

Workshop Session – November 19, 2024

The Graham County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the Graham County Community Building located at 196 Knight Street Robbinsville, NC for their regular workshop session. All board members were present. Also, present Josh Carpenter, Mountain West Partnership Director and Kim Crisp, Interim County Manager/Clerk to the Board.

1. Chairman Nelms called the meeting to order.
2. Chairman Nelms asks Josh Carpenter to speak. Director Carpenter stated that he was here to present a resolution to the board for a Department of Commerce Building Reuse project. Director Carpenter stated that the Resolution supports a proposed project to renovate the Five Point Motel located at 64 Godfrey Street Robbinsville, NC. Director Carpenter stated that the resolution will have a five percent match of \$1254.00 for a \$25,000.00 grant. Director Carpenter stated that there will be a creation of five jobs with an average wage of \$45,000.00 with a one-million-dollar investment. Commissioner Cody asks the timeline for the project. Director Carpenter stated that the project will commence within a year and the current motel will be upgraded and modernized to a Boutique Hotel. Director Carpenter stated that the hotel will be modernized for efficiency.
3. Director Carpenter stated that the next project is the Stanley properties, and he has been speaking with Duke Energy for upgrades to the power grids to Stanley for marketing purposes. Director Carpenter stated that they will continue to work with Duke Energy but was unsure of the timeline due to the destruction of Hurricane Helene. Director Carpenter stated that he will continue to market the building as well, but the focus is the electrical service to accommodate the market.
4. The board thanked Director Carpenter for the update.
5. Chairman Nelms asks for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Williams made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cody seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

Jacob Nelms, Chairman, Graham County Commissioner

Natasha Williams, Vice-Chair, Graham County Commissioner

Lynn Cody, Member, Graham County Commissioner

Connie Orr, Member, Graham County Commissioner

Keith Eller Member, Graham County Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kim Crisp, Clerk to the Board