

MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING
BOONE TOWN COUNCIL
JANUARY 19, 2005

A special meeting of the Boone Town Council was called to order at 3:04 p.m., Wednesday, January 19, 2005, in the Town Council Chambers, 1500 Blowing Rock Road, Boone, NC. Mayor Velma C. Burnley presided. Council members present were Mayor Pro-Tem Loretta Clawson, Lynne Mason, Dempsey Wilcox, and Bunk Spann. Members of the Water Study Committee present were Pam Williamson, Mary Ruth McRae, and Rob Holton (arrived at 3:11p.m.). Town staff members present were Greg Young-Town Manager, Rick Miller-Public Utilities Director, John Spear-Development Services Director, Amy Davis-Finance Director, Kim Tester-Deputy Town Clerk, and Megan Wilson-Administrative Support Specialist. Town Attorney, Sam Furguele, was also present.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and review a draft resolution relating to the immediate water systems needs of the town.

Mayor Burnley welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Mr. Miller to begin the discussion.

Mr. Miller began by referring to a packet of revised information (**Exhibit A**) which includes a memo from Mr. Miller to the Council and Committee and several charts. Mr. Miller pointed out that this information includes the revised numbers based on the number of bedrooms, not units. He also pointed out a list of twelve projects previously approved for water service by the Town Council. He explained that these projects were not included in the figures of remaining gallons of water for the town and are not included in the 576 allocated taps for in-town properties. He pointed out that the number of remaining gallons of water is 180,000 gallons.

In regard to the draft resolution, Mr. Furguele began by explaining the differences in paragraph 4, alternative language #1 and alternative language #2. He stated that the work group, including Mr. Young, Mr. Spear, and Mr. Miller, and himself, initially intended to recommend alternative language #1. After further contemplation, however, the group decided to recommend alternative language #2 since it would be more restrictive. He also pointed out that the alternative language #2 includes factors mentioned at the previous meeting including sufficient water pressure and the ability to comply with applicable fire and water/sewer codes. Mr. Furguele stated that this draft was composed as a basis for a working group and as a result of his notes from the previous meeting. Mr. Young further indicated that alternative language #2 also recognized the existing approvals granted by the Town Council.

After the draft resolution was discussed, several changes were suggested. The changes are reflected in the attached revised draft resolution (**Exhibit B**) in bold-face type. The consensus of the group was that the resolution needs to reflect the exact number of gallons of water remaining for the six-year time period.

Council member Wilcox left the meeting at 4:50 p.m. Mayor Burnley asked for a vote for the recommendation of the draft resolution with the amendments noted during this meeting.

VOTE: Aye – 5 (Williamson, McRae, Spann, Clawson, Mason)
 Nay – 1 (Holton)
 Absent – 1 (Wilcox)

Mayor Burnley thanked all those present for their time and commitment to this committee. Council member Clawson stated that she would like to keep this committee active to be able to discuss other issues in the future. Committee member Holton listed several items for future discussion: accurate numbers for commercial uses during peak times, such as the month of October and the creation of conservation policies.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Burnley adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Deputy Town Clerk		Mayor