

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009, 7:00 P.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL
CENTER**

PRESENT: Mayor Jim Proctor
Commissioner Bill Beason
Commissioner Wayne Hyatt
Commissioner Russ Pitts
Commissioner Linda Turner

Christopher Braund, Town Manager
J. Christopher Callahan, Town Attorney

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Proctor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Attorney Callahan gave the invocation.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

After discussion, Commissioner Pitts made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Adding an item on the agenda under new business as item 9d to schedule a special town meeting pertaining to vacation rentals. Commissioner Beason seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Proctor invited the audience to speak on any non-agenda item and/or consent agenda topics and the following requested to speak.

1. Ed Dittmer spoke on behalf of the Lake Lure Parks Recreation Board thanking the individuals who participated and helped with the annual Olympiad event held in Lake Lure.
2. Yvonne Anderson reported on the condition of Lake Lure Board Walk needing repairs and requested that signs be posted about littering.

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Town Manager Braund informed Council members that the board walk was on his list for structural improvements.

STAFF REPORTS

Town Manager Christopher Braund read into the record the town manager's report dated September 8, 2009. (Copy of the town manager's report is attached).

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS & COMMENTS

Commissioner Hyatt reported on the activities of the Board of Adjustment/Lake Structures Appeals Board and the Lake Lure ABC Board.

Commissioner Beason reported on the activities of the Golf Course Committee and Lake Advisory Board.

Commissioner Pitts reported on the activities of the Zoning/Planning Board and announced the deadline to get permits for rip-wrap projects.

Commissioner Turner reported on the activities of the Parks and Recreation Board

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Proctor presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed before calling for action.

Commissioner Hyatt moved, seconded by Commissioner Beason, to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Therefore, the consent agenda, incorporating the following items were unanimously approved:

- a. minutes of the August 11, 2009 (regular meeting and closed session);
- b. a budget amendment regarding the dredging spoils area project as submitted by the finance officer and outlined in a memorandum dated August 31, 2009; transferring \$4,769.77 from the Hydro-electric Fund Equity (balance of unused silt monies) to Hydro-electric operations; remaining balance of \$12,176.15 would be paid out of this year's Hydro-electric operations;(Attached is a copy of the memorandum dated August 31, 2009 from Finance Officer Sam Karr);

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- c. a request from Melissa Messer as submitted on behalf of the Hickory Nut Gorge Chamber of Commerce to waive the rental fee for use of the Community Hall in the Lake Lure Municipal Center on October 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. for a meet the candidates event; and
- d. a request from Eleanor Miller on behalf of the Lake Lure Lions Club as submitted to waive the rental fee for use of the Community Hall in the Lake Lure Municipal Center to hold their annual health fair on October 2, 2009.

End of Consent Agenda.

<p style="text-align: center;">UNFINISHED BUSINESS a. OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS</p>

There was no other unfinished business.

<p style="text-align: center;">NEW BUSINESS: a. CONSIDER A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE SCHEDULE OF DATES FOR HOLDING THE LAKE LURE FRESH LOCAL ART & PRODUCE MARKET</p>

Patrick Smith asked Town Council to approve the 2009 schedule of dates for holding the Lake Lure Fresh Local Art and Produce Market. (Copy of schedule is attached).

Melvin Owensby asked Council members to change the rule to allow produce to be sold out of pick-up trucks.

Council members directed the town manager to meet with Patrick Smith and Melvin Owensby to come up with a solution of selling produce out of pick-up trucks at the FLAP Market.

After discussion, Commissioner Beason made a motion to approve the request from Patrick Smith for the 2009 schedule of dates for holding the Lake Lure Fresh Local Art and Produce Market during the months April through November. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

<p style="text-align: center;">NEW BUSINESS: b. PRESENTATION REGARDING PANGAEA FIBER OPTIC SERVICES IN LAKE LURE</p>
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Council members heard a presentation from Stu Davidson and Ron Walters regarding Pangaea Fiber Optic Services in Lake Lure.

Council members discussed the possibility of video conferencing town meetings in Lake Lure.

NEW BUSINESS:

c. CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE VEHICLE USE POLICY FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES

Town Manager Braund reviewed a proposed amendment to the Vehicle Use Policy for town employees with regards to IRS requirements.

Commissioner Beason asked that a cost analysis be done by someone other than the Police Chief regarding take home vehicles for the Lake Lure Police Department. Mayor Proctor asked that this study be done after the election in November, 2009.

It was also requested that the town manager look into gas reserves for town vehicles.

After discussion, Commissioner Turner made a motion to approve the amendment to the Vehicle Use Policy for town employees regarding IRS requirements as submitted by the town manager. Also, schedule a meeting to discuss the take home vehicles policy for the Lake Lure Police Department after the elections in November, 2009. Commissioner Pitts seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous. (Copy of the Vehicle Use Policy Amendment is attached.)

NEW BUSINESS:

d. SCHEDULE A SPECIAL MEETING TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO RESIDENTIAL VACATION RENTALS

After discussion, Commissioner Pitts made a motion to schedule a special meeting to be held on Thursday, October 1, 2009, 7:00 p.m., at the Council meeting room of the Lake Lure Municipal Hall, to hold a public hearing and to consider an ordinance pertaining to residential vacation rentals. Commissioner Beason seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Proctor recessed the meeting for a brief break prior to entering into closed session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Turner to enter into the closed session to discuss personnel matters in accordance with G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6). Commissioner Beason seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

While in closed session, Council members voted to seal the minutes of the closed session meeting in order to avoid frustrating the purpose of the closed session.

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With no further items of discussion in closed session, Commissioner Turner made a motion to come out of the closed session meeting and re-enter the regular session of the town council meeting at 9:20 p.m. Commissioner Beason seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

After discussion, Commissioner Turner made a motion to approve a salary adjustment for the town manager from \$100,000 to \$120,000 as the full agreed upon salary stipulated in his contract with the town. Commissioner Hyatt seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

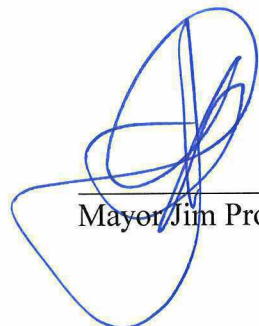
ADJOURN THE MEETING

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Turner made a motion to adjourn the meeting 9:21 p.m. Commissioner Beason seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

ATTEST:



Mary A. Flack, MMC
Town Clerk



Mayor Jim Proctor