BLACK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

October 28, 2025 | Special Meeting Agenda | Time: 8:30 AM

Town Hall Council Chambers | 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, NC 28711

Black Mountain Town Council held a special-called meeting on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 8:30 AM in the Council Chambers of Town Hall, 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, NC 28711. The purpose of this special-called meeting was to consider a budget amendment for the temporary repair of the Lakeview Center for Active Aging.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor C. Michael Sobol called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the following members in attendance: Mayor C. Michael Sobol, Vice Mayor Archie Pertiller, Council Member Alice Berry, Council Member Doug Hay, Council Member Pam King. *Council Member Ryan Stone was absent.*

The following staff members were present: Josh Harrold, Town Manager; Jessica Trotman, Assistant Town Manager; Wesley Barker, Town Clerk; John Coffey, Fire Chief; Steve Parker, Police Chief.

Mayor Sobol read the ethics statement.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.A. Consideration of a budget amendment for the temporary repair of the Lakeview Center for Active Aging.

The purpose of this item is for Town Council to direct staff to authorize Arete' Engineering, PLLC, who has already been procured by the Town for the Lakeview Center project, to prep sealed engineering documents required to obtain a building permit for a temporary repair. This will allow the upper floor of the Lakeview Center to safely reopen for public use. If Arete' Engineering cannot complete this work within a timeline deemed reasonable, staff will issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for professional engineering services in accordance with NCGS §143-64.31 (Procurement of Architectural and Engineering Services). A budget amendment a minimum of $15,000 is also included for Council consideration to cover engineering and construction costs associated with this work. These costs are not eligible for reimbursement under FEMA Public Assistance (PA). This temporary repair is not related to damage sustained by Helene and therefore, the budget amendment should be allocated from the General Fund for this project.

Staff recommends that Town Council:

1. Authorize Arete' Engineering, PLLC to prepare permit documentation, and OPC (Opinion of Probable Cost) necessary to obtain a building permit for the temporary repair of the Lakeview Center.
2. Approve a budget amendment of $15,000 to cover the engineering and construction

costs, to be funded from the General Fund.
3. Direct staff to proceed with procurement of a licensed general contractor in compliance with NCGS §§143-129 and 143-131 once the design is complete and permit is approved.

Some discussion ensued among Council Members and staff. ***Town Council Member Doug then made a motion to approve a budget amendment for $15,000 for temporary repair o Lakeview Center for Active Aging (top floor) as presented. A vote of 4-0 in favor. Council Member Ryan Stone was absent.***

3. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

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C. Michael Sobol, Mayor

Attest:

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Wesley M. Barker, Town Clerk