



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2015, 6:00 P.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL  
CENTER**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bob Keith  
Commissioner John W. Moore  
Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey  
Commissioner Bob Cameron  
Commissioner Diane Barrett

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

**ABSENT:** N/A

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bob Keith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION**

Attorney Chris Callahan gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council members led the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVE THE AGENDA**

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.  
Commissioner Diane Barrett seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

**PRESENTATION OF THE TOWN BUDGET AND BUDGET MESSAGE FOR FISCAL  
YEAR 2015-2016**

Town Manager Chris Braund gave a brief overview of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2015-2016 and read excerpts from his budget message.

**PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 15-06-09 REGARDING THE TOWN BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016**

Mayor Bob Keith opened the public hearing regarding proposed Ordinance No. 15-06-09 pertaining to the town budget for fiscal year 2015-2016 and invited citizens to speak during the public hearing. No one requested to speak.

Council agreed to close the public hearing.

**CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 15-06-09 REGARDING THE TOWN BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016**

Public notices were duly given and published in the Daily Courier newspaper.

Council members discussed the proposed increase to the fire budget and expressed a desire to keep the total budget for fire services the same as last fiscal year.

Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey suggested that during the coming year the fire department funds disbursement strategy should be evaluated to see what the needs truly are for fire department and mutual aid. The board discussed the town's current ISO fire safety rating and Town Manager Chris Braund explained that the rating will be reevaluated soon and the evaluation will provide updated information concerning fire department coverage and funding.

After discussion, Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 15-06-09 as amended changing the collective total of fire department funds back to last fiscal year's fire service allocation of \$0.087 per \$100.00 of property valuation. Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey seconded the motion.

Council members discussed how the sales tax fairness act bill could affect the town's budget in future years. Town Manager Chris Braund pointed out that the bill concerning sales tax distribution currently being debated by state legislature, would leave a \$700,000 whole in the town's budget if approved. Mr. Braund stated that he has discussed the proposed bill with county officials, but urged citizens to be aware of the bill. Commissioner Barrett urged citizens to contact their senator and state representatives concerning the bill.

Council member unanimously voted to approve the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 15-06-09 as amended.

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-06-09**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE, NORTH CAROLINA**

**SECTION 1.** In accordance with G.S. 159-13 (a), the Town Council of the Town of Lake

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Lure adopts this ordinance entitled Town of Lake Lure 2015-2016 Budget.

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance includes revenues and expenditures in the General Fund, Water/Sewer Fund and Electric Fund. Revenues and expenditures in those funds are as follows:

**REVENUES**

<b>I. GENERAL FUND</b>	
Ad Valorem and Vehicle Taxes	\$2,337,636
State Shared Revenues	\$1,171,800
Installment Loan (police vehicle & pw trk)	\$34,350
Lake	\$273,500
Beach & Tours	\$85,250
Marina	\$95,300
Facilities Rentals	\$33,030
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$42,400
Land Use Fees	\$22,275
Admin. charge from Water/Sewer Fund	\$10,000
Admin. charge from Electric Fund	\$10,000
Transfer from Electric Fund	\$140,000
Transfer from Silt Reserve Fund	\$190,000
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund	\$350,000
Appr. Fund Balance - General Fund	\$0
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$4,795,541</b>

<b>II. WATER/SEWER FUND</b>	
SRF Loan	\$225,050
Operating Revenues and Interest	\$745,450
<b>TOTAL WATER/SEWER</b>	<b>\$970,500</b>

<b>III. ELECTRIC FUND</b>	
Electric Receipts	\$320,500

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Transfer from Fund Balance	\$140,000
<b>TOTAL ELECTRIC</b>	<b>\$460,500</b>

<b><u>GRAND TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,226,541</u></b>
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**EXPENDITURES**

<b>I. GENERAL FUND</b>	
Governing Board	\$29,210
Administration	\$657,321
Information Technology/Telecom	\$94,800
Police	\$716,078
Fire	\$706,810
Sanitation	\$210,800
Public Works	\$350,185
Economic Development	\$46,500
Community Development	\$250,494
Parks & Recreation	\$120,792
Beach & Marina	\$12,720
Golf	\$81,000
Lake	\$167,990
Capital Outlay	\$778,050
Debt Service	\$179,862
Non-Governmental	\$128,519
Transfers	\$250,716
Contingency	\$13,694
<b>TOTAL GENERAL</b>	<b>\$4,795,541</b>

<b>II. WATER/SEWER FUND</b>	
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Water	\$163,993
Sewer	\$386,175
Capital Outlay	\$228,050
Debt Service	\$134,133
Transfer to Equity	\$58,149
<b>TOTAL WATER/SEWER</b>	<b>\$970,500</b>

<b>III. ELECTRIC FUND</b>	
Operations	\$190,500
Capital Outlay	\$80,000
Transfer to Silt Fund	\$50,000
Transfer to General Fund	\$140,000
<b>TOTAL ELECTRIC FUND</b>	<b>\$460,500</b>
<b><u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,226,541</u></b>

SECTION 3. To achieve this budget program, the Town Council of the Town of Lake Lure, in accordance with G.S. 159-13 (c), ordains that the tax rate shall be \$0.276 per \$100.00 of property valuation (municipal services at \$0.189 per \$100.00 of property valuation and fire district tax at \$0.087 per \$100.00 of property valuation).

SECTION 4. Pursuant to the authority set forth in Article 20, Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Town of Lake Lure and Rutherford County have entered into a contractual agreement to provide for centralized and systemized billing and collection of property taxes in Rutherford County. Under this agreement the County will perform for itself and the Town all of the tax collection functions prescribed in Subchapter 50 of Chapter 105 of the North Carolina General Statutes (often referred to as the Machinery Act). This joint tax collection system shall commence with the tax levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. In accordance with section V. of this agreement, the Town of Lake Lure hereby adopts the same tax discount schedule as the County for the Town's tax levy for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2015.

Adopted the 9th day of June, 2015.

<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>
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Mayor Bob Keith invited the audience to speak during public forum.

Fran Nordt of 156 Hilltop Court expressed concerns about hazards of properties on Boys Camp Road with grass that need to be cut. Ms. Nordt also suggested that a petition opposing the sales tax fairness act bill may be a good idea and stated that she would be willing to help get the petition signed during craft fairs and similar events in town.

Rutherford Chamber of Commerce Director Clark Poole congratulated the Town on recently being identified as one of TripAdvisor's "top 12 scenic US vacation spots that you won't read about in National Geographic". Mr. Poole stated that recently an RV rally sponsored by TripAdvisor visited Rutherford County and as a result Lake Lure was rated as 4<sup>th</sup> in the nation in small town tourist destinations.

<b>STAFF REPORTS</b>
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Town Manager Chris Braund presented the town manager's report dated June 9, 2015. (Copy of the town manager's report is attached.)

<b>COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS &amp; COMMENTS</b>
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Commissioner Diane Barrett reported the activities of the Parks and Recreation Board.

Commissioner John Moore reported the activities of the Zoning and Planning Board.

Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey reported the activities of the Lake Advisory Board Lake and the Lake Lure ABC Board.

Commissioner Bob Cameron reported the activities of the Board of Adjustments/Lake Structures Appeals Board.

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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Mayor Bob Keith presented the consent agenda and asked if any items should be removed before calling for action.

Commissioner Diane Barrett made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous. Therefore, the consent agenda incorporating the following items was unanimously approved and adopted:

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- a. minutes of the May 12, 2015 regular meeting; and
- b. the following budget amendments regarding end of fiscal year fund over runs and silt reserve adjustments as submitted by Finance Director Sam Karr
  - transfer \$12,000 from Unemployment (#130) and \$3,090 from Insurance (#450) to IT Support Services
  - transfer of \$4,800 to Tipping Fees (#696) from Insurance (#450).
  - transfer \$16,170 from Contingency (#970) to Demolition (#599)
  - transfer \$3,200 M&R Lines (#358) and \$2,740 M&R Equipment(#353)
  - Increase Hydro revenues by \$33,830 and increasing line items #579 by \$10,001 and line item # 590 by \$23,829.
  - transfer \$2,357 into the Police Dept. (#220) from ABC fund
  - transfer \$50,000 from Silt Reserve to General and to budget \$125,393 as Silt Removal expense in the General Fund.

**End of Consent Agenda.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION SCHEDULE REVISION FOR LAKE LURE CLASSICAL ACADEMY**

Vic Knight of Knight Strategies presented a proposed landscape installation schedule revision for Lake Lure Classical Academy asking to phase the landscaping so that the majority of the trees can be planted this fall when weather conditions are more favorable for their survival. Mr. Knight pointed out that they are proposing to install the plants at the building entrance and at the main driveway entrance by August 26<sup>th</sup>. The grass seeding and mulching would also be completed by August 26<sup>th</sup>. The remainder of the trees and shrubs would be installed no later than the end of November but as soon as weather conditions are favorable. All other aspects of the building and site construction will be completed in order to get a certificate of occupancy on August 26<sup>th</sup> so they would need Condition Zoning Approval based on the phased landscape approach.

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the landscape installation schedule revision for Lake Lure Classical Academy as presented. Commissioner John Moore second the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous. (Copy of Landscape Plan – Phased Installation Lake Lure Classical Academy – Phase 1 attached).

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**b. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2015-2016 TOWN OF LAKE LURE FEE SCHEDULE**

Town Manager Chris Bruand presented the proposed Town of Lake Lure Fee Schedule for fiscal year 2015-2016 stating that the proposed fee schedule supports estimates for revenue in the 2015-2016 budget. Mr. Braund pointed out that the fee schedule includes a 10 percent water rate increase and mentioned that the Lake Advisory Board has not made a recommendation concerning boat permit fees for 2016 since these fees are on a calendar year fee schedule.

After discussion, Commissioner Diane Barrett made a motion approve the 2015-2016 Town of Lake Lure Fee Schedule as presented. Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous. (Copy of the 2015-2016 Town of Lake Lure Fee Schedule attached.)

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Commissioner Diane Barrett seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

ATTEST:

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Andrea H. Calvert

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Mayor Bob Keith