

LAKE LURE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING

10 May 2006

Members Present:

Mary Karr
Martyn Watts

Paula Jordan
Ed Dittmer

Town Officials Present:

Jeanine Noble, Council Liaison
Chuck Place, Town Manager

Member Absent:

Thomas M. King

As this was the first meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board in approximately four years, no minutes of the last meeting were read or approved.

Mary Karr, the only officer of the Board present from the last meeting, put into nomination Ed Dittmer for the position of Board Chairman. Martyn Watts seconded. As no other names were put in nomination, Ed Dittmer was unanimously selected as Chairman, and took charge of the remaining meeting.

Mary Karr was nominated by Martin Watts for the position of Vice Chairman, with Paula Jordan seconding. As no other names were put in nomination, Mary Karr was unanimously selected as Vice Chairman.

The Chair asked for a nomination for Secretary, and Mary Karr nominated Paula Jordan, but she declined the nomination, as did Martyn Watts, thus leaving the position temporarily unfilled.

The Chair welcomed the presence of Councilor Noble and Mr. Place.

As one member, Mr. King, was not present and had verbally indicated to the Chair that he intended to resign, a discussion ensued as to how to replace him if he does not present a letter of resignation. Mr. Place and Ms. Noble both stated that the Council can appoint another person in his place. One person has already submitted an application and another has expressed an interest.

The Chair then distributed to all those present a copy of Town of Lake Lure Resolution No. 00-01-11 dated 11 Jan 2000 which established a Parks and Recreation Board, defined membership, terms and vacancies, provided for officers, and set forth powers and duties. A general discussion ensued over the duties and responsibilities of the Board.

Mr. Place then provided a map displaying all current publicly owned town property, which prompted general discussion and comments on feasibility of things that could be done with certain of these properties to enhance recreation and beautification. Mr. Place also provided

a 1992 master plan map displaying recommended improvements to the town marina, beach, park, and wetlands, which also led to general discussion.

It was agreed to conduct an inventory of all public land designated or used for park purposes and to visit all existing town public property to formulate a recommendation to Council on those lands which should be left in a natural undeveloped state and which should be developed for use as parks or recreation. Monday, 15 May at 1PM was selected as the time for the board to conduct such an inspection and inventory of existing town public property.

Mr. Place explained the process for the board to recommend to the council plans or recommendations for landscaping and beautification of public property and for the development and maintenance of parkland, and that upon approval, that he would be the liaison between the board chairman and Mr. Tony Hennessee, the director of the Public Works Department, in carrying out approved plans or projects within the capability of Public Works.

Before adjournment, it was agreed to schedule regular meetings of the board on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 3:00PM.

Submitted by: Ed Dittmer, Chairman