

**Watauga County District U  
Tourism Development Authority – Board Retreat Minutes  
Virtual Meeting - Zoom  
Tuesday, June 23, 2023**

PRESENT: Matt Vincent – Chair  
Kim Rogers  
Tina Houston  
Brad Moretz  
Wright Tilley, TDA Executive Director  
Hope Thingelstad, TDA Director of Tourism Outreach

ABSENT: Tony Gray  
Lisa Cooper

GUESTS: None

**Call to Order:** *The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vincent at 3:04 pm.*

The board was updated on the property mentioned in the last meeting. The TDA's offer of \$1.75 million was accepted by the seller, and a \$10,000 nonrefundable deposit is due. A budget amendment will be necessary to increase the line item for office expenses. Mr. Tilley proposed moving the necessary funds from the fund balance.

*Tina Houston, seconded by Kim Rogers, moved to approve the budget amendment moving \$35,000 from fund balance to office expenses. The motion passed (4/0).*

Board members asked if the Boone TDA would pay rent for the new space, and if there would be additional space to lease.

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.**