



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017, 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 Stephen M. Webber
Ron Nalley, Town Manager

William Morgan, Jr., Town Attorney

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bob Keith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and gave the invocation. Council members led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

**A. RESOLUTION 17-10-10 DECLARING THE BADGE AND SERVICE WEAPON
CARRIED BY ROBERT LEE EDWARDS JR. SURPLUS AND AWARDING THEM TO
HIM UPON HIS RETIREMENT**

Mayor Bob Keith recognized Officer Robert Lee Edwards Jr. by reading Resolution 17-10-10 and presenting a copy of the Resolution to Officer Edwards.

Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to adopt Resolution 17-10-10 declaring the badge and service weapon carried by Robert Lee Edwards, Jr. surplus and awarding them to him upon his retirement. Commissioner John Moore seconded and the motion carried 4-0. Council thanked Officer Edwards for his service and wished him well in his retirement.

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Mayor Keith announced that an RHI Legacy planning grant in the amount of \$25,000 was awarded to the Town in order to study expansion of the trail system between Lake Lure and the Thermal Belt Rail-Trail System.

PRESENTATIONS:

A. PRESENTATION OF DEDICATION PLAQUE TO THE LAKE LURE FLOWERING BRIDGE- APPALACHIAN MURAL TRAIL- TAYLOR HARDIN, RUTHERFORD COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Taylor Hardin of Rutherford County Tourism Development Authority presented a plaque recognizing the Lake Lure Flowering Bridge for being part of the Rutherford County Mural Trail. Ms. Hardin recognized present Friends of the Bridge representatives.

TOWN MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

- Dam Operator Donnie McCraw provided an update on repairs to the small generator at the dam and operations at the hydroelectric plant.
- Dr. Dan Marks provided a brief report on his finding in phase one of the Dam Safety Report. Phase two of the Dam Safety Report is expected to be completed in March of 2018.
- Town Manager Ron Nalley provided an update on dredging. Mr. Nalley stated that in September of 2017, contractors, Town staff, the dredging committee and engineers held a pre-dredging meeting. Dredging is scheduled to start mid-October and the contractors feel confident that they can remove 30,000 cubic yards of material this year. They anticipate that the lake drawdown will not affect the dredging work.
- Mr. Nalley stated that the Parks and Recreation Board held a special meeting and discussed the Morse Park Site Plan and provided feedback. Equinox will finalize the site plan for the Parks and Recreation Board review and recommendation to Town Council.
- Mr. Nalley stated that Town Council was provided a letter concerning Lake Lure Classical Academy's intent to transfer the school site property to a new, separate 501c3.
- Mr. Nalley asked for Council's direction concerning the current procedure for filling staff positions that are already budgeted. Mr. Nalley agreed to draft a policy concerning refilling vacant positions.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS & COMMENTS

Commissioner Bob Cameron reported the activities of the Utility Advisory Board.

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

Commissioner John Moore reported the activities of the Asset Management Advisory Board and stated that there is a vacancy on the Asset Management Advisory Board and encouraged interested citizens to submit an application to serve on the Board.

Commissioner Stephen Webber reported the activities of the Board of Adjustment and the Parks and Recreation Board.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Bob Keith invited the audience to speak during public forum. No one requested to speak at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Bob Keith presented the Consent Agenda and asked if any items should be removed before calling for action. Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey seconded and the motion carried 4-0. The Consent Agenda incorporating the following items was unanimously approved and adopted:

- A. Adopt the September 12, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- B. Adopt Budget Amendment 209.
- C. Suspend Chapter 61 of the Lake Lure Code of Ordinances for the Lake Lure Artists Show and Sale on November 11, 2017.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. ORDINANCE NO. 17-10-10 ALLOWING THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BEFORE NOON ON SUNDAYS AT LICENSED PREMISES

Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-10-10 allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages before noon on Sundays at licensed premises. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 17-10-10
AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BEFORE
NOON ON SUNDAYS AT LICENSED PREMISES**

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2017, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 155, entitled “An Act to Make Various Changes to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Laws”; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Ratified Senate Bill 155 authorizes city and county governments to adopt an ordinance to allow alcohol sales beginning at 10 am on Sundays; and

WHEREAS, Ratified Senate Bill 155 was signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper on the 30th day of June, 2017 and became effective on that date (Session Law 2017, Chapter 87); and

WHEREAS, by enacting Senate Bill 155, North Carolina joins 47 other States in allowing alcohol service before noon on Sunday; and

WHEREAS, Sunday morning alcohol service will allow the hospitality community and retail merchants in our community to meet the needs of their customers; and

WHEREAS, Sunday morning alcohol service will benefit our small business community, bring people into business districts earlier in the day, and generate increased tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, our community has a diverse and growing population with different religious beliefs, each of which has various times and multiple days for worship;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Town Council of the Town of Lake Lure, North Carolina that:

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Section 1. Pursuant to the authority granted by S.L. 2017-87 any establishment located in the corporate limits of the Town of Lake Lure and holding an ABC permit issued pursuant to G.S.18B - 1001 is permitted to sell beverages allowed by its permit beginning at 10 A.M. on Sundays.

Section 2. All laws and clauses of law in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of any such conflict.

Section 3. This ordinance is effective on the 10th day of October,2017.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SIGN REQUEST

Commissioner John Moore stated that he was given a letter at the beginning of the meeting from the Friends of the Library regarding regulations concerning placement of banners. Commissioner Moore made a motion to send the request to the Zoning and Planning Board for review. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

B. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE UTILITIES ADVISORY BOARD TO UPDATE PAST STUDIES ON ALTERNATIVES TO THE GREENLINE PROJECT

Town Manager Ron Nalley stated that at their last meeting, the Utilities Advisory Board recommended that Town Council update the past studies on alternatives to the Greenline Project. Based on the revised costs of the project, the updated monthly average flows, and the proposed rates in the Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Spindale, the Board felt that it was appropriate to update the alternatives to the Greenline Project report to determine if this project was still the most economically feasible for the Town.

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the engineering services proposal with Brown Consultants in an amount not to exceed \$8,500 and to authorize the Town Manager to execute the necessary documents. Commissioner Stephen Webber seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

**C. RUTHERFORD COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

Town Manager Ron Nalley explained the Rutherford County Tourism Development Authority (RCTDA) is working with a large number of stakeholders to create a Tourism Strategic Plan for Rutherford County. The Plan will direct Tourism Product development, maximize the use of the County's TDA funds, and create opportunities for partnerships to implement the Strategic Plan's future goals and action steps. As part of this effort, it was determined that additional planning work was needed in each of the towns. To assist this effort, it was suggested that the Town of Lake Lure concentrate on four distinct small areas: 1) marina and boardwalk; 2) town center; 3) beach; and 4) Pool Creek Picnic Park. At least two of these study areas were proposed for initial funding this fiscal year. RCTDA is now offering to help the Town fund planning in these areas by proposing to assist this effort by paying a two-thirds of the cost for small plan development. Upon completion, the small area plans developed through the TDA effort would be incorporated into the final TDA master plan. The fee for services associated with this planning effort is \$80,000. The Town of Lake Lure would be responsible for \$27,200 of this cost.

The Rutherford County Tourism Masterplan Public Engagement video was presented. Don Cason, representing RCTDA, provided a brief overview of RCTDA's plan and stated that the RCTDA Board is in the process of approving funding for the Plan.

Commissioner Stephen Webber pointed out a slight discrepancy in the monetary figures in the Agreement and asked that it be reviewed. Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the Rutherford County Tourism Development Authority and authorize the Town Manager to execute the Agreement upon validation of the monetary figures and to approve Budget Amendment #208 to reallocate unspent planning monies from the Community Development Department and Lake Operations Department to the local component of the RCTDA Tourism Plan for the Town of Lake Lure. Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

**D. ABC STORE RELOCATION PROJECT – CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS AND
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Town Manager Ron Nalley stated that in 2016, Town Council directed the Town Manager to proceed with the rehabilitation of the strip-center mall with the intent of relocating the ABC Store. In April, the ABC Board recommended and Town Council approved an exterior and interior

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layout for the proposed store. The construction drawings are complete, and the preliminary estimates are coming in higher than what was originally anticipated. Further direction is needed from the Council in order to determine how to proceed with the project.

Following discussion, Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to direct the Town Manager to continue moving forward with the project by putting the project out for bid and then bringing back a recommendation to Town Council. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to enter into Closed Session in accordance with G.S. 143-318.11(a) (5) for the purpose of discussing property acquisition. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

While in Closed Session, Council discussed potential property purchase. Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to leave Closed Session. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

With no further business, Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST:

Andrea H. Calvert,
Town Clerk

Mayor Bob Keith