

Proposed Wording for the Historical Sign at the new Sylva Public Restrooms

The sign should have a graphic of an octagon with the angles marked with the points of the compass: North, Northeast, East, Southeast, South, Southwest, West, and Northwest. Centered in the octagon should be a point marked "You Are Here" showing the location of the center of town marker.

Possible lettering on the sign could read:

Why do the Public Restrooms look like a Train Station?

This was the site of the original Railroad Depot. The importance of the railroad to Sylva can be seen by the establishment of the town boundaries in 1899.

"Beginning at the southeast corner of the depot, as now located, shall run three-fourths of a mile each North, South, East, and West with the cardinal points of the compass, and intermediate points of same a like distance of three-fourths of a mile so as to form an exact octagon."

The sign should be placed so that both the new restrooms and the center of town marker located in the flowerbed adjacent to Mill Street can be observed.