



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020, 5:00 P.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL
CENTER**

PRESENT: Mayor Carol C. Pritchett
Mayor Pro Tem John W. Moore
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner David DiOrio
Commissioner John Kilby

William Morgan, Jr., Town Attorney
Shannon Baldwin, Town Manager

ABSENT: N/A

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. and gave the invocation. Council members led the pledge of allegiance.

II. APPROVE THE AGENDA

Commissioner David DiOrio made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Commissioner Patrick Bryant seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

III. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Pritchett felt it was important to recognize the situation with the coronavirus expressing that we all have individual responsibilities to keep ourselves safe by practicing universal precautions as recommended by the CDC. She pointed out that there are a number of websites offering information. The Town has taken a lot of precautions to ensure that staff are protected. She asked that everyone remain calm and not get caught up in the panic in the moment.

IV. CHAMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Laura Doster, Hickory Nut Gorge Chamber Executive Director, highlighted on ways the Chamber helps to support the Town. Ms. Doster reported that the Chamber is designing a

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“Welcome to Lake Lure Packet” and asked if the Town could help provide information on the properties that are for sale in Lake Lure and Mr. Baldwin stated that town staff could help. She stated that the Chamber is currently looking for someone to help volunteer as an event director to help the Chamber with events.

V. TOWN MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

- Town Engineer Kurt Wright and Public Works Director David Arrowood provided an update on the hydroelectric facility. Mr. Arrowood reported that the big generator is back online as of February 26th and everything has been working well. Dean Lindsay was recently hired as the new plant manager and has been in the maintenance field for years. Mr. Wright provided an overview of the FM Global Risk Report noting that David Peckham, the author of the Report, provided his approval. He received three quotes for infrared testing. The first quote was from Magnetech out of Ohio. They are a full service provider and a big player in the power generation field. Magnetech was recommended by a hydroelectric engineer with LaBella Associates. They currently have a low backlog and can have items 1-4 on the FM Global Risk Report completed (excluding item 3 which has already been completed) by the end of the month. Items 5 and 6 must be done in-house as they are O&M preventive maintenance procedures. He mentioned that Mr. Peckham has agreed to meet on March 24th to review and help make comments and improvements to the O&M Manuals, SOP's, ERP's, and PMP's to include in a packet to submit to the League.
- Mr. Wright explained that proposed Budget Amendment #270, small generator repairs of \$110,000, involves replacing the poles on the rotor which have reached their service life and proposed Budget Amendment #271 for \$50,000 is for insurance carrier requirements by a third party which is needed to get the Treatment Plant in compliance according to the Town's insurance carrier, NCLM. Mr. Wright reported that he is developing a list of alternative insurance service providers for dam liability and hydro-elective mechanical equipment and will provide that list to the Town.
- Mr. Baldwin reported that a workshop will be held on March 17th to discuss the Dam, the bridge over the Dam, and the sewer. Schnabel Engineering, NCDOT, NC DEQ, and LaBella will also be participating.
- Parks, Recreation, and Lake Director Dean Givens provided an update on the new marina stating that construction is on schedule and Jonathan Hinkle, Marathon Builders, anticipates the docks to start arriving on April 7th. Mr. Givens also provided an update on dredging mentioning that dredging will begin in another week or two. He reported that he is evaluating the Morton property along with Town Engineer Kurt Wright and Town Attorney William Morgan with hopes to begin dredging that property at the end of April or beginning of May. Dredging this area will slow or stop sediment from entering into Firefly Cove Bay. He then

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reported that Tim Edwards, Tim Edwards Landscaping, has finished grading the area for the future amphitheater.

VI. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS & COMMENTS

Commissioner DiOrio reported that the Utilities Advisory Board did not meet but will meet jointly with Council on the 17th.

Commissioner John Kilby reported the activities of the ABC Board and the Lake Advisory Board. He noted that he was out for both of those meetings and the Mayor attended on his behalf.

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

Commissioner Patrick Bryant reported the activities of the Parks and Recreation Board and noted that the Board of Adjustment and the Lake Structure Appeals Board did not meet. Maureen Bay, PRB member, reported on the 6th Annual Rumble Event stating that there were over 300 participants and about 40 campers in Morse Park. They raised over \$4,000 to go directly to conservation and \$500 for the Friends of Chimney Rock. She mentioned that about 40 of the volunteers visited the Park on Boys Camp Road on Sunday removing graffiti and picking up trash.

VII. PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett invited the audience to speak.

Laura Doster, Chamber of Commerce, asked about a timeline for lake lowering in the future and Mayor Pritchett stated that one should be available by early summer.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett presented the Consent Agenda and asked if any other items should be removed before calling for action.

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded. Therefore, the Consent Agenda incorporating the following items was unanimously approved and adopted:

- A. Adopt the February 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes and the February 26, 2020 Special Work Session Minutes

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- B. BA# 270 – Small Generator Repairs
- C. BA# 271 – Insurance Carrier Requirements
- D. BA# 272 – Lake Lure Dam Work Order No. 4
- E. Suspension of Chapter 61: “Peddlers” of the Code of Ordinances for the Hickory Nut Gorge 12th Annual Sale on the Trail Event
- F. Resolution No. 20-03-10 Amending the South Mountains Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-03-10
AMENDING THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE
ANNEX TO THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN REGIONAL
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, The Town of Lake Lure is vulnerable to an array of natural hazards that can cause loss of life and damages to public and private property; and

WHEREAS, The Town desires to seek ways to mitigate situations that may aggravate such circumstances; and

WHEREAS, The Town desires to participate in the Department of Homeland Security FY 2019 Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams Program (HHPD); and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Emergency Management’s Hazard Mitigation Section and The Region IV Office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency have reviewed the currently adopted South Mountain Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan for compliance with HHPD program requirements and recommended amendments to the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Lake Lure hereby:

1. Adopts Amendment One to the Lake Lure Annex to the South Mountain Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan
2. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably required to carry out the proposed dam risk analysis and identified program of repairs to the extent that such are eligible under the FY 2019 HHPD
3. Agrees to incorporate the salient points of this amendment into the next update of the Lake Lure Annex to the South Mountain Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Adopted on March 10, 2020

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There were no unfinished business items to discuss.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

A. LAKE LURE ADVENTURE COMPANY CONCESSION AGREEMENT REQUEST

Parks, Recreation, and Lake Director Dean Givens reported that Lake Lure Adventure Company is requesting a Concession Agreement with the Town for an additional livery commercial boat which exceeds the maximum allowed without a concession agreement.

Commissioner John Moore made a motion to approve the Concession Agreement from Lake Lure Adventure Company, as presented. Commissioner Patrick Bryant seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner John Moore made a motion to enter into Closed Session in Accordance with G.S. 143-318.11(a) (3) for the Purpose of Discussing Legal Claims. Commissioner John Kilby seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

While in closed session Council discussed allegations and a potential legal claim.

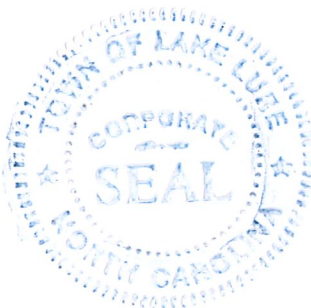
Commissioner John Kilby made a motion to return to open session. Commissioner Patrick Bryant seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

With no further business, Commissioner David DiOrio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. Commissioner Patrick Bryant seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST:


Michelle Jolley
Town Clerk




Mayor Carol C. Pritchett