

**MINUTES OF THE RETREAT MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL HELD
THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2010, 9:00 A.M., HOUSE LOCATED AT BRIGHT'S CREEK
CONFERENCE CENTER, 2222 PALMER ROAD, MILLS SPRING, NORTH CAROLINA**

PRESENT: Mayor Bob Keith
Commissioner Mary Ann Dotson
Commissioner Wayne Hyatt
Commissioner John W. Moore
Commissioner Linda Turner

Christopher Braund, Town Manager

ABSENT: N/A

Call to Order

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

Approved the Agenda

Council members approved the agenda as presented.

Discussion Regarding Short-Term/Long-Term Goals and Objectives for the Town of Lake Lure

Mayor Keith announced that Commissioner Hyatt would be arriving later this afternoon for this meeting due to an unexpected emergency in Shelby.

Town Manager Braund distributed a handout detailing an outline of strategic issues to be addressed during the 2010 Council retreat and asked council members to share their input and recommendations.

Town Council members held discussion on strategic issues and challenges for the town including financial health, economic development, council's role in critical projects (Lake Lure Classical Academy, Professional Park, and YMCA/Recreation Center), residential vacation rentals, bankrupt subdivision developments, private sewer lines, personnel policies, ownership of old bridge number 7, grant pursuit, ordinance review, public works projects pertaining to parks and recreation, town support for athletic events, community center project, knowledge/document management, and the future of the dam.

Council members mentioned the following concerns and recommendations:

- * low fund balance
- * a need for volunteers
- * bid contracts to provide service for maintaining streets and mowing
- * financial health
- * the need for creating job opportunities
- * the need for more affordable housing
- * the need for a program to bring in more businesses

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- * reduce the fee for a Board of Adjustment variance application to \$100 (through July, 2010 only) for variances needed to comply with the vacation rental regulation
- * get recommendations from the Lake Advisory Board with regards to lowering the lake level more often allowing individuals to make repairs around the lake
- * grant pursuits

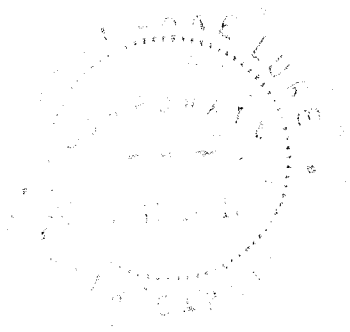
Tim Turner and George Whittmer joined the meeting and spoke briefly about future projects with regards to the Haynes Hill Mansion in Lake Lure.

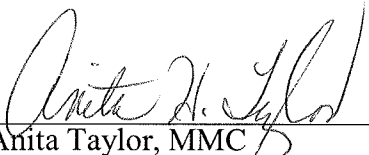
Beverly Lewinski asked council members and staff members present to participate in answering a questionnaire titled "The People Map System" produced by E. Michael Lillibridge, Ph.D. and Andrew G. Mathis, Ph.D. Council members responded to the questionnaire which was used to identify their personality types including leader type, people type, task type, and free spirit type.

RECESS THE MEETING

Council members agreed to recess the meeting at 4:30 p.m. to be reconvened on Thursday, April 29, 2010, 9:00 a.m., at Bright's Creek Conference Center, 2222 Palmer Road, Mills Spring, North Carolina.

ATTEST:




Anita Taylor, MMC
Deputy, Town Clerk


Mayor Bob Keith