

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL AND THE LAKE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2003, 2:00 P.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Jim Proctor  
Commissioner Blaine Cox  
Commissioner Lea Hullender  
Commissioner Dick McCallum  
Commissioner George Pressley

H. M. Place III, Town Manager

Lake Advisory Committee:  
Chairman Bob Washburn  
LAC member Richard P. Conrad  
LAC member Edward Dittmer  
LAC member Robert Turner  
LAC member E. Charles Watkins  
LAC member Ross Worden

**ABSENT:** LAC member Marcia Hardy

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>
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Mayor Proctor called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

<b>INVOCATION</b>
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Commissioner McCallum gave the invocation.

<b>APPROVE THE AGENDA</b>
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A motion was made by Commissioner Cox to approve the agenda as amended changing item 7. to read as fishing tournaments on Lake Lure and move item 4. to be discussed after item 7. Commissioner Pressley seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

<b>Police and Lake Patrol Activities</b>
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Police Chief Mike Bustle answered questions pertaining to lake patrol activities. LAC members and Council members expressed their concerns for more needed police coverage on the lake during holidays and peak months including June, July, and August. Chief Bustle said he had a limited staff dedicated to the lake patrol as well as limited resources.

Commissioner Hullender recommended that Town Council consider a part-time position dedicated for lake patrol during holidays and peak months. It was suggested that a reserve officer could fill this position.

LAC member Dittmer said once the new fire boat was purchased, perhaps the police department could use the old fire boat for lake patrol.

LAC Chairman Bob Washburn stated that the Lake Lure police department activity log event summary needed to be more detailed with regards to lake patrol.

Several issues were discussed at length with regards to lake patrol enforcement, safety, additional help, use of volunteers, and resources.

The mayor recessed the meeting for five minutes and reconvened the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

<b>Pro's and Con's of Keeping or Disposing of Dredge</b>
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Town Manager Place gave a status report regarding the dredge.

LAC Chairman Washburn gave a brief background history relating to the purchase and the purpose of keeping the town dredge.

After discussion, Commissioner McCallum made a motion to authorize the town manager to develop a disposal plan for the dredge and present it Town Council for final approval. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

<b>Fishing Tournaments on Lake Lure</b>
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A brief discussion was held on whether or not the town should allow fishing tournaments on the lake.

LAC member Ross Worden stated that most fish caught and released during these tournaments were damaged from holding tanks, exposure, stress from handling and ending up with

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a fungus, punctures to air bag, hook removal, and other elements.

LAC Chairman Bob Washburn read an excerpt from the Wildlife Resource Commission handbook regarding tournaments. (Copy of excerpt attached).

After discussion, Council members agreed by consensus that the Hickory Nut Gorge Chamber of Commerce be notified that the Town Council is not in favor of fishing tournaments on the town's lake.

LAC Chairman Bob Washburn said he was contacted by Marshal Smith, Sports Center of Forest City, regarding a policy during 1963-64 allowing boats to be demode on the lake free-of-charge for dealerships. The Lake Advisory Committee agreed to look into this matter.

#### **Town of Lake Lure Boat Slip Allocation Policy**

Commissioner Hullender briefly went over a draft boat slip policy she distributed. Council members agreed to look this policy over and submit their comments. (Copy of draft policy attached). It was the consensus of Town Council to continue discussion on this draft boat slip policy at their next town council meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Cox made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. Commissioner Pressley seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

**ATTEST:**

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Mary A. Flack, MMC  
Town Clerk

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Mayor Jim Proctor