

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 Municipal Center on Monday, the 5th day of October, 2015 at 3:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Mark Helms (chairperson)
Joe Pritchett
Dan Breneman
Gary Johnson
Gary Hasenfus
Bill Ashman
Derek Papesh
Dean Givens, Dir. Lake Ops.
Clint Calhoun, Environment
Mgmt. Officer
Mary Ann Silvey (council
liaison)
Chris Braund (Town Manager)

Non-Attending Members:

Call to Order:

- Chairperson Mark Helms called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Approval of the minutes:

- Gary Johnson made a motion to approve the September 14, 2015 regular meeting minutes as amended with the following correction.

“After further discussion, Dan Breneman, Gary ~~Hasenfus~~ Johnson and Barbara Bagwell were appointed to serve on a committee to review the current lake level operating procedure.”

Joe Pritchett seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

Public Forum:

Betty Ross of Chapel Point Road stated that the number of non-motorized boats on the lake needs to be addressed and suggested that the price of non-motorized permits for non-residents be

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increased and that a “cap” be set to limit the number of non-motorized permits to be purchased by non-residents.

Individual Meeting Reports and Actions:

Lake Operations Department – Dean Givens reviewed the department’s report that was sent to board members by email prior to the meeting.

Town Council / Marine Commission Liaison Report – no report.

Fishery & Ecosystem – Gary Hasenfus reported:

- No Report

Lake Structures – Gary Johnson reported:

- No Report

Emergency Preparedness & Response – Dan Breneman:

- No Report.

Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Joe Pritchett reported:

- No report.

Water Quality – Bill Ashman reported:

- No Report

Regulations & Law Enforcement – Derek Papesh reported:

- No Report

Other Business

Consider Recommendation of a Lake Structures Request for the Lodge on Lake Lure

Dave Odom stated that he has been working with staff concerning a proposed re-zoning for the Lodge on Lake Lure property. Mr. Odom stated that he feels the proposed plans for the property benefit the community as well as the owner and fits within the town’s comprehensive plan.

Mr. Odom presented plans outlining the owner of the Lodge on Lake Lure’s wishes to make extensive improvements to the property which includes expanding the lodge to 40 rooms,

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converting the private dining club to a restaurant, adding a new restaurant over the boathouse and adding 33 slips to the three boat slips currently in the existing boathouse.

Frank Kelsh and Sharon Decker were present and answered questions relating to the proposed project.

Board members directed Environmental management officer Clint Calhoun to will review the request and send the LAB members information outlining which parts of the proposal fits within current regulations and what does not. LAB members will review the proposal and provide feedback concerning potential impact (both positive and negative).

Ester Lusk sated that it would be helpful if there was a link to all the info on the website (similar to Firefly Coves recent request).

Continue Discussion of Boat Permits (Rates and Boat Density)

Town Manager Chris Braund provided board members copies of a letter from Joyce Marino asking council to revisit the comprehensive plan when setting boat permitting rates for 2016 and expressing her concerns about boating and tourism in her neighborhood.

Board members discussed potential use a of county recourse officer at the school to free up time for a town office to help with lake patrol.

Board members reviewed potential options for addressing boating concerns presented at the September LAB meeting

After discussion, Dan Breneman made a motion to recommend that council implement the following fee schedule for boat permits in 2016:

Daily Non-motorized - \$10
Annual Non-motorized Commercial - \$50
Annual Non-motorized - \$40

Bill seconded the motion, after further discussion; no one voted in favor of the motion

Gary Johnson made a motion to recommend that town council implement the following fee schedule for boat permits in 2016 and leave all other boat permit fees the same as the 2015 rates:

Daily Non-motorized - \$10
Weekly Non-motorized - \$25
Create a new Annual Non-motorized Non-resident permit - \$50
Resident Annual Non-motorized - \$30
Annual Non-motorized Commercial - \$100

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Additional funds from the increase should be used for lake regulation enforcement. If there are funds not used for enforcement they should be used for dredging.

Bill Ashman seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous (Mr. Breneman left the meeting prior to the vote so was not present when the vote was taken).

Gary Johnson made a motion to recommend that all non-motorized boats stay within 75ft of the shore or within the no wake buoy and the shoreline and in coves except when crossing the (only during peak season) Joe Pritchett seconded the motion 2 in favor 3 against

Derek Papesh made a motion to recommend that all non-motorized boats stay within 75ft of the shore or within the no wake buoy and the shoreline and in coves except when crossing the lake effective year round instead of during peak season only. Gary Johnson seconded, motion passed (Bill Ashman opposed)

Adjournment: Gary Hasenfus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Bill Ashman seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

Andrea H. Calvert, Town Clerk