



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE MARINE
COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2018, 4:30 P.M. AT THE LAKE
LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER**

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Cooley
Mayor Pro Tem John W. Moore
Commissioner Bob Cameron
Commissioner John Kilby
Commissioner Stephen M. Webber
Shannon Baldwin, Interim Town Manager

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kevin Cooley called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Mayor Kevin Cooley gave the invocation and Council members led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner John Kilby proposed amending the Agenda to add a discussion on trash gate and non-motorized safety issues as the first item of New Business.

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Commissioner John Kilby seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Kevin Cooley invited the audience to speak and no one requested to speak at this time.

TRASH GATE & NON-MOTORIZED SAFETY ISSUES

Commissioner John Kilby reported that the new trash boom has been purchased and noting that a portion of the old boom is still operational. Commissioner Kilby requested attaching each side of the old boom to the trash gate and tie off at the new boom and suggested that the Lake Advisory Board (LAB) do this and report back at the next Marine Commission meeting.

Commissioner John Kilby made a motion to direct the LAB to move forward with this matter and report back at the next Marine Commission Meeting. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Kilby explained that one of the biggest safety concerns on the lake is non-motorized vessels venturing out into the middle of the lake. He felt this was a real concern and needs addressing. He suggested a standardized safety questionnaire that Lake Lure Tours, Lake Lure Adventure Company, Rumbling Bald Resort, and the Lodge on Lake Lure have to give to renters to read and sign that they understand the rules before they can rent the vessels. Commissioner Bob Cameron agreed and felt that the majority of the issues come from boat rentals.

Gary Johnson, LAB, stated that it's not just specific to rental companies but also people from rental houses and suggested these brochures be handed out to vacation rentals as well. Mayor Pro Tem John Moore suggested the permit including a statement with the rules that non-motorized vessels are not allowed past 75 feet from shoreline. Council agreed that somehow the rules need to be put out there to everyone.

Commissioner John Kilby made a motion to task the LAB to put something together regarding this matter to bring back to the next Marine Commission Meeting. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

CAMP LURECREST'S REQUEST TO RELOCATE THE SWIMMING-AREA-LINE IN THE LAKE TO ENHANCE SAFETY OF CAMPERS

Commissioner John Kilby stated that the LAB discussed this matter and recommended that Camp Lurecrest's request be approved. Chris Decker, Executive Director at Camp Lurecrest, stated that the current location of the swimming-area-line creates a safety issue at the Camp. He stated that 210 kids come to camp each week when it's full from mid-June to the end of August and requested the Board's approval before camp ends. Mr. Decker presented a map which showed the proposed location they wish to have the no-wake buoys placed and stated they would attach a solar light to the top of a buoy for lake traffic after dark.

Commissioner John Kilby reported that during the LAB meeting, Mr. Decker mentioned that the Camp has had problems in the past with the public using the iceberg

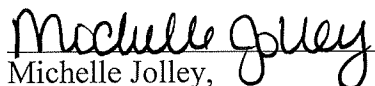
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and the ropes would help with that matter. Mr. Decker noted that during off-season the buoys and ropes could be removed.

Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to approve Camp Lurecrest's request to relocate the swimming-area-line in the lake. Mayor Pro Tem John Moore seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:51 p.m. Commissioner John Kilby seconded and the motion carried 4-0.


Michelle Jolley,
Lake Lure Marine Commission Clerk

