

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE, N.C.
JUNE 8, 1976

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Lake Lure was held in the Community Building June 8, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present: Mayor J. Paul Wilson, Commissioners Claude R. Nelon, A.T. Cashion, Jr, John E Temple and William O. Keller.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and asked for the minutes of a regular meeting, held on May 11, 1976, be read. At the conclusion he asked if there were any comments. There being none motion was made by Commissioner Cashion, seconded by Commissioner Nelon they be accepted as read. The vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Nelon reported that Mr. Robert Jones is doing the follow-up on a light for the flag pole at the Community Building.

A request made by Larry Phillips May 11, 1976, asking the Town Board to allow him to have music at the El Tango until 12:30 A.M. and close by 1:00 A.M. was discussed. Commissioner Nelon made a motion to grant permission seconded by Commissioner Keller. The vote went as follows:
For: Claude Nelon, William Keller, A.T. Cashion
Against: John E. Temple
Commissioner Temple said he wanted to go on record as being opposed to the motion until a time limit was established for cleaning up his property.

Commissioner Nelon gave a break down on the cost of mud cat dredge owned by the Town. He said it cost the Town \$187.00 per hr for 19 hrs. Therefore the Board felt it in the best interest of the Town to lease to Marcol Dredging for two months at \$3,300.00 per month with option to purchase.

Mayor Wilson read the minutes of a special meeting held on May 12, 1976. The meeting was held to open and review bids for fire rquipment. The bid submitted by Burgess Fire Equipment, Inc. was accepted at this meeting.

The estimated budget for the year 1976-1977 was the first order of new business. Commissioner Cashion was first to give the budget for the water department. He stated during the new fiscal year he would do all he could to up grade the water department by replacing some of the old lines, putting in new cut-offs, etc. The estimated expenditures for Administrative Department is \$1,125.00, estimated expenditures for operations and construction is \$15,275.00, for a total of \$16,400.00. The anticipated revenue, which reflects an increase in water rates of about 25% will be \$16, 400.00.

Commissioner Nelon gave the total estimated expenditures for the street department as \$46,300.00. In addition to salaries, utilities maintenance and repairs to equipment, supplies and material will include major repairs to the 1958 dump truck, Island Bridge, Tryon Bay Circle Bridge, two road slides and black-topping of some selected areas of the gravel roads that are difficult to maintain. He also pointed out that salary increases for Town employees and a loss in Revenue Sharing would amount to over \$11,000.00 of the total town budget. Also, there was no assurance that there would be Federal Funds to maintain our five federal employees after July 30, 1976.

Commissioner Keller read a letter, received from Mrs. Hazel Nelson, praising the excellent work done by our police department in the recovery of property stolen from their store, and a letter from Mr. J.V. Bell requesting the Board to consider a third policeman for Lake Lure. Commissioner Keller said the estimated budget of \$31,335.00 included hiring a third policeman to work June 1st through Labor Day weekend.

The following estimated budget figures were given by Commissioner Temple: golf course \$27,700.00, lake \$14,120.00, beach house \$8,200.00 and \$4,950.00 for the community building. Part of this money will be used for new golf carts and \$2,500.00 to be used for playground equipment.

Commissioner Cashion gave the estimated budget of \$14,546.67 for our new fire department. It included a contribution of \$1,500.00 for the Hickory Nut Gorge Volunteer Fire Department. Revenue Sharing funds for this year will be part of the Revenue for the new department.

The estimated budget for the remaining departments was presented by Mayor Wilson. They are as follows:

Governing Body	\$ 4,300.00
Administrative	54,042.00
Legal	5,025.00
Garbage	13,100.00
Non Departmental	8,900.00
Disposal Plant	3,400.00
Total	<u>\$ 88,767.00</u>

He stated that the estimated budget for 1976-1977, for all departments, was based on a tax rate of \$.55 per hundred dollars of assessed tax valuation. The total revenue from all sources is \$235,918.67.

The chair recognized Mr. Roth who told the Board of the problems that exists at the Lake Lure Lodge. He stated that groups of motorcyclists congregate in front of his Lodge, in a no parking area, and heckle the guests. He said the noise goes on all night and that they are getting more and more aggressive. Mayor Wilson said the Board would have a conference and see what they can come up with.

Commissioner Nelson made a motion to appoint Clarence Simmons Assistant Police Chief. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Keller and the vote was unanimous.

There being no further business, motion was made by Commissioner Temple, seconded by Commissioner Cashion the meeting be adjourned. The vote was unanimous.

Mary T. Ficker
Mary T. Ficker, Clerk

J. Paul Wilson
J. Paul Wilson, Mayor