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Real estate is alive and well

By Kim Lewicki

The numbers for the Town of Highlands, Highlands Township and Scaly Mountain Township as of Tues., Dec. 17, 2024 show that the business of real estate in the area is strong.

There were 828 parcels transferred in the three areas but not all

of these parcels were qualified or considered "good sales."

A qualified sale in real estate is a sale where the price accurately reflects the property's market value. Sales that are not reflective of the market value are considered unqualified. Sales between family members are often unqualified be-

cause the sale price is usually much less than the market value.

Qualified sales for Town of Highlands were 96 with 161 qualified for Highlands Township and 40 qualified for Scaly Township.

The highest sale this year was from the Town of Highlands at

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Just in time for Christmas ... NC 106 is open!



On Monday morning the word was the road might be open by week's end ... but before the day was over the work was done and the road opened. With the guardrails in and the striping done, NC DOT said it could open with just two layers of asphalt. "We had a good day," said Ryan Bryson, president of Bryson Grading & Paving. "We will return at a later date to pave the final layer and to do touch up work with only lane closures." Bryson's beat their own projected completion date of Jan. 3

– Photo by Jim Lewicki

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S'western Commission's reach is far and wide

By Kristin Fox

Highlands Mayor Patrick Taylor is one of four government officials selected to serve on the executive board of the Southwestern North Carolina Planning and Economic Development Commission (Southwestern Commission) – which has been the subject of several of his columns in Highlands Newspaper lately.

This is his 12th year serving and sits as, second vice chair of the board and chairman of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

Taylor joins Tim Radford, Mayor of Murphy, Chairman of the Board; Jennifer Best, Haywood County Commissioner, Vice Chair; and Marcia Almond, Mayor of Forest Hills, member of the Executive Committee.

"The executive board works with the director, Russ Harris, and his staff in organizing and planning the quarter meetings that representatives from all area governments attend," said Taylor. "We also advise the director as he makes executive and operational decisions

concerning the commission."

The Southwestern Commission is the regional council of government and serves as a technical, economic and planning resource to local towns and counties in the western region. The western region includes Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain counties, the 17 municipalities within those counties, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Its mission is to improve the quality of life in its seven-county service area by assisting local governments in reaching their goals. The executive board works together as dedicated leaders to serve and strengthen the region.

"For instance, the commission has helped Highlands with identifying and writing grants like the NC 106 sidewalk project," said Taylor. "It provides technical expertise when needed and towns like Highlands and counties have input into NCDOT road priorities," said Taylor. "The commis-

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Funding future 'road' needs in NC

I previously wrote about the update the Division 14 engineer gave on WNC road conditions post-Helene. The update and others were given at a recent Southwestern Regional Planning Organization meeting of their Transportation Advisory Committee.

Daniel Finely of the NC State Institute of Transportation Research and Education provided another update on transportation and future needs. His presentation covered an array of topics, from bridge conditions, how to fund transportation, tourist transportation issues, and electric vehicle transportation. Let me highlight some of the information he presented.

First, Finely presented a recent study conducted by the NC State Transportation Institute that surveyed the condition of critical NC bridges critical to commerce and agriculture. The study highlighted a number of bridges in WNC that are sub-standard and need to be replaced. The good news for us is that the Middle Creek Bridge on NC 106 was not on the list. The 1940s-era bridge is in the final stages of being replaced with a new, larger bridge. It is slated to open soon. Given the washout problem



Highlands Mayor
Patrick Taylor

on NC 106, the bridge replacement is very fortunate and timely.

Another area bridge on the replacement list is the C. Tom Bryson Bridge, which crosses the Cullasaja River on the Gorge Road. That replacement will be a major construction project that is scheduled to begin around 2026 or maybe longer down the road. Who can predict the post-Helene recovery cycle?

Finely also covered the emerging use of electric vehicles.

Notice I didn't say cars. He emphasized that electric ground vehicles, especially self-driving cars, have hit technological obstacles that have slowed their proliferation. He predicted self-driving vehicles, even with the explosion of AI, might be a long way out from realization. As of yet, self-driving cars simply can't be programmed to decipher unexpected situations like trees that have fallen in roadways. My take is that with the incoming Trump administration, the proliferation of EVs may be in question, especially if tax credits are eliminated and the "drill baby drill" mantra becomes a reality.

What Finely did stress is that electric aviation vehicles, including drones, are emerging toward very practical applications. Options like self-flying air taxis may not be that far into the future. A vehicle in the air doesn't have the multitude of obstacles to negotiate as do electric vehicles.

Finely stated his organization is studying airport accessibility for electric aircraft. Electric charging stations at airports will be essential. He noted that these charging stations are nonexistent in the WNC and North Georgia region, while other regions are already installing them.

Drone deliveries of supplies, prescriptions, and restaurant dinners, especially pizzas, are right before us. Finely concluded by stating the folks in Holly Springs, right here in WNC, can already get drone deliveries of restaurant dinners and pizzas.

Finely also touched on the massive task of funding transportation needs, especially new road construction. The gas tax has been traditionally a primary source of funding for NCDOT. With the current expansive construction needs, the static gas tax is falling way short of meeting fund-

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Bears and Balls

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Even though Christmas is officially over, whether you celebrated in our beautiful area or a home far away, I hope it was filled with love, joy, and laughter.

It was a sad year for so many whose homes were destroyed by Hurricane Helene and who now face the realization that without flood insurance there will be no dream home again. Many are living in tents with the cold air surrounding them even though the Appalachian people have been angels in so many ways, feeding them and providing blankets and warm clothes. There won't be a traditional Christmas for hundreds of families who have no table to sit at enjoying their home-cooked meal or with a Christmas tree laden with ornaments and gifts underneath. Many will face their first Christmas without loved ones who lost their lives in mudslides and raging waters.

For those of us living in Western North Carolina who were spared this tragedy puts our lives in perspective and we are grateful and need to reach out with prayers and our pocketbooks. I have looked at my Christmas tree with it's lights all aglow for a few weeks and these are my thoughts this Christmas season.

The Christmas tree stands as a symbol of the season, one that fills hearts with joy, both young and old. Some trees are modest in size, while others soar to the heights of tall ceilings. Some are slender and tall, others are short and full. Some sparkle with glittering ornaments, luxurious and shimmering, while others are adorned with precious handmade creations, crafted by small hands — irreplaceable treasures worth more than gold. Some glow with soft, clear lights that gently brighten the room, while others burst with vibrant reds, blues, and greens, their lights flashing in the windows, reminding passersby that the season has arrived. Some trees are crowned with an angel, a reminder of the night Christ was born and the angels that gathered around, forever changing the world. Others top the tree with a glowing star, a symbol of the guiding light that led the wise men to the manger, offering hope



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to all who choose to believe.

Beneath these beautiful trees, whether grand or simple like a Charlie Brown tree, lie gifts wrapped with care — some in luxurious paper with glittering bows, others in cheerful bags filled with colorful tissue. Each one reflects the thought and love of the giver, carefully chosen for the recipient. For children, excitement fills the air as they hope Santa will bring the gifts they've dreamed of, while some families must rely on organizations like

Toys for Tots or local programs such as Shop with a Cop — which our rotaries help fund — to ensure every child experiences the joy of unwrapping a gift.

Now Christmas has passed, and the trees have lost their sparkle and grandeur. Stripped of their ornaments and lights they will be carted outside to be discarded, or if artificial packed away in boxes, waiting for next December to roll around. It's a bittersweet sight — the beauty of the season fading, leaving only memories behind.

In many ways, we are like our Christmas trees — each of us unique, in all shapes and sizes, with the potential to shine brightly or remain more humble. Every day is an opportunity to decorate our own lives with memories that will last, memories that will stay with us as long as we have the ability to recall them. And while we may remember the gifts under the tree, the sweetest and most cherished moments come from the laughter and love shared in kitchens filled with the scents of delicious food, then shared as family and friends gather around a table laden with favorite dishes. These are the moments that truly remind us of the depth of love and connection. After all, the best gifts are those tied with heartstrings.

May the New Year bring you good health, abundant joy, and everlasting love.

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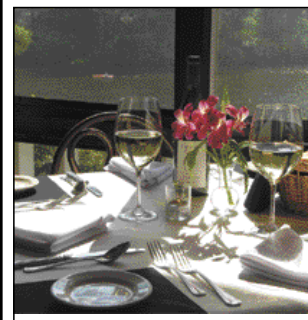
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Parcel	Township	Deed Date	Sale Price	Assessed Value	Address	Owner
6498325955	6	4/22/2024	\$71,000	\$163,570	CHASTAIN ROAD	DEMPSEY,CRESTON L
6498325955	6	7/15/2024	\$171,500	\$163,570	CHASTAIN ROAD	DEMPSEY,CRESTON L
7408126185	6	9/23/2024	\$500,000	\$334,000	L 6 CREEKSIDE COVE @ WOODVALLEY	SMITH,DAVID J
7408413684	6	3/28/2024	\$39,000	\$45,400	THOMAS KNOBTRL	BRUSSEE,JEFFREY J
7408413874	6	3/28/2024	\$39,000	\$46,750	THOMAS KNOBTRL	BRUSSEE,JEFFREY J
7408425927	6	4/2/2024	\$2,950,000	\$3,302,620	620-703 HAPPY HILL RD	GYSY CREEK HOLDINGS,LLC
7408515842	6	9/11/2024	\$20,000	\$42,910	LOT 38 THOMAS KNOB EST.	WILLIAMS CONSOLIDATED PROP, LLC
7408517856	6	9/11/2024	\$20,000	\$46,290	LOT 39 THOMAS KNOB ESTATES	WILLIAMS CONSOLIDATED PROP, LLC
7408522218	6	4/8/2024	\$44,000	\$37,690	LOT 35 THOMAS KNOB	MONROE,JACQUELYN TERESA
7408531573	6	3/5/2024	\$177,000	\$101,180	LOT 19 THOMAS KNOB	MERANDI,STEVEN
7408535957	6	11/7/2024	\$75,000	\$38,500	LOT 7 GOLDEN HILL	BOTHMANN,PAUL K
7408545195	6	11/7/2024	\$75,000	\$42,260	LOT 6 GOLDEN HILL	BOTHMANN,PAUL K
7408732592	6	9/18/2024	\$850,000	\$33,250	LOT 6 PRESTON STEVENS SUB,HILLIS,	ROBERT FRANKLIN TRUST.
7408733301	6	9/18/2024	\$850,000	\$200,390	LOT 7 PRESTON STEVENS SUB.	HILLIS,ROBERT FRANKLIN TRUST
7408733710	6	9/18/2024	\$850,000	\$49,090	LOT 5 PRESTON STEVENS HILLIS,	ROBERT FRANKLIN TR.
7408738599	6	9/18/2024	\$850,000	\$66,590	LOT 9	HILLIS,ROBERT FRANKLIN TR.
7408818631	6	7/8/2024	\$38,000	\$123,090	OFF RD 1626	MUD CREEK HOLDINGS,LLC
7408922758	6	10/21/2024	\$115,000	\$84,470	OFF 1626	NIX,TRAVIS A
7408931138	6	2/15/2024	\$107,000	\$95,500	TR B:RABUN BR. RD	FREE-BUSCHMAN,PATRICIA ELAINE
7409200550	6	8/19/2024	\$93,500	\$115,520	LOT 19 HIGHLAND GAP PC 3354	MERRELL,JONATHAN DANIEL
7409206466	6	3/18/2024	\$75,000	\$129,090	LOT 2A HIGHLAND GAP	SMITH,AMY GERNON
7409240830	6	5/14/2024	\$50,000	\$1,716,180	NAT BRIDGE RD-LT 1 2 3 AT SHOAL CRK	JVT SHADY GLEN,LLC
7409354197	6	6/11/2024	\$840,000	\$749,890	LOT 14 NEW HORIZONS SHOAL CRK	LONG,DAVID B
7409534471	6	4/16/2024	\$175,000	\$206,100	LOT 2 CHEST.MTN MIDDLE CREEK	NUCE,DEREK CHAD
7409542334	6	8/13/2024	\$1,150,000	\$1,160,340	LOT 5 CHEST.MTN MIDDLE CREEK	TUBRIDY,DAVID B
7409577339	6	12/13/2024	\$288,000	\$217,070	OFF RD 1624	SCALY,LLC
7409647472	6	9/4/2024	\$72,000	\$60,750	ON RD 1622	TALLEY,RODNEY CLAY
7409660144	6	3/11/2024	\$114,000	\$232,870	OFF RD 1624	HASENAUER, COREY BRUCE
7409665484	6	5/7/2024	\$40,000	\$80,410	OFF RD 1624	CONWAY,ANDREA MTRUST
7409687252	6	6/26/2024	\$135,000	\$125,760	RD 1622	BREEDING,SUSAN
7409696024	6	4/18/2024	\$15,000	\$33,790	TR 2 BUCK KNOB RD	COPU,STEFANA
7409711212	6	8/29/2024	\$625,000	\$315,910	PORTION OF LOT 20	ROLAND,GEORGEW
7409978891	6	2/23/2024	\$700,000	\$489,370	LLOYD COVE RD	MCJUNKIN,DAVID MTTEE
7418179616	6	11/26/2024	\$1,050,000	\$755,820	HALE RIDGE RD	SCALY MTN INVESTMENTS,LLC
7418344996	6	1/31/2024	\$45,000	\$53,200	LOT 33 & 34	MOSKAL,JOSEPH S III
7418361849	6	7/8/2024	\$250,000	\$205,270	LOT E	BROWN,JEFFRY S LIVING TR
7418364447	6	3/12/2024	\$26,000	\$24,270	LOT 7	STEVENSON,DAVID H
7418364612	6	4/24/2024	\$409,000	\$332,430	LOT 8 OSAGE MTN SUBD	DUNMIRE,JAMES AND LENORE TR
7418441801	6	7/19/2024	\$456,000	\$313,280	LOT 63 ROCKY KNOB	DRYMAN,TALMAGE LAMAR III
7418448614	6	2/14/2024	\$29,000	\$88,680	LOT 85VWATKINS CREEK SLOPES	WILLIAMS,JAY
7418544435	6	1/10/2024	\$221,000	\$241,620	OFF RD 1625	OSAGE PARTNERS,LLC
7419007060	6	11/12/2024	\$300,000	\$200,300	LOT 1 SCALY MOUNTAIN SLOPES	ROY,MARK J
7419007196	6	6/27/2024	\$225,000	\$252,900	LOT 2 SCALY MOUNTAIN SLOPES	PATE,JASON
7419040161	6	10/3/2024	\$62,000	\$124,150	TRACT #1 LILLIE H BILLINGSLEY PROP	BILLINGSLEY,KEITHA
7419212244	6	8/16/2024	\$273,000	\$134,490	OFF HWY 106	KOUNTOUZOUA, MERLIN
7419219422	6	6/7/2024	\$95,000	\$48,960	LOT 15	WARING,RYAN THOMAS
7419316042	6	1/18/2024	\$200,000	\$139,050	PT LOT 10 & LOT 11	WILLIAMS,CHARLES D
7419370438	6	7/3/2024	\$18,000	\$18,200	BOB LONG MOUNTAIN RD	BROOKS,JESSICA RENEE
7419423046	6	5/2/2024	\$525,000	\$279,190	PT LOT 7	SELVAGGIO, MICHAEL JOSEPH
7419536906	6	10/16/2024	\$687,500	\$533,480	LOT 21 KING MTN INC	PARLIER,WILLIAM R
7419642390	6	7/24/2024	\$2,975,000	\$2,392,300	LOT 40 KINGS MT	DANSKY,ALAN SCOTT
7419642554	6	7/24/2024	\$2,975,000	\$50,000	LOT 42 KING MTN INC	DANSKY,ALAN SCOTT
7429452550	5	10/22/2024	\$250,000	\$210,630	RD 106	ODA INVESTMENTS,LLC
7429459406	5	8/15/2024	\$1,590,000	\$1,578,640	LOT 6 BLUEVALLEY FALLS POINTE	HT INVESTMENTS,LLC
7429461296	5	11/14/2024	\$1,035,000	\$973,120	OFF RD 106	SCHRIMSHER,MICHAELA
7429461539	5	8/9/2024	\$134,000	\$38,440	RD 1621	BIASI,CRYSTAL S
7429462584	5	8/9/2024	\$134,000	\$81,420	RDD 1621	BIASI,CRYSTAL S
7429968760	5	7/31/2024	\$175,000	\$205,380	KETTLEROCK	306 I DILLARD ROAD,LLC
7429972252	5	7/31/2024	\$125,000	\$127,500	KETTLEROCK	306 I DILLARD ROAD,LLC
7429978977	5	7/16/2024	\$300,000	\$101,960	KETTLEROCK OFF RD 106	GARRETT,AARON SCOTT
7438542823	5	8/26/2024	\$50,000	\$50,430	RD 1618	TAYLOR,IRINA K
7438544679	5	10/25/2024	\$120,000	\$212,140	TRACT 1 SPLIT PC 10506	REYES,TIMOTEO HERNANDEZ
7438837370	5	11/4/2024	\$379,000	\$401,250	ON GNAT RIDGE RD/SHR #1612	GRANT,JASON L
7438991721	5	3/19/2024	\$830,000	\$638,550	LOT 11 UDONN	LADY GUGA,LLC
7438992688	5	3/19/2024	\$830,000	\$36,900	LOT 10 UDONN	LADY GUGA,LLC
7439070578	5	7/16/2024	\$300,000	\$518,700	KETTLEROCK OFF RD 106	GARRETT,AARON SCOTT
7439086298	5	4/30/2024	\$58,000	\$161,260	KETTLE ROCK RD	SULLIVAN,ANN SPECKELS
7439089630	5	6/4/2024	\$3,200,000	\$1,756,630	KETTLE ROCK RD	SKEEAN,WILLIAM C
7439159481	5	8/29/2024	\$750,000	\$601,940	LOT 100A MOON MTN	MLTH,LLC
7439184271	5	5/1/2024	\$99,500	\$861,890	OFF RD 106 EARL CRUNKLETON RD	LONDON,JAMES HENRY
7439289514	5	5/8/2024	\$729,500	\$637,270	KETTLE ROCK OFF RD 106	ANDERSON,BETSEY C
7439297303	5	5/14/2024	\$135,000	\$143,000	LOT 4 SEC B MTN LAUREL SUB	RED DUKE CAPITAL,LLC
7439367276	5	8/28/2024	\$1,125,000	\$1,158,700	KLEIN RD	HC Land Trust
7439371114	5	9/11/2024	\$170,000	\$129,290	DILLARD RD	RICE,RICHARD TODD

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7439453776	5	11/4/2024	\$115,000	\$200,730	KLEIN RD	PATEL, STACY LYNN
7439461160	5	9/25/2024	\$233,000	\$170,000	LOT 7 BLUEVALLEY RIDGE	PATEL, STACY LYNN
7439464363	5	4/3/2024	\$10,000	\$981,330	LOT 11 & PT OF 10 BROADVIEWACRES	CHAMPION, DOROTHY IVY
7439498323	14	10/22/2024	\$530,000	\$855,350	LOT 5 THE GATES OF Hlds.	VERTICAL ELEMENT NC, LLC
7439499446	14	10/22/2024	\$530,000	\$829,860	LOT 3 THE GATES OF Hlds	VERTICAL ELEMENT NC, LLC
7439585449	5	1/26/2024	\$90,000	\$467,390	OFF SR 1617	WINSTON, GARY
7439599556	14	10/2/2024	\$575,000	\$333,550	UNIT 603 BLDG 6 COND 1	MAST, JOHN TRUST
7439599851	14	8/14/2024	\$360,000	\$324,150	UNIT 402 BLDG 4 COND 1	TATE, JAMES P
7439687694	14	10/8/2024	\$1,232,500	\$1,236,970	LOT 45B Hlds CO CLUB	KERCE, CYNTHIA AYERS
7439690187	14	8/8/2024	\$425,000	\$456,360	UNIT 1503 CONDO III	DAVIS, DINA H
7439694025	14	4/29/2024	\$580,000	\$500,460	UNIT 2101 CONDO III	SAUSSY, MARK COOPER
7439761664	14	8/29/2024	\$611,000	\$518,720	UNIT 601 BLDG 6 CONDO 1	COLE, P MICHAEL
7439763335	14	1/23/2024	\$525,000	\$541,320	UNIT 705 BLDG 7 CONDO 1	WATSON, MICHAEL
7439764361	14	1/8/2024	\$570,000	\$564,420	UNIT 803 BLDG 8 CONDO 1	CSJ TRUST
7439775397	14	12/11/2024	\$900,000	\$1,000,000	LOT 4 HUDSON RD-RAINWATER EST.	HUFF, WAND ETRUST
7439780747	14	3/11/2024	\$1,750,000	\$400,000	LOT 125 & 126	MORGAN, ADELE MCCLURG
7439782646	14	3/11/2024	\$1,750,000	\$1,027,080	LOT 130 & PORTION LOT 131	MORGAN, ADELE MCCLURG
7439783833	14	3/11/2024	\$1,750,000	\$400,000	LOT 127	MORGAN, ADELE MCCLURG
7439786681	14	12/16/2024	\$2,600,000	\$1,220,200	LOT 132	HdLS NANTAHALA COCHTR
7439863087	14	5/20/2024	\$6,400,000	\$3,762,350	LOT 73-A BRUSHY FACE SEC 1	UPPER BRUSHY FACE, LLC
7439863467	14	5/20/2024	\$3,935,000	\$3,975,800	LOT 68A BRUSHY FACE SEC 2	LKLL INVESTMENT, INC
7439878401	14	6/13/2024	\$1,575,000	\$1,327,290	LOT 148 & 1/2 OF LOT 146 HCC	PROBASSO, SUSAN
7439882625	14	1/12/2024	\$1,485,000	\$1,628,490	LOT 21A	SEMPL, LUKE R TR.
7439963895	14	4/22/2024	\$235,000	\$225,000	LOT 176A REV Hlds CO CLUB RBS	INVESTAT SASSAFRAS KNOB LLC
7439979577	14	5/21/2024	\$275,000	\$350,000	LOT 179A SASSAFRAS KNOB PHASE 4/HCC	EDWARDS DAVID WTR
7448026410	5	5/17/2024	\$150,000	\$219,620	OFF RD 1618	JAMES, SHARON
7448044611	5	1/19/2024	\$250,000	\$273,200	RD 1613	MOCASSIN MOUNTAIN PR, LLC
7448078743	14	5/17/2024	\$400,000	\$381,070	OFF 1613	ALVES, LOUIE P JR
7448094342	5	1/17/2024	\$250,000	\$273,420	LOT 12 13 & 14	LEWICKI, RACHEL PRICE
7448160929	5	11/15/2024	\$4,000	\$291,650	RD 1611	TALLEY, HELEN H
7448171568	5	11/15/2024	\$4,000	\$79,810	WESTBROOK WAY	TALLEY, HELEN H
7448224361	5	5/28/2024	\$570,000	\$701,490	US 28	BUTTERS, JOHN
7448247904	5	1/3/2024	\$550,000	\$507,230	LOT 24 & 34	SOLA HOMES AND DESIGN, LLC
7448249411	5	5/24/2024	\$520,000	\$514,040	TRACT 1 HIGHLAND HEIGHTS	FAOUR, MICHAEL FRANCIS
7448258133	5	1/3/2024	\$550,000	\$51,140	LOT 26	SOLA HOMES AND DESIGN, LLC
7448258338	5	1/3/2024	\$550,000	\$61,170	LOT 27 & 28	SOLA HOMES AND DESIGN, LLC

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ing requirements. An aggravating factor is the current and maybe growing use of electric vehicles that do not contribute to gasoline revenues.

Very soon, the NC legislature will have to tackle this problem of how to fund transportation needs in this growing state. I think I have one answer, one of several possibilities. I will share it with you in my next article.

• LETTER •

Bi-partisanship is dead in NC

Dear Editor:

I'm not certain, Senator Corbin (State Sen. Kevin Corbin, R-Franklin), that your constituency thoroughly understands your characterization of Senate Bill 382, an "historic legislative response."

Given what we do know to be true, that: Institutional environments of modern society (such as yours) consistently induce standard patterns of response in terms of perceptions, attitudes, and values despite the countervailing randomizing effect of persistent traditional models of culture.

In other words, Senate Bill 382 is simply just one more irrefutable and enormously shameless power grab perpetuated by the Republican Party. Is it not, Senator Corbin?

David L. Snell
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Upgraded and renovated, this house has views of Whiteside and Big Bear Pen. This is in town and includes the lot below with sewer. For view protection. 2BR/2BA, wood floors, heated tile in bathrooms, wood burning fireplace, vaulted ceiling in living room and a large loft. Landscaped yard with circular driveway, parking pad and firepit. Fenced side yard. Close to Main Street Highlands, Mirror Lake & Lake Sequoyah. Offered at \$950,000 mls #103178



Million dollar views minutes from downtown Highlands in VZ Top. Upper level unit with one-level living. Two bedrooms, two updated baths, an open kitchen with breakfast bar, living room with a wood burning fireplace, and custom built-ins. Offered at \$530,000 mls # 104136



Eastside Duck Mountain. This 3BD/2BA is in Four States Subdivision and has a spectacular view of Winfield Farm, Blue Valley and vistas to the south. Main floor living plan has living room with fireplace, kitchen, dining room/sunroom with loads of windows to experience the 180 degree view. 2 guest bedrooms with a hall bath, upstairs has a huge master suite with fireplace and ensuite bath. Ready for your own taste. Offered at \$650,000. mls #106364



Located close to town home sits level to enter and has a side yard with a firepit. The cottage has a kitchen/dining room, primary bedroom and bath on the main level and it opens out to a lovely porch for outdoor living. The terrace level has a living room that opens to the side yard, 2 bedrooms and a bath. Grandfathered Short-Term Rental. Furnishings negotiable. Offered at \$749,999. mls #106317



Close to downtown, this home has a primary suite on the main level with a living room with a gas log fireplace, half bath, dining room and large kitchen. French doors open to the wrap-around covered deck with outdoor wood-burning fireplace and large seating area. Below the deck is a large fire pit. Upstairs are two large bedrooms and a bath. Movie theatre and pool table with workout room upstairs. with a 1/BD and 1/BA. Also, morning kitchen guest cottage with covered porch. Offered at \$1,595,000. mls #105793



Furnished, 2/BD, 2/BA on a secluded hill in town. Gas fireplace. Full kitchen, covered and open deck. Covered carport and ample parking. Offered for only \$615,000. mls #104652



This unique Jim Fox is loaded with glass with open floorplan to take in the view of Shortoff Mountain. 3 BD/3 1/2 BA Large stone fireplace, decks and patios. A one-of-a-kind modern done by a storied architect in this area. The Cold Springs area features a community lake, stable and multipurpose recreation courts. Offered at \$930,000 mls #106419



Three bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home on 1.15 acres. Lovely, wooded lot with beautiful landscaping, window boxes, firepit and water feature. Outdoor shed and workshop. Main level has an open kitchen and dining area. Large living area with primary bedroom, ensuite bath with garden tub. Upstairs are two bedrooms with walk-in closets, large hall bath and extra storage. This home can be a vacation or short-term rental. All for only \$595,000. mls #104651



A must see! This home is only 1 1/2 miles from the center of Highlands. It is move-in ready with all furnishings included and lots of updates. The expansive deck offers stunning long range views to the west and is great for entertaining and relaxing. The main level spacious primary bedroom and bath complete with double vanities and walk-in shower. Lower level has two more bedrooms and a bath with a soaking tub. Offered at \$995,000. mls #106422



Lovely cabin on the Highlands side of Franklin. Sits high on a ridge with some mountain view and privacy. Home features a great room, fireplace, dining room and kitchen, one bedroom and bath on the main level, upstairs has two loft bedrooms and a bath. Terrace level has a family room with a full bath, laundry room and additional storage. Detached carport. Offered at \$550,000. mls #103751



Off Buck Knob Road, this one of a kind log cabin on a knoll with a lovely yard and view. 2/BD and 2/BA on the upper level; main level has living room, dining room, kitchen, bath and two large porches. Lower level has a garage, family room and bath. Offered at \$1,495,000. mls #106275



Move-in condition, off Buck Creek Road on Western Rhodes Road. 3 bedrooms, plus additional flex spaces. Multiple fireplaces. Open Great Room concept with custom kitchen, plank wood floors, stone fireplace in the covered porch with hot tub spa. Masters on main and upper floors, plus guestrooms Offered at \$1,895,000. mls #100481



Located close to town, this Starter cottage features 2 bedrooms and 3 baths. One car garage could be converted to a family room. 3 levels that house a livingroom/kitchen/dining on main, bedroom and bath on 2nd level. Primary bedroom, bath, den with tv, office, and full bath, outdoors has a patio-deck that enjoys the rushing water of the Cullasaja river overflow from Mirror Lake. Offered at \$499,000. mls #103969



In Highlands Mountain Club, this beautifully maintained, 2/BD 2/BA condo is offered furnished with some exceptions. With hardwood floors throughout, an updated kitchen and main bathroom, this unit is move-in ready. Enjoy covered porch or open deck looking out on a pond. A friendly adult community w/clubhouse, pool and tennis court. Offered at \$549,000. mls#104688



Lovely year round living with this 3 bed/3 ba dwelling that has a small yard. The house has a nice living room and open dining and modern kitchen. split bedrooms each with baths. rear deck and a covered side porch. Lower level has a bedroom and bathroom, 2 car garage and great workshop with storage. In excellent condition. Offered at \$695,000. mls#103898

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7448319912	5	7/12/2024	\$65,000	\$235,130	JENKINS LN	JACK IN THE BOX, INC
7448339789	5	2/20/2024	\$500,000	\$691,590	MACK WILSON RD	WOODPECKER TRAIL, LLC
7448549943	5	9/4/2024	\$1,237,500	\$32,970	LOT 23A QUEEN MT	MOUNGER, H PRICE
7448557014	5	9/4/2024	\$1,237,500	\$954,850	LOT 3 & 4	MOUNGER, H PRICE
7449039701	14	5/22/2024	\$249,000	\$320,480	LOT 4 CHALET BLUE SUBD	BATSON REGINALD FLEMING JR
7449075739	14	4/22/2024	\$1,295,000	\$1,011,170	LOT 108A PHASE 2 SASSAFRAS KNOB	WILLIAMS, JOELA
7449080225	14	9/10/2024	\$3,350,000	\$2,830,640	LOT 135A SASSAFRAS KNOB PH I HCC	DAUGHTREY, WILLIAM T.
7449088797	14	9/6/2024	\$1,400,000	\$1,075,190	LOT 66 & 67B SHELBY PLACE	BLACKMON, JOHN
7449137596	14	5/3/2024	\$2,600,000	\$1,039,500	LOT 1 2 3 REV BRUSHY FACE	HIGHLANDS SPRING ROAD, LLC
7449138938	14	10/17/2024	\$1,200,000	\$2,457,210	LOT 4 BRUSHY FACE SOUTH SUBD	SEVENOAKS HIGHLANDS, LLC
7449151267	14	4/15/2024	\$265,000	\$200,000	LOT 7 SEC B BRUSHY FACE	CURATED COMMUNITIES, LLC
7449151468	14	4/15/2024	\$265,000	\$200,000	LOT 6 SEC B BRUSHY FACE	CURATED COMMUNITIES, LLC
7449152012	14	4/15/2024	\$265,000	\$200,000	LOT 8 SEC B BRUSHY FACE	KOHL, DAVID W
7449152012	14	12/17/2024	\$349,000	\$200,000	LOT 8 SEC B BRUSHY FACE	KOHL, DAVID W
7449155369	14	2/28/2024	\$1,293,000	\$913,480	LOT 16 BRUSHY FACE SEC B	CAMINATA, LLC
7449168079	14	8/30/2024	\$315,000	\$300,130	INDIAN HILLS	FULL NOISE MARATHON, LLC
7449181089	14	8/29/2024	\$555,000	\$599,290	LOT 14 REV	LIN, HUANG
7449183105	14	7/29/2024	\$525,000	\$743,830	LOT 13 PICKLESIMER SUB	GEHRING, ELIZABETH
7449183830	14	10/21/2024	\$1,769,000	\$1,265,160	LOT 81 PHASE III SHELBY PL	MOORE, PATRICK
7449190053	14	9/26/2024	\$20,000	\$40,000	LOT 46 SHELBY PLACE PH II	PIERSON, JODY
7449190785	14	4/2/2024	\$1,850,000	\$3,642,760	DILLARD RD	HIGH CREEK VILLAGE UNIT 2, LLC
7449191560	14	7/24/2024	\$1,650,000	\$1,110,110	LOT 18 SHELBY PLACE PH II	BURBAKER, BARRY L
7449194270	14	3/11/2024	\$735,000	\$765,810	LOT 97 PH II & PT OF 98 PH II	HILL, DENIS O
7449225949	14	6/25/2024	\$81,500	\$97,760	ON SR 1613 ADJ HLDS BIO FDN	COAST RESIDENCES, LLC
7449226776	5	3/8/2024	\$445,000	\$433,930	ON RD 1613 CLEAR CREEK RD	BARNES, WILLIAM RHODES
7449260319	14	11/20/2024	\$30,000	\$55,570	PT OF LOT 14 INDIAN HILLS	ADAME, ZAMANTHA FLORES
7449279846	14	7/12/2024	\$1,150,000	\$732,430	LOT 2 PC 1/23/3	SANDERS, PATRICIA W TRUST
7449399396	14	5/10/2024	\$3,400,000	\$1,700,780	UNIT 8 Old Edwards Development	OUR PEACE PLACE, LLC
7449407763	5	12/9/2024	\$85,000	\$93,170	US 28	POLLARD, W STEELE

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7449478342	14	10/17/2024	\$1,850,000	\$1,798,540	SATULAH RD	MARK LLOYD FAMILY,LLC
7449487769	14	11/1/2024	\$1,050,000	\$1,212,900	5TH & PIERSON DR	CORYNANN MTRUSTEE
7449497558	14	4/11/2024	\$2,240,000	\$1,492,470	UNIT 200C OLD HLDS PARK	ELLARS, BEVERLY TR
7449498421	14	8/22/2024	\$2,425,000	\$1,514,070	UNIT 300D OLD HLDS PARK	NUCKOLS, SHARON
7449560687	14	9/5/2024	\$1,050,000	\$462,670	LOT 3 SATULAH-VISTA	TYRREL, ROBERT
7449581095	14	7/25/2024	\$540,000	\$524,800	LOT 16 C & D REV	WINTHROP, RUSSELL
7449652328	14	12/4/2024	\$7,650,000	\$5,356,710	LOT 16 RAVENEL PC 8619	SANDS, ALICE G & JOHN FTR
7449673710	14	9/19/2024	\$500,000	\$403,850	LOT 9 SEC 1 SATULAH RIDGE	WILLIAMS, ERINA
7449699464	14	4/26/2024	\$775,000	\$612,310	LOT 5 SUNSET ROCK ESTATES	SICKELER, RICHARD SCOTT
7449699598	14	4/26/2024	\$725,000	\$489,840	LOT 4 SUNSET ROCK ESTATES	SICKELER, RICHARD SCOTT
7449790865	14	4/1/2024	\$4,800,000	\$489,840	LOT 2 SUNSET ROCK ESTATES	LEVEL C PARTNERS LLC
7459181780	5	5/10/2024	\$735,000	\$658,940	HORSE COVE OFF RD 1603	GROSS, DANIEL
7459266953	5	3/20/2024	\$750,000	\$706,660	HEMLOCK FARMS RD	MCDONALD, PATRICK
7459278547	5	1/17/2024	\$520,000	\$360,460	OFF 1603	SMITH, SCOTT WILLIAM
7459281070	5	12/17/2024	\$85,000	\$9,790	OFF RD 1603	MACK FARM, LLC
7459537342	5	8/16/2024	\$12,500	\$13,010	LOTS 10 & 10B CHESTRIDGE	REUSTIC, FALLS SPAIN, ROGER A
7459561817	5	10/28/2024	\$1,480,000	\$985,040	RD 1603	CLIPPINGER, GERALD P
7459632979	5	10/30/2024	\$624,000	\$543,060	LOT 39 RUSTIC FALLS	HARRISON, JOHN COWLES II
7459844315	5	6/28/2024	\$575,000	\$536,050	ON ROAD 1603	CALLAWAY, JAY MICHAEL, JR
7459846227	5	7/10/2024	\$115,000	\$115,760	ON ROAD 1603	GLATT, CLARKE
7520088501	5	6/18/2024	\$1,150,000	\$1,365,400	LOT 19 TURTLE CREEK PROP	MTN SANCTUARY PROBLEC
7520394324	5	9/9/2024	\$400,000	\$420,230	TRACT 1 PC 5523	COUMLLION, PAMELA
7520551236	5	1/30/2024	\$450,000	\$564,280	LOT 13	VITALE, CECILIA
7520731544	5	11/22/2024	\$180,000	\$330,070	TR 2 TURTLE POND RD	BROOKS TRAVIS
7530203568	5	10/18/2024	\$1,775,000	\$1,418,320	VH3 & 3ATWIN FALLS PCL	901587863 WATSON, KEITH D
7530323971	5	8/29/2024	\$3,800,000	\$2,191,240	LOT 19 BENCH-MARK SUB	CARTER, NORMAN KING III
7530325908	5	8/29/2024	\$3,800,000	\$100,000	LOT 20 BENCH-MARK SU	CARTER, NORMAN KING III
7530336840	5	6/27/2024	\$1,600,000	\$1,083,710	ARNOLD RD	CORE HOME MOUNTAINVIEW, LLC
7530404193	14	1/2/2024	\$635,000	\$790,420	LOT 22 & 23	LONGRUN EQUITY, LLC
7530416575	14	11/6/2024	\$28,000	\$54,430	LOT 11	COLEY, THOMAS H & DION M
7530430313	5	6/28/2024	\$1,600,000	\$1,083,710	ARNOLD RD	CORE HOME MOUNTAINVIEW, LLC
7530608187	14	10/8/2024	\$1,650,000	\$1,085,790	LOT 3 DILLARD RD	A & B INVESTMENTS, LLC
7530641708	5	8/21/2024	\$4,614,000	\$2,920,500	TR 6A	STILES, MARY BTRUSTEE
7530652183	5	8/21/2024	\$4,614,000	\$182,600	TR 6B	STILES, MARY BTRUSTEE
7530672305	5	11/19/2024	\$130,000	\$101,100	WEBB MONT	SOUTHERN PROPERTY CO, LLC
7530673226	5	11/19/2024	\$130,000	\$94,460	WEBB MONT	SOUTHERN PROPERTY CO, LLC
7530678167	14	7/15/2024	\$1,065,000	\$1,004,170	LOT 1 PTL LOT 2 & TRACT	GAGLIANO ANTHONY MICHAEL SR
7530679004	14	7/15/2024	\$1,065,000	\$13,100	ON WEBB MTN RD	GAGLIANO ANTHONY MICHAEL SR
7530685201	5	8/16/2024	\$1,175,000	\$708,770	WEBB MONT PC 9264	LEOLIVE INVESTMENTS, LLC
7530689146	5	4/16/2024	\$520,000	\$127,500	LOT 1 WATERLOOVID SUBDV	WILLIAMS, JASON
7530703735	14	4/1/2024	\$1,746,500	\$1,702,850	LOT 26 COUNTRY CLUB	GEH-ELLC
7530737759	14	6/20/2024	\$715,000	\$699,050	LOT 6 NAIAD TERRACE	TRAVIS, LAWRENCE E
7530738980	14	11/4/2024	\$1,590,000	\$1,271,610	LOT 4 NAIAD TERRACE	FORSYTHE HOLLY 2018 MGTR
7530749414	14	5/3/2024	\$861,000	\$763,830	LOT 7B REV LAKE SEQUOYAH	SUBD KILPATRICK, JENIFER
7530758294	14	4/26/2024	\$425,000	\$395,290	LOT 45 SEC B RIVER LAKE	SUB DAVIS, WILLIAM GUY
7530771003	14	3/21/2024	\$529,000	\$613,080	FLATTOP MOUNTAIN	WRIGHT, SCOTT C
7530780344	5	4/16/2024	\$351,330	\$127,500	LOT 2 WATERLOOVID SUBDV	MIEGLESS, BRIAN
7530780661	5	4/16/2024	\$520,000	\$127,300	LOT 4 WATERLOOVID SUBDV	MARTIN & FINCH-LLC
7530780821	5	4/16/2024	\$520,000	\$133,800	LOT 5 WATERLOOVID SUBDV	MARTIN & FINCH-LLC
7530781428	5	4/16/2024	\$520,000	\$127,500	LOT 3 WATERLOOVID SUBDV	KROLL, JOHN
7530783871	5	8/16/2024	\$1,455,000	\$1,314,520	OFF WEBB MONT	HESTER, JUDITH
7530804709	14	7/31/2024	\$1,050,000	\$997,600	FAIRWAY CONDOS BLDG 3/133	BALDWIN STANLEY FORREST
7530804944	14	4/30/2024	\$1,575,000	\$1,268,370	FAIRWAY CONDOS BLDG 2/224	COLLINS, JONATHAN MARK
7530811187	14	11/12/2024	\$1,500,000	\$1,236,380	COTTAGE 4 HLDS COUNTRY CLUB	MAXWELL ANITA KTR
7530826274	14	5/23/2024	\$1,200,000	\$979,690	LOT 12A MT LORI SEC	FLOWDEN, EVANS JR
7530829601	14	7/15/2024	\$1,900,000	\$1,749,040	LOT 15A & 1/2 OF 5A MT LORI	CAMERON, CLAYTON R
7530843910	14	12/13/2024	\$855,000	\$674,810	LOT 59 UNIT B & 60 UNIT B	RIVER LAKE MURROV, JONATHAN R
7530856018	14	4/16/2024	\$897,000	\$924,370	LOT 8 SEC B CULLA HGTS	RBS INVEST. AT MIRROR LAKE
7530860722	14	6/27/2024	\$125,000	\$171,720	OFF WEBB MONT RD	DUNN, STACEY A
7530930133	14	9/17/2024	\$1,450,000	\$945,130	LOT 26 MT LORI	HOLLIS 2022 FAMILY TRUST
7530930259	14	9/17/2024	\$1,450,000	\$327,600	LOT 28 SECA MT LORI	HOLLIS 2022 FAMILY TR
7530931184	14	9/17/2024	\$1,450,000	\$166,880	LOT 27 MT LORI	HOLLIS 2022 FAMILY TRUST
7530934356	14	8/30/2024	\$2,151,500	\$1,615,720	LOT 14 MT LORI	DUDEAND DAISY, LLC
7530935399	14	12/11/2024	\$1,865,000	\$1,638,050	LOT 12 MT LORI	CALLHAN, MICHAELA
7530937117	14	8/30/2024	\$270,000	\$272,360	TRACT 1 HOLT KNOB 11328	FUTRAL, WILLIAM J
7530938829	14	4/4/2024	\$408,000	\$397,680	LOT 7 MT LORI	FOSTER, JAMES
7530967179	14	2/13/2024	\$620,000	\$594,980	LOT 17 SEC F CULL HGTS	PARKER, RANDALLA
7530968131	14	12/5/2024	\$345,000	\$329,220	LOT 18 SEC F CULL HGTS	SURRENCY, CATHERINE M
7531900515	5	10/17/2024	\$1,500,000	\$1,380,050	LOT 8 SEC B FLAT MT RD PC	1376 PFEPPER, INVEST. GRP
7531906511	5	3/25/2024	\$90,000	\$75,000	LOT 5 BEARFOOT AT FLAT MTN	SQUANCE, JAMES M
7531911261	5	9/26/2024	\$825,000	\$565,110	LOT D-2-A FLATTOP MTN	MTN DREAMS 1986, LLC
7531915894	5	7/3/2024	\$300,000	\$396,430	LOT 11 SECA FLATTOP MTN	WILLIAMS, ELIZABETH BARRON
7540025350	14	9/20/2024	\$1,560,000	\$1,467,710	LOTS 43 & 44 ALPINE EST	JORDANTY N
7540026809	14	1/25/2024	\$80,000	\$192,700	LOT 14	HOLT KNOB HOLDINGS, LLC
7540046463	14	5/14/2024	\$50,000	\$327,140	DOBSON RIDGE PC 8525	LOPEZ, MEINARDO
7540048558	14	1/25/2024	\$285,000	\$164,730	LOT 26 DOBSON RIDGE	LEVISAY, WILLIAM D CO-TTEE

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Parcel	Township	Deed Date	Sale Price	Assessed Value	Address	Owner
7540052958	14	8/23/2024	\$1,960,000	\$1,337,660	LT 24/25 REV SEC F CULL HGTS	DELANY,RICHARD M.
7540053227	14	6/12/2024	\$745,000	\$726,660	LOT 27 BLK D CULL HEIGHTS	DUGAN,RYAN CHRISTOPHER
7540061197	14	8/23/2024	\$90,000	\$261,120	LOT 36 & 37 SEC F CULL HGTS	DELANY,RICHARD M.
7540065306	14	5/23/2024	\$33,000	\$33,700	LOT 32 SEC F CULL HGTS	SCHMIDT,TED
7540125523	14	11/15/2024	\$685,000	\$514,570	A C HOLT SUBD	SKELTON,SCHAFFER WARREN
7540127779	14	4/12/2024	\$475,000	\$366,310	LOT 3A BROOKSIDE PARK	VANNI,STEPHEN
7540134121	14	7/16/2024	\$514,000	\$514,580	LOT 28	FIGUEROA,DANIEL
7540134318	14	10/15/2024	\$1,335,000	\$961,310	LOT 22A MIRROR LAKE	KOCH,LAURA C
7540151511	14	7/24/2024	\$937,500	\$650,810	PT OF LOT 38 BLK D CULL HGTS	MURPHY,JEANNE P
7540155694	14	8/8/2024	\$522,000	\$497,710	LOT 4 SEC I CULL HGTS	SHIPMAN,GARY A
7540156659	14	2/21/2024	\$145,000	\$151,520	LOT 5 SEC I CULL HGTS	H & M HOME BUILDERS,LLC
7540157764	14	4/4/2024	\$850,000	\$1,042,220	LOT 6 & 7 SEC I	CARULLO,JOSEPH R
7540157764	14	5/7/2024	\$850,000	\$1,042,220	LOT 6 & 7 SEC I	CARULLO,JOSEPH R
7540180634	5	3/19/2024	\$1,125,000	\$361,820	ON BILLY CABIN RD	COOK,ALLAN BRUCE
7540181844	5	3/19/2024	\$1,125,000	\$155,770	TR A JACK WILCOX RD	COOK,ALLAN BRUCE
7540182607	5	3/19/2024	\$1,125,000	\$31,660	TR C JACK WILCOX	COOK,ALLAN BRUCE
7540183803	5	3/19/2024	\$1,125,000	\$156,670	TR B JACK WILCOX RD	COOK,ALLAN BRUCE
7540185718	5	10/4/2024	\$200,000	\$238,510	JACK WILCOX SPLIT PC 11307	PARENT,CHRISTOPHER D
7540218158	14	6/28/2024	\$1,180,000	\$1,160,260	LOT 16 WRIGHT MEMORIAL SQUARE	CHANDLER HIGHLANDS,LLC
7540219190	14	8/23/2024	\$1,390,000	\$1,122,470	LOT 26 VRIGHT MEMORIAL SQUARE	WARTH HOLDINGS,LLC
7540243586	14	6/20/2024	\$165,000	\$169,290	FOREMAN RD	ACHEE,JAMES P
7540253421	14	6/7/2024	\$100,000	\$232,050	LOT 3A CULLASAJA DR	CROMWELL,HENRY F
7540253421	14	8/19/2024	\$250,000	\$232,050	LOT 3A CULLASAJA DR	CROMWELL,HENRY F
7540253673	14	5/10/2024	\$1,525,000	\$1,357,380	TRACT 1 LOT 8C	RUSSELL,RICHARD B JR
7540253673	14	10/8/2024	\$1,550,000	\$1,357,380	TRACT 1 LOT 8C	RUSSELL,RICHARD B JR
7540254585	14	6/7/2024	\$100,000	\$259,350	LOT 3B CULLASAJA DR	PROVIDENT TRUST GROUP,LLC
7540259865	14	6/7/2024	\$100,000	\$1,606,240	LOT 12 & 3C REV HLDS DEV SUB	CHIDSEY,CHARLES TRUMAN
7540272263	5	12/12/2024	\$2,262,000	\$1,309,410	LOTS 33 & 34 MIRRORMONT	VERNICK,JOEL
7540288187	5	5/3/2024	\$79,500	\$139,210	OFF ZACHARY RD	NASS,DANIELA
7540323718	14	3/11/2024	\$475,000	\$1,393,260	FOREMAN ROAD	FULP PROPERTIES,LLC
7540328976	14	11/13/2024	\$850,000	\$846,840	MARTHAS LANE	PENDERGRAST,CRAIG K
7540352745	14	8/9/2024	\$1,650,000	\$1,426,990	LOT 1 PHASE 2PC 5431	VH-WHITE,JAMES O,JR,
7540354526	14	10/30/2024	\$2,235,000	\$1,788,750	LOT 8 REVISED PC 8135	BLOCK,GERALD P
7540357498	14	1/26/2024	\$700,000	\$746,810	LOT 33	HEATHERWOOD ENTER,LLC
7540360993	5	6/18/2024	\$1,495,000	\$1,096,960	LOT 10 MIRRORMONT	LVINPROPERTIESNC,LLC
7540368246	5	1/9/2024	\$2,500,000	\$1,730,580	LOT 18	NEILSON,ELISABETH CTRUST
7540372236	5	2/20/2024	\$950,000	\$758,170	LOT 14A MIRRORMONT SUBD	VELCH,ROBERT L
7540401565	14	5/9/2024	\$1,400,000	\$915,640	395 MAIN ST	115 S 4TH STREET,LLC
7540426428	14	10/15/2024	\$2,600,000	\$2,253,440	TOWN PLACETRACT 6A PC 8771	O'NEAL,JOEL VERNON JR
7540430096	14	8/2/2024	\$1,135,000	\$960,440	4TH ST	UNIVERSAL EXPORTS,LLC
7540437427	14	8/22/2024	\$500,000	\$658,000	ON POPLAR ST	CA WILSON ELECTRIC SERVICE
7540446721	14	3/13/2024	\$1,200,000	\$701,880	LOT 34	EMPHATIC,LLC
7540504851	14	12/6/2024	\$770,000	\$596,800	UNIT 101 HIGHLANDS MANOR II	BAUGHER,GARY D
7540505138	14	5/20/2024	\$800,000	\$721,820	LOTA-2 TRILLIUM PLACE	CHASE,AMY R
7540505270	14	9/25/2024	\$620,000	\$678,100	LOTA-4 TRILLIUM PLACE	KESTERTON,HELEN D
7540508573	14	8/9/2024	\$455,000	\$276,770	UNIT 3 HLDSTOWNSITEAPT I	WADDELL,RUFUS W
7540508584	14	2/7/2024	\$430,000	\$297,560	UNIT 4 HLDSTOWNSITEAPT I	PJ COASTAL PROPERTIES,LLC
7540513866	14	9/25/2024	\$6,425,000	\$4,034,150	ON 5TH & LAUREL ST	628 NORTH 5TH STREET,LLC
7540520354	14	6/5/2024	\$700,000	\$615,680	LOT 317B PC 9233	BROWNING,ROBERT W
7540521058	14	9/13/2024	\$1,750,000	\$1,562,560	LOT 324 REV CHESTNUT STREETSPLIT	MLND,LLC
7540575130	5	4/29/2024	\$890,000	\$656,200	LOT 48 HIGHLAND HILLS	HIRSCHFELD,SARAH KEMP
7540575592	5	4/24/2024	\$1,350,000	\$874,670	LOT 32 HLDS HILLS	DENNY,AMANDA P
7540576695	5	7/16/2024	\$450,000	\$609,590	LOT 43 HLD HILLS	LESS THAN THREE,LLC
7540577513	5	4/24/2024	\$1,350,000	\$48,380	LOT 33 HLDS HILLS	DENNY,AMANDA P
7540604299	14	3/27/2024	\$3,200,000	\$2,651,490	HORSE COVE RD	HAMBY,CHERYL L TTEE
7540606272	14	7/26/2024	\$3,000,000	\$2,472,000	LOTS 1-3 & N 1/2 OF 4 E MAIN ST	MANKINEN,RICHARD W
7540611191	14	3/12/2024	\$950,000	\$638,750	UNIT A BLDG 2 LOT 2 MILL CREEK VILL	BROWN,MICHAEL B & DIANA M
7540643939	14	5/31/2024	\$60,000	\$28,390	LOT 39 SHERWOOD FOREST	AMES,ROBERT OAKES TRUST
7540644899	14	5/31/2024	\$60,000	\$25,730	LOT 38 SHERWOOD FOREST	AMES,ROBERT OAKES TRUST
7540645783	14	5/31/2024	\$60,000	\$24,410	LOT 37 SHERWOOD FOREST	AMES,ROBERT OAKES TRUST
7540655803	14	7/29/2024	\$7,550,000	\$4,328,610	N 4TH STREET	RETZER,LLC
7540661151	14	7/29/2024	\$7,550,000	\$211,850	LOT 15 ROLLINGWOODS SUB.	RETZER,LLC
7540665529	5	2/9/2024	\$550,000	\$649,140	LOT 7	RHODES,JUSTIN
7540673378	5	8/2/2024	\$724,000	\$403,050	LOT 5 & PT OF 6 & 7 ROLLINGACRES	LOWTHER,STEVEN WILLIAM
7540700059	14	4/1/2024	\$4,800,000	\$2,911,840	LOT 1 SUNSET ROCK ESTATES	LEVEL C PARTNERS,LLC
7540727685	14	8/19/2024	\$275,000	\$45,000	LOT 89 BIG BEAR PEN	CARLOCK INVESTMENTS,LLC
7540729279	14	4/25/2024	\$3,155,000	\$2,705,700	LOT 10 11 & 29 RHODODENDRON TR.	WELSH,JOSEPH
7540752100	14	8/15/2024	\$1,450,000	\$1,238,700	LOT 6 SHERWOOD FOREST	MYERS,CATHLENE S
7540754635	14	5/31/2024	\$1,525,000	\$1,200,340	LOT 11 SHERWOOD FOREST	WRIGHT,CYNTHIA D.
7540773900	5	4/3/2024	\$1,125,500	\$1,039,840	SONG BIRD LN	56 SONGBIRD LLC
7540821540	14	1/5/2024	\$670,000	\$477,410	LOT 75	REDMOND,NATHANIEL DOUGLAS
7540823352	14	11/15/2024	\$1,750,000	\$1,844,240	LOT 27 RHODODENDRON TRAIL	JMAC BUILDERS,LLC
7540854312	14	8/21/2024	\$2,210,000	\$1,652,250	BIG BEAR PEN	FLOURNOY,BONNIE SIEGELMAN MGT.
7540858887	5	8/29/2024	\$4,450,000	\$3,194,290	LOT 1 & 2 BLOCK B SECTION II REV-HCCV	WEST,CAROLE G.
7540860408	5	10/11/2024	\$1,154,000	\$828,470	REVILLA SITE 1 PH 2 VILLA 2 HFCC	LANDIAPPE,LLC

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I've come to really appreciate the week between Christmas and New Years' Day. While busyness tends to reach a fever pitch on December 24th and 25th, the week between December 25th and January 1st is generally a quieter time, providing time to rest and reflect, time to think and rethink. Over the years I've come to have a growing appreciation for the closing days of December and the calendar year. The office is quieter these days. There are far fewer things written on my calendar. So, reflective type that I am, I find myself being particularly pensive this week.

Having been a pastor for more than three decades, one would think I've gotten things pretty much figured out by now. Organized, focused, meeting all deadlines with ease. But alas! I am still clearly very much a work in progress. I'm still trying to learn and grow, still trying to learn from my mistakes while striving to be better and do better.

One new practice that has born fruit recently for me has been a renewal of my daily "to-do" list. Usually after my morning prayers I begin writing down tasks I want accomplished that particular day at the office. In addition to vocational responsibilities, I will include things like "prayer" and "read" on my list as a reminder of the importance of such things, and as an encouragement to get my face out of my lap top from time to time.

While making out my list recently, I found myself adding the word "stop" to my to-do list. It was a very freeing moment, reminding me that "stopping" was an important part of my "doing." I have found that, knowing when to stop, drawing a line and acknowledging that "stopping" time has come, is a simple boundary-setting act with significant value for me.

Rabbi Abraham Heschel once made the point that the six days of Creation would not have been complete without the seventh day Sabbath. He stressed that God's seventh day of rest wasn't to be viewed as something apart from the six days of creation, but as an essential part of God's creative work.

Adding the word "stop" to my daily vocational tasks has served to offer some much needed structure to my work day. Though there will always be a 24/7 component to the pastoral vocation, setting healthy boundaries where possible is vital to my own physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health. Of course one doesn't have to be an ordained minister to set healthy boundaries, to differentiate between work from rest, and to set clear boundaries between office and home when possible.

Though I don't always finish my daily list, and sometimes a task scheduled for today gets moved to tomorrow, I've found that making a "check" beside of the word "stop" is both a psychological and theological gift. The "check" is generally accompanied by a smile, and it always brings a sense of accomplishment.

So I'm thinking about these kinds of things in my reflective week between Christmas and New Years. I'm thinking about the ongoing work of trying to be a better human, of the value of reflection and re-imagining, of the importance of setting healthy boundaries and God's good gift of sabbath. And if you're looking for a good word to carry with you and ruminate on throughout your day today, please allow me to introduce you to a new friend of mine, "stop."

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Dec. 17

• At 6:25 p.m., the dept. responded to a fire alarm at a location on N. 5th Street.

Dec. 19

• At 1:21 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Pinewood

Lane.

• At 10:56 a.m., the dept. responded to a fire alarm at a location on N. 4th Street.

• At 10:59 a.m., the dept., was first-responders to a residence on Mt. Lori.

• At 11:49 a.m., the dept. responded to a call of a power line in the road at Azalea Circle.

• At 4:05 p.m., the dept. responded to

a fire alarm at a location on N., 4th Street.

Dec. 20

• At 1:56 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Poplar Street.

• At 4:45 p.m., the dept. provided public assistance at a residence on Forest Trail.

Dec. 21

• A little after midnight, the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Leon-

ard Road.

• At 3:47 p.m., the dept. provided public assistance at a location at Highlands Meadows.

Dec. 22

• At 3:54 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Lucerne Drive.

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sion also works with our legislative delegation in keeping towns and counties updated on what is happening in the legislature in Raleigh.”

Southwestern North Carolina continues to change rapidly, and as the population increases, so does demand on local government to provide the needed services and infrastructure. The Southwestern Commission helps to provide expertise in community and economic development, workforce development, elderly services and transportation planning.

In addition, the commission is the conduit for member governments to obtain funds from a variety of sources such as public and private loans, non-profit grants and philanthropic foundations.

Economic development is a big part of its mission; work includes internet access, housing and opioid settlement funds.

Enhancing regional connectivity through digital inclusion and broadband expansion in western North Carolina, specifically addressing the digital divide and equipping rural residents with essential access and skills is a challenging task.

To help address the housing crisis, the Southwestern North Carolina HOME Consortium secures federal HOME funds to provide affordable housing and support low-income households across six counties. These funds are managed by the Southwestern Commission and cover new construction, rehabilitation, rental assistance, and more. Annual funds are awarded based on priority needs, with the next application cycle in spring 2025.

It also helps to manage the \$1.5 billion North Carolina received from a national opioid settlement to support treatment, recovery, and harm reduction programs statewide.

The commission, collaborating with Ten Biz, Inc. and the Omni Institute, has created a strategic plan for the seven-county region, guided by public input from focus groups and surveys. This initiative, supported by Dogwood Health Trust, aims

to effectively address the opioid crisis and foster positive change in the region.

Other work of the Southwestern Commission includes workplace development through the Southwestern Workforce Development Board. Its board makes decisions regarding funding and governance of employment and training services for individuals and businesses.

Its Workforce Development Board is one of 23 such boards in North Carolina and is comprised of volunteers from the public and private sector that include representatives of local businesses, community based organizations, educational institutions, organized labor organizations, rehabilitation agencies, economic development offices and public employment services.

As mandated by law, a representative of the private sector serves as the board chair with private-sector membership comprising at least 51 percent of the board membership.

Boards have many responsibilities which include the oversight of regional NC Works Career Centers — local offices where workforce development professionals from many agencies provide a broad range of employment and training services.

Macon County's NC Works Career Center is located at 5 West Main Street, Franklin adjacent to the Macon County Courthouse. At the center, people seeking jobs can find work, improve skills and connect to additional resources to help prepare for interviews.

The commission, through the Region A Area Agency on Aging, also works to assure that the elderly in the region have the opportunity to live life to the fullest in the least restrictive setting possible.

Services provided by the agency include the family caregiver support program, long-term care ombudsman program, senior Medicare patrol program, health promotion program, legal program and senior health insurance information program.

Another aspect of the Commission is the Southwestern Rural Planning Organiza-

tion (SWRPO) that addresses transportation needs of the region. It provides transportation planning and mapping/GIS support to Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties, and the municipalities therein.

It serves as a forum for local officials and citizens to interact with NCDOT staff on a regular basis, and for NCDOT to obtain substantial and meaningful local input on transportation plans and projects.

This has also been and will be the focus of Mayor Taylor's Mayor on Duty column in Highlands Newspaper.

The Southwestern RPO works with the NC DOT Transportation Planning Branch and a local task force to produce a Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) for each county.



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Parcel	Township	Deed Date	Sale Price	Assessed Value	Address	Owner
7551305263	5	7/16/2024	\$3,850,000	\$3,755,260	LOT 242 REV CULLASAJA CLUB	STOCKMAN FAMILY TR
7551306294	5	6/4/2024	\$1,895,000	\$1,624,290	LOT 241 CULLASAJA CLUB	229 B CULLASAJA CLUB, LLC
7551309615	5	4/29/2024	\$110,000	\$100,000	LOT 291 CULLASAJA CLUB	LIJPOLI, JOHN R JR
7551414129	5	1/31/2024	\$4,950,000	\$2,122,960	LOT 308 CULLASAJA CLUB	SCAUSE, SAM LTR
7551414353	5	10/4/2024	\$4,445,000	\$3,281,820	LOT 309 CULLASAJA CLUB	BROWN, DAVID L
7551414353	5	1/31/2024	\$4,950,000	\$3,281,820	LOT 309 CULLASAJA CLUB	BROWN, DAVID L
7551417410	5	8/20/2024	\$4,600,000	\$4,689,880	LOT 310 CULLASAJA CLUB	HARRISON, NANCY S
7551419170	5	4/15/2024	\$1,700,000	\$1,311,480	LOT 298 CULLASAJA CLUB	BORKOWSKI, CATHERINETTEE
7551428647	5	10/9/2024	\$150,000	\$182,950	OFF US 64 E	RAVENEL LAKETRAIL ASSOCIATION, INC
7551431676	5	5/17/2024	\$725,000	\$694,640	LOT 6 SHORTOFF BLUFFS DEVELOPMENT	TRIFIRO, CATHERINE LEE
7551443211	5	6/14/2024	\$815,000	\$915,570	LOT 1 SHORTOFF BLUFFS DEVELOPMENT	HUCKLEBERRY HAZE, LLC
7551444863	5	9/13/2024	\$1,110,000	\$926,480	LOT 5B WILDWOOD FOREST	WINGARD PROPERTIES, LLC
7551445903	5	4/5/2024	\$819,000	\$51,000	LOT 8B WILDWOOD FOREST	FISER, MICHAEL RYAN
7551445981	5	4/5/2024	\$819,000	\$585,540	LOT 7B WILDWOOD FOREST	FISER, MICHAEL RYAN
7551455072	5	10/21/2024	\$975,000	\$665,010	LOT 6C WILDWOOD FOREST	SWANSON, ERICA
7551502162	5	5/20/2024	\$180,000	\$100,000	LT 73 REVISED CULLASAJA CLUB PC 9893	GARNET ROCK RESIDENTIAL HOLDINGS,
7551503205	5	9/4/2024	\$2,600,000	\$2,443,790	CULLASAJA CLUB COMBINED LT 73/74	BERRY, STEPHEN ERIC
7551508726	5	11/12/2024	\$299,000	\$150,000	LOT 79 CULLASAJA CLUB	DAVID BOCK BUILDERS, LLC
7551509910	5	9/6/2024	\$1,950,000	\$1,917,180	LOT 80 CULLASAJA CLUB	WILSON, LINDA FOX TRUST
7551510589	5	8/19/2024	\$3,100,000	\$2,657,540	LOT 303 REV CULL CLUB-BOOK 5 PLAT CARD	JONES, MICHAEL E
7551515223	5	11/12/2024	\$2,300,000	\$1,912,430	LOT 18 CULLASAJA CLUB	GROOMS, KEVIN L
7551519668	5	9/5/2024	\$4,800,000	\$2,545,680	LOT 13 CULLASAJA CLUB	NORRIS, ROBIN L
7551524778	5	8/28/2024	\$1,725,000	\$1,707,540	LOT 10	LEOLIVE INVESTMENTS, LLC
7551529727	5	8/21/2024	\$160,000	\$100,000	LOT 28	RED DEACON HIGHLANDS, LLC
7551546865	5	9/13/2024	\$1,260,000	\$729,240	LOTS 98 & 99 WILDWOOD MTN	CLARKE, SANDRA H
7551547648	5	10/2/2024	\$1,275,000	\$953,530	LOT 103 & PT OF 102 WILDWOOD MTN SUBDPC 8498	KITE, THOMAS OLIVER JR
7551554121	5	12/12/2024	\$700,000	\$575,790	LOT 19 WILDWOOD MTN	ZUBIZARRETA, PETER TRUST
7551568429	5	7/18/2024	\$180,000	\$145,590	PARCEL 25 COWEE MTN	ZAVADA, DANIEL
7551610487	5	1/5/2024	\$2,200,000	\$2,122,000	LOT 14	SBELL, TOMMY
7551611600	5	9/5/2024	\$4,800,000	\$250,000	LOT 13A CULLASAJA CLUB	NORRIS, ROBIN L
7551625919	5	2/21/2024	\$76,000	\$898,090	LOT 67 & 68 SEC EVILDCAT CLIFFS	QUIRK, ELIZABETH WIGHT
7551643639	5	4/5/2024	\$175,000	\$122,310	LOT 23 WILDWOOD MTN	RAMIREZ, MEINARDO LOPEZ
7551659924	5	6/17/2024	\$1,132,000	\$876,550	TRACT 1 COWEE MTN	HELMS, RAY D JR TRUST
7551710287	5	1/11/2024	\$1,950,000	\$1,678,790	COTTAGE UNIT 4	STATUTO, JENNIFER LYNN
7551728311	5	11/21/2024	\$845,000	\$697,180	LOT 39 SEC CWILDCAT CLIFFS	STARK, RICHARD E
7551735302	5	3/8/2024	\$2,950,000	\$250,000	LOT 4 SEC A WILDCAT CLIFFS	PIERCE, ROBERT FTTEE
7551736206	5	3/8/2024	\$2,950,000	\$2,928,920	LOT 3 SEC A WILDCAT CLIFFS	PIERCE, ROBERT FTTEE
7551737220	5	3/8/2024	\$2,950,000	\$250,000	LOT 2 SEC A WILDCAT CLIFFS	PIERCE, ROBERT FTTEE
7551800592	5	4/16/2024	\$2,200,000	\$1,458,630	LOT 118 SEC G WILDCAT CLIFFS	FARZAM, ELHAM TTEE
7551804561	5	1/31/2024	\$1,250,000	\$1,019,270	LOT 15 SEC B FRANCIS,	RAYMOND E CO-TTEE
7551925408	5	8/9/2024	\$400,000	\$250,000	LOT 2 COUNTRY CLUB DR	LEFVRE, PEGGY J TRUST
7551929328	5	9/18/2024	\$3,500,000	\$250,000	PT OF LOT 6 SP RAVENEL PROP-MACON/JACKSON LINE	BELL, MARGARET

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\$7,650,000. Highlands Township's highest sale was \$7,125,000 and Scaly Mountain's highest sale was \$2,975,000.

There were 58 parcels that were resold since 2021, and that number increased by 26 from 2023.

There were 409 parcels that had revenue stamps recorded and there were 419 parcels that transferred with no revenue stamps because the sale was logged as \$0.

Revenue stamps are a tax or fee that is added to a deed or other real estate documents to show that the proper fees have been paid. They are also known as documentary taxes or excise taxes.

They are similar to postage stamps and are usually purchased from the county or municipal court. The amount of the tax is generally calculated as a percent-

age of the property's value. In North Carolina, the tax rate is \$2 per \$1,000 of the sales price

Transactions this year ran the gamut from over \$7 million to \$1 million and less.

There were three at \$7,000,000 or more; two deeds between \$6,000,000 – \$6,999,999; eight deeds between \$4,000,000 and \$4,999,999; 14 deeds between \$3,000,000 and \$3,999,999; 26 deeds between \$2,000,000 and \$2,999,999; and 86 deeds between \$1,000,000 to 1,999,999.

As to taxes – tax assessments are set as of January 1 of every year.

"This means that for 2024 if you owned property as of that date you are the owner of the property for that tax bill," said MC Tax Administrator Abby Braswell. "If you sell the property then at

closing your attorney prorates the taxes. The tax office never prorates the bill. But if you sell property, then the owner is responsible for the bill until the delinquent date of January 5 of the next year."

In January of each year the tax office sends out a listing form for anyone that has personal property which must be listed by Jan. 31. An extension may be granted based upon a written request received prior to January 31.

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