

Town of Lake Santeetlah

Council Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2025

Vice Mayor Kevin Haag called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Councilmembers Ralph Strunk, Keith Predmore, and Jim Hager were present for the meeting. Town Administrator Kim Matheson and Town Technician Scott Kamps were also present. Attorney Justus was available on Zoom. Mayor Diana Simon was not present.

Kevin Haag led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered an Invocation.

Approval of the Council Meeting Agenda: Hager made a motion to approve the agenda. Strunk seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

1. September 9, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes
2. September 18, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes
3. September 18, 2025 Closed Session Minutes

Hager made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Predmore seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial/Tax Report as of September 30, 2025: Matheson reported the tax collection for September was \$18,817.20. Matheson reported that \$85,795 was paid out this month for Paving.

Support for Robbinsville Elementary School Food Bank: Amanda from Robbinsville Elementary School was in attendance and discussed the need for support of the food bank given 167 families had signed up for weekly food boxes at the beginning of the school year. Manna is helping provide some of the food boxes and were supposed to contribute weekly but has not managed to do so, leaving the school looking for ways to cover all the families that requested assistance. Hager made a motion to donate \$100 a month to the Food Pantry and \$100 a month to the Food Bank through June of next year. Predmore seconded. All Approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Request for Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Old Business:

1. **Update on Duke Energy Easement:** Duke Energy sent back a redline and the attorney has not had ample time to review it at this time. This item will be on next month's agenda.
2. **Update on backup system for water on top of the mountain:** Matheson will do some more research on some engineering firms to submit a request to, and this item will be put on next month's agenda.
3. **Update on paving:** Kamps reported that all paving has been completed around Town.

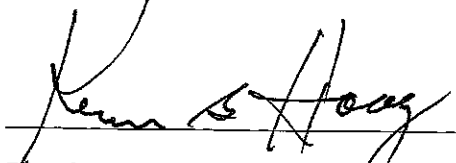
New Business:


1. **Report from Tourism Development Authority:** This item will be put back on the agenda for next month due to Diana Simon not being available to report.
2. **New Internet service providers opportunity:** Matheson said there was a need of 75% of residents willing to sign up before the service provider would consider installing the fiber in Town. So far, only 47 people have said they would sign up, so there isn't enough participation at this time to move forward.
3. **Council Statements:** There were no Council Statements.

Motion for Closed Session: Predmore said pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (3) and 143-318.11 (c), I move that the Town of Lake Santeetlah Town Council go into closed session to receive advice from Craig Justus, Attorney for the Town of Lake Santeetlah Town Council, which advice comes within the purview of the Attorney-Client privilege. The advice will be general legal advice about legal issues or legal matters. Hager seconded the motion. All approved. The Council moved in to Closed Session.

The Council returned to the meeting from Closed Session.

Motion to Adjourn: Haag made the motion to close the meeting. Hager seconded. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 1:19 PM.


Kevin Haag, Vice Mayor


Kala Farley, Town Clerk