

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2011, 8:00 A.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER

PRESENT: Mayor Bob Keith
Commissioner Mary Ann Dotson Silvey
Commissioner Wayne Hyatt
Commissioner John W. Moore
Commissioner Linda Turner

Christopher Braund, Town Manager
Sam Karr, Finance Director
Ron Morgan, Fire Chief
Dean Givens, Director of Lake Operations
Tony Hennessee, Director of Public Works
Shannon Baldwin, Community Development Director
Donnie McCraw, Hydro-Electric/Wastewater Collection System Supervisor
Eric Hester, Police Chief

ABSENT: J. Christopher Callahan, Town Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Keith called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Turner to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

DISCUSSION OF THE DRAFT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

Town Manager Braund gave an overview of preliminary budget items for fiscal year 2011-2012 and answered questions pertaining to the budget. Also, staff members including Fire Chief Ron Morgan, Lake Operations Director Dean Givens, Public Works Director Tony Hennessee, Community Development Director Shannon Baldwin, Hydro-Electric/Wastewater Collection System Supervisor Donnie McCraw and Police Chief Eric Hester were present during designated times to answer questions about proposed budget items for their departments.

Fairfield Mountains Fire Department Board of Directors President Duane Massman, Fairfield Mountains Fire Chief Gary Wilson, Lake Lure Fire Chief Ron Morgan and Lake Lure Assistant Fire Chief Randy Hardin were present and discussed with Town Council the proposed budget for the fire department.

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Mayor Keith recessed the meeting for a break at 9:30 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Lake Operations Director Dean Givens made a presentation and provided Town Council handouts detailing proposed renovations to the town's marina along with a proposed payment plan.

Parks and Recreation Board Chairman Ed Dittmer discussed a proposed project regarding drainage in Morse Park.

Mayor Keith recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m. for lunch and reconvened the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Community Development Director Shannon Baldwin discussed progress of the Town Center Plan and pending grant applications that have been submitted by the community development staff to the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundations, Clean Water Management Trust Fund, and the Appalachian Regional Commission.

Police Chief Eric Hester presented council members detailed information regarding a lease program through Ford and discussed the possibility of utilizing a lease-to-own option to purchase a Ford Fusion for the police department. Chief Hester also discussed the need to obtain cameras in all patrol vehicles. Council agreed that two additional patrol vehicle cameras should be added to the police department budget.

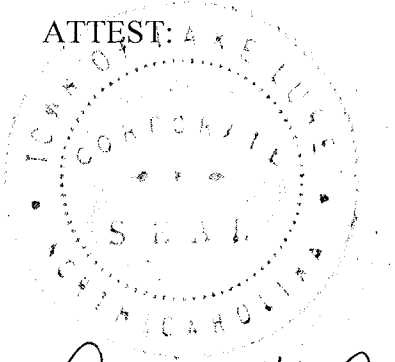
Council discussed with Chief Hester the lack of community participation at the town's youth center. It was the consensus of Town Council that, due to lack of participation, the town's youth center should be removed from 2011-2012 budget and the youth center should close effective June 30, 2011.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

With no further items of discussion, Commissioner Silvey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m. Commissioner Hyatt seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

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ATTEST:



Andrea H. Calvert

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Town Clerk

Bob Keith

Mayor Bob Keith