

MINUTES

Town of Blowing Rock Board of Commissioners Special Meeting-September 25, 2008

The Town of Blowing Rock Board of Commissioners held a special meeting on Thursday, September 25, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers at 1036 Main Street, Blowing Rock. Present were Mayor J.B. Lawrence, Commissioners Bobby Ball, Keith Tester, Phillip Pickett, Albert Yount, and Tommy Klutz. Others attending were Town Manager Scott Hildebran, Public Works Director Johnny Lentz, Shad Walter of McGill Associates, and Town Clerk Sharon Greene.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lawrence called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Mr. Ray Fisher of Frontier Gas gave a presentation to Council regarding the feasibility of providing natural gas to the Blowing Rock area. He stated Commissioner Pickett had recently worked with Frontier Gas gathering information and speaking with several people regarding their interest in being supplied with natural gas.

Mr. Fisher further discussed the logistics and design aspects of supply natural gas and proposed two options of running a natural gas line. He stated either a plastic line or steel line could be used depending on the number of customers and the amount of gas it would take in order to serve them.

After further discussion regarding the depth and size of the line, a power point presentation was given by Ms. LeAnn Nixon of Frontier Gas. In the presentation a brief history of the history of Frontier Gas was given. She also spoke regarding the convenience, abundance, safety, efficiency, and economical aspects of having natural gas. Ms. Nixon stated a household could save as much as 10 to 60% over propane or fuel oil and that you pay for the natural gas after you use it, not before. **Power Point Presentation –Attachment 1**

Council consensus was to gather further information from the community to see if there was enough interest to further pursue running a natural gas line to Blowing Rock.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

MAYOR _____
J.B. Lawrence

ATTEST _____
Sharon Greene, Town Clerk

Attachments

Power Point Presentation – Attachment 1