

Minutes-Special Meeting of the Boone Town Council

Water Use Committee

December 1, 2010

A special meeting of the Boone Town Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 1, 2010, in the Council Chambers, 1500 Blowing Rock Road. Mayor Loretta Clawson presided. Council Members present were Mayor Pro-Tem Lynne Mason, Rennie Brantz, Stephen Phillips Jamie Leigh, and Andy Ball. Members of the Water Use Committee present were Tim Wilson, Pam Williamson, Patrick Beville, Dr. Kristan Cockerill and Bunk Spann. Staff Members present were Greg Young- Town Manager, Rick Miller- Public Utilities Director and Lane Weiss-Water Conservation Program Coordinator. Town Attorney Sam Furguele was also in attendance.

Mayor Clawson called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Discussion of Changes to Ordinance 05-01

Town Attorney Sam Furguele opened the discussion by reviewing the changes he had drafted to Ordinance 05-01. Mr. Furguele stated that he had reformatted the Ordinance making it easier to read, removing duplications, and restructuring to make information easier to find, noting that no substantive changes had been made. After brief discussion the Committee decided that no recommendations be made regarding the ordinance at this time, due to the future possibility of changes to Ordinance 05-01.

Discussion of Recommendations from Sub-Committee

Public Utilities Director Rick Miller began the discussion by stating that the Water Use Sub-Committee had two recommendations for the Water Use Committee, the first being a recommendation that the Water Committee recommend to the Town Council the permanent adoption of Stage 1 Water Shortage Restrictions for the purpose of water conservation. A second recommendation is that the Committee adopts the minor revisions to Stage 1 Water Shortage Restrictions, which were reviewed at the last Sub-Committee meeting. Council Member Mason noted some concern with items number 9 and 12 from Stage 1 Water Restrictions, stating that for permanent adoption some language might need to be adjusted. After some discussion, the Committee came to a consensus that Stage I Water Shortage Restrictions must remove items number 9 and 12 for language to be adopted permanently and that both recommendations are approved, with a need for additional language in Stage II Water Shortage Restrictions, specifically moving Stage I Water Shortage Restriction item number 12 to Stage II Restrictions.

Discussion of the Reprioritization of Water Allocation Options

Due to a lack of information available and time to review, the committee chose to move this agenda item to a future meeting agenda. However, the Committee noted the urgency required in addressing this matter and suggested a meeting be scheduled as soon as possible.

Mayor, Loretta Clawson

Committee Secretary, Lane Weiss