

**MINUTES**  
**VILLAGE OF LAKE PARK COUNCIL MEETING**  
**3801 LAKE PARK ROAD, LAKE PARK, NC**  
**REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 P.M.**  
**July 10, 2007**

**ATTENDING:** Mayor John Ross  
Council Members: Sarah Barbour, Greg Crosby,  
Kendall Spence, Jo Waybright  
Attorney Ken Swain  
Finance Officer – Cheryl Bennett  
Village Clerk – Cheri Clark

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor John Ross called the Regular Session of the Village of Lake Park Council to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor John Ross led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Public Hearing – Proposed 2007 – 2008 Fiscal Year Budget & Regular Session – June 12, 2007. Sandy Coughlin requested that the minutes be amended on page 2 of the Regular Session. Change the period in \$1,000.447 to \$1,000,447. Sandy Coughlin made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Greg Crosby seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

William Parker attended the Fourth of July celebration and thanked the Council for all planning and hard work that went to the very enjoyable event.

Royetta Sieminski invited everyone to attend the National Night Out on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Plans for the event are moving right along.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** Sandy Coughlin made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Greg Crosby seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

**SECURITY REPORT:** Sarah Barbour noted that false alarms have increased and that there was another accident at Faith Church and Unionville Indian Trail Road today about five o'clock. The Village of Lake Park has a couple of outstanding delinquent citations that need to be collected and she advised Council that the best way to collect the delinquent fees needs to be determined and implemented.

National Night Out is receiving publicity in the Union Observer, Indian Trail Trader and the Enquirer Journal.

With the upcoming Council elections, Sarah Barbour recommended that each Council member provide municipal business responsibilities to the Clerk. This way if responsibilities are reassigned, the Councilperson would have a guide.

**FINANCE REPORT:** Finance Officer Cheryl Bennett made a June 2007 budget amendment:

	Increase	Decrease
Park Maintenance	\$200.00	
Street Signs		\$200.00
Pool Operations	\$ 12.00	
Community Center Maintenance	\$370.00	
Recreational Programs	\$131.00	
Water/Sewer		\$513.00

**TAX OFFICER'S REPORT:** Tax Officer Cheri Clark stated that the delinquent property taxes were advertised in Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup> Union Observer. The Council decided to not print and mail a copy of the 2007 tax bill to homeowners that have their taxes escrowed with their mortgage.

**WASTE COLLECTION:** The Village of Lake Park is within budget and off to a good start for new fiscal year.

**COMMUNICATION:** Greg Crosby asked all articles for the next Villager be submitted by July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**PARK AND RECREATION:** Jo Waybright shared that pool revenues are above \$50,000 for the season. The revenue figure comes from seasonal memberships and daily walk-ups. Family night at the pool will be Friday night, August 31<sup>st</sup> from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The Fourth of July was a success. We had the largest crowd since the VOLP started hosting the event. Jo Waybright and Kendall Spence thanked everyone who volunteered and participated.

The water leak in the Community Center has been repaired and the gables have been repaired and painted. Kendall Spence made a motion to have the tree branches on Olsen trimmed, a dead tree in the Memorial Garden removed and stump ground, and the tree that was hit by lighting removed at the corner of Mimosa and Mother Theresa - \$835.00 by Archies Tree Service. Sandy Coughlin seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Lucas Lawn and Landscaping has provided a contract extension for the VOLP. Ken Swain will review the contract.

Greg Crosby has looked at the clocks at the clock tower and it is possible that they were hit by lighting. Further investigation is needed. Ken Swain suggested that if the

repairs are a significant amount of money – the VOLP may want to make an insurance claim.

**STREET BUSINESS:** Mayor John Ross shared that the Powell Bill package would be mailed this week. At the present time, there is \$89,362.58 in the Powell Bill accounts. This afternoon, Chris Mathisen, Kendall Spence and Mayor John Ross met in reference to the resurfacing of roads in the VOLP. Mayor John Ross provided Council with a list of proposed street maintenance recommendations. Based on the recommendation, Council agreed to another round of resurfacing that will cost somewhere between \$75,000 and \$80,000 in about six weeks. Mayor John Ross suggested that we stripe Lake Park Road at the Unionville Indian Trail intersection. A composite map of the proposed paving will be provided at the next Council meeting.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Sandy Coughlin made a motion to appoint Mr. Doug Lucas for a three year term on Economic Development Commission. Kendall Spence seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous. The next EDC workshop is July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 a.m. at the Community Center.

**SET AGENDA FOR AUGUST 14, 2007:** There are no changes to the agenda.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Kendall Spence thanked all of the volunteers for their work on the Fourth of July and congratulated Bob and Ann Haegala and Jan and Norris Jeffrey upon receiving the Hometown Heroes award.

Greg Crosby thanked Mr. Nowlan for donating the propane and use of the grill and all of the grillers for their willingness to volunteer at the Fourth of July event.

Sandy Coughlin encouraged existing Council members to run for office if their term is expiring.

Mayor John Ross shared that the VOLP has received its' first bill from Union County for Stormwater – under \$1,400. There are no changes to our flood plains. Mayor Ross also thanked everyone for a successful Fourth of July event.

**ADJOURN:** Kendall Spence made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Crosby seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor John H. Ross

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Village Clerk, Cheri Clark