

"assistance". Councilman Schofield agreed and said some sort of rotation schedule needs to be in place so all non-profit organizations can be allowed the opportunity to request a sign. Planning Director Herron suggested a set of policies be developed for the placement of these signs. Council agreed. On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Schofield, Council moved to approve the recommendations for the non-profit organization signs and directed Staff to write a policy for the placement of these signs.

VOTE: Aye-All  
Nay-None

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE - EDMISTEN ANNEXATION

On a motion by Councilman Schrum, seconded by Councilman Watson, Council moved to adopt the following annexation ordinance:

Ordinance #97-03

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE  
TOWN OF BOONE, NORTH CAROLINA  
HAROLD AND MAXINE EDMISTEN

WHEREAS, the Town Council has been petitioned under G.S. 160A-31 to annex the area described below; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has by resolution directed the Town Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has certified the sufficiency of the petition and a public hearing on the question of this annexation was held on May 22, 1997, after due notice by publication on May 12, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the petition meets the requirements of G.S. 160A-31;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Boone, North Carolina that:

Section 1. By virtue of the authority granted by G.S. 160A-31, the following described territory is hereby annexed and made part of the Town of Boone as of May 22, 1997:

BEING ALL OF LOT NUMBER ONE (1) OF KELLER ACRES, as shown on that certain plat dated January 2, 1989, by Frank L. Hayes, RLS, and being recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 68, of the Watauga County Public Registry.

Section 2. Upon and after May 22, 1997, the above described territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances and regulations in force in the Town of Boone and shall be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of the Town of Boone. Said territory shall be subject to municipal taxes according to G.S. 160A-58.10.

Section 3. The Mayor of the Town of Boone shall cause to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Watauga County, and in the office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh, North Carolina, an accurate map of the annexed territory, described in Section 1 above, together with a duly certified copy of this ordinance. Such a map shall also be delivered to the Watauga County Board of Elections, as required by G.S. 163-228.1.

Felma C. Burnley  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Freida Darvall  
Clerk

(ORDINANCE TO BE TYPED IN BOOK 3, PAGES 6-7)

VOTE: Aye-All  
Nay-None

OBSERVATION OF MAIN STREET WEEK

Downtown Boone Development Coordinator Kaye Edmisten presented Council with a publication commemorating the first sixteen years of the Main Street program in North Carolina. Ms. Edmisten said North Carolina was one of the pioneer states in the Main Street Program and now boasts over 41 Main Street communities.

ADOPTION OF AGREEMENT - SOUTHERN BELL

Town Manager Greg Young said in the Town's efforts to improve the two blocks of Howard Street the DBDA has requested that all utilities be placed underground. New River Light & Power has agreed to place their utilities underground. Southern Bell said they would place the utilities underground if the Town would pay all costs and pay for the design engineering. The DBDA requested that the Town consider, at least, paying for the design engineering. On a motion by Councilman Watson, seconded by Councilman Schrum, Council moved to adopt the following agreement:

BellSouth has received a request from you (hereafter referred to as customer) to furnish charges for design engineering necessary to develop underground conduit and cable authorizations to replace aerial facilities on Howard Street between College Street and Water Street.

Engineering will not begin until receipt of this signed agreement with the advance payment. Please sign the authorization below and return it with your advance payment to BellSouth. If BellSouth does not receive the signed authorization within 30 days or otherwise hear from you the work order will be canceled. The charge for the above work is five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). Please be aware that this charge is based on the following assumptions:

1. This cost is for engineering only. Design drawings would be completed within 45 days of this authorization approval.
2. Two telephone cross-connect cabinets would require replacement on 20 foot by 20 foot easement sites within 100 feet of the existing cabinets. These sites to be provided at no expense by the customer.
3. BellSouth will be permitted to place underground conduit