

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2011, 8:00 A.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER

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

Christopher Braund, Town Manager
Sam Karr, Finance Director
Ron Morgan, Fire Chief

ABSENT: J. Christopher Callahan, Town Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Keith called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Hyatt gave the invocation.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Turner to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Silvey seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE DRAFT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012
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Lake Lure Fire Chief Ron Morgan was present and discussed with Town Council the proposed budget for the fire department.

It was the consensus of Town Council to deduct \$5,000 from the amount to be paid to each fire department providing paid mutual aid to Lake Lure Municipal Fire Department for fiscal year 2011-2012, including Fairfield Mountains Fire Department, Chimney Rock Fire Department, and Bill's Creek Fire Department; also remove 5% from the proposed budget for Lake Lure Municipal Fire Department and other town departments.

Mayor Keith recessed the meeting for a break at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at

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9:55 a.m.

Council members decided to divide the budget to execute the Stormwater Drainage and Wetland Enhancement Plan for Morse Park in half and spread the project over multiple years; reducing the amount budgeted to the parks and recreation department for Morse Park improvements for fiscal year 2011-2012 to \$40,000 and delaying funding for the other half of the project.

Manager Braund presented a list of all town fees and rates. Council members held discussion pertaining to the fee schedule and ways to potentially increase revenue to cover increasing expenses. Council members directed Manager Braund to draft a revised fee schedule, adding necessary rate and fee increases.

Council members discussed the idea of removing the dumpsters located behind the maintenance building to reduce garbage collection cost and to avoid the cost of constructing a proposed fence to restrict access to the dumpsters.

Manager Braund agreed to prepare a proposal outlining all costs related to the dumpsters and potential changes to the town's public dumpster arrangement.


Manager Braund also agreed to work with town staff to find ways to reduce the budget for each department and to make the revisions agreed upon by town council to the proposed budget.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Turner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:30 p.m. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

ATTEST:




Andrea Calvert
Town Clerk


Mayor Bob Keith