

# Town of Lake Lure - Lake Advisory Board

## - Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting -



The Lake Advisory Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Lake Lure Municipal Center on Monday, the 7th day of March, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.

### **Attendees:**

Mark Helms (chairperson)  
Joe Pritchett  
Gary Johnson  
Gary Hasenfus  
Sonya Ledford  
Mary Ann Silvey (council liaison)  
Dean Givens, Dir. Lake Ops.  
Clint Calhoun, Environment  
Mgmt. Officer

### **Non-Attending Members:**

Dan Breneman  
Bill Ashman

### **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 minutes of the February 1, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Gary Hasenfus seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

### **Public Forum:**

No one requested to speak during public forum.

### **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.

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**Council Liaison** – No report

### **Review and Consider Recommendation of Lake Structure Regulation Revisions**

Commissioner Stephen Webber gave an overview of potential revisions to the Lake Structure Regulations and pointed out changes that were made to the proposed amendments since they were presented at the February 1, 2016 Lake Advisory Board meeting.

After discussion, Gary Johnson made a motion to recommend approval of the proposed Lake Structure Regulation amendments. Gary Hasenfus seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous. (Copy of proposed Lake Structure Regulation amendments attached.)

### **Discussion of Proposal from Lake Lure Tours**

The board discussed a proposal for operations submitted by Lake Lure Tours in response to concerns from residents concerning wake discussed at the February 1, 2016 Lake Advisory Board meeting, the board showed general support for the proposal. (Copy of the Lake Lure Tours proposal attached.)

After discussion, Gary Johnson made a motion accept the proposal. Joe Pritchett seconded and the board unanimously voted in favor.

The board suggested that Rumbling Bald be shown the agreement and discussed the idea that all tour boats should operate under the same restrictions. The board asked Lake Operations Director Dean Givens to go talk to a Rumbling Bald representative and take copy of Lake Lure Tour's plan and suggest that they agree to do the same with the anticipation of a potential required contract for all tour boat operators in the future.

The board asked Commissioner Silvey to ask council for direction concerning studying the idea of all tour boats being required to operate under a contract.

### **Fishery & Ecosystem – Gary Hasenfus:**

- Mr. Hasenfus informed the board that Christmas trees have been placed in the lake and approximately 42 new reefs have been deposited around the lake.

Mr. Hasenfus also stated that the lake study that was approved at a previous meeting will probably be delayed until next year due to time constraints. Since the new study will not be conducted this year, thread fin shad will be stocked again this year. Mr. Hasenfus is contacting a group to help get the carp out when they gather in Morse Park at the drain this year.

### **Lake Structures – Gary Johnson:**

- Mr. Johnson stated that he came to a recent Board of Adjustment meeting and suggested that the board may need to develop a way to cross reference non-motorized boat permits

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for vacation rental properties to ensure that they purchase a commercial non-motorized permit. Mr. Johnson commended the lakefront properties owners newsletter for aiding in getting the word out of recent boating regulation changes

### **Emergency Preparedness & Response – Dan Breneman:**

- *Absent*

### **Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Joe Pritchett:**

- Mr. Pritchett stated that dredging will continue until the end of March and that a full season of dredging is expected for next year.

### **Water Quality – Bill Ashman:**

- *Absent*

### **Regulations & Law Enforcement – Sonya Ledford:**

- *No report*

Bob Keith informed the board that he received a letter from Robert Iwaoka concerning erosion and noise pollution that he believes is generated by commercial ski boat operations on the lake. Mr. Keith stated that Mr. Iwaoka advocated restricted hours of operations for commercial ski operations. The board discussed the concerns, but no action was taken.

**Adjournment:** Gary Hasenfus made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Johnson seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

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Andrea H. Calvert, Town Clerk