

## **Town of Lake Santeetlah**

### **Special Meeting Minutes**

**April 17, 2024**

Mayor Simon called the meeting to order at 1:34PM. Councilmembers Kevin Haag, Keith Predmore and Jim Hager were present for the meeting. Town Administrator Kim Matheson and Town Clerk Kala Farley were also present. Ralph Strunk was not present.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Hager made a motion to approve the agenda. Predmore seconded. All approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Simon read the Ethics Statement Reminder: In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Town of Lake Santeetlah Council member to avoid conflicts of interest. If anyone has a conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Town of Lake Santeetlah Council today, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the matter involved.

#### **New Business:**

**1. Appoint new Planning Board Member:** Mayor Simon stated after the resignation of Mrs. Hager, the Council solicited applications for appointments from the Town citizens by email and stated on the website. Four persons responded with their interest in serving on the Planning Board; Mark DeVerges, Alan Davidson, Lori Bailey, and Jack Gross. All four candidates offered their experience and are property owners. Lori Pisarcik is Lori Bailey. All emails were forwarded to Town Council members to review. There is no requirement to appoint an alternate to an open position as stated by counsel at our last meeting. This meeting will be following the Appointment by Nomination procedure rather than Appointment by Motion procedure. This is the North Carolina School of Government recommended procedure. Candidates will be nominated by a Council member. There will be a discussion for each nominee, which will be followed by a vote of the Council. It is the duty of each member to vote. The nominee with a majority vote will be appointed. There will be no nominations by the public nor a Public Comment period. I open the floor for nominations by our Council. Hager nominated Lori Bailey. Mayor asked if there were any other nominations. There were no other nominations. Mayor Simon stated Lori has indicated her interest as of November of last year and I

feel she would be a strong person to be appointed. Predmore said he noted her experience in the reality business and her interest as expressed in her email and thought it was pretty good. Mayor Simon stated I'll call roll call of the members and each member shall cast a vote for his or her nominee.

Kevin Haag voted for Lori Bailey.

Keith Predmore voted Yes for Lori Bailey.

Mayor Diana Simon voted for Lori Bailey.

Jim Hager voted for Lori Bailey.

Mayor Simon said Lori Bailey has been selected to fill a vacancy on the Planning Board. We have a Resolution to appoint a new Planning Board member and an ordinance number and the new members name are to be recorded on the Resolution.

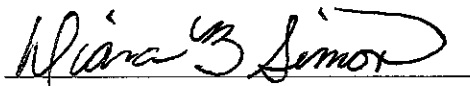
Mayor Simon said a motion was required to approve the resolution to appoint Lori Bailey. Haag made a motion to appoint Lori Bailey to the Planning Board. Hager seconded. All Approved. The motion passed unanimously.

**Announcements:**

- Mayor Simon said as was requested by me during the January 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, anyone with suggestions for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, please submit those suggestions to Town Hall and to please identify what that item might relate to in the Ordinance. The Planning Board has a meeting scheduled for Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM at Town Hall and via Zoom.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Predmore made a motion to adjourn. Hager seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:42PM.



Diana Simon, Mayor



Kala Farley, Town Clerk