

**Henderson County
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Transportation Advisory Committee held a regularly scheduled meeting on November 19, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. in the King Street Meeting Room and online via Microsoft Teams. Voting members present online are denoted with the letter “O”.

Voting Member	Present	Absent
Beau Waddell, Chair at-large	√	
Sam Henderson, Vice-Chair at-large		√
Dawn Barr, at-large	√	
Warren Ladbrook, at-large	√	
Sheila Franklin, Henderson County	√	
Jay Egolf, Henderson County	√	
Jennifer Hensley, City of Hendersonville	O	
Emily Whitmire, Village of Flat Rock	O	
Shanon Gonce, Town of Mills River	√	
George Banta, Town of Laurel Park	√	
Jim Player, Town of Fletcher		√

Also present at the table: Autumn Radcliff, Planning Director; Janna Bianculli, Assistant Planning Director; Troy Wilson, NCDOT; Steve Williams, NCDOT (online).

Mr. Beau Waddell, Chair at large, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Public Comment:

Mr. Carlos Ruiz gave public comment on automobile accidents on Mountain Road.

Ms. Jennifer Evans spoke to discuss road closures and resulting emergency response time issues in the county.

Mr. Ward Seguin gave public comment on the WNC Safety Plan and suggested avenues to improve driver education in the county.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Commissioner Jay Egolf moved to approve the agenda and summary, and Councilman George Banta seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion:

Mountain Rd/Country Rd Intersection

Janna Bianculli, Assistant Planning Director, gave updates on the intersection of Mountain Road and County Road in Hendersonville. TAC members discussed the recent safety review of an automobile accident at the intersection and options for bollards, signage, or other safety features for the intersection. NCDOT plans to implement safety interventions in the future.

Noise near Mountain Home (Continued Discussion)

Chair Waddell updated the TAC on a noise complaint from I-26 in Mountain Home, which was also discussed at the TAC’s September meeting. Commissioners Jay Egolf and Sheila Franklin noted that the area is a commercial corridor, and existing ordinances restricting engine braking are difficult for the county to enforce. No action was taken.

Ecusta Trail Road Crossings (Continued Discussion)

Ms. Bianculli updated the TAC on driver and trail user safety measures at road crossings along the Ecusta Trail. TAC members discussed issues related to intersection visibility, lighting, and driver education to ensure safety for trail users. Member-at-large Warren Ladbrook motioned to update the Ecusta Trail Etiquette guidelines and review signage at crossings along the trail. Mayor Shanon Gonce seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Updates:

NCDOT, Laurel Park, Mills River, Commissioners Jay Egolf and Sheila Franklin, and Flat Rock gave updates.

Next Meeting:

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 5:24 PM.

This is a meeting summary. The official minutes are the recording of the meeting. Anyone can request a copy of the meeting recording by contacting County staff.