

Town of Lake Lure

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Zoning and Planning Board

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

Lake Lure Municipal Center

Chairman Washburn called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Dick Washburn, Chairman

Rick Coley

Donnie Samarotto

Bill Bush

John Moore, Town Council Liaison

Absent:

Paula Jordan

Also Present: Shannon Baldwin, Community Development Director

Suzy Smoyer, Planner/ Subdivision Administrator, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved upon a motion made by Mr. Bush and seconded by Mr. Samarotto.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Board delayed approval of the minutes.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Chimney Rock State Park Master Plan and Update on Town Center Plan

The Board reviewed the three alternative master plans proposed by Greenways Inc. for the Chimney Rock State Park. The Zoning and Planning Board agreed to compile and send the following comments to Greenways, Inc.

1) The Zoning and Planning Board would like to see the existing trail system (skyline and cliff trails) reopened.

- 3) The Zoning and Planning Board strongly supports incorporating the Bottomless Pools into the State Park. (This could be an ideal location for a visitor's center).
- 4) The Zoning and Planning Board strongly supports the egress out of the state park into the Lake Lure Town Center. The additional egress will take pressure off the existing ingress/ egress. It will provide an alternative route into the park in case of an emergency as well as create safer one-way roads.
- 5) The Zoning and Planning Board stressed the need to address the overall traffic impact that the State Park will have on the Hickory Nut Gorge area. Alternative modes of transportation (i.e. trails, bike path, shuttles, boat taxi, etc.) should be explored in the Gorge.
- 6) The Zoning and Planning Board generally supports Alternative #2 of the Chimney Rock State Park Master Plan.

Shannon Baldwin gave an update on the Town Center Master Plan. The Town chose LandDesign as the most qualified firm to create the Town Center Master Plan. However, the Town is looking for additional revenue to fund the plan, such as grants or private partnerships. The Board expressed concern with potential traffic impact (bottleneck effect with one primary road through town)

Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the subdivision report and the subdivision update memo for the LureWoods Subdivision.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2010 regular meeting, as amended. Mr. Coley seconded the motion and all were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bush made a motion seconded by Mr. Samarotto to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Lake Lure Municipal Center.

ATTEST

Richard Washburn, Chairman

Suzy Smoyer, Recording Secretary