TOWN OF LAKE SANTEETLAH

January 9, 2024 at 12:00PM Location: 16 Marina Drive Lake Santeetlah NC 28771 & Zoom Meeting Council Meeting

AGENDA

Meeting called to order

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the December 14, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

Presentation of Financial/Tax Report as of December 31, 2023

Report on FY2022-23 Audit, Shannon Dennison

Brookfield, Rules on disposing yard debris in lake

Request for Public Comment

Old Business:

- 1. Allen, Stahl, & Kilbourne contract terminated as of Dec 31, 2023
- 2. Legal Counsel, Craig Justice, Van Winkle Law Firm hired beginning January 1, 2024
- 3. Town Truck delivered December 15, 2023
- 4. Update on internet

New Business:

- 1. Request by Council for TOLS Planning Board to meet and review Land Plan and Zoning Ordinance for recommendations of changes to report to Town Council. (action)
- 2. Public Comment Policy changes (action)
- 3. Report by Tourism Development Authority
- 4. Resolution to form TDA

- 5. Resolution to change Tourism Development Authority Occupancy Tax from 0% to 3% (have council review)(action)
- 6. Appointment of new TDA Board members (action)
- 7. Meet your Neighbor: Glenn Barnett to report on his missionary work
- 8. Spay and neuter of stray mountain cats: supported by Logan's Run, Tri-State Clinic and TOLS homeowners

Announcements

• The next regular scheduled Council Meeting will be held February 13, 2024 at 12PM. This meeting will be held at Town Hall and via Zoom. The link to join by Zoom will be sent out by mass email.

Motion to Adjourn

Town of Lake Santeetlah

Council Meeting Agenda Review

January 9, 2024

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda

Minutes:

Approval of December 14, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

Financial/Tax Report: (As of December 31, 2023)

The financial reports are attached.

Report on FY2022-23 Audit: Shannon Dennison, PA, will give the report on the audit

Brookfield, Rules on disposing yard debris in lake: A representative from Brookfield will be attending to speak about Brookfield's rules and regulations.

Request for Public Comment

Old Business:

- 1. Allen, Stahl & Kilbourne contract terminated as of Dec 31, 2023
- 2. Legal Counsel, Craig Justice, Van Winkle Law Firm hired beginning January 1, 2024
- 3. Town Truck delivered December 15, 2023-Scott will report
- 4. Update on internet-Roger Carlton will give an update

New Business:

- 1. Request by Council for TOLS Planning Board to meet and review Land Plan and Zoning Ordinance for recommendations of changes to report to Town Council (action)-Diana Simon will report on this.
- 2. Public Comment Policy changes (action)-a policy to govern public comment at a regular meeting of the Town Council will be reviewed.
- 3. Report by Tourism Development Authority-Diana Simon will report
- 4. Resolution to form TDA-it is a retroactive resolution as of the date tax collection began
- 5. Resolution to change Tourism Development Authority Occupancy Tax from 0% to 3% (have council review) (action)-The TDA plans on collecting tax in 2024.
- 6. Appointment of new TDA Board members (action)
- 7. Meet your Neighbor: Glenn Barnett to report on his missionary work
- 8. Spay and neuter of stray mountain cats: supported by Logan's Run, Tri-State Clinic and TOLS homeowners. Diana Simon will report on this.

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Motion to Adjourn

Town of Lake Santeetlah

Council Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2023

Mayor Simon called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Councilmembers Kevin Haag, Jim Hager, Keith Predmore, and Ralph Strunk were present for the meeting. Town Administrator Kim Matheson, Town Clerk Kala Farley, and Town Technician Scott Kamps were also present.

Scott Kamps offered an Invocation and Predmore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda: Hager made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business #7 Budget Amendment for the Town truck and New Business #8 Resolution to set the Town of Lake Santeetlah 2024-2025 scheduled meeting dates. Haag seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda for Approval of the September 14, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes, October 27, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes, November 9, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes, and December 11, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes: Hager made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Predmore Seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial/Tax Report as of November 2023: Matheson reported the tax collection as of November 2023 was \$77,033.66.

Brookfield-The representative did not attend the meeting.

Request for Public Comment:

Jack Gross-Gross spoke about the change of the meeting day and time and said while the change of the day will not have that big of an effect, the time change from 5:30PM to Noon and being described as a working lunch is a detrimental action for the new and growing demographic makeup of this community.

Alan Davidson-Davidson referenced sections of the North Carolina State Constitution and read Section 11 about property qualifications. He said there is some language in the Town of Santeetlah that needs to be cleaned up to adhere to the State Constitution.

Roger Carlton-Carlton spoke about Agenda item New Business #4 Appoint an oversight committee for Broadband/Internet. Carlton said the most important thing

is to decide what it is we really want. Do we want a system that is patched up quickly that may or may not have long term viability or do we want to try to find a new complete system that is more modern. We need to involve the citizens because the most successful system will be the one with the most subscribers.

Tina Emerson-Emerson said a survey was conducted in the past for desired meeting times and suggested the Council could do another survey to get that information. Simon replied the previous survey only had two choices to pick from.

Old Business:

1. Update on Golden Leaf: Matheson reported all the work for the Golden Leaf Grant had been completed. All the receipts for the work have been submitted and is under review and we are now just waiting on the funds to reimburse the Town.

New Business:

- 1. Brandon Emory will remain Zoning Administrator: Mayor Simon said Brandon Emory has decided that he will remain Zoning Administrator and we are reviewing the agreement.
- 2. Decision on Legal Counsel moving forward, review of agreements (action needed): Predmore presented the comparison he had done between the two proposals received from John Noor with Roberts & Stevens Attorneys At Law and Craig Justus with The Van Winkle Law Firm. After discussion, Haag made a motion to move forward with Craig Justus and have Predmore, as Contract Administrator, further discuss the terms of the contract with Justice. Predmore seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.
- **3. Support Letter for NCDOT:** Hager made a motion for Mayor Simon to sign the support letter. Predmore seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Appoint an oversight committee for Broadband/Internet (action needed): Hager made a motion to appoint Kevin Haag, Roger Carlton, and Chris Bradley for the committee. Simon seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.
- **5. Town Truck Update**: Kamps said the Truck will be here tomorrow. It is a 2024 white Ford F-350 and the trade-in allowance for the old truck was \$17,500, bringing the price of it down to \$35,675.
- **6. Ethics Course for Board Members notice**: Matheson said the ethics course is available now as an on-demand course and the office will notify the Council when we get it set up and ready for them.

- 7. **Budget Amendment:** A budget amendment was to bring forward the \$19,000 from budget year 22/23 to budget year 23/24 and close out Truck Reserve Account to pay on the \$35,675 for the new Town truck between the General Fund and Water Fund. Hager made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Predmore seconded. All Approved. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Resolution to set the Town of Lake Santeetlah 2024-2025 scheduled meeting dates: A resolution to hold Council Meetings on the second Tuesday of each month was presented. Haag made a motion to approve the resolution. Strunk seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion:

- 1. Report on Audit postponed: The report on the audit has been postponed to be presented at the January 9, 2024 Meeting.
- 2. Awareness of Consumer Scams: There was discussion of a number of scams that had been going on and Mayor Simon said that we are receiving updates from the office of Attorney General Josh Stein to raise awareness and provide information on how to protect yourself from consumer scams.

Announcements:

- New water billing will be done the week before Christmas: Matheson said
 we will begin the new water billing on Monday, December 18, 2023, and
 asked that people please pay any outstanding balances if they haven't done
 so.
- The next regular scheduled Council Meeting will be held January 9, 2024 at 12PM. This meeting will be held at Town Hall and by Zoom.

Final Public Comment:

<u>Chris Bradley</u>-Bradley said Yes, he is willing to participate on the oversight committee. Bradley also said, in reference to the fraud discussion, he would like to make people aware that if you contact your local FBI office they may send somebody out, especially if they have the opportunity to address a substantial number of people, so you might want to make that available to the citizens, and the FBI agent can talk to you about what is currently out there and how to protect yourself.

<u>Roger Carlton</u>-Carlton said the County now offers the option to pay taxes by credit card. He also suggested, in reference to the water bills being mailed, that the

Council consider extending the water bill due date given the added strain on the postal service this time of year.

Jack Gross-Gross asked why it was stated during the meeting that the citizens would be asked about their preference for meeting times if the Council already had a resolution to adopt to lock in a specific time.

Motion to Adjourn.

Predmore made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Strunk seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:21 PM.

Diana Simon, Mayor	Kala Farley, Town Clerk

2024

Assets		
01-1001-0100	Escrow Acct Checking	7,386.37
01-1001-0200	FC General Money Market	0.00
01-1001-0300	FC Savings Account	11,289.41
01-1001-0600	UCB Capital Reserve Roads	0.00
	General Operating Checking	79,214.06
01-1001-0800		13,385.30
01-1001-1000	UCB ARPA FUNDS	11,195.52-
01-1001-1100	Payroll Checking	4,416.69
01-1001-1200	Powell Bill Checking	138,768.62
01-1001-1300	UCB General Account Savings	
01-1001-1400	UCB Reserve Acct Town Truck	19,000.00
01-1100-0000	TAXES RECEIVABLE	1,055.29
01-1280-0100	NC Sales Tax receivable	1,498.27
01-1700-1000	Capital Asset	0.00
01-1700-1100	Capital Assets	0.00
01-1710-0000	Land - Non Depreciated Asset	36,851.80
01-1720-0000	Buildings & Bldg Improvements	186,114.20
01-1730-0000	Land & Infrastructure Improvmt	705,481.83
	Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures	60,178.52
01-1740-0000		1,333.00
01-1750-2000	Computer	644,897.60-
01-1790-1000	Less Accumulated Depreciation	0.00
01-1800-0000	Loss on Sale of Asset	
01-1900-0200	Due From Water	28,488.43
01-1900-0300	Due From TDA	0.00
01-1900-0400	Due From Capital Reserve	19,000.00
01-1900-0500	Due From ARPA Fund	0.00
01-2900-0200	Due To Water	20,103.13-
01-2900-0300	Due To TDA	0.00
01-2900-0400	Due To Capital Reserve	19,000.00-
01-2900-0500	Due To ARPA Fund	0.00
01-9998-0000	ESTIMATED REVENUE	72,697.00
01-3330-0000	Total Assets	690,962,54
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01-2000-0000	Accounts Payable	1,625.00-
01-2000-0000	Ford Motor Credit	0.00
	Payroll Liabilities	3,328.50
01-2010-0000		0.00
01-2010-1000	Direct Deposit Liabilities	0.00
01-2200-0000	Accrued Expenses	0.00
01-2210-0000	Prepaid	
01-9999-0000	APPROPRIATED BUDGET	72,697.00
	Total Liabilities	74,400.50
01-4000-0000	Retained Earnings	702,060.26
01 4000 0000	Total	702,060.26
	Revenue	140,560.83
	Less Expenses	277,015.00
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	Net	565,606.09
	Total Fund Balance	640,006.59
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Lake Santeetlah Water Fund BALANCE SHEET AS OF: 06/30/24

2024

Assets		
02-1001-0600	First Citizens Credit Card Acco	1,429.81
02-1001 - 1000	UCB ARPA Funds Water	0.00
02-1001-1600	UCB Water Money Market	34,710.67
02-1001-1800	Water Operating Checking	56,300.84
02-1280-0100	NC Sales Tax Receivabel	1,483.97
02-1290-0000	Accounts Receivable	33,296.57-
02-1290-0500	Account Receivalbe Reserve	0.00
02-1710-0000	Land - Non Depreciated Asset	70,000.00
02-1740-0000	Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures	89,216.93
02-1790-1000	Accumulated Depreciation	814,400.15-
02-1800-0100	Water Meters	56,655.49
02-1800-0200	NEW WATER METER ACCOUNT	0.00
02-1800-0300	Plant & System Distributions	930,730.54
02-9998-0000	ESTIMATED REVENUE	0.00
02 3330 0000	Total Assets	392,831.53
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Liabilities & Fun	d Balance	
02-1990-0100	Due from General Fund	20,103.13-
02-1990-0300	Due From TDA	0.00
02-1990-0400	Due From Capital Reserve	0.00
02-1990-0500	Due From ARPA Fund	0.00
02-2000-0000	Accounts Payable	1,225.00-
02-2100-0000	Payroll Liabilities	0.00
02-2200-0000	Accrued Expenses	0.00
02-2500-0000	UCB Loan	151,666.57
02-2550-0000	DEBT SERVICE - INFRASTRUCTURE	0.00
02-2900-0100	Due to General Fund	28,488.43
02-2900-0300	Due To TDA	0.00
02-2900-0400	Due To Capital Reserve	0.00
02-2900-0400	Due To ARPA Fund	0.00
02-2900-0300	APPROPRIATED BUDGET	0.00
02-3333-0000	Total Liabilities	158,826.87
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02-4000-0000	Retained Earnings	249,909.89
	Total	249,909.89
	Revenue	843.44
	Less Expenses	62,466.21
	Net	<u>61,622.77</u> -
	Total Fund Balance	<u> 188,287.12</u>
	Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	347,113.99

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60,003.05 -	60,846.49	843.44	Current	60,846.49	Current Expd
60,003.05 -	60,846,49	843.44	YTD	60,846,49	YTD Expended
				67,726.51	d Unexpended % Expd
				47	% Expd



Public Comment Policy January 9, 2024

The following public comment policy is adopted pursuant N.C. Gen. Stat § 160A-81.1 and is intended to be fully compliant with that statute. This policy governs public comment at a regular meeting of the Town Council.

- 1. There shall be one period allowed for public comment per month at a regular meeting of the Town Board.
- 2. Each speaker shall have three (3) minutes in which to provide public comment.
- 3. All public comments shall be directed to the Town Council and be in conformance with the order and decorum of the meeting.

Approved on this ____th day of January 2024.

Diana Simon, Mayor

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF GRAHAM
TOWN OF LAKE SANTEETLAH

RESOLUTION ON OCCUPANCY TAX RATE

WHEREAS, the North Carolinas General Assembly adopted an Act to Authorize the Town of Lake Santeetlah to Levy an Occupancy Tax in Session Law 2015-102, Senate Bill 140, according to North Carolina General Status 160A-215, stating the Town Council of the Town of Lake Santeetlah may levy a room occupancy tax of up to three percent (3%) of gross receipts;

WHEREAS, in accordance to Session Law 2015-102, Senate Bill 140, according to North Carolina General Status 160A-215, a RESOLUTION ON OCCUPANCY TAX SUBSEQUENT TO AUTHORIZATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, setting forth details of the tax and Tourism Development Authority, was adopted and passed by "three to two" vote of the Town Council for the Town of Lake Santeetlah, at a regularly scheduled meeting held the 18th day of July, 2017, signed by Mayor Jim Hager;

WHEREAS, a public hearing on an Ordinance for Occupancy Tax and By-Laws for the Tourism Development Authority was posted in the Town Hall, notice of Public Hearing was published for two (2) successive calendar weeks in the Graham Star and scheduled public hearing was held on August 15th, 2017;

WHEREAS, at the September 19th, 2017 Town of Lake Santeetlah Council meeting, the Town Council voted "three to two" in favor of adopting of the Ordinance of Excise Tax for Rooms, Lodgings and Accommodations at a Rate of Taxation of 3%, beginning January 1st, 2018;

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake Santeetlah is in compliance with Session Law 2015-102, Senate Bill 140, according to North Carolina General Status 160A-215, stating the Town Council of the Town of Lake Santeetlah may levy a room occupancy tax of up to three percent (3%) of gross receipts;

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake Santeetlah is in compliance with Session Law 2023-144, Section 27.2, General Status 160A-215(g);

WHEREAS, an inter-local agreement with Graham County to collect Tax for the Town of Lake Santeetlah was NOT required, or initiated, to be in compliance with Session Law 2023-144, Section 27.2, General Status 160A-215(g);

WHEREAS, a room occupancy tax levied by the Town may be repealed or reduced by a Resolution adopted by the governing body; the repeal or reduction of the room occupancy tax shall become effective on the first day of the month and may not become effective until the end of the fiscal year in which the Resolution was adopted (NCGS 160-215);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Lake Santeetlah Town Council votes to change the Tax Levy on room Occupancy Tax from 0% (zero percent) gross receipts to 3% (three percent) gross receipts, shall become effective, as required in NCGS 160A-215 on the first day of the February 2024 and Tax collection beginning with the new fiscal year, March 1, 2024.

AD for the Tow 2024.	OPTED AND PASSED by on of Lake Santeetlah, at the regularly schedu	vote of the Town Council uled meeting held 9th day of February,
	TOWN OF LAKE SANTEETLAH	
	By:	<u></u>
	Diana Simon, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
	(SEAT)

Kala Farley, Town Clerk