



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE MARINE COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020, 4:00 P.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER

PRESENT: Mayor Carol C. Pritchett
Mayor Pro Tem John W. Moore
Commissioner Patrick Bryant
Commissioner John Kilby
Commissioner David DiOrio
Shannon Baldwin, Town Manager

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pritchett called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Moore gave the invocation and Council members led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner John Kilby noted that approval of the December 10, 2019 Minutes should be removed from the Consent Agenda since that meeting was cancelled.

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

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Pritchett invited members of the public to speak and no one requested to speak at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pritchett presented the Consent Agenda and asked if there were any proposed changes before calling for action.

Commissioner John Moore made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded and the motion carried 4-0. Therefore, the Consent Agenda incorporating the following item was unanimously approved:

- A. Adopt the January 14, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no old business items to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

A. COMMERCIAL LICENSE APPLICATION REQUESTS

Mr. Givens reported that he received three vacation rental commercial license requests. The Lake Advisory Board (LAB) reviewed the requests and recommended approval since there is room available in the Commercial Model.

Commissioner Bryant referred to John Iyoob's application pointing out that he did not check the boxes agreeing to maintain activity logs with hours on all motorized boats, to keep livery rental forms on file for one year, and to make logs and rental forms available to the Marine Commission. Mr. Givens explained that Linda Ward, Customer Service Coordinator, reviews all the applications and makes sure that each application is completed prior to issuing the permits. Commissioner DiOrio questioned if the \$100 late fee was applied to the applicants who missed the November 1st deadline and Mr. Givens stated yes. Commissioner DiOrio commented that the late fee should be applied consistently and waivers not be granted for some and not others. Commissioner Moore asked if daily boat activity logs are required for vacation rentals. Mr. Givens stated that this is not currently a requirement but discussions have been held in the past about requiring hour meters be installed on vacation rental boats. Commissioner Kilby commented that hour meters could be required for other commercial boat categories as well and the hour logs be submitted yearly. He suggested the LAB discuss this at their next meeting and bring a recommendation back to the Marine Commission. Mr. Givens explained how the hours are calculated for the Model. Mayor Pritchett asked how much it would cost to install an hour meter. LAB Board Member Gary Johnson stated around \$150-\$200. Commissioner Kilby pointed out that the hours would help improve the accuracy of the Commercial Boat Permit Model.

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LAB Chairman Mark Helms reported that John Iyoob came to an LAB meeting to contest the \$100 late fee he received due to missing the deadline applying for a lake commercial license. He explained to Mr. Iyoob that he would have to go before the Marine Commission to request the waiver of that fee. Commissioner DiOrio pointed out that he was not present and felt the Board should keep in line with the regulations.

Commissioner DiOrio asked how many boats were still available in the Model for livery and vacation rentals. Mr. Givens mentioned that 22 or 23 are available for vacation rentals and one livery is still available. After these three today that leaves 19 or 20.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the three commercial licenses. Commissioner DiOrio seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

B. GRANT AUTHORITY TO PRLD TO GRANT COMMERCIAL LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Mr. Givens asked the Board for authority to approve commercial licenses that come in after the November 1st deadline, if they fit into the Model. Commissioner Moore felt this made perfect sense to allow.

Commissioner Kilby made a motion to accept the recommendation to grant authority to the Parks, Recreation, and Lake Director to approve licenses that come in after the November 1st deadline, if they fit into the Model. Commissioner Bryant seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

C. AMEND THE LAKE FEE SCHEDULE

Mr. Givens reported that there has been past discussions about designating slips in the new marina for commercial use and noted that the fees for those rentals would need to be determined. He also stated that a fee would need to be determined for weekly slip rentals as well, if a slip is designated for weekly use and suggested \$100 a week. The slip rental fee would be in addition to the boat permit fee. Commissioner Moore asked if the fee should remain the same during non-peak season as well and Mr. Givens suggested that it should. Mr. Givens mentioned that there should still be plenty of parking available in other places for temporary tie-ups. He stated that he is attempting to track how many people are purchasing annual non-resident motorized permits to use during peak season just for one week so that they are able to go out on the lake on weekends and holidays. Commissioner Kilby questioned how long the annual resident motorized permit fee has been \$200. Mark Helms and Gary Johnson stated around three years. Commissioner Kilby felt that \$200 was a bargain for a boat permit for the entire year. Commissioner

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DiOrio suggested tasking the LAB to discuss the boat permit fees and bring a recommendation back for the June Marine Commission meeting.

Commissioner DiOrio explained the importance of the Commercial Boat Permit Model being self-sustaining noting that any additional revenue is really important and benefits everyone in helping to balance Lake Operations. This will help in getting loans from the LGC in the future.

Commissioner Kilby asked how many resident annual motorized weekday only permits are sold and questioned if these types of permits are even needed. Mr. Givens stated that he would provide them with an end of year boat permit summary which would show how many permits were sold last year.

Commissioner Patrick Bryant made a motion to approve the lake fee schedule as amended, postponing the decision on the fees for weekly boat slip rentals and commercial boat slip fees until the June Marine Commissioner Meeting. Commissioner John Kilby seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner John Kilby made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 p.m. Commissioner David DiOrio seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST:


Michelle Jolley,
Town Clerk


Mayor Carol C. Pritchett

