

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL OFFSITE MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2011, 9:00 A.M. AT THE ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUSINESS SCIENCES BUILDING – ROOM 112, SPINDALE

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

Council members appointed Mayor Keith to record the minutes in the absence of the town clerk.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Council members approved the agenda by consensus.

REVIEW OF 2011 GOALS, PLANS, AND PRIORITIES FOR THE TOWN

RVR: Community Development Director Shannon Baldwin presented the first annual RVR report. In general, the new town ordinance has been implemented successfully. There are three pending BOA appeals and only a handful of people operating without permits. The report recommends as a next step that the town conduct a survey to provide more input. It was concluded that a survey was not necessary at this time, but would continue to measure the community impact through police reports and anecdotal information. Council members agreed by consensus to present the report to the community (possibly sometime in May) after the settlement of the appeals. Also, Council members agreed to discuss and possibly implement some minor changes to the ordinance at that time.

Town Center: Mr. Baldwin gave a brief update on the Town Center plan and process. A consultant has been selected. Traffic pattern alternatives have been reviewed and comments received. LandDesign is consolidating the input. Several grant requests have been submitted and town staff is waiting on responses before proceeding further.

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LLRC: Town staff are waiting to hear the results of a grant request for the Regional Center access road.

Board Application Process: Council members reviewed Commissioner Turner's draft of the new application form for requesting to serve on town boards and committees. After discussion, Council members agreed by consensus to approve the form presented by Commissioner Turner as modified. Town Manager Braund reviewed the town's nomination process. After discussion, Council members agreed by consensus to approve the nomination process presented by Mr. Braund with minor modifications. The process will include a reading of all applicants by the town clerk or mayor. The mayor will then take any additional nominations from the floor. New applicants will have the opportunity to present his/her credentials and respond to questions from Council members. The mayor will then poll the Council members. Selection is based on a majority of the votes received. If there is no majority, a re-poll will be taken. The mayor will vote only if there is a majority tie.

After discussion, Council members agreed by consensus that: (1) The Lake Advisory Board terms will be changed to three year terms to be consistent with other boards and committees, and (2) Committee and Board members who miss three meetings in a row or four in a year will be referred to Council for a decision for continuance on the committee or board.

Trash/Recycling: As a result of excess trash accumulation at the Recycle Center, the group has tasked Town Manager Braund to investigate options to control the litter to include but not limited to the use of fencing, locks, cameras, signs and fines.

Haynes Mansion: Heard a presentation from Tim Turner and George Wittmer on the use of Seton Road as the entrance to the Haynes mansion. Mr. Turner discussed a private-public partnership for improvements to the road including associated costs. Conservative costs totaled \$26,000.00. The town's annual Powell funds are roughly \$60,000.00. Mr. Whittmer indicated that he could initially think in terms of his contribution of \$50,000.00. Town Manager Braund indicated that this would be weighed against other town needs. Mr. Turner was asked to rework estimates based on a smaller but adequate road coverage and report back to Town Council.

Personnel Requirements: Due to upcoming retirement of Town Clerk Mary Flack, there was discussion of back fill and consolidation/redistribution of work and responsibilities. Also, there was discussion regarding allocation of office Space. Town Manager Braund agreed to prepare plans for office space to be subsequently reviewed by Town Council.

Committee Picnic: After discussion, Council members agreed to reinstate the gathering of board and committee members appreciation dinner (BBQ) for volunteers with a combined function of a retirement party for Town Clerk Mary Flack to be held on Friday, April 29, 2011.

Welcome Center: Plans for the restroom facilities at the soon to be renovated Welcome Center were reviewed. Council members agreed to proceed with rough plans until further decisions are made and an architect will be required.


Use and Fees for Town Facilities: Commissioner Silvey reported on her review of the facility use policies and fees. She will gather additional information on this matter and report back to Council members at a later time with an update.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

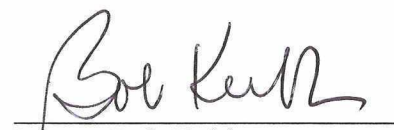
With no further items of discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

ATTEST:





Mary A. Flack, MMC
Town Clerk



Mayor Bob Keith