steve Dozier; Mike Cooper; Rick Livingston; and Marilyn Gordon. Others present included Anthony Starr, Planning Director; Autumn Radcliff, Senior Planner and Kathleen Scanlan, Secretary. Planning Board members Stacy Rhodes, Wayne Garren, and Tommy Laughter were absent.

Chairman Parce called the meeting to order of the Henderson County Planning Board. Chairman Parce asked for the approval of the May 19, 2011 minutes. Steve Dozier made the motion to approve the set of minutes and Mike Cooper seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

State Landslide Hazard Mapping for Henderson County Presentation – Rick Wooten, Geologist, NC Geological Survey Agency. Mr. Starr stated that the State has been doing a series of maps for different counties that came out of some funding with regard to hurricanes that we had and due to some flooding and landslide activity that occurred in 2004. He said we were the fourth and final County in the program, as the program is being eliminated with the State budget.

Mr. Wooten, who is with the NC Geological Survey (NCGS) agency, which is a part of the NC Department of environment and Natural Resources, said that they began the development of a series of County maps that identify higher risk areas for landslides and their debris flow locations. As a result of State legislation, the NCGS completed mapping for four counties in Western North Carolina, with Henderson County being the most recent. He has led the Landslide Hazard Mapping Program for several years, which is a non-regulatory agency. He mentioned that the proposed budget beginning July 1, 2011 for the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources will eliminate funding for all staffing but one position for this program. The landslide hazard mapping creates no regulations. Mr. Wooten provided a brief overview of the mapping results. In his PowerPoint presentation, he provided key points and facts about the mapping results. There was no action by the Board required.

Staff Reports. Mr. Starr said that the Commissioners at their last meeting, appointed Lee Roy Nicholson to the Planning Board to take the vacant position. Mr. Starr reiterated that the Planning Department will not be moving to the old Health Department on Spartanburg Highway. The Planning Department will be starting to work on a grant that we received for the Talley Drive Project, located in the Brickton Community from the Community Invest and Assistance. The project will include rehabilitating and replacing homes with low income households and repair the stormwater drainage on the street in the community. Due to budget restraints, Mr. Starr said that in the Planning Department there have been cuts in personnel and mentioned that Ms. Scanlan was one of them that were cut. Her position will end on October 1, 2011. There were two cuts from the Property Addressing division of Planning, which will be eliminated on June 30, 2011.

Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Jonathan Parce, Chairman
Henderson County Planning Board

Kathleen Scanlan, Secretary