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**MINUTES OF THE RECESSED MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN
COUNCIL HELD AT THE LAKE LURE TOWN HALL ON JULY 21, 1992
AT 9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Priscilla Doyle
Commissioner Bill Bush
Commissioner Jack Donovan
Commissioner Alex Karr
Commissioner Max Lehner

Thomas M. Hord, Town Manager
J. Christopher Callahan, Town Attorney

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Doyle called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

Ms. Frankie Queen, resident of Lake Lure, spoke regarding the tax interest and penalties assessed against David and Nancy Tickle. Ms. Queen felt that the interest and penalty should be waived for Mr. and Mrs. Tickle since they were confused regarding the Lake Lure Town Tax and thought they had paid the Town tax when they paid the Rutherford County tax bill. Council unanimously agreed to research this issue to see if the penalty and/or interest

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could be waived.

Mr. Jack Stanier, owner of the Lodge on Lake Lure, spoke on behalf of the kiosk sign located on 64/74 which refers to his property. The Town did not renew its permit with the Department of Transportation to permit the kiosk signs on 64/74 and is therefore obligated to remove all such signage in the near future.

REVIEW AND DISCUSS CURRENT LEGAL CASES WITH TOWN ATTORNEY

Chris Callahan, Town Attorney, discussed with Council the status of the two legal cases currently involving the Town. Mr. Jim Barrett has filed for an appeal from the Board of Adjustment for a hearing and review before the Superior Court. Mr. Henry Whaley has been served with a preliminary injunction against operating his business on 64/74, pending a trial.

Council reviewed sign ordinance and unanimously agreed that it is appropriate for the Town Manager to enforce same.

DISCUSS AND SET FUTURE PRIORITIES FOR LEGAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS. (ABANDONED STRUCTURES - TAXES - ZONING - SIGNS - BOAT PERMITS - LAKE USE VIOLATIONS - OTHER)

Commissioner Max Lehner discussed his concern on littering. He felt that he would like to see the fine for littering be increased from \$50 to \$500 to see if this would better control the litter problem in Lake Lure.

Commissioner Donovan expressed his concerns on abandoned buildings. Commissioner Donovan would like to see abandoned buildings torn down and cleaned up to prevent fire and safety hazards. Under the law, any vacant

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building that poses fire risks or that could be classified as a haven for insects and rodents can be removed. In no cases may a building be torn down for purely aesthetic reasons. The Town Manager was asked to look into this matter further.

Council discussed tax delinquencies and what procedures should be taken in collecting the delinquent amounts.

PRESENTATION BY MCGILL ASSOCIATES OF WATER AND SEWER RATE STUDY PROPOSAL

Gary McGill and Dennie Martin, representatives from McGill and Associates in Asheville, discussed with Council their proposal on developing a rate study for the Town's water and sewer system. The ultimate goal of the rate study is equity and ensuring that people will be treated fairly. They anticipate the study to last approximately five months at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.

PRESENTATION BY MCGILL ASSOCIATES OF SUGGESTED SCOPE OF STUDY FOR WATER AND SEWER MASTER PLAN

Gary McGill discussed with Council the need for a master plan of the Town's water and sewer system. Mr. McGill felt that a master plan must provide solutions to the current system inadequacies. At the present time there is no map available to guide the maintenance crew to where the lines are located, although at present most of the current maintenance crew know by experience where the problems are.

Mr. McGill requested that several interim workshops be held between Council and McGill and Associates to clarify issues and suggest solutions to problems identified during the study.

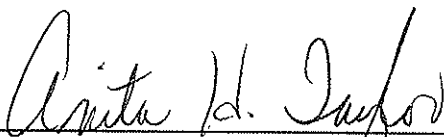
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RECOMMENDATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION
RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE FOR
FINAL APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISION PLATS

Council unanimously agreed that this item be tabled.

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Bush moved, seconded by Commissioner Karr, to adjourn the meeting. The vote of approval was unanimous.

ATTEST:


Anita H. Taylor, Town Clerk


Mayor Priscilla Doyle

