

Town of Lake Lure - Lake Advisory Board

- Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting -

The Lake Advisory Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Town of Lake Lure's Lake Operations Office on Monday the 3rd day of June, 2013 at 3:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Mark Helms (Chairman)
Bill Ashman
Joe Pritchett
Dan Breneman
Gary Johnson
Derek Papesh
Dean Givens (Lake Operations)
Clint Calhoun (Lake Operations)
Andi Calvert (Town Clerk)

Non-Attending Members:

Mary Ann Silvey (council liaison)

Guests:

Mayor Bob Keith
Town Manager Chris Braund
Fire Chief Ron Morgan
Blaine Cox
Ed Tello

General Meeting Actions:

- Chairman Mark Helms called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
- Gary Johnson made a motion, seconded by Joe Pritchett, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2013 regular meeting as presented. The vote of approval was unanimous.
- Bill Ashman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m. Joe Pritchett seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

Public Forum:

No one requested to speak during public forum.

Report from Lake Operations Director: Dean Givens reviewed his Lake Operations report. (Copy of Lake Operations report is attached)

Special Topics:

- **Discussion Concerning Seaplanes** – Ed Tello, the Seaplane Association Field Director for North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, presented information concerning seaplanes and suggested that the board consider allowing seaplanes to land on Lake Lure. Mr. Tello explained the process of landing a seaplane, stating that he feels it would be safe for seaplanes to land on Lake Lure. Mr. Tello informed the board that there are around 220 seaplane pilots in the Carolinas.

Blaine Cox stated that about 15 years when the regulation prohibiting seaplanes on the lake was created, officials feared that allowing seaplanes on would make the lake a "landing strip".

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Mr. Givens asked Lake Lure Fire Chief Ron Morgan about his experience with the forestry service's seaplane. Mr. Morgan stated that he was impressed by his experience with the forestry service's seaplane.

Mr. Tello offered to take interested board members for a ride on his seaplane to allow them to become more familiar with how seaplanes operate.

Board members discussed the information presented by Mr. Tello, but made no decision concerning seaplanes.

- **Discussion Concerning the No Wake Zone in Rumbling Bald Resort Cove** – Lake Operations Director Dean Givens stated that he spent approximately 4 hours in the Rumbling Bald Resort Cove area over two weekends, but that boat traffic was light during the time he was in the area. Mr. Givens noted that several non-motorized vessels were being operated out in the middle of the channel.

After discussion, Mr. Givens agreed to verify the accuracy of buoy placement in the area and suggested adding more buoys to define the no wake zone. The board asked that Mr. Givens come up with some proposed options for the area.

- **Discussion Concerning Lake Advisory Board Member Areas of Responsibility** – Chairman Mark Helms explained that prior to the creation of the town's lake operation administrator position, Lake Advisory Board members were assigned specific areas of responsibility.

The board discussed assigning individual areas of responsibility and Mr. Helms agreed to email the board members concerning assignment of areas of responsibility.

Dan Breneman suggested that the lake operations department send out periodic emails to keep the board members informed concerning lake topics between regular Lake Advisory Board meetings.

Lake Operations Director Dean Givens informed the board that David Efird had resigned from his position on the Lake Advisory Board and that council was scheduled to appoint someone to fill the remainder of his term at the next town council meeting.

It was the consensus of the board to recommend that Gary Hasenfus be appointed to fill the remainder of Mr. Efird's term.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea H. Calvert