



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Zoning and Planning Board

Monday, December 9, 2013
Continued from November 19, 2013

Lake Lure Municipal Center

This is a continuation of the recessed discussion regarding 'Review of the Lake Lure/Polk County Water Agreement,' which was on the November 19, 2013 agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas M McKay, Chair
Bruce Barrett
Charlie Ellis
Ric Thurlby

Absent: N/A

Also Present: Shannon Baldwin, Community Development Director
Michelle Jolley, Recording Clerk

Chairman McKay called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

Mr. Baldwin introduced Harlow Brown, with Brown Engineering, and stated he is working on the agreement with Polk County on Lake Lure's behalf. Mr. Baldwin announced to the Board he received an email from Polk County, via their engineers, which stated they were withdrawing from their request for a water agreement with the Town of Lake Lure and would be searching for another solution. He noted this project identified the need for a utility extension policy.

Mr. Brown gave an overview of the Polk County/Lake Lure Water Agreement and the reason for their request. He mentioned the Town Manager asked him to work with staff to see if the Town has excess water capacity and he stated the Town has a minimum of 25,000 gallons a day of excess capacity. Mr. Brown pointed out Polk County had issues with the Town's zoning and planning along the route and did not want to have any restrictions or limitations, which was the reason they withdrew their request. He

mentioned the only restriction the Town has at this point in the proposed contract is limiting the amount of water usage to 25,000 gallons per day. Lengthy discussion ensued.

After discussion, Mr. Ellis made the following motion:

Mr. Ellis made a motion to recommend to Town Council to draft a resolution of support to pursue a water interconnection to serve Sunnyview Elementary School, consistent with the planning policies and objectives of the Town of Lake Lure. Mr. Barrett seconded and all were in favor.

Mr. Ellis made a suggestion that the Board appoint a qualified group of people to study and coordinate the details of Polk County in a manner that is consistent with the planning policies and objectives. Mr. Baldwin was asked to draft a memo for the Chairman conveying the Board's recommendation.

Mr. Baldwin presented the proposed 2014 Zoning & Planning Board meeting schedule to the Board. Mr. Ellis pointed out he would not be able to attend the May meeting.

Mr. Barrett made a motion to approve the 2014 Zoning & Planning Board meeting schedule as presented. Mr. Ellis seconded and all were in favor.

Further discussion ensued regarding the Lake Lure/Polk County Water Agreement.

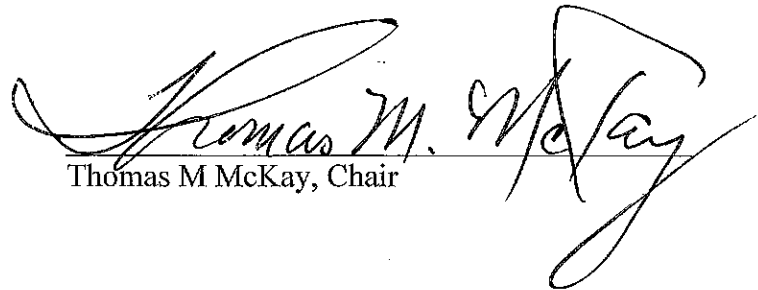
Mr. Baldwin discussed future plans for broadband access in the Town. He stated the Town Manager is on Pangaea's board and they are trying to find a way to facilitate fiber optic access in areas of Lake Lure that are unable to get internet access.

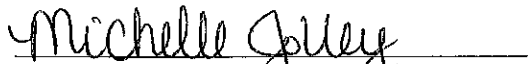
Mr. Ellis and Chairman McKay expressed a desire to identify projects for 2014 the Zoning and Planning Board can pursue. Mr. Baldwin suggested the Board hold a joint meeting with Town Council to discuss future projects for the Town that the Board would like to tackle. Discussion held with the Mayor regarding projects that the Board would like to see happen in the Town of Lake Lure.

Mr. Baldwin suggested securing a facilitator to come and help with facilitating a strategic plan. Mayor Bob Keith stated he did not feel this would be necessary. Mr. Ellis mentioned the current Secretary of Commerce, Sharon Decker, is from Rutherford County and suggested the Board reach out to her and her staff to speak with her regarding economic development. Mayor Keith pointed out that she will be in Lake Lure on August 15 and will also light the torch for the Olympiad. Discussion held.

Mr. Thurlby made a motion to recess this meeting until December 17 and hold a workshop with Town Council. Mr. Ellis seconded and all voted in favor. The recessed meeting will reconvene on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. at the Lake Lure Municipal Center.

ATTEST


Thomas M McKay, Chair


Michelle Jolley, Recording Clerk