

LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING PACKET

Tuesday, April 8, 2025
5:00 p.m.



Mayor Carol C. Pritchett
Mayor Pro Tem David DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor

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Agenda Adoption

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
Legends at Rumbling Bald



Agenda

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- VI. Consent Agenda**
 - A. Approval of March 2025 Minutes
- VII. Unfinished Business**
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 - A. Lake Lure Classical Academy Presentation
 - B. Comprehensive plan agreement
 - C. Storm Recovery Updates
- IX. Public Comment**

The public is invited to speak. Please keep comments limited to three minutes or less. Comments may also be submitted in writing to the town clerk, kmartin@townoflakelure.com at least one hour prior to the meeting.
- X. Adjournment**

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CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of March 2025 Minutes

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Monday, March 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Commissioner Jim Proctor
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Jeff Geisler, Rumbling Bald
Dana Bradley, Parks and Rec
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Mike Williams, Community Development
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
FEMA

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:00am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman.

III. Town Manager:

Olivia Stewman sent out an update on Saturday. On March 5, 2025 ICF will be giving a presentation on the different projects the Town has. Fema has amended the PPDR program for debris removal which does include all those in the zip code 28746. If they come across cars or boats, they can remove and will be placed at another location for owner contact. No other updates at this time.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

No updates at this time.

VI. Public Works Updates:

-Dean Lindsey advised we have received the estimate for the Chimney Rock connector. This came in at an estimated 5 million.

-Hydro access Rd came in at \$871,000 and Bay 8 at \$135,000. The access road is important for if there are issues we need to be able to get to the equipment. Town will review.

-The divers are still working. Wednesday they are planning on wet side testing.

-Lake levels will continue to be drawn down to 988.0 for sewer repair. Working with Ashbritt to identify and plan to repair issues. No flush order could be possible.

_West End Project continues. Meet scheduled for March 5, 2025 to finalize schedule. 4 months for completion (High estimate). Looking to begin a river and pump station and work our way up.

-No new information on Proctor Rd at this time.

-Morse Park: Moving forward on reseeding park. Docks are prepped and ready to be pulled from lake for storage once lake is low enough. Working on the marina removing pump an also repairing the Gazebo area.

-Boys Camp Road bridge: Out for bid with council funding approval.

-Lift Station: Working on getting the proper permits from the county.

-Power has been restored to town hall for Pangea and will work on connecting emergency siren.

No other updates at this time.

VII. Communications Updates:

Laura Krejci states positive feedback with updates and the PPDR program including all those in the 28746 zip code, not just the Town limits. No other updates at this time.

VIII. Finance Department:

Steve advised that there is an Audit presentation tomorrow 3/4/2025. Copy of PowerPoint will be sent. No other updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

No updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

-Good news on the battle stone quote. Initially it was at \$18,000. There was some confusion and came back with an \$11,000 quote. The second quote came in about \$8,400.

-Currently there is about \$10,000 for Morse Park restoration. No other updates at this time.

X. Community development Updates:

-Sent out 60+ letters to homeowners regarding demolition of their Lake structures significantly damaged. Insurance did not cover most as they did not have flood insurance. All condemnation will go to the Town directly. No other updates at this time.

XI. FEMA:

Registration for FEMA assistance ends this week. Asking to promote. Will update if registration gets extended.

XII. Police Department:

No storm related updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

Jeff Geisler had no updates at this time.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

-Commissioner Scott Doster advised that he seen the plans for workforce housing on the green space. This is a back up to site near the school.

-Discussion of the floodplain, working with them to make sure it's adequate for the area.

-Boats are still being pulled currently and property owners have been advised that Lake Levels will continue to go down and boats should be removed.

-Boys Camp road still using sewer. May have to turn water off.

-Fire department is currently under response plan to help where needed. Currently under a no burn ban as humidity is low and area is dry and no rain. Will keep working to head anything off before they get worse.

-Fema has sent inquire on where we stand about funding.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Scott Doster made a motion to recess council briefing until Wednesday March 5, 2025 at 9:00am. Commissioner Jim Proctor seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN SPECIAL WORK SESSION AND
ACTION MEETING**

Monday, March 4, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Commissioner Jim Proctor
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Stephen Ford, Finance Director
Claire Earnhardt, CPA
Laura Krejci, Communications Director

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 9:00am.

II. Agenda Adoption:

No agenda to adopt.

III. Audit Presentation

Stephen Ford, Finance Director introduced Claire Earnhardt from Martin, Starnes, and Associates, CPAs.

Claire Earnhardt began her presentations.

She began by stating there were no unmodified opinion, which means there was no discrepancies to the public. General Fund had a growth of about 470,000 or 9.4% from year 2022 to 2023. Expenditures showed a decrease. Available fund balance for the year 2023 showed 6.3 million.

The Top 3 in the General fund for revenue was Ad Valorem, un-restricted Intergovernmental, and others.

The Top 3 expenditures are Public Safety, cultural and recreation, and other (special projects, insurance, etc.)

Overall, it was found we have material weakness, proper material documentation, and delays in providing documentation. Most issues can be explained or resolved. At this time we have 60 days to provide a response.

There were 6 findings for 2022, two of which have been corrected. At this time Claire completed her presentation of the Audit for the year 2022-2023.

Discussion ensued with findings. The board thanked Claire and Stephen for their work on the audit.

IV. Public Comments

No public Comments.

V. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Dave DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Commissioner Jim Proctor
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Mike Williams, Community Development
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
Doug Ramsier, ICF

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:22 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman.

III. Town Manager:

Olivia Stewman had a few future updates.

- A meeting is scheduled for Friday with Nick to go over the information on the Dam and all A&B projects should be submitted this week accounting for over \$800,000.
- Will be meeting with the state on Monday for the mitigation program.
- Will be on a call with Chloe Moore to hopefully be able to move forward with the West End project at 11:00am.
- The purchased property for the West End project has been verbally agreed on but have not signed documents at this time.

- The meadery is waiting to see about the bank stabilization. The town will not be caring for that but may be in the scope for FEMA/Army Corp. We have time to wait right now but will proceed with the condemnation process at later time if needed.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

County inquiries about Army Corp scope of work with the river. Was concerned that they may be looking to pull from Lake Lure. Partially was to get Right of Entry for Lake Lure residents that are in the county and contractors pushing for contracts to clean up river. No concerns or other updates at this time.

VI. Public Works Updates:

-Dean Lindsey began with DEQ asking for a flow allotment for town. This would give the Town more ability to make decisions on who is approved to connect to the sewer. Will need town approval. Board advised to gather all additional information and present the proposal at a later time.

-Valve project is still moving forward. We will begin testing the bleeder valve today and open the gate tomorrow. Hope to have divers out by Friday.

-At 1 pm today will meet to go over the West End sewer project. Should have a timeline of when work can begin.

-Will be switching out the PRV on March 12th. Water will be shut off on Boys Camp Rd.

-Lift station is still moving forward, awaiting permits through Rutherford County.

-Will be working on a game plan for the sewer line repairs.

VII. Communications Updates:

-Laura Krejci advised that the United Way donation approved a 50,000 to be given to the Fire Department for equipment. More specifically a heart monitor that will be placed at the Fairfield Fire Department.

-Cajun Navy would like to do a program here in Lake Lure. Possibly an Easter egg Hunt. Just want the council aware and will update as more details come available.

-Also, Dogwood will be visiting. They provide grant funding and will be here on May 2nd.

No other updates at this time.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

Presented to the Town a presentation of a new program that will be used to keep track of all the projects from the Helene. This program is disaTrax, built off quick base. It will help with record keeping of projects including inspections, DDD, etc. Manage workflow, consolidated data and enhanced communication. This system is for monitoring, and ICF will continue to manage and update program weekly. This program will be role restricted. For any issues we have 3 points of contact. Mike Junell, Leslie Bean, and Josh Prommell.

No other updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

No updates at this time.

X. Community development Updates:

Still working on the boathouse assessment report and uploading pictures. There are currently 64 significantly damaged structures we are working to address. Thank you to Aerostar for being here and helping locals with debris removal.

XI. FEMA:

No updates at this time.

XII. Police Department:

No storm related updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

No updates at this time.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

. No other comments at this time.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to recess council briefing until Monday March 10, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Monday, March 10, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Mike Williams, Community Development
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director

Absent:

Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman.

III. Town Manager:

Olivia Stewman has a meeting with FEMA regarding the sediment and debris removal and will also meeting with NCEM as well. No updates at this time.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

Chris Melton is working with the County to re-locate the fire hydrants in Chimney Rock and Lake Lure.

Advised that Buncombe County has received a 225 million dollar funds. Will try to find the source of the funds and see if Lake Lure may qualify. No other updates at this time.

VI. Public Works Updates:

-Dean Lindsey advised that dive operations are continuing. Gate has been opened and should be wrapping up and demobilize by Wednesday.

-March 26th will began the dry testing and March 27th we will do valve testing.

-Lift station is still moving forward. Electrical inspection is scheduled for today. No date at this time until inspections are complete.

-Will be meeting with Ashbritt at 1:00pm about sedimentation removal.

-Contractors are mobilizing for the West End Sewer project.

-Lake Levels are still stable right now but will drop again once the divers have demobilized. Working to get those levels back online for public to view.

-The rebuild of 64 project will be pulling sand from our sand pits. At this time, there are no other updates.

VII. Communications Updates:

-Laura Krejci starting by saying thank you to the council for meeting with the small businesses.

-Had many request for volunteer opportunities. Trying to direct people to the correct avenues.

-Pictures and storm updates have been posted online.

-Work has continued in Morse Park and looks amazing. No other updates at this time.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

No updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

-Quote for Battle Stone has come in and were looking at about \$11,000.

-Will be looking at Pool Creek Park for the playground with Odom Engineering.

-Water samples should be in today. No other updates at this time.

X. Community development Updates:

Working on the damaged Lake Structures. Megan and Dean with Public Works is helping with reports and mapping.

-Still looking at the cell tower to begin mostly likely in June 2025. No other updates at this time.

XI. FEMA:

Registration has been extended till April 7th. Will be meeting with Steve Garrison regarding private roads and bridges. Will reach out to find information about the money received in Buncombe County. No other updates at this time.

XII. Police Department:

Prepping for the upcoming road closure at the dam bridge. We have a vehicle stationed on Boys Camp Rd. Seems to be helping with the speeding. No other updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

We have our first wedding on Saturday. Excited. No other updates at this time.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

-Carol C. Pritchett met with Don Cassin with the TDA. Discussed the ability to advertise for Lake Lure. Even though the Lake is closed, we have many other things available and open. Many thanks for all that were involved with the meeting with small businesses in the area. We will continue to work hard and move forward with recovery. No other updates at this time.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to recess council briefing until Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner Dave DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, March 11, 2024 @ 5:00 pm
Legends at Rumbling bald



Agenda

I. Call to Order

Mayor Pritchett called the meeting to order at 5:03pm

II. Agenda Adoption

Commissioner Scott Doster made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

III. Mayor's Communication

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett spoke thanking everyone for coming and Jeff Geisler and Scott Martin for the use of Rumbling Bald. We continue to move forward with the recovery process and hopeful in the things to come.

IV. Town Mangers Communication

Recovery efforts continue for the town.

Drain Valve project will be finishing up at the end of this month. The Fire department will begin to move into the Fairfield April 1st. Sprinkler system being installed and some remodeling to house the fire fighters.

Want to make everyone aware that if you have not signed up for Everbridge to please do so.

Available resources for those in need through HopeNC.

Had the opportunity to speak at the Greenville Rotary club. Updated with all our recovery efforts. Was thankful for the opportunity.

No other updates at this time.

V. Council Liaison Reports and Comments

Commissioner Scott Doster liaison for the Zoning and Planning Board met on February 18. One new member was added to the board and officers will be elected this month.

Commissioner Scott Doster Liaison for the ABC Board advised still doing well. Reminder that hours are 12 to 7. Hours will remain for the foreseeable future.

Liaison for the BOA Commissioner David DiOrio was unable to attend meeting so Commissioner Scott Doster filled in. Stated that a case was heard and a determination was given. New members and officers will be decided next month.

Commissioner Jim Proctor liaison for the Parks and Rec board advised that meetings will resume beginning April 3rd at 1:30. On March 22, 2025 Carolina Climbing Coalition is celebrating 30 years and will hosting an event.

Advisory Board luncheon has been scheduled for April 3 at Legends at Noon.

Commissioner Patrick Bryant who was unable to attend tonight and is the liaison for the Vacation Rental Advisory Board will update with a date once it has been decided.

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of February 2025 Minutes

Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion to approve the February 2025 minutes. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

VII. Unfinished Business

There is no unfinished business.

VIII. New Business

A. Private Property Debris Removal Program Presentation

Gabby Allerton presented a program that is contracted through the Army Corp. This program is for private property and small business owners to have debris, including fallen trees, root balls and other matter removed at no cost to them. It is a free program and will take about 3 months to go through the process. Will be available for questions if needed.

B. Internal Controls-Policy Review and Requested Adoption

Stephen Ford, Finance director advised that from audit there were some systems that we need to have in place. A packet of the information is included. Council reviewed the information.

Commissioner Jim Proctor made motion to approve the Internal Controls Policy as presented. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

C. Conflict of Interest-Policy Review and Requested Adoption

Stephen Ford, Finance director advised that from audit there were some systems that we need to have in place. A packet of the information is included. Council reviewed the information for a conflict of Interest policy.

Commissioner Jim Proctor made motion to approve the Internal Controls Policy as presented. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

D. Resolution 25-03-11 for Revenue Replacement Loan

Stephen Ford, Finance director presented the Revenue Replacement Loan information. This is for disaster response activity. The town would be looking at repaying 1 dollar to start and will increase to 10% and then increase again. The information provided shows amounts and the breakdown of repayment.

Commissioner David DiOrio made a motion to approve Resolution 25-03-11 for Revenue Replacement Loan. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

E. Notice of Violation Appeal NOV2024046

Rick Carpenter presented for Community Development that a week after Helen applicant was notified of issues with the erosion. Was understanding with the storm issues. At a later date applicant was notified of issues again. The site had no activity and at that time a citation was issued on February 3, 2025. Advised that this property is in need of erosion control.

Property owner Troy Schurter spoke regarding property at "184 Garden Lane". We were unable to access property for a few weeks after the storm. A water line was put in by the water department. I assumed that the water department would be in contact with the town. Was unaware that I had to notify them even with the permits in place. Majority of the runoff is from the storm and the silt fences have held except 2 or 3 small sections. It has not cleared the brush fence and seeding has been done. We have also applied with the Personal property debris removal. In hopes that if we put in place additional fencing and continue to resolve the issues having the silt removed when contractors are available.

Council began discussion and questions.

Commissioner Scott Doster made a motion to suspend the NOV2024046 until April 4th, 2025 while owner installs a double silt fence and improvement being made on the sediment removal to avoid erosion. Commissioner David Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

F. Storm Recovery updates

We have many storm recovery updates to provide.

The West End Sewer Project is now set to move forward this week. Will be about a 4 month process for completion.

A final design for the Proctor Road project will be available soon.

The Public Works department has been working long and hard cleaning up parts of Morse Park. Hoping to open a portion of Morse Park at a later date with half the area being utilized for the subsurface debris and sediment removal.

The National Guard continues to help with the trail clean up on the Weed patch Trail.

Letters have been sent to property owners in regards to the demolition of damaged Lake Structures.

Water Samples have been received and things look really good. Turbidity is improving with each testing.

Weekly updates are available on our website.

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett thanked everyone for their continue hard work.

IX. Public Comments

A. Bob Mitchell (332 Snug Harbor Circle)

Stated that he is impressed with the work that has already been done. Although there has been some minor damage to properties and hopes that more attention is given in consideration of the sewer lines. Stated that property owners could possible help by moving debris out for contractors to be able to get to easier.

B. Troy Schurter (184 Garden Lane)

No longer had a comment and had left meeting.

C. Steve Milito (1412 Proctor Rd)

Advised that his questions were answered and no longer needed to speak.

D. Jeff Smith (235 North Shore Drive)

Received the letter for a damaged Lake structure that needs removed. Upset as he feels that he did not have enough time and was confused with the letter and what exactly it meant. Mike Williams with Community Development spoke on behalf of the letter and apologized for the misunderstanding and advised that they could speak after the meeting. Jeff was in agreeance.

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett thanked everyone for their comments! Advised that next month Town Council would be meeting downstairs on the terrace.

IX. Adjournment

Commissioner Scott Doster made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner David DiOrio seconded and the motion carried 4-0, the meeting ended at 6:00pm.

ATTEST:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Monday, March 12, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett
Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor
Commissioner Dave DiOrio

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Mike Williams, Community Development
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
Dana Bradley, Parks and Rec

Absent:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman.

III. Town Manager:

Olivia Stewman met with FEMA and they have verbally approved scope for sediment removal and negotiations are being made to begin this week. Mayor Pritchett advised we would make all aware at a Special Public Forum. As of now that is set for Tuesday March 18, 2025 at Rumbling Bald.

At this time Olivia had no other updates.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

Slope Tapering with the Army Corp. No other updates at this time.

VI. Public Works Updates:

- Divers are completing the last dive and will be demobilizing. We will be closing the road on Friday for testing. We are still clearing debris for the valve testing.
- Will be doing the electrical and working with inspections to begin lift station testing next week.
- West End sewer project beginning this week. The PRV valve is being replaced as we speak on Boys Camp Rd.
- The seeding with Morse Park should be completed by Friday. Will then begin pulling the docks out of the water and cleaning up the marina area. Dean advised that Olivia will need to provide a PPR for the tennis/pickle ball courts and Pond. (Task force for Ashbritt).

VII. Communications Updates:

No other updates at this time.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

Work being done pushing as claimable cost for FEMA. We have 2 new projects (sewer lift station and marina floating dock system) isolated for individual project for cost. Hoping to Tabletop (push to the top for quicker response). The Dam stabilization has shifted to a traditional project. Working to re-strategies to get reimbursement. ICF hoping for a quicker turnaround.

IX: Parks and REC:

- Need to verify the location for the playground. Discussion ensued. Moving the equipment may be harder than expected. Will look at possible other location.
- Working to open Buffalo Creek.
- Will have next board meeting on April 15, 2025.

X. Community development Updates:

Mike Williams updated that he did continue a conversation with Jeff Smith and was able to make things right. Continuing to work on the damaged lake structures, otherwise no other updates at this time.

XI. FEMA:

Evan advised Dana that team Rubicon decided to go with another county. Friday there will be a tour with FCO. Office of Government Accountability will be here March 25th, 2025. Will need a contact person and address. No other updates at this time.

XII. Police Department:

As of right now we have checked with Rutherford County and they are not issuing any citation. Will contact Henderson County to check with them as well. Will be getting quote to repair police boat per the council requests. No other updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

No updates at this time.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

-Foothills met and funds for the Chimney Rock and Lake Lure connector has voted to move the funds to Polk County. At this time we are unable to benefit from it and it should go to someone now. When in position we will resubmit to the DOT. Will continue to look at other avenues and grants. No other updates at this time.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion to recess council briefing until Monday, March 17, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Monday, March 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett
Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Mike Williams, Community Development
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
Dana Bradley, Parks and Rec

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman.

III. Town Manager:

Olivia Stewman met with FEMA's Brett Howard. Scope for the sediment removal was approved on Friday. Having a Special meeting on 3/18/25 as which time Army Corp and NCEM should be in attendance. Discussion ensued of possible scope of sediment removal. Dean is concerned about the sewer. Morgan Corp and Ashbritt along with the Public Works will begin work on the sewer.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

No updates at this time.

VI. Public Works Updates:

Currently the Lake levels are being held where there at. There will be a window at which homeowners and contractors can do work on seawalls and other repairs with concrete. Will need to keep public and contractors up to date. Sewer system is a major issue and need to continue to push. Waste water treatment plant is necessary. Beginning boat slips and dock removal and the West End sewer project is moving forward.

VII. Communications Updates:

Notice of special meeting has been posted and seen almost by 10,000 people. Rumbling Bald is setting it up for maximum seating. Not asking press to be there as this if for the community. Morse Park still closed but clean up continues. No further updates at this time.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

No updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

Reach out to Will Ray about weed Patch. National Guard is ready to go just waiting. Upper Boulders trail waiting on signs.

X. Community development Updates:

Mike Williams continues to work on damaged lake structures list. Evolving and continues to change. Will report those that are ready to move forward and will leave the rest

XI. FEMA:

Evan advised that she will keep reaching out to keep things moving forward that are in the works. No updates to report at this time.

XII. Police Department:

As of right now we have checked with Rutherford County and they are not issuing any citation. Will contact Henderson County to check with them as well. Will be getting quote to repair police boat per the council requests. No other updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

No updates at this time.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

No other updates at this time.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to recess council briefing until Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner Jim Proctor seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 @ 6:00 pm
Lakeview Terrace at Rumbling Bald



Agenda

I. Call to Order

Mayor Pritchett called the meeting to order at 5:04pm

II. Introduction: Mayor Carol C. Pritchett

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett opened the meeting thanking Rumbling Bald for use of the beautiful location and the continued support. Would like to thank all our special guests for being here.

Edith Vinson Maitlandt, FEMA

Colonel Brad Morgan, United States Army Corp of Engineers

George Minges, United States Army Corp of Engineers

Drew Christy, Director of Governor Steins Western Office

Jenine Stevenson, NC Emergency Management

Dwayne Collins, NC Emergency Management

Bob Barker, NC Emergency Management

We have amazing news for the community and we will begin with Abby Causey from United Way of Rutherford County.

III. Consolidation of Lake Lure Fire Department and Fairfield Fire Department: Fire Chief Dustin Waycaster

Abby Causey from United Way of Rutherford County presented a \$50,000 check to Fire Chief Dustin Waycaster for the purchase of a new heart monitor that will be at the Fairfield Fire Department. Fire Chief Dustin Waycaster thanked United Way for the donation and the Town for the continued support.

We are working to consolidation the Fairfield Fire Department into the Lake Lure Fire Department to help in response times and convenience for the community. Currently it could take an average of 15 minutes to respond to an emergency. This will help reduce these times significantly. This will also help homeowner reduce their insurance cost. We are fortunate to have this opportunity to continue the work that we do and provide that same care throughout Lake Lure. We are very thankful for all our volunteers and will continue to utilize them, however we will have a 24/7 staff on hand. We will continue training and look at apply for a safer grant that will help cover some expenses as we move forward.

IV. Storm Recovery Updates: Olivia Stewman

Town Manager Olivia Stewman gave an update on the projects the Town is currently working on.

There are currently 80 to 90 projects that have been worked into groups to have 37 projects.

The West End sewer project is underway and is estimated to take 4 months to complete.

Landslide on Proctor Rd., design is ready and will be in construction.

Working on the Boys Camp Rd. bridge design to begin the building of the permanent bridge.

I'm sure some have noticed the work being done in Morse Park. Public Works has been working diligently and have done a fantastic job so far on beautifying our park. Will update once we are able to open the park.

The Army Corp is offering debris removal for personal property and small business. (PPDR). Please if you have not signed up, do so as they will be here through April. This is a free service.

Some of you many have received damaged Lake Structure letters. There has been some confusion and want to make aware it's not us telling you were going to tear it down. We are giving you the option as a free resource to have damaged lake structure removed. Contact the Community Development department with questions.

The drain valve project that began 2 years ago that was expected to be completed in October is now wrapping up. The bridge road will be closed on March 27th for testing.

The town will now begin subsurface removal. Meeting turned over to George Minges from Army Corp of Engineers.

Mr. Minges stated that currently we have cleaned up 42,000 cubic yards of debris and about 32,000 tons of soil. Around 30,000 cubic yards of debris has been removed from the surface of the lake.

What's next: We will begin sub surface removal. Currently working on the scope of work that has been provided by council and contracts for the project. We will begin on the West side of lake to re-establish entry. Looking to remove about 20 feet of sediment from coves. Will also work with the feeder streams and down from Dam.

The PPDR program is a great way to get debris removed so be sure to sign up. Starting inspections and moving on to clean ups.

V. Community Q&A

*Will all coves go down to the 20ft?

-No, they will go to pre-disaster condition.

*What is the expected timeline for the sediment removal?

-We expect to complete the sediment removal end of July or early August.

*How will this affect the sewer system?

-Working with the Town to assure protection of the sewer. Any damages that may occur will be rectified.

*How is the church and Graveyard on Boys Camp Rd?

-The church and graveyard are in good shape.

*What is the timeframe for the road through Chimney Rock? Dot keeps moving date out.

-This is unknown at this time. DOT would have a better answer.

*Will the Lake be raised when sediment removal is complete?

-Dependent on other work that the Town plans to work on in conjunction with the sediment removal.

*With the comprehensive plan, will there be community input?

-Yes, there will be a couple different opportunities for input and as always we keep Chimney Rock in consideration. Mayor gave a brief statement.

*What is the plan on deeper areas?

-Surveys have been done and plan to reach the dangerous material out from the deeper areas.

*Engineer spoke advising that there are 2 types of work. What is the Army Corps Plan?

-May have to look but unsure until we get out there. We will be sure to clean up everything.

*Will they be open to working with Public Works for sewer safety?

-Yes, already working in conjunction with Public Works. Taking precautions but it's by no means perfect.

*Do you believe the Lake is expected to be open by spring of 2026?

Yes, the work is extensive and we are working diligently. This year is almost impossible, but we absolutely expect to open next year.

*Total amount of debris/sediment to be removed?

- 1 million cubic yards.

*Where is the waste and debris going?

-It is being taking out of town to land fields to be disposed. The vegetative debris is at multiple locations to be reused or recycled.

*What do we do if we have not heard anything from the PPDR program?

-At this time, you do not need to do anything. They will be in contact to schedule inspection once they get to that point. Working in sections so, be patient it will take some time.

*Are risk assessments being done?

Yes, we are working with the fire departments, and emergency management. Also the National Guard and state will be helping with those as well.

*Will the River be cleaned up?

-Army Corp scope is limited to Lake Lure (Town) and Chimney Rock. The county is doing work and may just take some time. Contact Rutherford County Emergency Management to follow up with them for more information.

*Someone advised there is a river clean scheduled for March 20. Unsure of the information.

*Have prevented measures been discussed?

-Yes, prevented measures have been discussed and will continue to work and look to the future.

*What is the condition of the Dam?

-The Dam is stable for now.

Mayor Carol C. Pritchett thanked everyone for coming out and supporting the Town during the recovery process.

IX. Adjournment

Commissioner David DiOrio made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Jim Proctor seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Dana Bradley, Parks and Rec

Absent:

Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor
Mike Williams, Community Development
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman.

III. Town Manager:

Olivia Stewman spoke with Nick regarding the category A and B projects with FEMA. They are moving forward quickly and should start to see some turn around. Difference between the projects small vs. Large is really money. Smaller projects are estimated cost while large projects reflect actual cost. ICF explained to keep moving forward the way we are.

Inspections are scheduled to begin on Monday. Hopeful these will move quickly.

Will push for Brian with Labella to begin the task order or the design build. Discussion ensued with last night's meeting and scope of the sediment removal that will begin soon.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

No updates at this time.

VI. Public Works Updates:

No updates at this time.

VII. Communications Updates:

Laura verified that Buffalo Shoals Rd. at the Dam will be closed on March 27th for the whole day.

Commissioners and Mayor will be meeting with PBS today and tomorrow.

Private sectors are setting up a river cleanup day on March 20th. No other updates at this time.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

Doug advised that the Water collection system at this time has been deferred to leadership. Town will submit documentation of the perceived damage and we will continue to move forward from there. No other updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

Update on playground. Will be placed in Morse Park to the left of the walking path near the gazebo. It is a great location for the new playground. The town and the community will be completely involved in the design.

Discussion over the marina replacement.

Weed Patch is still planned but waiting on approval. Being held up by funds that are continued to be negotiated.

X. Community development Updates:

Mike Williams continues to work on damaged lake structures list. Will hopefully have completed today.

XI. FEMA:

No updates at this time.

XII. Police Department:

No updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

No updates, but felt the meeting on March 19, 2025 was well received and positive.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

ICF stated that they are working on displacing silt to gain access to critical infrastructure in the town.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to recess council briefing until Monday, March 24, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Monday, March 24, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Dana Bradley, Parks and Rec
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
Chris Melton, Assistant Fire Chief

Absent:

Mike Williams, Community Development
Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and stated that Town Manager Olivia Stewman and other staff will not be present as they are in the field with FEMA for site inspections on Town Properties.

III. Town Manager:

Town Manager Olivia Stewman was not present and no updates.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

Chris Melton provided an update. Still moving forward with Fairfield, working on lease agreement and will continue with contractors for improvements.

The fires currently in Polk County, Lake Lure has assisted and will continue to do so. At this time containment is an issue and the fire has spread going towards Henderson County. We will continue to monitor and be of assistance if needed.

VI. Public Works Updates:

On the lift station we had some issues with the pump. It has been sent to Greenville for repair. Still waiting on inspections through Rutherford County.

Valve Testing is ready and looking for hard hats before March 27th to have on site for those that will be in attendance. Will be having a lunch at 11:00am at the Canoe Restaurant.

Was notified this morning that the Dam road will be closed today from 9am to 2pm for NCDOT inspection.

Working on restoring power at town center sites. Having issues with inspections with Rutherford County. Would like to move power station to other side of walk way since it needs to be elevated. This will help conceal it from view. Council advised they were okay with this and could be decided administratively.

Working on the sidewalk and wall repair just needing fencing.

The docks have been removed from the old ABC store location.

West End sewer project is doing well. Have ran into some issues. Discussion ensued on alternate resolutions to continue moving forward.

VII. Communications Updates:

Lake Lure Classical is upset about the debris pile behind parks and rec. Unfortunately there isn't much we can do. Will continue to move forward.

We will plan to have an Easter egg hunt on April 13, 2025. Mayor Carol C. Pritchett and Laura Krejci will meet with the school to confirm.

The assisted living will be closing on April 19, 2025. May look into the building for rental for the Town. Mercy Chefs came in the beginning of the storm. Served 407,000 meals. They are planning to give grocery boxes, was directed to the outreach here.

Would also like to provide a meal for anyone in July. Will be like Christmas in July.

Would need a location. Talks will continue.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

No updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

Need some No trespassing signs for behind the parks and rec building. Need to keep people from going up there. It is a safety hazard.

Water samples are being done. Should have results back by next week. Next testing will be on April 28th. Will just need access to boat.

Spoke at the Rutherford Kiwanis Club and received \$10,000 donation towards the trees and shrubs in Morse Park. Also \$963.00 towards mulch. This was a great thing.

Trail work continues on weed patch. Still unsure of the National Guard but remain hopeful.

X. Community development Updates:

No updates at this time.

XI. FEMA:

No updates at this time.

XII. Police Department:

No updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

Having some issues with Rutherford County inspections with the floodplain. Trying to work through the issues but unsure of what that may be.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

Proctor road has a start date for some time in May.

Lake levels will be actively going down 12ft.

Should receive the sonar report back today.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to recess council briefing until Monday, March 31, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner Scott Doster

seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN SPECIAL WORK SESSION AND
ACTION MEETING**

Friday, March 28, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Commissioner Jim Proctor
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Stephen Ford, Finance Director
Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
Sean Humphries, Police Chief
Mike Hager,
Evan Smith, FEMA

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called meeting to order at 8:36 am.

II. Agenda Adoption:

Commissioner Scott Doster made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Commissioner Patrick Bryant seconded the motion and all were in favor.

III. Eagle Scout Project Amendment

Town manager, Olivia Stewman presented the Eagle Scout project amendment to the board. They have changed the scope of the project to include 2 benches and a small box library to be placed in Morse Park.

Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion to approve the Eagle Scout Project Amendment. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

IV. Public Service Building Proposal

Town Manager Olivia Stewman presented the proposal of the Public Works building. This would allow to relocate Public Works near the Parks and Rec building. Dean Lindsey added that quotes for the project are in the packet. The project would take 4 to 6 months to complete and could be started immediately. The only thing that would be left after construction would be to build a pole barn for storage. Commissioner Scott Doster asked what would the old building be used for or could it be utilized for the Police Department. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion to approve the Public Works building proposal. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

V. Capital Project Ordinance Bridge Loan

Stephen Ford, Finance Director presented to council the Capital project Ordinance Bridge Loan. Stated this was a bit of housekeeping. We needed to have an ordinance in place. The board reviewed the information provided.

Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion to approve the Capital Project Ordinance Bridge Loan. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

VI. Resolution 25-03-26 Accepting State Bridge Loan

Stephen Ford, Finance Director presented to the board the acceptance of the State Bridge Loan.

Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion accepting the State Bridge Loan. Commissioner Patrick Bryant seconded the motion and all were in favor.

VII. Storm Updates

Town manager Olivia Stewman advised that FEMA was working on site inspections for Town Hall, Marina, and Welcome center. We should have the reports back by the end of the day. Discussion ensued.

Sediment removal is still in the works, working on the contract approval. Army Corp is mobilized and ready to go and once contract is settled the will begin.

FEMA is asking for remedy for the historical status of the Flowering bridge. We are working with Army Corp to salvage some pieces for a memorial.

Michael Williams has completed a draft of the demolition of lake structures and has been sent to FEMA.

Sending offer to Chloe Moore on the purchase of the property needed for the West end sewer project. Dean, Labella, and Olivia have been working on possible sewer line with Fae Nectar. It may be more costly, but more efficient for the town to own the line.

Commissioner Dave DiOrio agrees. Will get a proposal together and present to the board at a later date.

Dean Lindsey advised that the sewer allocation will be about 84,000 per DEQ. This is for all new sewer connections. What was on the sewer prior to storm is already accounted for.

Met with Chimney Rock to discuss a grant for a study on the area. Will have more information at a later date.

Dana Bradley Park and rec director advised they will be working in Buffalo Creek Park to reconnect parking lot. National Guard is mobilized, just waiting for fund approval.

Dustin Waycaster had no updates at this time.

Dean Lindsey advised valve testing went well and is completed. We do have a few small things to complete but all things are a go. Discussion ensued.

West End Sewer project is the next big project working to move and get completed. Proctor Road project is set to start in May.

Morse Park clean up continues and working on an opening date. A portion of the field was given back as it's not need by Ashbritt and current lake levels are 985.

Mike Hager stated there is a few bills for Helene. Money is being allocated to different areas and may be available to the town. Discussion ensued.

Evan Smith with FEMA advised recovery centers are closing and April 7th, 2025 is the deadline.

Sean Humphries, gave praise to Ashbritt. Had a driver with a suspended license and Ashbritt handled it quickly and the department thanks them for their quick response.

Laura Krejci reminder that Asheville Citizen times will be here Wednesday April 2nd, 2025 to begin interviews regarding Helene recovery.

Mountain Biz work grant could be up to 25,000. Posted on the website for business owners.

The WNC small business grants has about 7,000 applicants.

There has been a ton of questions about road opening through Chimney Rock. Still unable to give accurate information.

Rowing teams have reached out and are hopeful they may be able to use the Lake this fall or spring.

Meeting with Don Cason on Monday. No other updates at this time.

Stephen Ford, finance director advised money was deposited into the bank on Monday from approval of the Loan. Still working on the insurance portion and will update when more information is available.

VIII. Town Manager/Project Updates

Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief met with officers and volunteers at the Fairfield Fire department. Training new firefighters and they will begin dissolution of the LLC. April 7, 2025 they will vote to turnover to Lake Lure Fire. Will also sign any remaining assets to Lake Lure. The quote for the sprinkler system and remodel came in at \$120,000. Next week we will begin to have paid staff at that location. Dustin thanked Jennifer and Steve for working so hard with the insurance for staff. It means a lot to all of us. Also the brush truck is currently out of order and being repaired. There will be a cook out today at noon.

IX. Public Comments

Pat Buede: Memorial Hwy.
Updates on Lago Vista Rd.? Town still working on it and plan to budget for it.
Marina sediment removal, what is the scope?
Town has submitted its scope and hoping it will all come together in the end. Unknown of what will actually take place.
At Legends, the sound makes it hard to hear any way to increase microphones?
Will work on using the microphones better and make more accessible.
Are we working on the watershed property?
Town has asked for this in the scope of work.
Is there damage to Memorial Bridge, Tryon Bay Bridge, and Lake Lure Bridge?
Okay with normal inspection. Will have another inspection once sediment removal is completed.
Lastly thanked council for all their hard work and dedication to the Town.

No other public comments.

X. Adjournment:

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Dave DiOrio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

**TOWN OF LAKE LURE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

Monday, March 31, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Lake Lure Fire Department



Agenda

Roll Call:

Mayor, Carol C, Pritchett
Commissioner Dave DiOrio
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner Scott Doster
Commissioner Jim Proctor

Town Manager, Olivia Stewman

Laura Krejci, Communications Director
Dean Lindsey, Public Works Director
Mike Williams, Community Development
Sean Humphries, Police Department
Dustin Waycaster, Fire Chief
Scott Martin, Rumbling Bald
Evan Smith, FEMA

Absent:

Dana Bradley, Parks and Rec

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carol C Pritchett called recessed meeting to order at 10:00 am.

II. Mayor Updates:

Mayor Carol C Pritchett opened meeting and turned over to Town Manager Olivia Stewman for updates.

III. Town Manager:

Town Manager Olivia Stewman stated that Contract is in place, just waiting on scope information.

Received the cost estimate for the Lago Vista road project. Came in around 2 million which also includes the retaining wall. Olivia will send information to council and will include Dustin and Mike Hager. Discussion ensued.

Site inspection reports from FEMA have come back and are now at the CRC. These inspection include Town Hall, Police department, Welcome Center, Marina building, Fueling station, and the Marina.

Waste water treatment plant inspection is scheduled for Thursday at 8:30am. No date for collections systems but hopes will be completed around the same time as the waste water treatment plant.

No other updates at this time.

IV. Human Resources Updates:

No updates at this time.

V. Fire Department Updates:

Working with FEMA with on-site inspections. No other updates.

VI. Public Works Updates:

Moving forward and working on restoring power at Morse Park. Meeting with Jason today to go over direction for lake levels. Currently at 984.2. West end sewer project going well and moving along. No other updates at this time.

VII. Communications Updates:

Lake Lure Classical Academy would still like the docks that are temporarily placed at the property across from the academy to be moved. Dean is working on a plan to make those less visible to the public eye.

Reminder that we will be doing the citizen-times interviews this week.

We will also be having the Advisory Board luncheon at noon on April 3, 2025 and the Parks and Rec board will follow immediately after.

Lake Lure Classical Academy has a new food truck that will operate 3 days a week. Will have a ribbon cutting on April 9th, 2025 at 2:00 pm.

Arbor day is coming up and were working on having a ceremony and plant a few trees. Will discuss more and give update at a later time.

VIII. Finance Department:

No updates at this time.

IX. ICF:

No updates at this time.

IX: Parks and REC:

Dana was not present today, but is working on the Buffalo Creek Trail head and hoping to get things moving there.

X. Community development Updates:

Michael Williams gave update that they will continue to allow contactors to work on lake structures and retaining walls as long as it does not interfere with the Army Corps progress on the sediment removal.

Should we be telling people to pull the stuff out from under the boathouses? At this time we do not have an answer but can update more next week. People are encouraged to apply for the PPDR program located at the arcade building.

FEMA and the emergency management team has a new model base flood elevation. (990.88) Recommended to increase freeboard. Discussion ensued.

Deese project is actively moving forward. Town advised that he still is unable to go under any town road and no long term road closures. All other issues would need to be brought to the board for consideration.

No other updates at this time.

XI. FEMA:

No updates at this time.

XII. Police Department:

No updates at this time.

XIII. Rumbling Bald Updates:

Would like to keep updated on the Lake draw down schedule. Will be working on repairs to the Cabana. Hoping to open access to the beach and will keep lake blocked off. We have seen a decline in golfing by about 20% but were thankful they are still utilizing Rumbling Bald.

IV. TDA

No updates at this time.

V. Other

There is a possible DOT meeting today will update if able to locate information. Flowering Bridge removal needs EHP (environmental historical preservation).

Cason will be here to shut of the gas to the fueling station and will move forward with removing the gas pump once FEMA site inspections are complete. No other updates at this time.

VI. Adjournment:

Commissioner Jim Proctor made a motion to recess council briefing until Monday, April 7, 2025 at 10:00am. Commissioner Scott Doster seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attest:

Kimberly Martin, Town Clerk

Carol C. Pritchett, Mayor

VII
UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

VIII

NEW BUSINESS

A. Lake Lure Classical Academy Presentation

B. Comprehensive Plan Agreement

C. Storm Recovery Updates

**LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION
Meeting Date: April 8, 2025**

SUBJECT: Lake Lure Classical Academy Student Presentation

AGENDA INFORMATION:

Agenda Location:

Item Number: 5

Department: Administration

Contact: Laura Krejci, Communications Director

Presenter: Lake Lure Classical Academy Student with Teacher Jeff Edwards

Brief Summary: The students will sharing a presentations they call "This is Us". The presentations is about the school and programs they offer.

Advance Approvals:

Not applicable

Request: There is no request at this time.

RECOMMENDED MOTION AND REQUESTED ACTIONS: Not applicable

STAFF'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Not applicable

**LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM
Meeting Date: April 8, 2025**

SUBJECT: Consider Approval of Contract with Foothills Regional Commission for the Lake Lure Comprehensive Plan

AGENDA INFORMATION:

Agenda Location: New Business
Item Number: 6
Department: Administration
Contact: Alan Toney, Foothills Regional Commission
Presenter: Olivia Stewman, Town Manager

BRIEF SUMMARY:

The Town will be working with Foothills Regional Commission (FRC) to complete a new Comprehensive Plan, as the current plan expires in 2027. The Town previously approved the scope of work proposed by FRC. Based on this approval, FRC has submitted a draft contract for Council's consideration. The cost for completion is estimated at \$50,000. FRC intends to begin work around in early summer in conjunction with the new fiscal year.

RECOMMENDED MOTION AND REQUESTED ACTIONS:

To approve Foothills Regional Commission Contract for the Lake Lure Comprehensive Plan.

FUNDING SOURCE:

General Fund – Admin – Professional Services

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Contract with FRC

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN
FOOTHILLS REGIONAL COMMISSION
and
TOWN OF LAKE LURE
for the provision of
Town of Lake Lure Comprehensive Plan

March 18, 2025 – December 31, 2027

This **AGREEMENT**, entered into the ____ day of _____, 2025, by and between the Foothills Regional Commission Council of Governments (hereinafter referred to as the "Council" or "Commission") and the TOWN OF LAKE LURE, North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as the "Local Government" or "Town"); **WITNESSETH THAT:**

WHEREAS, the Council is empowered to provide technical assistance by the North Carolina General Statutes and by resolution passed by the Council on April 17, 1972. Technical assistance shall consist of the provisions of services as described, which is herein made part of this Contract;

WHEREAS, the Local Government has requested the Council to provide such technical assistance to the Local Government;

WHEREAS, the Commission will act with authority create a Comprehensive Plan pursuant to North Carolina General Statute Chapter 160D, and

WHEREAS, the Local Government has completed all procedural steps necessary to enter into this contract including formal resolution by the City Council and notices as required by law;

WHEREAS, the Local Government desires to engage the Commission to assist with creating the Comprehensive Plan as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to cooperate with the Local Government in every way possible to the end that the proposed activities are carried out in an efficient and professional manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:

1. **Personnel and Scope of Services**

That during the period of this Contract, the Council will furnish the necessary trained personnel to the Local Government to create a Comprehensive Plan pursuant to NCGS 160D, including performance of the tasks outlined herein:

- Survey creation and survey data review.
- Public input with key community focus groups.
- Review of Current and Future statistics and demographics.
- Review of current existing conditions and development patterns.
- Hold bi-monthly steering committee meetings, anticipating 6 meetings in total over the span of 12

months.

- Provide 2 traditional public input sessions.
- Provide short-term and long-term development goals.
- Provide a webpage for the Plan hosted on the Foothills Regional Commission Website.
- Provide 2-4 Community Town Halls for public input.
- All mapping will be provided based upon existing data. No new data will be collected.
- Mapping will be hosted via the FRC server, and an online interactive map will be available to post on the Town of Lake Lure website after completion.
- Provide goals and objectives to guide future development.
- Provide 3-5 Catalyst Projects.
- Provide timelines and funding sources for Catalyst Projects.
- Mapping assessments and valuation assessments.
- **Deliverables:** The Commission will provide five high quality – print versions of the Plan and a digital PDF version of the plan. All GIS Data created by Foothills Regional Commission will also be provided to the Town of Lake Lure.

2. **Access to Information**

It is agreed that all information, data, reports and records and/or other information as is existing, available and necessary for the carrying out of the work outlined above shall be furnished to the Commission by the Local Government and its agents. No charge will be made to the Commission for such information and the Local Government and its agents will cooperate with the Commission in every way possible to facilitate the performance of the work described in the Agreement.

3. **Compensation**

That for the purpose of providing funds for carrying out this Contract, the Local Government will pay the Council a fixed fee of \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars). These fees will be billed and paid as in a lump sum upon project completion.

4. **Indemnification**

The Commission shall comply with the requirements of all applicable laws, rules and regulations, and shall exonerate, indemnify, and hold harmless the Local Government and its agents from and against any unlawful actions caused directly by the Commission, and shall assume responsibility for administering the project identified above as provided herein. Likewise, the Local Government shall comply with the requirements of all applicable laws, rules and regulations, and shall exonerate, indemnify, and hold harmless the Commission and its agents from and against any unlawful actions caused directly by the Local Government, and shall assume responsibility for assisting the Commission in administering the project identified above as provided herein.

5. **Termination/Modifications**

The Local Government or Council may terminate the contract by giving thirty days' written notice to the other entity. Furthermore, if there is a need to amend the agreement, either party may do so with the written consent of the other.

6. **Time of Performance**

The Council shall ensure that all services required herein shall be completed and all required reports,

maps, and documents submitted within one year from the date this contract is executed.

7. **Changes**

The Local Government may from time-to-time request changes in the scope of work or services to be performed by the Council hereunder. Such changes, including any increases or decreases in the Council's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by and between the Local Government and Council, shall be incorporated as written amendments to the Contract.

8. **Nondiscrimination Clause**

No person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination with any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds available under the Housing and Development Act of 1974, Section 109.

9. **Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended.**

No qualified person shall on the basis age be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity which receives benefits from federal financial assistance.

10. **Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.**

No qualified handicapped person shall, on the basis of handicap be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity which receives or benefits from federal financial assistance.

11. **E-Verify Provision**

Pursuant to G.S. 143-48.5 and G.S. 147-33.95(g), the undersigned hereby certifies that the Contractor named below, and the Contractor's subcontractors, complies with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the NC General Statutes, including the requirement for each employer with more than 25 employees in North Carolina to verify the work authorization of its employees through the federal E-Verify system. E-Verify System Link: www.uscis.gov

12. **Improper Expenditures**

The Commission shall hold the Local Government harmless from any improper expenditures caused by the Commission. The Commission shall reimburse the Local Government for any improperly expended grant funds that have to be returned to the Department of Commerce within thirty days unless agreed upon otherwise.

13. **Miscellaneous Provisions**

- a. This Agreement shall be construed under and in accord with the laws of the State of North Carolina, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Rutherford County, North Carolina.
- b. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

- c. If one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions thereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein. All other terms hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

- d. If any action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, costs, and necessary disbursements in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled.

- e. This Agreement may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties hereto in writing to be attached to and incorporated into this Agreement.

TOWN OF LAKE LURE

Foothills Regional Commission

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: Executive Director

Date: _____

Date: _____

This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

_____, Finance Officer Date _____

**LAKE LURE TOWN COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM
Meeting Date: April 8, 2025**

SUBJECT: Storm Recovery Updates

AGENDA INFORMATION:

Agenda Location: New Business
Item Number: 7
Department: Administration
Contact: Olivia Stewman, Town Manager
Presenter: Olivia Stewman, Town Manager

BRIEF SUMMARY:

Town staff will provide updates related to storm recovery. Frequent updates can be accessed on the Town's website at <https://www.townoflakelure.com>.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

The public is invited to speak. Please keep comments limited to three minutes or less. Comments may also be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk, kmartin@townoflakelure.com, at least one hour prior to the meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT