

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE, N.C.
FEBRUARY 10, 1976

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held in the Community Building at 7:30 P.M. on February 10, 1976. The following members of the Board were present: J. Paul Wilson, Mayor; Claude Nelson, A.T. Cashion, John Temple and William Keller, Commissioners. Martin L. Nesbitt, Jr., Town Attorney was also present for the meeting.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and asked that the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 13, 1976 be read. At the conclusion Mayor Wilson asked if there were any questions or corrections. It was noted that Commissioner Keller had donated the use of his lake for fish instead of donating the lake and the word dictated be used instead of directed on page two, the first paragraph. The sentence should read as follows: That the limited funds dictated very careful evaluation and planning to establish those priorities most essential to the welfare of the citizens and the Community on both a short and long term basis. There being no further corrections motion was made by Commissioner Cashion, seconded by Commissioner Temple that the minutes be accepted as corrected. The vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Keller was asked to report on the progress made to date on the Island project. He stated he had not received Mr. Gibson's phone number from Mr. Nesbitt, and as yet had done nothing.

Next Commissioner Cashion informed the Board that he was waiting to hear from Mr. Pickard to get the necessary information on how to get started on forming a fire department. He also said he was going to call a Committee meeting this week.

Mayor Wilson read a letter of proposal submitted by Mr. David Lide to operate pontoon boats on the lake for sight-seeing. Mr. Nesbitt, who is doing the research regarding the Town's liability in this endeavor, stated he had not quite finished his research. He expects to have his report ready in two weeks and submit it to the Board.

It was reported by Commissioner Temple that they were still trying to determine if it will be feasible to move #1 tee back. He said there was a drainage and dirt fill problem that would require several man-hours and use of heavy equipment.

Mayor Wilson asked Mr. Nesbitt to read the new Ordinance governing street connections by individuals or corporations into streets maintained by the Town. After a brief discussion it was decided to table it in order to give the Board more time to study the Ordinance. Motion was made by Commissioner Temple and seconded by Commissioner Keller. The vote was unanimous.

The dragline work, as reported by Commissioner Temple, is beginning to make headway. He said attempts were being made to obtain another dragline to start work on the other side of the beach area. Commissioner Temple further stated the men from the Wildlife Commission said it would do too much damage to the fish to leave the lake down longer than the first of March. He said they will start to bring the lake up on February 27th. Commissioner Temple complemented the work crew and Sidney Nelson for doing a great job. The next project will be to repair the docks. Commissioner Nelson said anyone wanting dirt from the lake could

have it delivered for \$2.00 a load.

Mayor Wilson asked if there was any new business.

A letter was submitted to the Board, requesting the use of the Community Building on July 3, 1976 for the Valley Clinic and Hospital Bazaar. Commissioner Nelson said this may conflict with the Junior Police fish fry. After a discussion it was decided to bring it up at the Junior Police meeting Thursday and let Mrs. Norma Sutton, Bazaar Chairman, know what was decided.

A citizen, Mrs. Edith Fowler, read a letter of protest against the sale of a lot and sub-division of the Hackett property and the building of a produce stand and gift shop. Mr. Nesbitt answered the letter by saying the Town has no standing in this matter, that it is the people who have property in this sub-division who do have. The only restrictions are in their deeds. He suggested they have their attorney get an injunction to stop the building.

Mayor Wilson asked Chief Swaringen for his monthly report. Chief Swaringen said the total hours for both men for the month of January was 755 and they had patrolled 3,918 miles. January 1975 there were eight breaking and entering with a total of \$1,337.00 in property loss. In January of this year there were five breaking and entering with a total property loss of \$1,547.00. Of this amount \$340.00 was recovered by Buncombe County Sheriff's Department. The two officers answered twenty-eight various calls. Chief Swaringen also reported that the game warden said he would have to wait until the hot months of summer to take samples of the Keller lake to see if it is cold enough for the fish.

Commissioner Nelson stated the need for a beautification committee and said the following had been recommended to serve on this committee: Ken Calhoun, Martha Donelan, Evelyn Laughlin, Jane Crevoisie, Mickey Fowler, and Elizabeth Keeter. He said that the Junior Police would help but that we need more adults to help. At this point Helen Nelson offered to serve on the committee and Mr. Calhoun and Martha Donelan also agreed to serve on the committee. Commissioner Nelson put in form of a motion Mr. Calhoun and Mrs. Donelan contact the other people on the list and set up a committee to work with the Town Board. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cashion. The vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Nelson reported on the cost of operating the Community Building for the past year. He said the cost of heat was \$157.99, telephone \$239.81 and Duke Power \$571.94 for a total of \$969.74. This did not include the repairs to the building which cost an additional \$2,258.18 and the insurance \$231.00. The income for the same period was \$744.12.

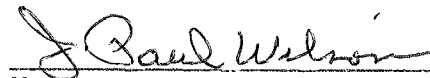
Commissioner Temple said he had volunteered with the approval of the Town Board to put on a fire works display. Mr. Jay Freeman has offered the use of Chimney Rock provided the fire department handles it and the fire department did agree to do so. He said it would cost \$400.00 for a display of 45. The merchants of Chimney Rock agreed to 50% and the Civic Club 50%. He said it was possible to get a really super display for \$700.00 and it would only cost \$600.00 if we paid cash. He said he had contacted the radio stations and it may be filmed. He also contacted Pepsi Cola, Coco Cola and Sealtest for loud speakers so we could broadcast the National Anthem all over the Valley. Commissioner Temple made a motion the Town donate \$200.00, seconded by Commissioner Keller. Commissioner Cashion said as long as we don't set

a president to help finance this every year and confine it to a one time bicentennial function he was in agreement. The vote was unanimous.

A citizen, Mr. Tucker asked about having a restroom facility somewhere in the Valley. After much discussion on the matter, Mayor Wilson suggested that the Board discuss this further, before the next meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Cashion, seconded by Commissioner Keller. The vote was unanimous.

The next subject up for discussion was insurance for the Junior Police. Motion was made by Commissioner Temple that the Town pay the insurance premium of \$68.00 per year, seconded by Commissioner Cashion. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further business, Commissioner Cashion made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nelson the meeting be adjourned. The vote was unanimous.



Mayor



Clerk