

**MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING
BOONE TOWN COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 4, 2008**

A special meeting of the Boone Town Council was called to order at 5:06 p.m., Monday, February 4, 2008, in the Council Chambers, 1500 Blowing Rock Road. Mayor Loretta Clawson presided. Council Members present were Lynne Mason, Janet Pepin, Rennie Brantz, Stephen Phillips and Liz Aycock. Water Study Committee members present were Mary Ruth McRae and Bunk Spann. Staff members present were Greg Young-Town Manager, Kimberly Tester-Deputy Town Clerk, Rick Miller-Public Utilities Director, and John Spear-Development Services Director. Town Attorney Sam Furgiuele was also present.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss revisions to the Water Conservation Ordinance and possible revisions to Ordinance 05-01.

DISCUSSION OF REVISIONS TO WATER CONSERVATION ORDINANCE

Mayor Pro-Tem Mason welcomed all to the meeting and invited Public Utilities Director Rick Miller to begin discussion. He began by referring to a memorandum in the meeting packet information which points out that the Town's water conservation ordinance must be updated in order to meet new state requirements. Mr. Miller noted that the sub-committee discussed the issue and proposed a revised draft with several recommended changes. After much discussion regarding several changes including editorial and grammatical changes, revisions to the requirements and guidelines for Stages I, II, and III Water Shortages, and possible water audit standards and requirements, it was the consensus of the committee to direct the sub-committee to review the changes discussed by the members of the water committee and to revise the proposed draft to include the suggested changes. The revised draft will then be reviewed by the water study committee prior to presentation to the Town Council at the March regular meeting.

DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE REVISION TO ORDINANCE 05-01

Public Utilities Director Rick Miller noted that when Ordinance 05-01 was revised to allow for extensions into the secondary pressure zones located within the Town limits, no provisions were added that would allow for extensions of piping from existing secondary pressure zones. He explained that it can be an added expense to an applicant requesting water service to be required to connect to a tank in a main pressure zone when an existing tank in the secondary pressure zone is accessible. Council Member Pepin stated the text should reference public tanks only so that the requirement would not apply to private tanks. Council Member Mason stated the requirement which states "...the requesting property was located inside the Boone corporate limits on or before March 8, 2007.." should remain in the ordinance. Mr. Miller stated that language requiring certification by a Town engineer should be included in the ordinance as well as specific language detailing the water system as tanks, pump stations, and water mains. Upon a motion by Council Member Mason, seconded by Council Member Brantz, the committee moved to recommend the following revised text to the Town Council:

"During the term of this Resolution, no service extensions into the secondary pressure zone shall be considered for approval unless the requesting property was located inside the Boone corporate limits on or before March 8, 2007 and **the** applicant is willing to adhere to Town of Boone secondary pressure zone specifications, **or there is already existing capacity to extend the service, as described herein. Where no present capacity exists, needed** These specifications include, but are not limited to:; eight-inch minimum pipe diameter; booster pumping stations **of** ~~shall be an~~ EFI design with fire pumping capabilities; minimum 100,000 gallon welded joint steel storage tank(s), pressure protection ~~is~~ provided for each individual water service, **and** ~~telemetry systems shall be~~ Dataflow Systems radio telemetry **systems and shall be** compatible with the existing Town of Boone system, ~~and~~ **No proposed extension does not exceed may extend to a service location above 3,620 feet in elevation. For purposes of this paragraph, "existing capacity to extend the service" in the secondary pressure zone exists when there are already in existence the needed Town of Boone tank(s), pump stations and mains, certified by an engineer employed by the Town as having sufficient capacity to serve the applicants for the extension and other anticipated future customers who would be served by the extension for whom service would meet the following concerns identified for connections in the secondary pressure zone.** A connection to an existing water main in a

secondary pressure zone may **only** be considered where the connection is within the corporate limits as they exist as of the date of the resolution, and where such connection creates no negative impact on the Town's distribution system, allows adequate pressure to be maintained as may be necessary to comply with the requirements of the Boone Fire Department **and** applicable fire codes, results in no additional costs to the Town, and otherwise complies with the requirements of the Town of Boone Water and Sewer Code for connection to the Town's water system. For purposes of this paragraph, a "connection" is defined as the linking of pipes serving a single dwelling unit to an existing water main. For purposes of this paragraph, an "extension" refers to the continuation of a water main beyond its currently existing limits."

VOTE: Aye - All
 Nay - None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Mayor Clawson adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Deputy Town Clerk

Mayor