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What’s Happening?

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform Haywood County Taxpayers of what transpires at the bi-monthly County Commission Meetings. This newsletter will be written from the perspective of a casual observer, myself. Any opinions expressed will be mine.

Kevin Ensley running for County Commissioner.

Here is a hypothetical question - Would **Kevin Ensley**, and his wife **Alice**, sacrifice the health and well-being of their daughter to further his political career as a County Commissioner?

New opening for Haywood County Fairgrounds Manager.

With hardly any fanfare, Katie Swanger is no longer manager of the Haywood County Fairgrounds. Poof. Her husband, Damon, son of the brother of County Commissioner **Mark Swanger**, ex-FBI guy, is no longer allowed on Haywood County Fairgrounds property.

Jackee Brown Indicted by Grand Jury.

Jackee Brown, wife of Waynesville Mayor **Gavin Brown**, was indicted by the Haywood County Grand Jury. See: <http://haywoodtp.net/pubII/160128Indictment15CRS054674.pdf> **Jackee Brown** is eligible to get her Drivers License back on 2/5/2016.

Why is David Francis peddling the Hospital Deal?

David Francis, the guy Haywood County voters threw out of office at the last election, is now peddling the old Hospital Deal. Why is that? **David Francis** has given presentations about how the county taxpayers should cough up another \$250,000 to move this deal forward. Doesn’t **David Francis** have enough to do with his multiple jobs as Solid Waste Guy, Tax Administrator, and Information Guy (replacing **David Teague**)? Why isn’t **Dale Burris** giving this presentation. He has given practically every presentation regarding the old hospital. Why isn’t **Ira Dove** (or **Stonewall Blevins**) make the presentations?

I checked with **Dale Burris** why he was not giving the presentations. He said, ~~county commissioners did not select me to do it.~~ “I was not asked to present the information” [Editors Note: Correction applied to what **Dale Burris** actually said.]

Here’s what I think. **Ira Dove** looked pretty miserable during the last county commission meeting. I think the county commissioners are still pretty miffed with him for botching the presentation with Regional Recycling Solutions - you know, the tax credit fiasco, and they are now grooming **David Francis** for the job. Let’s see how long **Ira Dove** lasts.

Jule Morrow’s Indoor Shooting Range.

Get prepared for another interesting County Commission meeting Monday, 2/1/2016. To date, most of the public comment has been against the range. What’s going on here?

There are only two shooting ranges that I know of in Haywood County (could be more, like in your back yard),

- An outdoor range past Lake Logan on PIN 8632-24-8626, owned by the State of North Carolina, and
- An outdoor range owned by the Waynesville Police Department Association, PIN 8616-54-8639.

There are no indoor ranges. Indoor ranges have advantages and disadvantages, and I prefer an outdoor range with no range Nazi hanging about.

From concerns that I have heard from the folks attending the last two county commission meetings, I surmise that:

- This is the wrong place to put an indoor range,
- This is the wrong person to create this range.

Another location would seem to be the best overall solution.

So what is the county commissioners take on all of this? Well, they won’t touch it with a ten foot pole, primarily because there are no county wide zoning regulations. They have backed off interfering at all with the indoor range. But they sure jumped on the opportunity to create another ordinance to see if they could limit outdoor ranges. In other worlds, this is called spot zoning. I believe **Mark Swanger** and **Kevin Ensley** are attempting to do as much damage as they can while **Swanger** is sill chairman and **Ensley** is still a commissioner to whip up another ordinance.

We don’t need these commissioners creating another ordinance to take our rights away. If they want to fuss with ordinances, why don’t they kick **Ira Dove** in the behind and have him redo the EMO they said they were going to do a year ago (while **Ira Dove** is still here).

I would encourage everyone to come to the county commission meeting Monday and give **Swanger** and **Ensley** a piece of your mind, letting them know how much you would like to see them regulate outdoor gun ranges.

Next Issue ...

- Tussle with **Vicki Hyatt**, re: CES closure.
- Tussle with **Vicki Hyatt**, re: Marcy Onieal

So far, both **Vicki Hyatt** and **Becky Johnson** seem to have toned down their hit-pieces on the three Aldermen who terminated **Marcy Onieal's** contract.

They have both also toned down on pinning blame for the closing of CES. If they would like to keep it up, I have plenty of reasons to blame the following people:

- **Chuck Francis** and the entire School Board,
- **Swanger, Ensley** and the other commissioners for failure to uphold the agreed upon Funding Formula, denying the schools over \$15 Million Dollars, and
- **Julie Davis**, who cooked the books (i.e. falsified the calculation) of the Funding Formula.

There is so much more these two women could write about, like interviewing **Mark Swanger** to see how he purchased a Quarter of a Million Dollar Condo in Panama City Beach for only \$10.00 and put it in his wife **Susan's** name. I'm sure we would all like a Quarter of a Million Dollar Condo in Panama City Beach and would like to know how he did that.

Legend: If any name is in **bold**, it can't be a good thing.

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