



Town of Lake Lure

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, JULY 14, 1998, 9:30 A. M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER

PRESENT: Mayor Jack Powell
Commissioner Carolyn Cobb
Commissioner Beth Rose
Commissioner Gene Sheffield
Commissioner Jack Stanier

John R. Strutner, Town Manager
Sam A. Karr, Finance Director

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Powell called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Cobb gave the invocation.

PREVIEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE TUESDAY, JULY 21, 1998 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Powell reviewed the items on the draft agenda for the Tuesday, July 21, 1998 Town Council Meeting. Council members were asked to share input regarding the draft agenda.

Powell said that he had received a request from Sally Leshner, Mayor of Rutherfordton, asking that the Town of Lake Lure adopt a resolution approving the "Smart Start Program" which helps children and families across North Carolina get good, affordable child care, health care, and family support.

Commissioner Cobb stated that the "Smart Start Program" had been poorly operated in the past and cautioned Council members about this program.

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After discussion, Town Council agreed to add an item on the agenda to consider the resolution approving the "Smart Start Program" and also invite Sally Leshner, representative to the meeting to answer questions.

Council members agreed to add an item on the agenda for closed session to discuss attorney client privilege/legal matters (G.S. 143-318.11(a) 3) regarding the Pamer/Breen case and the Powers/Moore case.

Commissioner Sheffield reported that there is a silt fence sinking into the lake near the Dan Wilcox property. After a brief discussion, Mayor Powell asked Town Manager Strutner and Commissioner Rose to follow up this problem with the Zoning Administrator Chuck Place.

Mayor Powell asked Council members to consider looking into adopting a policy addressing the use of fireworks on Town property and/or within the Town limits.

Town Manager Strutner said that the Public Hearing for the S-1 District (scenic natural attraction district) had been postponed until the August 18, 1998 regular town meeting.

Mayor Powell suggested that the Lake Advisory Committee be asked to include an additional statement in the Lake Structures Ordinance explaining the justifications (pros/cons) regarding legislation for the purpose of interpretation.

<p style="text-align: center;">DISCUSS REQUEST FROM RUTHERFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE</p>

Mayor Powell distributed copies of a memorandum received from the Rutherford County Transportation Committee (copy attached). The Rutherford County Transportation Committee met on June 30, 1998 and voted to coordinate submittals by all of the Municipalities for funding of small urban projects. Powell said that he had spoken with Mr. Homer Arnold about the funding of small urban projects including the paving of a portion of Cedar Creek/Buffalo Shoals Road (one mile within town limits) in Lake Lure. Powell reviewed the following list which could be considered for small urban projects:

1. Paving of unpaved roads;
2. Resurfacing of paving roads;
3. Addition of turning lanes and/or traffic signals;
4. Alignment of intersections;
5. Signage;
6. Safety railings; and
7. Improvement of railroad crossings.

Town Manager Strutner said that a request had already been submitted for flashing signals and signs.

**DISCUSS WORK PROGRAM FOR TOWN COUNCIL
(FISCAL YEAR 1998-1999)**

Mayor Powell discussed items on a revised Town Council work program (6/12/98) for fiscal year 1998-1999. (Copy of work program attached). Powell asked Council members to share their thoughts regarding the list of items on the work program.

Town Council reviewed a draft evaluation form for the Town Manager's position. Mayor Powell noted the changes recommended. (Copy of draft evaluation form attached).

Finance Director Sam Karr reported on the status of converting monthly financial reporting from a cash basis to modified accrual basis. Mr. Karr told Council that he had set up a central depository for the Town. In addition, Karr stated that there are programs available to make the financial reports more readable, but require an upgrade of the computers to a Windows 95 program. Karr, also brought information to the meeting to share regarding developing a website for the Town.

Mayor Powell assigned Commissioners as liasons with staff on projects outlined in the work program. Powell said that he would revise/distribute copies of the work program and the draft evaluation form for the Town Manager's position reflecting the changes recommended.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Rose moved, seconded by Commissioner Sheffield, to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 p.m. The vote of approval was unanimous.



Mary A. Flack

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Town Clerk

Jack Powell

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