

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS
SALE OF COUNTY PROPERTY**

The Board of Commissioners for Avery County has authorized the sale by sealed bid of the following parcel of real property:

THE PROPERTY (“Property”) is a 15 foot wide strip along the Eastern line of Lot 24 as it borders Lot 7, Western Highlands, Sugar Mountain, NC 28604. The Property is conveyed together with all the improvements which are on the Property, all easements which are for the benefit of the Property (for example, but not limited to, rights of way to public roads or rights to obtain water), appurtenances to the property, and fixtures now a part of the Property. Lot 24 is described on a survey which is titled, “Western Highlands.” This survey was prepared by Walter H. Burkett, R.L.S. #L-1209, on June 18, 1970, and is of record in the Avery County Registry of Deeds in Book 03 of Maps, at Page 27. Further being all of that property of record in Book 404 Page 1501 of the Avery County Register of Deeds, bearing tax parcel # 1857-06-39-6374.

The County will accept sealed bids for the property until 3:00 PM on the 15th day of November, 2017 at the office of the County Manager, County Administrative Building, 175 Linville Street, Newland, NC 28657. At 3:00 PM on the 20th day of November, 2017 all bids received shall be opened in public and the amount of each bid announced and recorded. The record of bids shall be reported to the Board of Commissioners at their regularly scheduled meeting in December 2017.

The Board of Commissioners will determine the highest responsible bidder for the property and will award the bid by it’s regularly scheduled meeting in January 2018. Bids will remain open and subject to acceptance until the Board of Commissioners awards the bid.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. A bid deposit may take the form of Cash, Cashiers Check, Certified Check, or a Surety Bond. The deposit of the bidder of to whom the award is made will be held until the sale of the property is closed; if that bidder refuses at any time to close the sale, the deposit will be forfeited to the County. The deposits of other bidders will be returned at the time the Board of Commissioners awards the property to the highest responsible bidder.

In order for a bid to be considered, the bidder must be current on payment of all property taxes owed to the County.

The County reserves the right to withdraw the property from sale at any time and the right to reject any and all bids.

Inquiries about the property and the sale may be made to Phillip Barrier, County Manager, County Administrative Building, 175 Linville Street, Newland, NC 28657.